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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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POWER OUTAGE IN UTQIAĠVIK

On February 11, 2026, the west side (Barrow side) of Utqiaġvik experienced a power outage. At approximately 2:15 a.m., electricity was lost, resulting in outages to heat, power, local phone service, and internet. The North Slope Borough server is also currently down. 911 dispatch services remain operational.

As of 9:30 a.m., affected North Slope Borough offices, including the Main Building, Children's Youth Services, Health Department, and Public Works are closed until utilities are fully restored.

The North Slope Borough Department of Public Works and Housing are working closely with Barrow Utilities & Electric Cooperative, Inc. Crews are also conducting door-to-door checks on the west side of Utqiaġvik to identify homes that may be experiencing freeze-ups or related issues.

The North Slope Borough remains committed to the health and safety of all residents. We appreciate your patience as crews work to restore services as quickly and safely as possible.

Quyanaqpak for your understanding and cooperation.

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