



Upper Peninsula Power Company

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## **UPPCO Power Restoration Efforts Proceeding**

Marquette -- Upper Peninsula Power Company (UPPCO) crews have made good progress restoring electric service to customers who experienced outages located in largely Houghton, Keweenaw, Baraga and Marquette counties due to winter conditions that visited the U.P. in the past 24 hours.

As of early this evening, approximately 80 percent of the company's outages had been addressed. Crews will be working throughout the evening and early morning hours to address remaining outages located in the Houghton area and locations near Gwinn and Baraga. UPPCO estimates that some customers may not see power restored until Friday morning.

The outages were largely caused due to trees or limbs weighed down by heavy, wet snow hitting power lines or breaking poles with the help of windy conditions. Customers are reminded to stay away from downed power lines and to treat them as if they are energized. No attempts should be made by customers to clear downed trees or branches near power lines. Customers should call UPPCO at 800-562-7809 for electric emergencies and to report outages. For other emergencies, please call 911.

Upper Peninsula Power Company thanks customers for their patience and understanding. For continued outage updates and information about storm safety and what to do during an electric emergency, follow UPPCO on Twitter at **UPPCOstorm** and visit **www.uppco.com**.

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