



Electricity Engineers Association Notification  
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### **Haywards Incident – 5<sup>th</sup> March 2003**

On the morning of 5 March 2003, two ALSTOM electrical services employees working at Transpower's Haywards Substation near Wellington received serious burns while working on 11,000-volt electrical switchgear.

One member of the work party subsequently died of his injuries later that evening, with the second member remaining in intensive care after being transferred to Waikato Hospital.

A series of parallel full-scale incident investigations are underway. While it is too early to ascertain what caused the accident, It is clear that it was not due to switchgear or equipment failure in any way.

We will keep the industry informed of any relevant outcomes/further information as it becomes available.

All questions to be directed to:

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