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## **Major Power Restoration Complete Today**

Gulf Power Company is completing its major restoration of power after Hurricane Dennis left more than 242,000 customers without electricity in Northwest Florida.

**The company estimates that all customers who can take power will be restored today, except on Navarre Beach and Pensacola Beach. All other customers who do not have power by 5 p.m. today should call 1-800-GU-POWER for the quickest response.**

This morning Gulf Power crews along with contractor crews also headed out onto both Navarre Beach and Pensacola Beach to begin full-scale restoration. Gulf Power expects to have all power restored to the beaches in two weeks, although many structures are too damaged to be reconnected.

“Our crews have worked through strenuous conditions to restore power in the six days since Hurricane Dennis made landfall,” said Lynn Erickson, Gulf Power spokesperson. “We appreciate their dedication, and we especially appreciate the cooperation and patience of the residents of Northwest Florida.”

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