PPL Electric Utilities Restoring Power After Severe Thunderstorms

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Overnight Monday (7/21) PPL Electric Utilities restored electric service to more than 136,000 customers after severe thunderstorms pelted the company's 29-county service area.

As of 6 a.m. Tuesday (7/22), about 43,000 PPL customers remained without power.

"Our crews worked through the night to restore electric service for customers," said Michael E. Bray, president of PPL Electric Utilities. "This morning they will be joined by additional crews from utilities in the Washington, D.C., and Virginia areas and from electrical contractors."

PPL expects to have power restored to most customers by the end of the day Tuesday (7/22), Bray said.

"Restoring service as quickly and safely as possible is our top priority," he added. "The storms, which began to cross PPL's area about 5 p.m. Monday, continued throughout the night, causing additional damage. More than 1,000 repair jobs were necessary."

PPL Electric Utilities Corporation is a subsidiary of PPL Corporation. Headquartered in Allentown, Pa., PPL Corporation controls about 11,500 megawatts of generating capacity in the United States, sells energy in key U.S. markets and delivers electricity to customers in Pennsylvania, the United Kingdom and Latin America.

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