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| CP420 Pt Ch17 | N/A | Line Patrol | No longer needed and replaced with another document. |
| CP420 Pt 1 Appendix A | 4 | Overhead Line Structures: Classification | No longer needed and replaced with another document. |
| CP420 Pt 1 Appendix B | 2 | Pole Top Termination | No longer needed and replaced with another document. |
| CP420 Pt 1 Appendix C | 2 | Guidance for the Use of Signing, Lighting and Guarding Equipment for Overhead Line Work | No longer needed and replaced with another document. |
| CP606 A11 | 16 | Appendix F – High Voltage Live Line Working – Insulated Aerial Device Check Sheet | No longer needed. |

Major policy updates





7 Fitting new single pole units and neutral blocks above existing cut-out (by use of insulated tunnel connectors)

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This applies to metal clad cut outs where the unit is combined (i.e. cable chamber and fuse ways in one casing), and there are porcelain fuse holders which do not have a suitable bottom terminal to connect a new meter tail onto, but the fuse holders can be easily removed.

If a specific risk assessment has found it is difficult or impossible to replace the complete cut-out then if the cut-out design and available space allows, a new 100A Single Pole cut-out and neutral block can be fitted above the existing cut out and new 25mm² tails fitted on the bottom connection on the old cut out using insulated tunnel connectors.



Example: Old ISCO unit with twin porcelain fuse carriers (rewireable). The porcelain fuse holders are retained to the base by two screws in each base. (No shrouding is shown for clarity)

The porcelain fuse holders are removed, and insulated tunnel connectors are used to connect new tails from the cable connections through to new cut out and neutral block mounted above.

Materials Required:

| | |
|---|---|
| Insulated Connector Block | 071855 |
| 100A SP Fused Cut-Out | 065456 |
| Insulated Tunnel Connector (4-35mm ²) | 161010 |
| Insulating Rubber Patch | 168386 |
| 25mm ² double insulated copper meter tails | 356042 (Blue/grey) 356085 (Brown/Grey) |
| Universal Shroud | 792312 |
| "THIS IS NOT A FUSED NEUTRAL" label | 195160 |



Update of this Standard Technique to introduce new method for “hard wiring” old ISCO cut outs using insulated tunnel connectors.



This procedure is necessary to allow ENWS to remove an amount of fused neutrals without the lengths and costly replacement of the legacy cut out.

5 Replacing an existing separate fuse unit with new single pole units and neutral blocks. (“Top & Block” partial replacement)

This procedure can be achieved if the fuse holders/blocks are separate units to the cable chamber below them and can be easily removed.

Where the cut out is a combined unit where separation of the fuse/blocks is not possible, then consider [Sections 6](#) or [Section 7](#) to hard wire new tails through the unit.

Below are some examples of where Top & Block is acceptable after a specific risk assessment has found it is difficult or impossible to replace the complete cut-out.

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5 LV Live Line Work

5.1 Live Working

The preferred method of working on LV Systems is with the Conductors Dead, Isolated and Earthed bonded.

Work shall be carried out Dead at all times, unless it can be reasonably justified that LV Live Line working will reduce disruption to customer supplies and can be carried out safely.

In all cases, LV Live Line working shall be strictly carried out in accordance with:

- The current edition of Electricity North West’s Distribution Safety Rules.
- Electricity North West’s policy for Live working on LV (see CP605 Section 4, Procedure 4.2).
- Approved Live Line Instructions and Techniques for LV Live Line working in Section 2 and 3 of this Manual.
- Approved procedures for testing in CP606

5.2 Requirements for Live Working

The following requirements shall always be met for carrying out work on Live LV overhead lines.

- A POWRA shall be carried out to assess whether Live working is appropriate. Refer to the decision chart to Justify (section 5.3) working live in the next section ,and ensure all reasons are recorded on the POWRA.
- Site conditions shall be continually assessed to ensure a safe working area is maintained at all times. Should circumstances change meaning the risks become unacceptable, then the work shall be stopped immediately to re-assess if additional control measures or working dead shall be implemented.
- The work shall be carried out in accordance with the Approved procedures.
- The person(s) carrying out the work shall hold appropriate Authorisation in writing for Live LV working (see Authorisation Codes in CP614).
- Approved insulated tools and equipment shall be used at all times.
- Approved insulating gloves shall be worn.
- All LV conductors and steelwork within the working zone shall be covered with Approved shrouding, unless they are being worked upon and steps have been taken to prevent contact with Live conductors.

