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Power Outage Forces Temporary Closure of Ohio Industrial Commission's Lima Office

LIMA – Due to a power outage, the Industrial Commission of Ohio's Lima office at 2025 East Fourth Street will be closed for business on Monday, June 21, 2010.

All hearings scheduled to take place in the Lima office on June 21 will be rescheduled to a future date. Please publicize this closure so that injured workers and employers scheduled for hearings do not travel to the office needlessly.

A lightning strike to the building blew a nearby transformer. No one was injured and employees have been instructed to travel to other IC offices to work on Monday. The Lima office hopes to be able to resume regular business hours on Tuesday, June 22, 2010.

If you have any additional questions about this power outage, please contact IC Communications Director Crystal Hutchins at 614-203-3679.

The IC conducts hearings on disputed workers' compensation claims, determines violations of specific safety requirements, and determines if an injured worker is permanently and temporarily disabled due to a work-related injury or occupational disease. Three Governor-appointed Commissioners lead the agency -- headquartered in Columbus -- which has 5 regional and 7 district offices throughout the state.

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