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Re: Don't Bury Critical ComEd Equipment in the Snow

Dear Customer:

This seems like an unusual early message to receive in the fall, but ComEd is already planning ahead for the winter months.

You may have ComEd transformers and/or switchgear on your property that may need to be accessed in the winter. Occasionally after a snowstorm, snow removal efforts will result in buried or blocked access to critical ComEd equipment. Occasionally, a snow plow will move snow into our equipment, damaging it and possibly causing a loss in power.

In order to be able to safely access our equipment if necessary, we need to ensure that there is at least ten feet of open space in front of the equipment's cabinet doors. Additionally, we need a foot of clearance on the remaining three sides of the equipment. If our equipment is buried or blocked, we would require you to remove the snow so that we can access our equipment. This could substantially delay ComEd crews from performing emergency work and, ultimately, result in unnecessary delays in restoring power to you or your neighbor's facilities.

Please remember: when snow removal is necessary at your facility, don't bury or block access to the ComEd equipment that is critical to delivering your power.

Thank you for reading this early message about snow and ComEd equipment.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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