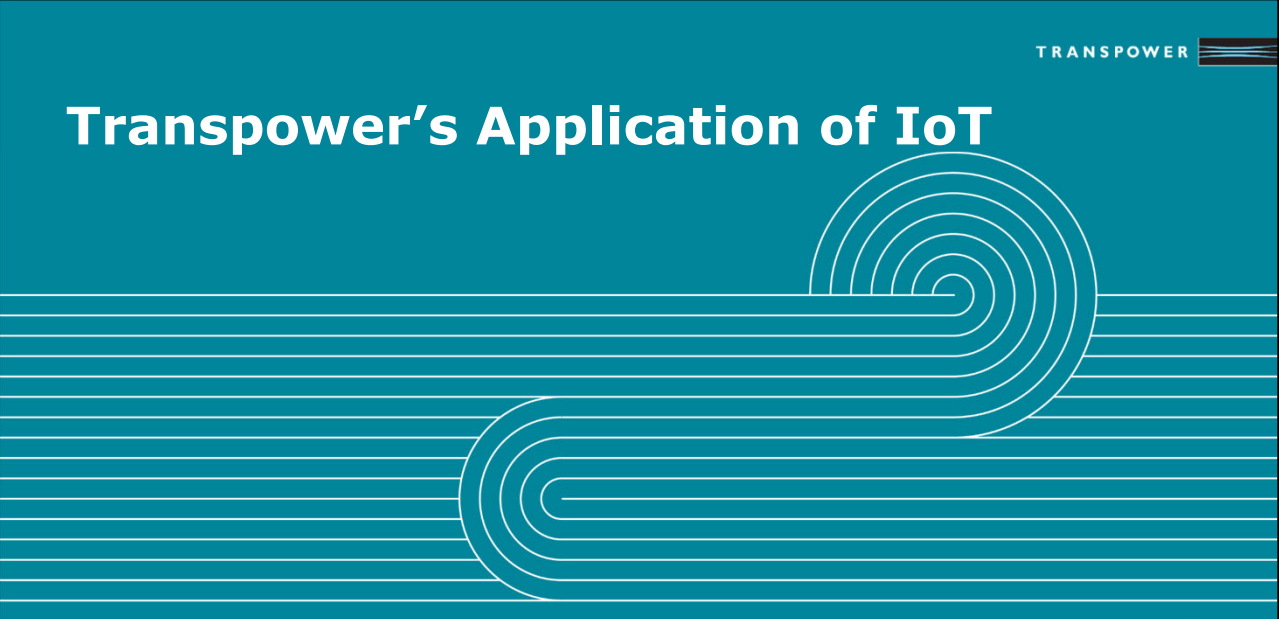


Transpower's Application of IoT




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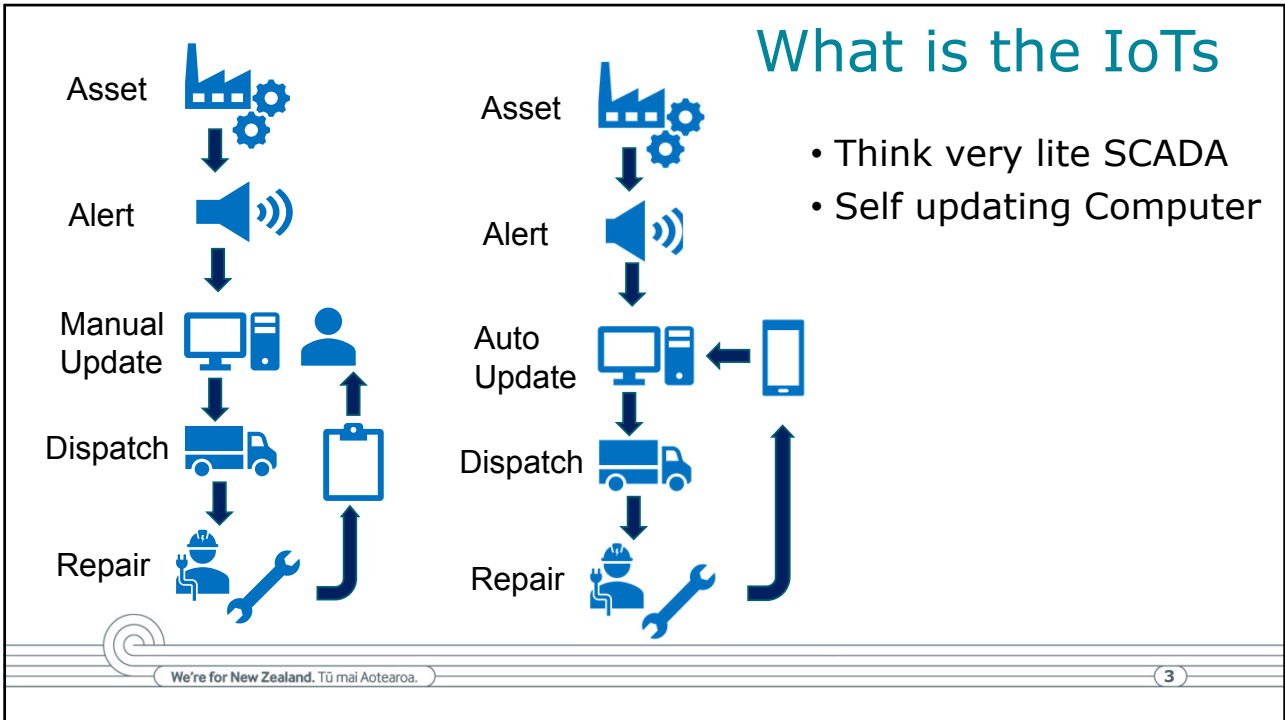
- What is IoT
- How to use
- Examples
- Discussion



