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Asplundh Tree and Line Workers Respond to Hurricane Irma

Willow Grove, PA—More than 3,400 employees of Asplundh Tree Expert Co. and its utility infrastructure subsidiaries from all over the U.S. have been deployed to Florida to help 15 utilities and municipalities restore power and services in the wake of Hurricane Irma. This mobilization is occurring on the heels of sending over 400 employees to Texas for Hurricane Harvey restoration work two weeks ago. Approximately 125 workers are still on that assignment.

More than 2,800 Asplundh tree workers started travelling last Thursday from as far away as the Pacific Northwest and northern New England to remove trees and limbs from roadways and power lines. Approximately 650 employees from the infrastructure subsidiaries Asplundh Construction, Utility Lines Construction Services and Grid One Solutions have been sent from as far away as the upper Midwest and Massachusetts. These crews are helping with damage assessment and rebuilding storm-damaged distribution and transmission lines for the more than 6.1 million utility customers in Florida reported without power.

“In addition to our employees, I want to thank all of our utility customers who released our crews to work on this restoration effort. With so many mutual assistance utilities in the strike zone for these storms, we are especially grateful to various rural electric cooperatives and municipalities for their understanding and cooperation on releases,” said Chairman of the Board and CEO Scott Asplundh. “I also appreciate the support of all the family members of our employees who were sent out on storm duty. While our people are dedicated to restoring power to the stricken areas as soon as possible, we also instruct and train them to operate in a safe manner in view of the destruction so as to also return safely to their homes and families at the end of this effort.”

Asplundh’s Storm Coordination Team in Willow Grove, PA will remain on duty in the company’s storm center to fulfill additional requests for crews and address logistics issues until all the deployed crews have been released and returned to their home locations.

About Asplundh:

Asplundh Tree Expert Co. is a family-owned and managed company headquartered just outside of Philadelphia in Willow Grove, PA. It primarily provides vegetation management and utility infrastructure services to a wide range of utilities and municipalities. The Asplundh family of companies employs approximately 35,000 men and women throughout the U.S., Canada, Australia and New Zealand. Learn more at www.asplundh.com

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