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UPDATE FROM UPSHUR RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

As of 3 p.m. September 14, 2008, Upshur Rural Electric Cooperative is reporting the following outages reported by county:

Camp	18
Cass	8
Gregg	501
Harrison	4,061
Marion	1,370
Rusk	24
Smith	632
Upshur	554
Wood	29
Total	6,211

All transmission lines and substations are back in service. There are four major feeders still out in the Gethsemane, Jefferson, Nesbitt, and Hallsville areas. The bulk of the outages shown above are tap lines extending from major feeders.

A full staff of service crews and contractors are working in the field to restore your service. At this point maximum restoration time is estimated in approximately 48 hours, as crews face many obstacles. Some of these lines have broken poles, which are being rebuilt from the ground up while others still have trees and limbs that have to be removed prior to restoration.

Upshur Rural electric services 42,642 meters in 10 counties and at the peak of the storm there were over 27,000 members affected.