

## 1. SCOPE

This document details the application of SOP 384 (Applicable to Air Break Switch Disconnectors with LEL interrupter heads at all voltages) issued by the Energy Networks Association.

## 2. ISSUE RECORD

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## 3. ISSUE AUTHORITY

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## 4. REVIEW

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**7. SOP DETAILS**

<b>EQUIPMENT TYPE</b>	All ABSDs with LEL interrupter heads at all voltages (see 11kV example below).
<b>ORIGINATING COMPANY</b>	SPEN
<b>DATE</b>	29 <sup>th</sup> January 2013
<b>NUMBER INSTALLED IN ENERGY NETWORKS NORTH</b>	Uncertain
<b>NUMBER INSTALLED IN ENERGY NETWORKS SOUTH</b>	Uncertain
<b>REASON</b>	Isolation gap compromised on a 33kV ABSD with an LEL interrupter head causing damage to a Test Van.
<b>STATUS IN INITIATING COMPANY</b>	No ABSD, at any system voltage, with an LEL interrupter head shall be used as a Point of Isolation.
<b>SPEN APPLICATION</b>	As above.
<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</b>	None
<b>UPDATE</b>	Change in maintenance policy for OHL ABSD has moved to a 3-year operational check cycle established in 2020, this 3-year cycle should ensure all LEL interrupter heads are identified and removed from the OHL network. However, LEL Interrupter heads are also installed in S/S.
<b>REMEDIAL ACTION</b>	Remove the interrupter heads (and update ABSD category) or replace the entire ABSD unit.



8. SOP HEADER

Field Name	Field Value	Field Size
<b>Name (SOP 384)</b> *	SOP384 All ABSDs with LEL interrupter heads	61
<b>The reason for the Operational Restriction</b> *	Isolation gap compromised	30
<b>Nature of the Operational Restriction</b> *	Do not use as Point of Isolation	50
<b>Comments</b> *	Faulty interrupter heads can compromise the isolation gap on any ABSD due to the inherent geometry of the design. The age and condition of these heads contributes to the risk.	200
<b>Restricted Access to Substation Flag</b> *	N	1
<b>SOP Impact Code</b> * (highlight or underline the appropriate code)	0 Temporary/Impact under assessment 1 Very minor operational/network impact 2 Moderate operational/network impact 3 Significant impact on system perf./measurable business costs <b>4 Inoperable without intervention</b> 5 Inoperable – no cost-effective solution/must be replaced	N/A
<b>SOP component type</b> * (highlight or underline the appropriate code)	01 Bushing only 02 Circuit Breaker 03 Fixed Portion only 04 Moving Portion only <b>05 Switch</b> 06 RMU 07 Transformer only 08 Tap Changer only 09 Transformer & Bushing 10 Transformer & Tap Changer	N/A
<b>Search Criteria</b> *	No search available for LEL interrupter heads	N/A

\* This denotes a Mandatory Field