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In case of an outage: If your electricity is off for more than a few minutes, call 257-4174. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. After-hours and weekend calls will be answered by a local service and immediately forwarded to standby personnel.

*The board meets at 5:30 p.m.
the fourth Tuesday of each month.*

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Manager's Message

Spring is here and summer is just around the corner. As the weather improves and the snow begins to melt, many of our customers will undertake outdoor projects. I would like to remind you to use caution while you are working outdoors, especially around power lines. Overhead or underground, power lines can pose a danger.

The national "Call Before You Dig" number, 811, will help protect you from unintentionally hitting underground utility lines while working on digging projects. People digging often make risky assumptions about whether they should get their utility lines marked due to concerns about project delays, costs and previous calls about other projects. Incorrect assumptions can be life-threatening.

Every digging job requires a call—even small projects such as planting trees or shrubs. If you hit an underground utility line while digging, you can harm yourself or those around you, disrupt service to an entire neighborhood and potentially be responsible for large fines and repair costs.

One call to 811 notifies all 811 members—including electric utilities, natural gas providers and communication providers—who may have underground lines at your work site. 811 members, such as LMUD, will mark or stake the horizontal path of their underground facilities, and provide information about or give clearance to dig. This simple service protects you from personal injury and protects the utilities' underground facilities from being damaged. Learn more about 811 at www.call811.com.

Weather Plays Havoc On System

This winter has been especially difficult. Weather-related power outages plagued electric utilities throughout Northern California. The outages LMUD experienced in late January were largely due to Pacific Gas and Electric's (PG&E) transmission lines failing in the Feather River Canyon. Due to extreme weather conditions, the two lines that feed power to the LMUD system (Hat Creek and Caribou) simultaneously failed.

Thankfully, LMUD was able to "island" with local power producer Honey Lake (HL) Power. I would like to thank Ralph Sanders of HL Power and his exceptional crew for their quick response and for their help in making a smooth transition from the PG&E feed to HL Power.

I also would like to thank LMUD's dedicated employees. Some worked throughout the night during the January 21 outage. It was "all hands on deck." Everyone pulled together so power could be restored as quickly as possible, and so customers who called our office always had a "live" person to talk to.

New Officers Elected

During the January 26 regular board meeting, the LMUD Board of Directors elected officers for 2010. Congratulations to President Wayne Langston, Vice President H.W. "Bud" Bowden and Treasurer Richard Vial. The board meets regularly the fourth Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the boardroom located at 65 S. Roop St. Meetings are open to the public, and public comment is always welcomed.

—General Manager Ray Luhring