

# EEA Public Safety Working Group Update 12<sup>th</sup> November

## H&S WORKSHOP | 2020

COVID—19  
EDITION

- Session 1: 29<sup>th</sup> Oct
- Session 2: 5<sup>th</sup> Nov
- Session 3: 12<sup>th</sup> Nov

Thank you to our  
presenters and to you  
our audience for your  
attendance.

**EEA value your support**

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Association

## Public Safety Working Group – Who are the members?



Orion



Northpower

# Public Safety Working Group – Purpose and Objectives

## Purpose - 2020 Goals

- Share information relating to public safety and create a collaborative environment
- Continually improve public information and awareness across the NZ Electricity Industry

## Objectives

- Strengthen links for sharing information ( public safety incidents and learnings) and resources with members and other industry groups eg Lines Down , Trees
- Support public safety compliance for organizations and great public safety outcomes by meaningful audits that provide operational improvements \*
- Identify and structure data requirements for Public Safety reporting – Public Safety Metrics



# Public Safety Working Group – 45001 Workstream

**2020 Priority Objective : Support public safety compliance for organizations and great public safety outcomes by meaningful audits that provide operational improvements**

Industry fed back to the EEA a level of frustration at the quality of auditing delivered through NZS 7901 – Safety management systems for public safety

Working group discussed with regulator on options under the regulations and whether certification to 45001 could meet the requirements

AS/NZS 45001 Workstream – To produce a guide outlining specific public safety requirements

## 51 Audit of safety management systems

- (1) Every safety management system must be regularly audited to confirm whether—
- (a) the safety management system complies with NZS 7901 or [regulations 49](#) and [50](#), as appropriate; and
  - (b) the safety management system operator is implementing and maintaining the safety management system as written; and
  - (c) the effect of the safety management system is to prevent, so far as is reasonably practicable, the works from presenting a significant risk of—
    - (i) serious harm to any member of the public; or
    - (ii) significant damage to property owned by a person other than the safety management system operator.

Output	Due	Tracking
- Working group established	June 2020	Completed
- Gap analysis	31 <sup>st</sup> August 2020	Completed
- Draft guide layout	25 <sup>th</sup> September 2020	Completed
- Steering group signoff	13 <sup>th</sup> November 2020	
- Draft guide completed	26 <sup>th</sup> February 2021	
- Steering group sign off on draft guide	31 <sup>st</sup> March 2021	
- Public consultation begins	5 <sup>th</sup> April 2021	
- EEA board approval	July 2021	

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## Public Safety Working Group – We need your feedback

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This Working Group represents you ,  
So , What do you need from this working group in 2021 and beyond?

We will be sending out a survey in **January** for you to have your say .

WHAT'S NEXT?

