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# Live Line Workshops Wellington, 14<sup>th</sup> September 2017 Christchurch, 20<sup>th</sup> September 2017



# **Introductions - Peter Berry**

- Welcome and introduction
- Housekeeping
- Programme overview





- 10.00 10.10 Introduction & housekeeping Peter Berry
- 10.10 11.00 Live work update Bob Taylor
  - Update on regulatory issues and impact of HSAWA
  - NCLW ToR, new membership and work programme
- 11.00 11.30 International Conference on Live Maintenance Report

**Bob Taylor** 





■ 11.30 – 12.30 HV Work Selection

Peter Berry

Syndicate work:

Network Risk Assessment Criteria

**Bob Taylor** 

"Exclusion list" -

Assets/situations where live work should not be carried out

Filipe Vulano (14th) Phil Johnson (20th)





■ 13.15 – 13.45 HV Work Selection continued

■ 13.45 – 14.15 ECP 46 Practice Note

» Background

» General provisions

» Work methods

■ 14.15 – 14.25 Auditing/EEA Auditing Guide

Peter Berry/Bob Taylor

Bob Taylor Charlie Dixon (14th) Phil Johnson (20th)





■ 14.25 – 14.45 LV work Bob Taylor

14.45 -14.55 EEA Supervision for H&S Guide Peter Berry

■ 14.55 -15.00 Closing remarks Peter Berry







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### **NCLW**

### THE ROLE

 To act as the authoritative industry body for discussion and resolution of national issues affecting HV and LV live work in the electricity supply industry.

### **SCOPE**

 Issues relating to and affecting the planning, development of work methods and carrying out of live work at all voltages on electrical equipment including stick, barehand, glove and barrier or any other live work method including testing.





# **NCLW- Membership**

Bob Taylor Consultant (Chair)

Graeme Johnson Electrix

Phil Johnson Powernet

■ Mike Burke BETAA

John DixonNorthpower

Charles Kaka Unison

Filipe Vulaono WEL

Geoff Thorburn Wellington Electricity

Peter Coyle
 EEA (Secretary/Project Manager)

Others to be confirmed





# **NCLW- Work programme**

### **High Voltage**

- Implementation
  - Guide for HV Work Selection
  - EEA Practice Note on ECP 46
- Monitor and liaise with international Live Line Forums to ensure NZ aligned with industry best practice for live work
- Standardised procedures

### **Low Voltage**

- Guide for Work Method Selection
- LV Work Control Methods
- Live LV 'Practice' Guide

**Quality Management** - QMS and standards for training

**Testing Standards and requirements** – LV and HV equipment

Audit – Guidance on audit frameworks for live LV, HV and test







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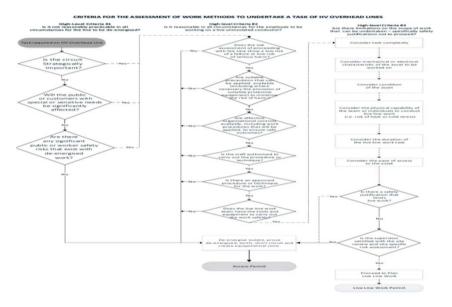
# **HV Work Selection – Syndicate Work**

- 1. Network Risk Assessment: Criteria where it may be unreasonable to work de-energised
- 2. Exclusion list: Assets/situations where live work should not be carried out





# **HV Work Selection – Syndicate Work**







### **HV Work Selection – Risk Assessment**

### **Examples**

- Is the circuit of strategic importance in terms of overall system security or public safety?
- Are there any limitations on undertaking the work de-energised?
- Will the public, domestic, commercial or industrial customers having special or sensitive safety, social or economic needs be affected?
- Would de-energised work require a major outage based on the number/complexity of switching operations, the time to carry out switching and the associated risk of driving, walking, working alone, working at height and operating the switchgear to undertake the work?





## **HV Work Selection – Risk Assessment**

### **Examples (Cont'd)**

- Are there inherent hazards and risk of serious harm from electric charges on the line that occur despite the line being isolated?
- Would programmed work require repeated interruption of supply extending over several days?
- Time of the day/week/year
- Significant economic impact to a single or group of commercial or industrial customers
- Planned remedial work on circuits that have historically been subject to a large number of faults and interruptions to supply





# **HV Live Work – Exclusion List**

- Complexity of the task
- Mechanical and/or electrical characteristics of the asset
- Asset condition
- Physical demands on work team
- Duration
- Ease of access to the asset
- Location





# **HV Live Work – Exclusion List**

- What are your current HV Live Work exclusions?
  Breakout groups -
  - 25 mins Consider LV network justifications?
  - 10 mins Report back







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# **Auditing**

- EEA Guide to Field Auditing of Live Line Work (April 2014)
  - To support auditing of safety practices to show they are reliably carried out in worksites.
- What are companies doing?

Phil Johnson (Powernet) / Charlie Dixon (Northpower)







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### LV Work Method Selection

- Live LV work is governed by Rule 3.717 (added in 2015)
- Work procedures are set out in the EEA Guide to Live LV Electrical Work (2017)
- As for HV live work LV work should only be undertaken if a risk assessment shows that there is justification
- Note live work on 'Installations' is no longer permitted
- EEA Guide (Work Planning Hazard Identification and Controls. Equipment for Safety, General Requirements, Live Work on Overhead Conductors, Work on Live Cables, Work on other Live Equipment and Testing and Fault Finding)





# **LV Work Method Selection**

- What are current practices?
  - Breakout groups -
  - 10 mins Consider LV network justifications?
  - 10 mins Consider LV live work limitations?







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### **PURPOSE**

- To provide guidance on the requirements for supervision for the health and safety of employees/workers undertaking work within the Electricity Supply Industry (ESI), and the obligations of all persons who make decisions that directly or indirectly affect the supervision for health and safety of employees/workers.
- Relevance to HV/LV Live Work
- Already consulted with industry
- To be issued as an 'Interim Guide' for feedback on implementation





- Guide supports SM-El Part 1 section 4 requirements;
- Supervision is critical for delivery of safety; it always has been and always will be;
- The 'supervisor' is the representative of the business at the worksite;
- Supervision is complex and requires attention to detail;
- Supervision applies to all work situations at all times, often in different ways;
- Supervision is essential to safety but may also include quality, cost, timeliness etc;





- Amendments to the Guide since 2012 include;
  - Substantive amendment has been made, and it cannot all be explained in the Preface.
  - Introduction of the HSW Act, including adding requirements for overlapping duties and \$161 duties (attribution)
  - Introduction of 'responsible employee (safety)' requirements in SM-EI.
  - Guide is structured into Parts 1 & 2. Part 1 addresses legislative and similar requirements and provides background to supervision requirements, and Part 2 sets out industry guidance.
  - Guide is to be published as an interim document, to be reviewed in April 2018. Comments for consideration in the next review are requested.





# Questions?





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# **Closing Remarks**

Peter Berry