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The Why & How

- You have a need to know
- You have a need to respond
- You can sense and detect
- You can effectively automate the actions
- Very cheap sensor
- Very cheap comms backhaul
- Very small bandwidth
- Very small data packets

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Problem: Our Towers in public areas allows the potential for trespassers to climb

Low probability – high impact event	
No of Towers in NZ	23,720
Total No Urban Towers in NZ / Towers of most interest	10,877 / 5,000
No of climbing incidents nationwide over the last 3 years	1 – 3 per year

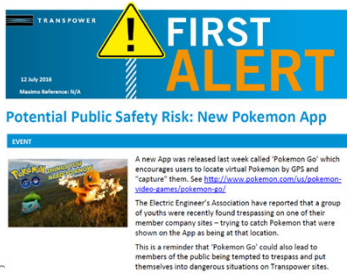
Recent incidents:

Pokémon GO

Public self harm

Tongan Flag

Trampoline on a Tower



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Current/Possible Solutions (Pros & Cons)

Call to Transpower

Response Ensures climber has been seen and dispatches emergency services	Effectiveness Unreliable. No 24/7 monitoring
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Patrol Car

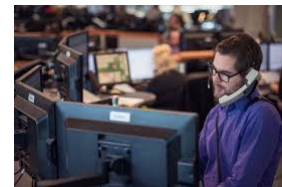
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Camera/Sensor (iDefigo)

Response Ensures emergency services dispatched ONLY when camera sees person	Monitor Simple to manage through iDefigo app	Expensive Subscription of \$50/month for up to 700 images/month	Expensive Active monitoring service of \$95 per month	Expensive Cost of hardware is \$5k. Capital cost is \$800 each. Two cameras per tower are needed.	Location Camera needs to be located high up in the tower with uncertain field of view
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Vibration Sensor (Motiv)

