CONSTRUCTION

It is proposed that the transmission line would be constructed using the L4(S) steel lattice tower series. These towers have an average height of 28.5m, although this can be extended or reduced to ensure minimum safety clearances between the lines and the ground and to trees, roads etc and to accommodate sloping ground. An example of a typical L4 tower is shown below.



Construction of typical L4 tower

Line construction typically follows a standard sequence of operations which are:

- Prepare access
- · Install tower foundations
- Erect towers
- String conductors
- · Reinstate tower sites and remove temporary accesses

It is preferred to have vehicular access to every tower site for construction. Access can take various forms and is dependant on ground conditions. In poorer conditions more access works are required which can vary from laying temporary wooden or aluminium matting to installing crushed stone roads.

Every effort will be made to cause least disturbance to landowners and local residents during construction. The route of the line is selected to avoid as far as possible communities and individuals dwelling and to provide a sympathetic fit with the surrounding landscape. Ground disturbed during construction of the new lines will be reinstated

PUBLIC CONSULTATION & FURTHER INFORMATION

If you require further information on the project you can visit the public exhibitions which will be on display in Port Glasgow, Bogleston Community Centre on the 2nd November 2010, in Kilmalcolm Community Centre on the 4th November 2010 and Bishopton Scout Hall on the 9th November 2010. The exhibitions will be open between the hours of 3:00pm to 8:00pm on each day.

Members of the Project Team will be available to answer questions on the these dates and times.

Copies of the Consultation Document, which sets out the full details of how the preferred route has been selected, will be available for review at these facilities. If you require a copy of this document you can view it on the internet at:

www.spenergynetworks.com/publicinformation/performance.asp

or you can request a CD-ROM or hard copy of the report by contacting:

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or by writing to:



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The public exhibition is there to present the project and also allow you to ask questions to members of the project team and make comments on the proposals. Your feedback is a vital part in the process of finalising the preferred route which consider the environmental issues along with public opinion. You can submit comments on this project until Friday 10th December 2010.

Following submission of comments and responses, SPT will found upon a proposed route for the connection This will be carried forward to Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) the results of which will be reported in an Environmental Statement (ES).

SPT will use the ES to support its Section 37 application under the Electricity Act 1989 to the Scottish Ministers for consent to install and operate the overhead line.



Erskine Substation to Devol Moor Substation

132kV Overhead Line



PROJECT OVERVIEW

SP Transmission Ltd (SPT) proposes to replace the existing 132kV overhead transmission line between Erskine Substation and Devol Moor Substation, the location of which is shown on the plan to the right. The preferred route for the replacement transmission line is also shown on the plan and was identified through an options appraisal exercise. Upon the completion of the new line, the existing one will be removed.

SPT is responsible for the electricity transmission system in the south of Scotland. As the transmission licence holder. SPT is required under the electricity Act 1989 to develop and maintain an efficient, co-ordinated and economical system of electricity transmission. In developing and maintaining this transmission system, SPT is committed to minimising disturbance to people and the environment.

To get to this stage Ironside Farrar Ltd were commissioned by SPT in June 2006 to undertake an options appraisal exercise for the proposed replacement 132kV overhead transmission line. The appraisal was based on the identification and assessment of the baseline landscape and environmental features present within the study area, which formed the key drivers in the identification of the preferred routes.

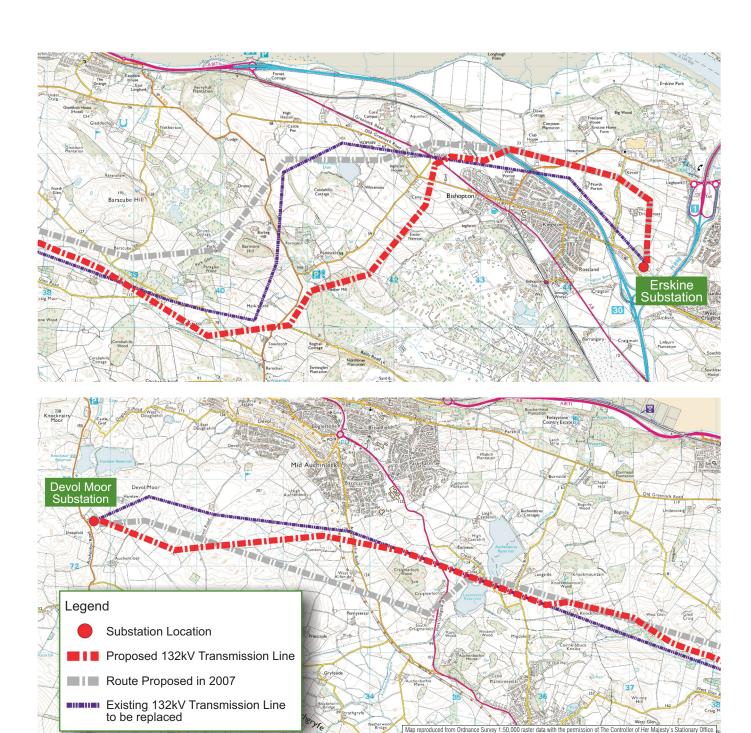
The proposals shown on this leaflet have been revised from the preferred route shown in 2007 following extensive public consultation and further technical appraisal.

This leaflet gives a broad overview of the proposals and provides information on where further details can be obtained. The leaflet also sets out how you can have your say on the project and make comment on the Examples of an L4 tower (as preferred route option.





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