

## **Order No. 202-25-1A**

On May 16, 2025, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE or Department) issued Order No. 202-25-1 under section 202(c) of the Federal Power Act (FPA)<sup>1</sup>. That order authorized the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA), or its agents, to operate specified generation units, under certain circumstances, and only for a 90-day period. Order No. 202-25-1 expires at 11:59 PM on August 14, 2025. Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 824a(c), the Department issues emergency orders either upon its own motion or upon request. This order and Order No. 202-25-1 are issued upon the Department's own motion.

### *Emergency Situation*

Decades of deferred maintenance, insufficient investment, the bankruptcy of the system owner and operator, and devastating hurricanes and earthquakes have significantly deteriorated the Puerto Rican electrical grid, leading to repair times that take years rather than months. Given the extended nature of the emergency, I will continue to assess the state of the Puerto Rican electrical grid for potential renewals of emergency orders for successive periods until such time as the emergency no longer exists.

As stated in Order No. 202-25-1, the 2025 Resource Adequacy Summer Update found the restoration of at least 800MW will reduce the mean probability of Loss of Load Events (LOLE) from 90 to five, significantly reducing the likelihood of widespread blackouts and making the system more resilient to generation outage events. Since March 2025, PREPA has attempted to procure up to 800MW of temporary emergency generation capacity but it has not yet materialized.

The number and frequency of forced outages remain high, adversely affecting grid operations and delaying much needed planned maintenance outages. The most recent load shedding event occurred on July 9, 2025, with nearly 120,000 customer power outages. While some progress has been made, most of the conventional generation are still being repaired. Genera estimates the planned emergency projects will be completed from August 2025 through December 2025, but are subject to delays caused by funding authorizations, contract disputes, and weather. As such, Puerto Rico experiences severe inadequate capacity reserves.

I have determined that an emergency continues to exist in Puerto Rico due to a shortage of electric energy, a shortage of facilities for the generation of electric energy, and other causes, and that issuance of this Order will meet the emergency and serve the public interest.

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<sup>1</sup> 16 U.S.C. § 824a(c)

I have imposed limitations on operations outlined in this Order to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable, consistency with applicable environmental laws and regulations, and the reporting requirements for operations ensure transparency of implementation. Accordingly, I hereby issue Order No. 202-25-1A to allow operation of Specified Generators, as described in Order No. 202-25-1, with modifications as explained below, for an additional 90-day period to expire on November 12, 2025.

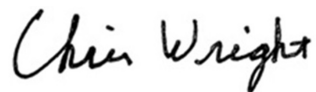
Pursuant to section 202(c)(4)(B), the Department has determined that the U.S. consulted with the primary Federal agencies with expertise in the environmental interest protected by the laws or regulations that may conflict with this Order. Accordingly, these agencies did not submit conditions for inclusion in this Order to minimize any adverse environmental impacts to the extent practicable.

#### *ORDER*

As I have determined that an emergency exists in Puerto Rico, I hereby order:

- Beginning on August 15, 2025, and continuing through November 12, 2025, in the event that PREPA, or its agents, determines that units from Specified Resources are necessary to maintain grid reliability, the units shall be operated as needed to address reliability issues.
- To minimize adverse environmental impacts, this Order limits operation of dispatched units to the times and within the parameters determined by PREPA for maintaining grid reliability.
- Every two weeks, Genera shall report all dates between August 15, 2025 and November 12, 2025, on which Specified Resources are operated beginning on Wednesday, August 27, 2025, through November 12, 2025, to DOE (via [AskCR@hq.doe.gov](mailto:AskCR@hq.doe.gov)). Each biweekly report shall continue to provide complete information using the DOE 202(c) Reporting Templates submitted to Genera and PREPA on July 8, 2025.

Issued in Washington, D.C. at 9:25am Eastern Daylight Time on this 14th day of August 2025.



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Chris Wright  
Secretary of Energy