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District Manager Report

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Be #FDNY smart this Holiday Season

Winter holidays are a primetime for fires to occur. More than one third of home fires occur during the months of December, January, and February; it's important to celebrate safely.

Shop smart when purchasing gifts.

- Because of purchasing devices with dangerous, uncertified lithium-ion batteries. Un-certified lithium-ion batteries and devices that are stamped with UL symbol Certified lithium-ion batteries have been tested to meet national safety standards.
- Not all products sold online are certified. Carefully read the product listing website and operating manual.

Christmas trees

- When picking a tree, shake it to check for dryness. If too many dry needles fall, choose a fresher tree.
- Keep your tree at least three feet away from any heat source
- Add water to the tree stand and water the tree daily.

Decoration and Lighting

- Choose decorations that are flame resistant, flame retardant , or created with noncombustible materials.
- Do not overload electrical outlets, extension cords and power strips. Turn off all the lights before leaving home or going to bed.
- Use lights and electric decorations that are stamped with the UL symbol
- Inspect new and used lights before using them

Use clips, not nails, to hang lights, so the cards do not get damaged.

Candles

- Use sturdy candle holders with flame protective noncombustible glass or metal shades or globes.
- Extinguish candles when they burn within two inches of the holder
- Keep candles, matches and lighters, including lit memorial containers and Chanukah menorahs out of reach of children.

Cooking

- Don't leave food cooking unattended, stand by your pan
- Keep the area around the stove clear of anything that could burn paper towels, potholders, etc.

- **Cook with indicated temperature settings, refrain from using higher temperature settings.**
- **If there is a pot or pan fire, turn the heat off and cover it with a lid. Do not use water, it could cause splashing and spread the fire.**

Con Edison Customers who receive qualifying government assistance benefits can receive a discount of up to \$173 per month on their energy bills, through the Energy Affordability Program (EAP).

Customers receiving Medicaid, Veterans Disability or Survivor Pension, Federal Public Housing Assistance, or Lifeline telephone Service Program benefits among others, can enroll online or apply via email, fax, mail, or in person at one of Con Edison's Walk in Centers.

Most customers receiving certain benefits, like supplemental Security income, Home Energy Assistance Program and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits, are automatically enrolled in the E.A.P.

Con Edison offers a wide array of Payment Plans. Customers can find the terms that are right for them by logging into _MyAccount_ to see options including:

- **Budget Billing**

Helps

customers avoid seasonal price spikes by spreading energy payments out evenly across the year.

- **Payment Extension**

Gives customers up to 10 days of extra time to pay their bill.

- **Payment Plan**

- **Allows customers who have fallen behind on their bills to pay down the outstanding balance in manageable, monthly installments.**

Vacate Order

- **143-12 105 Avenue**
- **13-18 145 Street**
- **178-26 Zoller Road**

Demolition

- **176-64 132 Avenue (Alteration and Partial Demolition)**
- **118-27 193 Street**
- **187-07 Jamaica Avenue (Partial Demolition)**
- **155-18 Tuskegee Airmen Way – Convert 3 family and store to only 3 family and (Remove Store)**
- **89-25 162 Street**

Our community is as good as we make it if you see something you say something. Take pride in your community.

Have a Happy and Safe Holiday Season!!