

PSE&G Prepared for Expected Thunderstorms

Offers Storm Preparation and Safety Tips

(NEWARK, N.J. – July 9, 2015) - Public Service Electric and Gas Co. (PSE&G), New Jersey's largest utility, is closely monitoring the line of thunderstorms expected to push through the region later this evening and tonight.

"We take every storm with the potential for outages seriously, and have additional personnel scheduled and on standby, with auxiliary equipment at the ready," said John Latka, senior vice president of electric and gas operations for PSE&G.

The possibility of high wind gusts, heavy rain and lightning associated with summer storms can be dangerous and cause power outages. PSE&G offers the following tips on how to prepare for, and be safe during, a storm.

Before a storm:

- Ensure you have a battery-powered radio and fresh batteries.
- Check your supply of flashlights, blankets, nonperishable food and bottled water.
- Charge your cell phones, tablets and other mobile devices.
- Fill up your car's fuel tank.
- Bring in unsecured objects and furniture from patios and balconies.
- Discuss storm and lightning safety with your family.
- Compile a list of emergency phone numbers, including PSE&G's Customer Service line 1-800-436-PSEG.
- Sign up for *My Account* and bookmark the mobile-friendly homepage on your smart phone to report outages and check restoration progress.
- Register for MyAlerts ahead of time to receive text notifications about an outage:
<https://www.pseg.com/myalerts/>

During a storm:

- Listen to news or radio for emergency updates
- If you can hear thunder, go indoors and stay inside for at least 30 minutes after the last thunder clap.
- Avoid electrical equipment and telephones. Use battery-powered TVs and radios instead.
- Keep away from windows.
- Do not take a bath, shower or use plumbing.
- If driving, safely exit the roadway and park. Stay in the vehicle and turn on the emergency flashers until the heavy rain ends.
- Stay away from downed electrical wires.

All downed wires should be considered dangerous. To report downed wires or power outages, customers should call PSE&G's Customer Service line at 1-800-436-PSEG. Customers can also report power outages and view the status of their outage by logging in to *My Account* on www.pseg.com.

Stay in touch and keep informed:

PSE&G offers its customers a number of ways to stay in touch and informed before, during and after a storm. These tools can be found at PSE&G's mobile-friendly website www.pseg.com in the "Storm Center."

- Updated every 15 minutes, PSE&G's online "Outage Map" displays the location and status of power outages.
- To report power outages via text, and to receive outage updates by text and email, sign up for *MyAlerts*.
- Follow PSEG on Twitter and Facebook for tips and information about restoration progress.

- Be sure everyone in the family is prepared. Go to www.pseg.com/sesamestreet to download the PSEG and Sesame Street “Let’s Get Ready!” emergency preparedness app for young children.

[PSE&G Outage Map](#)

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