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- a) clause numbering aligned with IEC 62271-1:2017,
- b) rewording of title and scope of the document,
- c) implement changes on internal arc definition and testing following the evolution of prefabricated substation concept according to IEC 62271-202,
- d) general review of main test procedures such as temperature rise or dielectric test on interconnections, considering control equipment, communication, smart grid devices and integration of components,

e) general review of installation, operation, safety and maintenance requirements.

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## INTRODUCTION

Traditionally a high-voltage/low-voltage distribution substation has been constructed by installing the main electrical components –high-voltage switchgear and controlgear, power transformer and the corresponding low-voltage switchgear and controlgear- within a closed electrical operating area. It can be a room within a building intended for other usages (non electrical uses) or a separated housing (prefabricated or not) designed specifically to contain the electrical equipment of the substation or an open area limited by fences.

Some years ago in the search for a more standardized and compact substation, the concept of prefabricated substation was developed. IEC 62271-202 covers this type of substation. According to this document, the main electrical components (high-voltage switchgear and controlgear, power transformer and low-voltage switchgear and controlgear) are fully in compliance with their respective product standard, and the whole substation, including interconnections and enclosure is designed and type tested and later manufactured and routine tested in the factory. Correspondingly the quality of the substation is assured by the manufacturer.

Moreover, also other types of assemblies have been introduced in the market. These are assemblies comprising the main electrical active components of the substation and their interconnections, delivered as a single product. The product can therefore be type tested, manufactured, routine tested in the factory, transported and then installed in a closed electrical operating area.

This type of factory assembled and type-tested product is covered by this document receiving the generic name CEADS from Compact Equipment Assembly for Distribution Substation. Numerous arrangements are possible and this document provides guidance on basic types of assemblies, which might be envisaged.

A CEADS is not covered by IEC 61936-1. However, CEADS is intended to become part of a distribution substation.

Taking into account the closer proximity of the main electrical components that even can share some parts (enclosure, solid or fluid insulation...), it is very relevant to take notice of the potential interaction between them. Therefore, to cover CEADS is neither sufficient nor always applicable to refer to the relevant product standards. This document covers any additional design and construction requirements and test methods applicable to the different types of CEADS. In addition to the specified characteristics, particular attention has been paid to the specification concerning the protection of persons, both operators and general public.

The CEADS is also of interest to committee TC 14: Power transformers, and committee TC 121: Switchgear and controlgear and their assemblies for low voltage.

# HIGH-VOLTAGE SWITCHGEAR AND CONTROLGEAR –

## Part 212: Compact Equipment Assembly for Distribution Substation (CEADS) for AC voltages up to 52 kV

### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 62271 specifies the service conditions, rated characteristics, general structural requirements and test methods of the assemblies of the main electrical functional units of a high-voltage transformer substation, duly interconnected, for AC voltages up to and including 52 kV on the high-voltage side and service frequency 50 Hz or 60 Hz. The CEADS is cable-connected to the high-voltage network for indoor and outdoor applications of restricted access.

A CEADS as defined in this document is designed and tested to be a single product with a single serial number and one set of documentation.

The functions of a CEADS are:

- high-voltage/high-voltage or high-voltage/low-voltage transformation;
- and some or all the following:
- switching and control for the operation of the high-voltage circuit(s);
  - switching and control for the operation of the low-voltage circuit(s);
  - protection of the power transformer functional unit.

The main functions are integrated in the following functional units:

- high-voltage functional unit;
- power transformer functional unit;
- low-voltage functional unit.

NOTE For the purpose of this document a self-protected transformer is not considered as a CEADS, but as a functional unit, designed and type tested to its own product standard IEC 60076-13:2006.

### 2 Normative references

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IEC 60050-461, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) – Part 461: Electric cables* (available at [www.electropedia.org](http://www.electropedia.org))

IEC 60076 (all parts), *Power transformers*

IEC 60076-1:2011, *Power transformers – Part 1: General*