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## **Asplundh Tree and Line Workers Respond to Nor'easters**

**Willow Grove, PA**—Two Nor'easters only five days apart, toppled trees, tore down power lines and blocked roadways, requiring the mobilization of more than 1,500 employees of Asplundh Tree Expert, LLC and its utility infrastructure subsidiaries.

On Friday, March 2, near hurricane force wind, rain and white-out snow conditions from Winter Storm Riley knocked out power to nearly two and a half million utility customers from Virginia to Massachusetts. Although restoration work was nearing completion on several utility systems, many deployed crews were asked to remain as Winter Storm Quinn brought heavy, wet snow and wind on Wednesday, March 7, causing outages for approximately one million utility customers. Some of these mobilized crews are remaining in place since another snowstorm may arrive on Monday, March 12.

Over 1,200 Asplundh tree crews were sent from as far west as Illinois to assist 12 electric utilities and a county government in the Middle Atlantic and New England states that requested additional crews. They supplemented hundreds of local Asplundh crews already working on the storm damage.

More than 300 employees from Asplundh's infrastructure subsidiaries, Asplundh Construction (AC) and Utility Lines Construction Services (ULCS), were sent in from operations in the Midwest, South and less affected parts of the Northeast on March 2. They joined with local AC crews helping to repair and rebuild storm-damaged distribution and transmission lines for ten utilities from Maryland to Massachusetts. On March 7, the storm restoration activities for Riley transitioned to restoration work for Quinn.

"Our crews have been working in difficult conditions, but we all remain dedicated to restoring power safely and efficiently," said Chairman of the Board and CEO Scott Asplundh. "With the generous cooperation of so many of our customers, we are grateful to be able to help those utilities and municipalities that are in need right now. I also want to recognize the

families and friends who support our employees while they work long hours to help restore power.”

**About Asplundh:**

Asplundh Tree Expert, LLC is a family-owned and managed company headquartered just outside of Philadelphia in Willow Grove, PA. It primarily provides vegetation management and utility infrastructure services to a wide range of utilities and municipalities. The Asplundh family of companies employs approximately 35,000 men and women throughout the U.S., Canada, Australia and New Zealand. Learn more at [www.asplundh.com](http://www.asplundh.com)

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