# SPS DISTRIBUTION COMMISSIONING FORM (DCF) 2.12 Low voltage cable with/without pillars



**Purpose:** This instruction covers the testing and commissioning of all new installations of low voltage cross-linked polyethylene (XLPE) and polymeric orange circular cables with or without pillars at the initial energization of an SPS and the customer connection to this supply. For more information, refer to the <u>Distribution Commissioning Manual</u> (EDM 34137510).

**Note:** The following tests must be carried out after installation, alteration, repair or jointing and before the cable is put into service. The contractor handovers the SPS unit to the SPS technician, as per Part 1 Section 2. Contractor Handover to SPS Technician.

# PART 1 - Network Service / Supply Cable

#### 1. Job Details

Location of Pillars								
SPS Scope No.								
Lot No. and Road Nam	ie							
Nearest Pick ID (Meter No., Pole No. et					e No. etc).			
Applicable arrangements – Drawing No. (General Arrangement, Single Line Diagram, Termination Drawing)					ng)			
Uni-Pillar (GAD).								
Test Equipment Used								
Test Instrument Type		Serial Numbe	r		Calibratio	Calibration date		
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Pillar to be configured	as:	1 Ø Split (		olit (2) Ø	2) Ø 3 Ø			
Network Cable to Pilla	ar							
Size of Conductors:	Phases Ø	mm²	Length of	cable:	Metres	No. Cores		
Size of conductors.	Neutral	mm²	mm <sup>2</sup> Length of cable:		Metres	No. Cores		
Cable Type:								
Consumer's Main								
Size of Conductors:	Phases Ø	mm <sup>2</sup>	Length of	cable:	Metres	No. Cores		
	Neutral	mm <sup>2</sup>	Length of	cable:	Metres	No. Cores		
Cable Type:								



## 2. SPS Contractor Handover to SPS Technician

I hereby certify that all ITR's and mandatory tests associated with the SPS up to the customers connections box				
have been completed with satisfactory results and hereby transfer control to the person responsible for				
commissioning the Uni-Pillar.				

SPS Contractor Representative	BNA	
Signature	Date & Time	
Western Power Representative	BNA	
Signature	Date & Time	

#### 3. Isolation

- 1. De-energize potential sources of supply to the Uni-Pillar, isolate by airgap, lockout & tag out.
- 2. Ensure consumers installation is electrically separated from pillar.
- 3. Test for deenergised before commencing work <u>or</u> if change of task occurs. Level 2 PPE is required until proven de-energized.

Confirmed	Yes		No	
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#### 4. Continuity and phasing test

- Confirm test instruments are calibrated and 'in date'.
- Short and test between each phase and neutral then between phase to phase, if any combination of the below are open circuit this indicates incorrect polarity and requires further testing not covered by this document.
- Where sites have only 2 cores available, you must supplement the earth core for an independent earth (IE)
  - Each core must have 500V applied between it and the main earth stake within the SPS boundary with a bridge/link placed between IE and core being tested at the Uni-Pillar. This method is for the supply cable and not to be used for the consumer main.

Stage	Continuity - Results are to be recorded in N	<b>Continuity</b> - Results are to be recorded in $M\Omega/\Omega$ where applicable.			
Arrangement		1 Φ Split Φ 3 Φ			
	$R - W \Omega$				
	R – Β Ω				
Steps	$W - B \Omega$				
	$R - N \Omega$				
	$W - N \Omega$				
	Β – Ν Ω				
	R –Ε(Ω)/ΙΕΜΩ				
	$W - E \Omega$				
	Β – Ε Ω				
	Ν- Ε(Ω)/ΙΕΜΩ				



## 5. Insulation Resistance Test

- Use a 1kV insulation resistance tester (DO NOT exceed 1000V for this test) for 1 minute between conductor to conductor and conductor to neutral.
- Record the values obtained.
- Values greater than 10 MΩ for new cable and 1 MΩ for existing cables are acceptable. This test may not be practical for existing cables because of connected services.
- Ensure all persons are clear of the circuit before testing.
- Test and record the insulation resistance values measured using an insulation resistance tester.

Circle either:

New Existing

**Note**: Do not perform insulation resistance test once the service cable at the SPS is connected, as there is potential for equipment damage.

