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Crack!

You're in your tomb! No, not really, but it sure is hot enough and dark enough as you look out the wide expanse of windows of your tony midtown Manhattan co-op. The kids have slept over at a school friend's house uptown. And your husband is supposed to be flying in tonight from a Pebble Beach golfing retreat with his law partners. And you're beginning to really sweat!

No Response From Lobby Security

So what was that crack? A gunshot? Probably not on the 33rd floor. Maybe a transformer blew out on 5th Avenue? Or was it merely a clap of thunder? Unlikely, as a starry night is visible from your black and increasingly stuffy co-op chambers. You, rather nervously, jump out of bed in an uncomfortable fog, groping for the telephone, when you tear a nasty gash in your leg on your highly polished glass-topped bedside table. No dial tone on the phone. No response from lobby security when you finally find the emergency button near the phone. Why had you not bought that flashlight that your husband had suggested time and again? Now what?

Dead!

You hit your master light switch. Dead! No din from the central air, your high-end wine refrigerator, or your bank of Sub Zeros. And no tap water. In fact the only water now left in your co-op is in the toilet, which, with one flush, is gone.

3 or 4 Days Without Water?

Where did you read that humans expire after 3 or 4 days without water? Terror has now gripped you as blood spurts from your nasty leg gash. You, of course, will never get to know what happened that night, but a high-altitude EMP terrorist attack knocked out all electrical power for many weeks, if not months.

A Nation at Risk

My hypothetical city dweller was unaware, of course, of the life-threatening risk she and her family were exposed to every waking hour of every week. The family had not read Security in the North American Grid, A Nation at Risk (8 April 2015) by George R. Cotter. Mr. Cotter's white paper had been directed to Susan Rice, Advisor to the President for National Security Affairs and a broad roster of security players, including The House Committee on Homeland Security, The House Armed Services Committee, the Secretary of Defense, and the Secretary of Energy. In other words, the white paper on the issue of security in the North American grid was no secret. I have it front of me as I write to you. Mr. Cotter offers this cheery appraisal: "There is little possibility of the National Security Community (Cyber Command and NSA) being able to blunt an actual attack, from a cold start. ... It is only a question of time before a serious attack on the Grid occurs."

The Armed American Family

Still with me here? A day does not pass that I do not work on my extended family's personal as well as financial security. For just the tip of the iceberg on my ongoing preparations, click to www.richardcyoung.com. Kick off your visit by downloading my six-part series on the "Armed American Family." Everyone in my family is firearms proficient. Debbie and I are both Life Members of the NRA and holders of Florida Concealed Weapon or Firearm Licenses. A course like the NRA's excellent handgun safety course is required to obtain your Florida carry permit. While on my site, sign up for my weekly email. And you can stay in touch with me on Twitter.

Obama Doesn't Give a Rat's Keister

As you readily can see at the top of this page, my monthly letters focus on both your *financial and personal* security. The gentleman in the White House simply does not give a rat's keister about the personal security of you and your family. He is far more concerned about being 100% PC compliant regarding the subject of radical Islam. All of this became abundantly clear to Americans after Obama's pathetic Oval Office White House address on national security, or lack thereof. The fellow's idea of security for your family is gun control and the appeasement of Muslims. I have written often about the root cause of your family's increasing security concerns-oil. Look no further. The White House and the political elite will not address this issue today or tomorrow. Once again, go to www.richardcyoung.com to download my series of articles on former CIA bin Laden

