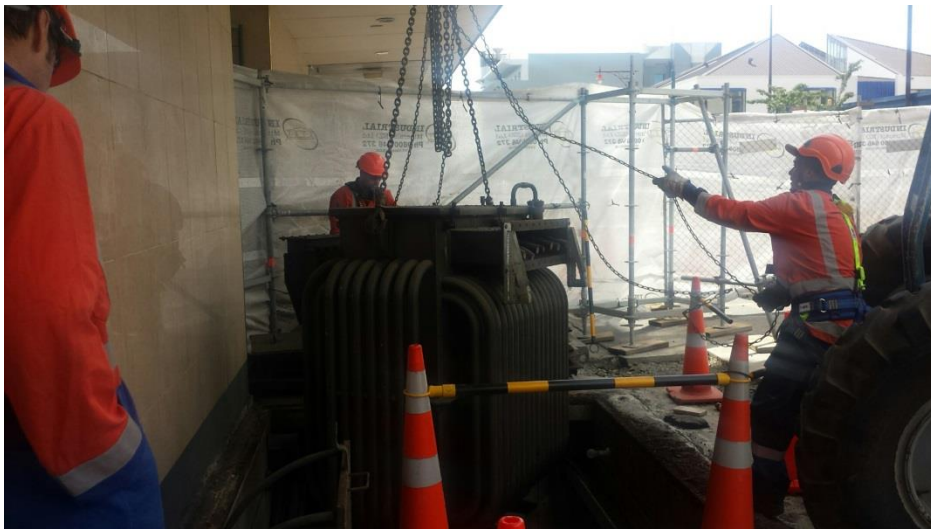


EIL underground Substations to be decommissioned

Three of Electricity Invercargill Limited's (EIL) underground substations have recently been decommissioned, with plans to remove all underground substations on the network in the near future.

The Invercargill CBD has 12 underground substations all of which are at least 50 years old.

All decommissioned substations will be relocating above ground to make them easier to maintain and safer to work on.



Top: The old 1962 750kVA transformer being lifted above ground outside the Kelvin Hotel in Invercargill.

Bottom: The new 1000kVA transformer onsite behind The Southland Times building.