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**Elektronke za pretvornike napetostnih virov (VSC) za enosmerni visokonapetostni prenos električne energije (HVDC) - Električno preskušanje**

Voltage sourced converter (VSC) valves for high-voltage direct current (HVDC) power transmission - Electrical testing

Spannungsgeführte Stromrichterventile (VSC-Ventile) für die Hochspannungsgleichstromübertragung (HGÜ) - Elektrische Prüfung

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*In the Annex ZA of EN 62501:2009 **delete** from the existing list the following references:*

IEC 60060-1	1989	High-voltage test techniques - Part 1: General definitions and test requirements	HD 588.1 S1	1991
IEC 60071-1	2006	Insulation co-ordination - Part 1: Definitions, principles and rules	EN 60071-1	2006

*In the Annex ZA of EN 62501:2009 **Add** to the existing list the following references:*

IEC 60071	Series	Insulation co-ordination	EN 60071	Series
IEC 60270	2000	High-voltage test techniques - Partial discharge measurements	EN 60270	2001

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The text of this amendment is based on the following documents:

CDV	Report on voting
22F/299/CDV	22F/316A/RVC

Full information on the voting for the approval of this amendment can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

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#### 4.1.8 Conditions to be considered in determination of type test parameters

#### 15 Tests for dynamic braking valves

### Annex A (informative) Overview of VSC topology



*Replace the annex title as follows:*

Annex A (informative) Overview of VSC converters in HVDC power transmission

*Add the titles of new Subclauses A.5.1 to A.5.4 and new Clause A.7 as follows:*

A.5.1 General

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A.5.4 Terminology for valves of the controllable voltage source type

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Annex B (informative) Fault tolerance capability

*Replace the annex title as follows:*

Annex B (informative) Valve component fault tolerance

Figure A.9 – One possible implementation of a multi-level “voltage source” VSC valve

*Replace the figure title as follows:*

Figure A.9 - The half-bridge MMC circuit

*Add, in the list of figures, the titles of new Figures A.10 to A.13 as follows:*

Figure A.10 – The full-bridge MMC circuit

Figure A.11 – The half-bridge CTL circuit

Figure A.12 – Construction terms in MMC valves

Figure A.13 – Construction terms in CTL valves

## 1 Scope

*Add, after the first paragraph, the following two paragraphs:*

The scope of this standard includes the electrical type and production tests of dynamic braking valves which may be used in some HVDC schemes for d.c. overvoltage limitation.

This standard can be used as a guide for testing of STATCOM valves.

*Add, at the end of the last sentence of the last paragraph, the words “between the purchaser and the supplier” so that the last sentence reads as follows:*

For other types of valves, the test requirements and acceptance criteria should be agreed between the purchaser and the supplier.

## 2 Normative references

*Delete from the existing list, the following references:*

IEC 60060-1:1989, *High-voltage test techniques – Part 1: General definitions and test requirements*

IEC 60071-1:2006, *Insulation co-ordination – Part 1: Definitions, principles and rules*

Add to the list, the following references:

IEC 60071 (all parts), *Insulation co-ordination*

IEC 60270:2000, *High-voltage test techniques – Partial discharge measurements*

## 3.2 Power semiconductor terms

Replace the existing introductory text, terms and definitions by the following new terms and definitions:

### 3.2.1

#### turn-off semiconductor device

controllable semiconductor device which may be turned on and off by a control signal, for example an IGBT

NOTE There are several types of turn-off semiconductor devices which can be used in VSC converters for HVDC. For convenience, the term IGBT is used throughout this standard to refer to the main turn-off semiconductor device. However, the standard is equally applicable to other types of turn-off semiconductor devices.

### 3.2.2

#### insulated gate bipolar transistor

##### IGBT

turn-off semiconductor device with three terminals: a gate terminal (G) and two load terminals emitter (E) and collector (C)

NOTE By applying appropriate gate to emitter voltages, the load current can be controlled, i.e. turned on and turned off.

### 3.2.3

#### free-wheeling diode

##### FWD

power semiconductor device with diode characteristic

NOTE 1 A FWD has two terminals: an anode (A) and a cathode (K). The current through FWDs is in the opposite direction to the IGBT current.

NOTE 2 FWDs are characterized by the capability to cope with high rates of decrease of current caused by the switching behaviour of the IGBT.

### 3.2.4

#### IGBT-diode pair

arrangement of IGBT and FWD connected in inverse parallel

## 3.3 Operating states

Replace the existing title, terms and definitions by the following new title, terms and definitions.

### 3.3 Operating states of converter

#### 3.3.1

##### blocking state

condition of the converter, in which a turn-off signal is applied continuously to all IGBTs of the converter

NOTE Typically, the converter is in the blocking state condition after energization.

**3.3.2****de-blocked state**

condition of the converter, in which turn-on and turn-off signals are applied repetitively to IGBTs of the converter

**3.3.3****valve protective blocking**

means of protecting the valve or converter from excessive electrical stress by the emergency turn-off of all IGBTs in one or more valves

**3.3.4****voltage step level**

voltage step caused by switching of a valve or part of a valve during the de-blocked state of the converter

NOTE For valves of the controllable voltage source type, the voltage step level corresponds to the change of voltage caused by switching one submodule or cell. For valves of the switch type, the voltage step level corresponds to the change of voltage caused by switching the complete valve.

**3.4 VSC construction terms**

*Replace the existing terms and definitions by the following new terms and definitions:*

**3.4.1****VSC phase unit**

equipment used to connect the two d.c. busbars to one a.c. terminal

**3.4.2****switch type VSC valve**

arrangement of IGBT-diode pairs connected in series and arranged to be switched simultaneously as a single function unit

**3.4.3****controllable voltage source type VSC valve**

complete controllable voltage source assembly, which is generally connected between one a.c. terminal and one d.c. terminal

**3.4.4****diode valve**

semiconductor valve containing only diodes as the main semiconductor devices, which might be used in some VSC topologies

**3.4.5****dynamic braking valve**

complete controllable device assembly, which is used to control energy absorption in braking resistor

**3.4.6****valve**

VSC valve, dynamic braking valve or diode valve according to the context

**3.4.7****submodule**

part of a VSC valve comprising controllable switches and diodes connected to a half bridge or full bridge arrangement, together with their immediate auxiliaries, storage capacitor, if any, where each controllable switch consists of only one switched valve device connected in series