

From dawn to dusk ...



- Let's go! See for yourself! - Vladimir Shramkov gets into the car, and we race off through the winding streets of Sochi which resembles a huge construction site. And it was true – a business trip with the head of the operational site number 1 of the Central district confirms that it is better to see it once...

Sochi is the longest city (about 100 km along the coastline) in Russia, and even in Europe. In fact, it is a huge and difficult operational site in terms of electricity. And before the upcoming Olympics Sochi has become the area of a double responsibility – “for yourself and for that guy” ...

- The main problem is a cable break when different organizations do not coordinate their activities during excavation works, - explains Vladimir Shramkov in the “battlefield”.

We stand on the side of the Kurortny Avenue where someone has damaged the cable “Svetoservis” while digging a ditch; and a short circuit has occurred and a part of the cable has burnt. The brigade of electricians on duty is replacing the burnt part of the cable, they have put the sleeve over the joint, they do everything quickly, accurately, consistently: Vladimir Romashko jumps into the trench, cleans the wiring, cuts off the burnt cable; Fedor Kolombet assists him giving the necessary tools and materials; Vadim Laptev showing his quick and sharp movements without being distracted by the noise of the street and talks, cleans the wiring cable for replacement. Done!

But the phone in the hands of Vladimir Shramkov is calling again and now we are rushing to the street Bytkha – here is another cable break. But the situation is more complicated: a deep trench half flooded with water – it was raining the day before. At a depth of about one meter a power cable break has occurred when it was being laid to provide electricity for a new tracking substation.

- It is not easy to reach it here - says Eugeny Zotov, an electrician. – We need a rig to drill the asphalt.

The head of operational site number 1 of the Central District Vladimir Shramkov is now rushing to the base to take the necessary materials and tools. Then - again to the Bytkha. And after that they will have a long day in Sochi, a day full of worries and work.

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