

# FOR RELEASE

## Prepared for High Winds, Severe Storms and Possible Hail/Tornadoes

PSE&G is committed to working safely to restore potential power outages and providing excellent service

(NEWARK, N.J. – May 16, 2022) PSE&G is prepared for the high winds, severe thunderstorms and hail and tornado threats forecast for this afternoon into evening. Winds of up to 65 mph are expected. These conditions may cause tree limbs to break and pull down wires, causing outages.

"With a cold front meeting hot, sticky air, we're expecting a mixed bag across New Jersey and we have personnel on hand to respond as safety and quickly as possible," said Jack Bridges, vice president, Electric Operations for PSE&G. "We encourage our customers to prepare, stay indoors if possible and report their outages to us."

PSE&G has additional personnel ready to respond, and is performing system and logistics checks to ensure the availability of critical materials, fuel and other supplies. PSE&G <u>prepares year-round</u> for extreme weather to maintain reliable service for our customers.

COVID-19-related storm processes have been adjusted to continue to keep the health and safety of employees and customers at the forefront.

The safety of PSE&G's customers and employees is the company's top priority. We ask that customers remain in their homes while crews are working nearby. If customers must speak with our crews, we ask that they practice responsible physical distancing, and remain at least 6 feet away to help ensure the health of everyone involved. For more information about how PSE&G continues to live up to its commitments during the pandemic, please visit <u>pseg.com/COVID19</u>. PSE&G thanks our customers for their patience as we safely restore power as quickly as possible.

Customers should prepare, be cautious and stay alert to their surroundings during and after storms. Review storm preparation tips at <u>https://nj.pseg.com/safetyandreliability/stormsafety</u>.

#### **Customer safety:**

- <u>Downed wires</u> should always be considered "live." Stay at least 30 feet away from downed wires, and don't go near the pole or anything touching the line. Immediately contact PSE&G, at <u>1-800-436-PSEG</u> (7734) via our mobile app or our website, to report downed wires and dial 911 if an immediate hazard exists.
- Electric current passes easily through water, so stay away from downed electrical wires. Don't drive over and don't stand near downed wires.
- Downed wires can potentially be hidden in standing water. If you encounter large pools of standing water, stop, back up and choose another path.
- To prevent carbon monoxide poisoning, do not run any gasoline-powered generators in a garage or any other enclosed space.

• If you are on life-sustaining medical equipment, please have a backup plan in case of power loss and ensure that you alert PSE&G in advance and notify your local police and fire departments. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.pseg.com/life">www.pseg.com/life</a>.

## Stay connected:

- Download the <u>PSE&G mobile app</u> to report outages and receive information on restoration times, crew locations and more.
- Register for MyAlerts to receive text notifications at <u>pseg.com/outagecenter</u>.
- Report an outage and receive status updates by texting OUT to 4PSEG (47734). You can also report
  your outage through our app, website at <u>pseg.com/myaccount</u> or with your voice using the Amazon
  Alexa or Google Assistant<sup>i</sup> app on your smartphone.
- Follow PSE&G on <u>PSEG on Facebook</u> and Twitter <u>@PSEGdelivers</u> for updates before, during and after the storm.
- Visit PSE&G's Outage Map for the latest in outage info, restoration times and crew locations across New Jersey at <u>pseg.com/outagecenter</u>.
- To report an outage by phone, call PSE&G at <u>1-800-436-PSEG (7734)</u> or use our web chat feature at pseg.com/myaccount.

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