



# Understanding High Speed Surges/Transients

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TVA PQ Group - Transmission  
August 1, 2017

# High-Speed Transients

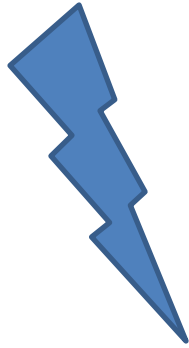
Source of Energy	Discussed or Not Discussed Today
Lightning	Discussed
Line or cable switching	Discussed
Nuclear Bomb Detonation EM Pulse	Hopefully Not Needed to be Discussed

# Goals of Presentation

- Present transient concepts hopefully useful to IEEE members
- Only basic EE equations used – no PHD-speak – no LaPlace Transforms
- Lighten-up presentation with 10 Case Studies
- Try to make presentation more applications oriented versus design oriented
- Try to present something useful to all attending



# Lightning Surges Section



# Tennessee Valley Area Number of Lightning Flashes – Displayed By Month For Years 2000 to 2014

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Jan	35730	2804	23192	2670	9524	7289	85227	5235	46466	9234	40987	16584	79136	16068	13569
Feb	86901	60093	2250	42925	22887	81606	20415	49191	104030	58161	13200	51188	45154	34818	44441
Mar	125144	29607	204610	142084	84477	204731	83976	57841	139330	35523	92201	154896	185636	102301	28101
Apr	120101	161367	208389	361152	124266	347492	497721	116269	198312	150380	235200	775059	101600	139976	437970
May	405443	321088	334545	1280579	537536	341318	706497	210205	455852	509998	594615	338249	265925	179528	157794
Jun	315283	553246	381507	512009	615003	436572	507051	561173	502277	733026	796421	882881	189000	483863	692882
Jul	540731	629846	882742	1197988	1055503	928026	539419	483912	819608	571849	648300	754149	974525	517723	426535
Aug	554843	428161	585169	1234092	470586	909646	766155	514467	317320	390376	628727	621872	497032	397711	485198
Sep	211182	118494	112579	101098	86566	96225	310244	72532	54087	233170	64702	170499	266811	124086	204209
Oct	26175	51668	54728	60454	292812	15757	32821	35304	21554	54591	92077	13662	47227	19285	170771
Nov	32628	68528	144784	12316	57457	146685	39537	69399	5199	993	20858	35289	14198	4552	3267
Dec	29296	7450	32170	2067	45382	64899	4647	22202	42009	10786	17416	5759	40376	22658	19757
<b>Tot</b>	<b>2483457</b>	<b>2432352</b>	<b>2966665</b>	<b>4949434</b>	<b>3401999</b>	<b>3580246</b>	<b>3593710</b>	<b>2197730</b>	<b>2706044</b>	<b>2758087</b>	<b>3244704</b>	<b>3820087</b>	<b>2706620</b>	<b>2042569</b>	<b>2684494</b>

**Blue highlighted area shown above indicate peak lightning times are spring and summer**

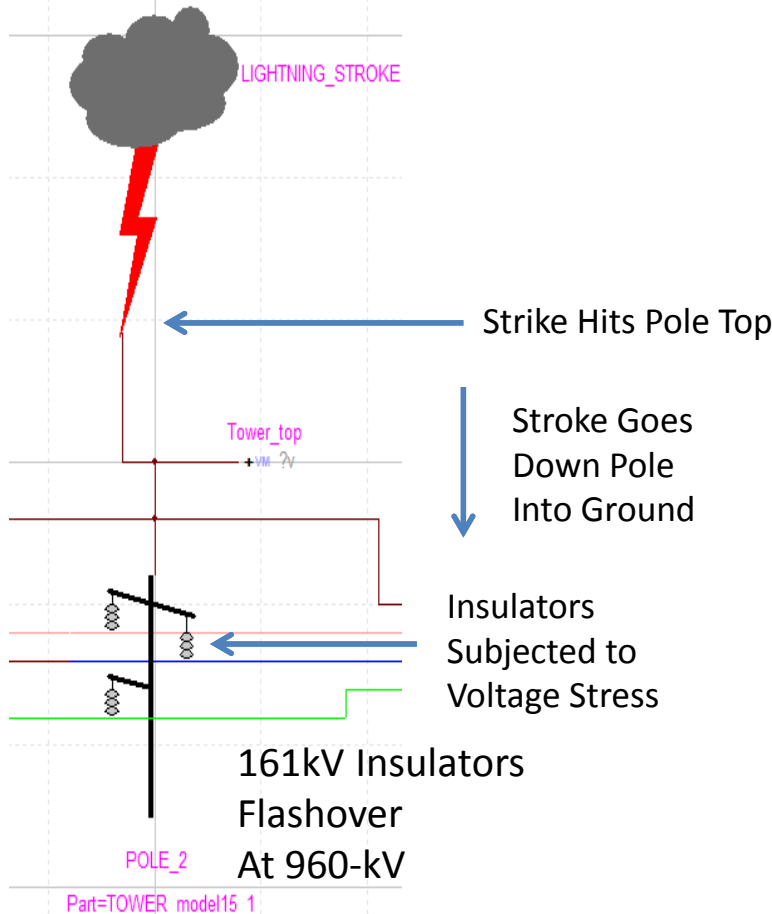
# Lightning Strike Simulation Concept - Shown On One Slide

$V=L di/dt$  – Must move  $di/dt$  down pole before insulator breakdown

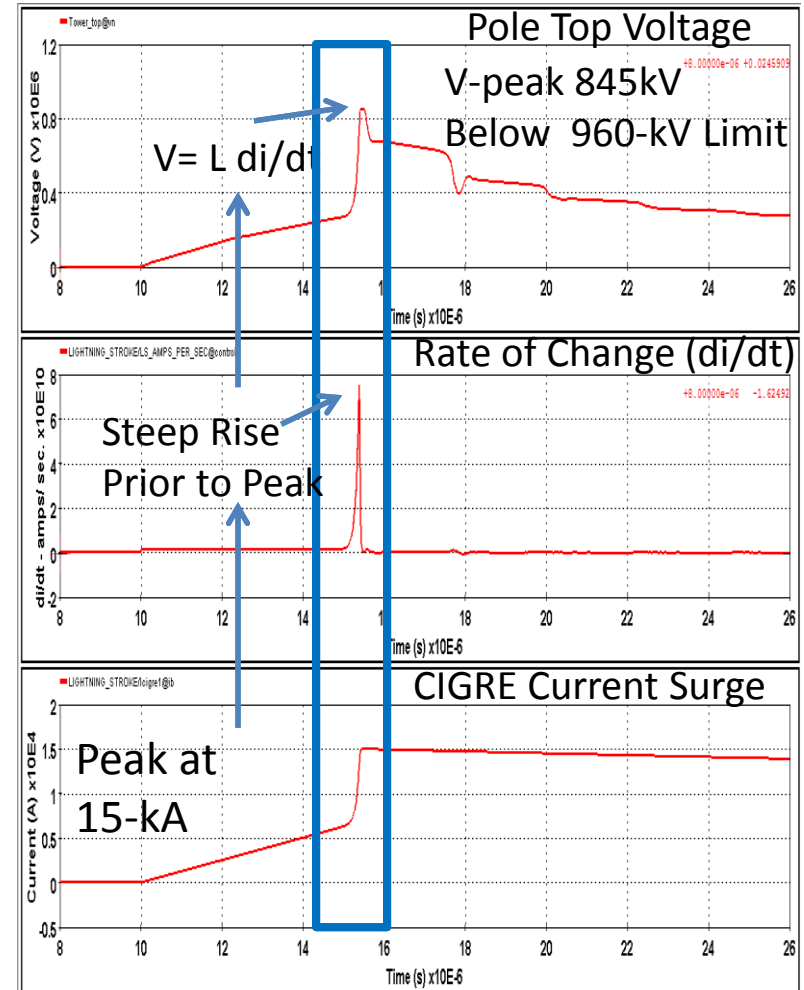
**15-kA Simulated**

**3/100 us**

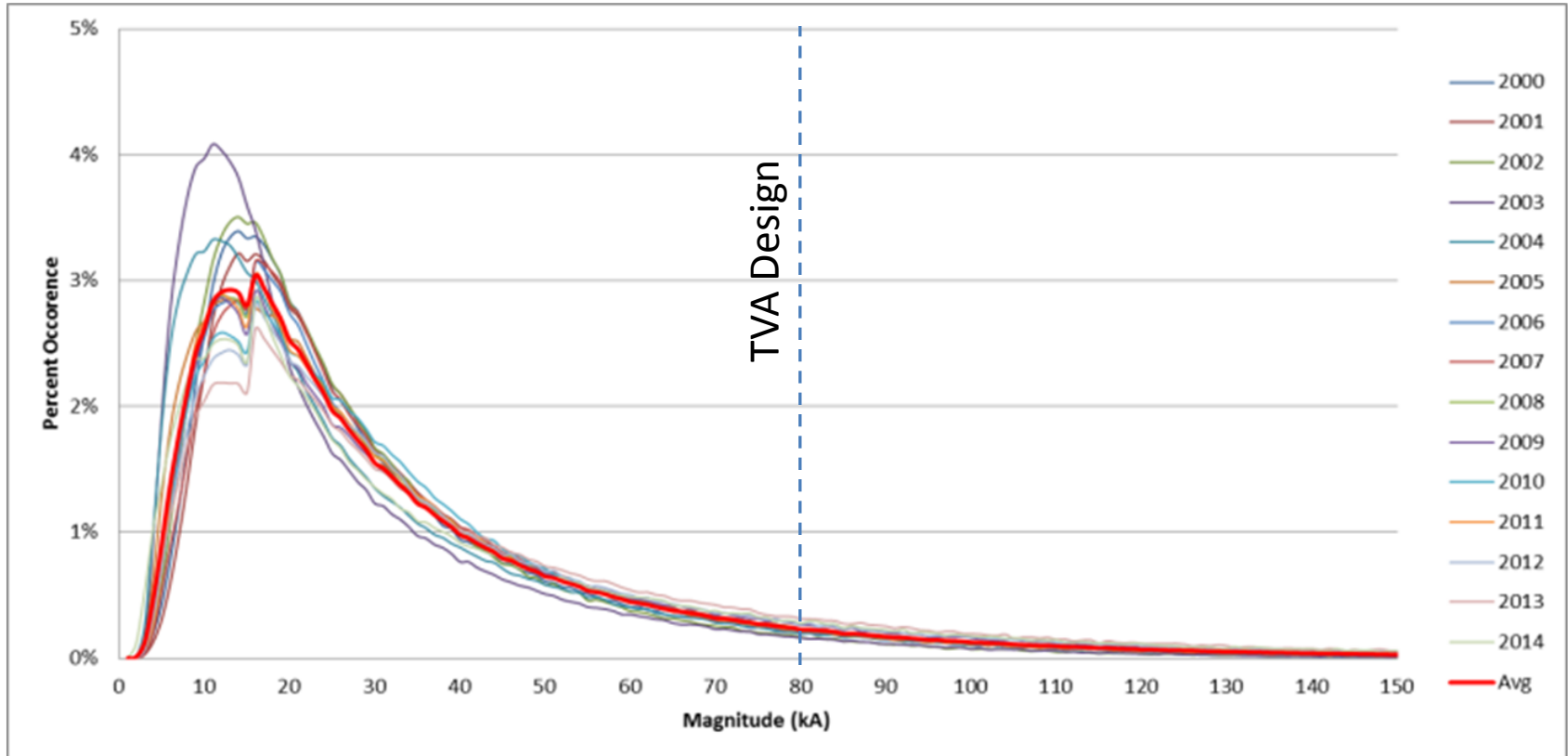
**Lightning Stroke**



Shaded Time Below – Critical Time



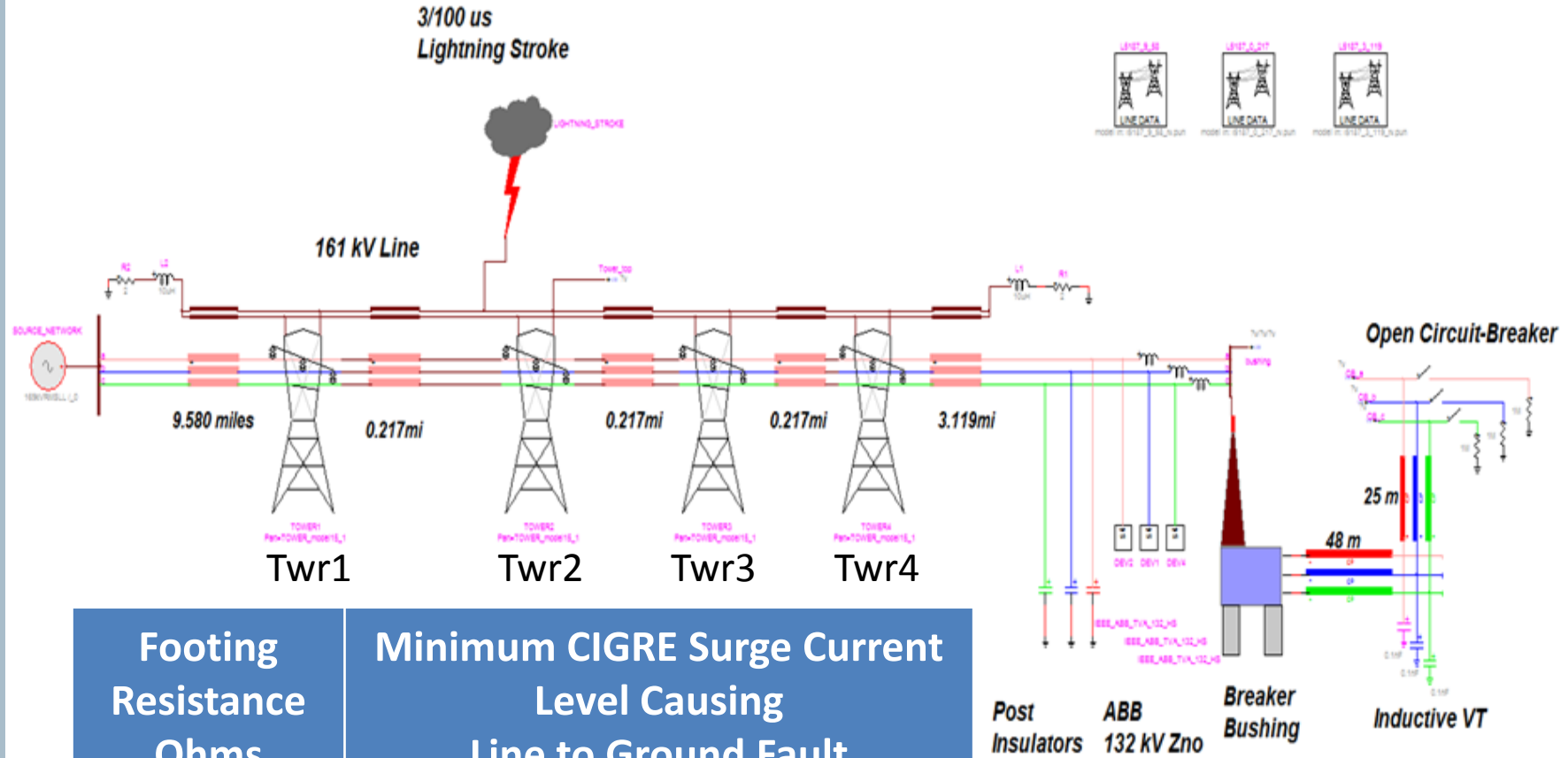
## Intensity of Lightning Strike Levels in TVA Area



The previous slide shows the importance of  $di/dt$  while TVA's statistics are based on kA magnitude. It is important to recognize this because a low magnitude strike may have a higher  $di/dt$  than a larger magnitude strike.

With this said, the TVA staff generally believe that larger magnitude kA strikes are more likely to create insulator flashovers than smaller strikes. Fortunately there are many more smaller strikes (<15-kA) than larger strikes (>80-kA).

# 161-kV SG-1 Tower Back-flash Simulation (Lightning Hits Shield Wire – Top Tower 2)

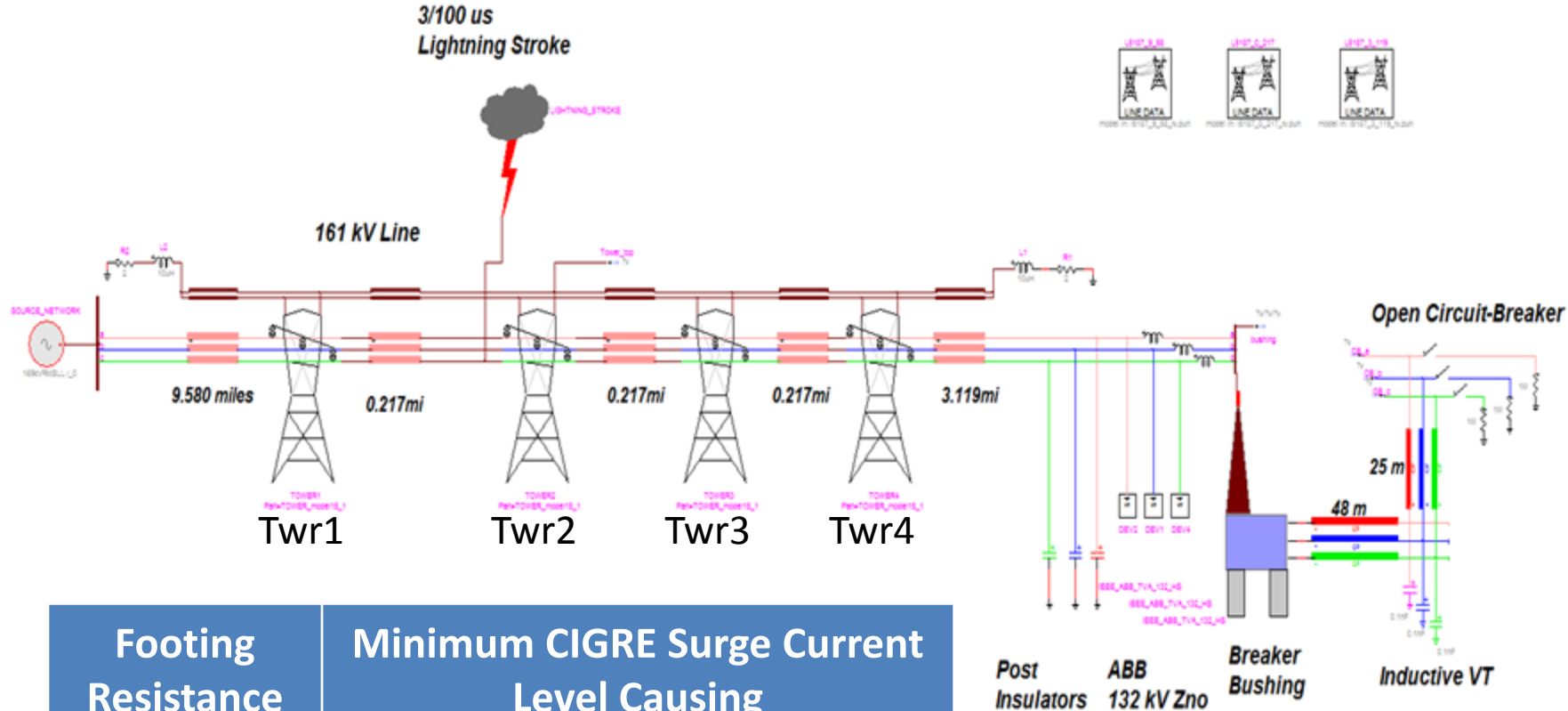


Footing Resistance Ohms	Minimum CIGRE Surge Current Level Causing Line to Ground Fault
20	48-KA – Pole 2 – B Phase
80	21-kA – Pole 2 – C Phase

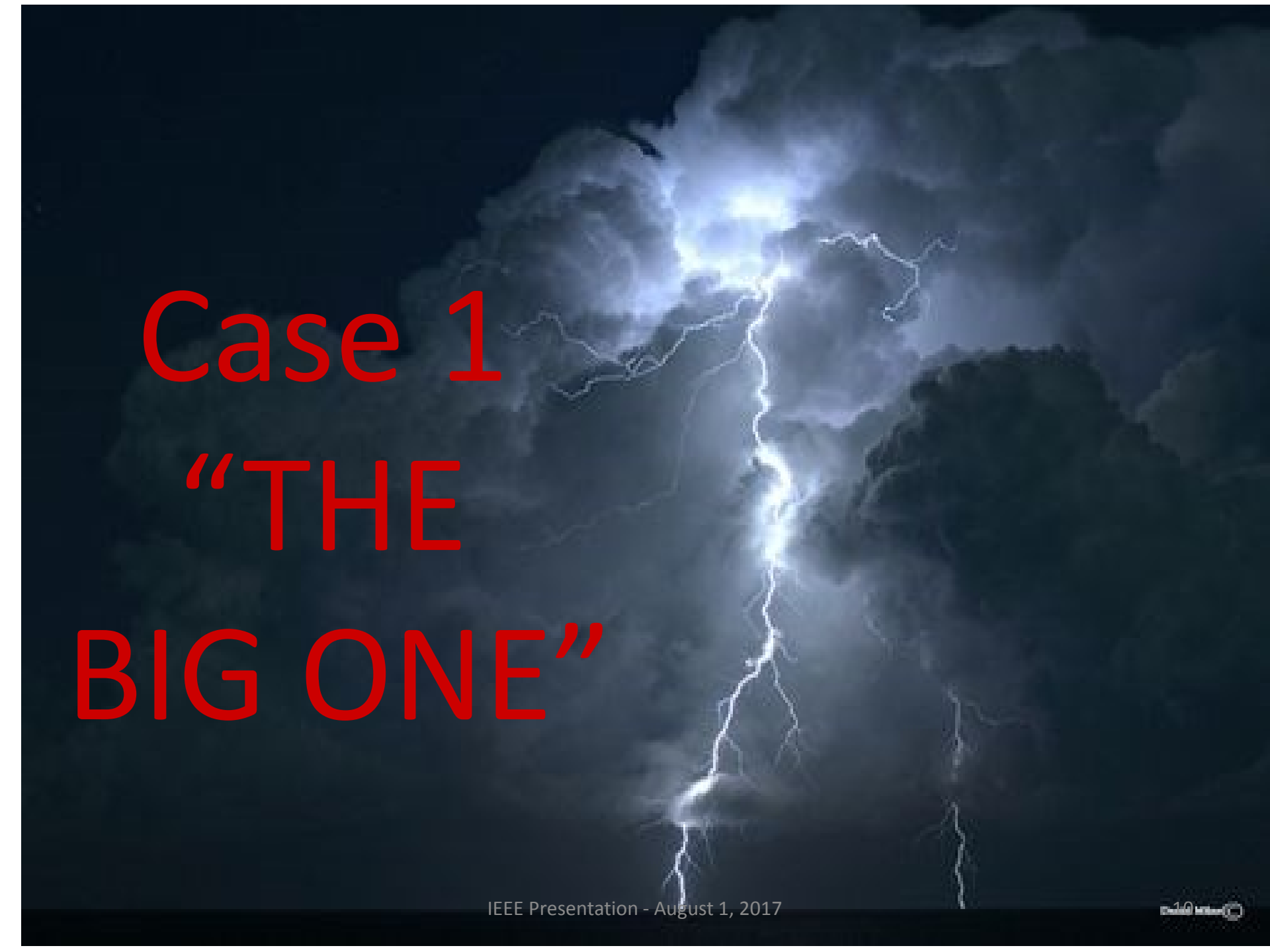


# 161-kV SG-1 Tower

## Direct Attachment to C-Phase Simulation (Shield Wire Failure – Top Tower 2)



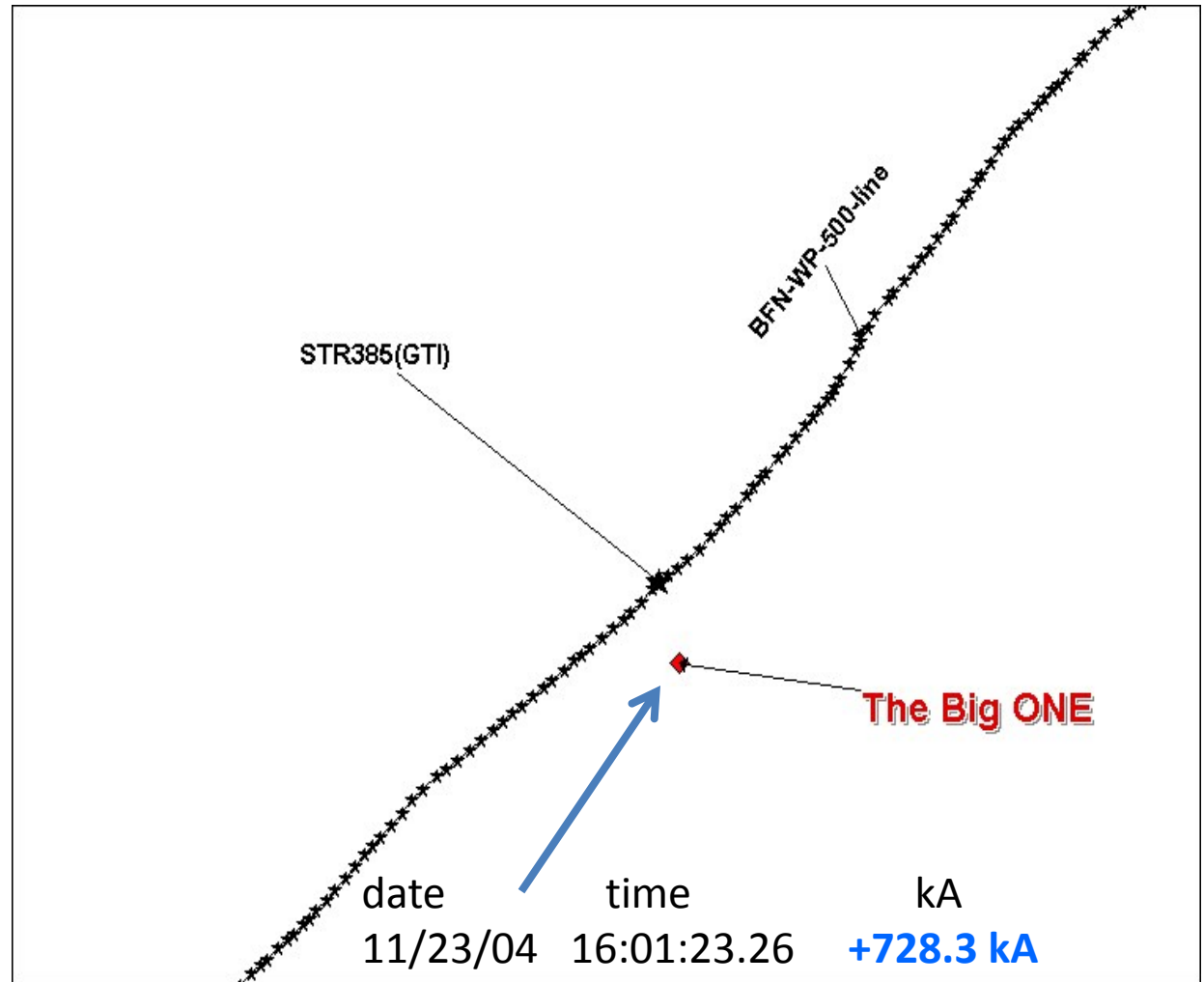
Footing Resistance Ohms	Minimum CIGRE Surge Current Level Causing Line to Ground Fault
20	5-kA
80	5-kA



# Case 1 “THE BIG ONE”

# Magnitude of Lightning Strike – 728-kA Hit 500-kV Line Between BFNP – West Point, MS

...strokes/flushes with estimated peak current above 500kA seem to occur only a few (5-20) times per year, throughout the whole U.S. This would literally mean "less than one in a million."



