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2 On October 22, 2007 at approximately 4:16 AM Tom DAVIS, a resident of the area,
3 reported a fire in the Rice Canyon area. This fire was identified as the Rice Fire and
4 eventually burned approximately 9,472 acres, damaging approximately 206 homes,
5 two commercial properties and 40 outbuildings.

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7 On October 23, 2007 I was assigned to conduct an origin and cause investigation
8 into the Rice Fire. During the course of my investigation I located two Specific
9 Origin Areas, one on each side of Rice Canyon Road. I located downed power lines
10 in each Specific Origin Area. During my investigation I eliminated all other causes
11 for the Rice Fire, determining it to be a power line caused fire.