# **UKOPA**

**United Kingdom Onshore Pipeline Operators' Association** 

# Corrosion Prevention Working Group – October 2025 Members Meeting Update

Matt Emery - Acting Chair Stephanie Corless - Chair (Returning from Mat leave)



### **Current Membership**



Stephanie Corless National Gas (Chair) (Returning From Mat leave)

Matthew Emery BPA (Acting Chair)

Adrian Wathen Cadent (Vice Chair)

Nikki Barker PIE (Secretary)

Cadent
 National Gas

. NGN 9. Exolum

3. WWU 10. GNI

4. Mutual Energy 11. BPA

5. Wood 12. Valero

6. Ineos 13. VPI

7. SGN 14. EP Language

### **Group Support**

Bill Whittaker: Technical Consultancy (Since May 2025)

ROSEN (Dave Baglin & Derek Comeford): GPG47 BESS (2025)

Chris Mattocks: Compling guidance (2025)



### **Electrical Interactions Guidance**

No.	Description	Status
1	Drafted prepared by UKOPA prior to AC workshop	Completed
2	Drafted reviewed in electrical interaction workshop with UKOPA, Electrical Industry, HSE & OFGEM attendees	Completed
3	Updating document	Completed
4	Sub-Group review	Completed
5	Publish Guidance	Planned with link on HSE website (Aim end 2025)
6	Ongoing angagement with stakeholders	





### **GPG47 – Battery Storage (BESS)**

- Prepared by ROSEN due to be published in 2025
- Considerations:
  - Electrical interference (AC, DC & lightning risk)
  - o Fire risk
  - Construction requirements
  - Illustrative example of best practices
- Lack of engagement from BESS developers

## TBN21 – Unsurveyed CIPS sections



- CIPS completion rates is an ongoing HSE topic (generally, expect 95-98%+)
- o Aims:
  - Guidance on survey options for unsurveyed sections
     (e.g. resurvey, DCVG, PCM, river survey, datalogging etc)
  - Guidance on review process for unsurveyed sections (e.g. length, previous survey, complimentary data sets, CP health, additional risk factors)
- Due to be issued in 2026 (Need to get it right)



### **Planned TGN+TBN Updates**

Description	Status		
New Document			
TBN23 Evaluating root causes of external corrosion features	Preparing First draft (Chris Mattocks)		
Q: Does TBN23 complement or conflict with FR/1 process?			
TBN25 Reporting and analysis of CIPS features	Preparing First draft (Bill Whittaker)		
Due for review			
GPG27 AC Corrosion review	On hold (To be completed after electrical interactions guidance		
GPG31 DC Interference review			
GPG13 Solar farms			
TBN05: Electrical Hazards	and BESS GPG)		

### **Next Meeting Dates**





Multiple Sub-Working Group Meetings - Teams



2026 meetings:

20<sup>th</sup> January

TBC

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Members are welcome to join the working group.

### **Questions?**



