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50 European foreword

51 This document (prEN 50549-1:2017) has been prepared by CLC/TC 8X "System aspects of electrical
52 energy supply".

53 This document is currently submitted to the Enquiry.

54 The following dates are proposed:

- latest date by which the existence of this document has to be announced at national level (doa) dor + 6 months
- latest date by which this document has to be implemented at national level by publication of an identical national standard or by endorsement (dop) dor + 12 months
- latest date by which the national standards conflicting with this document have to be withdrawn (dow) dor + 36 months (to be confirmed or modified when voting)

55 This document will supersede EN 50438:2013 and CLC/TS 50549-1:2015.

56 This document has been prepared under a mandate given to CENELEC by the European Commission
57 and the European Free Trade Association.

58 Please note: TC8X/Sec0155/RM - the unconfirmed minutes of the 14th TC8X meeting held in Brussels
59 on 2016-11-23 it specified in decision 6 the requirement to prepare documents for enquiry according
60 to BT155/DG10265/DV. However during the drafting of this document it became apparent that the
61 difference between the planned -1-1 and -1-2 would be so small that it will be more practical for all
62 parties to combine the two documents into one EN 50549-1.

63 This approach is proposed during the enquiry stage of EN 50549-1. NCs are invited to comment on
64 this approach. If NCs agree, WG03 proposes to publish EN 50549-1 as presented for comment in this
65 document.

66 This European Standard relates to both European Network Codes and current technical market needs.
67 Its purpose is to give detailed description of functions to be implemented in products.

68 This European Standard is also intended to serve as a technical reference for the definition of national
69 requirements where European Network Codes requirements allow flexible implementation. The
70 specified requirements are solely technical requirements; economic issues for example. The bearing
71 of cost are not in the scope of this document.

72 CLC/TC 8X plans future standardization work in order to ensure the compatibility of this European
73 Standard (EN) with the evolution of the legal framework.

74 1 Scope

75 This European Standard specifies the technical requirements for the protection functions and the
76 operational capabilities for generating plants, intended to operate in parallel with LV distribution
77 networks.

78 For practical reasons, this European Standard refers to the relevant distribution system operator
79 where settings have to be defined and/or provided, even when these settings are to be defined and/or
80 provided by another actor e.g. TSO, Member state, regulatory authorities, according to national and
81 European legal framework.

82 NOTE 1 This includes European network codes and their national implementation, as well as additional national
83 regulations.

84 NOTE 2 Additional national requirements especially for the connection to the distribution network and the
85 operation of the generating plant may apply.

86 The requirements of this European Standard apply to all generating plants, generating modules,
87 electrical machinery and electronic equipment, irrespective of the kind of primary energy source and
88 irrespective of the presence of loads in the producer's network that meet all of the following conditions:

- 89 • converting any primary energy source into AC electricity;
- 90 • connected to a LV distribution network;
- 91 • generating modules capacity of Type B or smaller;
- 92 • intended to operate in parallel with a distribution network.

93 If generating modules of different type are combined in one plant, different requirements apply for the
94 different modules based on the type of each module.

95 NOTE 3 Generating plants connected to a MV distribution network fall into the scope of EN 50549-2.

96 Unless specified otherwise by the DSO, generating plants connected to a medium voltage distribution
97 network with a maximum apparent power up to 100 kVA can comply with this European Standard as
98 alternative to the requirements of EN 50549-2. A different threshold may be defined by the DSO.

99 This European Standard defines connection requirements for generating plants to be connected in
100 parallel with distribution networks.

101 This European Standard recognizes the existence of National Standards, Network Codes, and specific
102 technical requirements of the DSOs and these should be complied with.

103 Excluded from the scope are:

- 104 • the selection and evaluation of the point of connection;
- 105 • power system impact assessment;
- 106 • connection assessment;
- 107 • island operation of generating plants, both intentional and unintentional, where no part of the
108 distribution network is involved;
- 109 • four-quadrant rectifier of drives feeding breaking energy back into the distribution network for
110 limited duration with no internal source of primary energy;
- 111 • uninterruptible power supply with duration of parallel operation limited to 100 ms;

112 NOTE 4 Parallel operation due to maintenance of uninterruptible power supply units is not considered.

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- 113 • requirements for the safety of personnel as they are already adequately covered by existing
114 European Standards.

