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### IEC TR 62001-1 – Overview

This part concerns specifications of AC filters for high-voltage direct current (HVDC) systems with line-commutated converters, permissible distortion limits, harmonic generation, filter arrangements, filter performance calculation, filter switching and reactive power management and customer specified parameters and requirements.

### IEC TR 62001-2 – Performance

This part deals with current-based interference criteria, ~~design issues and special applications,~~ field measurements and verification.

### IEC TR 62001-3 – Modelling

This part addresses the harmonic interaction across converters, pre-existing harmonics, AC network impedance modelling, simulation of AC filter performance.

### IEC TR 62001-4 – Equipment

This part concerns steady-state and transient ratings of AC filters and their components, power losses, audible noise, design issues and special applications, filter protection, seismic requirements, equipment design and test parameters.

### IEC TR 62001-5<sup>1</sup> – AC side harmonics and appropriate harmonic limits for high-voltage direct current (HVDC) systems with voltage sourced converters (VSC)

This document concerns specific issues of AC filter design related to VSC HVDC systems.

Parts 1 to 4 are written with focus on line commutated converters.

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## Part 1: Overview

### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 62001, which is a Technical Report, deals with the specification and design evaluation of AC side harmonic performance and AC side filters for HVDC schemes. It is intended to be primarily for the use of the utilities and consultants who are responsible for issuing the specifications for new HVDC projects and evaluating designs proposed by prospective suppliers.

This document provides guidance on the specifications of AC filters for high-voltage direct current (HVDC) systems with line-commutated converters and filter performance calculation.

The scope of this document covers AC side filtering for the frequency range of interest in terms of harmonic distortion and audible frequency disturbances. Where the term "HVDC converter" or "HVDC station" is referred to without qualification, in this document, it is understood to refer to LCC technology. It excludes filters designed to be effective in the power line carrier (PLC) and radio interference spectra.

The bulk of this document concentrates on the "conventional" AC filter technology and LCC (line-commutated converter) HVDC converters. ~~The changes entailed by new technologies are also discussed.~~ Voltage sourced converter (VSC) specific issues are discussed in CIGRE Technical Brochure 754 [1]<sup>2</sup> and in IEC TR 62001-5 [2].

### 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

#### 3.1 specification

document which defines the overall system requirements for an AC filter and the AC system environment in which it operates

Note 1 to entry: Such a document is normally issued by utilities to the prospective HVDC manufacturers. It also ensures the uniformity of proposals and sets guidelines for the evaluation of bids.

Note 2 to entry: The term as used here does not refer to the detailed engineering specifications relating to individual items of equipment, which are prepared by the HVDC manufacturer as a result of the filter design process.

Note 3 to entry: The specification defines the technical basis for a contract between two parties: the customer (3.2) and the contractor (3.3).

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<sup>2</sup> Numbers in square brackets refer to the Bibliography.

### **3.2 customer**

organization which is purchasing the HVDC converter station, including the AC filters

Note 1 to entry: The term "customer" is taken to cover similar terms which may be used in specifications, such as owner, client, buyer, utility, user, employer and purchaser, and also covers a consultant representing the customer.

### **3.3 contractor**

organization which has the overall responsibility for delivery of the HVDC converter station, including the AC filters, as a system

Note 1 to entry: The contractor may in turn contract one or more sub-suppliers of individual items of equipment.

Note 2 to entry: The term "contractor" is taken to cover similar terms which may be used in specifications, such as manufacturer, or supplier.

Note 3 to entry: Where the context clearly refers to the pre-contract stage of a project, the word "bidder" has been used instead of "contractor", to indicate a prospective contractor, or tenderer.

### **3.4 branch arm**

set of components (capacitor, inductor, resistor), either in singular or interconnected arrangement, which may be isolated off load for maintenance

SEE: Figure 22

Note 1 to entry: In interconnected arrangement, it forms a smallest tuned filter unit.

### **3.5 sub-bank**

one or more branches which can be switched (connected or disconnected) on load for reactive power control

SEE: Figure 22

Note 1 to entry: The switch does not necessarily need to have fault clearing capability.

### **3.6 bank**

one or more sub-banks which can be switched together by a circuit breaker

SEE: Figure 22

## **4 Outline of specifications of AC filters for HVDC systems**

### **4.1 General**

When installing an HVDC converter station in an AC system, the way in which it may affect the quality of power supply in that system is always an important issue. One of the main power quality topics is that of harmonic performance.

The AC side current of an HVDC converter has a highly non-sinusoidal waveform, and, if allowed to flow in the connected AC system, might produce unacceptable levels of distortion. AC side filters are therefore required as part of the total HVDC converter station, in order to reduce the harmonic distortion of the AC side current and voltage to acceptably low levels.