Section 5: SWER system installed - practical considerations

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Key components of this section

- Isolation transformer installation
- Protection and metering (SWER)
- Reticulation structures
- Distribution transformer installations









Isolation transformer location.

- Space available adjacent infrastructure.
- Soil type, alternative sites.
- Capacity requirements and structure type.
- Upgrade considerations.





Isolation transformer

Key components

- •Transformer
- Steelwork
- •Poles
- Primary protection
- •Secondary protection
- Metering
- •Surge protection
- •Earth connections, leads and redundancy
- •Electrodes



Isolation transformer installation

Focus points

•Structure drawing, spacing and orientation.

•Cross check components and compatibility (Channel lengths and transformer dimensions)

•Correct depth of poles, and steelwork levelling.

•Correct installation of protection devices, leads (redundancy) and surge arrestors.



Upgrade considerations.

Increase in transformer capacity.

Additional isolation transformers - share electrode - multi circuit SWER

Shift isolation transformer position - convert SWER to MV

Split system - alternative intake point.





Schematic of an upgrade proposal







Protection and metering components

MV system protection

Substation protection scheme and downstream reclosers

MV fuse links

SWER (MV) protection

SWER fuse installation and/or

SWER recloser installation with by pass.

MV metering options.

CT/VT unit

SWER metering options

SWER CT/VT combination.

Additional /supplementary options

SWER peak current meter

Electrode potential rise meter





MV protection - MV links





SWER protection - SWER "recloser" with fused "by pass"





SWER protection - SWER links/fuse installation





CT - Peak current meter schematic drawing.







Peak current meter installation.









Line structure designs and span lengths.

Key factors Wind span Weight span Ground level span Electrical span.

Key components Poles Insulators Hardware Wireform products





Structure details

Structure earthing and BIL

Understrung/remote earth electrodes.

Stays and struts.

Insulators, hardware and wireform products.

Intermediate, angle and strain structures.







SWER intermediate and angle structures



Comparison between typical 22 and 33 kV line post insulators (porcelain).







Line post insulator on support bracket.



Note



Line post insulator on support bracket.

Note



Three phase structures





SWER intermediate and angle structures



Optimum design considerations.

Conductor/Structure trade off-

Wood pole/conductor cost differentials 12 m structure most cost effective - for most conductor types.

Survey and templating-

Long/short span length impact Angles, strainers and vibration dampers Optimum route and proximity trade off Beware of SWER conductor to LV pole clearance, when skipping structures. *Upgrade SWER structures -*Initial profile for final state, remove structures where possible. Additional intermediates (theoretical) Electrical span, ground span & wind span. Ganged link requirement.





Structure upgrades



Maximum ground level span by conductor type





Effective cost/m conductor pole combination GLS







Optimum spans





Optimum spans





Optimum spans the use of undulation







Intermediate structure with under strung earth wire.







SWER/LV intermediate and service





SWER/LV intermediate and service technique utilising separate LV pole requires detail design





SWER, LV and services







SWER and Dual phase shared.





SWER/LV intermediate and service technique utilising separate LV pole requires detailed design focus. SWER to LV structure clearance.





SWER and LV ABC optimum spans







SWER and LV ABC strain structure.





SWER intermediate and LV ABC strain - see insulator bracket lean





SWER and Dual phase LV open wire





SWER LINES WITHOUT UNDERSTRUNG EARTHWIRE



Transformer rating and prospective upgrades.

- Doubling or change out.
- Links and clearances
- Earthing, redundancy, separation LV surge arrestor and electrode installations
- Consumer earths and separation violations

Metering and protection.





Distribution transformer with LV ABC





Off set transformer with under strung lead to trench electrode





Off set transformer with local electrode





Off set transformer with local electrode





SWER transformer with under strung earth and LV ABC



SWER transformer installation.





Distribution transformer with LV open wire.





SWER transformer 16 kVA





SWER transformer with Line and neutral surge arrestors









Transformer rod electrode installation













Understrung trench electrode





Transformer local redundancy earth.

