

ERCOT Stakeholder Meeting, 15th November 2013

Synchronous Condenser Solutions

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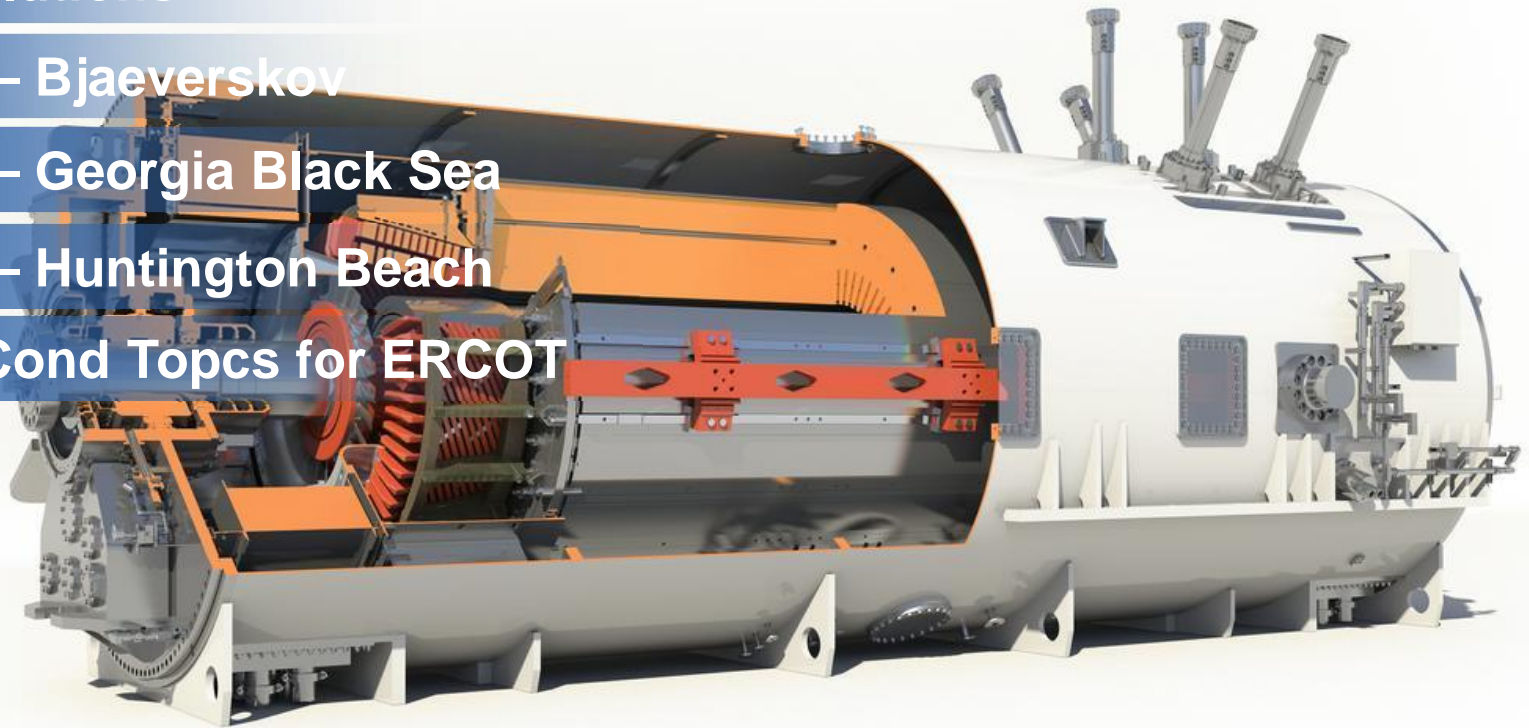