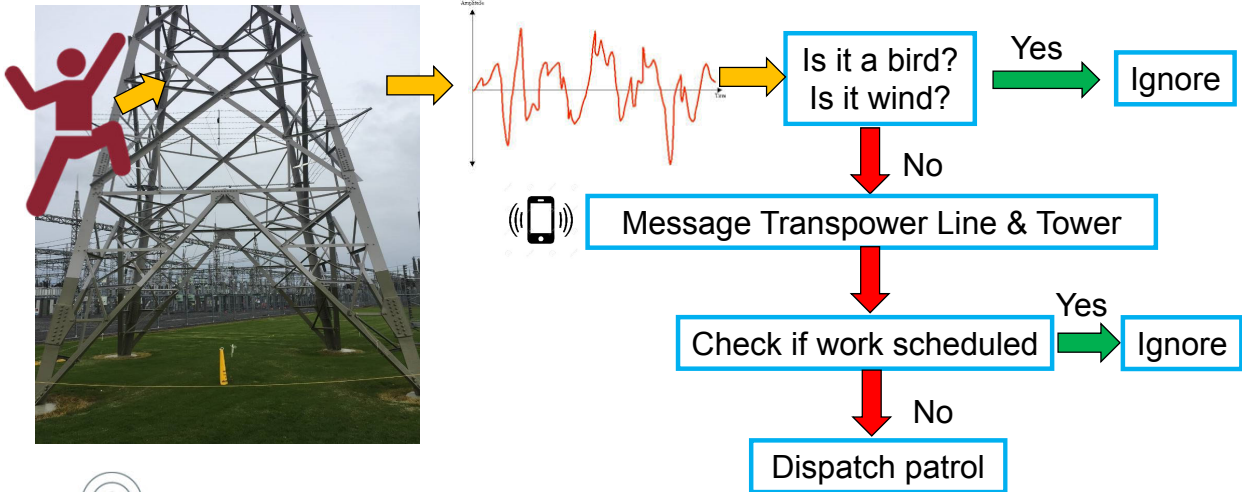
Cheap On-off cost of \$65 per sensor.	Installation Minimal equipment. Simple to install	Monitor Simple for TP personnel to manage through Motiv monitoring system	Response May dispatch emergency services when only a false alarm
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IoT Vibration Sensor How it works



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Solution Development



Test

Test rig



Proof of concept

OTA-PAK A0001 tower outside Auckland TP office

Trial
(\$18k TP + Motiv)

OTA-MNG line, 14 structures, 56 sensors and monitoring \$8k sensor & 1 yr monitoring

Demonstration
(\$62k TP + Motiv)

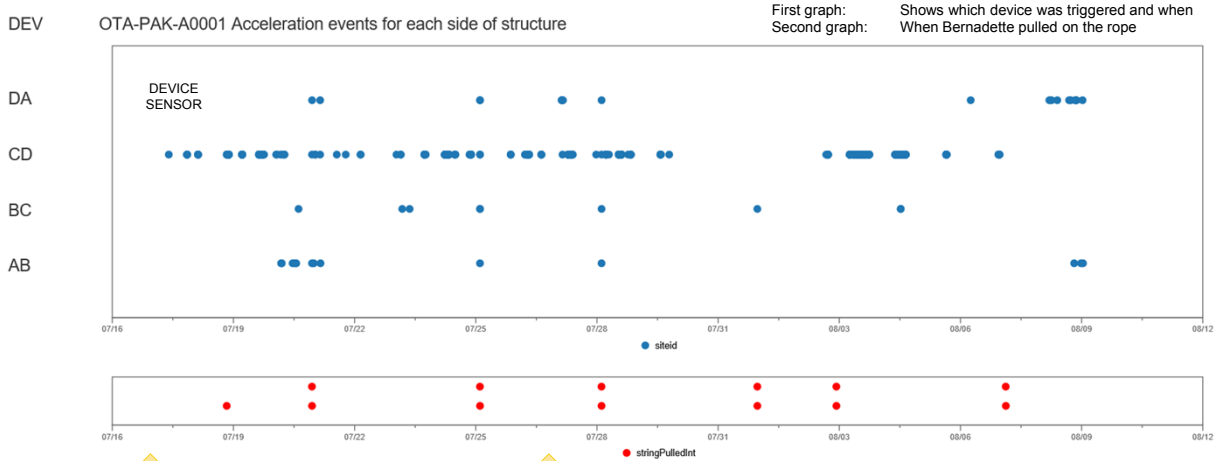
HEN-OTA line, 92 structures, 368 sensors and monitoring \$51k sensor & 1 yr monitoring



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Data Results and Self Learning



