## **Safety Message of the Day for IMEA Members**





## Protecting Against the Top 5 Utility Line Worker Hazards Series

## Number 3: Failure to use proper cover up equipment

In electrical work, cover up equipment is intended to both prevent employees from making accidental contact with energized parts or equipment, and to prevent accidental contact of energized conductors with the grounded surface of pole or crossarms. The risk of worker injury skyrockets when cover up is not used and a large number of accidents also occur when there is a lack of cover up and workers have to move their cover during a job. Employers should plan ahead and make sure employees have sufficient cover up equipment before a job begins.