

Powerline Bushfire Safety Committee

Meeting 3: 13 June 2017

Agenda

Part A - Committee Members and secretariat only

1. **Committee Discussion** - David Harris [5 minutes]
 - 1.1. **Committee procedural practices**
 - 1.2. **Other**

Part B - Committee Members and Observers

2. **Introduction** - David Harris [5 minutes]
 - 2.1. **Attendance and apologies**
 - 2.2. **Previous meeting minutes**
 - 2.3. **Outstanding actions**
3. **DB progress to-date** - on delivering the legislative requirements [50 minutes]
 - 3.1. **Powercor** - Steve Neave [20 minutes]
 - 3.2. **AusNet** - Tom Hallam [20 minutes]
 - 3.3. **Discussion** - David Harris [10 minutes]

Coffee break [10 minutes]

4. **ESV HV Customer Survey** [50 minutes]
 - 4.1. **Preliminary risk survey of customers directly connected to REFCL networks** - Tony Marxsen [40 minutes]
 - 4.2. **Discussion** - David Harris [10 minutes]
5. **Fire Loss Consequence Modelling** [50 minutes]
 - 5.1. **Risk Reduction Model (RRM) – DELWP** [40 minutes]
 - 5.2. **Discussion** - David Harris [10 minutes]
6. **New Zealand GFNs** – update on recent operational experiences – Steve MacDonald [5 minutes]
7. **Discussion** - David Harris [10 minutes]
 - 7.1. **Committee Member raised matters**
 - 7.2. **Other matters**
8. **Future meetings** – David Harris [5 minutes]
 - 8.1. **Next meeting** - 12 September 2017
 - 8.2. **Subsequent meetings** - 12 December 2017

Meeting close

Exemption/Extensions to legislative requirements:

Electrical distributions have advised relief from requirements may be sought for the following matter(s):

1. Extension Request

Powercor have indicated that they will be seeking a 6 month extension from ESV to the Tranche 1 date for REFCLs.

It is understood that the additional time is to allow time to develop, design, install and secure land for a network solution (isolating transformer) to protect HV Customers from the higher voltages associated with the operation of RECLs.

It is expected to be argued that, the 6 month extension to 1 November 2019 will not create any additional risk to Victorians of fire starts, as the additional months are over winter and spring when the fire risk is very low and the REFCL will not be in operation.

Outstanding actions:

Meeting date	Matter	Action	Status
05/12/2016	5. Legislation Overview of; <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Electricity Safety (Bushfire Mitigation) Amendment Regulations,• Statement of Reasons, and• f-factor	Copy of the presentation to be distributed with the minutes and made available on the ESV PBSCs web page.	Copy of the presentation distributed to Members and Observers with the minutes. Copy of the presentation posted on the ESV PBSCs web page.
	6. Rapid Earth Fault Current Limiter (REFCL) research	Copy of the presentation to be available in January 2017 and forwarded to Members (size limitations permitting) and made available on the ESV PBSCs web page.	Copy of the presentation distributed to Members and Observers with the minutes. Copy of the presentation posted on the ESV PBSCs web page. The large hyperlink data files will be available via the new ESV web site.
	7. Electricity Distribution Business - progress to-date.	Copy of the presentations to be distributed with the minutes and made available on the ESV PBSCs web page.	Copy of the presentations distributed to Members and Observers with the minutes. Copy of the presentations posted on the ESV PBSCs web page.

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14/03/2017	1.3 Committee procedural practices	The Secretariat to commence the drafting of a process/protocol for the provision of advice to the DoES, when requested.	Initial discussions held within ESV. Members invited to provide views on the process.
	1.4 Other	The Secretariat to provide Members a list of matters where the industry is likely to seek relief from requirements with each meeting agenda.	Ongoing. Initial list attached.
	2.3 Outstanding matters	The Secretariat to advise Members when the new web site contains all of the linked material.	Members notified by email.
	3. Electricity Distribution Business - progress to-date	Copy of the presentation to be distributed with the minutes and made available on the ESV PBSCs web page.	Copy of the presentations distributed to Members and Observers with the minutes. Copy of the presentations posted on the ESV PBSCs web page.
	3. Electricity Distribution Business - progress to-date	Consideration be given to distributors taking the committee through their risk modelling.	DWELP to give a presentation of the risk modelling used to inform the current legislation.
	6. Cross-country faults on a REFCL network	Copy of the presentation to be distributed with the minutes (size limitations permitting) and made available on the ESV PBSCs web page.	Copy of the presentations distributed to Members and Observers with the minutes. Copy of the presentations posted on the ESV PBSCs web page
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