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BEL Restores Power Supply Following Nationwide Unplanned Power Interruption

Belize Electricity Limited (BEL) apologizes for an unplanned power interruption which impacted Independence Eve festivities nationwide on Saturday, September 20, 2014. At 8:18 p.m., Belize's power supply was interrupted when a system trip occurred on Mexico's 230kV line, which provides power to Belize.

Through the use of local generation sources, BEL commenced restoration of power supply to customers. Most areas in the Stann Creek and Toledo Districts were restored at 9:07 p.m. via Blair Athol Power Company Limited (BAPCOL). At 9:38 p.m., Mexico's Comisión Federal de Electricidad (CFE) reconnected with BEL, which resulted in restoration to the Belize, Corozal and Orange Walk Districts. Power supply was restored to the Cayo District between 9:40 p.m. and 10:13 p.m.

CFE has since reported to BEL that the fault on their system was caused by a malfunctioning reactor.

BEL thanks customers for their patience while the Company worked to restore power supply and regrets the inconvenience caused.

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