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Electricity Supply Restored to Portions of the Belize District, Western & Southern Zones Following Outage Caused by Lightning Damage to Equipment

Belize Electricity Limited (BEL) has restored power to portions of the Belize District and the Western and Southern Zones of the country following a power outage caused by lightning damage to equipment at the West Lake Generating Plant.

At 4:25 a.m. today, power supply was lost to San Ignacio Town, a portion of Belmopan City, Dangriga Town, Independence Village, Punta Gorda Town and surrounding villages and those areas on the Northern Highway between Mile 1 ½ and Burrell Boom Village and along the Western Highway from Mile 8 to Mile 30.

Power supply was fully restored to the affected areas as follows: San Ignacio Town at 6:16 a.m.; Belmopan City at 6:35 a.m.; Dangriga Town at 6:52 a.m.; Independence Village and Punta Gorda Town at 7:10 a.m.; and the affected areas along the Northern and Western Highways at 10:28 a.m.

Following Hurricane Dean, BEL dispatched most of its crews to northern Belize to work on service restoration. The Company has recalled some of those crews to Belize City to assist with system repairs following lightning damages to distribution lines, transformers and substation equipment.

BEL has successfully energized all main power lines in the Corozal and Orange Walk Districts. The Company is now working on repairs to individual service lines and expects to be completed by Monday.

The Company thanks all its customers for their patience during the past week.

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