# 728-kV Lightning Strike Hit Tower and the 3-Line Insulators Flashed Over – Insulators Were Damaged But Line Reclosed

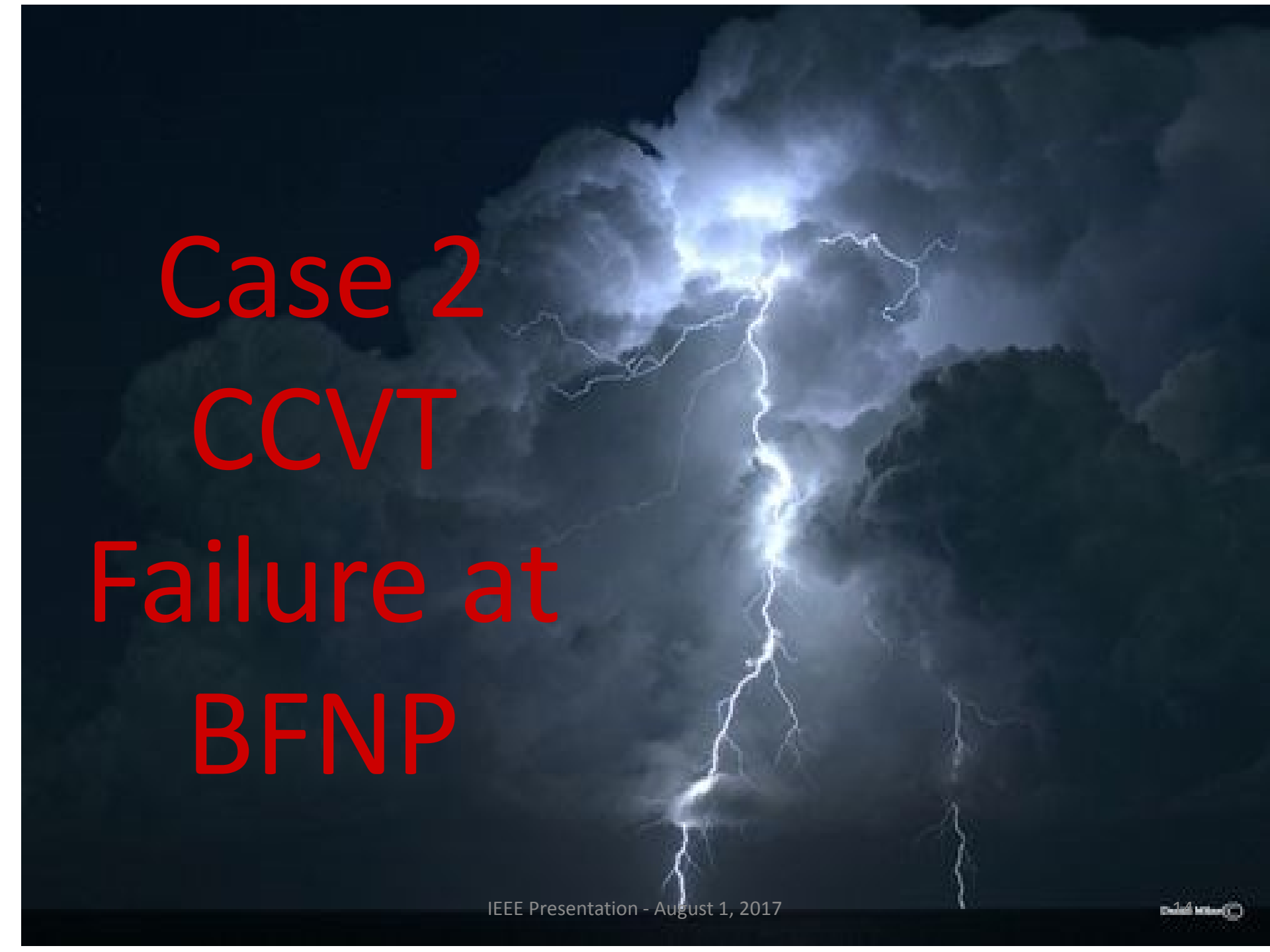


# Big – One Case Summary Concept

## Insulators May Be Looked at as Line Fuses

### Sometimes It is Best That They Operate (Flashover)

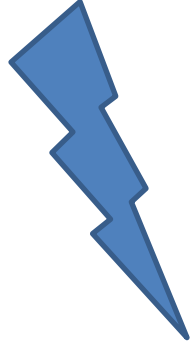
- Insulators are low-cost compared to other equipment. TVA staff were glad this three-phase fault occurred where it did because the massive energy went to ground in a remote field instead of traveling to substation equipment
- Statistical Mid-Band Voltage Flashover Levels for Transmission Insulators are:
  - 500-kV Insulators - 1995-kV
  - 161-kV Insulators - 960-kV
- Hopefully major events flashover remotely to substation.  
Typical BIL levels for substation equipment are:
  - 500-kV Equipment - 1550-kV
  - 161-kV Equipment - 750-kV
  - Unlike insulators – once substation equipment flashover their life is over!



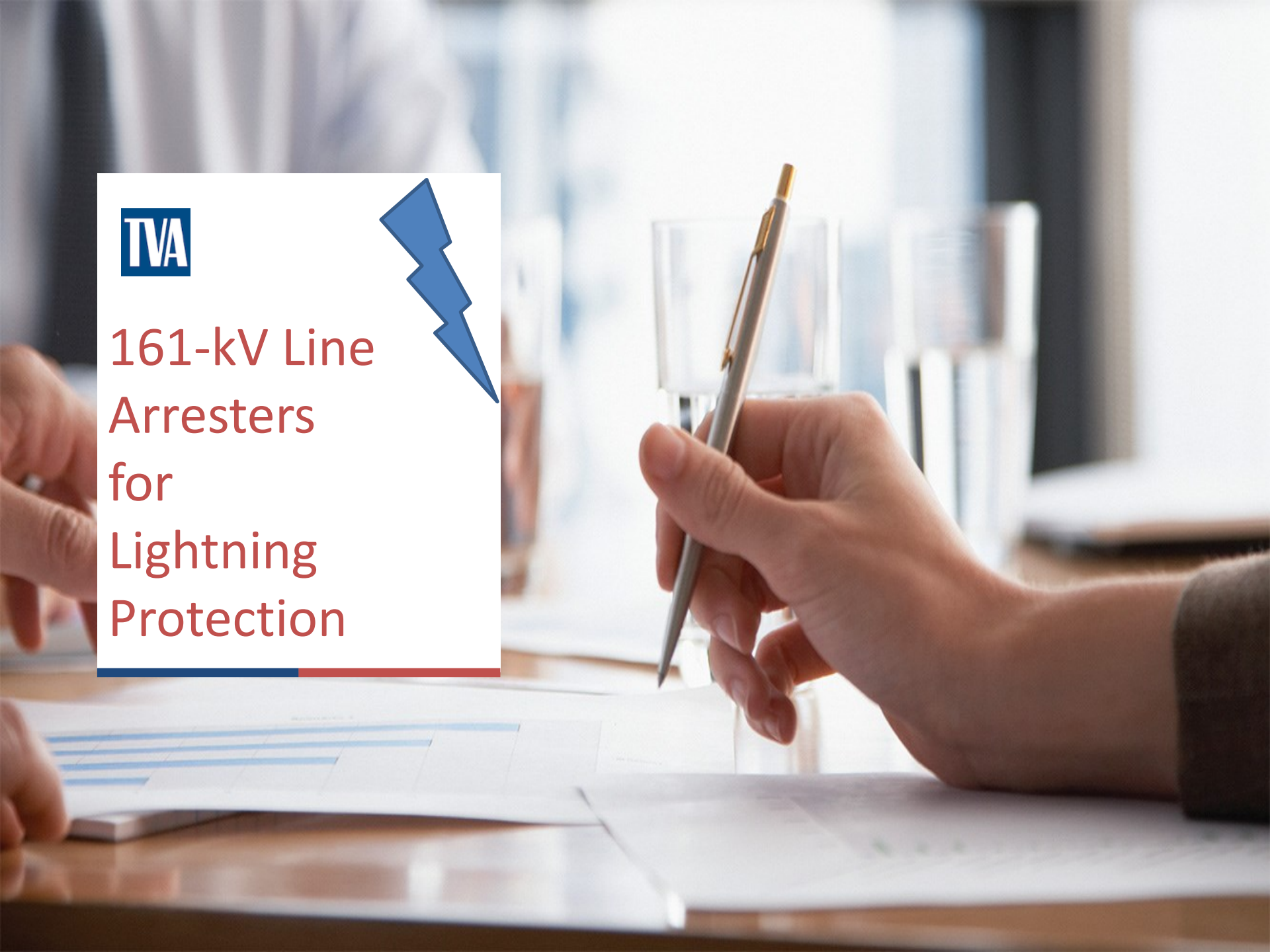
Case 2  
CCVT  
Failure at  
BFNP

# 1999 CCVT Failure at Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant

- One or more lightning strikes damaged a 500-kV class, C-Phase Capacitive Coupling Voltage Transformer – later it exploded!!
- Debris traveled over 300 yards and damaged many bus insulators
- Investigation Team determined lightning was root cause of failure
  - >  $I = C * dv/dt$  – for a high frequency transient, the CCVT (primarily three stages of series capacitors) looked like a short to ground
  - > High current from lightning flow drilled holes in series cap packs
  - > Failure occurred much later -- in heat of summer day
- Solution – At 500-kV Line Terminations – Station Class Arresters were installed
  - > If the voltage peaks (and  $dv/dt$ ) are limited by arrester operation, then the transient current flow through the CCVT will be within design limits – this concept will show up later in this presentation!!



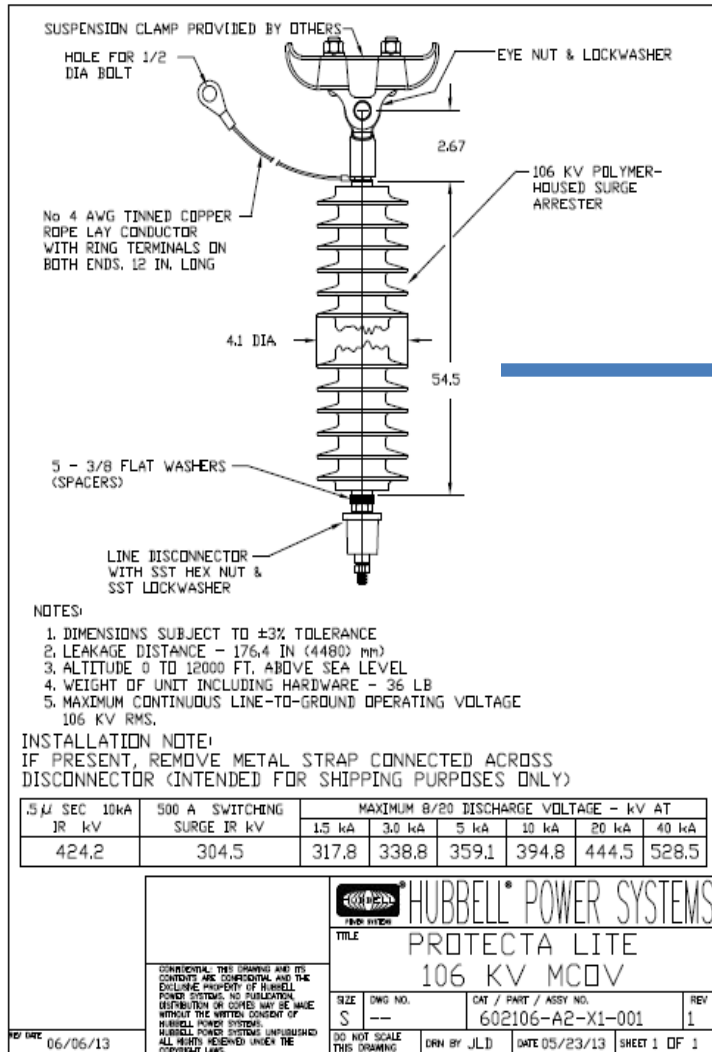
161-kV Line  
Arresters  
for  
Lightning  
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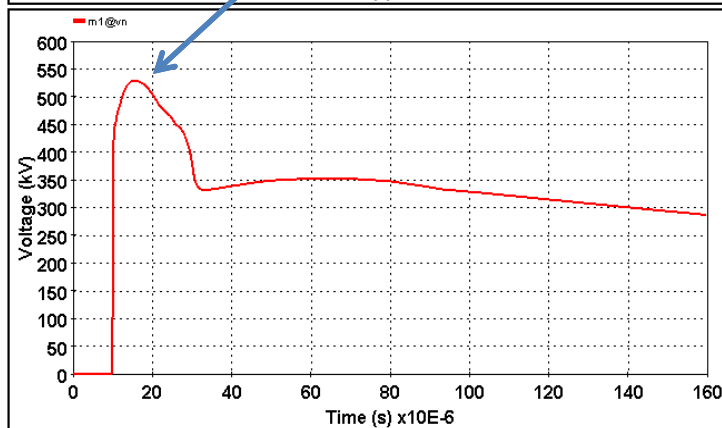
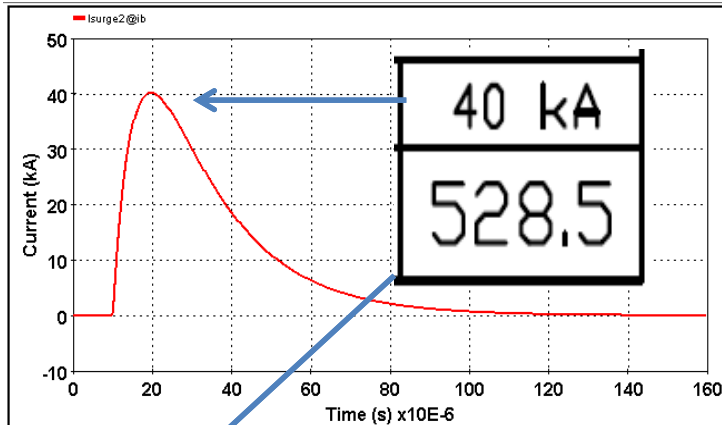
# TVA Uses 161-kV Class Hubbell Protecta Lite Line Arresters

## Goal – Handle Tower Strike Without Faulting

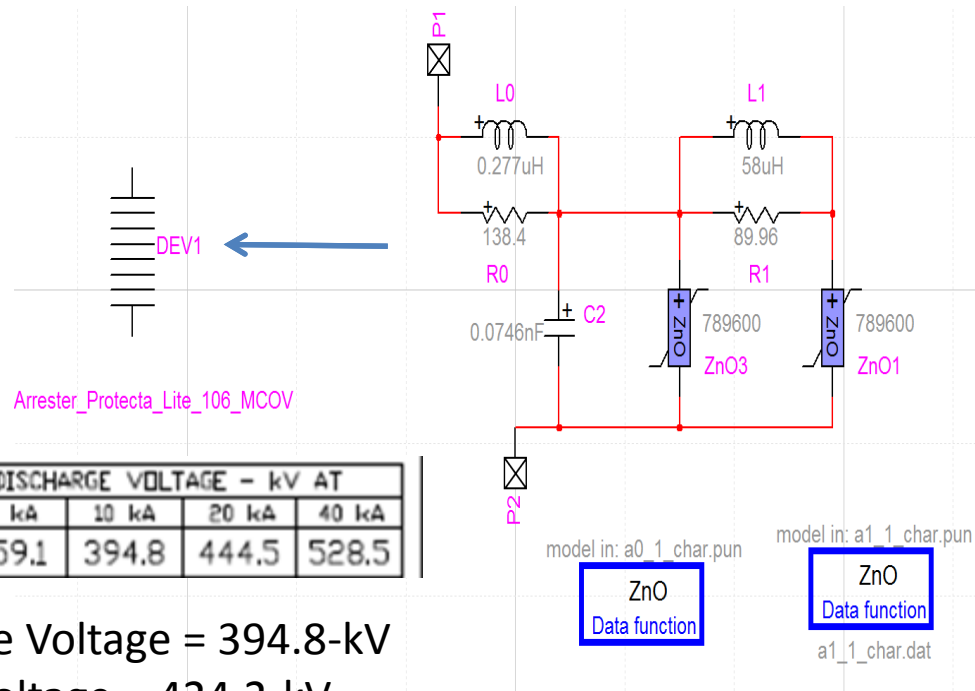


# IEEE High Speed Model in EMTP-RV for 106-kV MCOV Protecta Lite Arresters

IEEE High Speed Model for  
Hubbell Protecta Lite 106-kV –  
Voltage Clamp - 528-kV at 40-kA

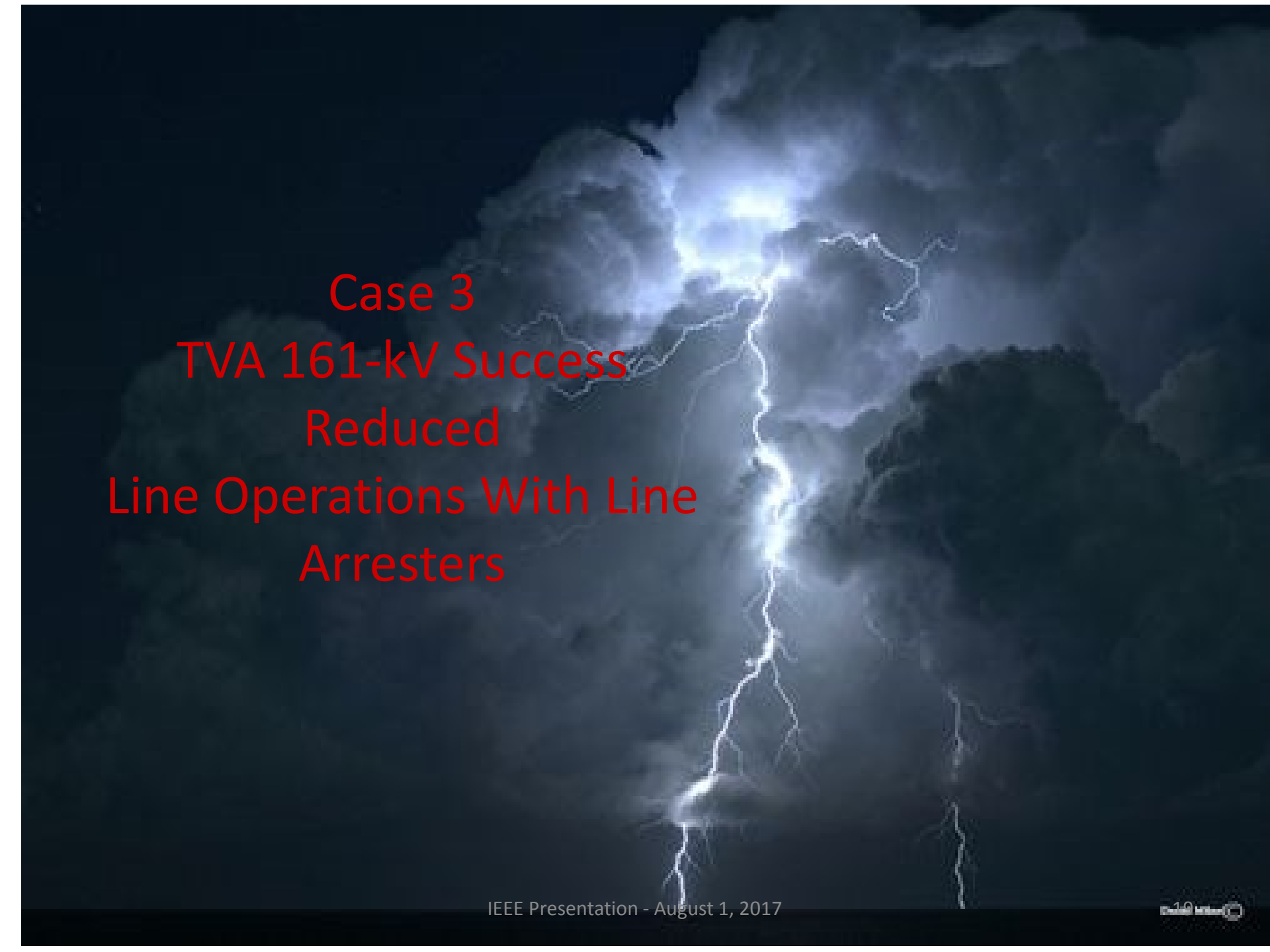


Quick Part Simulation      Slower Part Simulation



5μ SEC 10kA JR kV	500 A SWITCHING SURGE IR kV	MAXIMUM 8/20 DISCHARGE VOLTAGE - kV AT					
		1.5 kA	3.0 kA	5 kA	10 kA	20 kA	40 kA
424.2	304.5	317.8	338.8	359.1	394.8	444.5	528.5

Note at 10-kA, 8/20us: Max Discharge Voltage = 394.8-kV  
But at 10-kA, 0.5us: Max Discharge Voltage = 424.2-kV  
For High-Speed Transients, Arresters Aren't As Effective



Case 3  
TVA 161-kV Success  
Reduced  
Line Operations With Line  
Arresters

# Type SG-1 Back-flash Simulation - Arrester on Poles As Listed (Lightning Hits Shield Wire – Top Pole 2)

	Arresters on Tower 2 Only Lightning Strikes Tower 2 Shield Wire	Arresters on Towers 1 & 3 Only Lightning Strikes Tower 2 Shield Wire
Footing Resistance All Towers - Ohms	Minimum CIGRE Surge Current Level Causing 1 <sup>st</sup> Phase to Flash to Ground Line to Ground Fault	Minimum CIGRE Surge Current Level Causing 1 <sup>st</sup> Phase to Flash to Ground Line to Ground Fault
20	300+kA– Tower 3 – C Phase	48-KA – Tower 2 – B Phase
80	66-kA– Tower 3 – C Phase	21-kA– Tower 2 – C Phase

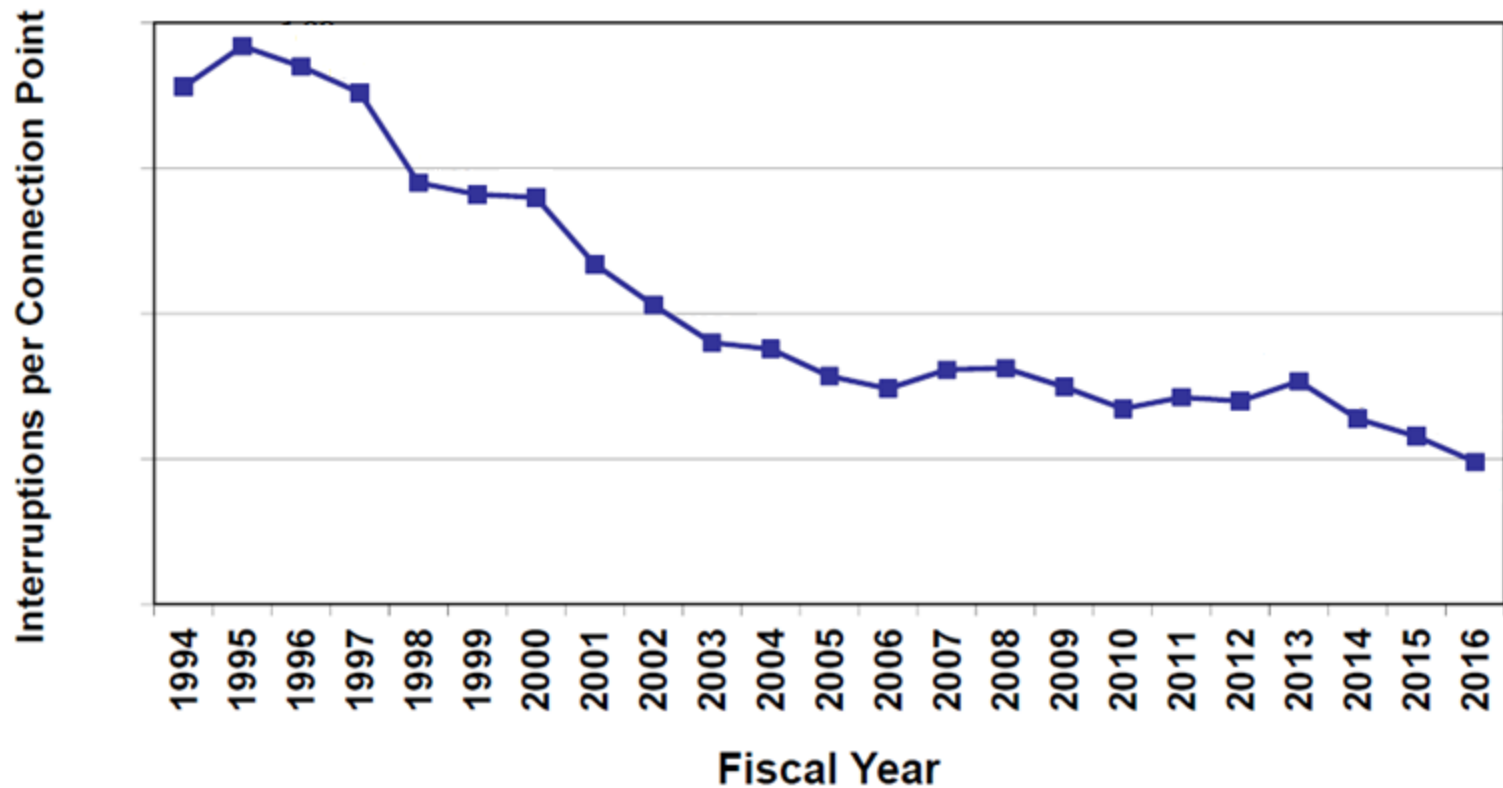
Towers 1/3 Arresters Don't Help Tower 2 Strike – Same Back-Flash Numbers as Before!!

