

Rhode Island Energy continues system upgrades in Portsmouth



PROVIDENCE, R.I. (August 12, 2025) – Rhode Island Energy is continuing to improve safety, reliability, and system performance for nearly 1,800 customers across five neighborhoods in Portsmouth.

As beach homes and cottages continue to be upgraded and converted to full time residences, Portsmouth has seen exponential load growth over the last 20 to 30 years. To meet this demand, Rhode Island Energy is continuing a multi-year effort in Portsmouth to support increased load demand, improve voltage quality, and harden the electrical system.

Rhode Island Energy crews will be working to improve nearly 3.5 miles of electric equipment in The Hummock's, Island Park, Common Fence Point, The Point Section, and Portsmouth Village neighborhoods. Work in these areas will include the installation of larger poles and upgraded electrical infrastructure such as wires and transformers. This project is expected to be completed over a 3-to-5-year timeframe.

"Meeting the needs of the communities we serve is paramount to being a great partner, and keeping the energy flowing," said Greg Cornett, President of Rhode Island Energy. "Completing these upgrades in Portsmouth will help to improve safety, reliability, and ensure our neighbors are set up for success for years to come."

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About Rhode Island Energy

Rhode Island Energy provides essential energy services to over 770,000 customers across Rhode Island through the delivery of electricity and natural gas. Our team of more than 1,300 employees is dedicated to helping Rhode Island customers and communities thrive, while supporting the transition to a cleaner energy future. Rhode Island Energy is part of the PPL Corporation (NYSE: PPL) family of companies addressing energy challenges head-on by building smarter, more resilient, and more dynamic power grids and advancing sustainable energy solutions.

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