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MAY IS ELECTRICAL SAFETY MONTH

Oldsmar, Florida, May 12, 2006 -- May is National Electrical Safety Month. Injuries and disasters due to electricity can happen at anytime and anywhere. A frayed extension cord can cause a house fire, trimming tree branches close to power lines can lead to accidental electrocution and overloading extension cords or outlets can lead to injuries and home damage. By learning about the importance of electrical safety, you can protect yourself, and your family, at home, at work and at play, says S&S Electric of Oldsmar, Florida.

"The first steps in preventing potential electrical fires, shock and electrocution are education and awareness," said Shawn Smith, vice president, S&S Electric. "We urge all homeowners to take a look around their home and check for potential electrical hazards, such as frayed cords or overloaded electrical outlets, electrical cords that may cause a tripping hazard and hot or discolored outlet wall plates."

Electrical safety doesn't just end inside the home. Check the exterior as well. Locate all electrical circuits and underground wires before cutting or digging in your yard. Inspect all your electrical power tools for frayed or damaged cords or broken plugs before using. Always be aware of overhead power lines when using a ladder.

"The best advice for homeowners is if you have a question or are in doubt, contact an electrical contractor," said Smith. "An outlet that is warm to the touch may be okay, but if it is hot, there may be a bigger underlying problem. Switch off the circuit and contact an electrical professional immediately. Don't take the chance is that it may seem minor. It may cause an electrical injury or fire later."

ABOUT S&S ELECTRIC

Founded in 1947, S&S Electric was named to the 2005 CE Pro 100, a listing of the largest home technology installation businesses in North America. The company was also named to the 2005 CE Pro Top 30 Structured Wiring Dealers in North America. It was awarded the 2004 CEA TechHome Dealer of the Year award and the 2004 Florida Family Business of the Year award, and the company was featured on the cover of the June 2004 issue of CE Pro Magazine and in the January 2006 issues of Builder/Architect Magazine.

With more than 300 employees, and offices in Oldsmar, Tampa, Sarasota and Ft. Myers, the company's award-winning team of designers, installers and technicians are recognized throughout the industry for providing customers with value-added, reliable, quality system installations. For more information about S&S Electric and its many services, please visit www.ss-electric.com.

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