



Company Directive

STANDARD TECHNIQUE: CA3P/2

Relating to the Procedure for Making a 33kV Trefoil Bond Joint.

Policy Summary

This Standard Technique document contains the approved 33kV trefoil bond Joint for trefoil EPR cables. It shall be implemented in conjunction with the appropriate General Requirements in ST: CA3C/2.

This ST has not been written as a training document. It is not intended to be exhaustive in content and you must refer to your supervisor if you require training or instruction.

You shall work safely and skilfully, utilising the training/instruction you have already received, relating to the contents of this document and its cross-references.

You must make sure that you understand your job instructions and that you have the necessary tools and equipment for the job.

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IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Introduction

This Standard Technique document contains the approved 33kV trefoil bond Joint, this jointing procedure allows a stranded 70mm² bare copper earth wire to be jointed to the copper screen wires of the 33kV trefoil cable and 33kV H cables thus complying with ST: TP21D/1.

Main Changes

This is a new document and has been introduced to take into account the need to run a 70mm² bare copper conductor in parallel with the 33kV cable as detailed in ST: TP21D/1 Jointing Procedure drawings.

Impact of Changes

This document now provides the means to undertake the jointing of the 70mm² bare copper conductor to an 33kV trefoil cable and 33kV H cables.

Implementation Actions

Team managers to disseminate the information to their respective 33kV Jointers, Jointers mates and other relevant staff.

No formal training will be required to undertake this suite of joints as all techniques are already within the 33kV Jointers skill set.

Implementation Timetable

This Standard Technique can be implemented with immediate effect.

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INTRODUCTION

This Standard Technique document contains the approved 33kV trefoil bond Joint, this jointing procedure allows a stranded 70mm² bare copper earth wire to be jointed to the copper screen wires of the 33kV trefoil cable and 33kV H cables thus complying with ST: TP21D. This procedure shall be completed on the trefoil and H cable **BEFORE** any transition jointing place. It should be noted that the 70mm² copper earth wire shall be connected to **all three cores** of the trefoil cable.

NOTE: - The 70mm² copper earth wire shall be laid below the trefoil cable and shall be in DIRECT contact with the native soil of the trench bottom i.e. the crushed 3mm to dust of crushed limestone or granite dust shall be installed on top of the 70mm² earth wire, with only the ends of the 70mm² brought out through the stone dust to enable jointing onto the trefoil or H cables.

In compliance with specification EE 89 the 70mm² HDC shall 150mm away from any power cable circuits or ducts and laid in native soil.

This Jointing Procedure shall be implemented in conjunction with the appropriate General Requirements, contained in ST: CA2C/8, including: -

- 1. General Cleanliness and Accident Prevention.
- 2. Joint Bay Preparation.
- 3. General Jointing Procedures Dead Cables.

If the need arises to undertake a straight joint configuration (i.e. non-standard) not covered within the Standard Technique the Policy Manager, Avonbank, is to be consulted.

Cable sizes shown are the maximum for the individual joint, cable sizes below the maximum and there combinations are accommodated and are provided for in the relevant Jointing Procedure, this is particularly evident for transitional jointing.

Where 240mm² EPR Trefoil is to be found, then for material selection and installation data use 300mm² EPR Trefoil; but for the electrical purposes i.e. loadings, ratings etc. then the 240mm² EPR Trefoil shall be treated as 185mm² EPR Trefoil.

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JOINTING PROCEDURE 8.101

95, 185, 300 and 400mm² EPR TREFOIL BOND JOINT.

(This Jointing Procedure covers cable sizes up to and including 400mm²)

This procedure is to be read in conjunction with the appropriate General Requirements ST: CA3C/2 Section 6 of the 33kV Jointing Manual

JOINTING PROCEDURE 8.101

JOINT KIT REFERENCES

CABLE SIZE	JOINT KIT REFERENCES		
All cable sizes.	Trefoil bond Joint		
95mm²	TB3301		
185mm²	TB 3301		
300mm²	TB 3301		
400mm²	TB 3301		

Note: - The jointing materials for 240mm² EPR Trefoil will be as 300mm² EPR Trefoil. Any reference to EPR equally applies to XLPE.

