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**Petroleum, petrochemical and natural  
gas industries — Calculation and  
reporting production efficiency in the  
operating phase**

*Industries du pétrole, de la pétrochimie et du gaz naturel — Calcul et  
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## Introduction

The petroleum, petrochemical and natural gas industries involve large capital expenditure as well as operating expenditure. Revenue loss caused by production loss will affect the profitability of such industry and for a specific plant operatorship.

Production efficiency (PE) is a term often used by operators for historic production availability in the operating phase. PE is a reported measure, and it can be compared with the predicted (or targeted) production availability made during a project development stage. Furthermore, PE is forecasted and tracked during the operating phase to allow tracking of performance. ISO 20815:2018 addresses production assurance activities including analytical methods for predicting production availability, and also includes a production loss categorization.

This document supports this production loss categorization with a harmonized approach for calculating and reporting production loss and production efficiency in the operating phase, including forecasting during this life cycle phase. This will enable precise and consistent feedback of production performance for use in production and operational planning to achieve optimal PE for the operators and associated industry stakeholders. Focus is given to actual produced volume and reference production volume, e.g. production potential that will depend on reservoir and well constraints, plant/process constraints, export/transportation constraints and market constraints. Standardization of PE reporting across the industry will drive consistency and provide better quality PE information and communication for operators and partners.

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# Petroleum, petrochemical and natural gas industries — Calculation and reporting production efficiency in the operating phase

## 1 Scope

This document provides requirements and guidance for reporting of production performance data and production loss data in the operating phase by use of production loss categorization. It supplements the principles of ISO 20815:2018, Clause E.3 and Annex G by providing additional details.

This document focusses on installations and asset elements within the upstream business category. Business categories and associated installations and plants/units, systems and equipment classes are used in line with ISO 14224:2016, Annex A.

The production loss categories given in [Annex A](#) are given at a high taxonomic level and supplements the reporting of failure and maintenance parameters as defined in ISO 14224:2016, Annex B.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 14224:2016, *Petroleum, petrochemical and natural gas industries — Collection and exchange of reliability and maintenance data for equipment*

ISO 20815:2018, *Petroleum, petrochemical and natural gas industries — Production assurance and reliability management*

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## 3 Terms, definitions and abbreviated terms

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

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- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

### 3.1 Terms and definitions

#### 3.1.1

##### achieved production potential

*production potential* ([3.1.43](#)) that in retrospect can be verified as the maximum achievable production in a given time period

Note 1 to entry: Achieved production potential is the sum of the achieved production and the estimated *production loss* ([3.1.40](#)) occurring in the four production potential elements: *well production potential* ([3.1.58](#)), *plant production capacity* ([3.1.34](#)), *export capacity* ([3.1.12](#)) and *market potential* ([3.1.26](#)).

Note 2 to entry: Achieved production potential can vary over time.