HAZARDS AND THREATS

POWER OUTAGE – SAFETY AROUND ELECTRICITY

DOWNED POWER LINES

It is not uncommon for high winds and stormy conditions to damage power lines. If you see a downed power line, call 911 and inform the operator it is an electrical emergency. Please remember to do the following steps when reporting a downed power line:

• Call 911 and inform operator that it is an electrical emergency.
• Do not approach or touch the line or any person or object in contact with it.
• Assume all wires are energized.
• Only a qualified electrical worker knows when it is safe to be around electrical wires.

OVERHEAD POWER LINES

• Call Southern California Edison at 800-611-1911 or your local utility company.
• Always be aware when working around overhead power lines.
• Keep all objects and people at least 10 feet away from overhead electric lines.
• If you have concerns about working near power lines, or to report trees that have near power lines, call Southern California Edison (SCE) at 800-611-1911 or your local utility company.

NOTE: Remember do not attempt to remove kites, balloons or any other object tangled in power lines. Instead call SCE or your local utility company to report the problem.

UNDERGROUND POWER LINES

• Call 811 and know what is below.
• Make the required 811 call to mark your underground utilities before starting any digging job, no matter how small.
• This service is free.

For learn more information about safety around electricity visit the Southern California Edison website at http://www.sce.com/safety.

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