Stage		<b>Insulation Resistance</b> Record actual measurements in $M \Omega$ All cores including spares <b>shall</b> be tested.				
Arrangement		1Φ	Split Φ	3Φ		
	R – W MΩ					
	R – Β ΜΩ					
Steps	W – Β ΜΩ					
	R – Ν ΜΩ					
	W – Ν ΜΩ					
	Β – Ν ΜΩ					
	R – Ε/ΙΕ ΜΩ					
	W – E/IE MΩ			-		
	B – Ε/ΙΕ ΜΩ	-				
	N – Ε/ΙΕ ΜΩ					

# 6. Visual Inspection and Safety Check

De	scription	Result
1.	Confirm that the cable is de-energised (with an approved testing device) before proceeding.	🗌 Pass 🗌 Fail
2.	Check that the pillars finished ground level is satisfactory.	🗌 Pass 🗌 Fail
3.	Check that all the cables and pillars are correctly installed and that there is no sign of damage.	🗌 Pass 🗌 Fail
4.	Check that no cables are exposed and backfill if required.	🗌 Pass 🗌 Fail
5.	Ensure no earth rod is installed in the pillar and the earth jumper removed.	🗌 Pass 🗌 Fail



6.	Check the service cable connections are completed in line with the pillar arrangement drawings ( <i>SPS-MOD-06- EDM 64769770</i> ) and are free from damage.	Pass Fail			
7.	Check that the labelling is correct as per the SPS Pillar termination drawing.	Pass Fail			
8.	Ensure the inspection point of the lugs are visible and not covered by any heat shrink. (Copper must be visible and inserted to the full extent the lug will accept.)	🗌 Pass 🗌 Fail			
9.	Check that there are no loose connections or unconnected service cables in the pillar. (Ensure consumer main must be disconnected.)	Pass Fail			
10.	Check that the neutrals are all solidly and separately bolted to the neutral bar/block. (Bolts to be marked as an indicator they have been correctly tensioned).	Pass Fail			
11.	Inspect and confirm the neutral tag identifier has been affixed to the neutral cable only and is clearly visible.	Pass Fail			
12.	All insulating covers are to be secure, fixed in place and in a safe to energise state.	Pass Fail			
Esc init	Escalate any failed results to relevant parties and if re-commissioning is required; commissioning must be re- initiated and new forms completed.				

# 7. Critical checks before energizing.

- All insulating covers are to be secure, fixed in place and in a safe to energize state.
- Confirm earth jumper within uni-pillar has been removed.
- Ensure all spare cores are labelled and terminated.
- Consumer isolated Load neutral removed & Service Protection Device (SPD) removed.
- Ensure overhead supply has been cut away.
- Ensure consumer main cannot make inadvertent contact with live parts.

# 8. Commissioning – Live tests to be completed at SPS Customer Connection Box.

If energisation occurs more than two weeks after the above testing, conduct all insulation resistance tests again to ensure the cables are safe to energise.

Stage	Steps	
Commissioning Checks	Ensure that all persons and equipment are clear of the circuit and all pillars and units are secured.	
	Check that the LV fuses / protection devices are correct as per the SPS single line diagram.	
	Each phase must be energised in turn from the remote end and checked at customer connection box for correct phasing. Record the voltages.	
	Ensure SPS output terminals have been terminated and are correct as per the SPS single line diagram.	



Stage	Steps				
	If applicable, energize voltage switching pro				
Stage		Acceptable range	Instruction	SPS Mode	Genset Mode
Energisation of the SPS associated LV network	Test and record voltages at the <b>SPS</b> <b>output terminals</b> . (Fill all applicable voltage fields.)	<b>Single Φ</b> Expected Value 216–253V.	Red - Neutral	v	v
			Ind Earth - Red	V	v
		<b>Single Φ</b> Expected Value 0 – 6V	Ind Earth - Neutral	v	v
			Red - Neutral	V	V
		Split Φ	White - Neutral	V	V
		216–253V.	Ind Earth - Red	V	V
			Ind Earth - White	V	V
		<b>Split Φ</b> Expected Value 0 – 6V	Ind Earth - Neutral	v	v
		<b>Split Ф</b> Expected Value 451–509V	Red - White	v	v
			Red - Neutral	V	V
			White - Neutral	v	v
		Three Φ	Blue - Neutral	V	V
		Expected Value 216– 253V.	Ind Earth - Red	V	V
			Ind Earth - White	V	V
			Ind Earth - Blue	v	V
		<b>Three Φ</b> Expected Value 0 – 6V	Ind Earth - Neutral	V	V
		Three ወ	Red - White	v	v
		Expected Value	Red - Blue	V	V
		376–440V	White - Blue	V	V



