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ONLINE MOISTURE MONITORING & DRYING SOLUTIONS FOR OIL INSULATED TRANSFORMERS

TRANSEC CL1M



MINI VERSION OF TRANSEC FOR SMALL TRANSFORMERS FROM 1 MVA



LIGHTER CYLINDER – 25 KG EACH SATURATED WEIGHT



1 CYLINDER EXTRACTING UP TO 1.7 LITRES



SELF-STANDING FLOOR MOUNTED STAND



OUTLET FILTER TO FILTER SMALL PARTICLES

THE ISSUE: MOISTURE IS THREATENING THE TRANSFORMER

Moisture is one of the primary causes of failures for power transformers and one of the main degradation factors for the insulation paper. It, therefore, increases the risks of operation failures and shortens the life expectancy of the asset.

Unfortunately, moisture can appear in a transformer from several sources, which are external or internal and it has a complex dynamic between the oil and paper within the transformer. The use of silica gel breathers, sealed tanks or nitrogen blankets can avoid all or at least the most of moisture from the atmosphere to affect the transformer. However, when the transformer is energised, the production of water inside the insulation is a natural and inevitable occurrence over time due to the depolymerisation of the cellulose paper.

EFFECT ON SAFETY

As shown in figure 1, the higher the relative water saturation, the lower the oil's breakdown voltage (BDV). As water migrates between the solid and liquid insulation in a transformer with changes in load and, therefore, temperature so does the relative water saturation in oil.

Peaks of relative saturation are usually observed during transformer state changes (high to low temperature or reverse). Moisture reduction is, therefore, a pivotal effort to be made to increase safety, especially for transformers with quick and frequent load changes.

EFFECT ON TRANSFORMER LIFE EXPECTANCY

The insulation paper's mechanical strength is defined by the degree of polymerisation, also called DP, representing the average length of cellulose chains in the paper. A new transformer typically has a DP between 1200 and 1000 while the end of transformer life is considered when the DP falls to 200. This degradation cannot be stopped, but its speed will depend on the water content in the paper (see figure 2).

In CIGRE brochure D1.01.10 (2007), "Fallou showed that the rate of degradation of the paper at an initial value of 4% water content was 20 times greater than that at 0.5 % water content." Moisture is having a significant effect on the speed of paper degradation and therefore on its life expectancy.

Maintaining a low level of moisture in a transformer provides significant benefits in terms of operations and risk as it carries a constant high insulation level. It is therefore possible to load the transformer at a higher level and to make this load vary without risk of damaging the transformer.

Also, it has consequent financial benefits since it elongates the asset's life by slowing down the paper degradation. This degradation creates particles or even sludges. Finally, moisture is also responsible for the creation of acids in the oil. Hence keeping a low level of moisture will lower the maintenance costs.

ONLY CONTINUOUS FILTRATION IS EFFICIENT IN REMOVING MOISTURE FROM A TRANSFORMER

As moisture is created continuously and as it is one of the primary concern for the transformer safety and life expectancy, it seems counterintuitive to apply a temporary solution for this ongoing problem.

Also it is essential to note that more than 98% of the water in a transformer is in the paper, while a meagre amount is dissolved in oil. The diffusion time of water from paper to oil is prolonged. This is why punctual filtrations are not solving the moisture issue.

	Oil filtration	LFH or similar method	Online drying system		
Solution type	Temporary	Temporary	Continuous		
Transformer live during process	Up to user risk assessment (oil flow >500l per hour)	No			
Dries oil	Yes		Yes		
Dries paper	No				
Improves Breakdown voltage	Temporarily (months)	Yes			
Extend life expectancy					
Dissolved Gasses level maintained	No	No			
Operator free process					
Cost	\$	\$\$\$	\$		



Figure 1. Dependency between breakdown voltage and water content in insulating liquid*



igure 2. Cellulose depolymerisation speed dependence on moist



Figure 3. Benefit of continuous online drying system

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TRANSEC CL1M ONLINE DRYING SYSTEM





PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

Oil from the transformer tank through inlet ball valve 2 enters the unit. Pump 4 pushes the oil through cylinder 8. While the oil flows through the cylinder, the adsorption process takes place, moisture is adsorbed by zeolite. The oil is returned to the main tank of the transformer through outlet filter 10, deaerator 13 and outlet ball valve 14.

