

Event Number: Maximo #113923

Event Date: 17 / 01 / 18

Classification: Near miss / Public Safety near miss

First Alert

Heavy vehicle contacted 400v Service line

Description of Event: During BPE-HAY reconductoring project, a heavy vehicle has been reversed into a Low live 400v service line supplying a private residence, when there had been a change to the planned access route. The contact caused a conductor to break and fall to the ground.

Picture 1: Truck in contact with wires



Picture 2: Position of line after repair



Immediate Actions: The Driver remained in the vehicle until the site was made safe. The residents were removed from the property by the site crew and advised to remain clear until the site was made safe. A fault response distribution lineworker was dispatched to the site to make the site safe and repair the damaged line.

Immediate Safety Message: Ensure a full risk assessment of site access is undertaken, to identify and mitigate potential hazards. Carry out a new assessment of the hazards if there are any changes to planned access routes.

Investigation in Progress

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Date of release: 13 / 02 / 18