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Power Outages

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St. Petersburg, Fla. (September 11, 2017) - Power outages affect the City's wastewater system.

While the City's sewage treatment system handled all wastewater that came its way during Hurricane Irma, power-loss to lift stations is currently presenting a challenge.

Three electric lift stations, which pump wastewater to treatment plants, lost power for varying periods during the storm's track through the Tampa Bay region. This caused overflows from manholes in the following locations:

- * 601 Grevilla Avenue -11,670 gallons
- * 2800 block of Bayside Drive Lift Station - 3,750 gallons
- * 24th Avenue South Lift Station - 3,400 gallons

The total overflow determined so far during Hurricane Irma (across the city of St. Petersburg) is less than 20,000 gallons.

Currently, the City is using portable generators to pump down the lift stations until Duke Energy can restore power to various locations. Duke is working to restore power as soon as possible.

