

ASP Safety Alert

ASP Compliance and Practices



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Unauthorised relocation of ADSS cable

Ensure appropriate access to the network and isolation arrangements are made with Ausgrid when constructing, connecting, relocating or altering all assets associated with the Ausgrid network.

Incident Summary

An ASP1 relocated Ausgrid All Dielectric Self Supporting (ADSS) circular fibre optic cable without prior approval to complete the works. The relocation of the ADSS cable was completed without a certified design or appropriate access to the network leaving the ADSS cable in-service throughout the transfer.

Expectations

All works completed by a level 1 ASP must be included on the certified design, and as per the ASP level 1 Authorisation Agreement CI 16.3 – “*The designed assets as built must comply in all respects with the certified design*”.

In this regard, appropriate access to the network and isolation arrangements must be organised with Ausgrid when constructing, connecting, relocating or altering all assets associated with the Ausgrid network, **including communications cable such as ADSS**.

All permits outlined in Ausgrid's Electrical Safety Rules form part of Ausgrid's safe system of work. The purpose of these permits is to ensure the safety of all persons working on or near the Ausgrid network.

Action Required

ASP's to communicate to all authorised employees, supervisors and project managers the requirements for arranging appropriate access to the network and working under all permits as per Ausgrid's Electrical Safety Rules.

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