Minutes of Meeting C37.100.7 Performance Evaluation of SF₆ Alternatives

7th Meeting, Online, Fall 2021, October 12th, 2021

Chair: Daniel Schiffbauer
Vice Chair: George Becker
Secretary: Victor Hermosillo

Attendance

Attendance: 54

Members, corresponding members: 35

Guests: 19

Quorum reached 35 out of 57 members

Introductions

Introductions were made through the chat box.

Motion to Approve Agenda

Motion to approve agenda: Michael Crawford

Second: Richard York Approved by consensus

Review of IEEE Patent and Copyright slides.

Motion to Approve Spring 2021 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve agenda: Caryn Riley

Second: George Becker Approved by consensus

Outlook

The project schedule was presented. Guide has been restructured with a guide format, rather than technical report. Document draft early 2022, start ballot & comment resolution process. PAR expires December 2022.

Discussion of Contents

- Previous revision Chapter 11 moved mostly into Chapter 4.
- Javier Mantilla reviewed Chapter 7 (see slides).
 - Question on why composition is set at room temperature and not at minimum.

- Dan Schiffbauer reviewed Chapter 4 Gas Characteristics
 - o Reviewed basic summary of chapter, with only one question of reference
- Li Yu reviewed Chapter 8 on behalf of Sushil Shinde. Content from Task Force (TF) for CIGRE D1.67
 - Discussed the ratio of Power Frequency (PF) vs. ±Lightning Impulse (LI) from the report. Several charts shown with PF/LI ratio of dielectric withstand of SF₆ vs alternative gases. Voltage-Time (V-T) characteristics 3 μs vs. 2 μs chopped wave behavior. All gases appear to maintain validation with only 2 μs chopped wave as currently required by IEEE standards C37.04, C37.09.
 - \circ Qualitative plot presented for pressurized dry-air showing higher degradation of withstand from 2 μs to 3 μs chopped wave than SF₆, to be removed or replaced by quantitative assessment.
 - Alternative gas can have different PD behavior than SF₆.
- Li Yu reviewed Chapter 6 Environmental Health and Safety (with contributions from John Owens and Justin Palmer)
 - o REACH was discussed for the European toxic gas governmental group
 - It was mentioned that the decomposition, decomposition rate, byproduct toxicity, etc. vary depending on specific design and gas composition.
- Carl Kurinko reviewed Chapter 9 Continuous Current Performance
 - o CIGRE TB 802 information to be added to this chapter.
 - Chapter to discuss how different materials and finishes could degrade during continuous current testing (contacts, coatings, greases, etc.),
 - Complexity may not be simulated during tests with only high temperature, without current flowing.
 - Intent is not to confirm or change temperature rise limits but to give guidance on the R&D tests leading to material selection which will operate continuously within the existing limits.
- Mike Crawford reviewed the needs for Chapter 10 Low Temperature Performance
 - Gas recovery from low temperature condition to be associated with dielectric performance.
 - o Rahul Jain and Victor Hermosillo volunteered to contribute.

General Topics:

- Dan Schiffbauer asked for help for technical editing of the guide
 - o Terry Woodyard, Victor Hermosillo, Li Yu and Henning Milnikel volunteered.

Motion to Adjourn Meeting

Motion: Pat DeLillo Second: Mike Crawford

Meeting was adjourned by the Chair.