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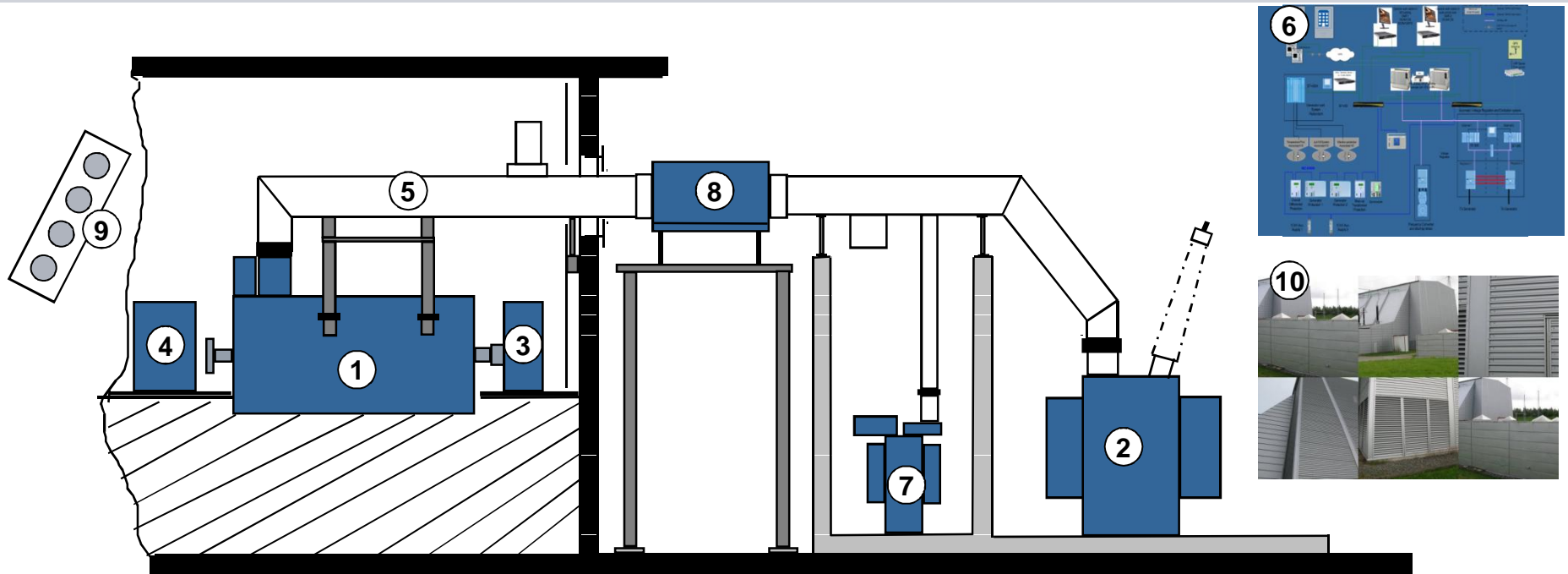
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Turnkey Synchronous Condenser Solutions

