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OUTAGE ALERT

Hawaiian Electric initiates brief rolling outages on Hawaiii Island due to unexpected loss of generators

Customers asked to conserve energy until 9 p.m.

HILO, Jan. 30, 2024 – Hawaiian Electric is initiating 30-minute rolling outages in parts of Hawai'i Island today due to the unexpected loss of several large generators. In addition, wind resources are near zero.

The brief emergency outages are being initiated in various areas of the island to prevent loss of power to an even greater number of customers. The impacted areas and the timing of the outages are based on the amount of electric demand that needs to be reduced.

Hawaiian Electric's combustion turbine units CT-1, CT-3 and CT-4 tripped offline and its Hill 5 unit is under repair. The island's largest generator, Hamakua Energy, is also not at full output and is undergoing repairs. Last night's generator fire at Hawaiian Electric's Panaewa Substation is not related today's generation shortfall.

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