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JOINT KIT MATERIALS

KIT REF	HEAVY WALLED MASTIC LINED TUBE	тевк	Brass Gauze Pack E 5 31007	Denso tape
TB 3301	3	1	1	1

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR EACH JOINT

PVC tape
Scotch 70
Scotch 13 tape
Tinned copper wire 16 swg
Tinned copper wire 20 swg
De-solvit 1000 FD
De-solvit 1000
Workhorse dry wipes
Emery cloth
5313 Water block tape
Cable ties
Sealing putty
Aluminium oxide cloth 320 grit
Aluminium oxide cloth 400 grit

Note: - Individual material item numbers (E 5) are to be found in Section 4 of the 33kV Jointing Manual.

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Actions

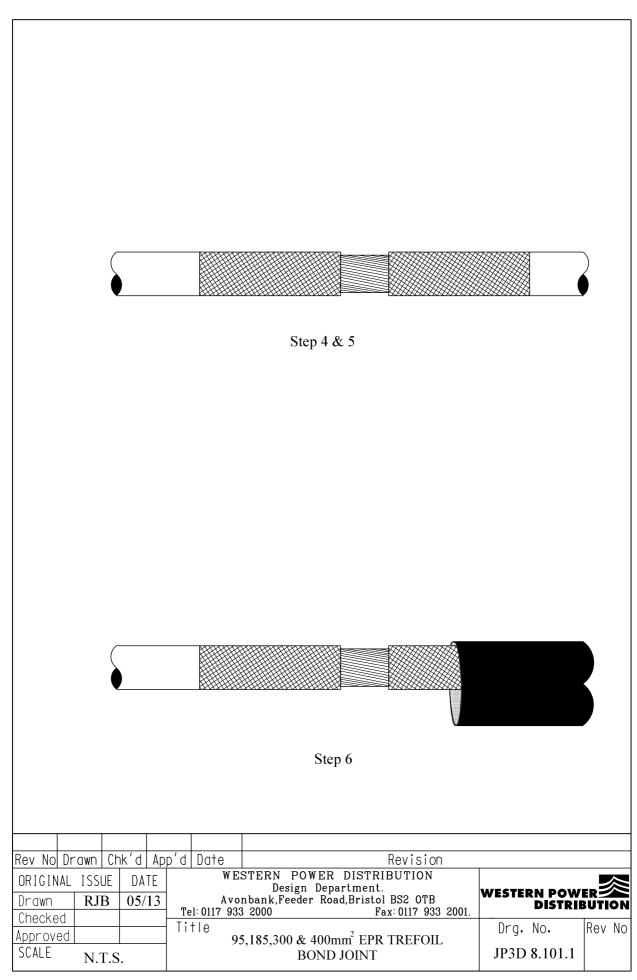
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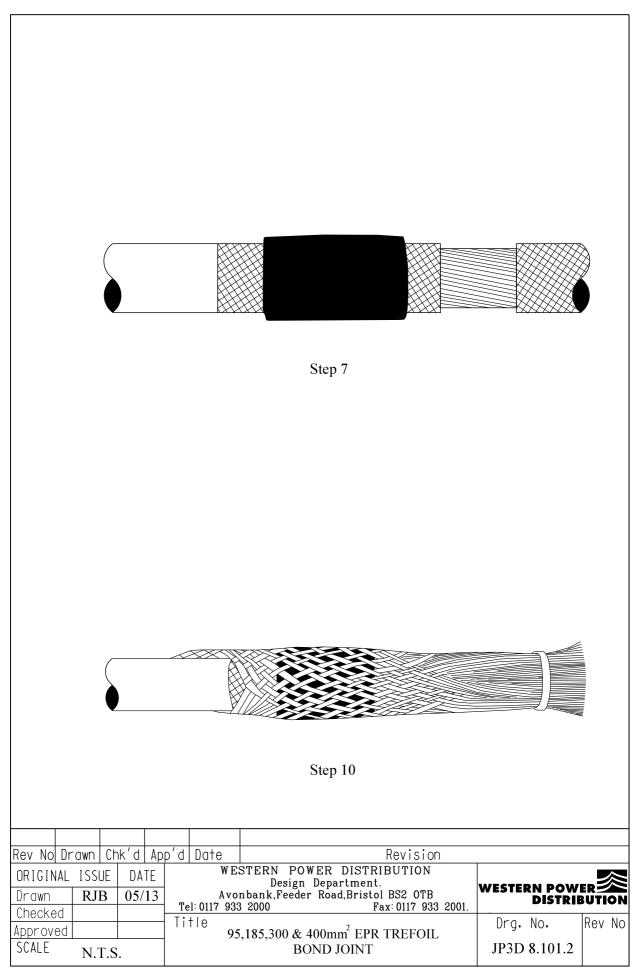
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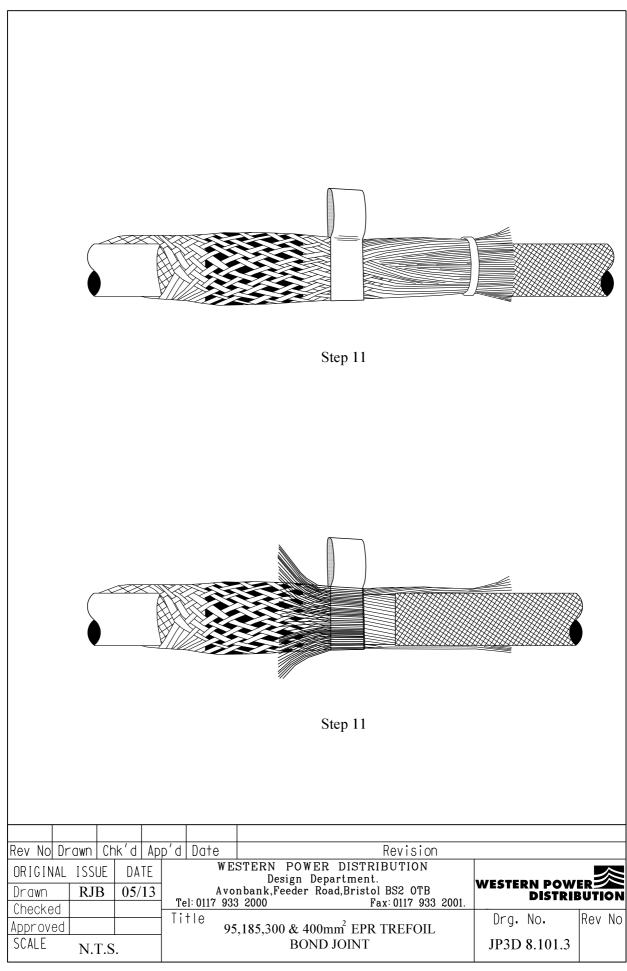
1.	Set and mark cables.	5/6
	EPR CABLE - Preparation	
2.	Unravel and straighten individual cores.	
3.	Clean each oversheath for a distance of 1.5m.	
4.	Remove MDPE oversheath 30mm, clear of the jointing position, in length and underlying bedding tapes to expose bare copper screen wires. See JP3D 8.101.1	
5.	Abrade MDPE oversheaths for 100mm either side of the oversheath removal. See JP3D 8.101.1	17
6.	Slide mastic lined heat-shrink sleeve onto the core and park beyond oversheath removal point. See JP3D 8.101.1	10
7.	Apply one complete turn of black mastic 5313 tape around the oversheath 20mm from the oversheath termination. See JP3D 8.101.2 Note: - the tape is butt jointed not overlapped to finish.	
8.	Open one end of tinned copper braid and make a hole 150mm from braid end in braid side.	
9.	Position the open end of braid over cable end and feed cable through hole made in step 8.	
10.	Position the braid over the black mastic 5313 tape and copper screen wires positioning the braid end 50mm past the oversheath removal point, stretch the braid to tighten onto the cable and hold in position using cable ties. See JP3D 8.101.2	
11.	Apply two turns of the roll spring over the braid and then turn the braid end back over the roll spring, complete application of the roll spring. See JP3D 8.101.3	

