

FACTS SHEET – March 2002

ELECTRIC SHOCK

Our computer supplier, network consultant, and overall good guy, Eddie, was setting up one of our online computers the other day. He asked us what we do when severe electrical storms hit.

We let him know that generally we turn off the computers and take out the plug to the power point.

Eddie said, yes, that's not a bad idea, but it probably won't stop our computer getting fried if we're hit by a lightning strike. This dumbfounded us.

Apparently, most problems occur during electrical storms with the lightning discharge, power surge, travelling up the *telephone* line.

So, before an electrical storm hits - take out the plug to the power point and disconnect the telephone line.

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