

Submitting Certification to LIPA that power can be safely restored

You, your licensed electrician or electrical inspection agency can submit **electrical inspection certification** by fax at: 631-844-3643, or email at: servicecert@service.lipower.org

Required electrical inspection certification can be in the form of:

- 1) **A letter from a licensed electrician on the electrician's letterhead** identifying the address of the inspected property and clearly stating that it is safe for LIPA to restore electric service. The electrician's license number must also be included.

Or

- 2) **An electrical inspection certificate from an approved electrical inspection agency approved to perform inspections in the municipality in which you reside**

GAS AND ELECTRIC SAFETY

- **Never touch downed power lines, and always assume that any fallen lines are live electric wires. If you see one, report it immediately to National Grid or your local emergency response organization.**
- Children should not have access to portable heaters, electric or fuel powered. Do not burn anything in your home without providing good ventilation such as opening windows, doors and fireplace flumes. All heaters that run on fuel (kerosene, butane, oil) should be vented.
- As customers work on cleaning their homes and removing damaged equipment, they should use extreme caution in removing any appliances connected to the natural gas system as services may be active and gas could be in lines. Improper removal also could damage existing gas connections.
- Turn your refrigerator thermostat to its coldest setting and keep its doors closed.
- Customers with Generators Urged to Take Precautions. Customers who plan to use generators should be sure to follow all safety instructions including disconnecting their wiring system from LIPA's system before operating the generator. Failure to do so could cause serious injury – or worse – to crews working to restore power. Never, under any circumstances, use a generator indoors and be sure to keep it a safe distance from a home or business. Deadly carbon monoxide fumes can enter through an open window, door or other space.
- Customers should note that without electricity, electric pilots do not work thus giving the impression they have no gas when they turn on the appliance and it does not light off the electric pilot light.
- Without electricity, electric pilots on stoves do not work thus causing an odor of gas to be emanated from the appliance when it's not lit off from the electric pilot. This is not a gas leak. The gas odor is due to the customer turning on the gas which is not igniting due to the absence of an electric pilot.