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**BEL Restores Power to the Toledo District –
Identifies Fault at Independence Switching Station as Cause of Outage**

At 12:11 p.m. today, power was restored to the Toledo District following a power outage that occurred at 7:02 a.m. and a series of intermittent outages in the area last night.

Work crews were dispatched to the field last night and this morning, crews from Belize City, San Ignacio and Belmopan joined the local crew to assist with investigating the cause of the power outages. Investigations have revealed that the cause of the outages was a fault relay at the Independence Switching Station. Inclement weather, coupled with the rugged terrain through which the transmission line serving the Toledo District runs, severely hindered the investigations.

BEL regrets any inconvenience caused by this outage. For more information kindly call 0-800-BEL-CARE (0-800-235-2273).

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