Scope and main components



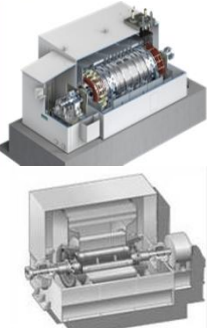
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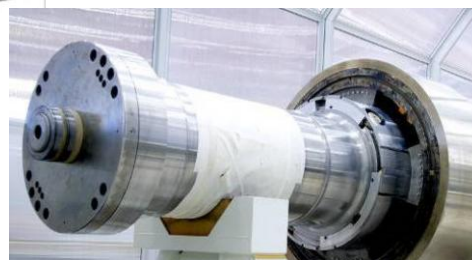


- ① Synchronous Condenser
 - ② Generator Step-up Transformer
 - ③ Static / Brushless excitation
 - ④ Pony Motor / Starting Frequency Converter
 - ⑤ Isolated Phase Busduct
 - ⑥ Control and Protection system
 - ⑦ Auxiliary Transformer
 - ⑧ Generator Circuit Breaker
 - ⑨ External Coolers (option)
 - ⑩ Complete Civil and Construction works
- Siemens in-house Equipment**

Siemens combines proven in-house Equipment with Technical & Project Management know-how to offer tailor-made turnkey SynCon solutions

Generator Product Portfolio

Cooling		Size
H ₂ O		25/30 Hz 1000-2235 MVA (4-pole)
		50 Hz 550-1300 MVA
		60 Hz 799-1066 MVA
H ₂		50 Hz 350-570 MVA
		60 Hz 310-513 MVA
Air		50 Hz 165-370 MVA
		60 Hz 165-310 MVA
		50/60Hz 25-300 MVA
		25/30 Hz 25-65 MVA (4-pole)



Siemens SynCon Solutions based on standard horizontal Generators

Advantages of 2-pole over 4-pole Generators

1

Very lower mass moment of inertia with the same power (appr.1:4)
This results in a smaller starting motor

2

Higher rotational energy due to the double speed, more stable in the grid

3

Higher thermal time constants. This results in a higher over load capability

4

Higher unbalance load capability due to the damper winding, which is composed of rotor wedges and retaining ring

5

Modern reliable Generators

Siemens offers both 2 pole & 4 pole Generators basing on Customer's preference

Start-up / Braking System

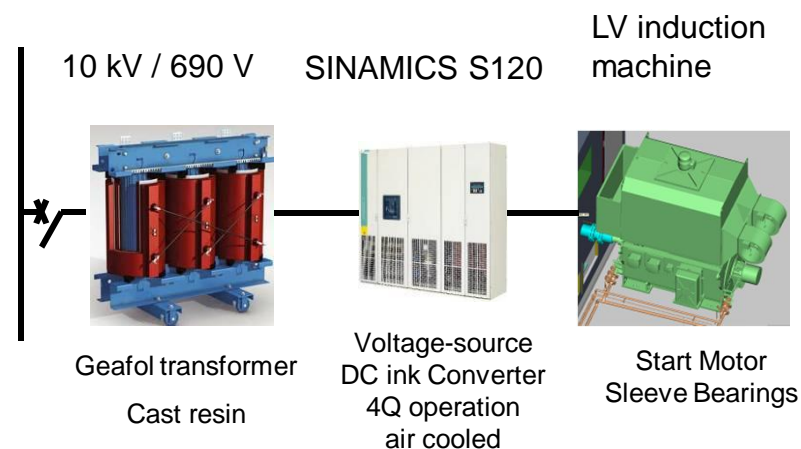
Variable Frequency Drive

SINAMICS GL 150



Supplier	SIEMENS
Rated Power	12 MW
Rated input voltage	2x 2,8 kV
DC-link voltage	6.3 kV
DC-link current	2000 A
Type of the SFC	SINAMICS GL 150