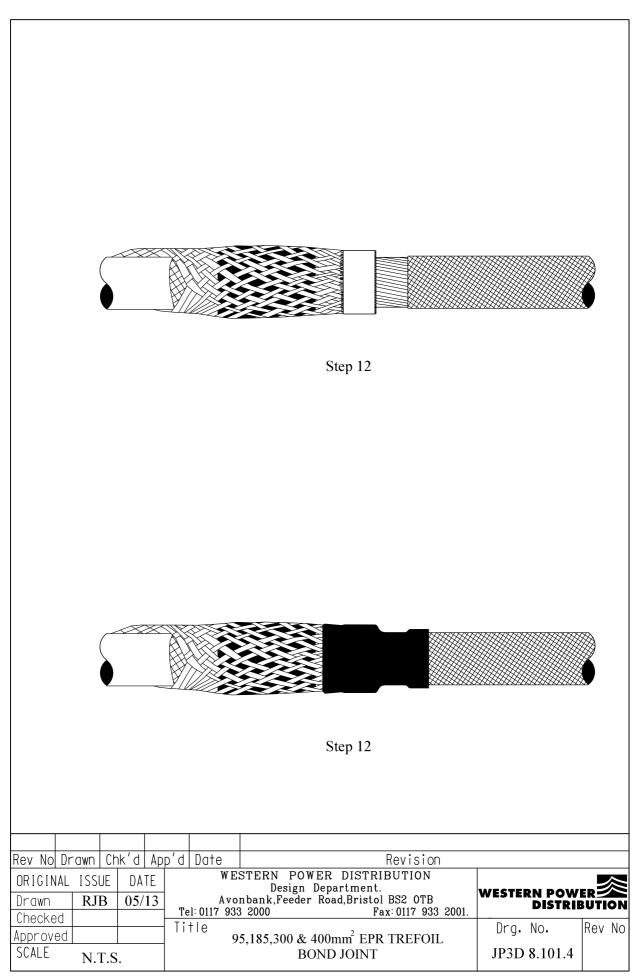
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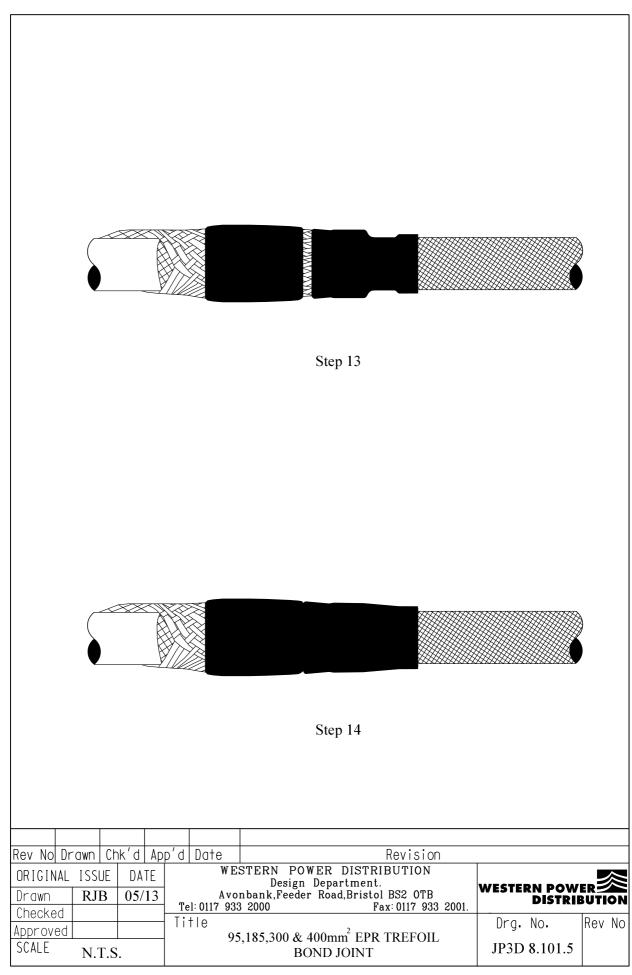
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12.	Trim the braid ends tight to the roll spring and applying a minimum of two half lap layers of PVC tape in a direction t tighten the roll spring, completely cover the assembly overlapping onto the oversheaths by 10mm. See JP3D 8.101.4	
13.	Apply a second layer of black mastic tape over the braid and first layer applied around the cable as in step 7. Note: - the tape is butt jointed not overlapped to finish. See JP3D 8.101.5	
14.	Taking a second a layer of black mastic tape position over the roll spring assembly butting up to the layer applied in step 10, applying around the cable. Note: - the tape is butt jointed not overlapped to finish. See JP3D 8.101.5	
15.	Slide the mastic lined sleeve applied in step 3 over the complete assembly centralising over the roll spring position and start shrinking at the centre and working towards the sleeve ends. See JP3D 8.101.6	
	COMPLETION OF JOINT	
16.	Repeat on remaining cores.	
17.	Once cold relay the cores back into trefoil formation and ap heavy duty cable ties either side of the assembly.	ply
18.	Taking the three braids place flat onto each other and cable together, round the braid ends and wrap with brass gauze, for the braids into the connector entry and hand tighten the bolt See JP3D 8.101.6	eed
19.	Take the 70mm ² bare HDC wire and place into the remainir entry of the brass connector, tighten and shear all bolts. See JP3D 8.101.6	ng
20.	Cover the connector with a minimum of two half lap layers of Denso tape overlapping by the tape width onto the braids and bare HDC at either end; ensure the tape paste is worked well into the assembly.	

