

FORTISALBERTA ANNOUNCES PUBLIC SAFETY POWER SHUTOFF MEASURES FOR THIS WILDFIRE SEASON

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Today, FortisAlberta Inc. (FortisAlberta or the Company) announced that it will have the capability to enact Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) measures for designated communities during Alberta's 2025 wildfire season.

FortisAlberta already employs a fully integrated approach to manage and mitigate wildfire hazards, leveraging a comprehensive strategy and a dedicated wildfire team. The Company's crews patrol power lines, manage vegetation, use fire-resistant materials, and deploy advanced operational technologies to closely monitor infrastructure located in higher-risk areas.

This wildfire season, FortisAlberta is expanding its wildfire mitigation practices to include PSPS protocols in certain communities. PSPS allows FortisAlberta to proactively deenergize power lines, as a last resort measure, when environmental conditions, including high temperatures, low humidity and strong winds create extreme wildfire risks in localized areas. The Company will initially implement PSPS in regions of its service area where it has determined that there is a higher risk that extreme wildfire conditions may develop.

FortisAlberta's President and CEO, Janine Sullivan, explains that the addition of PSPS to the Company's suite of wildfire mitigation techniques is a natural step. "Wildfires are a fact of life in Alberta with its varied geography and challenging weather. Recent increases in the frequency and severity of wildfires confirm that we need to continue to evaluate and deploy new operational procedures, like Public Safety Power Shutoffs, to reduce risk and help protect our customers and communities."

To receive information on power outages, customers are encouraged to ensure their contact information is up to date with their retail service provider (utility billing company). Customers may also sign up for outage alerts on the FortisAlberta website at fortisalberta.com/signup. Visit fortisalberta.com/wildfire-safety for more information about FortisAlberta's wildfire mitigation measures or Public Safety Power Shutoffs and how to be best prepared if one is enacted in your community.

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