Frequency drive controlled Pony Motor



Siemens offers both solutions from own portfolio basing Customer's requirement

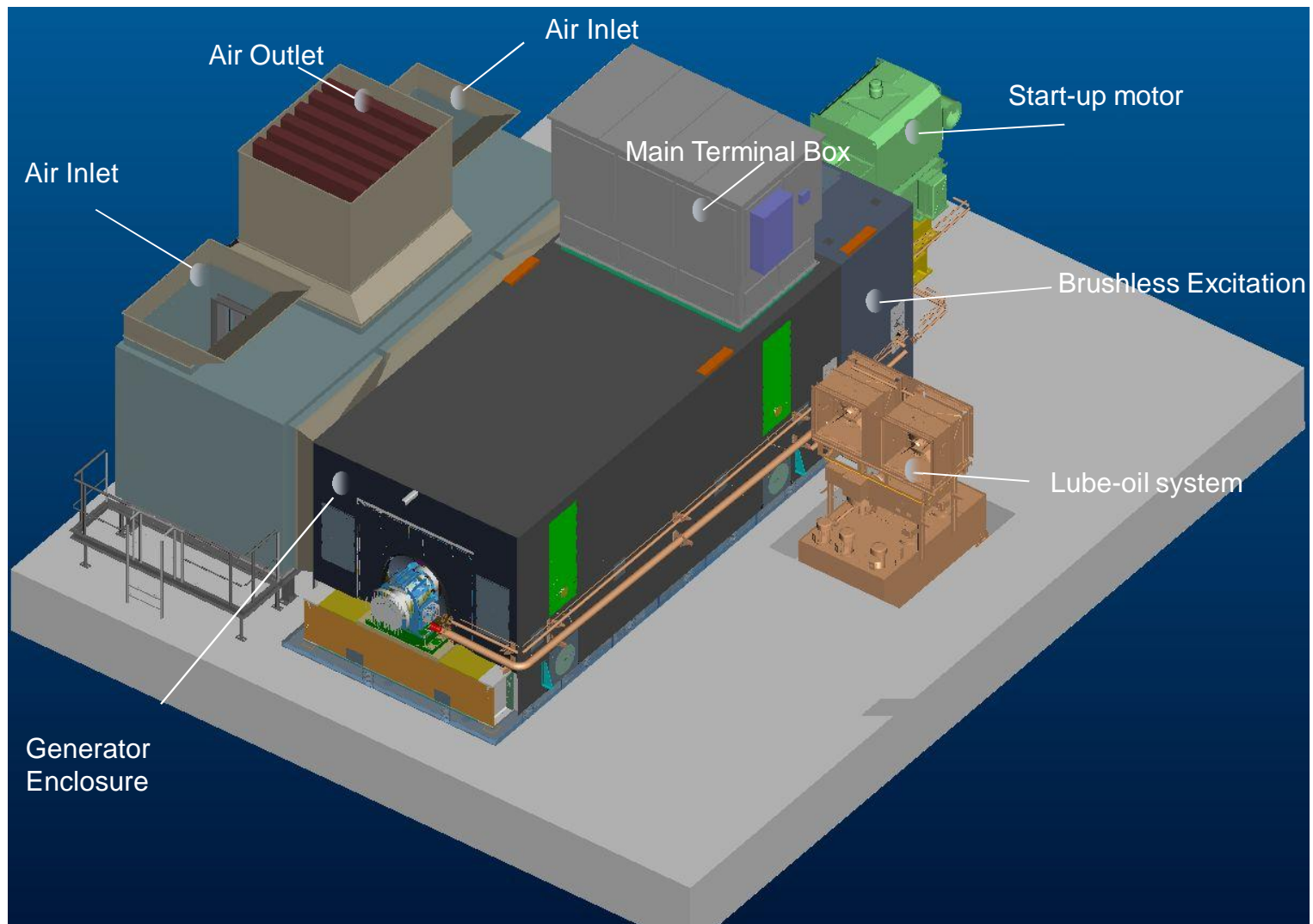
Brushless / Static Excitation

	Schematic	Pros	Cons (Relative)
Brushless		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lesser maintenance • Support during close-in system faults • Simpler robust design • No carbon dust • Insensitive to system fluctuations • No high power DC connections • Simpler station layout, no excitation skid 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slower response time • No active de-excitation possible
Static		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Faster response due to few electromechanical components • Requires only little room on shaft • Better accessibility • Some protective functions are simpler to realize • Faster de-excitation possible 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher maintenance • Carbon dust contamination • Periodic inspection of collector and collector ring assemblies • Shorted turns possible without proper maintenance • requires high power DC connection to generator or local power system

Siemens offers both solutions from own portfolio based upon Customer's request

Siemens Synchronous Condenser Solution DAC unit, Pony Motor & Frequency Converter for Start-up

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Siemens SynCon Solutions References