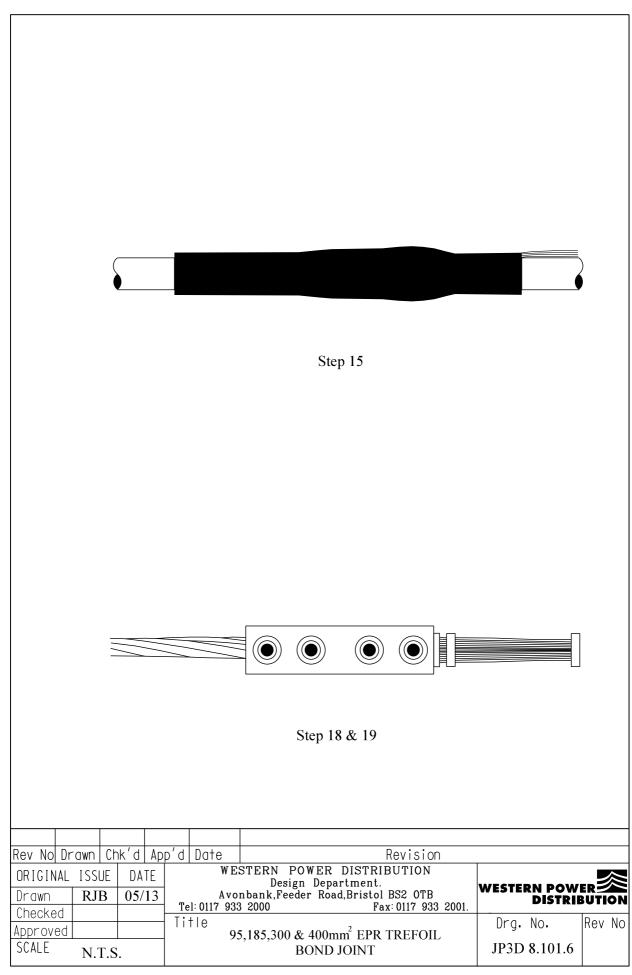












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JOINTING PROCEDURE 8.102

95 to 400mm² H to 70mm² EARTH BOND JOINT.

