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Electricity

Update: Over 11,000 Customers Remain without Power October 15 after Strong Storms Hit Texas and Southeast October 13

11,867 customers remained without power Wednesday after thunderstorms with heavy rain and high winds knocked out power to 305,289 customers in Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and Georgia on Monday. Entergy Louisiana reported 9,760 customers remained without power as of 3:30 p.m. EDT Wednesday and those customers may not have power restored until Friday due to damage to the company's transmission and distribution systems. Alabama Power, the hardest hit utility, said power had been restored to all 115,000 of its customers affected by the storm.

Texas and Southeast Customer Power Outages			
October 15, 2014			
Electric Utility	State	Peak	Latest Reported
Entergy Arkansas	AR	6,000	307
Georgia Power	GA	60,300	432
Entergy Louisiana	LA	69,000	9,760
Oncor	TX	18,000	840
AEP SWEPCO	TX	4,000	528
TOTAL *		157,300	11,867

*Total outages represent only electric utilities listed in this table.

Sources:

<http://alabamapowernews.com/2014/10/14/tuesday-storm-update-10-14/>

<http://www.cullmanecoutages.com/works.html>

<http://www.etrviewoutage.com/external/ar.aspx>

http://outagemap.georgiapower.com/external/default.html?hp=tm_po_view_outage_map

<http://www.etrviewoutage.com/external/la.aspx>

<http://stormcenter.oncor.com/default.html>

<http://www.myarklamiss.com/story/d/story/entergy-continues-working-to-restore-power-to-nort/20726/9umLVgKYzEW9-rXjUFHjuw>

Update: Southern's 1,149 MW Vogtle Nuclear Unit 2 in Georgia Ramps Up to 40 Percent by October 15

On the morning of October 14 the unit had restarted and was operating at 25 percent. The unit experienced a manual reactor trip October 12 during reactor startup.

<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/event-status/reactor-status/2014/>

<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/event-status/event/2014/20141014en.html>

Update: Sunoco's Mid-Valley Pipeline in Louisiana Remains Shut October 14 after 4,000 Barrel Spill October 13

A section of a Sunoco Logistics oil pipeline remained shut Tuesday after a leak was discovered Monday morning in northwest Louisiana. A spokesman for the Louisiana State Police said the spill was immediately contained and estimated that about 4,000 barrels of oil were released. The company said it hasn't yet determined what caused the oil leak from its Mid-Valley Pipeline. The incident occurred about 4 miles south of Mooringsport in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and was discovered by pipeline control-room operators. Crews laid out booming equipment in a nearby creek where crude oil was reported to try to contain it, Sunoco said. The Mid-Valley pipeline carries crude oil from Longview, Texas, to Samaria, Michigan.

<http://online.wsj.com/articles/pipeline-remains-shut-after-spill-in-louisiana-monday-1413319263>

Kinder Morgan Announces Expansions at Pasadena and Galena Park Terminals on the Houston Ship Channel in Texas

Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P. on Tuesday announced an expansion project at its Pasadena and Galena Park terminals that would provide additional infrastructure to help meet growing demand for refined product storage and dock services along the Houston Ship Channel. The combined investment will include the construction of 2.1 million barrels of storage between the two terminals. Kinder Morgan will also construct a new ship dock capable of handling ocean going vessels and infrastructure improvements at its Galena Park Terminal that will significantly increase the vessel load rates across the existing ship docks. The project was backstopped by long-term contracts with existing customers. The new ship dock and the existing Galena Park ship docks will be capable of loading vessels at rates up to 15,000 barrels per hour.

<http://phx.corporate-ir.net/phoenix.zhtml?c=93621&p=irol-newsArticle&ID=1977602>

Sunoco Announces Open Season for Its 100,000 b/d Delaware Basin Extension Project from New Mexico to Texas

Sunoco Logistics Partners L.P. on Tuesday announced that Sunoco Pipeline L.P. will commence a binding open season on October 15 for its Delaware Basin Extension project. The project was being developed to deliver crude oil from the Delaware Basin area in New Mexico and West Texas to Midland, Texas and would provide Delaware Basin producers new take away capacity from the rapidly growing area. The project would consist of approximately 125 miles of new build pipeline that is anticipated to have initial capacity to transport approximately 100,000 b/d. The Delaware Basin Extension project was scheduled to be operational in the first half of 2016.

<http://www.sunocologistics.com/SiteData/docs/DelawareBa/9451466dcae4003d/Delaware%20Basin%20Extension%20Press%20Release%20Final.pdf>

Natural Gas

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Closes Successful Open Season for Its 500 MMcf/d South System Flexibility Project from Tennessee to Texas

Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P. on Tuesday announced that its Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (TGP) successfully closed a binding open season for its South System Flexibility Project for 500 MMcf/d of capacity. MexGas Supply, formerly known as MGI Supply, the natural gas supply arm of Petroleos Mexicanos, has been awarded 100 percent of the project capacity. The South System Flexibility Project will provide more than 900 miles of north-to-south transportation capacity on the TGP system from Tennessee to Texas and expand Kinder Morgan's transportation service to Mexico, according to the East Region Natural Gas Pipeline President. Service was expected to begin as early as January 1, 2015.

<http://phx.corporate-ir.net/phoenix.zhtml?c=93621&p=irol-newsArticle&ID=1977680>

Other News

Nothing to report.

Middle East Refineries Diesel Output to Reach nearly 1 Million b/d in 2015 as Demand Drops – IEA

A rapid rise in Middle East refining capacity will create a large surplus of diesel as global demand growth for the road fuel decreases, the International Energy Agency (IEA) said on Tuesday. In its monthly report, the IEA forecast that the Middle East's net oil product exports would reach nearly 1 million b/d in 2015 from an average of less than 400,000 b/d in 2013. Newly built Middle Eastern mega refineries were coming into production just as demand growth for diesel was beginning to drop, which could leave them searching for outlets, the IEA said. The IEA expected ultra low sulfur diesel and jet fuel production from two newly built Saudi refineries and one in the United Arab Emirates to reach 800,000 b/d, against regional distillate demand growth of less than 100,000 b/d per year in 2014 and 2015.

http://www.downstreamtoday.com/news/article.aspx?a_id=44845

<http://www.iea.org/newsroomandevents/news/2014/october/iea-releases-oil-market-report-for-october.html>

Energy Prices

U.S. Oil and Gas Prices October 15, 2014			
	Today	Week Ago	Year Ago
CRUDE OIL West Texas Intermediate U.S. \$/Barrel	81.83	89.42	102.03
NATURAL GAS Henry Hub \$/Million Btu	3.91	3.88	3.81

Source: Reuters

Links

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

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

Updated every Wednesday.

Weekly Petroleum Status Report from EIA

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

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Natural Gas Weekly Update from EIA

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

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