

**ESAA 49/2002**

**Safety Advice Bulletin**

**To:** General Manager Power Networks All      **Date:** 12 November 2002  
Network Services Personnel

**From:** Manager Network Services      **File:**

**Re:** House Shifting Incident on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2002

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**Brief Description of Incident**

A 7metre High Load convoy was being shifted from McKinnon Rd, Berrimah, to Trippe Rd, Humpty Doo, when the high load convoy came in contact with a 66 Kv Feeder. A PowerWater line crew escorted the convoy safely along McKinnon Rd and onto the Stuart Hwy, lifting LV services and conductors along the route. Once the convoy reached the highway it was deemed to be clear of all Network assets along the approved route and therefore no need for PowerWater to escort the convoy to its destination. As the high load approached its destination, the second semi trailer of the convoy veered left from the approved route into a 66Kv feeder line. This caused the 66 Kv Feeder to trip on three occasions but did not lock out. The second convoy vehicle continued to its destination on Trippe Rd.

**Extent of Injury /Damage**

No injury to person associated with the convoy and minimal damage to the conductors of the 66Kv Feeder. The second convoy vehicle suffered burn marks to the prime mover and the trailer tyres. Burn marks on the bitumen road.

**Local Action Taken**

1. A safety committee to be formed to review the incident
2. Interview MVR and NT Police about the escort.
3. Interview Power Water staff about the escort.
4. Review of the High Load Permit System process to take place

**Potential Severity**

Possible Fatality



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