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Town-wide Power Outages Scheduled for Transformer Maintenance
Saturday, May 9, 1-6 AM and
Saturday, May 16, 1-7 AM

Berlin, MD – The Town of Berlin Electric Department has announced two scheduled town-wide power outages in May to allow for essential maintenance on substation transformers located on Schoolfield Street.

The first outage will take place on **Saturday, May 9, 2026, from 1:00 AM to 6:00 AM**, during which one transformer will be removed for preventative maintenance, testing, and painting. A second outage is scheduled for **Saturday, May 16, 2026, from 1:00 AM to 7:00 AM**, when the transformer will be reinstalled and a second unit removed for similar maintenance work.

Electric Utility Director Tim Lawrence emphasized the importance of the project, stating, “These outages are necessary to conduct preventative maintenance, which will help prevent future long-term power outages.”

An additional planned outage is expected in fall 2026 to complete maintenance on the remaining two transformers.

Maintenance projects of this nature are typically scheduled during the spring and fall months when electricity demand is lower due to milder temperatures and reduced reliance on heating and cooling systems. Outages are also planned overnight and on weekends to minimize disruption for residents and businesses.

All scheduled work is weather-dependent, as much of it must be performed outdoors. If the dates are rescheduled, updates will be issued as soon as possible.

For updates or additional information, residents are encouraged to monitor official Town of Berlin communications. For questions, please contact Berlin Electric Utility Director Tim Lawrence at 410-629-1713 or tlawrence@berlinmd.gov.

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