

Jess fumbles with the keys as she tries to lock the door.

GREG

Leave it!

Jess runs with the others...throws an arm in front of her face to protect from [smaller, golf ball size] hail.

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INT. MOTEL - HALL/BREAKFAST AREA - MOMENTS LATER

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Staff and guests hover in the hall outside the dining area. There's a large window at the end. Nervous RUMBLINGS as the storm howls.

## Start

CHAMBERMAID

I've never seen it like this.

ANA

That's not helpful.

CHAMBERMAID

Have you?

Ana looks away just as Jess and the mechanics tumble into the crowded hallway, soaking wet. Jess sees Ana. She and Greg push their way through to the front of the crowd.

~~JESS~~

~~It's insane out there. Hail's  
smashing everything up.~~

~~GREG~~

~~They're sayin' it hit Big Heart.~~

~~ANA~~

~~The casino?~~

~~JESS~~

~~Yeah. Where's Wayne?~~

Ana shakes her head. Doesn't know.

A severe CRACK of thunder rattles the tightly-packed crowd.

JESS (CONT'D)

We're like sardines in here. You  
sure this is the best place to be?

Another deafening BOOM rumbles the room.

Ana glances into the dining room. Even bigger windows in there. As she casts an eye around she sees: the industrial fridge next to the breakfast bar.

A look of inspiration flashes across her face.

JESS (CONT'D)

What?

ANA

(ignoring Jess, to  
chambermaid)

Get your cart.

CHAMBERMAID

My cart?

ANA

Now. Fast.

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**End**

The chambermaid runs around the corner.

ANA (CONT'D)

(shouts in English)

Everybody, listen please!

(and in Spanish)

Listen up, everyone! I need your  
attention, please!

The NERVOUS BUZZ in the hall continues. Ana puts two fingers  
in her mouth and WHISTLES.

The room quiets. Hail bangs the windows like popcorn.

ANA (CONT'D)

Follow me, this way! Everybody,  
hurry.

A CACOPHONY of WHERE? WHY?

ANA (CONT'D)

You see that? [re. window]

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INT. MOTEL - DINING ROOM - MOMENTS LATER

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Ana stands at the door to the fridge. People push to get in.

ANA

Calmly, please.

Inside the fluorescent, freezing, tomblike shelter, the other  
chambermaid hands out blankets as people cram in.