Frame	Operation	Country	Customer	Station/Unit	Drive	Rated Voltage / kV	Rated Power Sn / MVA or Qn / Mvar	Frequency / Hz	Power Factor	Cold Gas Temperature / °C	Cooling Type OAC or TEWAC	Delivery Plant
SGen5-100A	Aug 2013	Denmark	Engerinet.dk	Bjaeverskov	SynCon*	15,75	270 Mvar	50	0	30	DAC	Erfurt
SGen5-100A	Dez 2012	Georgia	Energotrans Ltd.	Georgia Black Sea 1	SynCon*	11	60 Mvar	50	0	35	DAC	Erfurt
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SGen5-100A	Jul 2007	South Africa	ESKOM Ltd.	Atlantis 11	GT ²	15,75	186 MVA	50	0,8	28	TEWAC	Erfurt
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SGen5-100A	Jul 2013	South Africa	ESKOM Ltd.	Atlantis 21	GT ²	15,75	186 MVA	50	0,8	28	TEWAC	Erfurt
SGen5-100A	Okt 2007	South Africa	ESKOM Ltd.	Atlantis 22	GT ²	15,75	186 MVA	50	0,8	28	TEWAC	Erfurt
SGen5-100A	Nov 2008	South Africa	ESKOM Ltd.	Atlantis 31	GT ²	15,75	186 MVA	50	0,8	28	TEWAC	Erfurt
SGen5-100A	Nov 2008	South Africa	ESKOM Ltd.	Atlantis 32	GT ²	15,75	186 MVA	50	0,8	28	TEWAC	Erfurt
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SGen5-100A	Dez 2008	South Africa	ESKOM Ltd.	Atlantis 42	GT ²	15,75	186 MVA	50	0,8	28	TEWAC	Erfurt
SGen5-100A	Dez 2009	South Africa	ESKOM Ltd.	Atlantis 43	GT ²	15,75	186 MVA	50	0,8	28	TEWAC	Erfurt
SGen5-100A	Sep 2007	South Africa	ESKOM Ltd.	Mossel Bay 21	GT ²	15,75	186 MVA	50	0,8	28	TEWAC	Erfurt
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* Synchronous Condenser Application
² Designed to operate in Synchronous Condenser mode

DAC Direct Air Cooled
 TEWAC Totally Enclosed Water to Air Cooled

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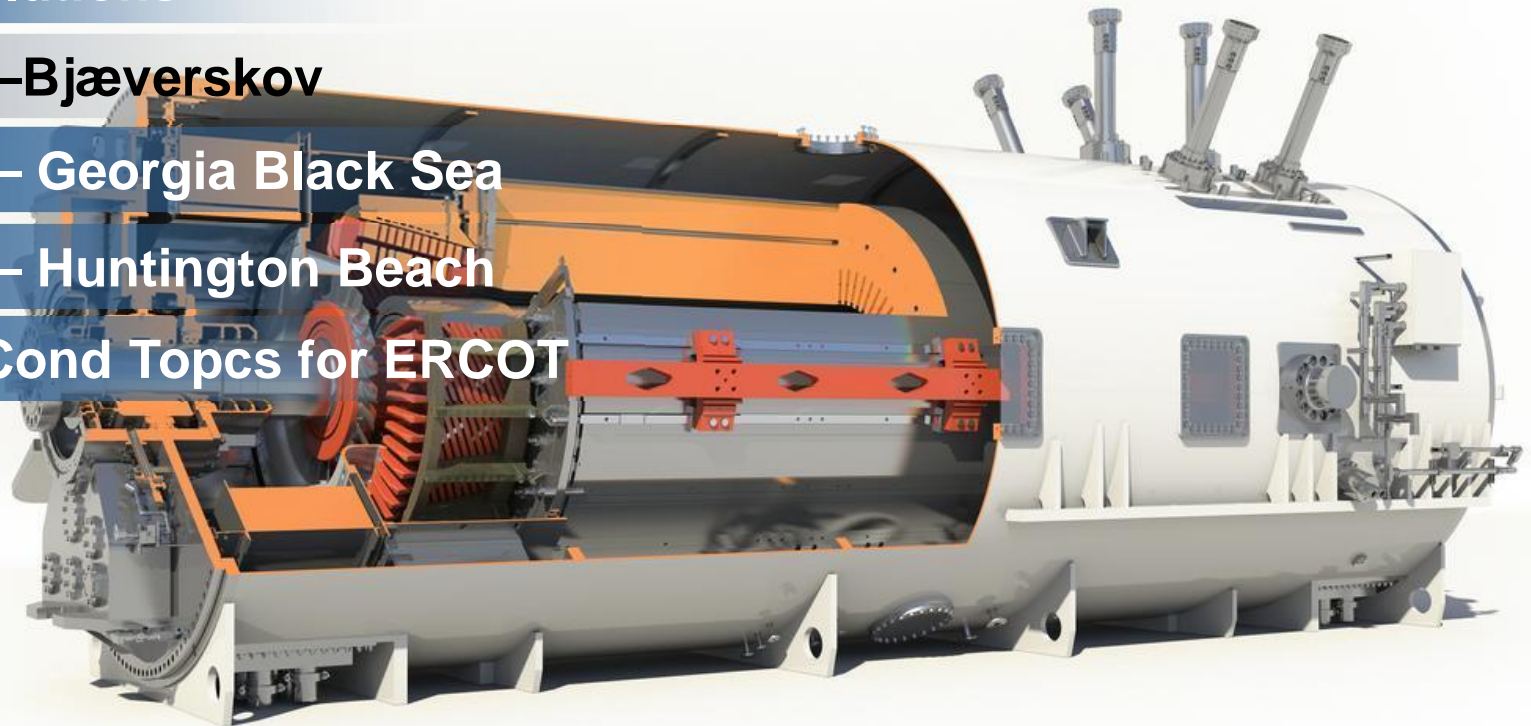
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Other SynCon Topcs for ERCOT