Stage	Steps				
	Source Impedance at SPS Output Terminals		Red to Neutral	ΩZ	ΩZ
		at SPS Output Terminals	White to Neutral	ΩZ	ΩZ
			Blue to Neutral	ΩZ	ΩZ
	If value exceeds 1.0 $\Omega$ Z checks must be performed to ensure the impedance is inherent to the SPS unit. Refer to <u>SPS System impedance work instruction EDM 67994432</u>				
	Record phase details – Sequence, colour, and rotation if applicable. i.e., L1 – Red, L2 – White etc.	ø		ø	ø

## **De-energize Uni-Pillar** – Pillar should now be ready for hand over and placed into service.

Ensure all covers and cabling in safe state for part 2. If part 2 not to be completed on the same day, service cable is to be de-energised with info tag affixed to the customer connection circuit breaker at the SPS AC distribution board.

Note: If Part 2 is not completed within 2 weeks of original test dates they must be completed again in full.



# PART 2 - Consumer connection to Uni-Pillar

#### 1. Handover to Persons responsible for energizing consumer kw/h meter.

I hereby certify that all ITR's and mandatory tests associated with LV distribution from the SPS have been completed with satisfactory results and hereby transfer control to the person responsible for connecting the consumer to the uni-pillar and energising the consumers installation.

#### The uni-pillar is now to be treated as live and energised unless proven otherwise.

Part 1 responsible party (Name & Organisation)	BNA	
Signature	Date & Time	
Part 2 responsible party (Name & Organisation)	BNA	
Signature	Date & Time	

#### 2. Isolation

- 1. De-energize potential sources of supply to the Uni-Pillar, isolate by airgap or lockout & tag out.
- 2. Ensure consumers installation is electrically separated from pillar.
- 3. Test for de-energised before commencing work <u>or</u> if change of task occurs. Level 2 PPE is required until proven de-energized.

Confirmed	Yes		No	
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#### 3. Continuity

Short and test between each phase and neutral then between phase to phase, if any combination of the below are open circuit this indicates incorrect polarity and requires further testing not covered by this document. For single phase installations: A trailing test lead (TL) must be used to confirm polarity of single core XLPE cabling.

Stage	Continuity				
Arrangement		1Φ	Split Φ	3Ф	
	R – W Ω	_			
	R – Β Ω				
	W – Β Ω				
	R – Ν Ω				
Stops	$W - N \Omega$				
Steps	B – Ν Ω				
	R – Ε (TL)Ω				
	W – Ε Ω				
	Β – Ε Ω				
	N – Ε (TL)Ω				



#### 4. Insulation resistance test

New

This test is to be carried out using a 1 kV tester (never use 5 kV insulation testers for this test) between phase to phase, phase to neutral, and neutral to earth for 1 minute. Apply test voltage as per table below.

Values greater than 10  $M\Omega$  for new cables and 1  $M\Omega$  for existing cables are acceptable.

Circle either:

Existing

Ensure that all persons are clear of the circuit before testing. Record actual values in  $M\Omega$ .

**Note**: Do not perform insulation resistance test if SPS is not air-gapped OR the consumers installation is not disconnected, as there is potential for equipment damage.

