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WAPA Corrects Article in Avis

U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS – The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority (“WAPA” or “Authority”) would like to advise the public that a Water and Power Authority lineman was not involved in an incident that occurred yesterday on St. John as incorrectly reported in the St. Croix Avis on Tuesday, December 13, 2022.

A St. Johnian homeowner was injured on Monday, December 12, 2022, while working from a metal ladder trimming a tree when a branch cut from the tree contacted a single phase of the primary line. The homeowner experienced a shock and burn injury to his hand and was transported for medical attention.

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About WAPA: The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority is an autonomous agency of the Virgin Islands Government which produces and distributes electricity and drinking water to residential and commercial customers in the territory. WAPA was created by the Fifth Legislature of the Virgin Islands in 1964 through Act No. 1248. Today, WAPA generates electrical power at production plants on St. Thomas and St. Croix and distributes electrical service through smart grids to customers on St. Thomas, St. Croix, St. John, Hassel Island, and Water Island. Potable water is distributed to almost 13,000 customers through water lines and standpipes. WAPA also has the responsibility of installing and maintaining streetlights.

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