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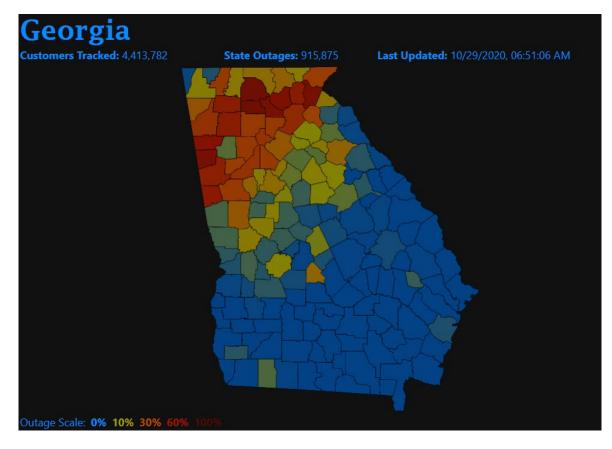
SUBJECT:Hurricane ZetaSITREP #:2020-8.4ISSUED:Thursday, October 29, 2020 at 7:00AM

OVERVIEW

Georgia Tech has delayed opening until 10AM today due to continued high winds and hazards on and around campus. Tropical Storm Zeta impacted the area this morning causing widespread power outages throughout metro Atlanta. Currently, there are over 900,000 customers without power in Georgia. The Georgia Tech campus continues to have power as does much of Midtown. However, there have been local impacts on and around campus. The biggest issue will likely be the extent and duration of outages across metro Atlanta especially with many persons working, teaching, and learning remotely.

CAMPUS STATUS

- Power and WiFi are on in Georgia Tech buildings, including GT Housing.
- A tree is down along Fowler Street in front of Sigma Nu and Phi Delta. This tree fell on power lines and has knocked out power to the Greek housing residents in that area. No estimated repair time.
- Construction fencing is down around many construction sites.
- Large branches are down around the area.
- Many traffic signals on or near campus are blinking, completely down, or have been displaced by the wind.



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REGIONAL STATUS

- Georgia Power is reporting over 500,000 outages.
- Across the entire state, there are over 900,000 outages.
- Expect these numbers to grow.
- Given the magnitude of the outages, restoration may take several days.

NEXT STEPS

- The Georgia Tech Police Department Office of Emergency Management will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as necessary.
- OEM will meet with the Crisis Management Team later today to discuss these impacts over the next several days.
- Follow the GT Office of Emergency Management on twitter @gtpdalerts.
- For the latest forecast information, please visit the National Weather Service at http://weather.gov/atlanta.