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Mr. James B. Leary
President
JBL Electric
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Dear Mr. Leary:

In appreciation for the role your company played in restoring power to more than 2 million CenterPoint Energy customers following Hurricane Ike, please accept the enclosed gift. This custom-made memento features a commemorative belt buckle and a section from a distribution pole that was damaged during the storm.

We know that when you send help, everyone who remains must work extra hard as well. It is with this thought that we dedicate this plaque to all your employees and ask that you share with them our heartfelt thanks.

Your willingness to respond to this great natural disaster and the teamwork JBL Electric displayed during this historic effort will not be forgotten. You have our sincere gratitude, not just for the outstanding work done by your employees, but also for your personal support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David McClanahan".

David McClanahan
President & Chief Executive Officer

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom Standish".

Tom Standish
Group President & Chief Operating Officer
Regulated Operations