



# ACCESS COORDINATION REQUEST

## *Winter Storm Event – Northeastern U.S.*

*Effective January 17, 2024 – January 22, 2024*

To: Federal, State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Emergency Managers and Law Enforcement Officials

The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) requests your consideration in granting appropriate support to critical infrastructure sectors impacted by the **Winter Storm Event** in the Northeastern U.S.. Previous response operations have shown critical infrastructure owners and operators routinely require area access, communication support, fuel priority, and may also require housing, and regulatory relief to assess damage, perform repairs, or implement mitigation measures necessary to restore services and functions essential for public health and safety.

CISA requests extending this support to owners and operators of the following critical infrastructure sectors:

Chemical	Commercial Facilities	Communications*	Critical Manufacturing
Dams	Defense Industrial Base	Emergency Services	Energy*
Financial Services	Food and Agriculture	Government Facilities	Health Care and Public Health
Information Technology	Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste	Transportation Systems	Water and Wastewater Systems

\* Presidential Policy Directive/PPD-21 identifies communications and energy systems as “uniquely critical due to the enabling functions they provide across all critical infrastructure sectors.” In response to certain circumstances and incidents, these systems would benefit from receiving priority and early support since they are foundational to the restoration of all other critical infrastructure.

This letter does not direct response operations, nor does it supersede the laws, regulations, guidance, priorities, access control measures, and actions established, by state, and local, tribal, and territorial emergency management and law enforcement officials or other proper authorities.

This letter is posted on [www.CISA.gov](http://www.CISA.gov) and copies have been provided to the state Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and FEMA Regional Response Coordination Center (RRCC).

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