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Subject: Power outage this weekend

General Services is planning major work on the electrical power systems around the Statehouse complex this weekend. The work on the power systems will involve all of the buildings in the area, including the Wade Hampton building, the Edgar Brown building, and the Statehouse. The schedule calls for work to be done in the Edgar Brown building beginning Friday night at 9 PM and being completed at 1:30 AM Saturday morning. The power outage in the Statehouse and Wade Hampton building will occur at 7 AM Saturday morning and should be completed by 11 AM.

The net effect of this power outage is that the network will be unavailable from Friday evening at about 8:30 PM, and will effectively last until power is restored to the Statehouse and Wade Hampton building late Saturday morning.

The combined effect of this is that the Statehouse will have no access to the network effectively from about 8:30 PM Friday night until after 11 AM on Saturday morning. I plan to have an IT staff power down all servers and network and equipment at about 8:30 PM Friday in preparation for the power outage at 9 PM Friday night. I plan to leave all server and network equipment off until power is restored to the Statehouse at 11 AM on Saturday morning.

I will keep you informed of any changes to this schedule as I learn them from General Services.

Thank you

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