Stage	Insulation Resistance Record actual measurements in $M \Omega$ All cores including spares <b>shall</b> be tested.				
Arrangement	$1 \Phi - 500V \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{Split } \Phi - 1kV \text{ p/n-e} \\ 500 \qquad \qquad 3 \Phi - 1kV \end{array}$				
	R – W MΩ				
	R – Β ΜΩ				
	W – Β ΜΩ				
	R – Ν ΜΩ				
Store	W – Ν ΜΩ				
Steps	Β-ΝΜΩ				
	R – Ε ΜΩ				
	W – Ε ΜΩ				
	Β – Ε ΜΩ				
	Ν – Ε ΜΩ				

## 5. Visual inspection and safety check

Visual Inspection and Safety Check – Customer Meter Panel					
Description	Result				
1.	Confirm that the cable is de-energised (with an approved testing device) before proceeding.	🗌 Pass 🗌 Fail			
2.	Check that all the Kw/h meters installed as per WASIR and that there is no sign of damage.	🗌 Pass 🗌 Fail			
3.	Ensure customer load active and load neutral are left out of the meter.	🗌 Pass 🗌 Fail			
4.	Ensure consumer main labelled as per WAER. (Switchboard and uni-pillar).	Pass Fail			
5.	Check that no underground cables are exposed and backfill if required.	🗌 Pass 🗌 Fail			



6.	Terminate Active conductor/ conductors to SPD, s, terminate neutral conductor to meter.	🗌 Pass 🗌 Fail		
7.	Ensure consumer main is mechanically protected as per WAER.	🗌 Pass 🗌 Fail		
8.	All insulating covers are to be secure, fixed in place and in a safe to energise state.	🗌 Pass 🗌 Fail		
9.If any electrical works on the consumer installation were completed during the changeover, the temporary disconnection tag must be completed and signed in full. Energization cannot occur unless this is signed.PassFail				
Escalate any failed results to relevant parties and if re-commissioning is required; commissioning must be re- initiated and new forms completed.				

## 6. Connect consumer main into the Uni-pillar.

Description			Step Completed	
1.	Test for de-energised before connecting.	Yes 🗌	No	
2.	At the kw/h meter the SPD should be de-energized and load tails not connected into the meter.	Yes 🗌	No	
3.	At the uni-pillar connect the neutral core first then connect the phases in order of phase sequence. (Connect the consumer main to the front connection blocks within the pillar.)	Yes 🗌	No 🗌	
4.	Confirm terminations have no exposed copper protruding past the terminal block.	Yes 🗌	No	
5.	Perform tug test on all consumer main terminations within the uni-pillar.	Yes 🗌	No	
6.	Confirmed customer main switch off.	Yes 🗌	No	
7.	Re-instate all uni-pillar covers internal and external and ensure lid fixing bolts have been re-instated and are fully tightened.	Yes 🗌	No 🗌	
8.	Reinstate load <u>active</u> tail into the kw/h meter. **Load neutral tail to remain disconnected for SCT.	Yes 🗌	No 🗌	
9.	Re-energise at the SPS and energise service to Kw/h SPD.	Yes	No	
Escalate any failed results to relevant parties and if re-commissioning is required; commissioning must be re-				

initiated and new forms completed.

# 7. Critical checks before energizing

- 1. All insulating covers are to be secure, fixed in place and in a safe state to energize.
- 2. All tests on both Part 1 & Part 2 have been carried out successfully.
- 3. Consumer isolated Load neutral removed & SPD removed.
- 4. If any works have been completed on the consumers installation during the changeover, ensure that the temporary disconnection tag is completed in full and signed. Energization cannot occur unless this has been done.

**Note:** Critical check#4 is non-applicable if **no** electrical contractor related work was performed out during the outage.



## 8. Commissioning

Final commissioning for the consumer main is to be carried out via the <u>Service Connection Test (SCT) form (EDM</u> <u>53524514)</u>. Person responsible for performing SCT is to sign below.

**Note:** If energisation occurs more than two weeks after the above testing, conduct all insulation resistance tests again to ensure the cables are safe to energise.

# 9. SCT Details & final sign off

Service Connection Test					
Installation Address:				Date of SCT:	
Line Z Stickers Applied		Yes		No	
	S	CT Line Impeda	nce: <1.0ZΩ		
		L1	L2		L3
Inverter Mode					
Genset Mode					
I the undersigned, hereby certif safe and correctly connected to	y that I have   the network.	performed the	tests above, and	d confirm tha	at the service connection is
Tester Name:		BNA:		Signature:	
Comments:					

