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## PJM Donates \$20,000 to Hurricane Florence Relief Efforts

Company to also match employee donations

(Valley Forge, Pa. – Oct. 1, 2018) – PJM Interconnection, the nation's largest power grid operator, is donating \$20,000 to the American Red Cross for Hurricane Florence relief efforts. PJM also will match its employees' donations to Florence relief programs.

"Our thoughts are with those impacted by this historic flooding," said Nora Swimm, senior vice president – Corporate Client Services. "Florence impacted millions of Americans, including customers served by our member companies in North Carolina and Virginia, but PJM's culture of caring extends far beyond our physical footprint. We are grateful our contribution can help people throughout the East Coast recover from this catastrophic event."

Over the last three weeks, the Red Cross has mobilized more than 3,500 disaster workers. The Red Cross and other organizations reported providing more than 113,000 overnight stays in emergency shelters to date and serving nearly 900,000 meals and snacks. The Red Cross has also distributed more than 110,000 relief items for people forced from their homes.

PJM employees contribute time and donations to many programs in the community. During 2017, PJM employees donated \$150,000 to area nonprofit organizations. In addition, employees volunteered more than 2,200 hours at local homeless shelters, food banks, schools, recreation centers and parks, helping to improve the lives of people in their communities.

PJM's <u>Corporate Social Responsibility Report</u> highlights the many community projects, educational-outreach efforts, environmental and health-related activities, and initiatives supported by employees.

<u>PJM Interconnection</u>, founded in 1927, ensures the reliability of the high-voltage electric power system serving 65 million people in all or parts of Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia. PJM coordinates and directs the operation of the region's transmission grid, which includes over 84,042 miles of transmission lines; administers a competitive wholesale electricity market; and plans regional transmission expansion improvements to maintain grid reliability and relieve congestion. PJM's regional grid and market operations produce annual savings of \$2.8 billion to \$3.1 billion. For the latest news about PJM, visit PJM Inside Lines at insidelines.pjm.com.

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