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Preparing your Home for Winter Weather

The month of January brings colder weather as well as the risk of weather related incidents. Below are some tips to prepare for this:

- Clean out your gutters to help prevent moisture build up and possible ice damage to roof or siding
- Clean debris out of downspouts to allow proper water drainage to prevent water from entering your foundation and water flooding the basement
- Assess your roof for leaks or cracks. If you have a chimney or skylight, check for a tight seal to withstand wind and snow
- Trim hanging tree limbs that may cause damage to the home due to high winds. Please contact a professional if the tree limbs are hanging over power lines
- Store your grill, outdoor furniture, and other outside decorations to prevent damage to the home in the event of high winds
- Empty garden hoses and winterize swimming pool water supply lines and sprinkler systems
- Service your generator to ensure it will perform well