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Section 1 and LL Technique 010 – Justification for LV Live Line working added.



LL Technique 018 – IAD checks moved from CP606 A11.



LL Technique 863 and LL Technique 864 – Minor amendment to number of persons required.



Amendments to allow mechanical plant for tree cutting with the use of a Dedicated Safety Observer with remote cut off.



Additional amendments for cutting Category A, B & C Trees.



Electrical risk assessment combined into a Tree Cutting POWRA to stream the process.



Application Guide – To be updated to align with Policy update.

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**TREE WORK AND VEGETATION CLEARANCE
IN PROXIMITY TO LIVE OVERHEAD LINES**

Procedure
A10

APPENDIX H – Tree Cutting Point of Work Risk Assessment

TREE CUTTING Point of Work Risk Assessment

WI No: _____ Site No(s): _____ Date(s) of Work: _____

| SITE / JOB ADDRESS | | EMERGENCY MEET POINT / ACCESS <small>(if different to site)</small> | |
|---|--|---|---|
| ROAD NAME / TOWN | | | |
| POST CODE | | | |
| WSP | | | |
| OS Grid Ref | | | |
| PHONE SIGNAL STN: | RESPONSIBLE PERSON FOR SITE: <small>Name / Mobile</small> | | |
| NEAREST ABE <small>Address / Phone No:</small> | | | |
| NETWORK DETAILS | | | |
| GDMG / CONTROL EMERGENCY NO: 0843 3113399 (33399) | | | |
| VOLTAGE | LV B1 | LV | HW |
| | | | 30KV |
| | | | 132KV |
| | | | Sub Sta |
| CIRCUIT NAME | | | |
| Nearest PWT / Poles / ABE / PCI | | | |
| Pole No Start | Pole No End | # T off included - 3rd Pole No | |
| LIVE LINE | | YES | NO |
| All work to be carried out in accordance with ENW CDP 866 procedure A10 | | | |
| TREE CATEGORIES | A | B | C |
| The above should have been assessed by an ENWL Authorized Live Line Authoriser. It is feasible for work to be carried out with the live live. | | | |
| Network Management Risk Contacted (START) | Time and Engineer | | Lightning Risk |
| Network Management Risk Contacted (FINISH) | Time and Engineer | | 1 - Inevitable 2 - Likely 3 - Unlikely 4 - Not Expected |
| | | | A - Very Frequent B - Frequent C - Infrequent D - Very Infrequent |
| SHUTDOWN | | YES | NO |
| PTW HOLDER NAME: | | PTW No: | |
| TASKS CARRIED OUT <small>(Tick all that apply)</small> | | | |
| CLIMBING / Aerial <small>Rescue plan</small> | SEMP / Rescue Plan | FILING WITH INSULATED TOOLS | All the Risk associated with the Task(s) identified can be carried out safely and are adequately managed by standard operating procedures / generic risk assessments / training / codes of practice / safety rules. |
| CHAINSaws | FELLING | CHIPPING | |
| WINDLOWN TREES | WINCHING OPERATIONS | RODDING / LOWERING | |
| MULTIPLE WORK PARTIES | COSSW | MANUAL HANDLING | |

