

Title: Wind turbine remotely yawed unexpectedly and while personnel on transition piece

Section 1: What happened?

- A yaw request was sent to the Remote Operations Centre (ROC)/Marine Coordination Centre (MCC) during an inter-array cables (IAC) replacement project on an offshore wind farm.
- The ROC team, unaware of site technicians on the turbine, instructed the turbine to yaw.
- The turbine team had completed their work for the day and surrendered their documentation, including switching the turbine back into remote mode, allowing the yaw to occur.
- The team on the wind turbine generator (WTG) were surprised.
- The location did not appear on the 3 Day Look Ahead/72 Hour Plan (3DLA), indicating no one was expected to be on it.
- No danger to any technicians at any time.

Section 2: Why did it happen?

- The yaw request was not closed in proper time, leading to misunderstanding.

Section 3: What did they learn?

- Ensure all locations appear on the 3DLA from both site and project.
- To add additional step prior to yawing for the MCC to confirm that no one is on the location and that it is safe to yaw.