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GN declares state of emergency in Kimmirut

Kimmirut, Nunavut (November 2, 2024) – Today, Government of Nunavut (GN) Minister of Community and Government Services (CGS) David Joanasie declared a state of emergency in Kimmirut under [Nunavut's Emergency Measures Act](#), effective immediately.

"Nunavut Emergency Management is working closely with local and territorial partners to respond to the needs of community members," said Minister Joanasie. "We are committed to finding solutions to ensure the safety and security of everyone impacted."

On October 31, 2024, Qulliq Energy Corporation reported a complete community power loss. Limited backup power generation is available, and a warming centre has been established at the Qaqqalik School.

The need to declare a state of emergency at this time is to expedite the processes and provide the necessary supports to the Hamlet of Kimmirut. This will also give the GN additional authority to control and assign assets of GN departments and public agencies under the Emergency Measures Act.

At this time, all residents of Kimmirut are urged to follow direction and advice issued from the GN.

The state of emergency will be in effect for 14 days, from November 2, 2024.

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