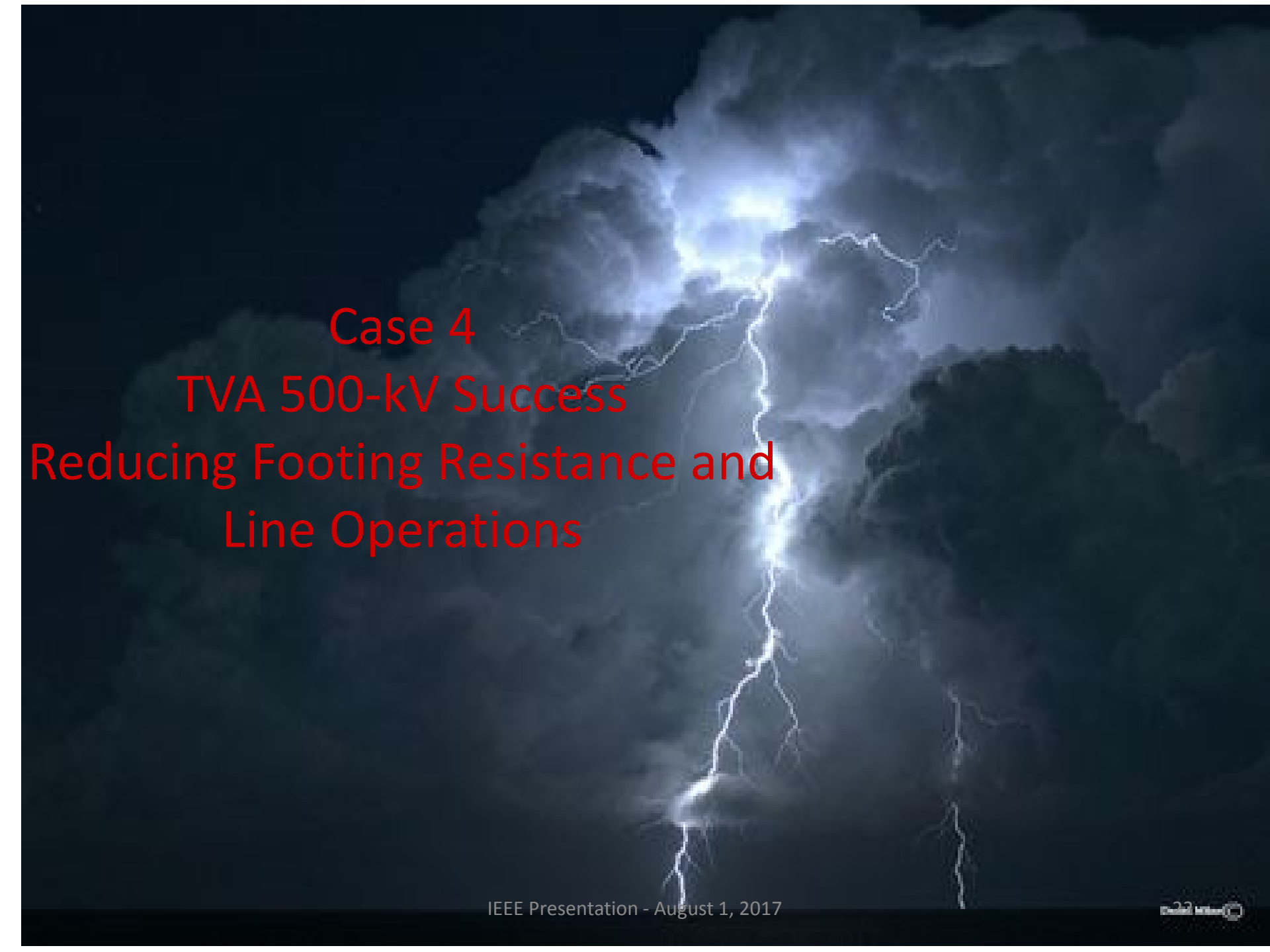
Key Concept – If you want to protect towers – arresters must be on towers where lightning strikes – one tower away does not work. Arresters need to be on all three phases.

Related Concept for Substation Equipment – for this reason arresters are normally mounted on transformers to insure optimum protection or on (or close to) terminals of smaller equipment, i.e. VTs, CCVTs, breakers

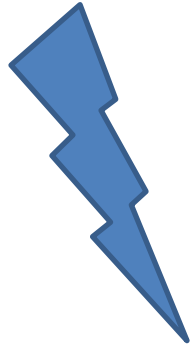


# Connection Point Interruption Frequency (CPI)





Case 4  
TVA 500-kV Success  
Reducing Footing Resistance and  
Line Operations



# 500-kV Line Lightning Protection Improvements



## 500-kV Back-flash Simulation - (Lightning Hits Shield Wire – Top Tower 2)

Arresters Excluded in Model – None Simulated

<b>Footing Resistance Ohms All Towers</b>	<b>Minimum CIGRE Surge Current Level Causing 1<sup>st</sup> Phase to Flash to Ground Line to Ground Fault</b>
20	270-kA
80	49-kA

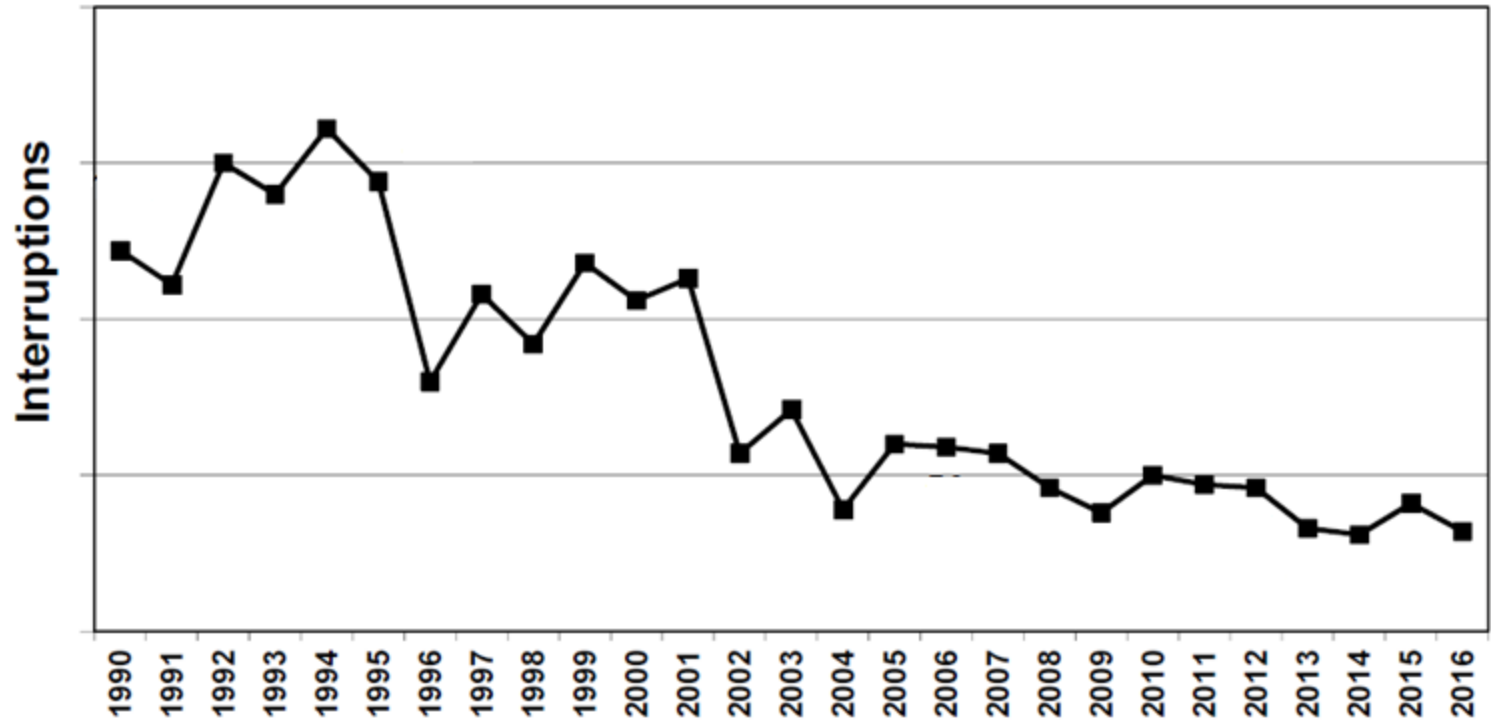
TVA is currently only experimenting with 500-kV arresters

TVA's primary efforts at the 500-kV level are to reduce footing resistance with counterpoise – radiated ground conductors/ground rods from tower feet



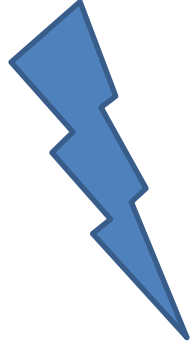


# Bulk Transmission TLI



Bulk TLI become official indicator in 2012. Prior data not verified.





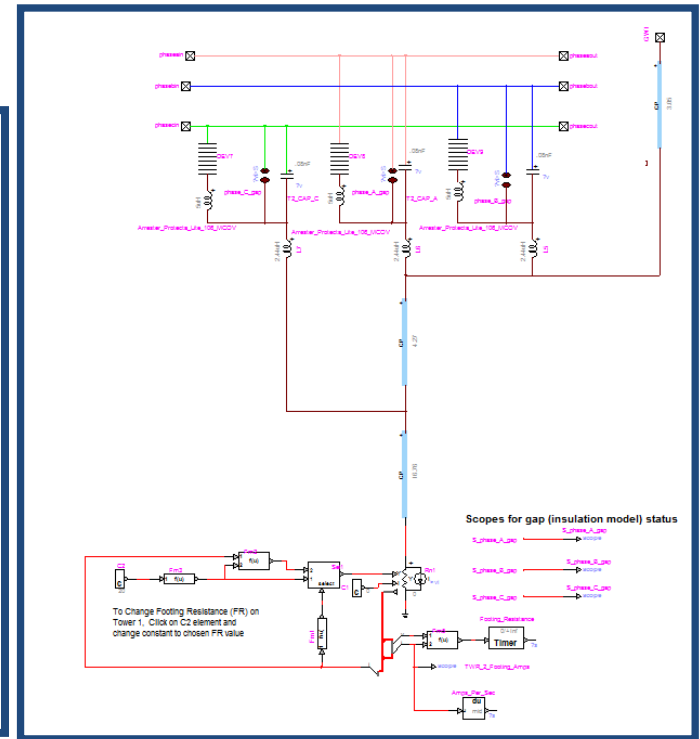
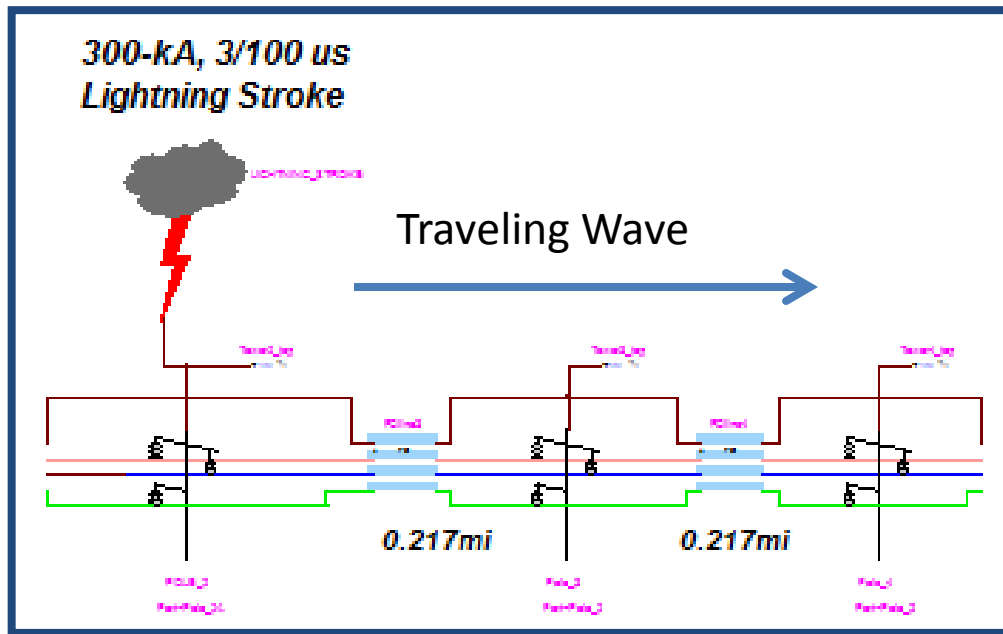
Transient  
Velocity Moving  
Across  
Transmission  
Lines



