

# Hydro Tasmania

## SAFETY OR ENVIRONMENT BRIEF

### Incident Notification

Brief Number (YYMMDD)	251017	Date Issued	17 October 2025
SAP Number (if applicable)	81533	Approved By	Head of WHS
Action Required?	Yes		

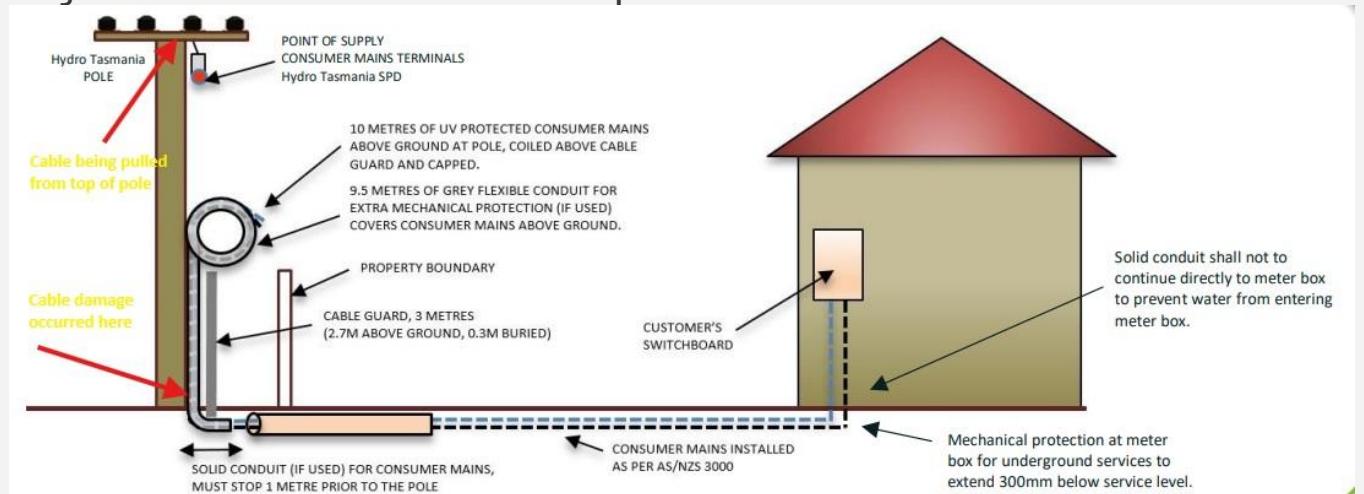
### Summary

On 17<sup>th</sup> October a Line Worker received an electric shock from the aluminium guard protecting the customer supply mains.

As part of distribution works the mains were being pulled from the pole top assembly, this caused insulation damage to the cable coming in contact with the bottom edge of the cable guard (underground). On energising the service the aluminium cable guard became live with a ground based Worker making contact during restoration works.

### Photo

**Diagram of Under Ground Consumer Mains up Service Pole**



### Message

An investigation is underway to understand the causal factors and identify improvements. What should you and your team consider from this incident notification:

- Maintain a high level of vigilance around electricity, follow safe work procedures and encourage high quality work.
- Even 240 volts can present a serious risk to personnel.
- Give consideration to the dynamic nature of hazards during the course of work and doing regular reassessments