

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power's (LADWP) status of power outages throughout the City associated with the recent storm events, response to the loss of service by residents and businesses, and related matters.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Yaroslavsky – Raman – Soto-Martinez):

1. REQUEST LADWP to immediately report on the following:
  - a. Status of power outages throughout the City associated with the recent storm events; including the main causes by area, its response to the loss of service experienced by residents and businesses, and recommendations on system hardening against future extreme weather events.
  - b. Staffing and operations, and whether its current staff level is adequate to respond to multiple power outages and urgent situations throughout the City; and ways it can improve its operations in order to mitigate the loss of service in the future including a consideration of expanded use of mutual aid agreements.
  - c. Data collection, outage notifications, and public communication protocols used during the recent storm events; and ways these protocols can be improved to ensure reliable information is provided to impacted residents and businesses in real time.
2. REQUEST LADWP to coordinate with the Emergency Management Department on their report back under Council file No. 23-0214 related to managing and responding to weather-related emergencies and identifying channels for the communication of critical safety information between City departments, Council offices, and residents.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On March 10, 2023, your Committee considered Motion (Yaroslavsky – Raman – Soto-Martinez) relative to the instruction for LADWP to report on the status of power outages throughout the City associated with the recent storm events, including the main causes by area, its response to the loss of service experienced by residents and businesses, and identifying channels for communication of critical safety information between City departments, including the Council offices, and related matters. The Motion attached to the Council file includes some background on the matter.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations with the amendment requested by the Committee Chair and detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
YAROSLAVSKY:	YES
MCOSKER:	YES
RAMAN:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
HERNANDEZ:	YES

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