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ESSEX POWERLINES TO JOIN THE HURRICANE SANDY RELIEF EFFORT

(Oldcastle ON, Nov 2, 2012) A crew from Essex Powerlines left on November 1, 2012 to join in on the relief effort as a result of the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy in the North Eastern United States.

After a call for assistance was issued, the crew consisting of Power Line Maintainers were destined for Morristown, New Jersey. The Essex Powerlines crew joined others from the local utilities once Entegrus (Chatham) organized the convoy and requested help from the surrounding utilities. Crews will be assisting First Energy Corp in their efforts to restore power to 1000s.

“We are pleased that we are able to do our part to help to this devastated area by sending a crew”, stated Mayor Wayne Hurst, Chair of the Essex Powerlines Board. “We wish all affected by this devastation well and to the crews a safe trip there and home.”

This is not the first time Essex Powerlines has answered a request for help as a result of a natural disaster. In 2005, Essex Powerlines crews travelled to Louisiana and Texas in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

It is expected the crew will be gone for approximately 2 weeks.

Essex Powerlines provides reliable and safe power to over 28,000 residents and businesses in Amherstburg, LaSalle, Leamington and Tecumseh.

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