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WAPA Postpones Scheduled Electrical Outage for St. John

U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (January 30, 2025) – The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority (“WAPA” or the “Authority”) would like to inform the public that the previously scheduled island-wide electrical outage for St. John, originally set for Sunday, February 2, 2025, has been postponed to a later date.

This outage was initially planned to allow WAPA to conduct testing and perform preventative maintenance on the submarine cable connecting St. Thomas and St. John. While this work remains essential to improving system reliability, WAPA has determined that postponing the outage will allow time to restructure and further fine-tune the approach for testing.

A new date for the scheduled maintenance will be announced soon. WAPA appreciates the community’s patience and understanding as we work to ensure consistent and reliable electrical service.

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About WAPA: The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority is an autonomous agency of the Virgin Islands Government which produces and distributes electricity and drinking water to residential and commercial customers in the territory. WAPA was created by the Fifth Legislature of the Virgin Islands in 1964 through Act No. 1248. Today, WAPA generates electrical power at production plants on St. Thomas and St. Croix and distributes electrical service through smart grids to customers on St. Thomas, St. Croix, St. John, Hassel Island, and Water Island. Potable water is distributed to almost 13,000 customers through water lines and standpipes. WAPA also has the responsibility of installing and maintaining streetlights.

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