

Facts about PSEG Long Island's Electric Reliability Improvements

Port Washington – Great Neck Overhead Transmission Project

PSEG Long Island is committed to delivering best-in-class system reliability to our customers and to harden the system to better withstand the types of extreme weather, like Superstorm Sandy, that greatly impacted the North Hempstead area. The Port Washington – Great Neck Overhead Transmission Project meets the growing needs of North Hempstead residents and strengthens the system. PSEG Long Island is working closely with the local municipalities to minimize any potential disruptions to residents, manage traffic controls and replenish any disturbed vegetation.

Project overview

- The purpose of the project is to improve the reliability of the electric service to the area.
- PSEG Long Island's reliability engineers assessed the customer demand in your area and determined that there is a critical need for the summer of 2014 for a new transmission circuit from Port Washington to Great Neck. A new 69 kV transmission circuit is required now to reliably serve our customers in the area and reduce the risks of customer outages.
- 200 existing utility poles will be replaced with taller, wider and stronger poles capable of withstanding 130 mph winds, greater than what was experienced during Superstorm Sandy, and supporting the new 69kV circuit and existing 13kV distribution wire.
- All instances of double-wood poles will be removed.
- The project is 100 percent compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- Pole line construction and associated vegetation management is scheduled to be completed by summer of 2014.

Project route

- All elected officials, customers and local businesses impacted will be notified in advance regarding any lane / road closures or traffic concerns.
- The majority of the overhead route will be on commercial highways along state roadway Rt. 101, Port Washington Blvd. and Rt. 25A, Northern Blvd.
- Additional sections of the line will be on town roads including S. Bayles Ave. & Davis Ave. in Port Washington, Maple St. & Bayview Ave. in Manhasset and Shoreward Dr. in Thomaston.
- Work will only be performed on weekends, if necessary, to stay on schedule.

Vegetation management

- All pruning performed is in accordance with ANSI A300 standards, as well as the Best Management Practices – Tree Pruning publication and any vegetation disturbed will be replenished.
- Tree trimming will be performed during daylight hours along the route to permit the installation of the new facilities and prevent future interruptions to both new and existing electrical facilities.

Public information session

- A public information session will be scheduled for mid-March to discuss all aspects of the project.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this project, please contact PSEG Long Island's Customer Assistance Center at 1-800-490-0025.