



For Immediate Release

# Press Release

To: Assignment Editor  
From: Captain Steven G. Conn, PIO  
Date: March 3, 12012  
Re: Overnight Auto Accident Causing Minor Electrical Problems

The Colerain Township Fire Department has received multiple calls this morning related to an overnight auto accident in which a utility pole was broken in half. The auto accident in the 4400 block of Blue Rock Road caused minor power outages in the areas fed by the utility lines along Blue Rock Road. These power problems have been reported in areas such as Lakehills Subdivision, Livingston Road, and areas off of Blue Rock. Duke Energy was on the scene this morning repairing the damage.

Residents in the area have reported tripped breakers and fuses in their electrical panels, power surges that have destroyed televisions and other electronics, and the odor of something burning inside their homes. While the CTFD has not encountered any actual fires from this electrical problem, we have seen multiple homes that have had property and electronics damaged from these power surges.

CTFD would like to advise residents in this area if their circuit breakers have tripped: Do not turn them back on and please contact a qualified electrician to thoroughly evaluate the problem. Circuit breakers trip for a reason and simply turning one back on may cause an electrical fire. If there is an odor of something burning in the home: **DO NOT HESITATE TO CALL THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OR 9-1-1.**

Any questions or comments regarding this press release may be directed to Captain Steve Conn at 513-615-8698 or [sconn@coleraintwp.org](mailto:sconn@coleraintwp.org).



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