New phone scam reported locally

(KNZA)--A new phone scam is being reported locally.

Brown County Sheriff John Merchant says he has received reports that county residents were getting calls over the weekend from someone representing themselves as being with Brown-Atchison Electric Cooperative.

The caller informed the resident that their services were about to be cut off and to avoid this, they had to make a payment over the phone.

Brown-Atchison Electric Manager Jim Currie says customers would never be contacted on the weekend. He suggested that if customers have questions or concerns they call the cooperative at 785-486-2117.

Meanwhile, Merchant said the Social Security scam is still very active. He said residents are still receiving calls from people representing themselves as being from the Social Security Administration stating that their social security number has been suspended. Merchant said this is a scam and recommends you hang up immediately.

If you feel you have been a victim of a scam, notify your local law enforcement at once.

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