

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DIRECTIVE

The Public Utilities Commission has been formally notified by the Government of Guyana through the Ministry of Public Utilities and Aviation about the challenges faced by the Ministry and the Guyana Power and Light Inc. (GPL) as it relates to telecommunications service providers excess cables/wiring on utility poles, particularly poles owned and maintained by the GPL.

The concerns raised include public safety and challenges as it relates to the effective maintenance of GPL's network infrastructure. This is separate and apart from the unappealing aesthetic the visual clutter of excessive wiring on utility poles creates.

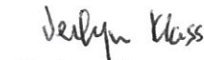
The Commission values public safety, seamless delivery of utility and telecommunication services and the responsible management of shared utility infrastructure. In the circumstances, in keeping with its regulatory functions the Commission hereby directs all telecommunications service providers to remove excess cables/wiring from utility poles on/by September 30, 2026.

Service providers are requested to note the following:

1. To seek the requisite permission and approval from the relevant public utility having tracks, conduits, poles, wires, works or other equipment which has jurisdiction over the infrastructure prior to installation.
2. Adhere to the applicable laws governing joint use of facilities during installation, operation and maintenance.

3. To realign the excess cables neatly and in a uniformed manner and ensure that the health and safety of persons within communities are not compromised.
4. Ensure when carrying out its works, there is minimum disruption to the services provided to consumers.


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Dated this 12th day of August, 2026.

