



SAFETY ALERT – RED BOOK

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# California Safety Manual "Red Book" Conversation with SCE Concerning - Section 2.07(i)

### On the Call Thursday, April 2, 2020 at 8am pacific time:

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## **Red Book Committee**

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**Subject:** 2020 Redbook Revision Conversation Concerning Section 2.07(i)

The meeting opened at 8:00 AM. We proceeded to give foundation and explained the purpose of the <u>Redbook</u>, (e.g.) that it meets or exceeds Title 8 of the State of California, that it is bound to the CBA, to provide a consistent standard to protect the workforce employed by any signatory Contractor in the State of California.

We then got to the purpose of the meeting, which was to discuss and arrive at a conclusive understanding of Rule 2.07(i) and inform all SCE Safety Personnel and Contractors of the understanding. We discussed and explained Section 2.07(i), "Back-Feed: *Where the possibility of back-feed exists*, the transformer secondary leads shall be disconnected from the transformer and all secondary leads shall be grounded or shunted."

The assembled members had a lengthy discussion on the meaning of the sentence, with the following final interpretation, the phrase <u>Where the possibility of back-feed exists</u>, means if you <u>have not</u> protected yourself from all sources of voltage, then you <u>must</u> follow the rule 2.07(i): "the transformer secondary leads shall be disconnected from the transformer and all secondary leads shall be grounded or shunted" but, if you <u>have</u> protected yourself from the possibility of Back-Feed this rule does not apply.

As the assembled members discussed the interpretation of Rule 2.07(i), we also reviewed pertinent sections of the <u>Redbook</u> that addresses Back-Feed, as well as Section 2940.9 Protection from Back-Feed Voltages, in Title 8.

During the meeting, we also discussed future revisions and updates to the <u>Redbook</u> that would be an annual exercise with clarifications, additions and deletions to our safety manual as changes to Title 8 were made.

We were assured by the SCE Safety Team that they will provide guidance to their contractor safety organization and we will continue this forum to discuss any further interpretation of the <u>Redbook</u>.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Jules Weaver at the Chapter Office.

# **Stay Safe!**

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