

Review of Electric Utility Hurricane Preparedness and Restoration Actions

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Comments : Florida needs to develop a power grid that is based on solar power and has stations that can pick up energy from one location and feed another location if it loses power. It took 10 days for the power to be restored and I am in Port Charlotte, so a minor hurricane in our area required 10 days to restore power? I know that areas that were badly hit took even longer. I have a friend in Naples (Golden Gate Estates) who was out of power for 20 days, which means they were without water because they are on a well system. Her husband was in his last days before dying 2 weeks later from cancer. She was trying to keep him comfortable, but it was almost impossible. Florida must have a solid power grid that doesn't affect an entire State when one area gets hit. Smaller stations with stored power from solar panels will help.