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MINERAL OIL-FILLED ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT IN SERVICE – GUIDANCE ON THE INTERPRETATION OF DISSOLVED AND FREE GASES ANALYSIS

1 Scope

This document describes how the concentrations of dissolved gases or free gases ~~may~~ can be interpreted to diagnose the condition of oil-filled electrical equipment in service and suggest future action.

This document is applicable to electrical equipment filled with mineral insulating oil and insulated with cellulosic paper or pressboard-based solid insulation. Information about specific types of equipment such as transformers (power, instrument, industrial, railways, distribution), reactors, bushings, switchgear and oil-filled cables is given only as an indication in the application notes ~~(see Annex A)~~.

This document ~~may~~ can be applied, but only with caution, to other liquid-solid insulating systems.

In any case, the indications obtained ~~should be viewed~~ are given only as guidance ~~and any~~ with resulting action ~~should be~~ undertaken only with proper engineering judgment.

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- b) révision de l'Article A.3 sur les transformateurs pour éoliennes afin de transférer à l'IEC 60599 les nouvelles informations relatives à l'AGD dans les transformateurs pour éoliennes, disponibles dans la Brochure technique CIGRE 771 (2019) [1].

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INTRODUCTION

L'analyse des gaz libres et des gaz dissous dans l'huile (AGD) est l'un des outils de diagnostic les plus couramment utilisés pour la détection et l'évaluation de défauts dans les matériels électriques remplis de liquide isolant. Cependant, l'interprétation des résultats d'AGD est souvent complexe et il convient qu'elle soit toujours faite avec prudence, en faisant appel à du personnel expérimenté en maintenance des isolants.

Le présent document fournit des informations qui visent à faciliter cette interprétation. La première édition, parue en 1978, a bien servi l'industrie électrique, mais avait ses limites, comme l'absence de diagnostic dans certains cas, l'absence de niveaux de concentration et le fait de reposer principalement sur l'expérience acquise avec les transformateurs de puissance. La deuxième édition (2015) a tenté de remédier à certaines de ces insuffisances. Les schémas d'interprétation étaient fondés sur des observations qui résultent d'examen effectués sur un grand nombre d'appareils remplis d'huile, après un défaut en service, et sur les niveaux de concentration qui résultent d'analyses recueillies dans le monde entier.

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1 Domaine d'application

Le présent document décrit la façon dont les concentrations de gaz dissous ou de gaz libres peuvent être interprétées pour diagnostiquer l'état des matériels électriques remplis d'huile en service et pour proposer une intervention ultérieure.

Le présent document s'applique aux matériels électriques remplis d'huile minérale isolante et isolés par des isolants solides constitués de papier ou de carton cellulés. Des informations relatives aux types spécifiques de matériels tels que les transformateurs (de puissance, de mesure, industriels, ferroviaires, de distribution), les réactances, les traversées, les appareillages de connexion et les câbles à huile fluide sont données, à titre informatif seulement, dans les notes d'application.

Le présent document peut être appliqué, mais uniquement avec prudence, à d'autres systèmes d'isolation liquide-solide.

Dans tous les cas, les indications obtenues sont données uniquement à titre de recommandations et toute action qui en résulte n'est à entreprendre qu'après une appréciation technique convenable.

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IEC 60475, *Méthode d'échantillonnage des liquides isolants*

IEC 60567:2011, *Matériels électriques immergés – Échantillonnage de gaz et analyse des gaz libres et dissous – Lignes directrices*

IEC 61198, *Huiles minérales isolantes – Méthodes pour la détermination du 2-furfural et ses dérivés*