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GENERATOR TO POWER KEENE TRANSMITTER New equipment will help battle summer storms

CONCORD—Just in time for the summer thunderstorm season, New Hampshire Public Radio (NHPR) has installed a new propane-powered generator as an upgrade to its Keene-area station, WEVH 90.7 FM.

In the past, power outages caused the station to temporarily go off the air, leaving listeners in southwestern New Hampshire without access to NHPR's statewide news and information programming. The 12 kilowatt generator will provide electricity to the transmitter and broadcasting equipment in the event of a power outage.

"It's important that NHPR be a reliable source of news and information for residents of southwest New Hampshire," says NHPR's President Mark D. Handley. "This new generator helps ensure power outages will not disrupt service to our listeners and members."

WEVH 90.7 FM, which first went on the air in 1994, provides NHPR's programming to residents of the Monadnock Region from its transmitter site on Carpenter Hill in Walpole, NH. The signal extends north to Charlestown, east to Dublin, south the Hinsdale and Northfield, Mass., and west to Brattleboro, Vermont.

New Hampshire Public Radio, a nonprofit, serves more than 150,000 listeners each week through a network of seven stations and transmitters. NHPR is the only statewide source of news, information, and entertainment for the Granite State, striving to earn the respect of its listeners by offering in-depth and unbiased reporting of the issues facing New Hampshire residents. NHPR views the importance of providing a comprehensive information source for New Hampshire as one of the station's highest priorities. Contributions from listeners and businesses in New Hampshire make up more than 90 percent of the revenue necessary to operate NHPR.

New Hampshire Public Radio broadcasts in Concord and Manchester at 89.1 FM; in Nashua at 90.3 FM; in Dover at 104.3 FM; in Hanover and Littleton at 91.3 FM; in Keene at 90.7 FM; in Berlin at 107.1 FM; in Jackson at 99.5 FM in Jackson; and on the internet at nhpr.org.