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Restoration Update

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Restoration efforts across the Southern Grenadines islands of Canouan, Mayreau and Union Island continue, following the passage of Hurricane Beryl in July 2024. The following are updates for each island, as of 11th August 2024.

Canouan

Restoration of the primary and secondary distribution network continues in Canouan, with an average of 75% of the work being completed. Remaining work is expected to be complete within the next two weeks. Reconnection of homes and businesses will commence once the Electrical Inspectorate certifies that the electrical wiring of each building is safe to receive power.

Mayreau

Sections of the network were energized on 5th August 2024 and power was restored at the Health Clinic. A VINLEC team, supported by contractors, will continue work to restore the network this week. Again, buildings will be energized when VINLEC receives certificates indicating that it is safe to do so.

Union Island

Over 120 solar street lights have been installed, with an additional 100 planned for installation to further illuminate the island. Poles have been deployed to Union Island to rebuild the primary and secondary distribution network and a containerized generator (that offers some sound attenuation) was taken to the Union Island Power Plant. The initial aim is to provide power to essential services including the Health Centre, the Airport, and the town square.

VINLEC remains committed to restoring power as swiftly and safely as possible. We appreciate the patience and cooperation of all affected residents.