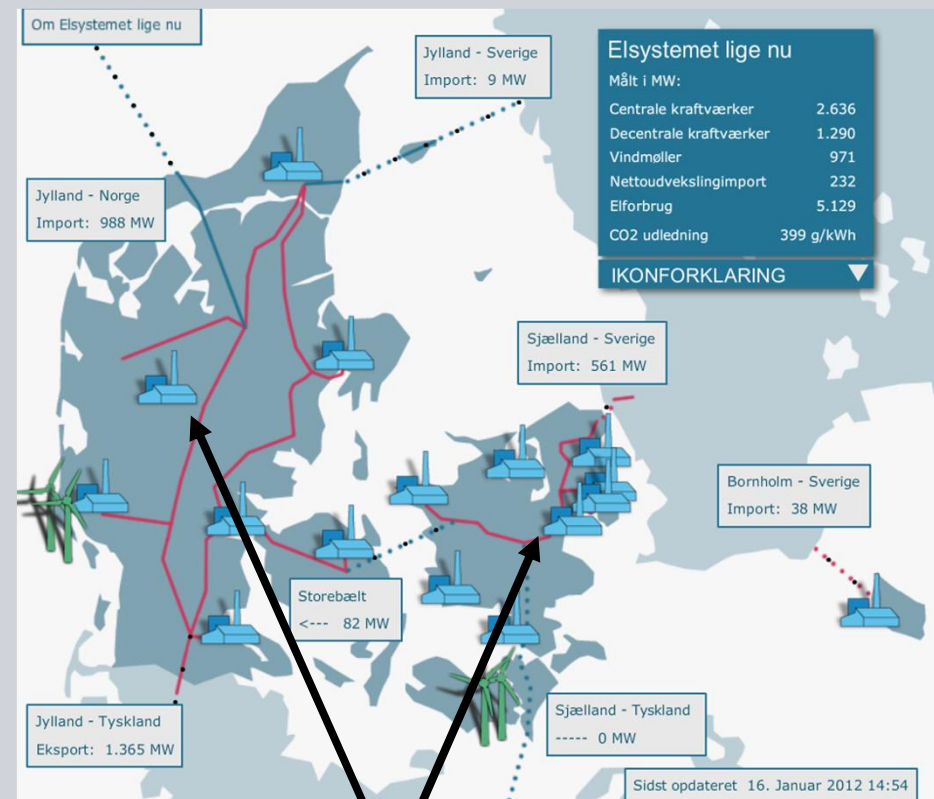


Back ground for installing new synchronous condensers in Denmark

Power systems requires balance in every second and must also be given special system-supporting services such as:

- Short-circuit Power
- Voltage regulation
- Inertia
- Exact 50 Hz frequency control

So far, these "invisible" services in the power system was supplied from central power plants, when they delivered energy (MWh) and power (MW).



