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INTRODUCTION

This Technical Report has been prepared after considering implications of the withdrawal of IEC PAS 62072:2005 and its potential conversion into an International Standard, and after analysing practical information obtained through the application of natural graphite (NG) brush for slip-ring in wound-rotor type induction motor, compared with copper brush.

Practical values obtained through the application of NG-brushes into slip-rings in various kinds of wound rotor-type induction motor are given in Annex A.

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1 Scope

This document presents technical characteristics, application results and practical information on NG-brush for slip-ring obtained through the application of NG-brush in various kinds of wound rotor-type induction motor (large-size water pump, belt conveyer, lift, winder motor, grinding mill and crusher in coal or ore mine; crane, rolling mill, compressor and winder motor for boring in oil or gas facility).

2 Normative references

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IEC 60413, *Test procedures for determining physical properties of brush materials for electrical machines*

IEC 60773, *Test methods and apparatus for measurement of the operational characteristics of brushes*

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3.1

fire-spark

glittering phenomenon observed macroscopically between the brush and slip-ring during the operation of a wound rotor-type induction motor

3.2

life

critical time since the brushes have been installed into the wound rotor-type induction motor and started to operate until the brush and the slip-ring can no longer contribute to the motor's operation

3.3

dust diffusion

phenomenon whereby fine powders, caused by wear of the brush, diffuse in air during the operation of a wound rotor-type induction motor

3.4 noise

acoustic signal of high intensity caused between the brush and slip-ring among the acoustic signals of several wavelengths made during the operation of a wound rotor-type induction motor

3.5 vibration absorbing ability

ability of the brush to absorb or decrease electromagnetic and mechanical vibrations caused during the operation of a wound rotor-type induction motor

4 General remarks

Generally, it is traditional to use the metal grade brush including copper brush for the wound rotor-type induction motor.

The metal grade brush, including copper brushes, can usually damage the slip-ring by the fire-spark during operation. The dust generated by the wear of the copper brush can be the cause of accidents and also contaminates the environment. Compared with the formerly used copper brush, the NG-brush shows high operating characteristics when it is used for the slip-ring of a wound rotor-type induction motor. There is nearly no fire-spark between the NG-brush and slip-ring and no environmental pollution due to reduced wear. It also has sufficient ability of electromotion.

Table 1 shows the size and quantity of typical NG-brushes that are used for wound rotor-type induction motors of various powers.

Table 1 – Typical kinds of brushes

| No. | Denomination | Size mm | Quantity (for a motor) | Power kW |
|-----|-------------------------|------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| 1 | motor for elevator | 25×32×60 | 36 | 180 |
| 2 | motor for compressor | 25×32×60 | 9 to 18 | 75 |
| 3 | motor for winder | 25×32×60 | 9 to 18 | 250 |
| 4 | motor for boring | 25×32×60 | 6 to 36 | 1 600 to 3 000 |
| 5 | motor for grinding mill | 25×32×60 | 18 | 120 to 250 |
| 6 | motor for crusher | 25×32×60 | 18 | 120 to 250 |

5 General conditions of brush and slip-ring for stability in the operation of a wound rotor-type induction motor

5.1 Fire-spark

Fire-spark causes damage to the surface of the slip-ring. In severe conditions, it bursts out and becomes the cause of accidents or explosions.

5.2 Life

The life of the brush and the slip-ring are the main conditions for the motor's normal operation. The life of the brush is decided by its wear. The life of the slip-ring is also mutually related to the physical characteristics of the brush.