- Place for Inlet moisture and temperature sensor
- between cylinder and sensor/ inlet filter

- Top interconnection pipeline between cylinder and outlet filter
- 11. Place for Outlet moisture
- 12. Outlet sampling valve
- 14. Outlet ball valve
- 16. Deaerator air bleed valve

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Parameter	CL1M				
Water extraction capacity before cylinder change	Up to 1.7 litres				
Flow rate with Grundfos UPS2 pump	70 to 300 litres per hour				
Particle filter	0	utlet filter 10 micron or 3 micro	on		
Material		Stainless steel 304 Grade			
Oil temperature range		0°C to 105°C			
Acceptable environment condition		-40°C to +60°C			
Altitude		up to 2000 m			
Protection class of the unit enclosure		IP55			
Protection class of the MCC enclosure		IP65			
Power Supply	207-253 VAC 50/60Hz				
Pump Grundfos UPS2 Power	140 W				
Number of cylinders	1				
Oil drying adsorbent	zeolite with 3 Angstrom bead size		e		
Monitoring	Available in option				
Size	1400x800x300				
Installation weight without MCC	90 kg				
MCC weight	00	AMi	WSi		
MCC weight	0.4 kg	12 kg	20 kg		
Installation time	5 to 6 hours with 2 people				
Manufacturing test	Cyclic 3 bar pressure at 60°C for 24 hours				
Enclosure	Optional. In stainless steel				
Fixation On the wall or the ground					

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TRANSEC CL1M ONLINE DRYING SYSTEM

CL1M WSi



CL1M AMi

CONTINUOUS MOISTURE ASSESSMENT WITH THE TRANSEC MONITORING

MONITORING CABINET AMI

The AMi TRANSEC monitoring cabinet continuously monitors the temperature and moisture dissolved in the oil entering and exiting the TRANSEC.

This allows monitoring the good water extraction for the TRANSEC but also the moisture level of the transformer. Alarms can be set, and reports of all data collected can be downloaded.

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Pump RUNNING		16 : 19	30 .07 .2024	S/N1000
	T °C oil out	42	PPM out	1
			% RS out	2
			% RS in	5
	T °C oil in	45	PPM in	8

Picture of HMI

MONITORING CABINET WSi

The WSi TRANSEC monitoring cabinet provides continuous monitoring of the temperature and the moisture dissolved in the oil entering and exiting the TRANSEC and allows to take action on it. The pump can be stopped under certain conditions. Also, other analyses are provided which will help to better understand the current moisture situation of the transformer and to take action.

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	T °C oil out	42	PPM out		1	
	% Capacity	100	% RS out		2	
	% WC	1.8	% RS in		5	
	T °C oil in	45	PPM in	_	8	
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Picture of HMI

Monitoring cabinet AMi, WSi technical data					
Parameter	АМі	WSi			
Local display	Oil temperature IN&OUT, PPM Moisture IN&OUT, Relative Saturation IN&OUT, Pump and sensor status or alarm, Settings, Reports, Trends	Oil temperature IN&OUT, PPM Moisture IN&OUT, Relative Saturation IN&OUT, Water content in paper, Pump and sensor status or alarm, Settings, Reports, trends, Cylinder saturation level, Total water volume extracted			
Data logging	Temperature IN&OUT, PPM IN&OUT, Relative saturation IN&OUT, Alarms	Temperature IN&OUT, PPM IN&OUT, Relative saturation IN&OUT, Oil flow (I/h), Water content in paper, Cylinder Saturation, Alarms			
Alarms	Sensor in error, Sensor out error, Oil T°C high alarm, Oil T°C low alarm, Estimated capacity low alarm, %RS high alarm, No SD card detected alarm, SD card R/W protection alarm, CSV write procedure error	Sensor in error, Sensor out error, Low oil flow (I/h) alarm, Oil leakage alarm, Filter saturated alarm, Deaerator full alarm, Oil T°C high alarm, Oil T°C low alarm, End of drying by %WC low alarm, %WC high alarm, Capacity low alarm, %RS high alarm, No SD card detected alarm, SD card R/W protection alarm, CSV write procedure error			
Cylinders saturation	Saturation estimated based on the PPM IN&OUT difference	Calculated based on PPM and oil flow			
Sensors	2x high accuracy moisture and temperature sensors				
Remote control	Alarm settings	Alarm settings, Pump stop & restart conditions			
Communication	Via 3G/4G network or Ethernet: TCP (Webvisu, FTP, OPC UA Server, Modbus TCP), SD card				