# Electromagnetic Transients Program – EMTP-RV

## Modeling of Lightning Strike on Static Above Pole 2

### Wave Transient Moves Towards Pole 4



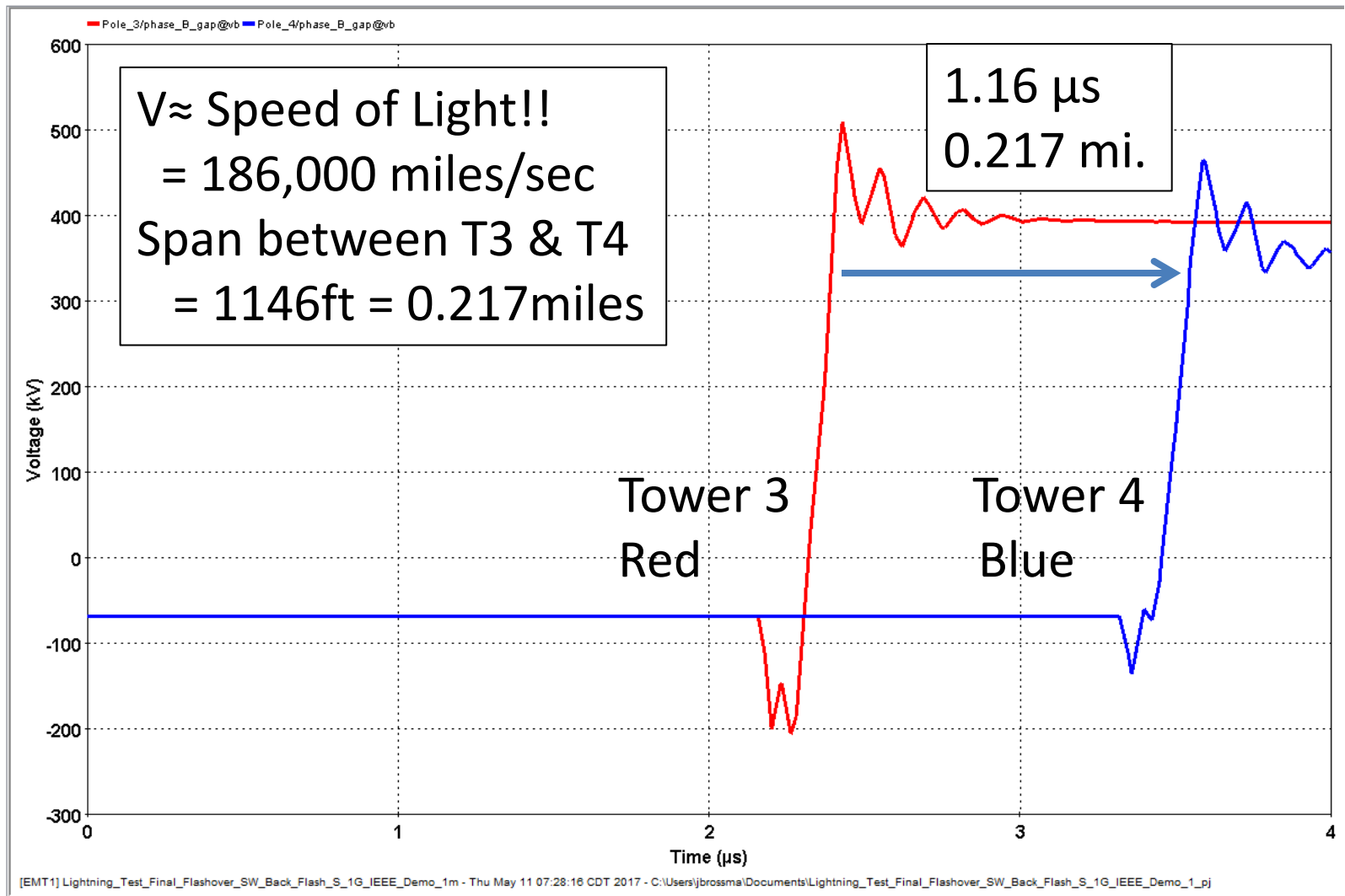
Pole 2

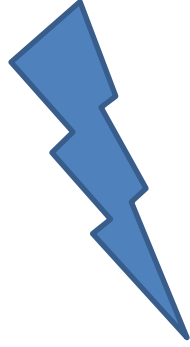
Pole 3

Pole 4

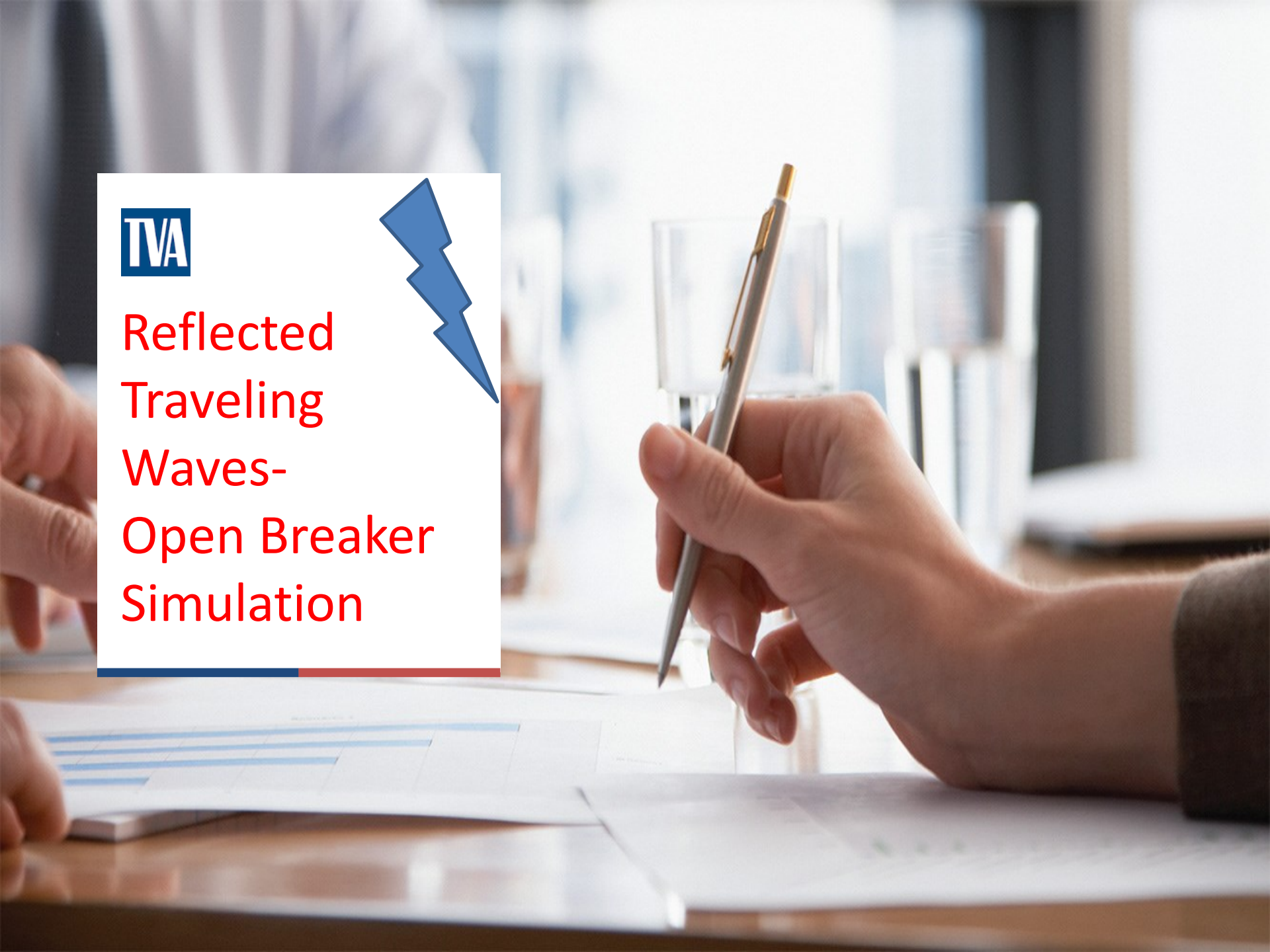
Typical Pole Model Details

# In Transmission Line Traveling Waves Flow Approximately at Speed of Light!!

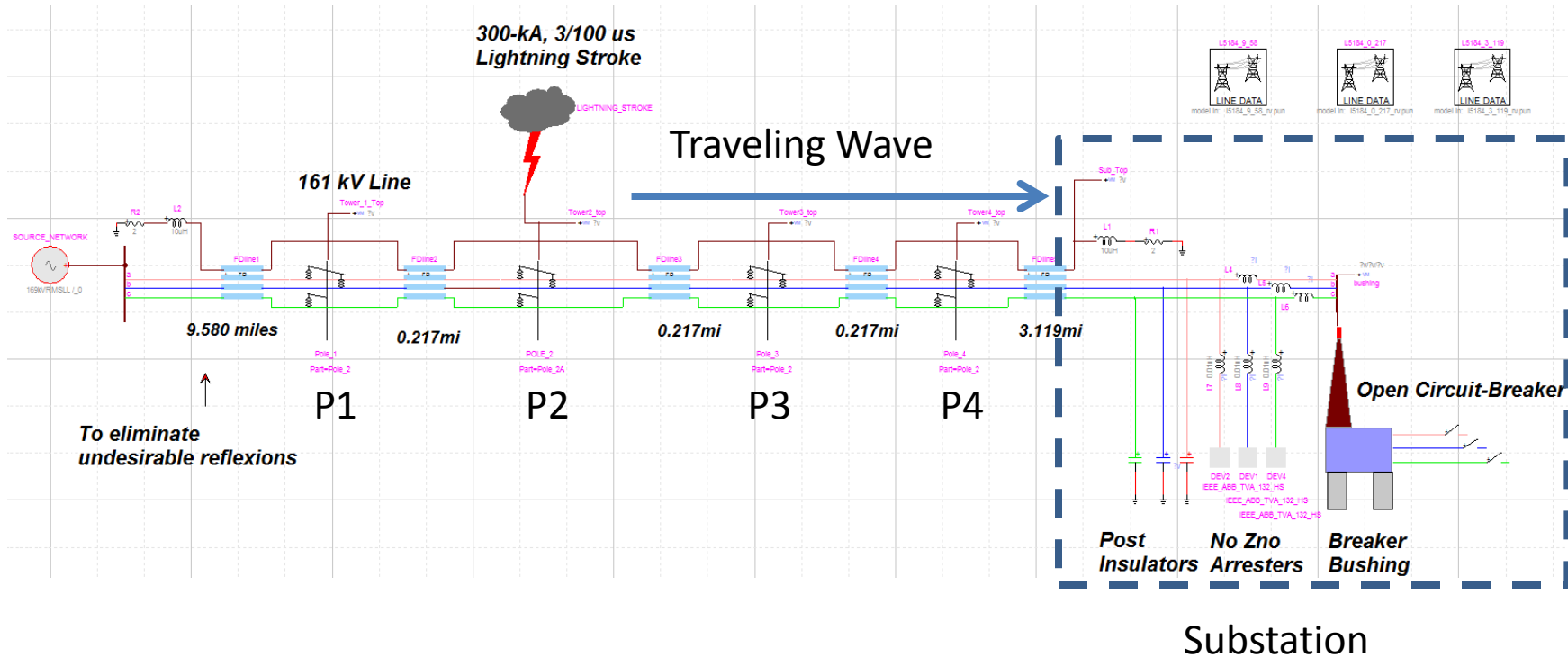




Reflected  
Traveling  
Waves-  
Open Breaker  
Simulation

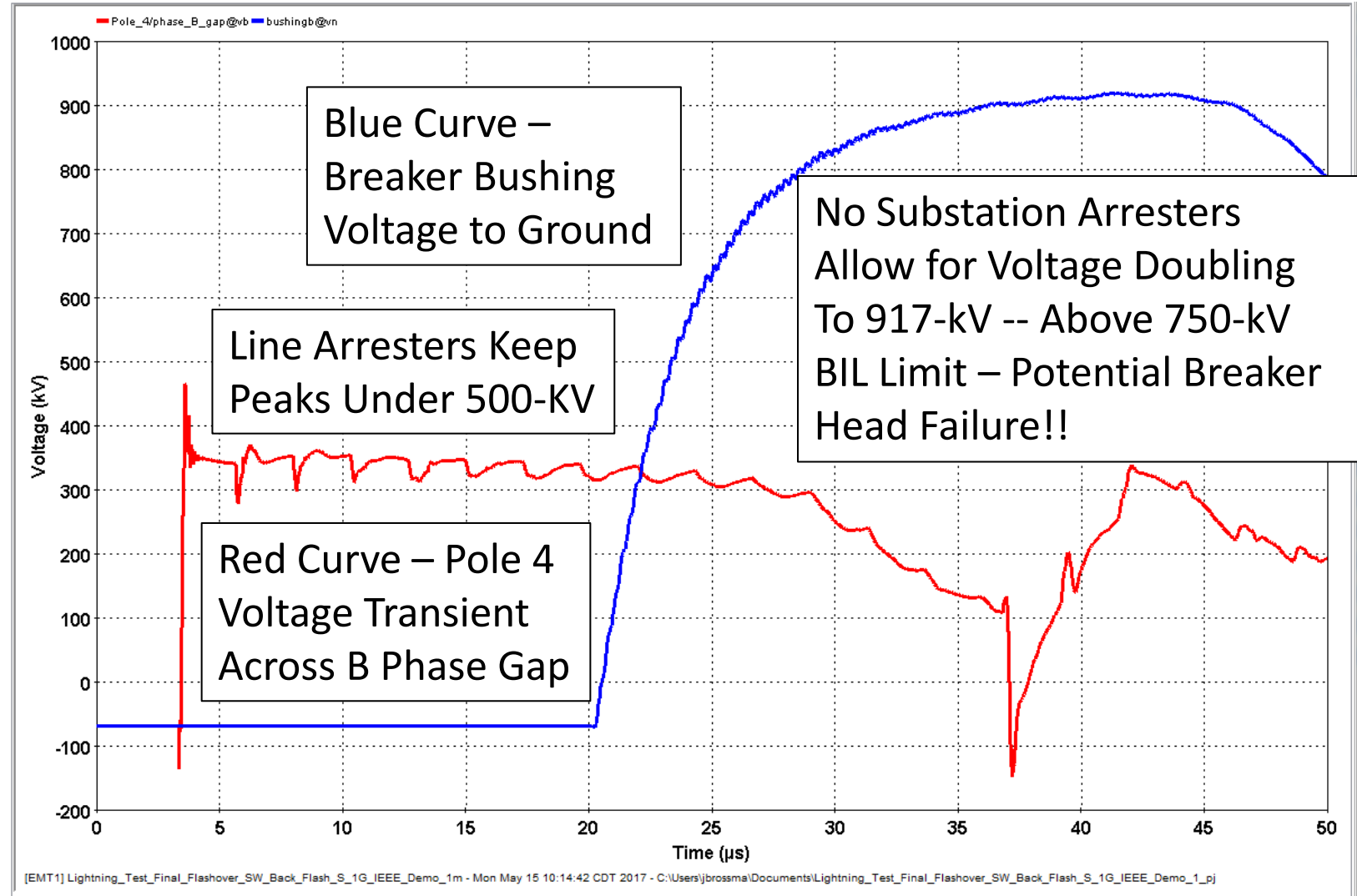


# Traveling Wave Enters Substation And Reflects From Open Breaker



<p><b>ABB 169PM SF-6 Breaker</b></p>	<p><b>Chopped Wave Impulse – 968-kV</b></p>	<p><b>Full Wave Bil Rating – 750-kV</b></p>
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# Arresters Are Needed to Protect for Open Substation Circuit Breakers



# Arresters Are Needed to Protect for Open Substation Circuit Breakers – Voltage Clamped to 275-kV

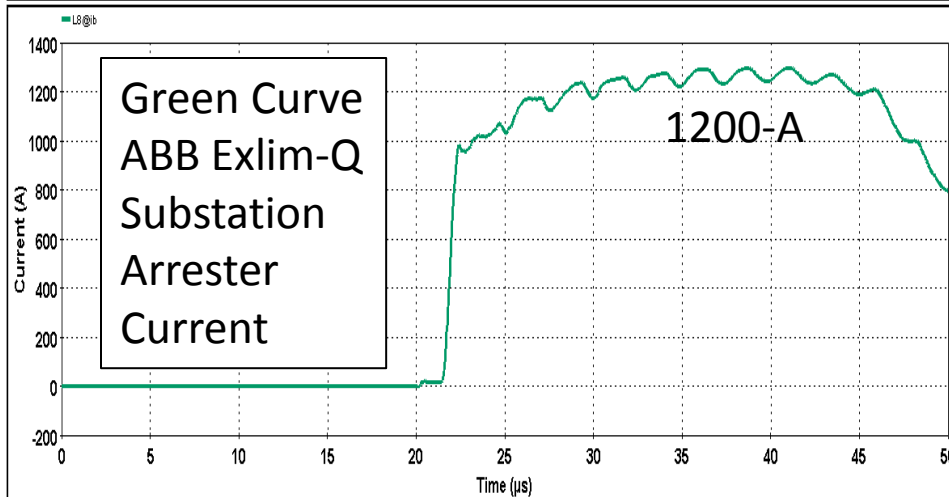
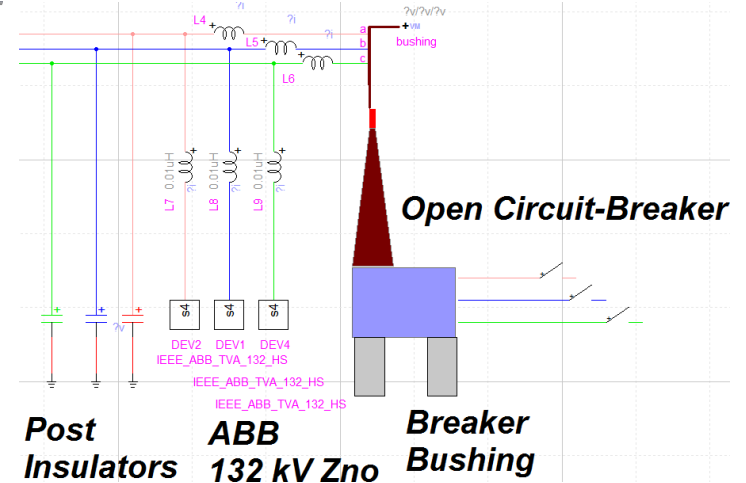
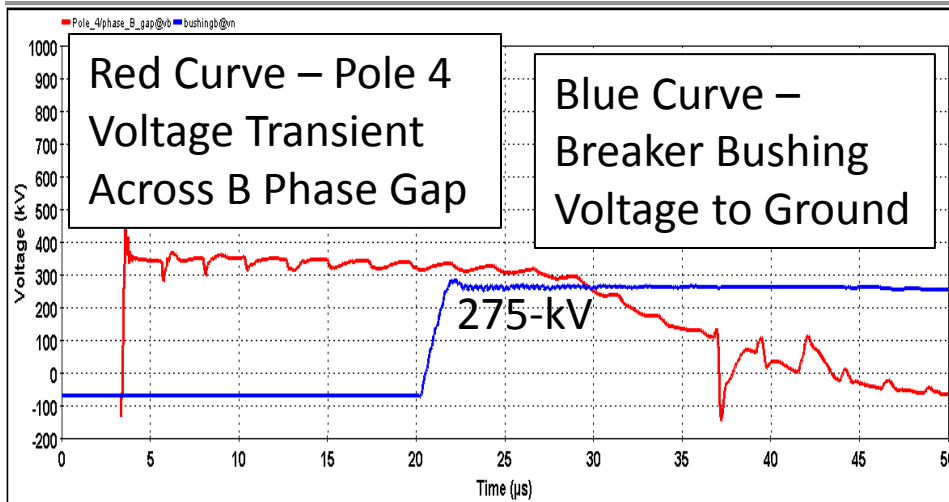



ABB Exlim-Q 132-kV ZnO	Clamping Voltage
500-A 30/60µS	260-kV
1500-A 8/20µS	281-kV
3000-A 8/20µS	292-kV

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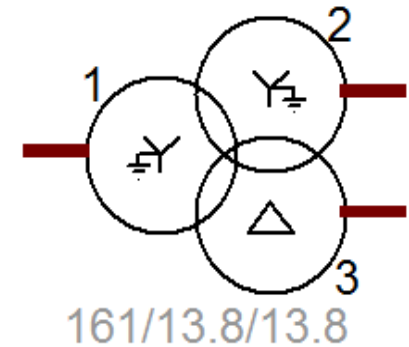


Case 5  
Site X  
Transformer Delta Winding  
Failure Due to Lightning –  
Team Determination

# Site X -- 90% Confidence Ellipses - Lightning Strokes Few Hours Before Transformer Failure



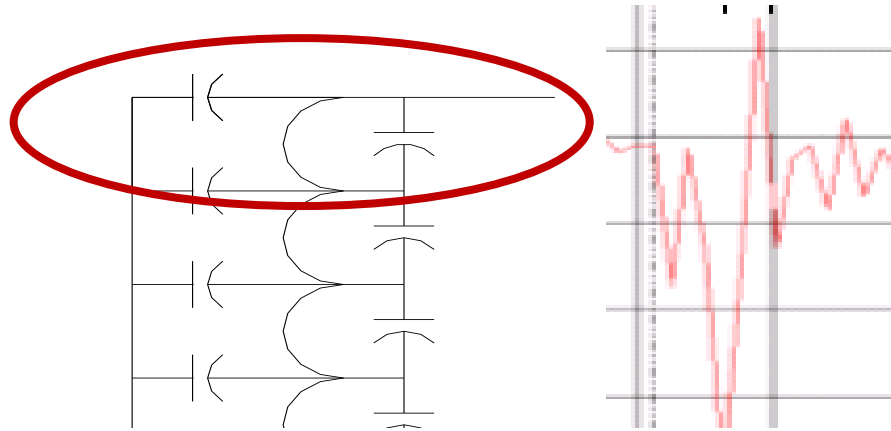
## Site X Transformer Configuration



Winding Failure  
Occurred in  
Delta Winding

# Simple Transformer Winding Model

## Inductance and Insulation Capacitance



Lightning energy must move through the network in order for the energy to be dissipated. Unfortunately the steep wave front of lightning occurs so quickly that the capacitance of the first few turns of insulation absorbs most the energy.

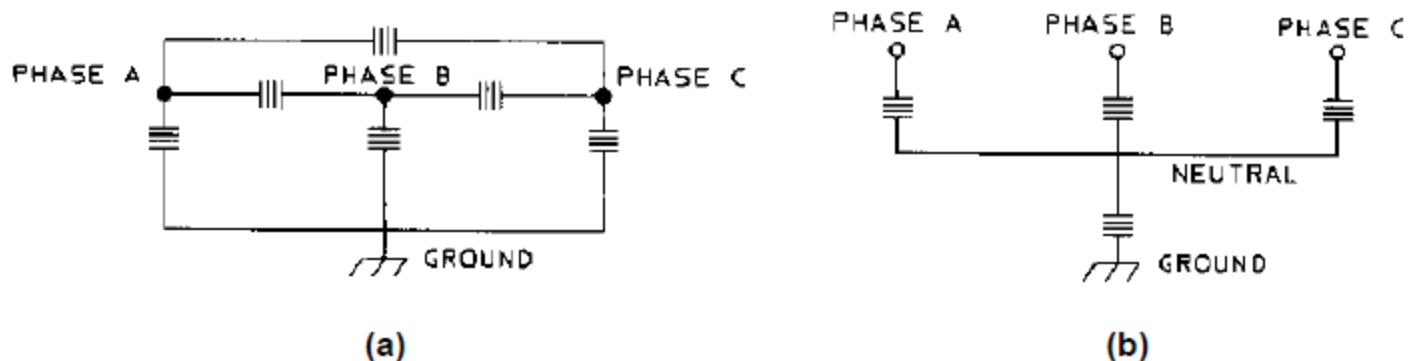
Therefore it is not uncommon to see lightning related faults in the first few turns of a winding.

The transformer at Site X failed at the interconnection point on the delta winding. The delta winding had 3-MOV surge arresters installed prior to the fault. Site X later installed 6 arresters, 3-phase to ground and 3-phase to phase to better protect the delta winding.

# IEEE Guide for Application of Metal-Oxide Surge Arresters for Alternating-Current Systems C62.22-2009 – Section 5.2.3.5.2

## 5.2.3.5.2 Surge protection

Because surge arresters are typically installed phase to ground at each terminal of the delta-connected transformer windings, each winding is protected by two arresters connected in series through their ground connection. The protective level of the two series-connected arresters may not provide the minimum recommended protective ratios for the transformer insulation. Delta-connected transformer windings can be protected by directly installing phase-to-phase and phase-to-ground surge arresters. This can be accomplished by either of the arrangements shown in Figure 8 (Keri et al. [B109]).



**Figure 8—Phase-to-phase protection**

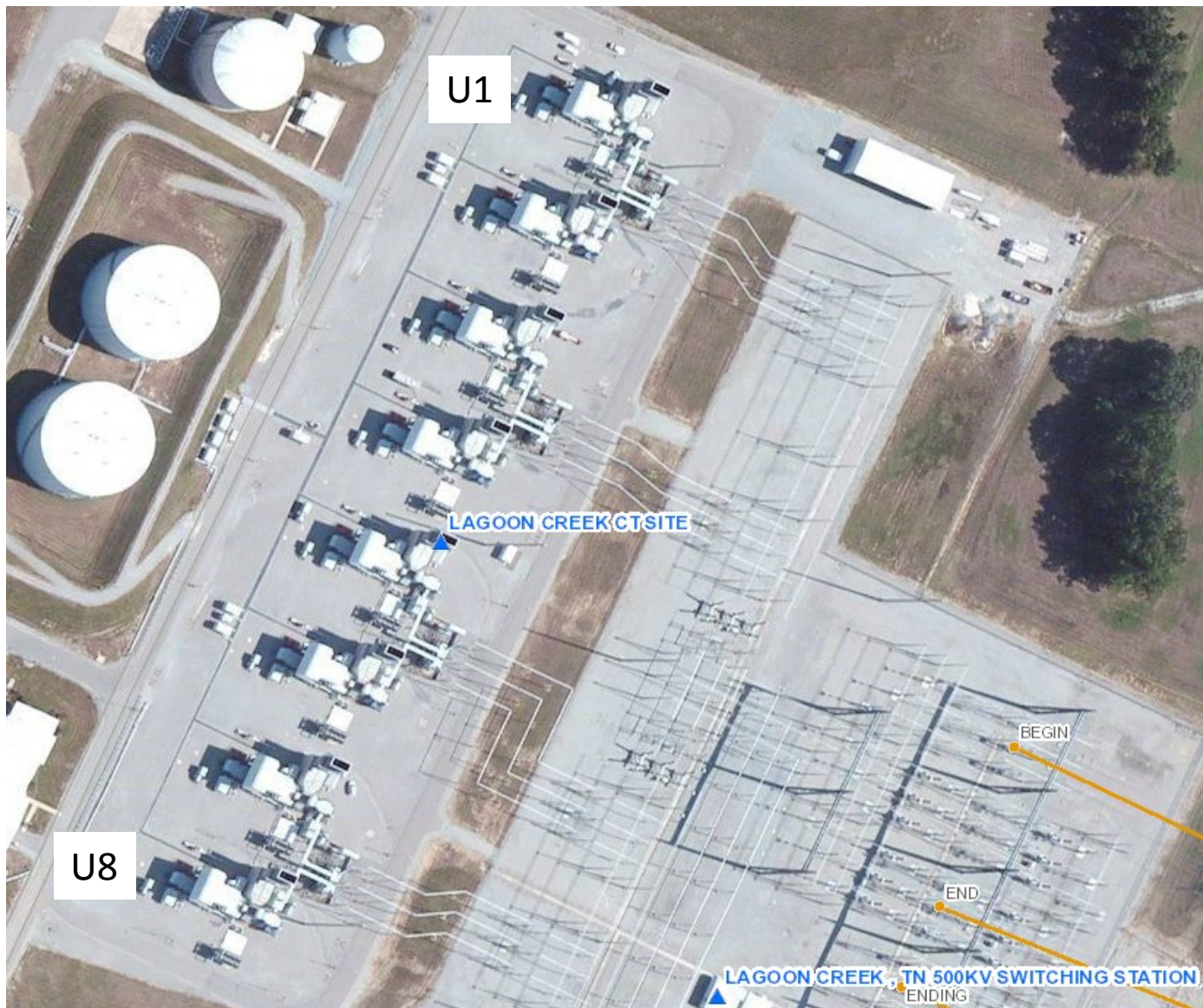
Figure 8(a) represents a six-surge arrester arrangement, consisting of three phase-to-phase and three phase-to-ground arresters for three-phase bank. Figure 8(b) represents a four-legged surge arrester arrangement, consisting of three surge arresters connected from three phases to common neutral, and one arrester connected from the common neutral to ground.

## Case 6

# TVA Lagoon Creek Generation Site With 8-Natural Gas Combustion Turbines

Lighting Damages Multiple Unit  
Control Systems At Same Time

# Following Lightning Storms - Damage to Control Systems For U1 and U8 Separated as Shown Below by 300m



Only U1 to U8 Interconnections:

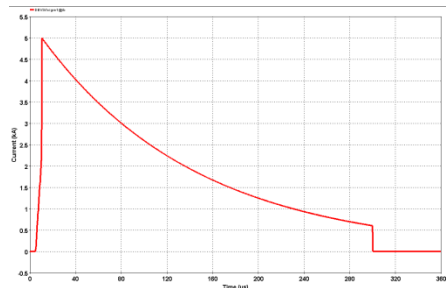
- 500-kV System
- Ground Mat

On Both U1, U8 Same 125-Vdc Control Components Failed Following Storms

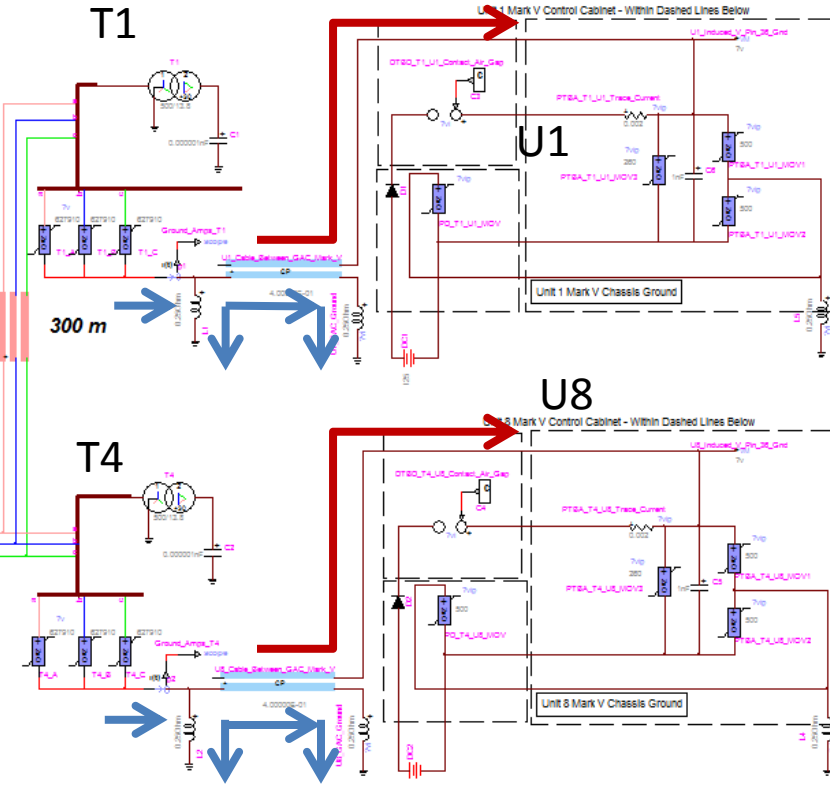
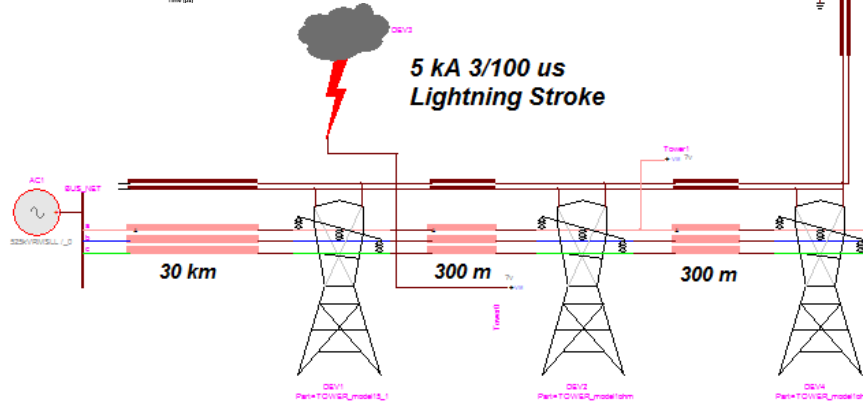


# Two Generating Unit Control Cabinets (U1, U8) – 300' Apart

## Team Conclusions on Sequence of Events

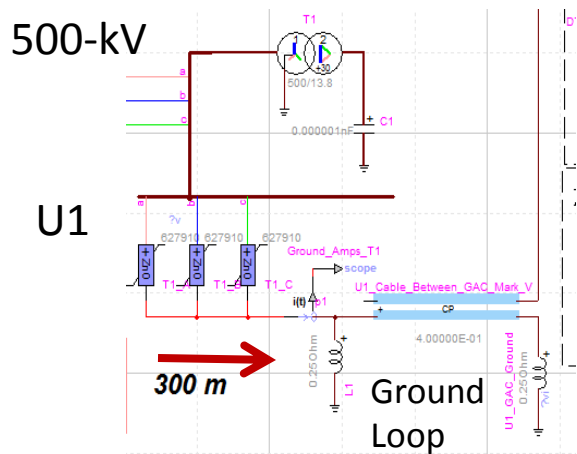


5-kA Strike Misses Shield Wire and Impacts “A” Phase at Tower 0

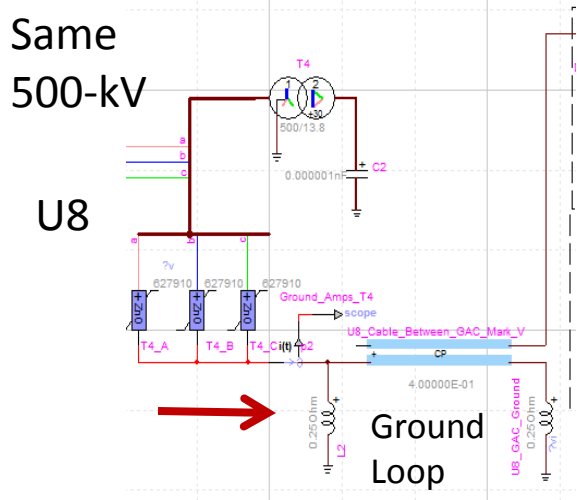


**Blue Arrows – Ground Currents Flowing In Shielded Cable - Ground Loops**  
**Red Arrows – Induced Currents on 125-VDC Control Systems**  
 These currents created voltages >1000-V and damaged the control boards  
 This same pattern occurred on both Units 1 and Units 8 simultaneously

# Surge Current Flows Across Multiple Ground Grid Locations Between U1 and U8 GAC and Main Control Buildings



MOVs &  
Circuit Board  
Traces Melted



- Here is a reason why you don't ground shields on both ends of shielded cable.
- Optical isolation was recommended to be installed in every Unit control circuits to break up its ground loop.



