## Thunderstorm + Lightening + Power Outage = False Alarm?

- Power surges and lightning strikes should not cause false alarms!
- False alarms caused by lightning strikes are controllable through the proper grounding of alarm systems and the use of power and phone line surge suppressors.
- Use of surge suppressors greatly reduce false alarms by redirecting and dissipating electrical currents to the ground.
- Power outages or interruption of power should not cause false alarms! Every alarm system should have a properly installed battery back-up.

## Contact your alarm dealer to confirm:

- 1. Your alarm system is properly grounded.
- 2. Your alarm system has surge suppressors installed on BOTH the alarm system and on the phone line used to send the signals to the monitoring station.
- 3. Your back-up battery is in good condition. Make sure it is fully charged and holds a minimum charge for four (4) hours.

## REMEMBER ...

Properly designed, installed and maintained alarm systems will not generate false alarm activity (AND FINES) due to power surges or power interruptions!



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