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The North Hyde substation review

Presented by
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Talk synopsis

NESO plays a central role in connecting today's operational demands with tomorrow's energy system needs, operating the system in real time while planning for reliable, clean and affordable energy. The Whole Energy System Resilience Directorate turn insight into action by prioritising whole-system risks, assuring analysis and reviews, and coordinating improvement across industry and government. One example of this, is the North Hyde power outage, illustrating this model in practice. Following the incident that affected over 70,000 customers and closed Heathrow for 24 hours, the response is focused on activities to strengthen resilience and drive coordinated improvement.

Speaker biography

John Zammit-Haber – Technical Officer (TO) for Energy Resilience and Security
John is the TO for Energy Resilience and Security at NESO, providing deep technical insights, leadership and co-ordination activities to develop the GB's whole energy system ability to anticipate, withstand, respond to and recovery from all manner of shocks to the energy system.
Over 30 years of wide-ranging experience in the GB energy industry in technical, operational and strategic planning roles, as well as a three-year secondment supporting BEIS (now DESNZ) during Brexit, Covid-19 and the start of Ukraine conflict.
With a strong focus on energy resilience and security, John collaborates across industry groups, and champions inclusive practices within NESO. His work combines expert technical insight with broad sector understanding to ensure the GB energy system is secure, affordable and sustainable.

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