APPRENTICESHIP AND OCCUPATIONAL CERTIFICATION

Board Order

This is an order of the New Brunswick Apprenticeship and Occupational Certification Board made pursuant to section 13 of the Apprenticeship and Occupational Certification Act.

Title:	Tasks, Activities and Functions of a Designated Occupation
Category:	Voluntary
Occupation:	Distribution System Operator
Board Order Number:	V048.1
Board Order Date:	January 17, 2013
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SCOPE OF THE OCCUPATION

The distribution system operator occupation includes

(a) the coordinating of the operation and maintenance of the distribution system up to and including 69 kV by planning, organizing and issuing work permits and hold-offs, approving and controlling work authorizations and switching plans throughout the system to expedite required operation and maintenance for both planned and unplanned situations;

(b) the providing for appropriate protection of personnel operating and maintaining the distribution system;

(c) the maintaining of the integrity of the distribution system;

(d) the providing for the prompt restoration of service during major interruptions by assessing the criticality of the situation and allocating physical and human resources to their best advantage;

(e) the providing of complete and accurate information relating to system outages by analyzing and preparing documentation as to cause, effect and action taken;

(f) the ensuring that documentation clearly and accurately reflects current system status by updating the necessary operating manuals and system diagrams;

(g) the providing of adequate documentation of the operation and events during each shift by continuously monitoring system conditions and recording all pertinent data; and

(h) the endeavouring to improve the operation of the system by researching specific responsibility areas, evaluating alternatives and making recommendations.

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