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VALVES FOR HIGH-VOLTAGE DIRECT CURRENT (HVDC)
POWER TRANSMISSION – ELECTRICAL TESTING**

1 Scope

This International Standard applies to self-commutated converter valves, for use in a three-phase bridge voltage sourced converter (VSC) for high voltage DC power transmission or as part of a back-to-back link, and to dynamic braking valves. It is restricted to electrical type and production tests.

This document can be used as a guide for testing of high-voltage VSC valves used in energy storage systems (ESS).

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