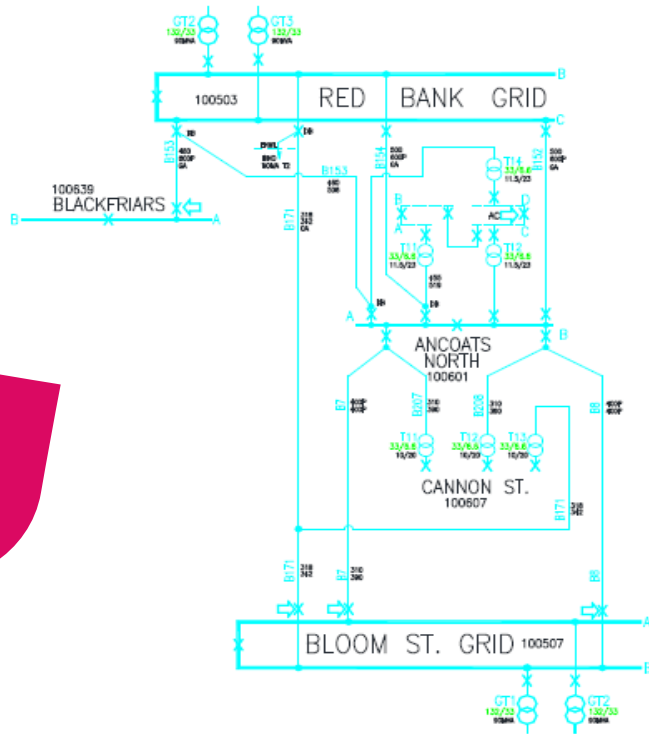


OPERATIONAL PROCEDURE NO. 85

RED BANK GRID 100503 AUTO LOAD REDUCTION SCHEME

1. INTRODUCTION

This document refers to the Auto Load Reduction (ALRS) scheme installed on the B154 Ancoats North / Ancoats North T11 CB at Red Bank Grid that will Auto Open the Cannon Street T11, T12 and T13 6.6kV CB's.



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New OP85 added to CP608 Section 6 for Redbank B154 ALRS Scheme recently installed.



Code of Practice 615

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Substation, Circuit and Plant Identification



Updates to the naming and numbering approach for telecontrolled linkboxes installed, as part of Smart St and Distributed Energy Resources introduced as part of Active Network Management.



Revision of construction to bring into line with other UK DNO/TNO designs, and testing regimes updated to latest IEC/BS requirements.



For preparation of ED2 Tender for Supply Framework.



Electricity Specification 400C14

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132kV Cables with XLPE Insulation



ES400E5 – Installation Commissioning and Repair of Underground Cables Operating at 33kV and 132kV



6.4 Joint Bays

The photograph shows an example of a well prepared 33kV joint bay.

Joint bays shall be constructed to ensure there is adequate working room to install the joints, including the length required to park tubes or joint bodies along the cable during preparation. A typical joint bay for 33kV cables can be estimated at 4metres x 2metres, but the overall length may have to be extended up to 5metres depending on cable size and the joint(s) to be used.

Where specified, joint bays shall have close board timbered shuttering and suitable hard standing shall be provided by use of concrete flag stones/concrete base or composite grid bases, all laid level and flat with no trip hazards to the entire joint bay area.

Where water persists to enter the working area, a sump hole shall be dug in the lowest corner to enable the water to be bailed or pumped out at intervals.

If a canopy is specified, this shall be constructed to provide adequate protection for operatives working in the joint bay and be capable of withstanding wind loads and other climatic conditions typically expected in the North West of England. The canopy shall have a waterproof sheet securely tied to a suitable tubular frame scaffold fixed rigidly to the joint bay sides.

A suitable means of access and egress shall be provided.

All 33kV joints laid at a depth of 750mm shall be totally encapsulated by resin. Any 33kV joints laid at a depth of minimum 900mm, or within a secure Electricity North West compound (e.g. substation site) may use a reinforced heat shrink wraparound sleeves for outer protection in place of the standard resin encapsulation.

All cables to be jointed shall be positioned substantially straight and level, and adequately supported from the floor of the joint bay to support the weight of the joint



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The following changes have been made:



Addition of Section 6.2 on storage of accessories



Addition of Section 6.4 covering joint bays



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Minor policy updates





CP420 Pt1 – Policy and Practice for Wood Pole Overhead Lines

- Minor updates for company structural changes, policy and legislation references.

CP421 – Maintenance and Refurbishment of Overhead Lines – HV Mains Supported by Poles

- The PURL tester has been withdrawn from use and support by the manufacturer. PURL has been replaced with the Resistograph Drill for testing wood poles.

CP430 Pt 1 – Linesman's Manual – Dead Wood Pole

- The PURL tester has been withdrawn from use and support by the manufacturer. PURL has been replaced with the Resistograph Drill for testing wood poles in OHLT251.



CP606 A11 – Operations Manual

- IAD check list moved from A11 to CP423 OHLT 018.

EPD307 – Equipment Approved for Use on Electricity North West Network

- Appendix A Section A13 updated to remove the Lucy ABSD Actuator from the Approved List of Equipment for use.



CP614 – Authorisation

- Code 284 – Site specific code
- Trafford General and Withington Community Hospitals- ENWL control and operated substations, access for visual inspection, fire alarm testing, LV network and heating and lighting, and embedded generation.
- Code 316
- Authorised Person to carry out Low Voltage (LV) Telecontrol switching ONLY to the instructions of an LV Authorised Person
- Code 405
- CNS 66kV Cable Jointing

Minor code amendments:-

- Codes 119/519 – Formal training updated for clarity
- Code 183 – Formal training updated
- Code 189 - Formal training updated and note added for clarity
- Code 256 – On job training updated for clarity