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IMPORTANT NOTICE: Tree Pruning is Scheduled in Your Area



Dear Valued Customer:

ComEd is committed to providing customers with safe and reliable electric service. Vegetation Management plays a large part in that commitment. ComEd's Vegetation Management Department has scheduled maintenance tree pruning in the surrounding area. This work is necessary because trees interfering with electric wires can damage equipment and cause service outages and safety hazards.

We will be pruning trees and brush that interfere with electric wires running from pole to pole. This prevents reliability problems and extensive pruning in the future. Tree pruning may or may not be required on your property. All trees requiring pruning will be maintained during this project. There is no need to respond to this notice, however, if you are not the property owners, please forward this notice to the owner. Maps of the affected areas are on file at your local municipal or county office.

The work is scheduled to start in the near future. The tree pruning will be performed by a qualified line clearance contractor using qualified utility arborists. There is no charge for this professional service.

If you have questions regarding vegetation management activities, you may call **1-800-Edison-1** (1-800-334-7661) and ask to speak with a Vegetation Management Representative or visit our website at www.comed.com/customerservice/servicerequest/treesandpowerlines/. You may also request a written copy of the dispute resolution process. Property owners may appeal planned vegetation management activities through ComEd or the Illinois Commerce Commission. To contact a Consumer Affairs Officer of the Illinois Commerce Commission, call 1-800-524-0795.

LINE CLEARANCE TO BEGIN SOON

ComEd Line Clearance professionals will be in your neighborhood during the next few weeks. Due to tree growth into or around the electric wires, or upgrading of facilities, we will be trimming trees. Using scientifically approved trimming methods, they will work carefully in your trees to reduce the chances of power failures caused by tree contact with the wires.

ComEd keeps your power lines clear to help assure a safe and uninterrupted supply of electricity to your home. We take this responsibility very seriously, because you need your electric power all the time – day and night, in good weather and bad.

Maps and common addresses of the affected areas are on file at your local municipal or county office. Property owners may appeal planned vegetation management activities through ComEd or the Illinois Commerce Commission. If you have questions regarding vegetation management activities, you may call 1-800-Edison-1 and ask to speak with a Vegetation Management Representative or visit our Web site at www.comed.com. You may also request a written copy of the dispute resolution process. To contact a Consumer Affairs Officer of the Illinois Commerce Commission, call 1-800-524-0795.

The Natural Method of Tree Trimming

With the Natural Method of Tree Trimming, tree limbs are cut at the intersection of the nearest large limb, rather than at mid-length. This aids healing and prevents the unsightly sucker growth that results with incorrect practices. The Natural method also enables our Line Clearance Professionals to customize trimming to meet the needs of individual tree species. The Natural Method of



Tree Trimming is recommended by the University of Illinois, The Illinois Department of Natural Resources, The National Arborist Association and The Morton Arboretum.

The final shape of your tree(s) will depend on its size, shape and proximity to the power lines. While trimmed trees may look different than you are accustomed to seeing, the result will be safer, healthier trees.

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Plant the Right Tree in the Right Place

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ComEd is committed to providing safe, reliable electric service. Vegetation Management plays a large part in that commitment. ComEd's Vegetation Management Department has scheduled maintenance tree trimming in the surrounding area. This work is necessary because trees interfering with electric wires can damage equipment and cause service outages and safety hazards.

We will be trimming any tree or brush that interferes with electric wires running from pole to pole. Trimming may or may not be required on your property, but all trees that do require trimming will be maintained during this project. There is no need to respond to this notice, however, if you are not the property owner, please forward this notice to the owner.

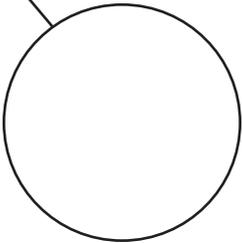
Trimming is scheduled to start in the near future, and will be performed by a qualified line clearance contractor using qualified utility arborists. There is no charge for this professional service.

If you have any questions regarding this process, call **1-800-Edison-1** (1-800-334-7661) and ask to speak with a Vegetation Management Representative, or visit our website at **ComEd.com/trees**. You may also request a written copy of the dispute resolution process. Property owners may appeal planned vegetation management activities through ComEd or the Illinois Commerce Commission. To contact a Consumer Affairs Officer of the Illinois Commerce Commission call 1-800-524-0795. Maps of the affected areas are on file at your local municipal or county office.



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LINE CLEARANCE TO BEGIN SOON

ComEd Line Clearance professionals will be in your neighborhood during the next few weeks. We will be trimming trees in order to remove growth into or around the electric wires, because trees near power lines are a major cause of electrical service interruptions. (see reverse side for trimming Q&A).

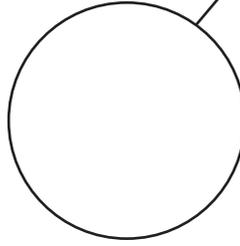
At ComEd, we understand how much you depend on your electric service. That's why we work very hard to keep your power lines clear and free from dangerous contact with trees and branches. We take this responsibility very seriously, because you need your electric power all the time—day and night, in good weather and bad.

If you have any questions regarding the trimming process, call **1-800-Edison-1** (1-800-334-7661) and ask to speak with a Vegetation Management Representative, or visit our website at **ComEd.com/trees**. You may also request a written copy of the dispute resolution process. Property owners may appeal planned vegetation management activities through ComEd or the Illinois Commerce Commission. To contact a Consumer Affairs Officer of the Illinois Commerce Commission call 1-800-524-0795. Maps and common addresses of the affected areas are on file at your local municipal or county office.

Comments:



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Q: How will ComEd trim my trees?

A: ComEd uses industry-approved methods of tree trimming which include Natural Target Pruning and Directional Pruning. Tree limbs to be removed are cut at the intersection of the nearest large limb, rather than at mid-length. This aids healing and prevents the unsightly sucker growth that results from incorrect practices. These methods also enable our Line Clearance Professionals to customize trimming to meet the needs of individual tree species. The International Society of Arboriculture (ISA), The Arbor Day Foundation, and The Morton Arboretum recommend the use of these industry-approved methods.

Q: How will trimming impact the appearance of a tree ?

A: The final shape of your tree(s) will depend on its size, shape and proximity to the power lines. While trimmed trees may look different than you are accustomed to seeing, the result will be safer, healthier trees.

Q: What does ComEd do with the trimmings?

A: ComEd recycles 100% of all trimmings. Our Vegetation Management Department has partnered with the Brookfield Zoo to donate two truckloads of branches with leaves to the zoo on a regular basis for their Browse Program (browse is a natural material that promotes the animals' dental and gastrointestinal health in addition to providing them with mental and physical stimulation). All other tree trimmings are recycled by turning them into landscape mulch.

Q: What kinds of trees can I plant near power lines?

A: ComEd recommends the Arbor Day Foundation's "The Right Tree in the Right Place," which recommends that any trees planted within 20 feet on either side of the pole-to-pole power lines have a mature height of less than 25 feet. This will ensure that as the tree grows, it will not require major trimming in the future. For the purpose of screening a view, tall shrubs may be more appropriate than trees. Please visit ComEd.com/trees to view some suggestions in our "Right Tree, Right Place" brochure.



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