(This Jointing Procedure covers the equivalent Imperial H cable sizes up to and including $0.6in^2$)

This procedure is to be read in conjunction with the appropriate General Requirements ST: CA3C/2 Section 6 of the 33kV Jointing Manual

JOINTING PROCEDURE 7.602

JOINT KIT REFERENCES

CABLE SIZE	JOINT KIT REFERENCES	
All cable sizes.	Earth bond Joint	
0.15in ² or 95mm ²	TB3302	
0.3in ² or 185mm ²	TB 3302	
0.6in ² or 400mm ²	TB 3302	

JOINTING PROCEDURE 7.602

JOINT KIT MATERIALS

KIT REF	CONNECTOR	HEAVY WALLED MASTIC LINED TUBE	ARMOUR BONDING MODULE ABM STA/SWA	50mm² earth braid	Denso tape	Scotch 5313 Tape	Knit mesh
TB 3302	1	1	2	1	1	1	3

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR EACH JOINT

PVC tape

Scotch 70

Scotch 13 tape

Tinned copper wire 16 swg

Tinned copper wire 20 swg

De-solvit 1000 FD

De-solvit 1000

Workhorse dry wipes

Emery cloth

5313 Water block tape

Cable ties

Sealing putty

Aluminium oxide cloth 320 grit

Aluminium oxide cloth 400 grit

Note: - Individual material item numbers (E 5) are to be found in Section 4 of the 33kV Jointing Manual.

JOINTING PROCEDURE 7.602

Actions

General Requirements (ST: CA3C/2)

Refer to Drawings **JP3D 8.102.1, 8.102.2** and **8.102.3** whilst undertaking this Jointing Procedure.

1.	Set and mark cables.	5/6
	HSWA & HSTA CABLE - Preparation	
2.	Clean each oversheath for a distance of 1.5m.	
3.	At a position clear of the jointing location, remove the oversheath or serving 280mm in length and underlying bedding tapes to expose the steel wire armours. See JP3D 8.102.1	33
4.	At the armour termination position, apply a 16 swg wire binder around the armour wires or tapes, partly cut through the armour wires or tapes with a hacksaw fitted with a depth guard.	33
5.	Remove the wire binder applied in 4, lift and turn the armour wires back at 90° to the lead sheath bedding	33
6.	Warm the bitumastic coating over the lead sheath and the armour wires or tapes until it just begins to melt, with a gas torch. Remove the bitumastic coating and clean the lead sheath and armour wires or tapes with a wipe moistened with an approved degreaser.	33
7.	Abrade the lead sheath circumferentially along the complete length using a file card, and clean with an approved degreaser – Fig 1.	42
8.	Take the length of tinned copper mesh and fold in half along its length (thus reducing the width), wrap two layers around the lead sheath – Fig 2.	42
9.	Re-lay the armour wires over the tinned copper mesh and secure with a worm drive clip, tighten with a torque driver set at 5Nm.	12
	NOTE: - Ensure worm drive is place in such a way as to not impede the that will be installed on to the lead sheath.	
10.	Lay the earth braid directly onto the tinned copper mesh ensuring there is sufficient tail to allow the earth braid to be turned back over the roll spring – Fig 3.	42

