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INTRODUCTION

A flow battery system (FBS) can be utilized in a flow battery energy system (FBES). Such an FBES can consist of:

- a flow battery system,
- a power conversion system,
- other equipment and surroundings.

The FBES is connected to the external power input/output via a point of connection (POC).

This document covers the domain of the FBES, as shown in Figure 1. Energy to the auxiliary systems such as the battery management system (BMS), the battery support system (BSS), and the power conversion system (PCS) may be supplied by one of the following:

- a) direct connection to the external power source;
- b) the internal power source of the FBES or FBS itself.

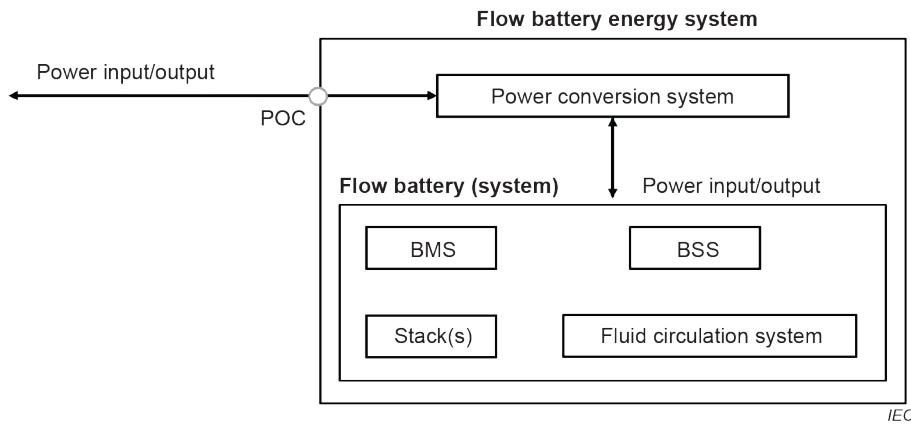


Figure 1 – Flow battery energy system

FLOW BATTERY ENERGY SYSTEMS FOR STATIONARY APPLICATIONS –

Part 2-2: Safety requirements

1 Scope

This part of IEC 62932 applies to flow battery systems for stationary applications and their installations with a maximum voltage not exceeding 1 500 V DC in compliance with IEC 62932-1.

This document defines the requirements and test methods for risk reduction and protection measures against significant hazards relevant to flow battery systems, to persons, property and the environment, or to a combination of them.

This document is applicable to stationary flow battery systems intended for indoor and outdoor commercial and industrial use in non-hazardous (unclassified) areas.

This document covers significant hazards, hazardous situations and events, with the exception of those associated with natural disaster, relevant to flow battery systems, when they are used as intended and under the conditions foreseen by the manufacturer including reasonably foreseeable misuse thereof.

The requirements described in this document are not intended to constrain innovations. When considering fluids, materials, designs or constructions not specifically dealt with in this document, these alternatives are evaluated as to their ability to yield levels of safety equivalent to those specified in this document.

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IEC 60364-6, *Low voltage electrical installations – Part 6: Verification*

IEC 61936-1, *Power installations exceeding 1 kV a.c. – Part 1: Common rules*

IEC 62485-2:2010, *Safety requirements for secondary batteries and battery installations – Part 2: Stationary batteries*

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