SAFETY ALERT

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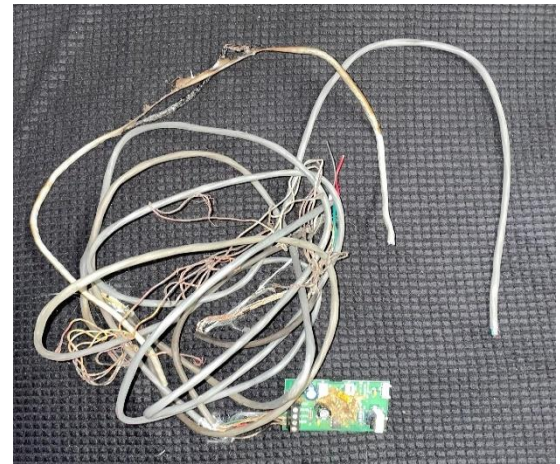
Faulty Wiring Leads to Fire

On the evening of October 24th, 2023, staff at one of GIS's facility noticed a faint smell of smoke throughout the building. Members of GIS's HSE Department where already mobilized at the location conducting other operations and were immediately notified.

Members of the GIS facility along with members of the HSE department were able locate a general area in the attic from which smoke appeared to be rising. Emergency services were immediately contacted, the fire alarm was activated, and all personnel were evacuated from the building without incident.

The fire department located and extinguished a small fire that had occurred in the attic.

An investigation into the incident found that a fault had occurred in the wiring to the public address system. This allowed for electrical energy to exit through the protective sheathing and begin to heat the surrounding building material until the point of ignition.

While this incident was easily contained, had it not been caught, the potential for a serious and destructive fire existed.

There are several key points to take away from this incident:

1. Safety does not stop just because you are not working. It is always important to keep your guard up even on your time off.

2. When staying at any facility whether it is offshore based or land based, it is important to always identify potential fire hazards such as charging phones on linen.

3. Take every abandonment or evacuation alarm seriously and always find your nearest exit routes and muster points when entering a facility.

4. When only safe to do so, help ensure the safety of others.

Report all incidents immediately to the GIS Hotline
1-855-543-5163
Following your initial phone call, an incident report **must** be completed and e-mailed to:
incident@gisy.com