115 2 Normative references

116 The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are
117 indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated
118 references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

119 EN 60255-127, Measuring relays and protection equipment — Part 127: Functional requirements for
120 over/under voltage protection (IEC 60255-127)

121 EN 61000-4-30, Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) — Part 4-30: Testing and measurement
122 techniques — Power quality measurement methods (IEC 61000-4-30)

123 HD 60364-1, Low-voltage electrical installations — Part 1: Fundamental principles, assessment of
124 general characteristics, definitions (IEC 60364-1)

125 HD 60364-5-551, Low-voltage electrical installations — Part 5-55: Selection and erection of electrical
126 equipment — Other equipment — Clause 551: Low-voltage generating sets (IEC 60364-5-551)

127 3 Terms and definitions

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

129 3.1 General

130 3.1.1

131 distribution network

132 electrical network, including closed distribution networks, for the distribution of electrical power from
133 and to third parties connected to it, to and from a transmission or another distribution network, for
134 which a DSO is responsible

135 3.1.2

136 closed distribution network

137 system which distributes electricity within a geographically confined, industrial, commercial or shared
138 services site and does not (without prejudice to a small number of households located within the area
139 served by the system and with employment or similar associations with the owner of the system)
140 supply households customers

141 Note 1 to entry: This Closed Distribution Network will either have its operations or the production process of the
142 users of the system integrated for specific or technical reasons or distribute electricity primarily to the owner or
143 operator of the Closed Distribution Network or their related undertakings.

144 3.1.3

145 distribution system operator - DSO

146 natural or legal person responsible for the distribution of electrical power to the public and for
147 operating, ensuring the maintenance of and, if necessary, developing the distribution network in a
148 given area

149 Note 1 to entry: In this document applicable to distribution grids DSO is used for relevant system operator
150 according to Article 2 (13) of COMMISSION REGULATION 2016/631.

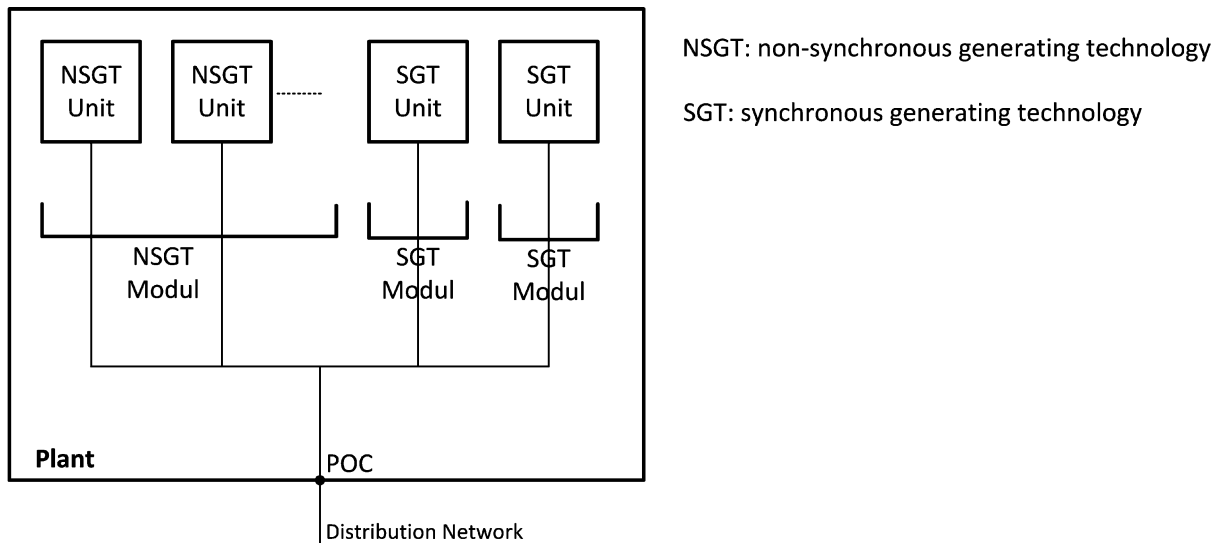
151 Note 2 to entry: In some countries, the distribution network operator (DNO) fulfils the role of the DSO.

152 3.1.4

153 transmission system operator - TSO

154 natural or legal person responsible for operating, ensuring the maintenance of and, if necessary,
155 developing the transmission system in a given area and, where applicable, its interconnections with
156 other power systems, and for ensuring the long-term ability of the power system to meet reasonable
157 demands for the transmission of electricity

