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Emergency Support Function 12

Hurricane Dolly Situation Report # 4
July 25, 2008 (3:00 PM EDT)

http://www.oe.netl.doe.gov/emergency_sit_rpt.aspx

Highlights:

- As of 11:00 AM EDT, July 25, Dolly has been downgraded to a Tropical Depression and continues to move west-northwest at 14 mph along the Texas/Mexico border. Maximum sustained winds are near 30 mph and the storm is expected to weaken later today.
In the State of Texas, as of 1:40 PM EDT, July 25, there are 128,428 customers reported without power, a decrease from the 209,332 customers without power reported yesterday (See Situation Report #3). The outage number represents just over one percent of the total customers in Texas. American Electric Power Texas (AEP Texas) reports 122,928 customer outages in ten counties in their service territory. Magic Valley Electric Cooperative (MVEC) and Brownsville Public Utilities Board report a total of 5,500 customers without power.
As of 10:00 AM EDT, July 25, the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) reported that the Emergency Notice issued due to Hurricane Dolly causing transmission damage in the Brownsville, TX area has been lifted and canceled.
Yesterday (July 24) MMS reported the final update of evacuation and shut-in production statistics for Hurricane Dolly. As of 12:30 PM EDT, July 24, the Minerals Management Service (MMS) reported 420 million cubic feet per day (MMcf/d) of the Gulf's natural gas production was shut-in and 18,047 barrels/day of the Gulf's crude oil production was shut-in.
As of 12:30 PM EDT, July 24, a total of 43 production platforms, or 6.0 percent of the Gulf's 717 manned platforms, were evacuated.

Electricity Outages by State

Table with 3 columns: Impacted State, Electric Customer Outages, % of State Customers Without Power. Rows include Texas (128,428 outages, 1.2%) and a TOTAL row (128,428 outages, 1.2%).

Total state customers are based on 2006 EIA Customer Data.

Note: due to a large number of service providers, including investor owned utilities and cooperatives, the number of customer outages reported may not be comprehensive.

Sources: AEP Texas as of 1:40 PM EDT 7/25/08 http://www.aeptexas.com/news/outages/default.asp. Magic Valley Electric Cooperative as of 1:10 PM EDT 7/25/08 http://www.magicvalley.coop/ Brownsville Public Utilities Board as of 10:30 AM EDT 7/25/08 www.brownsville-pub.com/electric.html

Source: MMS as of 12:30 PM EDT 7/24/08 http://www.mms.gov/ooc/press/2008/press0724.htm.



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ESF 12 Actions:

- On July 22, ESF-12 personnel began staffing the FEMA Region VI Regional Response Coordination Center (RRCC) in Denton, TX and the National Response Coordination Center (NRCC) in Washington, DC. **As of 16:00 PM, July 25, the NRCC will stand down.**

Restoration Activities:

- **As of 12:00 PM EDT, July 25, AEP Texas reports that damage assessments for the Rio Grande Valley will be completed by today. The utility estimates that 95 percent of the impacted customers in the cities of Edinburg, McAllen, Mission, and Rio Grande City will be restored by late evening July 27. Crews from neighboring cities will be arriving over the weekend to help with power restoration efforts.**
- **As of 1:10 PM EDT, July 25, MVEC reports that the remaining scattered outages throughout their service territory are estimated to be restored by this weekend (July 26-27).**