Electrical Safety Authority Rules Out Electrical Meter as Source of Collingwood Fire

Review continues to try to determine source

MISSISSAUGA, ON -- June 10, 2015 – The Electrical Safety Authority (ESA) today announced that it has ruled out the electrical meter as the source of a fire that occurred on the exterior of a Collingwood house on Sunday, May 31, 2015.

ESA undertook a review of the incident working with the local electric utility -- Collus PowerStream -- and the Collingwood Fire Department. While ESA and the others continue to review the incident, the meter has been definitively ruled out as the source. It is clear from the pattern of the fire and damage to equipment that the fire originated outside the electrical meter.

About the Electrical Safety Authority (ESA)

The Electrical Safety Authority's (ESA) role is to enhance public electrical safety in Ontario. As an administrative authority acting on behalf of the Government of Ontario, ESA is responsible for administering specific regulations related to the Ontario Electrical Safety Code, the licensing of Electrical Contractors and Master Electricians, electricity distribution system safety, and electrical product safety. ESA works extensively with stakeholders throughout the province on education, training and promotion to foster electrical safety.

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