



ENERGY ASSURANCE DAILY

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Electricity

Update: Over 85,000 Customers Remain Without Power in Pennsylvania, New Jersey June 26 after Strong Storms Hit June 23

Restoration was continuing Friday after strong storms knocked out power to 500,000 Atlantic City Electric and PECO customers in New Jersey and Pennsylvania Tuesday night. PECO, which reported 250,000 customers without power in Pennsylvania, said it expects the majority of customers to have service restored by Friday evening, although some customers in the most heavily damaged areas may be without service throughout the weekend. As of 3:30 p.m. EDT, 14,088 customers remained without power. Atlantic City Electric, which also reported 250,000 customers without power in New Jersey, said storm damage to the electrical infrastructure was extensive and affected several high-voltage transmission lines, which serve large numbers of customers. The company said it expects to restore service to all of its customers by midnight Sunday, however, the vast majority of customers should have power restored before midday Saturday. As of 3:30 p.m. EDT 71,468 customers remained without power.

<http://www.atlanticcityelectric.com/pages/connectwithus/outages/outagemaps.aspx>

<http://www.atlanticcityelectric.com/library/templates/Interior.aspx?Pageid=1105&id=6442457605>

<https://www.peco.com/CustomerService/OutageCenter/OutageMap/Pages/OutageMap.aspx>

<https://www.peco.com/CustomerService/OutageCenter/StormCenter/Pages/default.aspx>

Strong Storms Knock Out Power to Over 124,000 KCP&L Customers in Missouri June 25–26

Strong storms producing high winds and rain knocked out power to 124,539 Kansas City Power and Light (KCP&L) and Kansas City Board of Public Utilities (KCBPU) customers Thursday night into Friday morning. As of 3:30 p.m. EDT, 64,509 KCP&L and 12,820 KCBPU customers remained without power. Sustained precipitation in the region has recently saturated ground soils to the extent that wind gusts caused trees to uproot and damage power lines. KCP&L said it was assessing the damage and that additional crews have been called in to assist restoration efforts. Power restoration will likely be a multi-day effort due to the number of downed trees and wide spread damage to the electrical system.

<https://www.facebook.com/KCPLConnect>

<http://outagemap.kcpl.com/external/default.html>

<http://secure.bpu.com/ov/>

<https://www.facebook.com/kckbpu?fref=nf>

Thunderstorms Knock Out Power to Over 13,000 Dominion Customers in Virginia June 25

Thunderstorms knocked out power to over 13,000 Dominion customers in central Virginia Thursday night. Heavy rain, strong winds, and hail were reported. As of 3:30 p.m. 1,546 customers remained without power.

<https://twitter.com/DomVAPower>

<https://www.dom.com/residential/dominion-virginia-power/outage-center/outages-by-region-and-maps>

<http://wric.com/2015/06/26/thousands-without-power-friday-morning-after-storms-sweep-through-central-va/>

<http://wtvr.com/2015/06/25/severe-storms-cause-damage/>

Update: Entergy's 1,075 MW Waterford Nuclear Unit 3 in Louisiana at Full Power by June 26

On the morning of June 25 the unit had restarted and was operating at 80 percent. The unit was shut from full power on June 23.

<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/event-status/reactor-status/2015/>

Update: BHE Renewables' 310 MW Solar Star Unit 1 in California Returns to Service by June 25

The unit returned from an unplanned outage that began on June 24.
<http://content.aiso.com/unitstatus/data/unitstatus201506251515.html>

CDWR's 374 MW San Luis Hydro Unit in California Reduced by June 25

The unit entered an unplanned curtailment of 150 MW.
<http://content.aiso.com/unitstatus/data/unitstatus201506251515.html>

Petroleum

Update: Workers at ExxonMobil's 344,600 b/d Beaumont, Texas Refinery Approve 6-Year Labor Contract June 25

Unionized workers at ExxonMobil Corp's Beaumont, Texas, refinery agreed to a six-year contract on Thursday night, which sources say the company pushed to assure no work stoppages during a contemplated multibillion-dollar expansion. Members of United Steelworkers union (USW) Local 13-243 ratified the contract offer, which runs two years longer than the national agreement reached by the USW and U.S. refinery owners in March.
Reuters, 9:59 June 26, 2015

FCCU at Marathon's 451,000 b/d Galveston Bay, Texas Refinery Expected Online June 30 – Sources

The fluidic catalytic cracking unit 1 at Marathon Petroleum Corp's Galveston Bay refinery in Texas City, Texas is expected to resume production by Tuesday, said sources familiar with refinery operations. The unit's restart has been expected since March, following eight weeks of repairs after a January 13 breakdown. An attempt to restart the unit began at the end of May, but was called off due to problems with a hydrotreater.
Reuters, 12:12 June 25, 2015

ExxonMobil Reports Flaring at Its 149,500 b/d Torrance, California Refinery June 26

Reuters, 10:45 June 26, 2015

Update: Plains All American Pipeline Facing Congressional Investigation into California Oil Spill

Plains All American Pipeline (PAA) is being investigated by the House Energy and Commerce Committee for failing to swiftly report an oil spill that caused a 9-mile oil slick in California, according to media reports. The spill one month ago was the result of a corroded oil pipeline. It also polluted the California coastline. The committee has asked PAA for detailed records pertaining to its maintenance of the oil pipeline off the Santa Barbara coast, and has questioned the company regarding its delayed response to the accident. The company also faces a class action lawsuit from homeowners along the coast of Refugio State Beach. The suit alleges that the company's failure to install an automatic shutoff and negligence in promptly reporting the spill caused millions of dollars in damage to oceanfront property, and depressed the value of homes along the coast. Additionally, Exxon Mobil has shut in oil production at its Heritage, Harmony, and Hondo offshore oil rigs located off the coast of Santa Barbara. The ruptured pipeline distributed crude production from the three rigs.

<http://energycommerce.house.gov/sites/republicans.energycommerce.house.gov/files/114/Letters/062515PlainsPipelineLetter.pdf>

Reuters, 11:13 June 26, 2015

Natural Gas

ANR Begins Unplanned Maintenance at Its St. John Compressor Station in Indiana June 25

Transcanada's ANR Pipeline Co began unplanned compressor maintenance at the St. John Compressor Station along its Michigan Leg South located in the Northern Fuel Segment (ML-7). The maintenance reduced the total St. John W-E capacity by 300-MMcf/d, leaving 1,033-MMcf/d available, until June 30.

<http://anrebb.transcanada.com/>

Other News

Nothing to report.

International News

Nothing to report.

Energy Prices

U.S. Oil and Gas Prices			
June 26, 2015			
	Today	Week Ago	Year Ago
CRUDE OIL West Texas Intermediate U.S. \$/Barrel	59.36	59.57	105.85
NATURAL GAS Henry Hub \$/Million Btu	2.79	2.86	4.57

Source: Reuters

Links

This Week in Petroleum from the U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA)

<http://www.eia.gov/oog/info/twip/twip.asp>

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http://www.eia.gov/oil_gas/petroleum/data_publications/weekly_petroleum_status_report/wpsr.html

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