

Safety Alert – SA242

MTI - Bolt Fell 7 Meters Hitting Worker

This Alert is applicable to (please tick):

Distribution		Transmission	X	General Business Distribution	X
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Date of issue: 14/08/2014

Incident	Description
<i>Date of Event</i>	12 th August 2014
<i>Location</i>	Bunnythorpe Substation
<i>Time</i>	11.30am
<i>Injuries/Damage sustained</i>	Broken / chipped teeth
<i>Event Description</i>	While dismantling 33kV Strung Bus (twin Cicada) a clevis bolt had to be removed by force by the worker in the bucket. The worker below was holding the landline under tension to release the conductor and insulator string when the bolt dropped, hitting him in the mouth resulting in a broken front tooth and 2 chipped teeth.



<i>Initial Actions Taken</i>	Work was stopped immediately and the worker was taken into the dentist. The incident was reported to both the client and Northpower's Management with an investigation now underway.
<i>Actions Required / Messages</i>	<p>It would appear at this stage of the investigation that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Although the worker was required to be inside the work zone there wasn't a need for him to be directly underneath the bucket. • There was a lack of communication between the two parties. • The JSEA identified the Drop Zone as a hazard and the controls in place were for those below to be aware and the area to be cordoned off. <p>This incident was upgraded to an MTI when it was identified the worker would need ongoing dental treatment.</p>
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