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ATCO ENERGY SOLUTIONS PROVIDES EMERGENCY SUPPORT TO TOWN OF NORMAN WELLS NWT Community prepares to be cut off from natural gas after oil spill in Alberta

CALGARY, Alberta - ATCO Energy Solutions is providing emergency support to the town of Norman Wells as the remote Northwest Territories town prepares to be cut off from its natural gas supply.

Natural gas running into the town may be impacted in the next few days as a result of the Plains Midstream oil spill in Northern Alberta. The town is now running out of heating fuel for its 860 residents and businesses. Norman Wells declared a state of emergency Friday and town officials have asked ATCO for assistance.

"With freezing temperatures still in the forecast, it is critical that we provide assistance to the town and its residents," said Miriam Mitchell-Banks, Vice President & General Manager, ATCO Energy Solutions. "We are mobilizing a team of staff and equipment from Alberta that will support Norman Wells through this crisis. We have experience in the North. ATCO companies have been providing services to the Northerners for more than 100 years."

ATCO is mobilizing a propane-air distribution plant and seven staff members that will keep the town's gas distribution system operating during any possible outage. The company will be using propane in place of natural gas. Equipment will be flown to Norman Wells from Calgary. A Hercules transport plane is scheduled to leave for the North tonight. ATCO coordinated a similar relief effort after Norman Wells experienced an outage last summer.

ATCO has provided emergency support to many regions of the world, including Haiti after a devastating earthquake and in Chile, where the company aided in the rescue of 33 miners trapped underground.

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