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## **BEL to Commence Countrywide Public Presentations on Electrical Safety and Launch Revised Service Installation Manual**

On Thursday, October 19, Belize Electricity Limited (BEL) will commence a series of Public Presentations on Electrical Safety countrywide and will launch a revised edition of its Service Installation Manual.

The presentations form part of BEL's Public Safety Program and topics to be discussed include Accident Prevention in the Construction Industry, Electrical Laws and Codes and Identifying and Preventing Electrical Hazards. The accidental electrical contacts which occurred earlier this year will also be reviewed to highlight risks.

The presentations will also review the standards used by licensed wiremen in Belize and as part of this discussion, the revised Service Installation Manual will come into focus. This manual acquaints licensed wiremen and other technical personnel involved in the installation of electrical services with the standards and procedures required by BEL.

“When our inspections reveal substandard wiring, the customer is inconvenienced not only by delays in getting their service installation connected to BEL but also increased cost to carry out the necessary modifications,” said Manager, Corporate Communications Dawn Sampson. “With this revised manual, we are ensuring that licensed wiremen have the right information to prevent these situations.”

Licensed wiremen can receive a copy of the manual at District Branch Offices by presenting their license. Other members of the general public can view or download a copy of the manual from BEL's website at [www.bel.com.bz](http://www.bel.com.bz) under the Customer Service page.

The first Public Presentation on Electrical Safety will take place in Orange Walk, on Thursday, October 19 at the Crystal Palace beginning at 7:00 p.m. Another presentation will be held in Corozal Town, on Friday, October 20, at the Corozal Town Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Electricians, building contractors, and interested members of the general public are invited. BEL will announce details for the remaining presentations in November.

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