### POWERLINE SAFETY



# LOOK UP LOOK OUT

Watch out for Overhead Powerlines

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## LOOK FOR and point out overhead powerline to family, friends, and contract workers...



#### What is the Risk

One in five non-worker deaths from electrocution are associated with ladders contacting overhead powerlines. Aluminum ladders, or ladders with aluminum parts, will act as conductors of electricity if they contact overhead powerlines.

#### **How to Avoid Risk**

Look Up! Always be aware of overhead powerlines when using ladders. Ladders should always be carried horizontally when moving them from point A to point B.



#### What is the Risk

Check to ensure that trees are not contacting powerlines – if they are, notify your Local Distribution Company. Contacting powerlines results in 6% of nonworker electrocutions with powerlines.

#### **Tree Pruning**

#### How to Avoid Risk

Look Out! Be aware of overhead powerlines that run across your property. Never touch powerlines and never attempt to prune trees around powerlines — only trained and experienced workers should prune trees around powerlines.

Pruning trees back from Hydro lines is dangerous. CONTACT your Local Electric Utility to clear tree growth around powerlines.