

# Squirrel causes power outage for thousands in Stamford

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STAMFORD — Thousands of Ever source customers in Stamford lost power on Sunday after a squirrel caused a malfunction at one of the utility's substations east of downtown.

A total of 9,533 customers, 16 percent of the 58,000 customers in Stamford, lost power at 2:53 p.m. Sunday. The last customers still affected saw their power restored at 8:45 p.m.

“Squirrels are very active this time of year,” said Eversource spokesperson Mitch Gross. “It made contact with some equipment.”