Surge Arresters  
Catalog Data  
CA235025EN

Effective May 2017  
Supersedes November 2015

COOPER POWER  
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## Metal Oxide Varistor Elbow (M.O.V.E.) Surge Arrester

Case 7  
Application Issue –  
Improper Application 1  
9-kV Arresters Installed Instead of  
Proper 10-kV Arresters

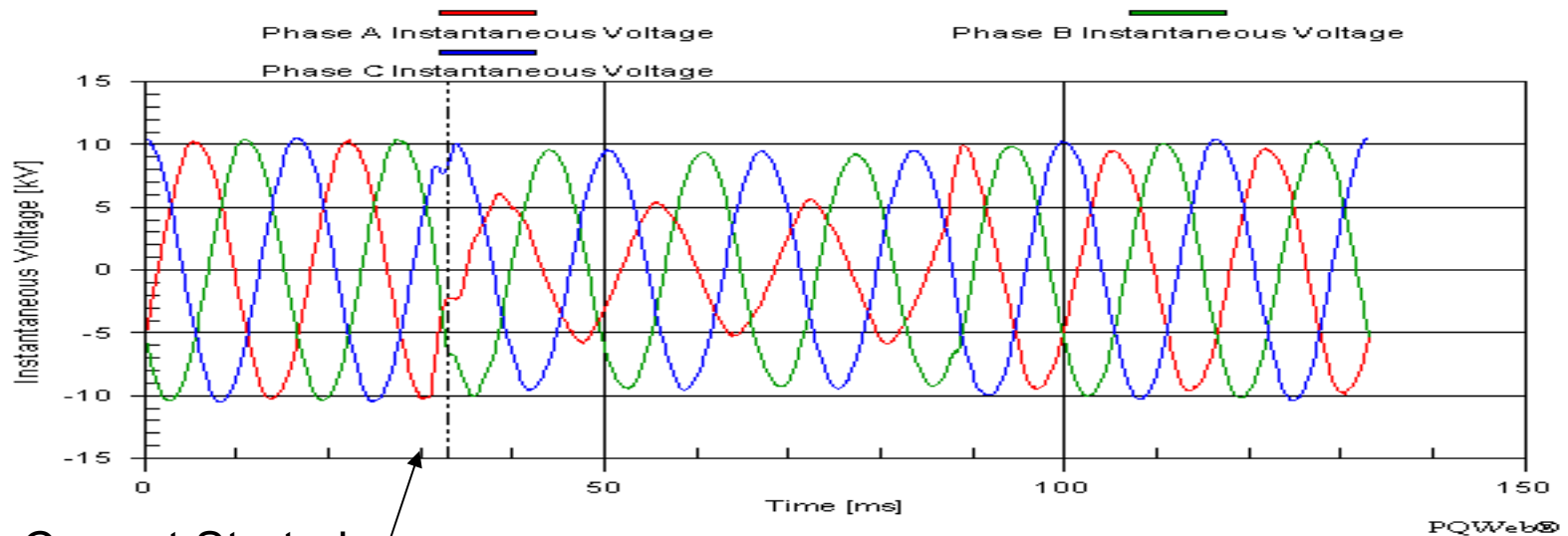


# Protecting Pad-Mounted Transformer At 12,470-V – 9-kV is Standard (Historically) At 13,200-V – 10-kV is Needed

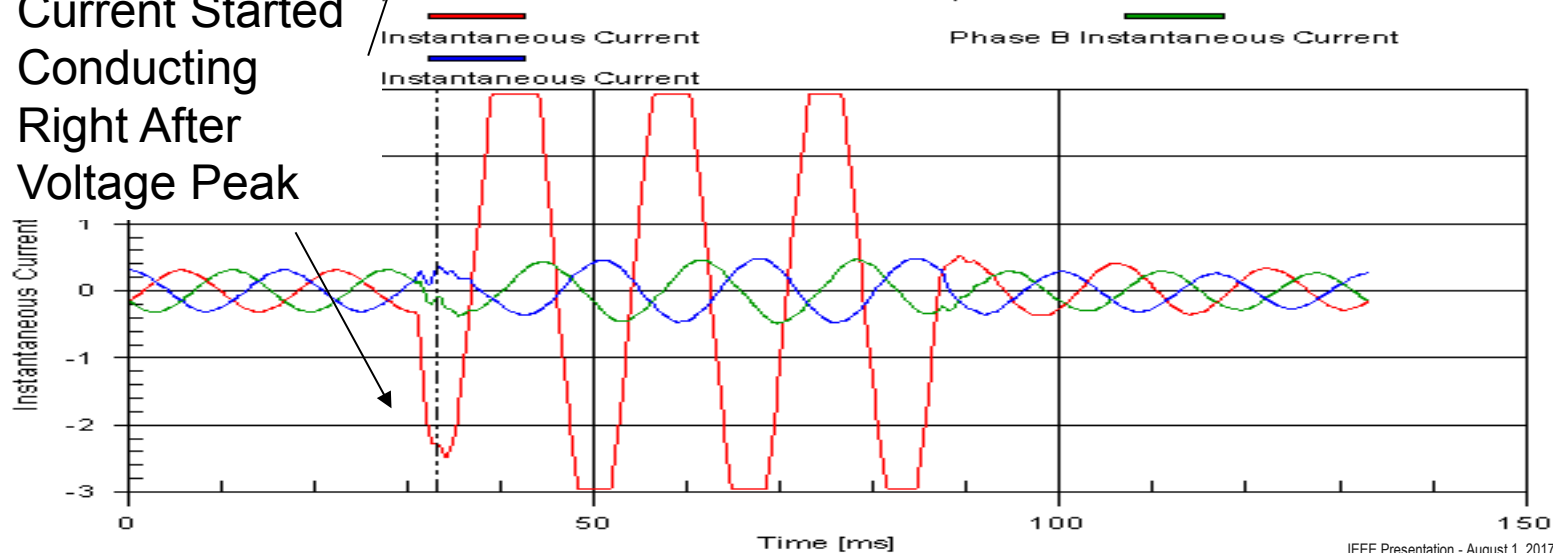
**Table 2. Commonly Applied Voltage Ratings of M.O.V.E. Surge Arrester**

System Voltage (kV rms)		Commonly Applied Arrester Duty-cycle (MCOV) Voltage Rating (kV rms) on Distribution Systems		
Nominal Voltage	Maximum Voltage Range B	Four-Wire Multigrounded Neutral Wye	Three-Wire Low Impedance Grounded	Three-Wire High Impedance Grounded
2400	2540	–	–	3 (2.55)
4160 Y/2400	4400 Y/2540	3 (2.55)	6 (5.1)	6 (5.1)
4160	4400	–	–	6 (5.1)
4800	5080	–	–	6 (5.1)
6900	7260	–	–	9 (7.65)
8320 Y/4800	8800 Y/5080	6 (5.1)	9 (7.65)	–
12 000 Y/6930	12 700 Y/7330	9 (7.65)	12 (10.2)	–
12 470 Y/7200	13 200 Y/7620	9 (7.65) or 10 (8.4)	15 (12.7)	–
13 200 Y/7620	13 970 Y/8070	10 (8.4)	15 (12.7)	–
13 800 Y/7970	14 520 Y/8380	10 (8.4) and 12 (10.2)	15 (12.7)	–
13 800	14 520	–	–	18 (15.3)

# Waveform Data Helps Track Down Source of Faults- 9-kV Arresters Operated at Voltages Where 10-KV is Needed



Current Started  
Conducting  
Right After  
Voltage Peak

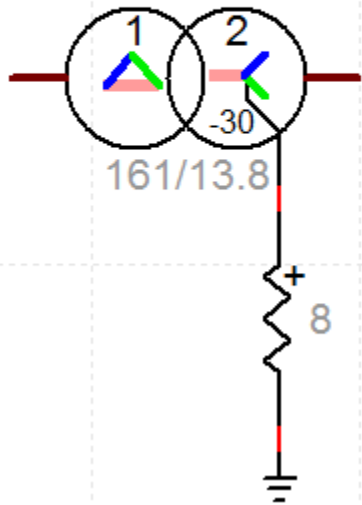


# Improper Arrester Application - 1

- Local power company bought a 1500-kVA pad-mounted transformer with primary taps – rating of primary was 12.47-kVLL – they adjusted taps to raise voltage by taps to 13.09-kV.
- The system voltage swing during weekends/nights went as high as 13.5-kV during nights and weekends. The 7.65-kV MCOV limit for 9-kV arresters were exceeded during these operating condition times.
- Nuisance breaker operations occurred and the PQM showed the issue to be with 1500-kVA transformer arrester operations.
- When the arresters exceeded the MCOV limit they started conducting and eventually distribution system feeder tripped due to ground faults.
- **Solution to this issue was to swap out 9-kV arresters for 10-kV arresters. This is a major systematic issue and we have seen multiple events similar to this story.**

# Case 8 Application Issue – Improper Application 2 10-kV Arresters Installed Instead of Proper 18-kV Arresters

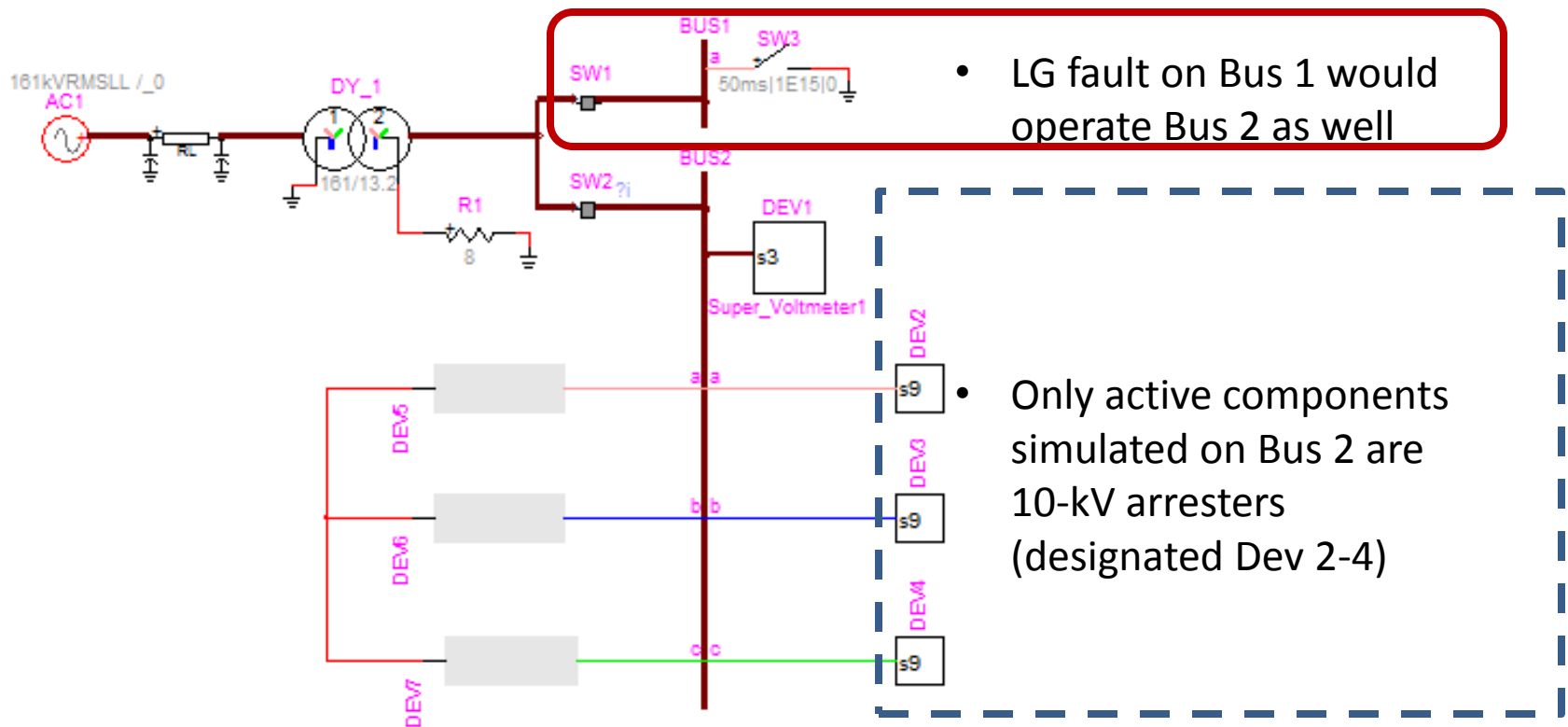
Impedance Grounded  
Distribution System  
(Typical Industrial Site)



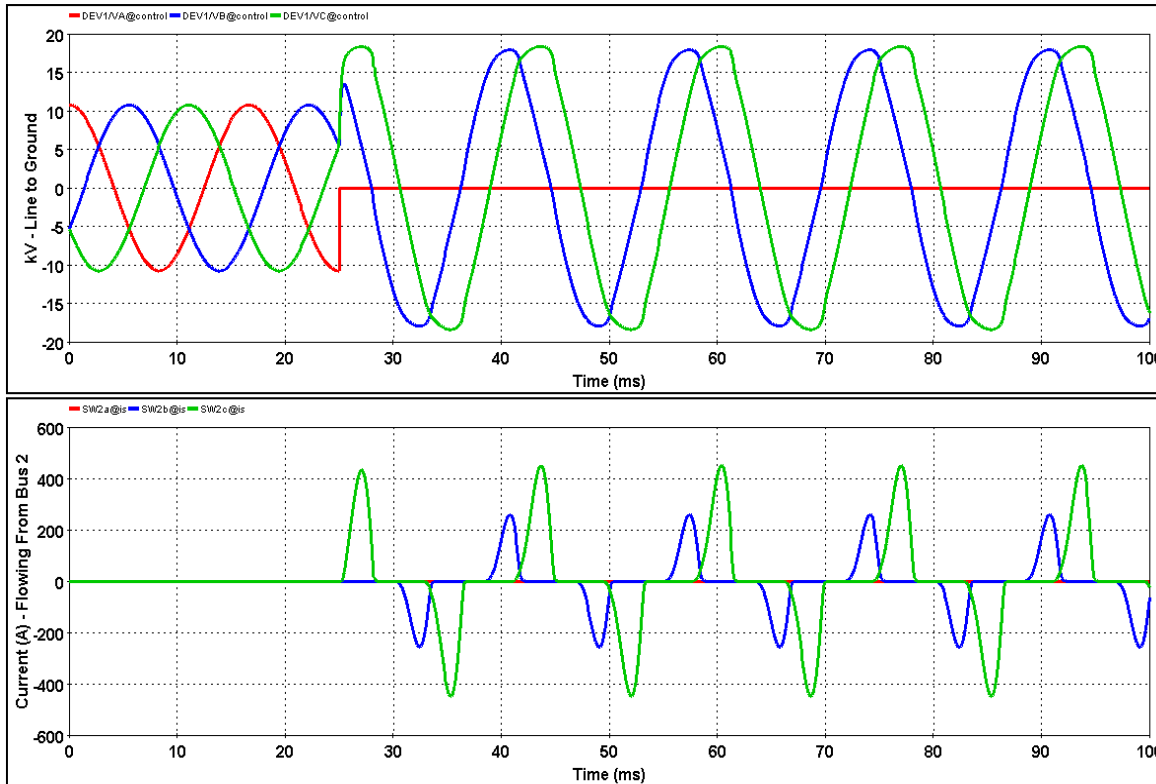
System Voltage (kV rms)		Suggested Arrester Rating (kV rms)	
Nominal	Maximum	Solidly Grounded Neutral Circuits	High Impedance Grounded, Ungrounded, or Temporarily Ungrounded Circuits
2.4	2.52	–	3
4.16	4.37	3	6
4.8	5.04	–	6
6.9	7.24	–	9
12.47	13.2	9-10	–
13.2	14.0	10	15-18
13.8	14.5	10-12	15-18

# Improper Arrester Application -2

- Industrial Facilities (IF) often operate their distribution systems in an impedance grounded Wye configuration such as 13.2-kVLL or 7.62-kVLLG.
- IF had impedance-grounded overhead distribution system fed from multiple substation circuit breakers. **Fault on one circuit makes other circuit trip as well.**



# Improper Arrester Application -2 - Continued



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- Simulations show balanced phase voltages prior to A-phase to ground fault at T=25ms.
- Due to impedance grounding,  $V_{bg}$  and  $V_{cg}$  grow to VLL levels.
- 10-kV arresters MCOV rating is exceeding and it starts conducting.
- The breaker relay detects ground fault current and operates.
- Solution to this problem install 18-kV instead of 10-kV arresters.

## Four Wire High Impedance Grounding Recommendations

ANSI/IEEE Ratings	Max. Cont. Operating Voltage	Arrester Rating - Vr
Kvrms- LL – 13.09 to 14.49-kV	15.3-kV	18



Arrester Lead  
Length/  
Configuration  
Can Be Critical





## Key Concept – Keep Arrester Leads As Short As Possible

- Distribution insulation performance is characterized with the Basic Lightning Impulse Insulation Level (BIL) – for 15-kV system, this level is **95-kV (BIL)**.
- Because the voltage stress does not last as long, with most equipment, the chopped wave withstand (CWW) is higher than the BIL - for 15-kV class transformers and insulators this level is **110-kV (CWW)**.
- Surge Arresters are designed to divert lightning to ground and help protect equipment from exceeding their BIL and CWW ratings during lightning strikes. **It is extremely critical to minimize the inductances of the connections from the phase circuit all the way to a low impedance ground plane.**

## Typical Customer's ZSP 18-kV Arresters (Impedance-Grounded 13-kV System)

Electrical Characteristics					
Catalog Number	Voltage Rating (kV-rms)	MCOV (kV-rms)	TOV <sup>1</sup>		Max Equiv FOW <sup>2</sup> (kV-Crest)
			1 s (kV-rms)	10 s (kV-rms)	
ZSP0003	3	2.55	3.74	3.53	8.23
ZSP0006	6	5.10	7.47	7.06	16.5
ZSP0009	9	7.65	11.2	10.6	24.7
ZSP0010	10	8.40	12.3	11.6	27.8
ZSP0012	12	10.20	14.9	14.1	33
ZSP0015	15	12.70	18.6	17.6	41.3
ZSP0018	18	15.30	22.4	21.2	49.8

FOW Level

# IEEE Guide for Application of Metal-Oxide Surge Arresters for Alternating-Current Systems C62.22-2009 – Section 6.5

## 6.5 Insulation coordination

Distribution system insulation coordination is normally based on the following protective margins:

$$PM_{L1} = \left( \left[ \frac{CWW}{FOW + L \frac{di}{dt}} \right] - 1 \right) 100\%$$

**Equation Method**  
**General Rule**  
**>20% Protective Margin** (29)

$$PM_{L2} = \left( \left[ \frac{BIL}{LPL} \right] - 1 \right) 100\% \quad (30)$$

where

$PM_{L1}$	is FOW protective margin (in percent)
$PM_{L2}$	is full wave protective margin (in percent)
CWW	is chopped wave withstand of protected equipment (in kilovolts)
FOW	is front-of-wave protective level of arrester (in kilovolts)
BIL	is basic impulse insulation level of protected equipment (in kilovolts)
LPL	is lightning protective level of arrester (in kilovolts)
$Ldi/dt$	is connecting lead wire voltage drop (in kilovolts)—see 6.6.1

For oil-filled, air, and solid (inorganic) insulation, CWW can be assumed to be  $1.15 \cdot BIL$ ; for dry-type (organic) insulation, the CWW is assumed to be the same as the BIL.

The general rule is that  $PM_{L1}$  and  $PM_{L2}$  both have to be at least 20%. However, experience with surge protection of distribution systems (15 kV and less) has been gained with protective margins well above 20%, usually exceeding 50%. Separation effects are diminished by connecting distribution arresters directly across overhead equipment insulation.

# Protective Margin Calculations for 18-kV Arrester Protecting Bushings/Transformer –110-kV CWW Long Connection Length Reduces Protection

Assume **2 foot connections** with  
0.4uH/ft inductance and 20kA/usec  
current change

$$\text{PML1} = [(CWW/(FOW + Ldi/dt)) - 1] \times 100\%$$

$$\text{PML1} = [110\text{-kV}/(49.8 + 16.0) - 1] \times 100\% = \mathbf{67\% PM >20 \text{ so ok}}$$

Assume **8 foot connections** with  
0.4uH/ft inductance and 20kA/usec  
current change

$$\text{PML1} = [110\text{-kV}/(49.8 + 64.0) - 1] \times 100\% = \mathbf{-3\% PM <20 \text{ so not ok}}$$

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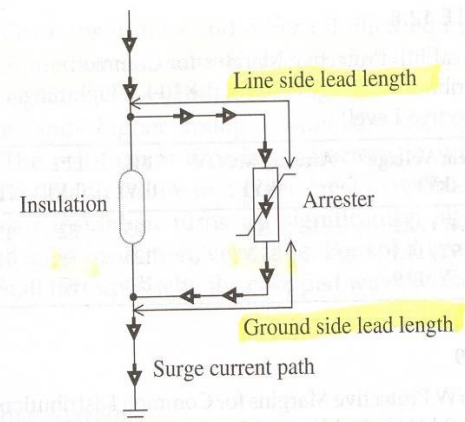
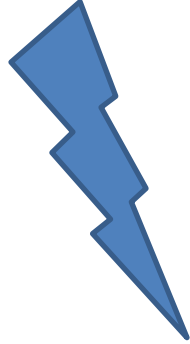


FIGURE 12.17  
Lead length.

2. Tie the ground lead to the tank — The NESC (IEEE C2-1997) requires arrester ground leads to be tied to an appropriate ground. To achieve any protection, the ground lead must be tied to the tank of the equipment being protected. Without attaching the ground lead to the tank, the transformer or other equipment is left completely unprotected.

