

Asset Management System Certification Audit Summary Report

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Standard(s):	PAS 55-1 Asset Management	Project No:	19177
Site(s) audited:	Warrington, Preston, Manchester and various sites	Date(s) of audit(s):	5 th – 7 th December 2006 and 13 th December 2006
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1. Audit objectives

The objectives of this audit were:

- to confirm that the asset management system conforms with all the requirements of the audit standard;
- to confirm that the organisation has effectively implemented the planned asset management system.

2. Scope of certification

The asset management system for UUE as defined for PAS-55 comprises the processes, policies, systems and programmes relating to the management of the electricity distribution system in the North-west of England. The distribution system consists of electric lines and plant owned and operated by United Utilities and is used for the purpose of transporting electricity to domestic and industrial consumers. The operation, maintenance and replacement of the system is conducted under licence granted by the industry regulator, Ofgem as a licensed distribution activity.

3. Audit findings and conclusions

The audit team conducted an audit focusing on significant elements/risks/objectives required by the standard(s). The audit methods used were interviews, observation of activities and review of documentation and records.

The audit team concludes that the organisation has established and maintained its asset management system in line with the requirements of the standard and demonstrated the ability of the system to systematically achieve the optimised management of physical infrastructure assets.

Number of nonconformities identified: 0 Major 2 Minor

Therefore the audit team recommends that, based on the results of this audit and the system's demonstrated state of development and maturity, asset management system certification be:

Granted.