

## Media Release

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### OUR Engages JPS to Address 2026 June 5 Islandwide Blackout

**(Kingston, Jamaica; 2026 June 6):** The Office of Utilities Regulation (OUR) notes the islandwide electricity interruption that occurred on Friday, 2026 June 5 and acknowledges the significant inconvenience caused to residential, commercial, and critical service customers across Jamaica.

The OUR is actively engaging the Jamaica Public Service Company Limited (JPS) to determine the cause of the outage, assess the adequacy of JPS's response, and get an update on system stability. JPS has advised that service has been restored to customers island-wide and it will continue to monitor the system for stability.

We have requested a preliminary report from JPS by Monday, 2026 June 8, to include the sequence of events, contributing factors, and the nature and impact of the outage on the generation, transmission, and distribution systems, as well as on its supply to customers. The OUR has also asked for information regarding immediate corrective measures to minimise the likelihood of recurrence. This will be a precursor to the more detailed report, which JPS is obliged to provide to the OUR within thirty (30) days of the restoration of power, as stipulated in the Electricity Act, 2015.

The OUR remains committed to protecting the interests of utility consumers and will provide further updates as more information becomes available.

Customers are encouraged to stay informed through official channels and to report any persistent service issues to their service provider.

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#### QUALITY POLICY STATEMENT

**OUR RULES:** The management and staff of the OUR are committed to Regulating Utility services in accordance with our Legislative powers and to the Enhancement of customer Satisfaction through continual improvement of our quality management system.

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