

Monday, February 15, 2021

ERCOT Calls for Rotating Outages

Record low temperatures cause issues for the Texas grid

ALEDO - Tri-County Electric Cooperative is complying with the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) mandate to shed load, which increased to 158 MW at 8 am. Roughly 58,000 members – 55% of our meters – are out of power, with 2,400 being weather-related and 55,800 members involved in the rotating outages.

Members will continue to experience rotating outages that will continue to meet ERCOT's requirements. All electric utilities on the ERCOT system are required to do the same to protect the Texas grid. If we do not shed load through these temporary, controlled outages, the entire Texas grid is subject to uncontrolled blackouts.

Rotating outages are expected to last no more than 60 minutes, and members may experience multiple temporary outages. If you experience an outage longer than 90 minutes please report online at oms.tcectexas.com, through the member app TCEC Connect or by calling 817-444-3201

Please know Tri-County Electric Co-op is doing all we can to assist our members. We are communicating to our members via Facebook and our website at tcectexas.com/alerts. You can keep up-to-date with the status with the ERCOT grid at ercot.com.

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Tri-County Electric Cooperative serves more than 94,000 members in 16 counties in the north Texas region. The co-op provides power to move than 120,500 meters on 9,360 miles of line.