

**JDEC Restores Power to More Than 50 Percent of Members**  
***Powering all our members in Jeff Davis Parish and portions of Calcasieu Parish***

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**JENNINGS, La.** – Thanks to using mobile generators to power substations located near Iowla and Manchester, Jeff Davis Electric Co-op (JDEC) was able to energize an additional 1,300 homes and businesses almost three weeks after Hurricane Laura inflicted catastrophic damage to southwest Louisiana’s electric grid.

“We are thankful we were able to secure these generators to give us a temporary solution to restore electric service to families and businesses across Jeff Davis and Calcasieu Parishes as quickly as possible,” said Michael Heinen, General Manager.

Power is now fully restored to JDEC’s service area in Jeff Davis Parish. Power is now restored to portions of JDEC’s service area in Calcasieu Parish.

Power will be restored as soon as possible as transmission lines and distribution lines are rebuilt.

Assisted by over 600 utility workers from several states, JDEC has restored power to roughly 5,700 of its 11,098 meters. Full power restoration to all members is expected to take several weeks.

All calls and questions regarding the work to rebuild JDEC’s system should be directed to the main office in Jennings. To report an outage, dial 1-800-256-5332.

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Photo: Mobile Generation Assets in the Derouen Substation.