Horn Bypass

OPPD has recently seen an increase in the number of new meter sockets that have a horn bypass. OPPD does not allow horn bypasses and will require remediation prior to connecting the service when one is found.

Transformer Slab Opening Area

In an effort to avoid damaging conduit while installing a ground rod, OPPD is requiring the contractor to mark an area on the primary side of the transformer where installing the 8’ ground rod will not run into any conduit installed below. It is suggested a small section of conduit identified as a ground location be placed in the ground showing the “safe zone”. OPPD is not responsible for damage during ground rod installation if no marking is present. The safe zone should be approximately where the ground rod is shown on the slab details from the meter specification manual.

Additionally, the contractor should be removing slab forms once concrete is set. Failure to do so is pushing conduit towards the middle of the slab opening and outside the areas laid out in the slab drawings. Conduits should be installed as far to the right in the slab opening as possible as directed in the transformer slab drawings. That better enables the secondary conductors to be terminated.

Below is a picture to illustrate the instructions above. As noted, there are some things that should be different.

For the most current copy of the meter specification manual, go to oppd.com/metermanual. Please direct questions to Wyndle Young, 402-636-3552 or email wlyoung@oppd.com.

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