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- a) Figure 8 and Figure 20 have been updated, a new Figure 18 "LCC/VSC hybrid bipolar system" has been added;
- b) the HVDC system control objectives have been supplemented;
- c) additional explanations regarding the HVDC system control structure have been given;
- d) a new subclause 13.6 on HVDC system protection has been added.

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INTRODUCTION

The difference between system performance specifications and equipment design specifications for individual components of a system is realized. Frequently, performance specifications are prepared as a single package for the two HVDC substations in a particular system. Alternatively, some parts of the HVDC system can be separately specified and purchased. In such cases, due consideration is given to coordination of each part with the overall HVDC system performance objectives and to ensuring that the interface of each with the system is clearly defined. Typical of such parts, listed in the appropriate order of relative ease for separate treatment and interface definition, are:

- a) DC line, electrode line and earth electrode;
- b) telecommunication system;
- c) converter building, foundations and other civil engineering work;
- d) reactive power supply including AC shunt capacitor banks, shunt reactors, synchronous and static reactive power (var) compensators;
- e) AC switchgear;
- f) DC switchgear;
- g) auxiliary systems;
- h) AC filters;
- i) DC filters;
- j) DC reactors;
- k) converter transformers;
- l) surge arresters;
- m) series commutation capacitors;
- n) valves and their ancillaries;
- o) control and protection systems.

NOTE The last four items are the most difficult to separate, and, in fact, separation of these four can be inadvisable.

Clause 4 to Clause 22 of this document set out a complete steady-state performance specification for an HVDC system.

Since the equipment items are usually separately specified and purchased, the HVDC transmission line, earth electrode line and earth electrode (see Clause 11) are included only because of their influence on the HVDC system performance.

For the purpose of this document, an HVDC substation is assumed to consist of one or more converter units installed in a single location together with buildings, reactors, filters, reactive power supply, control, monitoring, protective, measuring and auxiliary equipment. While there is no discussion of AC switching substations in this document, AC filters and reactive power sources are included, although they can be connected to an AC bus separate from the HVDC substation, as discussed in Clause 17.