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SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT UPDATE

In order to be sure isolated outages are not missed during the progress of restoration, Southern is now encouraging all of its customers to report their outage, if they have not done so already. This includes Hamilton, Merrick, Hall and Adams Counties, as well as Phelps, Franklin and Kearney Counties. Southern's District-wide outages are now down to 347, with half of those outages being in the Holdrege service area and another 120 being in the Franklin County area.

Southern's outage report number is 1-888-484-2470.

Plans are still underway to conduct maintenance to the generator powering the village of Kenesaw, and that outage is expected to occur between 11 a.m. and Noon, and will last about five hours.

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