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Norris Public Power District Continues to Work on Restoring Outages in Southern and Eastern Gage County

Good morning. Norris crews were able to restore power to all communities served by the District last night as of approximately 10:00 p.m., except for Liberty, Barneston and Lewiston. Currently we are estimating 1500 rural customers are without power in Southern Gage, SE Jefferson, and a small area in Thayer County. We have help from 5 other power districts, Beatrice Board of Public Works and Nebraska Public Power District today to help with restoration efforts. We are estimating a couple hundred broken poles in addition to damaged/broken conductor. Crews will continue to work through the day and night to restore power; however some restoration efforts will continue into tomorrow. Please urge Norris customers to call us to report downed power lines in their area as well as broken poles. If they are without power, please have them call and report that to us as well.

Areas currently with power may experience minimal power outages throughout the day as we continue work on restoring power. I will give you all another update as the day progresses. If you need to reach me, please call me on my cell phone at the number listed below.

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