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BEL Expresses Condolences Following Separate Road Accidents in Cristo Rey Village

Belize Electricity Limited (BEL) expresses profound sadness following two distinct road traffic accidents that occurred in Cristo Rey Village, Cayo District, in the early hours of Monday April 29th.

At around 4:00 a.m., a pickup truck collided into one of BEL's tension poles, situated approximately 15 feet off the road. The impact caused the pole to break at its base, resulting in structural damage that partially obstructed the road. The pickup truck came to a stop about 50 feet away from the collision site. In an attempt to warn other motorists, the driver placed broken tree branches on the road.

Tragically, despite the driver's efforts, a motorcyclist traveling down the road collided with a guy wire, which had been partially blocking the road due to the previous collision. A guy wire is a tension cable that contributes to the stability and safety of utility poles and is not energized. Unfortunately, this second collision resulted in the loss of life for the motorcyclist. BEL was then informed of both incidents at approximately 8:54 a.m. and our power line crew was on site by 9:15 a.m.

BEL extends its sincere condolences to the family and loved ones of the deceased motorcyclist. We understand the profound impact of this tragic incident and offer our heartfelt support during this difficult time. We are currently gathering more information on the circumstances surrounding these regrettable accidents.

We remain committed to ensuring the safety of the communities we serve and our infrastructure. We urge all motorists to exercise caution and adhere to road safety regulations at all times.

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