

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: INFORMATION REGARDING RESTORATION OF ELECTRIC POWER AFTER DERECHO	DOCKET NO. SPU-2020-0010
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**ORDER REQUIRING REPORTING OF TIMELINE FOR RESTORATION OF
ELECTRIC POWER TO CUSTOMERS**

On August 13, 2020, the Utilities Board (Board) sent a letter to all investor-owned electric utilities, municipal and cooperative associations in Iowa, and ITC Midwest LLC (ITC Midwest) directing those companies to file with the Board specific information regarding restoration of service to customers without power due to the August 10, 2020 derecho. Restoration information required by the Board in the August 13, 2020 letter should be filed in Docket No. SPU-2020-0010.

The Board sent the August 13, 2020 letter to ensure that all information is provided on a timely basis. This docket has been opened so the information is available to all state agencies, local governmental entities, and Iowans. For those electric utilities to which this order applies, the requested information is to be provided by 4:30 p.m. August 14, 2020, and is to be updated daily, including weekends, no later than 8 a.m. and again at 4:30 p.m., until power is restored to all Iowa residents.

The specific information to be reported by electric utilities is as follows: (1) a timeline for restoration of customers, (2) the total number of customers without power by county and community, (3) the total number of customers restored in the previous 24

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hours by county and community, (4) the number of crews each utility has dispatched and their location, (5) how each utility is informing local governments of outages, and (6) whether any delay in restoration is caused by local conditions or by loss of electric power from a transmission company.

ITC Midwest is required to: (1) identify where the transmission company's facilities have been damaged, (2) provide a timeline for restoration of the damaged facilities, (3) identify what electric utilities are served by the damaged facilities, (4) address whether there are alternative methods of restoring power on a temporary basis, (5) provide information the transmission company is sharing with the electric utilities and local governmental agencies, and (6) identify the franchise numbers for those facilities that have been damaged.

ORDERING CLAUSES

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. Docket No. SPU-2020-0010 is opened to receive information regarding restoration of electric power from electric utilities and electric transmission companies.
2. All electric utilities which have a power outage caused by the August 10, 2020 storm shall file, beginning at 4:30 p.m. August 14, 2020, and subsequently at 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. each day, including weekends, thereafter until all power to its customers is restored, the following information:
 - (a) A timeline for power restoration of its customers.
 - (b) The total number of customers without power by county and community.

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- (c) The total number of customers whose power was restored in the previous 24 hours by county and community.
- (d) The number of crews each utility has dispatched and their location.
- (e) How each utility has been informing local governments of outages (e.g., identifying how contact is occurring and identifying the local government official, by title, to whom the information has been provided).
- (f) Any delay in restoration caused by local conditions or by loss of electric power from a transmission company.

Iowa municipal utilities and rural electric cooperatives may submit this information through an association.

3. ITC Midwest LLC shall file, beginning at 4:30 p.m. August 14, 2020, and subsequently at 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. each day, including weekends, thereafter until all power to Iowa residents is restored, the following:

- (a) Information identifying where the transmission company's facilities have been damaged.
- (b) A timeline for restoration of the damaged facilities.
- (c) Information identifying what electric utilities are served by the damaged facilities.
- (d) Details on whether there are alternative methods of restoring power on a temporary basis.
- (e) An explanation of what information the transmission company is sharing with the electric utilities and local governmental agencies.
- (f) Identify the franchise numbers for those facilities that have been damaged.

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4. All investor-owned utilities that have customers without power due to the August 10, 2020 severe weather event shall publish anticipated repowering information on their websites and through appropriate social media sources.

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ATTEST:

Kelsie Vanderflute Date: 2020.08.14
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Richard W. Lozier, Jr. Date: 2020.08.14
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Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 14th day of August, 2020.