



Our Work to Upgrade Reliability

State of Maryland Progress Results

1. TRIMMING TREES

Many of Pepco's recent outages are a direct result of trees falling on power lines. Pepco is aggressively trimming trees along public rights of way to obtain increased clearance between the overhead electric wires and existing trees. Pepco also will work with Maryland communities and homeowners to remove potentially hazardous trees which fall outside of the company's right of way area.

We trimmed trees along 66.3 miles of power lines in Montgomery County during March, bringing the annual total to 145.4 miles. The annual target in the county for 2016 is 436 miles. We trimmed trees along 40 miles of power lines in Prince George's County during March, bringing the annual total to 95.6 miles. The annual target in the county for 2016 is 409 miles.

2. IMPROVING PRIORITY FEEDERS

A feeder is an electric power line that distributes power to up to 1,100 customers within a specific geographic area. Each year, across Maryland, Pepco selects feeders for additional work to improve performance. As part of the Reliability Enhancement Plan, Pepco has expanded this program by 45 percent.

In Montgomery County during March, we completed work in the area of Bethesda. We continued work in the areas of Kensington, Bethesda, Gaithersburg and Rockville. We completed work on seven projects to date. We plan to complete 28 projects during 2016. In Prince George's County during March, we continued work in the areas of Oxon Hill, Hyattsville, New Carrollton and Largo. We plan to complete 23 projects during 2016.

3. PREPARING FOR SYSTEM GROWTH

Similar to upgrading electric service to your home to accommodate new appliances and electronic devices, Pepco is continuing to upgrade power lines and is adding circuits to accommodate new customers and support increased energy use by existing customers.

In Montgomery County during March, we continued work in the area of Bells Mills. We completed work on one project to date. We plan to complete three system growth projects during 2016. In Prince George's County during March, work continued in the area of Colesville. We plan to complete three system growth projects for 2016.

4. INSTALLING ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES

Pepco is installing advanced control systems that allow the electric system to identify problems and perform switching automatically. The technology will automatically isolate failed pieces of equipment and restore most of the affected customers within minutes of the failure.

In Montgomery County during March, work continued in the area of Kensington. The 2016 plan includes the activation of three automated restoration schemes. In Prince George's County during March, work continued in the area of Walker Mill. The 2016 plan includes the activation of four automated restoration schemes.

5. REPLACING AGING INFRASTRUCTURE

A feeder is an electric power line that distributes power to up to 1,100 customers within a specific geographic area. This program supplements the priority feeder program and focuses on addressing equipment, vegetation, weather and animal-related issues that negatively impact reliability performance. As part of the Reliability Enhancement Plan, Pepco will expand this program by 45 percent.

In March, we replaced or renewed a combined total of 57,766 feet (10.9 miles) of cable in Montgomery and Prince George's counties. In Montgomery County, we replaced or renewed 34,766 feet (6.6 miles) of cable in the county. Work began in the area of Ritchfield Court. Work continued in the areas of Herkos Court, Lake Christopher Drive, Duhart Drive, Merust Lane and Blue Silo. We have completed 14.8 miles year-to-date. We plan to replace or renew 43 miles of cable during 2016. In Prince George's County, we replaced or renewed 23,000 feet (4.4 miles) of cable in the county. Work began in the areas of Fernandes Drive, 23rd Parkway, Tantallon Drive, New Orchard Drive and Nalley Road. Work continued in the area of Cherry Hill Road. We have completed 5.4 miles year-to-date. We plan to replace or renew 38 miles of cable during 2016.