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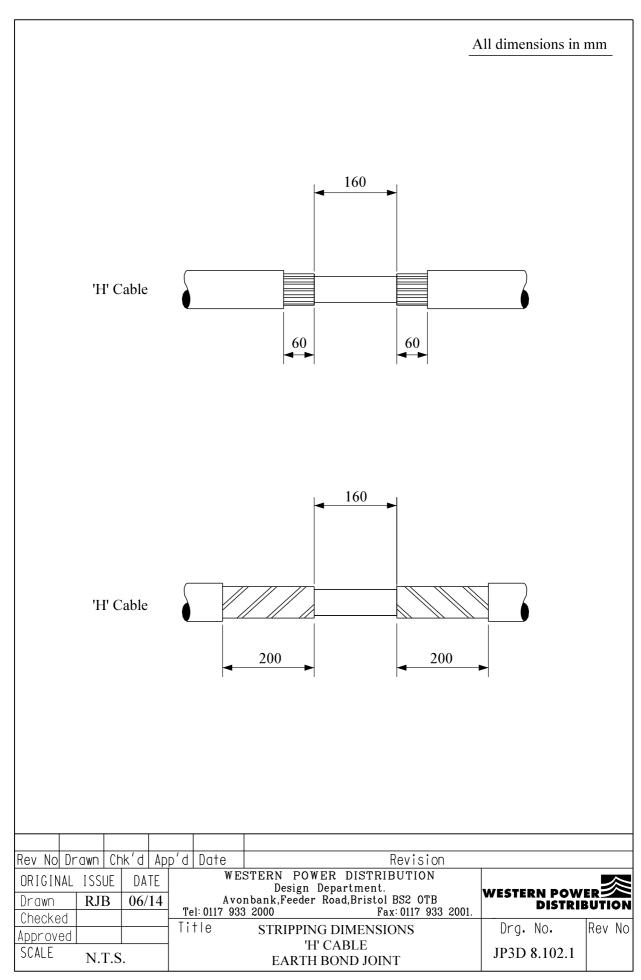
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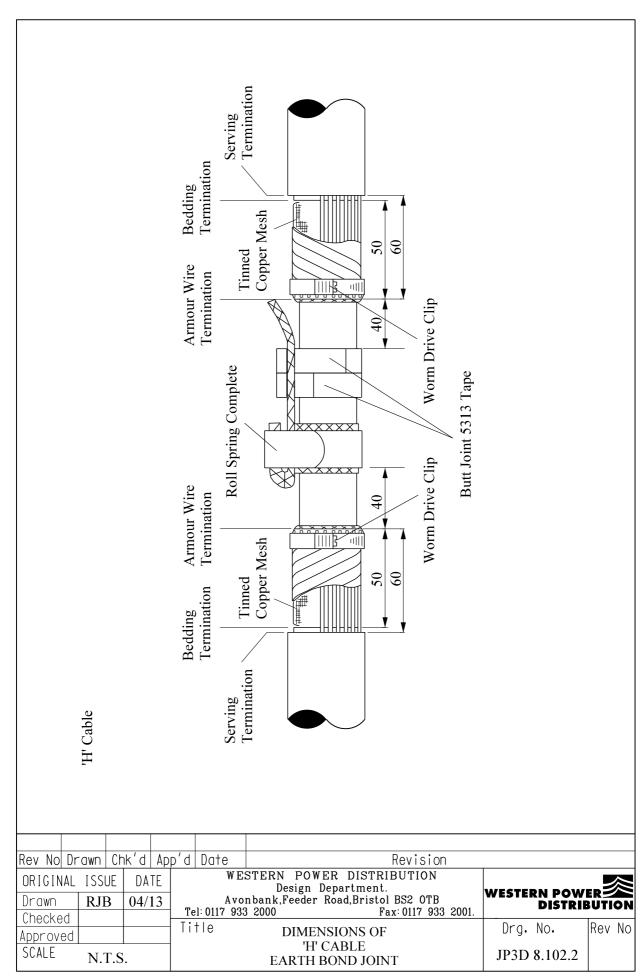
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11.	Starting with the end of the roll spring opposite the earth braid apply one complete turn over the earth braid wrapping in the same direction as the tinned copper mesh – Fig 4.	42
12.	Turn the earth braid tail back over the roll spring and gently dress down to flatten – Fig 4.	42
13.	Apply the remaining turns of the roll spring; tighten by hand using a twisting action – Fig 5.	42
14.	Cover the complete assembly using 19mm "VM" tape; first fold 50mm of the tape end in half with the mastic side to the outside. Lay the folded end between the earth braid and lead sheath abutting the roll spring; wrap the tape in the same direction as the roll spring with the mastic side down. Apply a half lapped layer over the assembly overlapping 10mm onto the metallic sheath either side of the roll spring ensure the assembly is completely covered.	_
15.	Apply one complete turn of black mastic 5313 tape around the lead sheath 20mm from the roll spring position. Note: - the 5313 tape is butt jointed not overlapped to finish.	
16.	Apply a second complete turn of black mastic 5313 tape around the lead sheath 20mm from the first black mastic 5313 tape ensuring the butt joint are not adjacent to each other. Note: - the 5313 tape is butt jointed not overlapped to finish.	e
17.	Position the earth braid over the black mastic tape positioning the braid 50mm past the oversheath removal point, stretch the braid to tighten onto the cable and hold in position using cable ties.	
18.	Apply a second layer of black mastic tape over the earth braid and first layer applied around the cable as in step 17 and 18. Note: - the 5313 tape is butt jointed not overlapped to finish.	
	COMPLETION OF JOINT	
19.	Slide the heavy walled mastic lined sleeve over the complete assembly centralising over the roll spring position and start shrinking at the centre and working towards the sleeve ends.	51
20.	Taking the earth braid end and wrap with brass gauze, feed the braid into the connector entry and hand tighten the bolts.	36

