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Hi [REDACTED],

Thanks for the meeting today [REDACTED] and I got a lot out of it with a broad spectrum involved in these conversations.

We do recognise that stringing of cables between poles is specialised and a licence is required. However we have the following concerns:

- With the testing of the work that the line workers complete, who is deemed responsible for the testing.
- Who is or will be responsible to submit COES for the line workers work? Eg Currently RANS Electrical A Grades work alongside Linesmen to sign off their work but if the line worker is licenced our belief is that the line worker will now have to submit the COES as they will be deemed as the responsible worker in charge. RANS insurance as it stands today we are covered. If a line worker is licenced and we engage them we won't be covered because an A Grade can only sign the COES for the REC. Under the proposed regs a line worker will not be responsible to submit a COES in my belief as per discussions in the Skype meeting today. To ask any A Grade electrician to sign off work that they have not completed or licenced to do themselves will leave them open for prosecution if they are not licenced to string an overhead cable.
- It will be assumed that the licenced electrical worker will submit CEOS only for their portion of work.
- If the customer was to engage the Line Worker directly they must be a REC
- In regards to cable jointing we assume that the line worker can carry out this work, or are shall they hold a jointers cert.
- I believe 4 b and c should be removed and installed in A grade electrician regulations.
- When working on the customer installation all workers A grade and line workers must adhere to the Blue Book and be trained appropriately to receive permits as stated in the Blue Book.
- We believe Live glove and barrier works is not allowed under the Blue Book as there is no section to issue recipient with the appropriate permits as required by law and ESV regulations

Best regards

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