STAY SAFE AROUND ELECTRICITY

DOWNED WIRES: Stay away. Do not approach or touch the wire or any person or object in contact with the wire. Call 911 and inform the operator it’s an electrical emergency.

POWER LINES AND WATER: Water conducts electricity, so don’t touch or step in water near a downed wire.

OVERHEAD POWER LINES: Always be aware of overhead power lines. For example, when working or playing in or around trees, check to make sure you are not close to overhead power lines. SCE recommends always staying at least 10 feet away from overhead power lines and electrical facilities. Do not approach or touch overhead power lines or any person or object in contact with the lines. Coming into contact with electrical wires can cause serious injury or even death — keep all objects away from overhead power lines.

UNDERGROUND POWER LINES: Call 811 before EVERY digging job to mark your underground utility lines. This service is free. Digging without calling can disrupt utility service to an entire neighborhood and harm you and those around you.

KITES AND BALLOONS: Keep metallic balloons indoors and they should always be tied to a weight. Never release them outside because they can cause electrical outages if they come in contact with wires. Do not attempt to retrieve a balloon, kite or any foreign object tangled in wires, stay away and call 911.