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BE SAFE THIS SPRING WHEN UNDERTAKING PROJECTS AROUND YOUR HOME

Enersource urges everyone to think Safety First

May 24, 2011 – MISSISSAUGA, Ontario – When it comes to electricity, we must be aware of potential hazards and work together to ensure the safety of ourselves, our neighbours and the community.

“As the weather warms up, we begin outdoor projects around our homes, which is why Enersource is reminding residents to always put safety first,” says Craig Fleming, President and CEO, Enersource.

Customers and contractors are reminded to use Ontario One Call, a free 24-hour service, for assistance in locating cables before doing any digging. Customers must call **1-800-400-2255** or visit **www.on1call.com** at least one week before digging. This will help to prevent injuries, property damage and inconvenient power outages.

When planting trees, you should consider the full size of a tree when fully grown. Avoid locations near overhead and underground power lines. When trimming trees, it is important to be aware of the power lines around you. If you find yourself close to overhead wires, please call Enersource before you proceed. Our trained experts will assess the situation and if necessary, trim the branches for you.

Pad-mounted transformers, commonly known as a green box, can also pose a safety issue. These transformers play a key role in our electrical system and Enersource relies on homeowners to keep these boxes clear of any obstructions. They require at least 3 metres of clearance in front of the transformer and at least 1.5 metres on the sides in order to perform routine maintenance or emergency work.

“Ensuring safety and protecting vital services is the responsibility of everyone,” said Fleming. “Before you perform any outdoor maintenance around your home, make sure that you can do it safely.”

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