

Power outage can cost millions in claims for damages

UK airline company British Airways (BA) has been forced to cancel all of its Heathrow and Gatwick-based flights worldwide as a result of a power supply disruption on Saturday May 27th.

The power disruption caused BA's IT infrastructure to fail, which in turn affected all take-off and landing operations. The ensuing chaos spilled over onto the following day with the airports struggling to cope with



the accumulated flight delays. Stranded passengers are now lodging claims for damages running into millions of pounds.

Power supply issues can also lead to negative impact on corporate-critical applications and disrupt business continuity.

Problems such as the one witnessed in Heathrow over the weekend are all but impossible at Brussels Airport. The airport's technical services have long understood the adverse consequences of a possible power failure and subcontracted the entire emergency power automation to the SDM-Group. "The airport is equipped with 7 electrogene groups, each of which is controlled by a steering board designed and implemented by SDM engineers. In the meantime the installation has been expanded and the power feed in the new connector is also guaranteed by SDM's engineering system", says Bavo De Man, CEO of SDM-Group.

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