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NGCP power grid intact as tropical storm “Sendong” hits Mindanao

Major power transmission lines of the National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP) remain operational even as tropical storm “Sendong” continues to batter Mindanao. Said storm made landfall yesterday afternoon in Hinatuan, Surigao del Norte.

Power transmission service provider and grid operator NGCP continues to monitor the movements of Tropical Storm “Sendong” and its effects on power transmission facilities in Mindanao.

Necessary preparations and precautions have been implemented to minimize the impact of the storm on NGCP operation and facilities. These include ensuring the availability of hardware materials and supplies necessary for the repair of damages to facilities, as well as the positioning of line crews in strategic areas, to facilitate immediate restoration work.

As of this morning, the major power transmission lines of NGCP (i.e. backbone lines of the power grid in Mindanao) have not been affected. There were two momentary faults, but these were immediately restored. NGCP remains in close communication with distribution utilities in Cagayan de Oro City and Bislig City to expedite and assist in restoration efforts.

Aerial patrol and inspection of lines in the affected areas will be in full swing today as soon as the weather allows. ###

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