**Long connection length and arresters rated for 18-kV don't meet >20% PM goal**  
**Re-running for 10-kV arrester and 8 foot connection barely meets 20% PM goal**



# Switching Surges Section

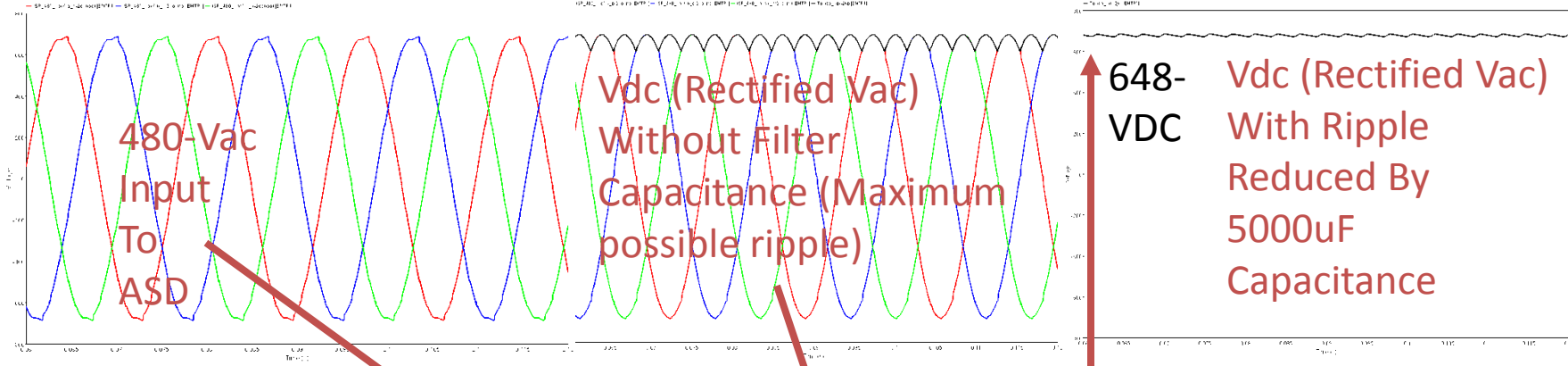




# Capacitor Switching Transients

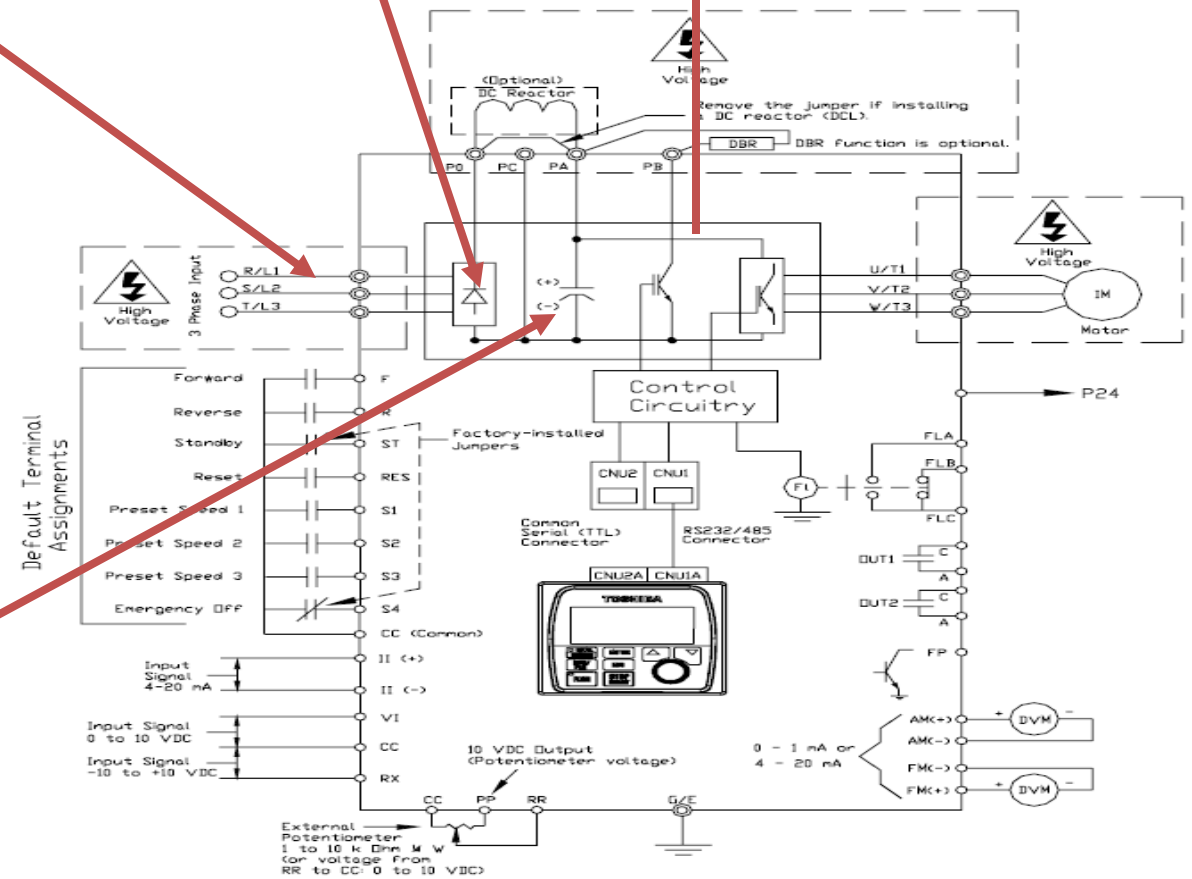
2 Mitigation Strategies Shown:

- 1) Install Pre-Insertion Resistance In Cap Switchers
- 2) Add In-line Inductance to make a filter bank instead of cap bank

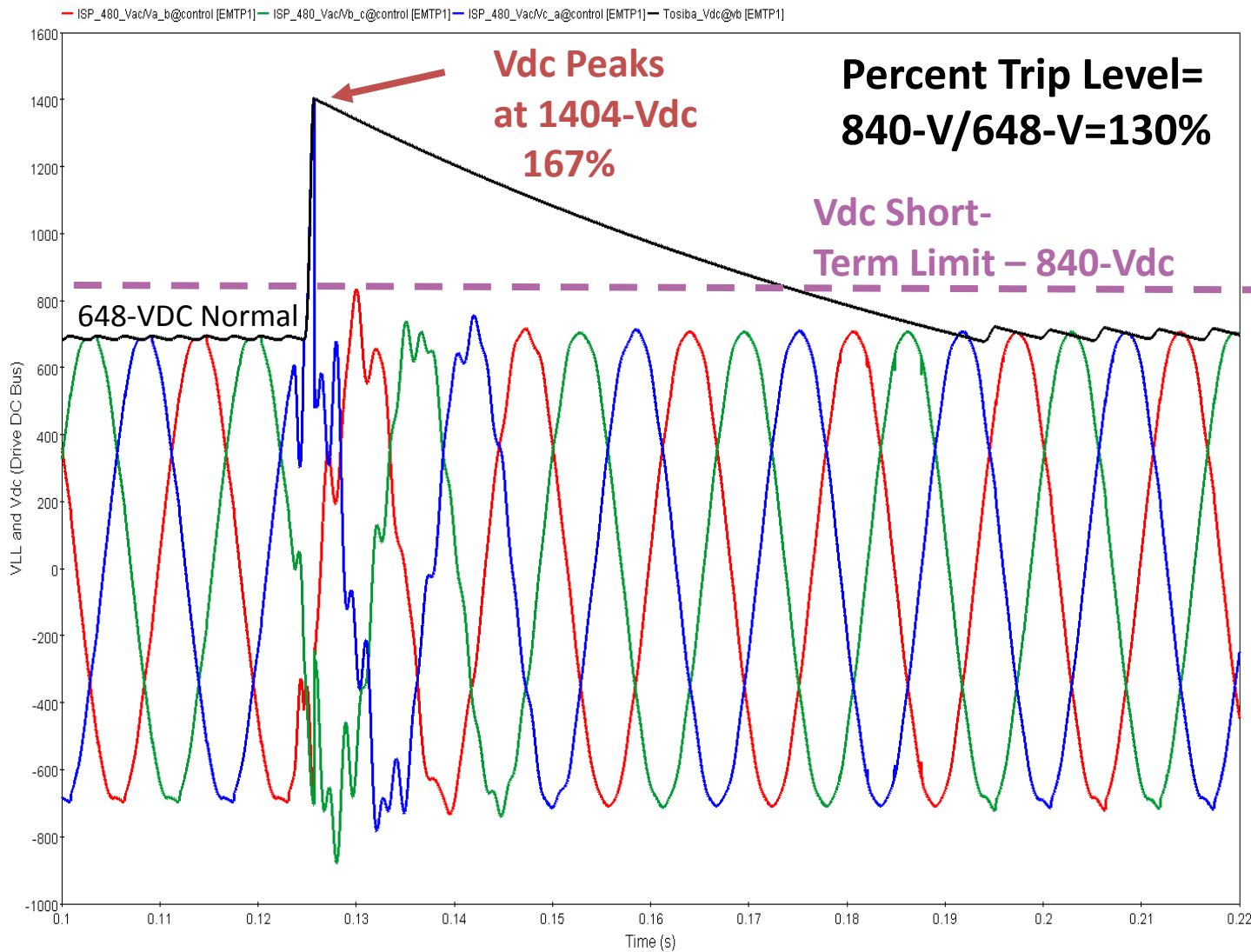
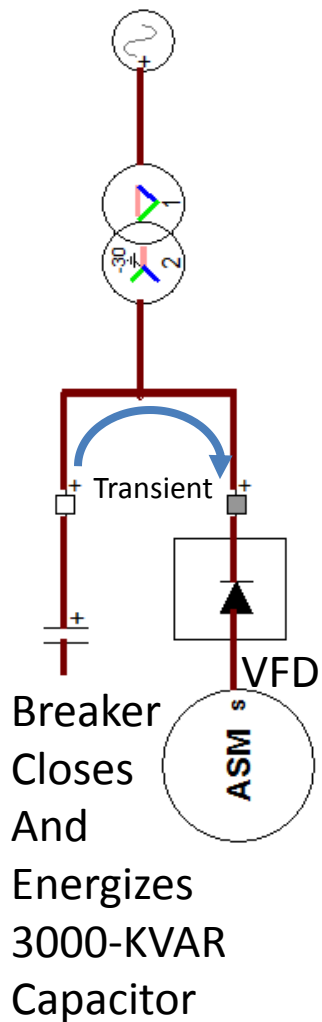


Toshiba  
G7 VFD Drive  
Front - In  
Rectification  
648-VDC Normal  
Trips When VDC  
Exceeds 840-VDC  
130% Over Normal  
Peak

5,000uF,  
800-VDC rating



# Drive Shut Down Following Capacitor Switching - Transient Raises Voltage on Drive DC Bus > 840-VDC Limit





# TVA Uses Pre-Insertion Resistors to Reduce Capacitor Switching Voltage Peaks

TVA Historically  
Used in Designs:

**500-kV - Breaker**

ABB 550PM

425-Ohms

332-MVAR

**161-kV - Switcher**

S&C Mark V

81-Ohms

84-MVAR

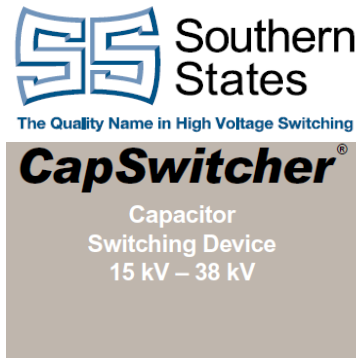
**13.2-kV - Switcher**

Southern States

CapSwitcher

10 ohms

5.4-MVAR

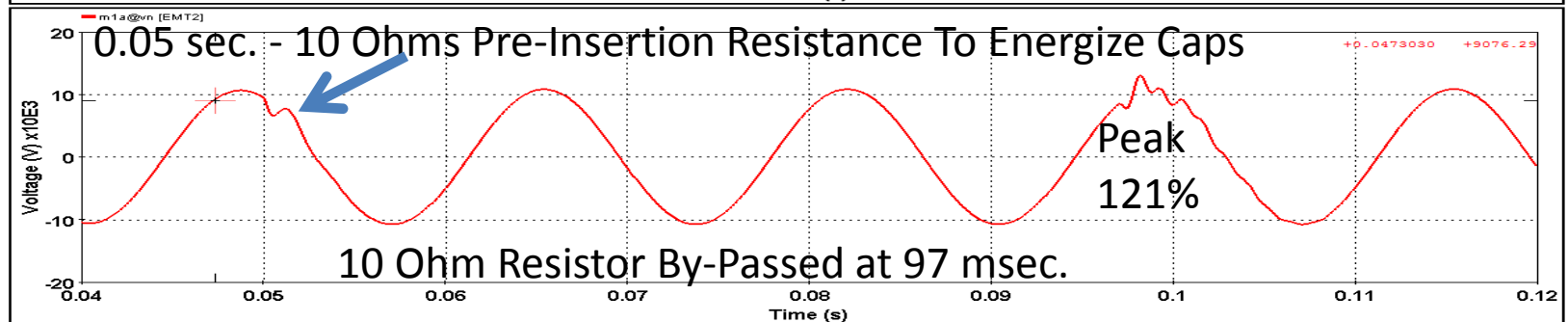
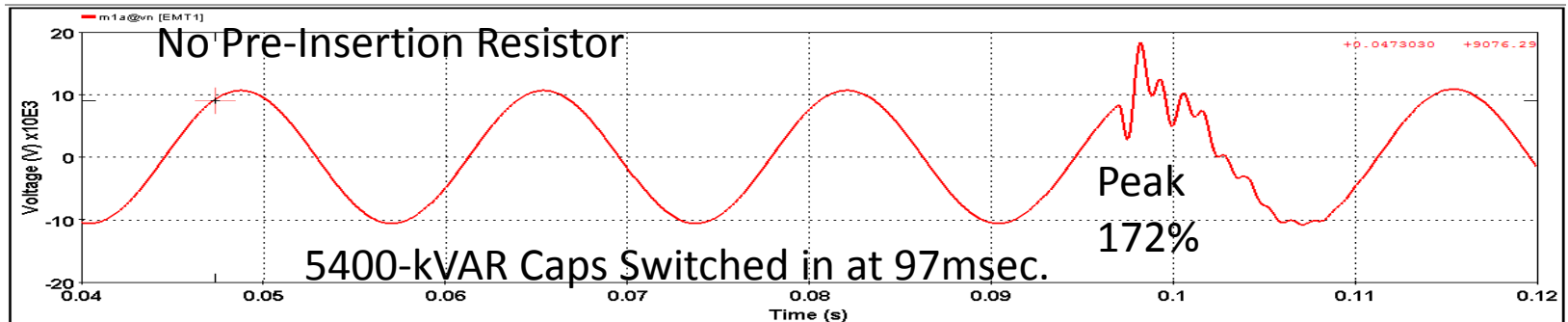
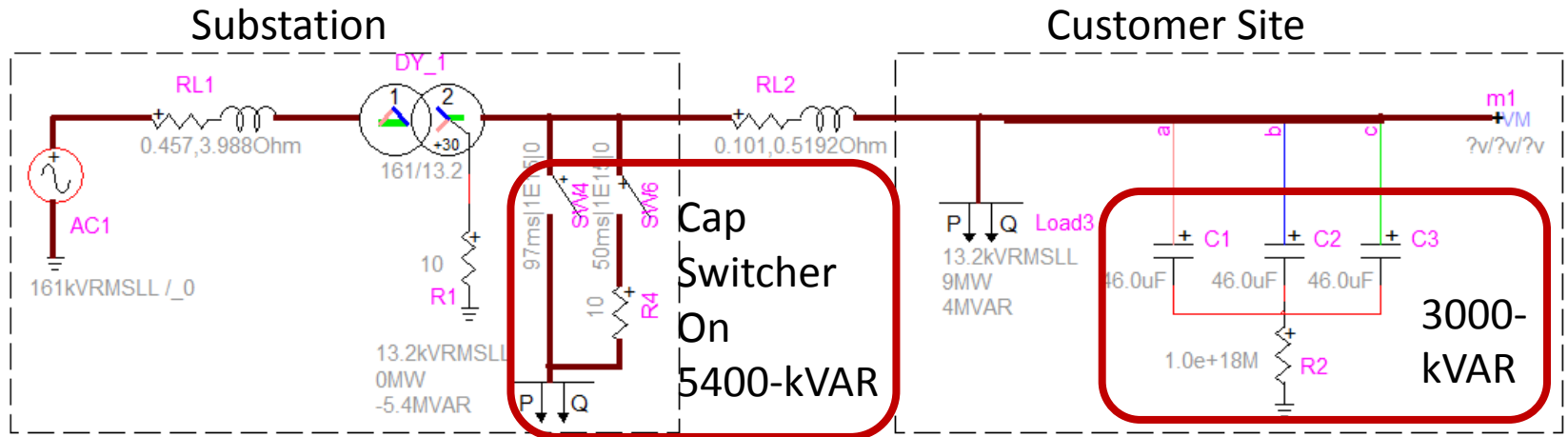


RATINGS			
Maximum Voltage Rating (kV)	15.5	27	38
BIL (kV)	110	150	200
Rated Power Frequency	50/60 Hz		
Continuous Current	600 A		
Capacitive Switching Current	600 A		
Short-Time Symmetrical Withstand	40 kA RMS		
Rated High-Frequency Transient-Making Current	42 kA peak at 8100 Hz		
Endurance Life	10,000 operations		
Ambient Temperature Rating	-50° C to +50° C standard		

Capacitor Switching Ratings (IEEE C37.09a-2005)			
Maximum Voltage Rating (kV)	15.5	27	38
Capacitive Switching Current	600 A		
High Frequency Transient Making Current	23 kA peak at 5400 Hz		
Closing Resistor Value	6 Ω, 10 Ω, or 20 Ω	12 Ω, 20 Ω, or 30 Ω	12 Ω, 30 Ω, or 90 Ω

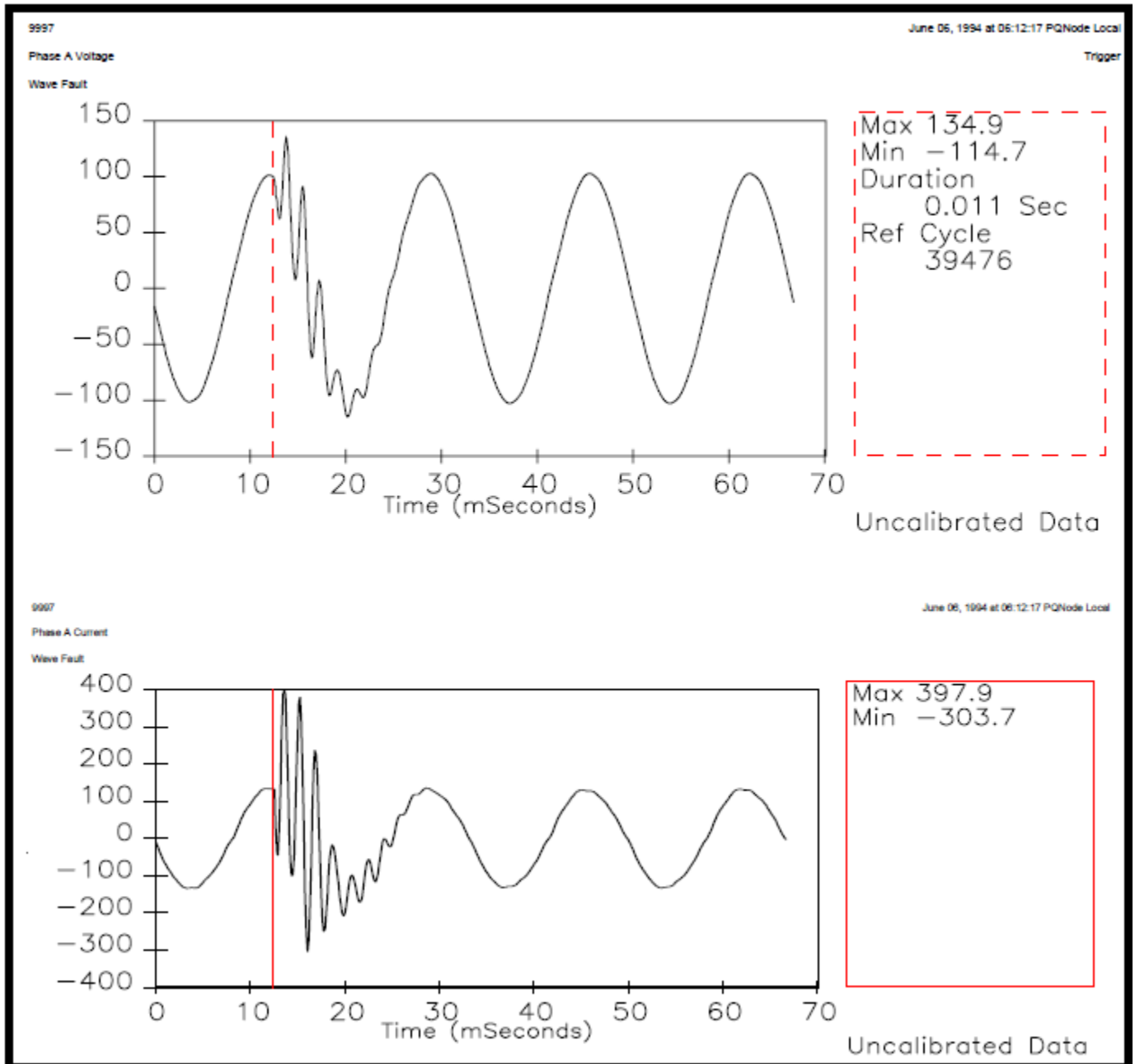
## KEY ADVANTAGES

# Pre-Insertion Resistor Illustration – Voltage Peak Reduced From 172% to 121% of Normal Peak



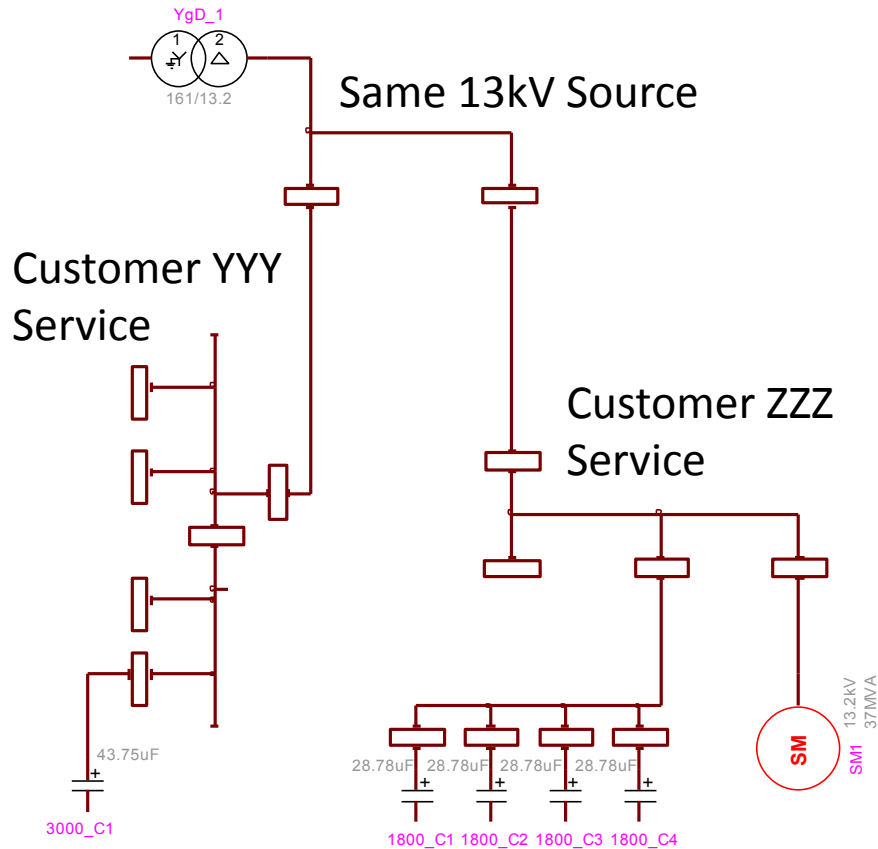
# Case 9

## How Can Your Protect Yourself From Switching Transients?



# One Line Diagram 13-kV Service to Customers YYY and ZZZ

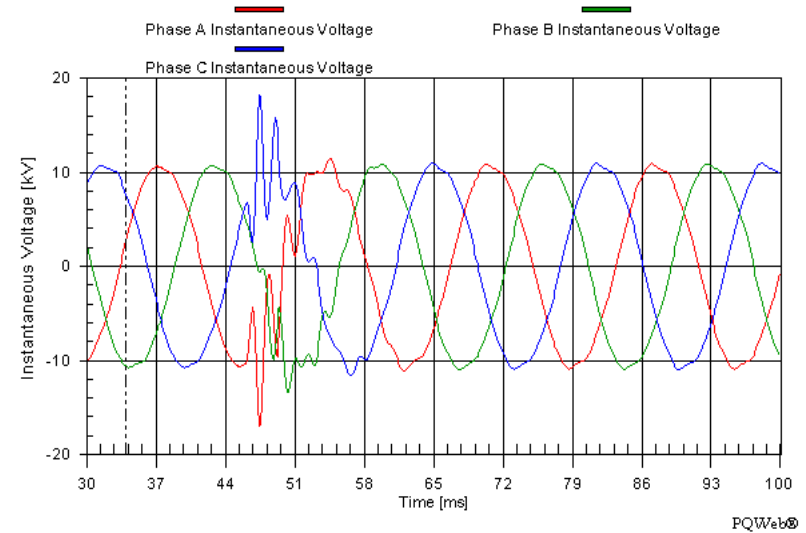
## Customer ZZZ Cap Switching Impacts Customer YYY



3000-KVAR  
Cap Bank  
At YYY

Four Steps of  
1800-KVAR at ZZZ

## PQ Recording from Customer YYY Site

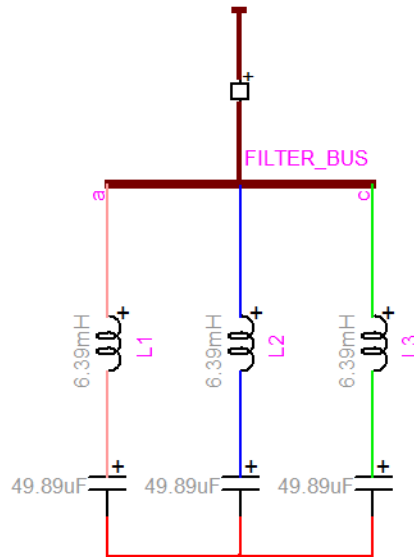


Customer ZZZ switched 5400-kVAR of Capacitors at One Time - Switching Transient Damaged Neighboring Customer YYY's VFD

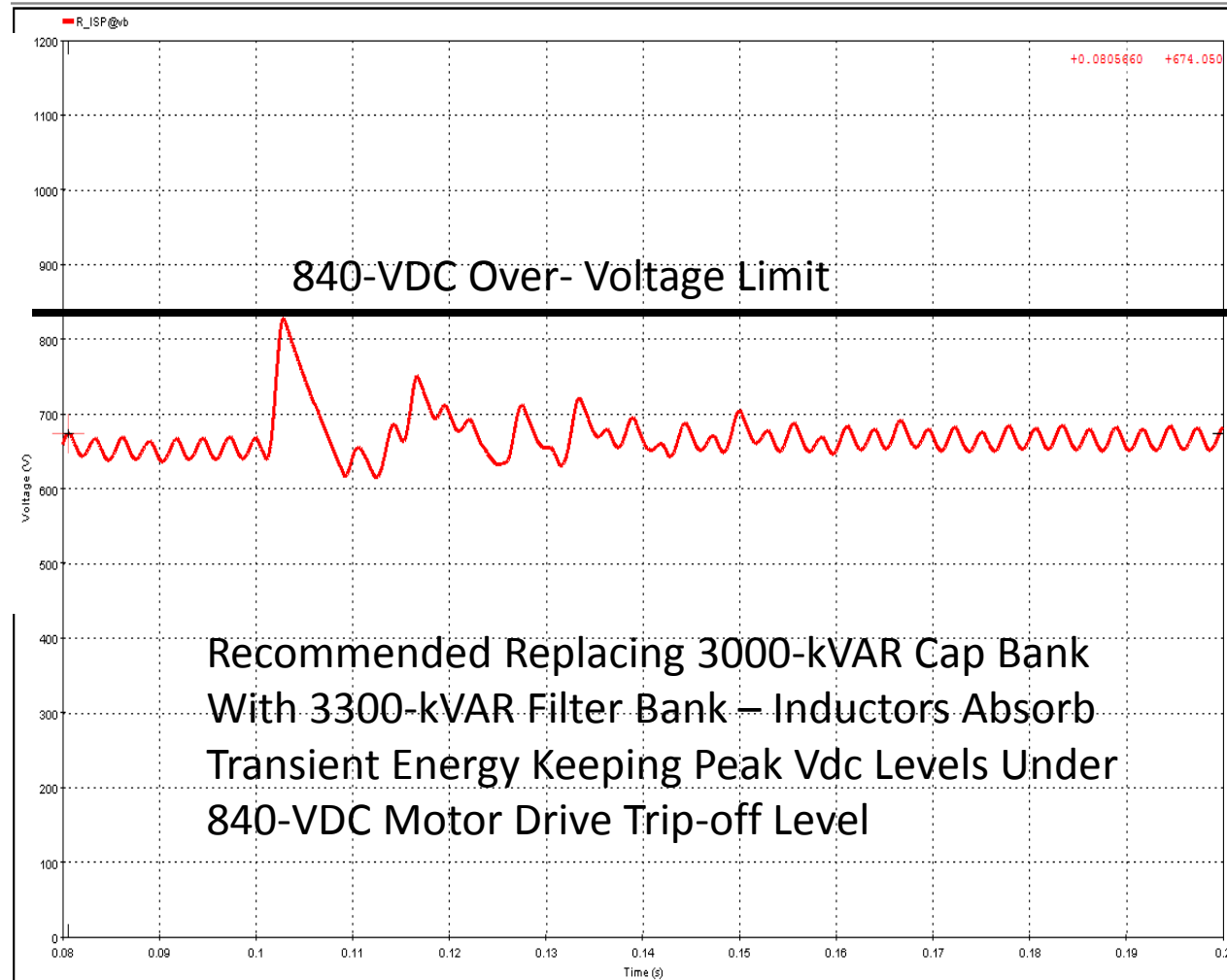
# Solution Install Filter Instead of Capacitors

