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Outages Continue to Decline in Eastern Kentucky

46,495 customers still without power

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Dec. 22, 2009) – Here are the latest outage numbers from the weekend snowstorm, as reported by jurisdictional utilities to the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC).

Total customers without power as of 11 a.m. today: 46,495

Companies reporting more than 500 customers without power:

Kentucky Power Co. (American Electric Power Co.): 41,918

Kentucky Utilities Co.: 2,650

Jackson Energy Cooperative: 880

Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corp.: 625

Counties with more than 1,000 customers without power:

Pike: 15,703

Letcher: 5,039

Floyd: 5,831

Perry: 4,604

Knott : 3,689

Leslie: 2,885

Breathitt 2,169

Lawrence: 1,526

Harlan: 1,295

Bell: 1,155

The PSC is an independent agency attached for administrative purposes to the Energy and Environment Cabinet. It regulates more than 1,500 gas, water, sewer, electric and telecommunication utilities operating in Kentucky and has approximately 100 employees.