KEYS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE MOVES TO FOUR-DAY WEEK

Florida Keys Electric Cooperative is now open four days a week.

The nonprofit, member-owned utility service for the Upper and Middle Keys changed its business hours to operate Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. effective June 2. And that means FKEC will be closed on Fridays.

FKEC says it is committed to delivering reliable, safe and affordable electric service to the Upper and Middle Keys — while continuing to provide personalized, hometown service.

Outside of FKEC business hours, emergency operators are available 24/7 at 305-852-2431, and online services are always open. FKEC's dispatch center and line crews also remain prepared to respond to power outages or any service emergency around the clock.

Concerns or questions about coordinating an inspection, connect/disconnect or other requests can be made by contacting FKEC at 305-852-2431 or member.service@fkec.com.

The utility asks community contractors and other business partners to note updates related to FKEC engineering services:

• Engineering hours: All inspections, utility coordination and related requests should be scheduled from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

• Requests outside of standard hours: When possible, FKEC will continue to support emergency needs and requests for inspections or utility work outside of regular office hours. Overtime call-out fees will apply to cover additional staffing and operational costs on Fridays, weekends or holidays.

• Inspection coordination notice: Coordinate all inspection requests at least 24 hours in advance. FKEC may be unable to accommodate requests with less than 24 hours notice, and expedited service charges may apply if fulfilled.

• Plan review timeline: There are no changes to the plan review schedule. The standard turnaround of 10 to 15 business days remains in effect.

More information is at fkec.com/services/new-construction, 305-852-2431 or engineering@fkec.com.

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