- 158 **3.1.5**
159 **low voltage (LV) distribution network**
160 electric distribution network with a voltage whose nominal r.m.s. value is $U_n \leq 1 \text{ kV}$
- 161 **3.1.6**
162 **power system stability**
163 capability of a power system to regain a steady state, characterized by the synchronous operation of
164 the generating plants after a disturbance
- 165 [SOURCE: IEV 603-03-01]
- 166 **3.1.7**
167 **producer**
168 natural or legal person who already has or is planning to connect an electricity generating plant to a
169 distribution network
- 170 **3.1.8**
171 **producer's network**
172 electrical installations downstream from the point of connection owned/operated by the producer for
173 internal distribution of electricity
- 174 **3.1.9**
175 **downstream**
176 direction in which the active power would flow if no generating units, connected to the distribution
177 network, were running
- 178 **3.1.10**
179 **point of connection - POC**
180 reference point on the electric power system where the user's electrical facility is connected
- 181 Note 1 to entry: For the purpose of this standard, the electric power system is the distribution network.
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- 182 [SOURCE: IEV 617-04-01 modified]
- 183 **3.1.11**
184 **operating in parallel with the distribution network**
185 situation where the generating plant is connected to a distribution network and operating
- 186 **3.1.12**
187 **temporary operation in parallel with the distribution network**
188 conditions in which the generating plant is connected to a distribution network, during defined short
189 periods, to maintain the continuity of the supply voltage and to facilitate testing
- 190 **3.2 Plant, module and unit**
- 191 **3.2.1**
192 **generating module**
193 either a generating unit of synchronous generating technology or the sum of all generating units of
194 non-synchronous generating technology connected to a common point of connection including all
195 elements needed to feed electric power to the distribution grid



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Figure 1 — Generating module at a common POC

198 3.2.2

199 **generating plant**

200 sum of generating modules connected at one point of connection, including auxiliaries and all
201 connection equipment

202 Note 1 to entry: This definition is intended to be used for verification of compliance to the technical requirements
203 of this standard. It may be different to the legal definition of a plant.

204 3.2.3

205 **generating unit**

206 smallest set of installations which can generate electrical energy running independently and which can
207 feed this energy into a distribution network

208 Note 1 to entry: For example, a combined cycle gas turbine (CCGT) or an organic rankine cycle (ORC) after a
209 combustion engine is considered as a single generating unit.

210 Note 2 to entry: If a generating unit is a combination of technologies leading to different requirements, this has to
211 be settled case by case.

212 Note 3 to entry: A storage device operating in electricity generation mode and AC connected to the distribution
213 network is considered to be a generating unit.

214 3.2.4

215 **micro-generating plant**

216 generating plant with generating units having nominal currents in sum not exceeding 16 A per phase

217 3.2.5

218 **micro-generating unit**

219 generating unit with nominal currents up to and including 16 A per phase

220 3.2.6

221 **synchronously coupled generating technology**

222 technology where a generating unit is based on a synchronous machine which is directly coupled

223 3.2.7

224 **non-synchronous generating technology**

225 technology where a generating unit is connected non-synchronously to a distribution grid

226 Note 1 to entry: Examples are: induction machines and converter based technologies.

227 **3.2.8**
 228 **cogeneration - combined heat and power (CHP)**
 229 combined generation of electricity and heat by an energy conversion system and the concurrent use of
 230 the electric and thermal energy from the conversion system

231 **3.3 Power**

232 **3.3.1**
 233 **design active power - P_D**
 234 maximum AC active power output at an active factor of 0,9 or the active factor specified by the DSO
 235 for a certain generating plant or generating technology

236 **3.3.2**
 237 **maximum active power - P_{max}**
 238 maximum continuous active power which a power-generating plant can produce, less any demand
 239 associated solely with facilitating the operation of that power-generating plant and not fed into the
 240 network as specified in the connection agreement or as agreed between the DSO and the power-
 241 generating facility owner

242 Note 1 to entry: This maximum power is defined by a measurement with 10 min averaging.

243 **3.3.3**
 244 **rated current**
 245 maximum continuous AC output current which a generating unit or generating plant is designed to
 246 achieve under normal operating conditions

247 [SOURCE: IEV 415-04-03, modified]

248 **3.3.4**
 249 **maximum apparent power - S_{max}**
 250 maximum AC apparent power output that the generating unit or the sum of all the generating units in a
 251 generating plant is designed to achieve under normal operating conditions

252 Note 1 to entry: This maximum power is defined by a measurement with 10 min averaging.

253 **3.3.5**
 254 **momentary active power - P_M**
 255 actual AC active power output at a certain instant

256 **3.3.6**
 257 **primary energy source**
 258 non-electric energy source supplying an electric generating unit

259 Note 1 to entry: Examples of primary energy sources include natural gas, wind and solar energy. These sources
 260 can be utilized, e.g. by gas turbines, wind turbines and photovoltaic cells.

261 **3.3.7**
 262 **available active power - P_A**
 263 maximum AC active power available from the prime mover subject to the availability and magnitude of
 264 the primary energy source at the relevant time

265 Note 1 to entry: The maximum active power considers all constraints regarding e.g. the primary energy source or
 266 the availability of a heat sink for CHP.

