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Power outages in Sofia can happen for a variety of reasons, from routine maintenance to unexpected emergencies. Our goal is to provide timely updates to keep you informed about any changes.

Scheduled maintenance is essential for improving the reliability and safety of the power grid. These outages are planned in advance, and we'll notify you so you can be prepared. However, emergencies, such as severe weather or damage to power lines, can lead to unexpected outages.

Tensions are mounting at Bulgaria's West Electricity Distribution Networks JCS (Elektrozpredelitelni mreji Zapad AD) as numerous emergency team employees have submitted resignation applications, citing dissatisfaction with low salaries. The resignations pose a serious risk of prolonged power outages in ten regions just before the holiday season. Despite company claims that only ten resignation applications have been submitted across its 3,000-strong workforce, employees contest this, alleging hundreds of applications have been filed and accusing the company of downplaying the issue.

Some workers who submitted their resignations have been prematurely dismissed. Among them is Emil Preshelkov, who claims his dismissal was intended to intimidate others into withdrawing their applications. In front of bTV media, Preshelkov stated that photographic evidence and records show a much higher number of resignation applications than the company acknowledges, emphasizing that more than 300 workers are ready to leave. His dismissal, along with four others, has further escalated tensions among the remaining staff.

Emergency teams across 22 operational centers are at the heart of the dispute. Employees argue that their work involves high risks and specialized skills, yet their salaries remain below 1,500 leva per month (750 euros), even with overtime. This disparity has fueled widespread dissatisfaction, with workers insisting on dialogue with management to address their grievances. Instead, they claim management has resorted to dismissals as a pressure tactic.

The impact of these resignations could be significant. According to former employees, the lack of emergency teams will leave many regions vulnerable to extended power outages in case of accidents. "Half of Southwestern Bulgaria will have to rely on the few remaining colleagues who haven't resigned, meaning people could be left without electricity for several days," said dismissed worker Ivan Belchev.

The company has dismissed these concerns, asserting that there is no indication of increased staff turnover or risk to electricity supply. However, employees from regions like Razlog and Montana refute this, reporting widespread dissatisfaction and a lack of resolution. The situation remains critical, with employees standing



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firm on their decision to resign unless their concerns are addressed.

In the aftermath of last night's devastating Russian airstrikes on energy facilities, over one million consumers in Ukraine find themselves without power, as reported by a senior presidential official today

The European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) has approved a loan of up to 50 million euros for Tenevo Solar Technologies EAD to build and operate a solar photovoltaic plant in southeastern Bulgaria

On November 5, 2024, Westinghouse Electric Company, Hyundai Engineering & Construction Co., and "Kozloduy NPP - New Powers" EAD signed a contract in Sofia to initiate engineering services

An engineering contract for the construction of new nuclear facilities at Site No. 2 of the Kozloduy Nuclear Power Plant is set to be signed today with Hyundai and Westinghouse

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