

# ASP General Information

## Network Compliance & Authorisations

**Alert Number: GI08\_22**

**11 April 2022**

### **Subject: Application of Overhead Access Permit Earths and Working Earths, and Overhead Low Voltage Short Circuits**

Dear ASPs,

Ausgrid acknowledges that training has been impacted by COVID-19 over the past two years and as such this GI is to clarify dates and training requirements. Where a previous GI is referenced the dates and costs outlined in the previous GIs shall be superseded by the information in this GI.

#### **ASP1 Access Permit Earth – Mandatory from 01 JULY 2022**

From 01 July 2022 the function of installing and removing overhead network earths associated with the provision of an access permit will be the responsibility of the Level 1 Accredited Service Provider (ASP1) where they are undertaking works on the network as per [GI06 21-V1](#).

To complete this function, ASP1s are required to complete the one-off training course TTDO1804C – Application of Overhead Access Permit and Working Earths Combined.

As stated in GI06-21, in the event an ASP1 is unable to provide this service in-house or by means of sub-contracting to another ASP1 company, Ausgrid may provide the service, by request, as a last resort for a fee as outlined in the 2019-2024 Regulatory Determination. This will be subject to the availability of Ausgrid resources.

Ausgrid will continue to provide AP earthing equipment for ASP1s to use on outages, however the ASP1s will need to ensure equipment availability by confirming with the appointed Compliance Officer prior to the outage date.

#### **Application of OH LV Short Circuits – Mandatory from 01 JULY 2022**

From 01 July 2022 where an ASP1 requests an outage requiring overhead low voltage shorts the ASP must provide suitably trained and authorised personnel to perform these functions.

To complete this function, ASP1s must complete the one-off training course TTDO1653 – Application of Overhead Low Voltage Short Circuits

Please refer to [ES4](#) section 8.16 for additional authorisation and training requirements.

The ASP must provide suitable LV Shorts to perform the isolation being undertake, including the correct number of sets as per the NAR. LV Shorts can be purchased externally provided they meet the requirements of NS223 or can be purchased through [Ausgrid ASP Sales](#).

Please refer to [GI24 19](#) regarding LV short circuits inspection and test requirements.

## Training

Ausgrid delivered training for ASPs is booked via the Pegasus system. ASP Authorisation roles in the Pegasus system identify the required competencies a worker is required to hold, including relevant training.

To book Ausgrid delivered training, select the appropriate roles for your workers via the Ausgrid Role Management Portal. If the role you have selected requires training to be completed, you will be prompted to book into an available course or upload evidence against that role.

A [video](#) has been provided to assist with instructions of how to book classroom training in the Pegasus Roles Portal.

## Training Waitlist

Where training courses are booked out or unavailable in the scheduled period, they will not appear in the Roles Portal. In these cases, ASPs need to contact Pegasus, either via email [Ausgrid@pegasus.net.au](mailto:Ausgrid@pegasus.net.au) or phone 1300 208 498 and advise to add the worker (with name and Pegasus ID) to the waitlist for that specific course. Once Pegasus have been advised you will go onto the waitlist for the next available training course.

Information regarding course costs can be found [here](#).

When new training courses are made available, the team at Pegasus will contact ASPs on the waitlist and advise them of the new available training dates.

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