

Date Issued: 26th February 2019

Incident Number: 954901

Incident Title: Potential
livening of 400v cables that
disconnected and the ends
cut (ICAM 56)

Event Details:

During the livening and transfer of underground equipment in the Frankton region, a PowerNet Central employee stopped the process when he identified that some of the 400V overhead jumpers had not been cut away. The 400V jumpers supplied a decommissioned 400V cable that was cut in half on a pole.

If the circuit had been re-energised it would have resulted in the livening of the cable. This action would have exposed employees or members of the public to the risk of electric shock if the uncovered cable was inadvertently contacted.

Why ICAM:

This incident had the potential to cause serious injury or harm. By determining the root cause of these failures allows PowerNet to put adequate systems and process in place to help our people and the public to go home unharmed.



ICAM 56 Outcome:

1. The process of handover of jobs from the planning phase (Project Manager) to the execution phase (Supervisor) is to be clarified. This is to include:
 - a. Clarification of the responsibilities of the two roles
 - b. A specification of the items to be included in the work pack provided to the Supervisor such as drawings, work schedule, material list, test requirements, HSE and planning meetings etc.

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