

- 1 **Q. The response to PUB-NP-082 states that “Technicians” based in area offices are**  
2 **familiar with relay operations. Assuming that this refers to Power Line Technicians,**  
3 **to what extent are Power Line Technicians, other than recording and resetting relay**  
4 **targets, involved with relays? If it does not refer to Power Line Technicians, to what**  
5 **type of technician does it refer?**  
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- 7 A. The Technicians referred to in the response to Request for Information PUB-NP-082 does  
8 not refer to Power Line Technicians. Technicians based in area offices are Engineering  
9 Technologists.<sup>1</sup> These Engineering Technologists support customer service and  
10 operations in their local area, and provide 24 hour response to events on the power  
11 system.  
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- 13 While Power Line Technicians are not typically involved with relays, there are some  
14 unique situations in remote locations where a Power Line Technician under the direction  
15 of a qualified engineer or technologist will record targets and reset a relay.  
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- 17 The recording and resetting of relay targets can also be done remotely by the System  
18 Control Centre operators in substations that have undergone a refurbishment and  
19 modernization capital project.

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<sup>1</sup> The academic qualification for Engineering Technologist positions is a diploma in Electrical Engineering Technology from a recognized institution.