## Simulated Switching 7200-kVAR at ZZZ – 4 Steps

### In-Line Inductance Keeps Voltage Under 840-VDC VFD Limit



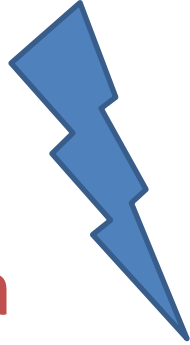
Instead of a  
Capacitor Bank –  
Install Filter Bank  
with Reactors



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Breaker  
Operation  
Demonstrating  
Transient  
Recovery  
Voltage



# At High Speeds Equipment Look Like Shunt Capacitors/Series Inductors

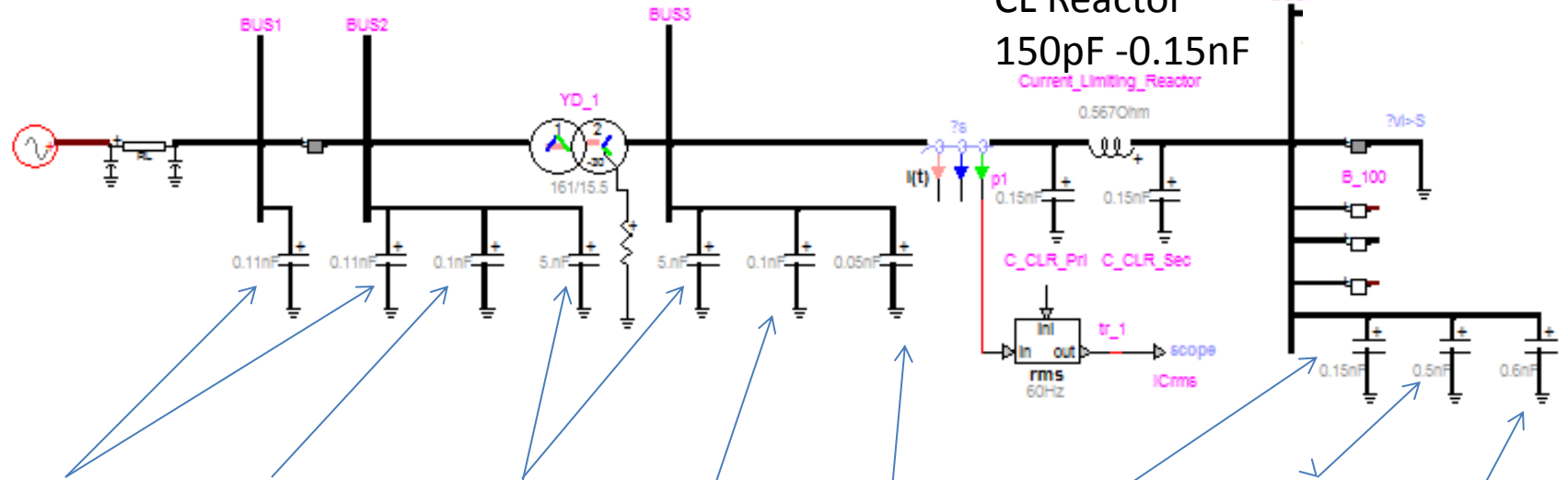
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Table B.8

CL Reactor

150pF -0.15nF

Current Limiting Reactor



110pF  
0.11nF  
20 ft x  
5.5pF/ft.  
Bus Cap  
Table B.5

100pF  
0.1nF  
Arrester  
Table B.8

5000pF  
5nF  
Transformer  
Primary/Sec  
Provided By  
Manufacturer

100pF  
0.1nF  
Arrester  
Table B.8

50pF  
0.05nF  
20 ft x  
2.5pF/ft.  
Bus Cap  
Table B.5

150pF  
0.15nF  
Voltage  
Trans-  
former  
Table B.3

500pF  
0.5nF  
200 ft x  
2.5pF/ft.  
Bus Cap  
Table B.5

600pF  
0.6nF  
4 x 150/Br  
Open  
Table B.7

# Consider Application Using Substation-Type Breaker on 15.5-kV Bus

## Note TRV Table for 100% Loading – 29.2-kV Peak/Time to Peak at 32 $\mu$ S



**Ratings available:**

15.5 kV  
20 kA or 25 kA  
1,200 A or 2,000 A  
110 kV BIL

15.5 kV  
31.5 kA or 40 kA  
1,200 A, 2,000 A or 3,000 A  
110 kV BIL

27.6 kV  
20 kA or 25 kA  
1,200 A or 2,000 A  
150 kV BIL

38 kV  
20 kA, 25 kA, 31.5 kA or 40 kA  
1,200 A or 2,000 A  
200 kV BIL

Circuit breaker type	Rated maximum voltage	Rated withstand voltages		Rated short-circuit and short-time current	Rated interrupting time <sup>1</sup>	Rated continuous current	Rated transient recovery voltage <sup>2</sup>	
		Lightning impulse (BIL)	Power frequency				$u_r$ TRV peak value	$t_r$ time to voltage $u_r$
	kV, rms	kV <sup>3</sup>	kV	kA, rms	ms/cycles	A, rms	kV	$\mu$ s
15.5-20	15.5	110/142	50	20	83/5	1,200, 2,000	29.2	32
15.5-25	15.5	110/142	50	25	83/5	1,200, 2,000	29.2	32
15.5-31.5	15.5	110/142	50	31.5	83/5	1,200, 2,000, 3,000	29.2	32
15.5-40	15.5	110/142	50	40	83/5	1,200, 2,000, 3,000	29.2	32
27.6-20	27.6	150/194	60	20	83/5	1,200, 2,000	52.1	45
27.6-25	27.6	150/194	60	25	83/5	1,200, 2,000	52.1	45
38-20	38	200/258	80	20	83/5	1,200, 2,000	71.7	59
38-25	38	200/258	80	25	83/5	1,200, 2,000	71.7	59
38-31.5	38	200/258	80	31.5	83/5	1,200, 2,000	71.7	59
38-40	38	200/258	80	40	83/5	1,200, 2,000	71.7	59

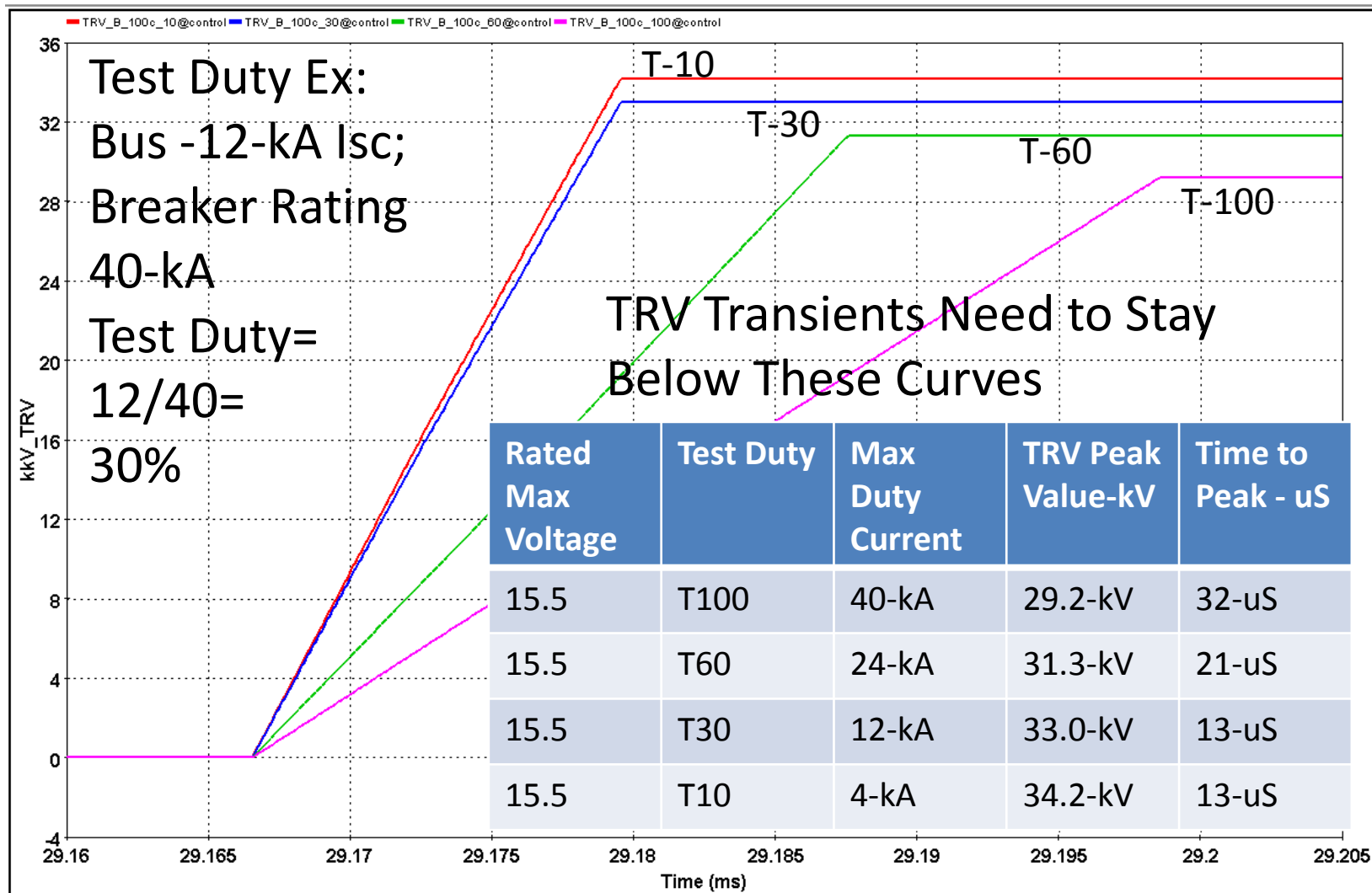
Values Listed Are for 100% Isc Rating of the Breaker  
If You Design for Max Available Isc Below Max Breaker Ratings –  
TRV Performance Improves



# IEEE Std C37.06-2009 Table 7 – TVA Ratings for Class S2 Breakers

Worse Case – Not Effective Grounded Substation – Line-Type Load

**Note When Breaker Has Less Test Duty (% Rating) It Performs Better**

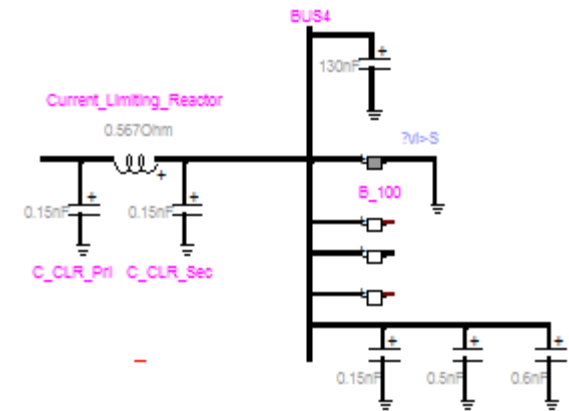


# Adding Surge Capacitance to Bus Delays TRV Peak Time

What Surge Capacitance is Commercially Available for 15.5-kV?

Consider Higher Rated Voltage Units – Say 3-36-kV Units

CHDSU (surge capacitor)	
Power	0.1 to 1.0 $\mu\text{F}$ (typical values: 0.13, 0.25, 0.5 $\mu\text{F}$ )
Voltage range	1-36 kV
Frequency	50-60 Hz
Bushings	1,2 (single-phase) or 3 (three-phase)
Dielectric	Polypropylene film
Impregnant	Non-PCB
Discharge resistors	Built-in
Operating temperature	-50/+60°C
Location	Indoor or outdoor



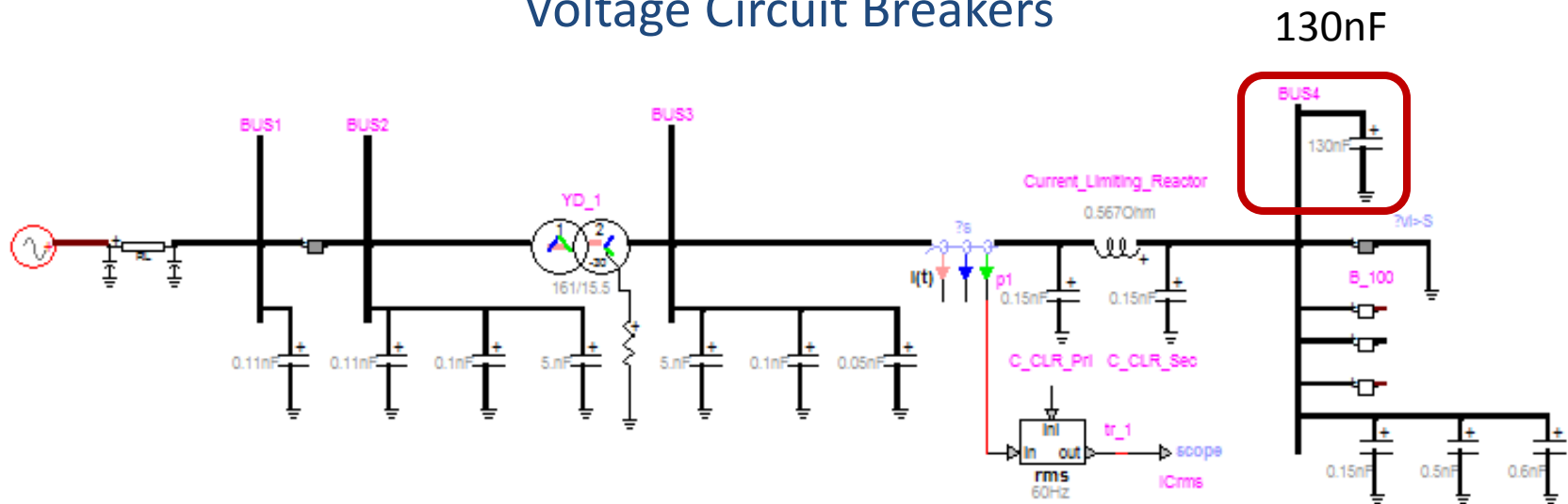
Typical for 34.5-kV  
0.125 to 0.130 micro-F  
125 to 130 nano-farads

Highest System Voltage (Kv)	Surge Capacitor Voltage Rating (Single Phase)	Capacitance per Phase (mfd)
3.6	6	0.25 and 0.5
7.2	12	0.25 and 0.5
12	18	0.25 and 0.5
24	28	0.25
36	40	0.125 and 0.25

Capacitors in accordance to client specifications, available upon request



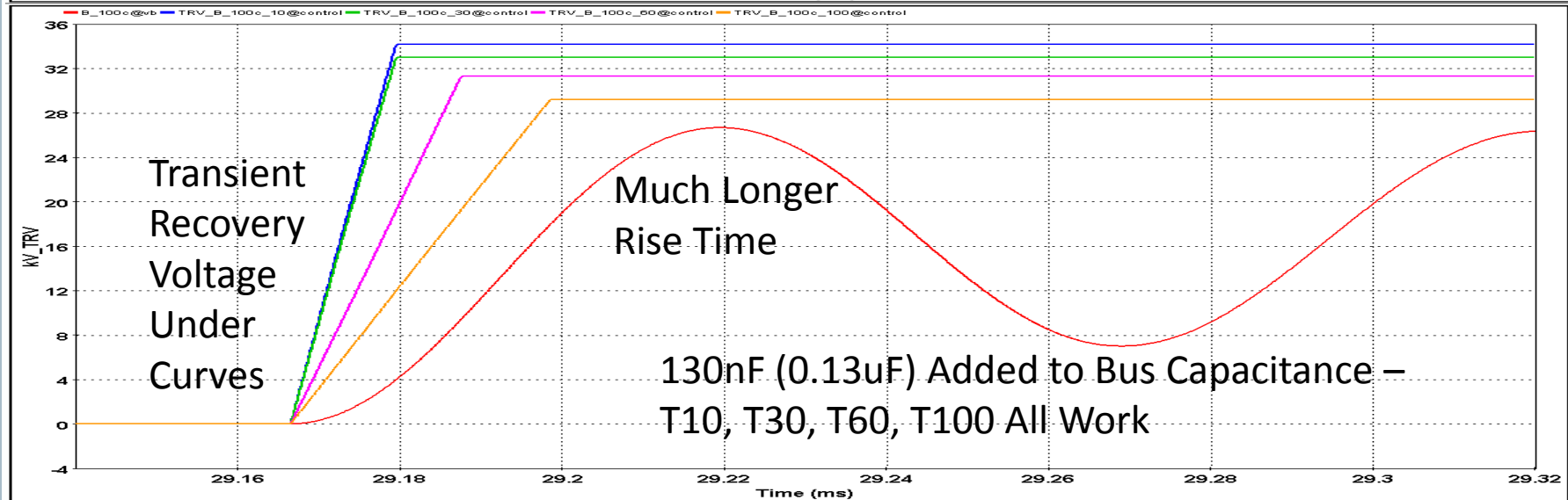
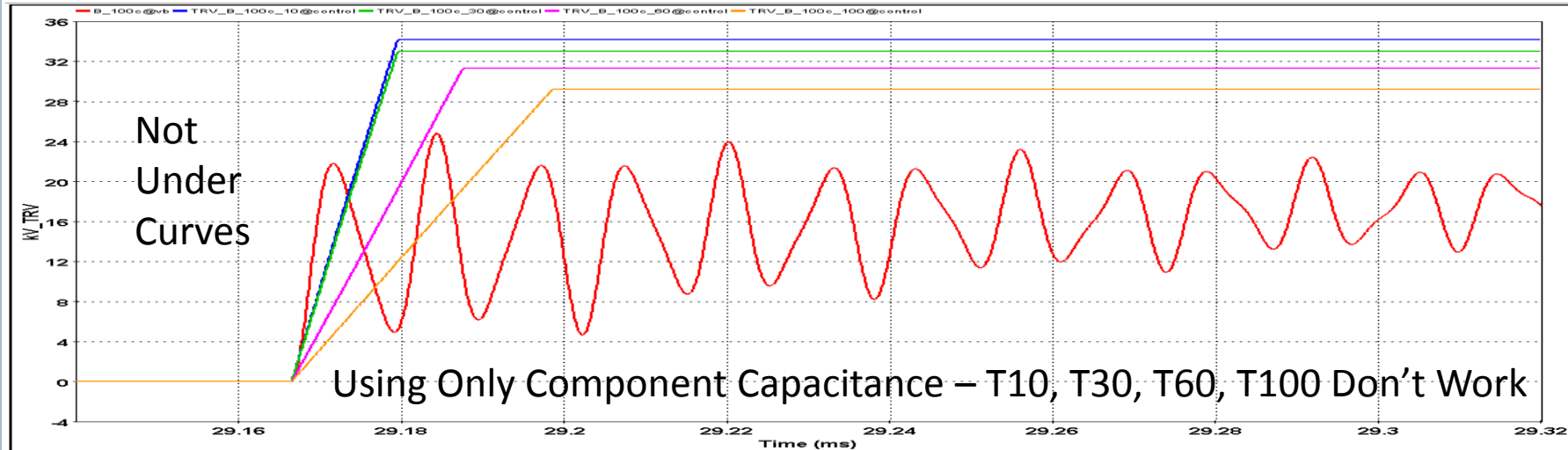
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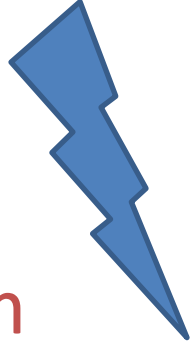


Example from IEEE C37.011-2011, Section 4.4.2.2 –Modified for 15.5-kV

- Given:
  - 15.5-kV System with  $I_{sc}=50\text{-kA}$ , Reactor Installed to Limit  $I_{sc}$  to 12-kA
  - Find TRV Performance for 3-phase Fault Across Circuit Breaker (B\_100)
  - Will Adding 130nF of Capacitance Get TRV Under Curves?

