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COMMISSIONER STAMPS TO POSTPONE JANUARY 29 PRESS CONFERENCE AT THE STATE CAPITOL

Jackson, MS (January 28, 2026) – Central District Public Service Commissioner De'Keither Stamps announced today that he is postponing his press conference scheduled for January 29, 2026, due to the widespread devastation caused by Winter Storm Fern.

"Mississippi is hurting right now, and my priority is being present for our communities," said Commissioner Stamps. "Winter Storm Fern caused catastrophic damage across our state. While restoration progress is underway, recovery is still an ongoing and complex process. Many areas may be without power for a week or more, and some communities will face longer timelines due to the extent of the damage. My focus right now is helping Mississippi recover."

Over the weekend, Winter Storm Fern swept across Mississippi, leaving behind icy roadways, fallen trees, and extensive damage to critical infrastructure. As of Tuesday, approximately 143,000 Mississippians remain without power, and hazardous travel conditions continue in many areas due to ice-covered roads and blocked highways. Tragically, four storm-related fatalities have been reported. The Mississippi Public Service Commission is working closely with electric, gas, and water utilities, as well as local and state leaders, to monitor restoration efforts, coordinate response resources, and provide updates to the public.

Updated information regarding the rescheduled press conference will be shared once recovery operations have stabilized.

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