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## **BEL Prepares for Possible Impacts of Heavy Rains**

Two weeks into the start of the Hurricane Season, the country is today facing the impacts of heavy rains and flooding in various areas. As a part of our Hurricane Preparedness Plan, Belize Electricity Limited (BEL) is monitoring the weather and is taking all necessary measures to maintain continuous, safe and reliable service to customers, especially during the rainy season. We have endeavoured to mobilize our people, resources and equipment as best as possible, considering the circumstances of flooding and recent heavy rains.

We assure customers that if there is any weather-related damage to BEL's equipment, poles, power lines or service to customers, our teams will be dispatched promptly as soon as it is safe to respond to service issues. In the event that the movement of personnel and equipment are restricted, customers will be informed of any delays experienced in restoring service.

We take this opportunity to share the following tips for your safety:

- Drive with caution on wet roads and in rainy weather. Remember to always use your lights in low visibility.
- Maintain a safe following distance from other vehicles.
- Relocate to higher ground early, when it is safe to do so. Water levels and the rate the water is flowing can change quickly during a flood. Monitor local radio, television or social media for weather updates.
- Avoid driving or walking in flooded areas, which can have hidden dangers such as fallen power lines, debris and potholes.
- Assume all wires are electrically charged, including cable TV feeds.

Please report any fallen or damaged power lines to BEL by calling toll free 0.800.BEL.CARE or 0.800.235.2273 or message us on Facebook.

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