

# Policy Newsletter

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# Policy updates

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## Major policy updates


Ref	Issue	Title
EPD201	Iss_10	Installation, Removal and Identification of Idle Assets
ES281	Nov 25	SP ENW Approved Equipment List
ES400 G1	Iss_10	Cable Guards for Wood Pole Overhead Lines
ES400 W2	Iss_11	Wood Poles and Miscellaneous Wooden Items
CP608	Iss_35	System Control Manual

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CP608	Appendix C – System Paralleling Matrices	Manchester Parallels 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2025 Manchester Parallels 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2025

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## EPD201 – Installation, Removal and Identification of Idle Assets

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- Distribution substation process modified to clarify requirements for sending ESQCR Regulation 26 disconnection notices to customers following emergency and planned disconnections on safety grounds.
  - Process diagram form managing potentially redundant distribution substations modified in Appendix A.
  - Appendices B to D added with specimen disconnection notification letters.
  - Section 7 amended to include fitting on conductive service caps.

## ES281 – SP ENW Approved Equipment List

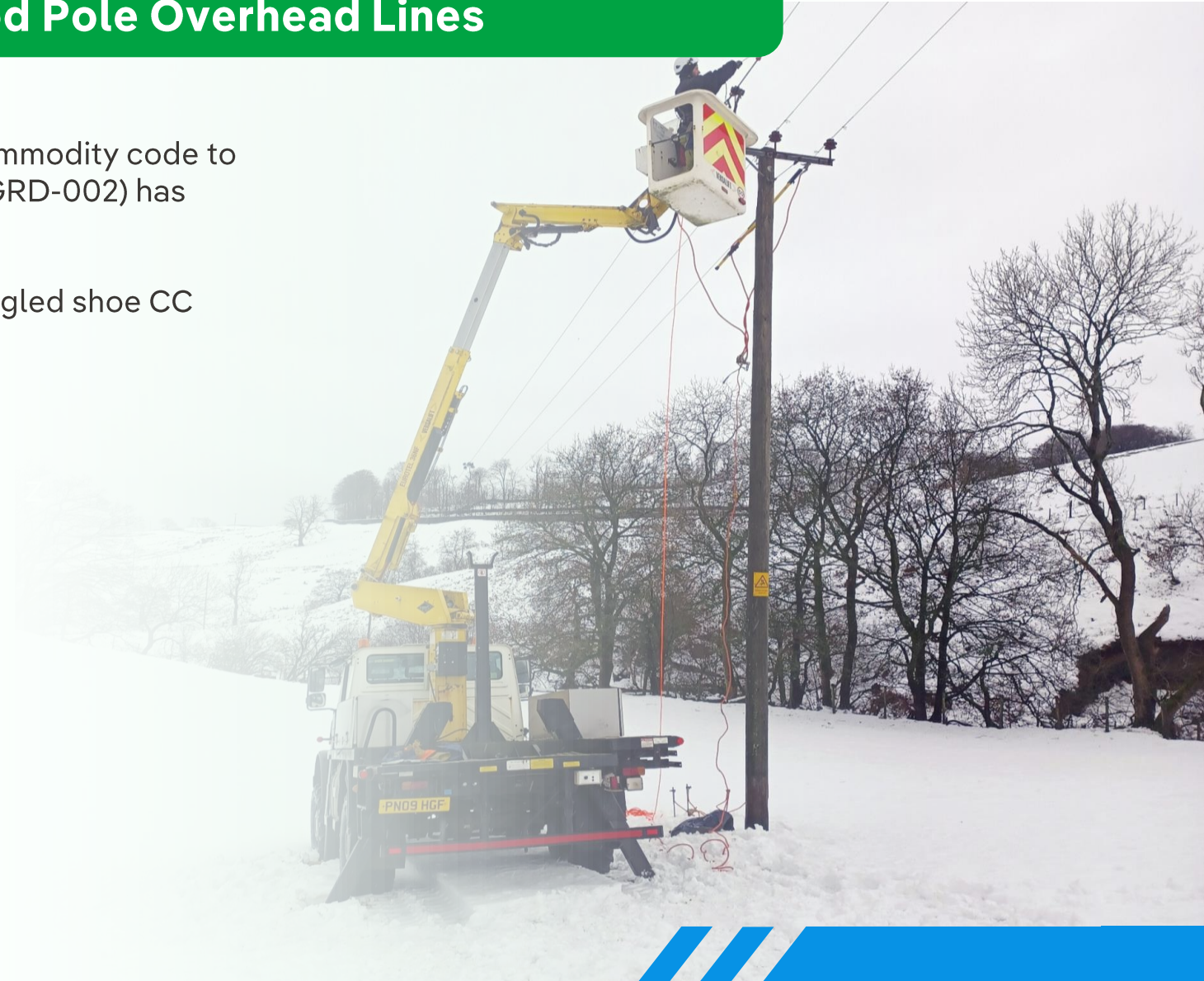
- Updated all appendix documents to reflect new SP Electricity North West branding and to reflect combined reference documents now contained within EPD283.

### ES281 – SP ENW Approved Equipment List

- Deleted OHL contacts tab within ES281 for data protection reason. Contact details must be given upon request.
- Updated protection relays tab following guidance from Simon Rushton.
- Updated cables and accessories tab – all details of changes available on ‘Amendment Summary’ tab within the ES281 spreadsheet.

## ES400 G1 – Cable Guards for Wood Pole Overhead Lines

- Policy updated to add size 57R cable guard and commodity code to Appendix A. The corresponding drawing (I-400G1-GRD-002) has also been updated.
- Missing commodity code for cable guard added, angled shoe CC 122714.





## ES400 W2 – Wood Poles and Miscellaneous Wooden items

- Policy updated to address ongoing ‘Scots Pine’ supply constraints and upcoming restrictions on using creosote to treat poles.
- ‘Section 6: Technical Particulars’ updated to include additional species of tree and ‘medium stout’ pole size, consolidated fabrication requirements, future substitute preservative treatment with copper oil, and process for addressing bleeding poles.
- Updated ‘Section 6.5.3: Pole Marking’ to allow gouge marking only.
- Appendix A updated to include new pole sizes and drawing reference table.
- Appendix B is now a Wood Pole Index with updated commodity codes and highlighted standard stock poles, open-wire Index removed.
- Appendix C and D updated to highlight standard stock.
- All numbering updated in Appendices.

## CP608 – System Control Manual

### Update to Section 12 – Active Network Management

- Minor corrections to wording. The references to ‘level’ changed to ‘limit’ throughout section.
- **New Operational Procedure - OP95 issued for Cocker Ave BESS**
- **New Operational Procedure - OP96 issued for Town Lane BESS**

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- Routine updates to paralleling matrices.

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**New Constraint Management Procedure - CMP001 issued for Wrightington BSP**