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## **PSE&G Prepares for Hurricane Joaquin** *Offers Storm Preparation Tips*

(NEWARK, N.J. – Sept. 30, 2015) - Public Service Electric and Gas Co. (PSE&G), New Jersey’s largest utility, is making preparations for a possible landfall of Hurricane Joaquin in its service area. The utility also is closely monitoring the expected heavy rains and high winds over the next several days.

“While it is too early to know with any certainty when and where Joaquin will make land -- and the strength of the storm when it does -- we take every storm with the potential for outages seriously,” said John Latka, senior vice president of electric and gas operations for PSE&G. “We are activating our emergency protocol and personnel, and performing system checks on critical transmission and distribution equipment. Also, we are requesting mutual aid from other utilities, securing additional tree crews and ensuring the availability of materials and supplies.”

What to do now: Be ready to communicate, make sure you have a family emergency plan, and prepare an emergency kit.

### **Stay connected:**

- Compile a list of emergency phone numbers, including PSE&G’s Customer Service line 1-800-436-PSEG.
- Sign up for My Account and bookmark the mobile-friendly homepage on your smart phone to report outages and check restoration progress.
- Register for MyAlerts ahead of time to receive text notifications about an outage: <https://www.pseg.com/myalerts/>.
- “Like” PSEG on Facebook and follow PSEG on Twitter @PSEGdelivers.

### **Formulate a plan:**

- Discuss storm safety with your family.
- How will my family/household get emergency alerts and warnings?
- How will my family/household get to safe locations?
- How will my family/household get in touch if cell phone, internet, or landline doesn’t work?
- How will I let loved ones know I am safe? How will family/household get to a meeting place after the emergency?
- Be sure everyone in the family is prepared. Go to [www.pseg.com/sesamestreet](http://www.pseg.com/sesamestreet) to download the PSEG and Sesame Street “Let’s Get Ready!” emergency preparedness app for young children.

**Make an emergency kit:**

- One gallon of water per person, per day for at least three days
- At least a three day supply of non-perishable foods and a manual can opener
- Ensure you have a battery-powered radio and fresh batteries.
- Flashlights and extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Consider purchasing a portable gas generator

More information on how to prepare an emergency plan and kit is available at [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov).

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