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SB Rail commences piling on Walsall to Rugeley Electrification.

Working on behalf of ABC Electrification, the site setup has allowed SB Rail's EPT system to move from stabling point directly into possession reducing setup times and increasing pile loading possibilities.

The efficiency of the EPT equipment was again proven when the SB Rail/ABC team installed 72 piles of varying length (3.5 to 7.5 metres) during a 54 hour possession.



Installation of a pile, across adjacent road.

Notes to editors:

A total of 15 miles of railway between Walsall, Hednesford and Rugeley Trent Valley will be electrified to provide a cleaner, greener and more regular service for passengers using the Chase Line which links Walsall with Birmingham to the south and Cannock and Rugeley to the north.

(<http://www.networkrail.co.uk/news/2014/may/Electrification-of-the-West-Midlands-railway-means-new-bridge-for-Walsall/>)

SB Rail created a high output piling system by specially adapting a Kirow KRC 250 crane and associated wagons for pile transport and installation to support Network Rail's national electrification schemes. The Electrification Piling Train (EPT) has successfully delivered works on Paisley Canal, Edinburgh to Glasgow and Walsall to Rugeley.