267 **3.4 Voltage**

268 **3.4.1**
 269 **nominal voltage - U_n**
 270 voltage by which a supply network is designated or identified and to which certain operating
 271 characteristics are referred

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272 **3.4.2**

273 **nominal frequency - f_n**

274 frequency used to designate and identify equipment or a power system

275 Note 1 to entry: For the purpose of this standard, the nominal frequency f_n is 50 Hz.

276 [SOURCE: IEV 151-16-09, modified]

277 **3.4.3**

278 **reference voltage**

279 value specified as the base on which residual voltage, thresholds and other values are expressed in
280 per unit or percentage terms

281 Note 1 to entry: For the purpose of this standard, the reference voltage is the nominal voltage or the declared
282 voltage of the distribution network.

283 [SOURCE: EN 50160:2010, 3.18, modified]

284 **3.4.4**

285 **voltage change**

286 variation of the r.m.s. value of a voltage between two consecutive levels sustained for definite but
287 unspecified durations

288 [SOURCE: IEV 161-08-01, modified]

289 **3.4.5**

290 **voltage variation**

291 increase or decrease of r.m.s. voltage normally due to load variations in load and/or generation

292 [SOURCE: EN 50160:2010, 3.34, modified]

293 **3.5 Circuit theory**

294 **3.5.1**

295 **active factor**

296 for a two-terminal element or a two-terminal circuit under sinusoidal conditions, ratio of the active
297 power to the apparent power

298 Note 1 to entry: In a three phase system, this is referring to the positive sequence component of the fundamental.

299 Note 2 to entry: The active factor is equal to the cosine of the displacement angle.

300 [SOURCE: IEV 131-11-49, modified]

301 **3.5.2**

302 **displacement angle - φ**

303 under sinusoidal conditions, phase difference between the voltage applied to a linear two-terminal
304 element or two-terminal circuit and the electric current in the element or circuit

305 Note 1 to entry: In a three phase system, this is referring to the positive sequence component of the fundamental.

306 Note 2 to entry: The cosine of the displacement angle is the active factor.

307 [SOURCE: IEV 131-11-48, modified]

308 **3.5.3**309 **power factor**

310 under periodic conditions, ratio of the absolute value of the active power P to the apparent power S:

$$\lambda = \frac{|P|}{S}$$

311

312 Note 1 to entry: Under sinusoidal conditions, the power factor is the absolute value of the active factor.

313 [SOURCE: IEC 60050-111-46]

314 **3.5.4**315 **fundamental components of a three-phase system**316 **3.5.4.1**317 **phasor**318 representation of a sinusoidal integral quantity by a complex quantity whose argument is equal to the
319 initial phase and whose modulus is equal to the root-mean-square value320 Note 1 to entry: For a quantity $a(t) = A \sqrt{2} \cos(\omega t + \theta_0)$ the phasor is $A \exp j\theta_0$.

321 Note 2 to entry: The similar representation with the modulus equal to the amplitude is called "amplitude phasor".

322 Note 3 to entry: A phasor can also be represented graphically.

323 [SOURCE: IEC 60050-111-26, modified]

324 **3.5.4.2**325 **positive sequence component of the fundamental**326 for a three-phase system with phases L1, L2 and L3, the symmetrical sinusoidal three-phase set of
327 voltages or currents having frequency equal to the fundamental frequency and which is defined by the
328 following complex mathematical expression:

$$\underline{X}_1 = \frac{1}{3} (\underline{X}_{L1} + \underline{a} \underline{X}_{L2} + \underline{a}^2 \underline{X}_{L3})$$

329

330 where

331 $\underline{a} = e^{j2\pi/3}$ is the 120 degree operator,332 \underline{X}_{L1} , \underline{X}_{L2} and \underline{X}_{L3} are the complex expressions of the fundamental frequency phase quantities
333 concerned, that is, current or voltage phasors334 Note 1 to entry: In a balanced harmonic-free system, only positive sequence component of the fundamental
335 exists. For example, if phase voltage phasors are symmetrical $\underline{U}_{L1} = Ue^{j\theta}$, $\underline{U}_{L2} = Ue^{j(\theta+4\pi/3)}$ and $\underline{U}_{L3} = Ue^{j(\theta+2\pi/3)}$
336 then $\underline{U}_1 = (Ue^{j\theta} + e^{j2\pi/3} Ue^{j(\theta+4\pi/3)} + e^{j4\pi/3} Ue^{j(\theta+2\pi/3)})/3 = (Ue^{j\theta} + Ue^{j\theta} + Ue^{j\theta})/3 = Ue^{j\theta}$