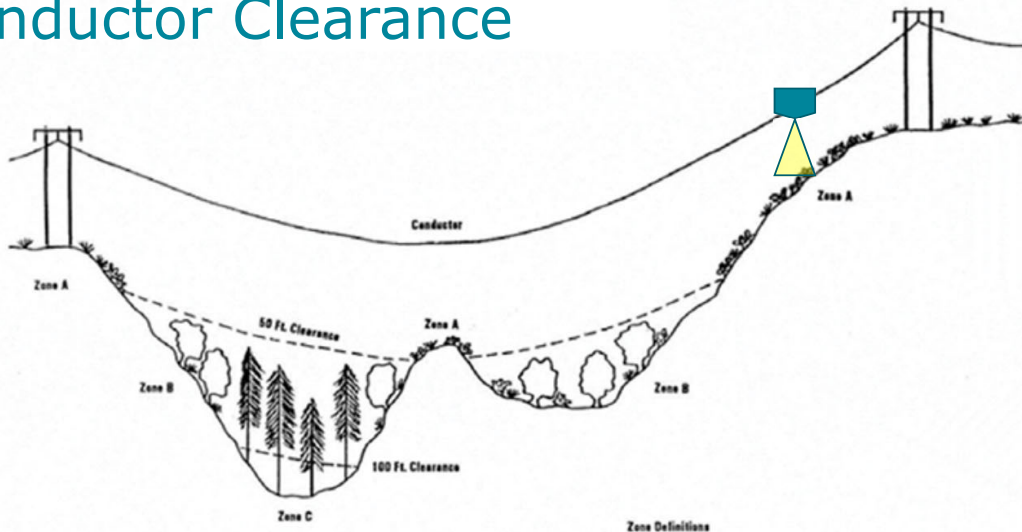
Installed Devices 14th July 2017

Adjusted detection algorithm Settings were changed on 27th July 2017

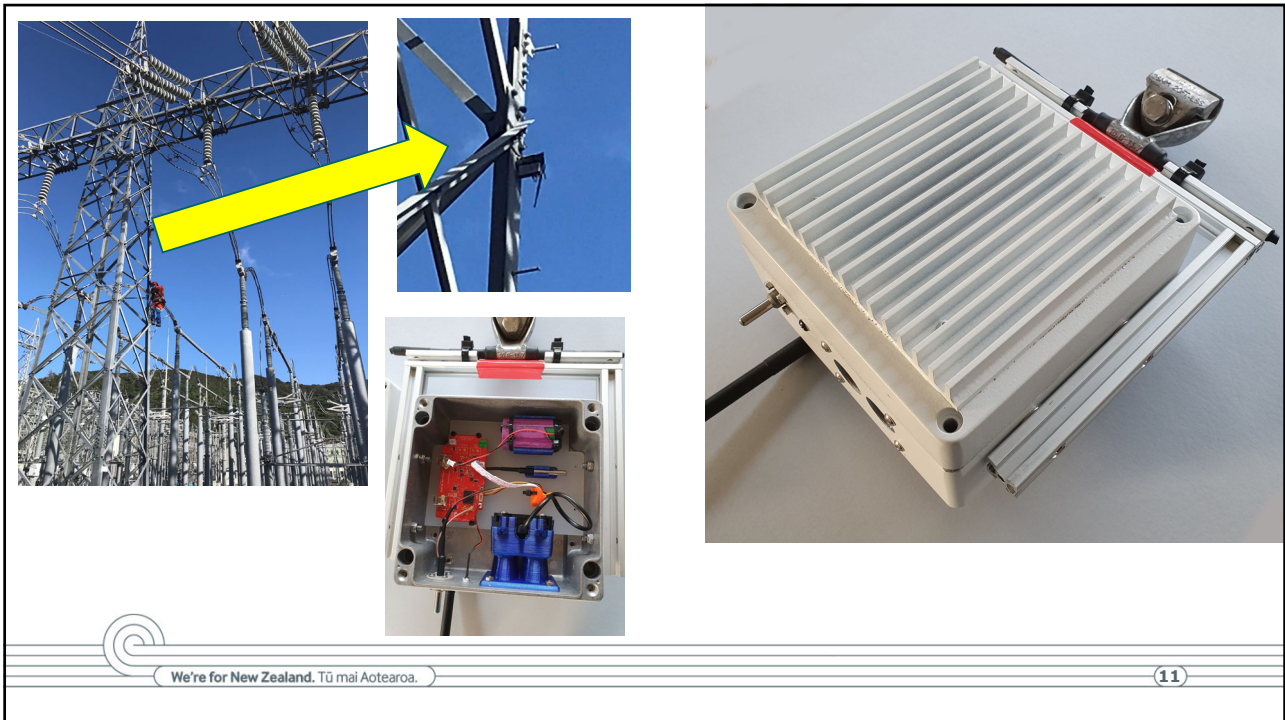
The above data points highlights the ongoing algorithm learning and adjustment, reducing false triggers and improving correct identification. Actual tower climbing by service providers and more sensors will improve this sooner

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Additional Applications

- GPS Located power equipment
- EMF Distance detector

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THANKYOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

- Questions and discussion?
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