Crews from PPL Electric Utilities Help Storm Cleanup in New Jersey

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PPL Electric Utilities line crews and support personnel are in the Long Branch and Union Beach areas of New Jersey's Monmouth County today (8/6) helping to restore power following severe thunderstorms there Monday night (8/5).

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Fifteen line crews from the company's Lehigh, Central and Harrisburg regions in northeastern and north central Pennsylvania are assisting with restoring electrical service to customers of First Energy Corp.'s Jersey Central Power & Light subsidiary.

About 3,600 PPL Electric Utilities' customers were affected by Monday's storms. Power was restored for all of those customers by late Monday evening. As part of the Mid-Atlantic Mutual Assistance group, PPL Electric Utilities provides assistance to other utility companies when it is able to do so without affecting its ability to respond to its 1.3 million customers in 29 counties of eastern and central Pennsylvania.

Earlier this summer, PPL Electric Utilities provided line crews to help utilities in Pittsburgh, Baltimore and central New Jersey restore service to customers following storms.

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