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- users can substitute selected test methods of this document with equivalent test methods of IEC 62282-8-101 for solid oxide cell (SOC) operation for energy storage purposes, operated in reverse or reversible mode;
- terms and definitions are aligned with the corresponding terms and definitions in IEC 62282-8-101;
- c) symbols are aligned with the corresponding symbols in IEC 62282-8-101.

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#### INTRODUCTION

This part of IEC 62282 specifies test methods for a single cell and stack (denoted as "cell/stack" hereafter) that is required in power generation systems using solid oxide fuel cells (SOFCs).

SOFCs have a broad range of geometry and size. As such, in general, peripherals like current collectors and gas manifolds are unique to each cell or stack and are often incorporated into a cell or stack to form one integrated unit. In addition, they tend to have a significant effect on the power generation characteristics of the cell or stack. This document therefore introduces as its subject "cell/stack assembly units", which are defined as those units containing not only a cell or stack but also peripherals.

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#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 62282 applies to SOFC cell/stack assembly units, testing systems, instruments and measuring methods, and specifies test methods to test the performance of SOFC cells and stacks.

This document is not applicable to small button cells that are designed for SOFC material testing and provide no practical means of fuel utilization measurement.

This document is used based on the recommendation of the entity that provides the cell performance specification or for acquiring data on a cell or stack in order to estimate the performance of a system based on it. Users of this document can selectively execute test items suitable for their purposes from those described in this document.

Users can substitute selected test methods of this document with equivalent test methods of IEC 62282-8-101 for solid oxide cell (SOC) operation for energy storage purposes, operated in reverse or reversible mode.

#### 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60050-485, International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) – Part 485: Fuel cell technologies (available at http://www.electropedia.org)

IEC 60584-1, Thermocouples – Part 1: EMF specifications and tolerances

IEC 60584-3, Thermocouples – Part 3: Extension and compensating cables – Tolerances and identification system

IEC 61515, Mineral insulated metal-sheathed thermocouple cables and thermocouples

ISO 5168, Measurement of fluid flow – Procedures for the evaluation of uncertainties

ISO 6141, Gas analysis – Contents of certificates for calibration gas mixtures

ISO 6142-1, Gas analysis – Preparation of calibration gas mixtures – Gravimetric method for Class I mixtures

ISO 6143, Gas analysis – Comparison methods for determining and checking the composition of calibration gas mixtures

ISO 6145-7, Gas analysis – Preparation of calibration gas mixtures using dynamic methods – Part 7: Thermal mass-flow controllers

ISO 6974 (all parts), Natural gas – Determination of composition with defined uncertainty by gas chromatography

ISO 7066-2, Assessment of uncertainty in the calibration and use of flow measurement devices – Part 2: Non-linear calibration relationships

ISO 8573-1, Compressed air – Part 1: Contaminants and purity classes

ISO 8756, Air quality - Handling of temperature, pressure and humidity data

ISO 12185, Crude petroleum and petroleum products – Determination of density – Oscillating U-tube method