337 [SOURCE: IEC 60050-111-27]

338 **3.5.4.3**339 **negative sequence component of the fundamental**340 for a three-phase system with phases L1, L2 and L3, the symmetrical sinusoidal three-phase set of
341 voltages or currents having frequency equal to the fundamental frequency and which is defined by the
342 following complex mathematical expression:

$$\underline{X}_2 = \frac{1}{3} (\underline{X}_{L1} + \underline{a}^2 \underline{X}_{L2} + \underline{a} \underline{X}_{L3})$$

343

344 where

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345 $\underline{a} = e^{j2\pi/3}$ is the 120 degree operator

346 X_{L1} , X_{L2} and X_{L3} are the complex expressions of the fundamental frequency phase quantities
347 concerned, that is, current or voltage phasors

348 Note 1 to entry: Negative sequence voltage or current components may be significant only when the voltages or
349 currents, respectively, are unbalanced. For example, if phase voltage phasors are symmetrical $\underline{U}_{L1} = Ue^{j\theta}$,
350 $\underline{U}_{L2} = Ue^{j(\theta+4\pi/3)}$ and $\underline{U}_{L3} = Ue^{j(\theta+2\pi/3)}$ then the negative sequence component $\underline{U}_2 = (Ue^{j\theta} + e^{j4\pi/3} Ue^{j(\theta+4\pi/3)} + e^{j2\pi/3}$
351 $Ue^{j(\theta+2\pi/3)})/3 = Ue^{j\theta} (1 + e^{j2\pi/3} + e^{j4\pi/3})/3 = 0$.

352 [SOURCE: IEV 448-11-28]

353 3.5.4.4

354 zero sequence component of the fundamental

355 for a three-phase system with phases L1, L2 and L3, the in-phase sinusoidal voltage or current
356 component having the fundamental frequency and equal amplitude in each of the phases and which is
357 defined by the following complex mathematical expression:

$$358 \quad \underline{X}_0 = \frac{1}{3}(\underline{X}_{L1} + \underline{X}_{L2} + \underline{X}_{L3})$$

359 where

360 X_{L1} , X_{L2} and X_{L3} are the complex expressions of the fundamental frequency phase quantities
361 concerned, that is, current or voltage phasors

362 [SOURCE: IEV 448-11-29]

363 3.6 Protection

364 3.6.1

365 protection system

366 arrangement of one or more protection equipments, and other devices intended to perform one or
367 more specified protection functions

368 Note 1 to entry: A protection system includes one or more protection equipments, instrument transformer(s),
369 wiring, tripping circuit(s), auxiliary supply(s) and, where provided, communication system(s). Depending upon the
370 principle(s) of the protection system, it may include one end or all ends of the protected section and, possibly,
371 automatic reclosing equipment.

372 Note 2 to entry: The circuit-breaker(s) are excluded.

373 [SOURCE: IEV 448-11-03]

374 **3.6.2**
375 **protection relay**
376 measuring relay which detects faults or other abnormal conditions in a power system or of a power
377 equipment

378 Note 1 to entry: A protection relay is a component part of a protection system.

379 Note 2 to entry: An interface protection relay is a protection relay acting on the interface switch.

380 [SOURCE: IEC 447-01-14]

381 **3.6.3**
382 **interface protection system**
383 protection system that acts on the interface switch

384 **3.6.4**
385 **interface protection relay**
386 combination of different protection relay functions which opens the interface switch of a generating unit
387 and prevents its closure, whichever is appropriate in case of:

388 – a fault on the distribution network (with reference to POC voltage level);

389 – an islanding situation;

390 – the presence of voltage and frequency values outside the corresponding regulation values

391 **3.6.5**
392 **basic protection**
393 protection against electric shock under fault-free conditions

394 [SOURCE: IEC 195-06-01]

395 **3.6.6**
396 **basic insulation**
397 insulation of hazardous-live-parts which provides basic protection

398 Note 1 to entry: This concept does not apply to insulation used exclusively for functional purposes.

399 [SOURCE: IEC 195-06-06]

400 **3.6.7**
401 **disconnection**
402 separation of the active parts of the main circuit of the generating unit or plant from the network with
403 mechanical contacts providing at least the equivalent of basic insulation

404 Note 1 to entry: Passive components like filters, auxiliary power supply to the generating unit and sense circuits
405 can remain connected.

406 Note 2 to entry: For the design of basic insulation all voltage sources should be considered.

407 **3.6.8**
408 **switch**
409 device for changing the electric connections among its terminals

410 [SOURCE: IEC 151-12-22]