

## Fatal LV Service Fault Incident

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<b>Applicable to</b>	All colleagues and contractors

### **A fatal incident has occurred in another Distribution Network Operator (DNO) area.**

On 13 August 2020, an incident occurred resulting in the fatality of a DNO Jointer. The DNO jointing team were working on an LV service fault when a jointer received a fatal electric shock whilst in the joint hole. Information provided so far does not indicate why or how this happened.

The HSE and DNO are currently carrying out investigations to determine the root causation.

#### **Key points to remember:**

- Incidents occur when control measures fail
- Carry out all tasks in accordance with Code of Practice and Distribution Safety Rules
- Always undertake tasks with the application of defensive behaviours
- Always wear the approved personal protective equipment for the task being undertaken
- The craft attendant shall remain nearby the joint hole to render assistance if required
- Always follow COP606 B8 Work on or Near Damaged or Faulty LV Cables.

For anyone affected by this incident please remember that we have a confidential Employee Assistance Programme that you can use by calling 0800 0305 182.

