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**Thunder Bay Hydro Crews Tackle the Results of
Record Number of Lightning Strikes**

Thunder Bay, ON – Thunder Bay Hydro crews continue to work on repairs needed because of the powerful thunderstorm that moved through the area this morning. Despite the high activity, only a few scattered locations remain without power.

At its peak, this morning's storm registered 1150 lightning strikes within one hour in the 75 km block monitored by Thunder Bay Hydro.

"We averaged 300 strikes every ten minutes for two ten-minute periods at the storm's peak," says Guy Gascoigne, System Control Supervisor. "As a result of lightning strikes, line and transformer fuses operated and needed to be replaced and one pole was damaged. Customers may have noticed a flickering of lights as automated equipment was busy during this period."

As of 10:00 am, power has been restored to the largest outage on Oliver Road west of Mapleward and crews are finished in the Westfort area. Power remains out in the Anemki Drive, Lawrence Road and Melbourne Road areas.

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