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**PRESS RELEASE**

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**SOUTHERN POWER SEES SLOW PROGRESS**

Progress continues across Southern Power District today, although the evidence of that progress is not easily seen in the number of outages resolved. Yesterday, outages numbered 3,245, and today, there are still 3,050 SPD customers without power.

Southern acknowledges that the remaining outages are those that are expected to last as long as several weeks. Crews are faced with the task of replacing thousands of damaged poles. Reports gathered this week and relayed in Wednesday's press conference indicated that 6,352 poles were destroyed district-wide.

Southern currently has 345 linemen assisting their 53 regular linemen with restoration.

The length of continuing outages will vary for every customer, but it will likely be several weeks before some customers see power restored.

Recorded progress updates are available to Southern customers at 1-800-652-9809, or on Southern's website at [www.southernpd.com](http://www.southernpd.com).

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