

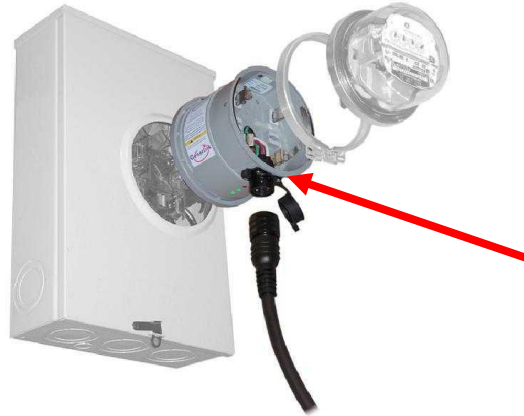
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**Electrical Distribution Safety**

## **DISTRIBUTION COMPANY AWARENESS**

This bulletin shall replace Information Bulletin DIB-06-12. It is recommended that copies of DIB-06-12 be destroyed and replaced with this bulletin.

The intent of this bulletin is to clarify the process Local Distribution Companies (LDCs) follow when reconnecting power after undertaking the installation of a meter base mounted transfer device. This type of equipment can only be installed if pre-approved for use, by the LDC.



## **DETAILED INFORMATION**

Approved, customer-owned automatic transfer devices that plug directly into a customer's meter base are available. ESA considers the following as acceptable requirements to meet Rule 2-024 (Approval of Electrical Equipment) for meter-mounted transfer switches, for Ontario:

- Field Evaluation by a recognized Field Evaluation agency (Inspection Body), or
- Certification to UL Standard, UL1008M \*\*\*

These devices once installed provide standby power to homes in the event of a temporary LDC power outage and operate similar to any other transfer device that supplies standby power.

Application for inspection is not required if installed by a Licensed Electrical Contractor in accordance with Ontario Regulation 570/05 and in accordance with the requirements of the supply authority. A connection authorization is not required if the installation does not require an application for inspection.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Information requests and follow-up may be directed to ESA at [Utility.Regulations@ElectricalSafety.on.ca](mailto:Utility.Regulations@ElectricalSafety.on.ca). For questions on this bulletin please be prepared to quote Bulletin "DB-04/17".

\*\*\*At the time of issuance of this bulletin there is no applicable Canadian standard for meter mounted transfer devices. Once a Canadian standard is available, ESA will review the direction.