



Media Release

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Pearl River Valley Electric responding to snow storm outages—Day 2, 5 p.m.

Pearl River Valley Electric crews have restored service to more than 4,000 member-consumers so far today after outages caused by yesterday's snow storm, which dumped more than 5 inches of snow in many parts of the Association's 12-county service area. As of 5 p.m., fewer than 2,900 members remain without service. Beginning this morning, nearly 7,000 members were without power, down from a high of more than 11,000 Friday.

All of PRVEPA's crews have been working through the day making their way through the system. Additional crews from 4 electric cooperatives in north Mississippi are assisting in the effort.

"Nearly all of the outages have been small and scattered, unfortunately," said Kurt Brautigam, manager of member services. "In a normal storm, entire feeder lines can be restored and re-energize hundreds of members at a time. With this storm, we have been primarily working individual cases, clearing downed trees and limbs off of lines to reach members' service."

Crews will continue working late into this evening in an attempt to restore as many members as possible. Another update will be provided at 9 p.m.

Outage numbers and locations can be viewed on our website at www.PRVEPA.com. PRVEPA members can to report any outages to the Association's toll free number 855-2PRVEPA (255-277-8372).

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