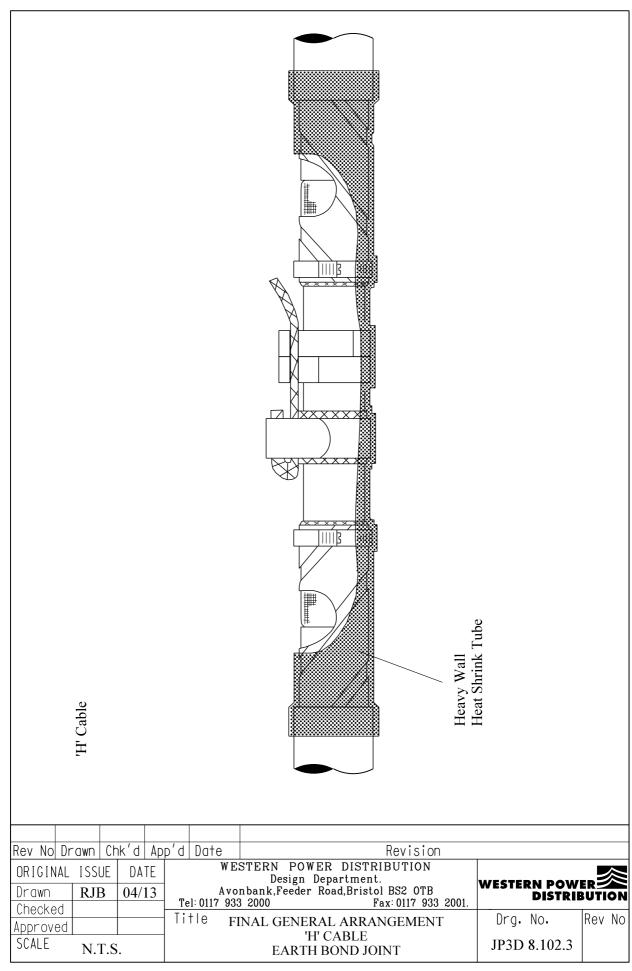
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JOINTING PROCEDURE 8.102 – Continued

Actions		General Requirements (ST: CA3C/2)
21.	Take the 70mm² bare HDC wire and place into the remaining entry of the brass connector, tighten and shear all bolts.	g 36
22.	Cover the connector with a minimum of two half lap layers of Denso tape overlapping by the tape width onto the braids and bare HDC at either end; ensure the tape paste is worked well into the assembly.	







APPENDIX A

SUPERSEDED DOCUMENTATION

This document supersedes ST:CA3P/1 dated July 2001 which has now been withdrawn.

APPENDIX B

ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTATION

ST: CA3A, ST: CA3C/2, ST: CA3L/2, ST: CA3M/2, ST: CA3N/2, ST: CA3O, ST: CA3S, ST: CA3V, ST: CA7D.

APPENDIX C

IMPACT ON COMPANY POLICY

None, this document now provides the means to undertake the jointing of the 70mm² bare copper conductor to a 33kV trefoil cable and 33kV H cable.

APPENDIX D

IMPLEMENATION OF POLICY

Team managers to disseminate the information to their respective 33kV Jointers, Jointers mates and other relevant staff.

No formal training will be required to undertake this suite of joints as all techniques are already within the 33kV Jointers skill set.

Independent Connection Providers (ICPs) shall follow the requirements of ST: CA2W and all jointing works shall comply with ST: CA2W.

Where any difficulty is encountered in the application of this Standard Technique the author shall be notified who will determine whether a variation is appropriate.

APPENDIX E

KEY WORDS

33kV trefoil bond joint, 33kV transitional straight joints.