# Simulation Showing Impact of Adding Capacitance to Obtain Better TRV Performance - By Adding 130nF of Capacitance, Breaker Can Be Isc Rated 12-kA or Higher – Minimum Siemens Size – 20-kA





# Surges From Vacuum Contactor Operations



# Transients Likely to Be Seen at Motors

## Due to Breaker Issues

- Prestrikes – Arcing Across Contacts Upon Closing
- Re-Strikes – Arcing Across Contacts After Already Interrupted
- Current Chopping

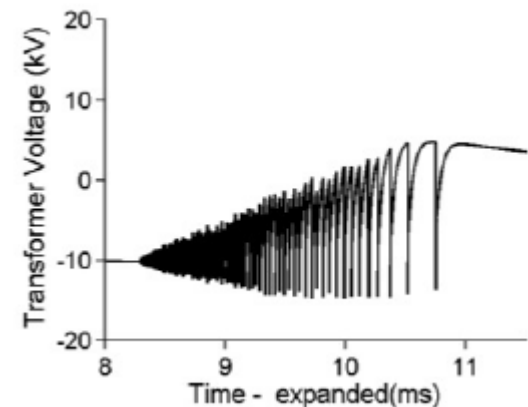
Per EPRI's 1988 Study, most motors see surges of magnitudes and rise times as shown below:

Typical/Study Peak	4160-V	6600-V	13200-V
Typical 2.8 pu (0.2-0.6us)	9.5-kV	15.1-kV	30.2-kV
Peak From Study 4.6 pu (0.6us)	15.6-kV	24.8-kV	49.6-kV

## Load Related Issues

- Motor Stalls on Startup
- Starting/Stopping Motor Related Transients
- Arcing Faults

Switching Transient  
IEEE C57.142 Figure 17  
Current Chopping

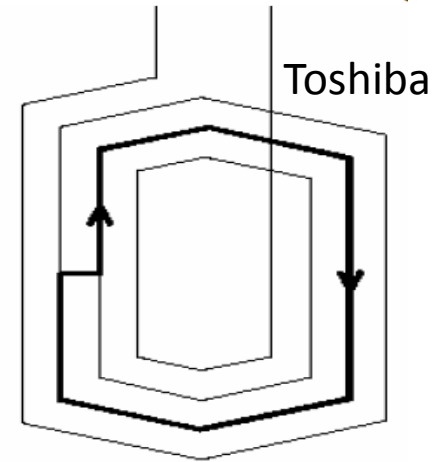


# Simulation Drawing

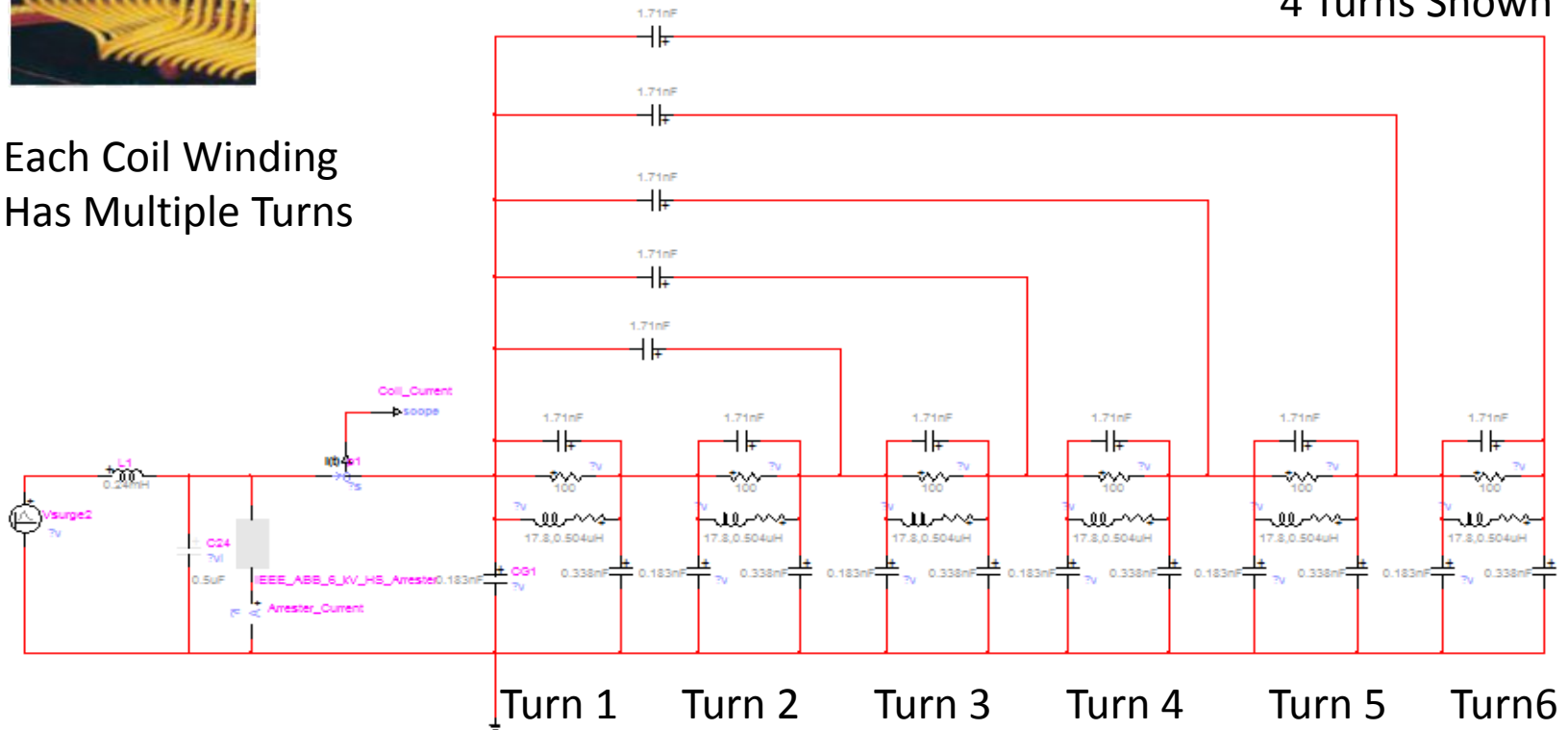
## 6600-V Motor 6-Turn Coil Impacted by, 24.8-kV Surge (0.5 us rise time)



Each Coil Winding Has Multiple Turns

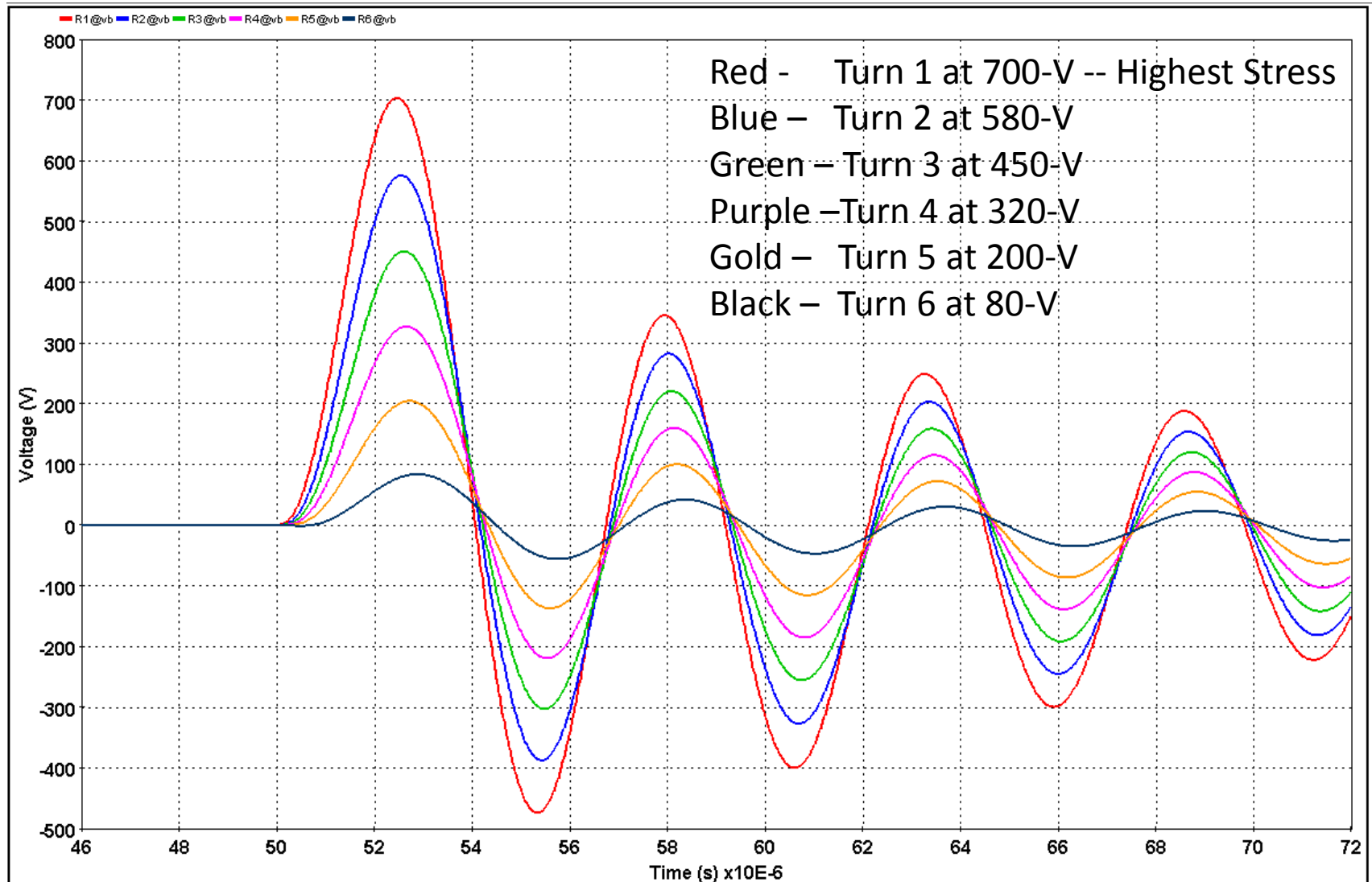


**Fig 1: Turn to Turn Short**  
4 Turns Shown



# Simulation Results W/O Protection

## Voltage Stress Per Turn Due to Incoming Voltage Surge





# ABB Surge Arrester and Surge Capacitor Combination – Typical Protection Available For Use At Motor

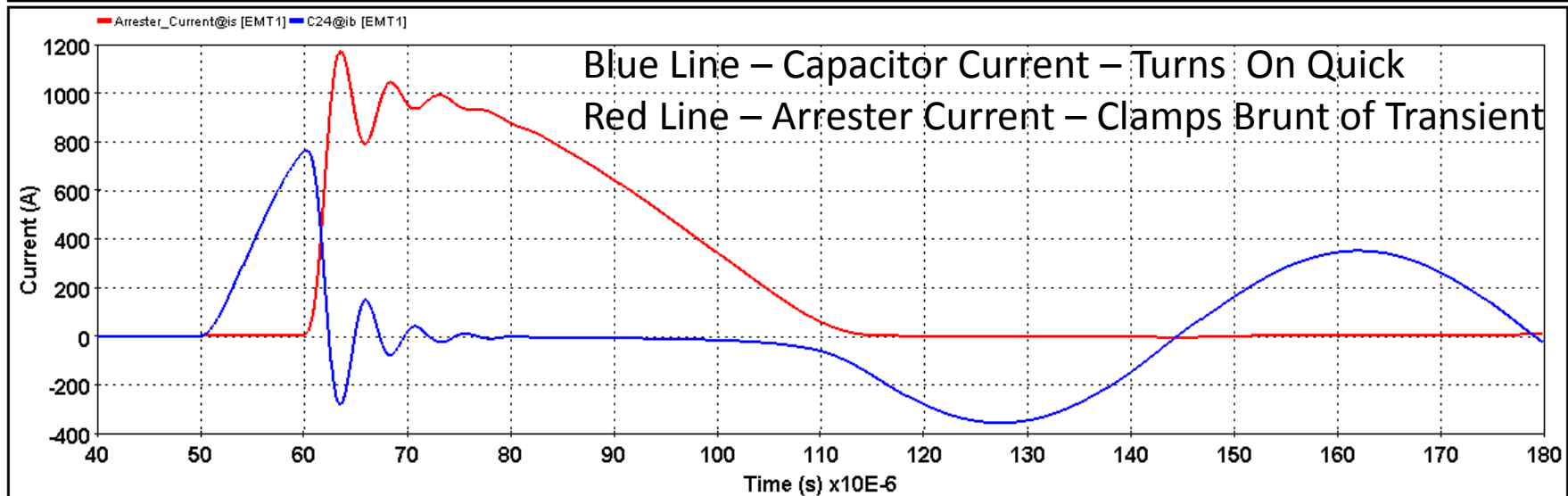
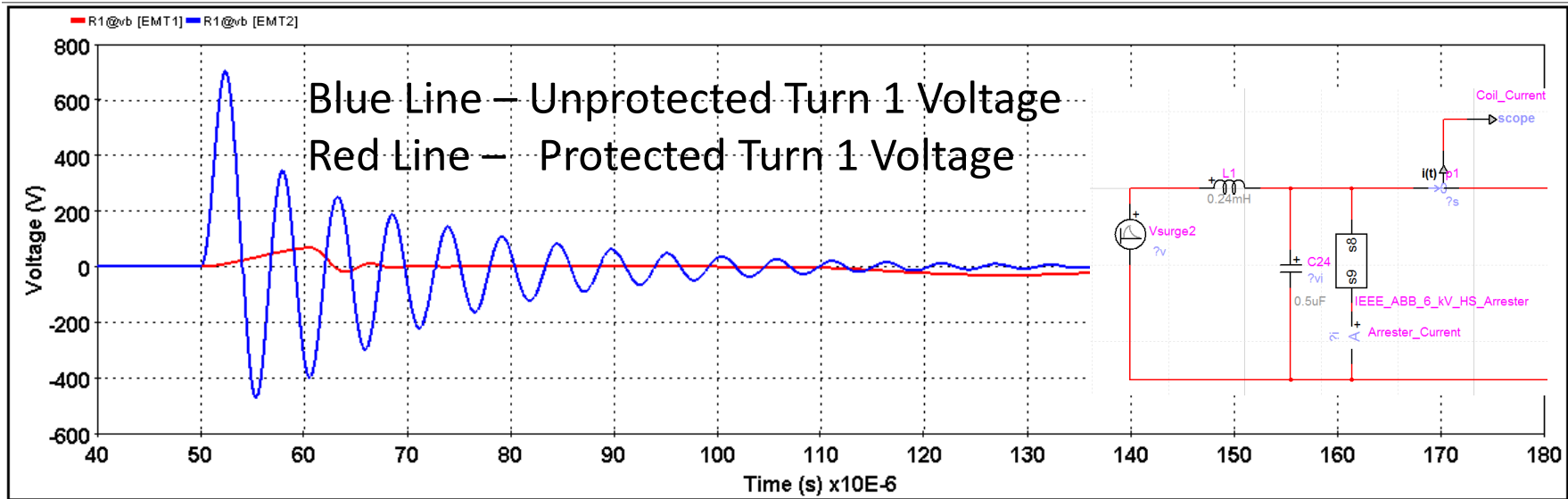
Minimize Wiring Distance Between Cable Shield,  
Motor Grounds and Enclosure Grounds!!  
I.E., Mount With Electrical Connections at Motor  
Termination



4160-V Motor  
0.5uF  
6-kV Surge  
Arrester

ABB Style No.	Voltage L-L	$\Delta$ or Ungrd. Y System	Grd. Y System	Arrester kV rms	Arrester MCOV	Capacitor # of Poles	$\mu$ F Pole	Enclosure Depth
2GUR000100	2400	X	—	3.0	2.55	3	0.50	23"
2GUR000101	4160	X	—	6.0	5.10	3	0.50	23"
2GUR000102	4160	—	X	3.0	2.55	3	0.50	23"
2GUR000103	4800	X	—	6.0	5.10	3	0.50	23"
2GUR000104	6900	X	—	9.0	7.65	3	0.50	23"
2GUR000105	7200	X	—	9.0	7.65	3	0.50	23"
2GUR000106	13,200	X	—	18.0	15.30	3	0.25	23"
2GUR000107	13,200	—	X	10.0	8.40	3	0.25	23"
2GUR000108	13,800	X	—	18.0	15.30	3	0.25	23"
2GUR000109	13,800	—	X	12.0	10.20	3	0.25	23"

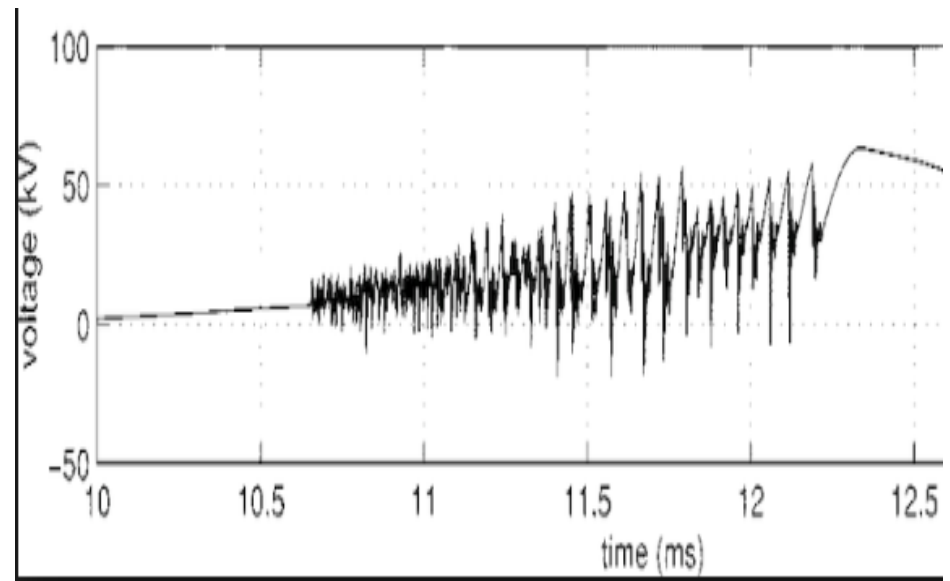
# Simulation Results With Protection – 4.16-kV Motor 0.5uF Capacitor, 6-kV Arrester



# Case 10

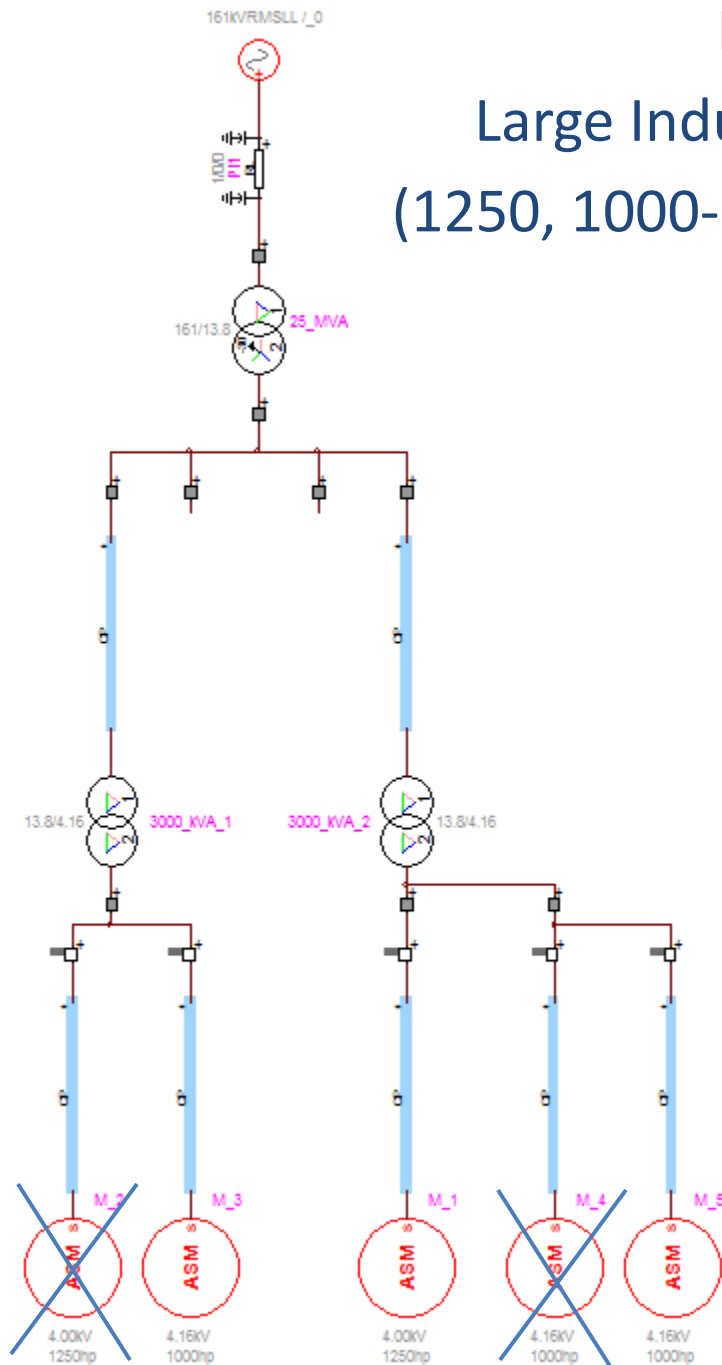
## Application Issue – Multiple 4160-V Motors Damaged

Switching Transients



# Due to Switching Surges

## Large Industry Damaged Two- 4-kV Motors (1250, 1000-hp) Fed From Separate Transformers

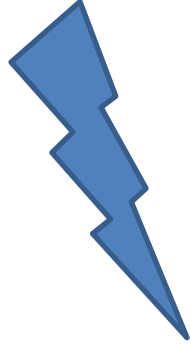


### Known Issues:

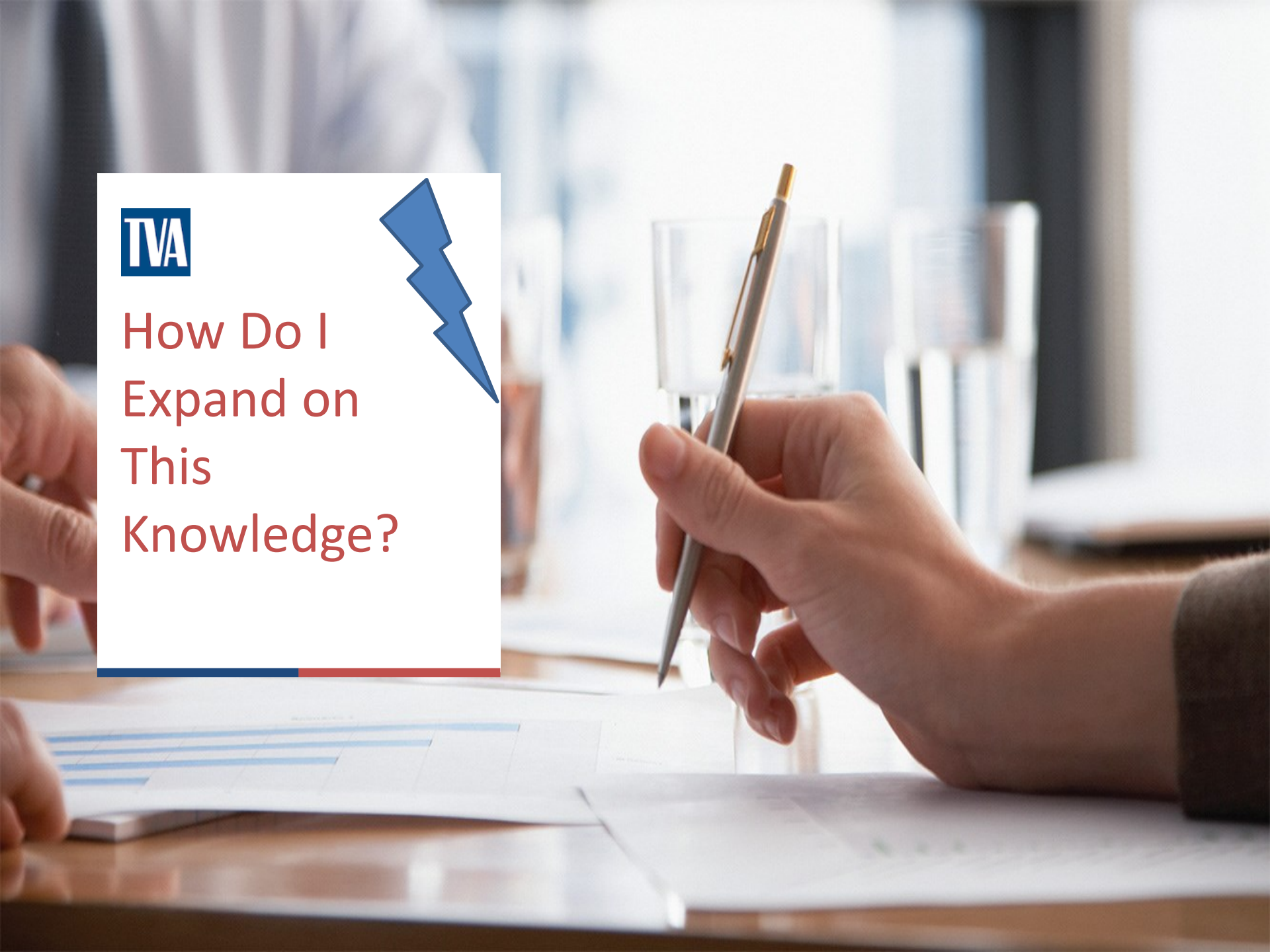
- Motors Shut Down
- Upon Re-Start Motor Damage Became Apparent – M\_2 and M\_4 (see diagram)
- Each Motor Fed off of Different 3000-kVA Transformer – **Each Delta-Delta – Ungrounded**
- Short Distance Cable Runs From Motor Vacuum Contactors to Motors – Little Capacitance (Quick Rise Time)

## Case Study #10 Recommendations

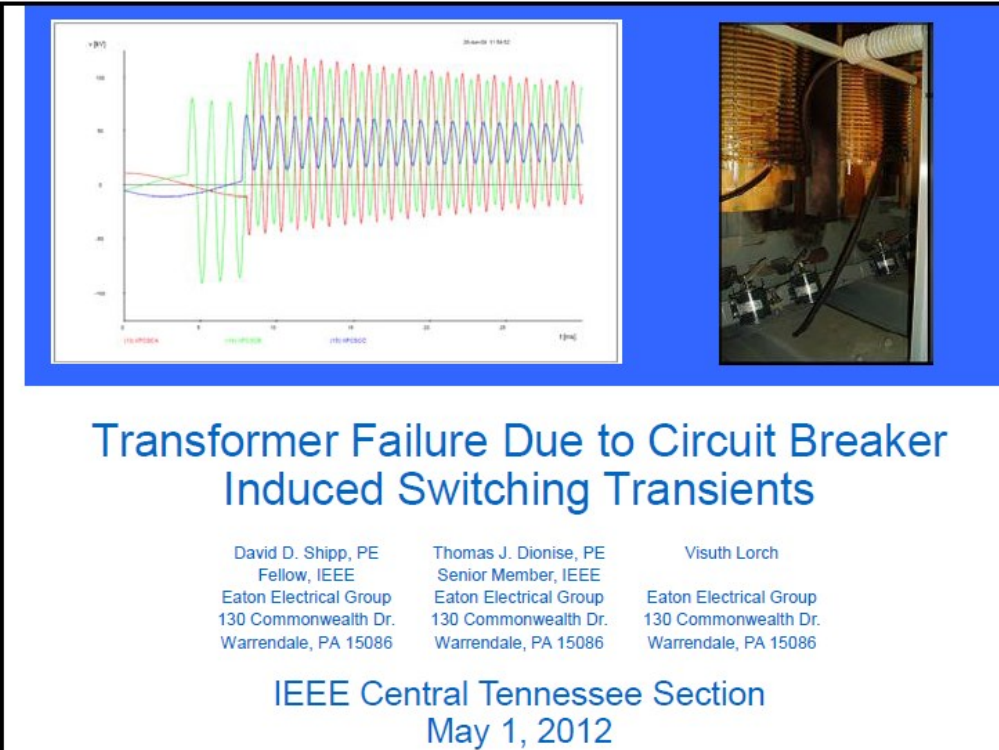
- Motors don't need to be operated ungrounded – best to specify solidly-grounded Wye secondary - When transformer secondary is delta and ungrounded, install zig/zag transformer to establish ground
- Ground cable shields only at motor location – recommendation from 1988 EPRI study
- Install surge arrester/capacitor protection – especially if cable runs are short - Routine vacuum contactor operations tend to generate problematic switching transients harmful to motor life  
The chemical and petro-chemical industry routinely installs surge protection at motor locations
- Properly ground Arrester/Capacitor protection systems at motor location



How Do I  
Expand on  
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# Start Here - Presentation From 5-Years Ago Discussing Transformer Issues Similar to Motor Starting Protection



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13.8-kV RC Snubber

Phase Connection

