Wind Turbine Safety Rules - Support Procedure P3

Company 'A' Wind Turbine Safety Rules Procedure
Objections on Safety Reasons

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FOREWORD

The Company ‘A’ Wind Turbine Safety Rules, General Provision 4, requires the establishment of an “Approved Procedure” for dealing with Objections on Safety Reasons to the application of the Rules. This Procedure establishes that “Approved Procedure“.

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Procedure for Objections on Safety Reasons

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1 SCOPE

1.1 This Procedure shall be applied when any Person receiving instructions in the application of the Company ‘A’ Wind Turbine Safety Rules has any Objections on Safety Reasons to carrying them out.

1.2 This procedure shall be applied when, during the course of work, any person who has received instructions, in the application of the Company ‘A’ Wind Turbine Safety Rules has any objections on safety grounds to carrying them out.

1.3 Company Management Instructions will detail the procedures relevant to that location.
2 DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this Procedure:

2.1 Management Instruction means a procedure for use at an individual Wind Farm Location or series of Wind Farm Locations, that documents additional elements of the Health and Safety Management systems of Company ‘A’ that are to be applied to meet specified requirements of the WTSR.

2.2 The ‘Responsible Manager’ means the Manager, appointed by Company ‘A’, who will have responsibility for the Plant and LV Apparatus whenever the Company ‘A’ Wind Turbine Safety Rules apply to it.
3 PROCEDURE FOR DEALING WITH OBJECTIONS

Any Person receiving instructions in the application of the Company 'A' Wind Turbine Safety Rules shall report to the Person issuing those instructions or, in the case of an Approved Written Procedure, the Authorising Engineer, any "Objections on Safety Reasons" to carrying them out. Any such objections shall be dealt with in the following Approved manner.

3.1 All Persons issuing instructions, including Authorising Engineers, shall present a positive and helpful attitude to any "Objections on Safety Grounds" and attempt, by discussion and amplification, to resolve the difficulty.

3.2 If the objection cannot be resolved at this level, it shall be processed through increasingly senior levels of Company 'A' line management until agreement is reached or until the difficulty is brought to the attention of the Responsible Manager, whose responsibility it is to achieve a solution to the problem.

3.3 If, at any stage during this procedure, the work can be rescheduled or subdivided, so that work not affected by the objections can be started, then this may be done while further consideration is given to the objections.

3.4 During discussion of the objection, it may be pertinent to involve the Company 'A' Health and Safety Manager or equivalent. Due consideration should also be given to involving a local Safety Representative. An example of this process can be found in Appendix A.
APPENDIX A

All Persons issuing instructions, including Authorising Engineers, shall present a positive and helpful attitude to any "Objections on Safety Reasons"

Instructions to work are issued

Person raises ‘Objection on Safety Reasons’

During the course of the work issues are identified with the instructions

STOP WORK – Retreat to safety

Person raises ‘Objection on Safety Reasons’ with regard to the Application of the Wind Turbine Safety Rules

Discuss objection with the person issuing work instructions

Y

Objection resolved

Complete work as per instructions/amended work instructions depending on result of objection

N

Raise objection with more senior manager and local safety representative

Y

Objection resolved

Complete work as per instructions/amended work instructions depending on result of objection

N

Raise objection with more senior manager

Y

Objection resolved

Complete work as per instructions/amended work instructions depending on result of objection

N

Raise objection with Regional Manager for final decision

Complete work as per instructions/amended work instructions depending on result of objection
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