



Safety Advice 02-2005 (NZ)

FLASHOVER

On 8 February 2005, a worker was inserting solid links, as part of a program to install LV ties, into a multi box fitted with an open bus frame. A phase to phase flashover occurred and the worker suffered burns to one arm and his face. He was treated at hospital and discharged the same morning.

All workers should be aware of the potential hazard of exposed live terminals and should ensure that all steps are taken to eliminate, isolate or minimise the hazard.

A full investigation is underway and further details will be circulated as soon as they become available.

