

# FIRST ALERT

## Earth Bond not Applied



### WHAT HAPPENED

Line Mechanics working from a man-cage, within 5 metres of a set of three-phase earths, had not applied an earth bond from the man-cage to the appropriate conductor.

### IMMEDIATE ACTIONS

On realisation, the earth bond was applied immediately to the man-cage and used appropriately.

### SAFETY MESSAGE

This is a reminder of the requirement to create Equipotential Zones (EPZs) and importance of site-specific equipotential bonding and earthing plans.

Pre-work inspections are mandatory and must be completed prior to commencing any task to confirm that all required controls are in place and effective. Any discrepancies, hazards, or uncertainties must be escalated immediately in accordance with company procedures.



*Picture - showing the applied bond*

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