

Con Edison Crews Working Around the Clock To Restore Customers After Storm

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NEW YORK, Sept. 3 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Con Edison crews are working around the clock to restore electricity to approximately 43,000 customers affected by Saturday's winds, remnants of Tropical Storm Ernesto.

Con Edison employees surveyed damage throughout Westchester County on Sunday while 300 crews are working around downed trees, limbs and branches to replace poles and damaged wires.

As of 6 p.m. on Sunday, Con Edison has restored service to more than 34,000 customers in Westchester County. At this time 42,000 Westchester customers remain out of service. Most of these customers will be restored on Monday and Tuesday. Virtually all will be restored by Wednesday with the possibility of a small number going into Thursday.

After winds battered electrical lines, electric service at one time or another was interrupted to more than 90,000 customers in New York City and Westchester County.

Safety is Con Edison's No. 1 priority as its crews restore electrical power to customers.

Con Edison also warns people to avoid any downed electrical wires, to treat any wires as live and immediately report any downed wires to the company by calling 1-800-75-CONED. Customers without electrical power also should call that number.

Additional company crews, plus crews from Upstate New York and Rhode Island are assigned to Westchester County. The most damage is in the communities of Pelham, Greenburgh, Larchmont, Mamaroneck, Mount Vernon, New Rochelle, North Castle, Ossining, Port Chester, Rye, Scarsdale, Tarrytown, White Plains and Yonkers.

Con Edison also is working to restore the approximately 1,000 customers in the Bronx without power from the storm. Approximately 150 on Staten Island, 57 in Queens and 12 in Brooklyn were without power on Sunday night.

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