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BEL Restores Power to the Southern Zone following Unplanned Outage

Belize Electricity Limited (BEL) has restored power to the Southern Zone, which includes the entire Stann Creek and Toledo Districts following an unplanned power outage to the area this morning.

At 8:01 a.m. today, power supply was lost to Dangriga Town and surrounding areas and at 9:18 a.m. to the Placencia Peninsula, Independence Village, Punta Gorda Town and surrounding areas when technical problems were experienced during emergency works on the 69 kV transmission line this morning.

To facilitate the emergency works, BEL sourced power from Belize Aquaculture Limited (BAL) to supply the Southern Zone. However, BAL experienced a loss of generation, which disabled power supply to BEL's customers.

BEL was forced to suspended the works and reconnect to the grid. Power was restored to all affected areas by 11:31 a.m.

BEL apologizes to customers for the inconvenience caused by this power outage.

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