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WASHINGTON, D.C.--Senator Bob Dole said today that emergency assistance may be needed for Kansas dairy farmers and rural electric cooperatives in the wake of widespread power line damage in the recent ice and snow storms. Dole contacted federal officials in Kansas and Washington to urge that the availability of emergency federal assistance be given prompt study.

The recent ice and snow storms have damaged more than 20,000 miles of power lines in Kansas, some so severely that power is still not available in some areas. Senator Dole received a report from Charles Ross, General Manager of Kansas Rural Electric Cooperatives, that more than 400 electric company employees from other states have been called in to help restore service. In addition power generators from as far away as South Dakota have been brought in to provide temporary relief.

Dairy farmers face especially serious difficulties," Dole said, "for they must have electric power to run their milking machines and maintain their herds' milking schedules. Severe losses can result if the cows cannot be milked."

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