PJM Hurricane Sandy Update
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Current Update

- As of 5 a.m., Oct. 30, more than 4 million customers were without electric service in the PJM region because of the storm.

- Overall, the high-voltage transmission system is in good shape. There is enough generation available in the region to cover the loss of those generating stations that are out of service because of the storm. PJM had scheduled additional generating units to be available to run to replace generation forced to shut down because of the storm.

- 41 transmission lines or substations are out of service because of the storm. New Jersey was the hardest hit area in PJM, including the lines from New Jersey into New York. For example, there are about 22 230-kilovolt transmission lines out of service in New Jersey, many because of flooding in substations in the northern part of the state.

- PJM member companies are working to restore power to customers. PJM is working closely with transmission and generation owners to coordinate transmission system restoration efforts.

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