

Town of Harpswell

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RE: Docket No. 2023-00038

The Town of Harpswell Select Board is disappointed to learn that the Maine Office of the Public Advocate has deemed Central Maine Power's (CMP) expedient storm recovery times excessive.

After experiencing multiple extended power outages with blocked roads and downed trees and wires, the Harpswell Select Board insisted that storm recovery times be improved. Our businesses and residents deserve to be safe and have power restored as quickly as possible, particularly those most vulnerable. In response, CMP has made storm preparation and recovery a top priority resulting in quicker restoration times.

The Select Board supports CMP's continued expedient storm recovery process.

Sincerely,

Kevin E. Johnson, Select Board Chair

David I. Chipman, Select Board Member