Circuit Breakers and Switchgears Inspection, Maintenance, Design, Repair and Troubleshooting Course

Venue Information

Venue: London UK

Place:

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Course Details

Net Fee: £4750.00

Duration: 1 Week

Category ID: EAPET

Course Code: EAPET-2

Syllabus

Course Description

This program is designed to update participants with the latest development of Circuit Breakers and to present some of the more common and updated aspects of low, medium and high voltage switchgear maintenance. It must be understood that there is an incredible variety of equipment used on low, medium and high voltage switchgear today.

Switchgears play an important role in the distribution and control of electrical power in manufacturing or power plant and in a utility distribution system. Negligent maintenance practices can lead to power system inefficiency

This course is designed to enable participants to:

- List the voltage convention classifications used in this course.
- Describe switchgear construction.
- Describe a ground fault relay system.
- Describe the three basic types of low and medium voltage circuit breaker contacts.
- Describe the molded case circuit breaker.

Course Outlines

General Introduction

- Electrical engineering basic concepts
- Three phase review and per unit
- Voltage levels
- One line and three line diagram
- Generation system layout
- Transmission system layout
- Substation system layout
- Distribution system layout

Industrial Switchgears

- Fuses
- Auto-reclosers
- Automatic sectionalizer
- Circuit Breakers
- Isolator switches
- Load switches
- Relays
- Current transformers
- Voltage transformers

CB Design Specification Based on Short Circuit Current Level

- Per unit system
- Faults on power systems
- Transient phenomena in power system
- Symmetrical component analysis of three phase network

- Computer programs based short circuit calculation

CB Design Specification Based on Arc Phenomena and Circuit Interruption

- Arc phenomena
- Maintenance of the Arc
- Properties of Arc
- Arc Interruption theory
- Circuit Breaker Rating
- Circuit constants and circuit conditions
- Conditions of severity
- Restriking voltage transient
- Class A ultra fast transients
- Class B system transients
- Class C low transients
- Transmission line transient
- Switching transients
- Duties of Switchgear

LV Circuit Breakers

- Low voltage molded case current limiting circuit breakers
- Low voltage molded case circuit breakers with high breaking capacity
- Insulated case circuit breakers
- Low voltage air circuit breakers
- Low voltage circuit breakers specification

Modern MV and HV Vacuum CB

- Introduction
- Advantages of vacuum interruption
- Vacuum contactors and interrupters
- The vacuum medium
- The vacuum arc
- Vacuum arc stability
- Vacuum break down
- Vacuum switch construction
- Applications of vacuum circuit breakers

- Quenching properties of SF6
- Construction of SF6 breaker
- SF6 CB types
- Puffer type SF6 breakers
- Double Pressure System
- Single Pressure Puffer-Piston System
- Single Pressure Self Blast System
- Improvement in SF6 Breakers for HV

Other Type of Circuit Breakers

Air Circuit Breakers

- Method of increasing arc resistance
- Plan break type
- Magnetic blow out type
- Arc splitter type
- Application
- Construction and operation
- Axial air CB
- Blast air CB

Oil Circuit Breakers

- Arc rupture under oil
- Advantages of oil
- Disadvantages of oil
- Plan break oil circuit breakers
- Arc control circuit oil breakers
- Minimum oil circuit breakers
- Construction and operation

DC Circuit Breakers

- Construction
- Methods of interruption
- Application

Circuit Breaker Inspection, Maintenance and Services

- Monthly inspection of circuit breakers
- Annual inspection of circuit breakers
- Disassembly
- Cleaning
- Tightening
- Lubrication
- Equipments used in testing
- Testing procedure
- Direct testing
- Contact resistance test
- Insulation resistance test
- Test report
- Indirect testing
- One hour Video, HV CB Maintenance and Repair

Circuit Breakers Control, Protection and Testing

- Switchgears control devices and wiring
- Switchgears protection devices and wiring
- Testing Classification
- Testing laboratories
- Description of a simple testing station

CB Troubleshooting

- Low insulation Resistance (below 2000 Mega-ohms) between
    - Phase terminal and earthed frame, with breaker closed
    - Phase terminals of a pole
- Resistance between Terminals of Pole too high (above 100 microhms) (15 micro-ohm per joint)
- Unequal contact Wipe and Travel in 3-pole (measured from interrupter flange and contact lip, breaker open/closed)
- One of the pole does not close
- Breaker operation too Slow (Opening timing from trip command to contact separation too large — 60 ms instead of 40 ms)