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## **POWERFUL STORM HEADED TOWARD NORTHERN INDIANA**

*NIPSCO Crews and Contractors Ready to Respond to Power Outages*

**MERRILLVILLE, Ind.** – Crews from Northern Indiana Public Service Company (NIPSCO) are prepared to restore power following a powerful storm that the National Weather Service has forecasted to arrive in Northern Indiana around 11 p.m. tonight.

According to the National Weather Service, the storm has the potential to produce damaging straight-line winds – possibly in excess of 75 miles per hour – coupled with thunderstorms and hail.

NIPSCO crews are currently working to restore power to approximately 3,200 customers in the areas in and around Valparaiso, Goshen, Plymouth, Gary and LaPorte whose power was interrupted this afternoon following high winds that snapped tree limbs and power lines.

**Editor's Note:** NIPSCO Communications will begin recording power restoration beginning tomorrow at 4 a.m. or sooner, if events warrant. The news media can access these updates by calling the NIPSCO Storm Hotline at 219-647-4333. **PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS TELEPHONE NUMBER SHOULD NOT BE PUBLISHED AND IS FOR THE NEWS MEDIA ONLY.**

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