

Sandy takes out 25 pct of cell towers

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(AP)—Federal regulators say Hurricane Sandy knocked out a quarter of the cell towers in an area spreading across ten states, and the situation could get worse before it gets better.

Many [cell towers](#) that are still working are doing so with the help of generators and could run out of fuel before commercial power is restored, the Federal Communications Commission says.

The [landline phone](#) network has held up better in the affected area, which stretches from Virginia to Massachusetts, the FCC says, but about a quarter of cable customers are also without service.

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