PJM Hurricane Sandy Update
October 31, 2012, 5:00 p.m.

- PJM member companies continue working to restore electric service to their customers. As of 5 p.m., Oct. 31, 3.3 million customers are still out of service. About 2 million are in New Jersey.

- We expect that all but about six transmission facilities will be back in service by the end of this week. Because most of the facilities which are expected to remain out of service have water damage (some salt water), the returning them to service will take longer.

- Overall, the high-voltage transmission system remains 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.

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* A hurricane’s greatest effects on the electric power system typically are on the distribution systems rather than the high-voltage transmission system. High winds may blow down trees and branches that pull down the wires serving neighborhood homes and businesses.

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