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Terminal pylons are used where power lines end. Perhaps they terminate at a substation, or continue their journey underground.

There are a few standard designs, such as the one above going into a substation, with three arms instead of two.

In other cases the pylon appears to have a bucket-like frame around it, and the wires descend to the bucket.

There are some examples opposite of slightly different designs of terminal tower. Why not look to see which designs there are in your area?

A "bucket style" terminal pylon, this one at Stratford, East London.	Notes:
Another view of a three-armed pylon in a substation, this one in Allerford, Taunton.	Notes:
A one-armed terminal pylon with "bucket", seen on the M1 between London and Birmingham.	Notes:
A small pylon at the side of the M5 between Bristol and Taunton. Wires are seen going directly to the ground.	Notes: