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Power to Cleveland's Westside Restored

CLEVELAND – Earlier today a transformer at Cleveland Public Power's W. 41st Street substation failed causing a brief fire and a major power outage on the Westside of Cleveland. Approximately 40,000 customers were without power. Crews have completed an interim repair and power has been restored. In addition, a feeder tripped after the restoration leaving a small section of the Westside without power and crews are currently working to restore power to this area. CPP is developing a permanent solution.

"We know that power outages are always inconvenient, but with the extreme cold temperatures they are also dangerous," said Mayor Frank G. Jackson. "Even though power has been restored, we are keeping all of our resources involved as we monitor the situation, and we are still encouraging people to check on their neighbors and relatives to make sure they are safe."

The City of Cleveland has relocated the warming center previously located at the Michael J. Zone Recreation Center to the Gunning Recreation Center. An additional warming center will be set up at Public Auditorium. Additionally, people should check on any relatives in the area to make sure they are safe. Please keep in mind that, if the power goes out again, landlines may not be the most effective means to contact relatives in the impacted area and you may need to check on relatives in-person. If you are traveling, remember to treat all non-functioning or malfunctioning traffic signals as stop signs. All intersections should be treated as a four-way stop.

With the extreme cold temperatures, anyone without power should also leave a small, pencil-lead thin stream of water running through their faucets in order to prevent water pipes from freezing."

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