PRODUCT SELECTION GUIDE CL1M

TRANSEC unit	TR. CL.	x	x	x	х	х	x	х	.M
Number of Cylinders	1 cylinder (up to 1.7 litres of water extraction)	1							
	No Monitoring		0						
Monitoring	Monitoring with local display; PPM, Temp & %RS; Alarms		A						
	Monitoring with local display; PPM, Temp & %RS; Alarms; Analytics; Cylinder Saturation; automation		W						
Pump type	Grundfos UPS2 70 to 300 litres per hour			U					
Mounting	Standing frame v2 self standing				2				
Pump/Power Supply	UPS 2 PUMP 50/60 Hz 207-253 VAC					5			
	Un-inhibited napthynic oil IEC 60296						U		
Oil inside cylinders	Inhibited napthynic oil IEC 60296						I		
	Other (please specify)						0		
Filters	1x standard filter: outlet 10 microns							0	
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MONITORING UNIT					
TR.MT.00AM.0i.WW	Monitoring with local display; PPM, Temp & %RS; Alarms				
TR.MT.00WS.0i.WW	Monitoring with local display; PPM, Temp & %RS; Alarms; Analytics; Cylinder Saturation; automation				
TR.MT.COVER.0i.WW	Cover protection for front screen on monitoring cabinet				
TR.MT.DSIN.0i.WW	Inside display (only available for WSi monitoring cabinet with Schneider PLC)				
TR.MT.DSNO.0i.WW	No display (only available for Wsi monitoring cabinet with Schneider PLC)				
COMMUNICATION OPTION	N				
TR.MT.RTGS.00.WW	GSM Router (2G,3G and 4G(LTE))				
TR.MT.GTW.61850	IEC 61850 Gateway added in Monitoring cabinet (MODBUS TCP Converting to IEC - TCP ETHERNET)				
TR.MT.CONV.FO	Fiber optic converter				
The addition of several gatev	vay $arepsilon$ router in one cabinet might require a cabinet redesign to be quoted additionally				
ACCESSORIES					
TR.AC.NCYL.x3.0i	3 new cylinders i Version				
TR.AC.IKIT.00.WW	Installation kit: 2x Male Stud Couplings, 1x Reducing tee, 1x Brass stud coupling, 3m copper tube, 1x Non return valve, 2x 2m tube SS 15mm cold annealed				
TR.AC.IKIT.05.WW	Installation kit with flexible pipes stainless steel braided 2x5m				
TR.AC.IKIT.07.WW	Installation kit with flexible pipes stainless steel braided 2x7m				
TR.AC.IKIT.13.WW	Installation kit with flexible pipes stainless steel braided 2x13m				
TR.AC.FLAN.15.WW	Flanges for installation DN15				
TR.AC.FLAN.25.WW	Flanges for installlation DN25				
TR.AC.FLAN.50.WW	Flanges for installlation DN50				
TR.AC.FLAN.00.WW	Flanges for installlation (size to be specify)				
TR.AC.LEAK.00.WW	Leak tray & sensor*				
TR.AC.GGAU.00.WW	Glass Gauge on dearator with level switch*				
TR.AC.SLSV.0i.23	1x inflow controllable solenoid valves *				
* only available for the WSi ve	ersion				
SERVICES					
TR.SR.REGE.x3.WW	Regeneration of 3 cylinders (EXW UK)				
TR.SR.SINS.00.WW	Installation Supervision price per pers per day				
TR.SR.INSP.00.WW	Transformer inspection price per pers per day				
TR.SR.MONI.UP.WW	Service for Monitoring box installation				
TR.SR.MODI.00.WW	Product modification service (to be defined on case by case)				
SPARES					
TR.SP.PUMP.U2.00	Replacement pump Grundfos UPS2				
OMN.EE364.00	Replacement EE Sensor				
STA.FILT.CAN.10	Replacement canister 10 microns				
STA.FILT.CAN.03	Replacement canister 3 microns				

MORE THAN 3000 UNITS INSTALLED

UK

80 units in operation

TEXAS (USA)

COVANTA

Power Generation Waste to Energy

1 unit

UK

ZAMBIA

esco

Kafue gorge hydroelectric power station

11 units in operation

UAE

ARGENTINA

SALTO GRANDI

Hydroelectric power plant

20 units in operation

HYDROELECTRIC GENERATION

Represa de Salto Grande

NUCLEAR POWER

EDF Energy

WIND POWER

Neart Na Gaoithe Offshore Wind

TRANSMISSION

lectricite du Cambodge

POWER GENERATION WASTE TO ENERGY

Covanta Holding Corporation

METAL INDUSTRY

Emirates Global Aluminium

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