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- b) Solar simulator I-V measurement.

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CONCENTRATOR PHOTOVOLTAIC (CPV) MODULES AND ASSEMBLIES – DESIGN QUALIFICATION AND TYPE APPROVAL

1 Scope

This document specifies the minimum requirements for the design qualification and type approval of concentrator photovoltaic (CPV) modules and assemblies suitable for long-term operation in general open-air climates as defined in IEC 60721-2-1. The test sequence is partially based on that specified in IEC 61215-1 for the design qualification and type approval of flat-plate terrestrial crystalline silicon PV modules. However, some changes have been made to account for the special features of CPV receivers and modules, particularly with regard to the separation of on-site and in-lab tests, effects of tracking alignment, high current density, and rapid temperature changes, which have resulted in the formulation of some new test procedures or new requirements.

The object of this test document is to determine the electrical, mechanical, and thermal characteristics of the CPV modules and assemblies and to show, as far as possible within reasonable constraints of cost and time, that the CPV modules and assemblies are capable of withstanding prolonged exposure in climates described in the scope. The actual life of CPV modules and assemblies so qualified will depend on their design, production, environment, and the conditions under which they are operated.

This document is used in conjunction with the retest guidelines described in Annex B.

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IEC 60904-1-1:2017, *Photovoltaic devices – Part 1-1: Measurement of current-voltage characteristics of multi-junction photovoltaic (PV) devices*

IEC TS 60904-1-2:2019, *Photovoltaic devices – Part 1-2: Measurement of current-voltage characteristics of bifacial photovoltaic (PV) devices*

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IEC 60904-3:2019, *Photovoltaic devices – Part 3: Measurement principles for terrestrial photovoltaic (PV) solar devices with reference spectral irradiance data*

IEC 60904-4:2019, *Photovoltaic devices – Part 4: Photovoltaic reference devices – Procedures for establishing calibration traceability*

IEC 60904-5:2011, *Photovoltaic devices – Part 5: Determination of the equivalent cell temperature (ECT) of photovoltaic (PV) devices by the open-circuit voltage method*

IEC 60904-7:2019, *Photovoltaic devices – Part 7: Computation of the spectral mismatch correction for measurements of photovoltaic devices*

IEC 60904-8:2014, *Photovoltaic devices – Part 8: Measurement of spectral responsivity of a photovoltaic (PV) device*

IEC 60904-8-1:2017, *Photovoltaic devices – Part 8-1: Measurement of spectral responsivity of multi-junction photovoltaic (PV) devices*

IEC 61140:2016, *Protection against electric shock – Common aspects for installation and equipment*

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IEC 61215-1:2021, *Terrestrial photovoltaic (PV) modules – Design qualification and type approval – Part 1: Test requirements*

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IEC 61853-3:2018, *Photovoltaic (PV) module performance testing and energy rating – Part 3: Energy rating of PV modules*

IEC 62670-1, *Photovoltaic concentrators (CPV) – Performance testing – Part 1: Standard conditions*

IEC 62670-3:2017, *Photovoltaic concentrators (CPV) – Performance testing – Part 3: Performance measurements and power rating*

IEC 62790:2020, *Junction boxes for photovoltaic modules – Safety requirements and tests*

IEC 62852:2014, *Connectors for DC-application in photovoltaic systems – Safety requirements and tests*

IEC 62852:2014/AMD1:2020

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60664-1, IEC TS 60904-1-2, IEC 61140, IEC TS 61836 and the following apply, see also Table 1.

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- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
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3.1

concentrator

term associated with photovoltaic devices that use concentrated sunlight

3.2

concentrator cell

basic photovoltaic device that is used under the illumination of concentrated sunlight

3.3

concentrator optics

optical device that performs one or more of the following functions from its input to output: increasing the light intensity, filtering the spectrum, modifying light intensity distribution, or changing light direction. Typically, it is a lens or a mirror

Note 1 to entry: A primary optics receives unconcentrated sunlight directly from the sun. A secondary optics receives concentrated or modified sunlight from another optical device, such as primary optics or another secondary optics.

3.4

concentrator receiver

group of one or more concentrator cells and secondary optics (if present) that accepts concentrated sunlight and incorporates the means for thermal and electric energy transfer

Note 1 to entry: A receiver could be made of several sub-receivers. The sub-receiver is a physically stand-alone, smaller portion of the full-size receiver.

3.5

concentrator module

group of receivers, optics, and other related components, such as interconnection and mounting, that accepts unconcentrated sunlight

Note 1 to entry: All above components are usually prefabricated as one unit, and the focus point is not field adjustable.

Note 2 to entry: A module could be made of several sub-modules. The sub-module is a physically stand-alone, smaller portion of the full-size module.

3.6

concentrator assembly

group of receivers, optics, and other related components, such as interconnection and mounting, that accepts unconcentrated sunlight

Note 1 to entry: All above components would usually be shipped separately and need some field installation, and the focus point is field adjustable.

Note 2 to entry: An assembly could be made of several sub-assemblies. The sub-assembly is a physically stand-alone, smaller portion of the full-size assembly.