In Denmark the TSO requires: 2-3 central power plants to be in operation in the Western and Eastern part of the power system.

Denmark's plans for fulfilling the EU targets 50% Wind Power in 2020

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What are the needs for system-supporting services in a power system, where half of the energy comes from wind?



- Wind turbines will **not** provide the necessary short circuit power and inertia to the power system
- Central Danish Power Plants are aging and shut down due to low earnings or new environmental requirements



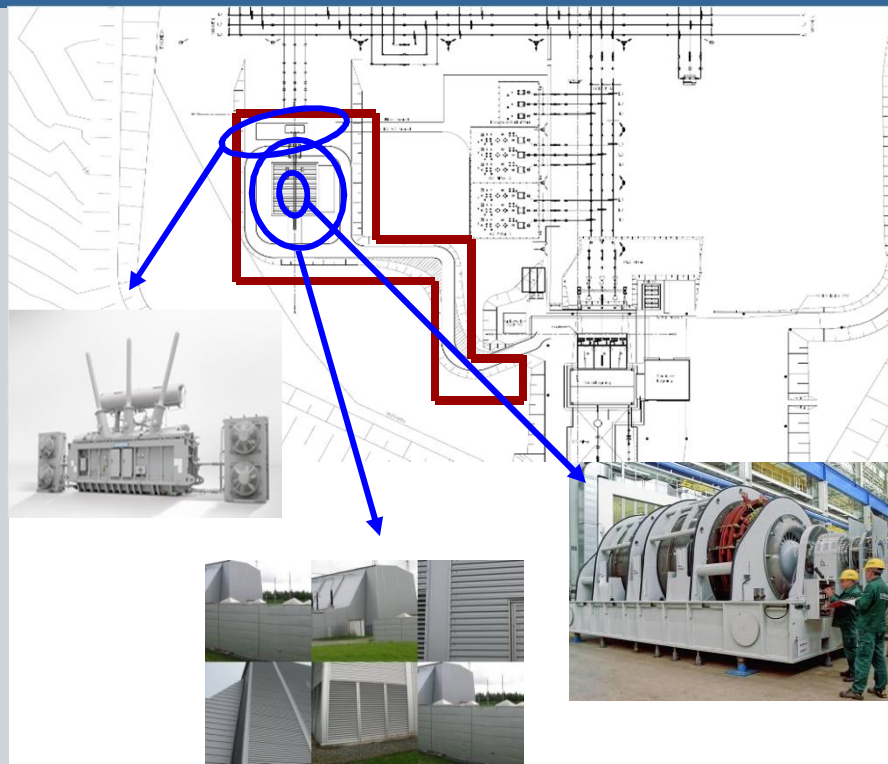
Synchronous Condenser Solution Reference

Bjæverskov, Denmark



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- Customer: Energinet.dk
- Siemens Scope: Turnkey incl. Civil
- Number of SynCons: 1
- SynCon terminal voltage: 15.75 kV
- Power (at PF=0), over / under excited: 250 / 150 MVA
- Short-Circuit Power (Sk): 800 MVA
- Impedence SynCon, unsaturated (X_d''): 0.16 pu
- Step-up Transformer: 250 MVA, $U_k = 14\%$
400 / 15,75 kV, OLTC



Specific Project Features

- SynCon cooling: Direct Air Cooled
- Excitation: Brushless
- Starting System: Frequency drive controlled Pony Motor
- Specials: Civil works matching the existing HVDC

Award
Jan'12

Site works start
June'12

Major equipment
on site Feb'13

Trial operation
June'13

PAC
July'13

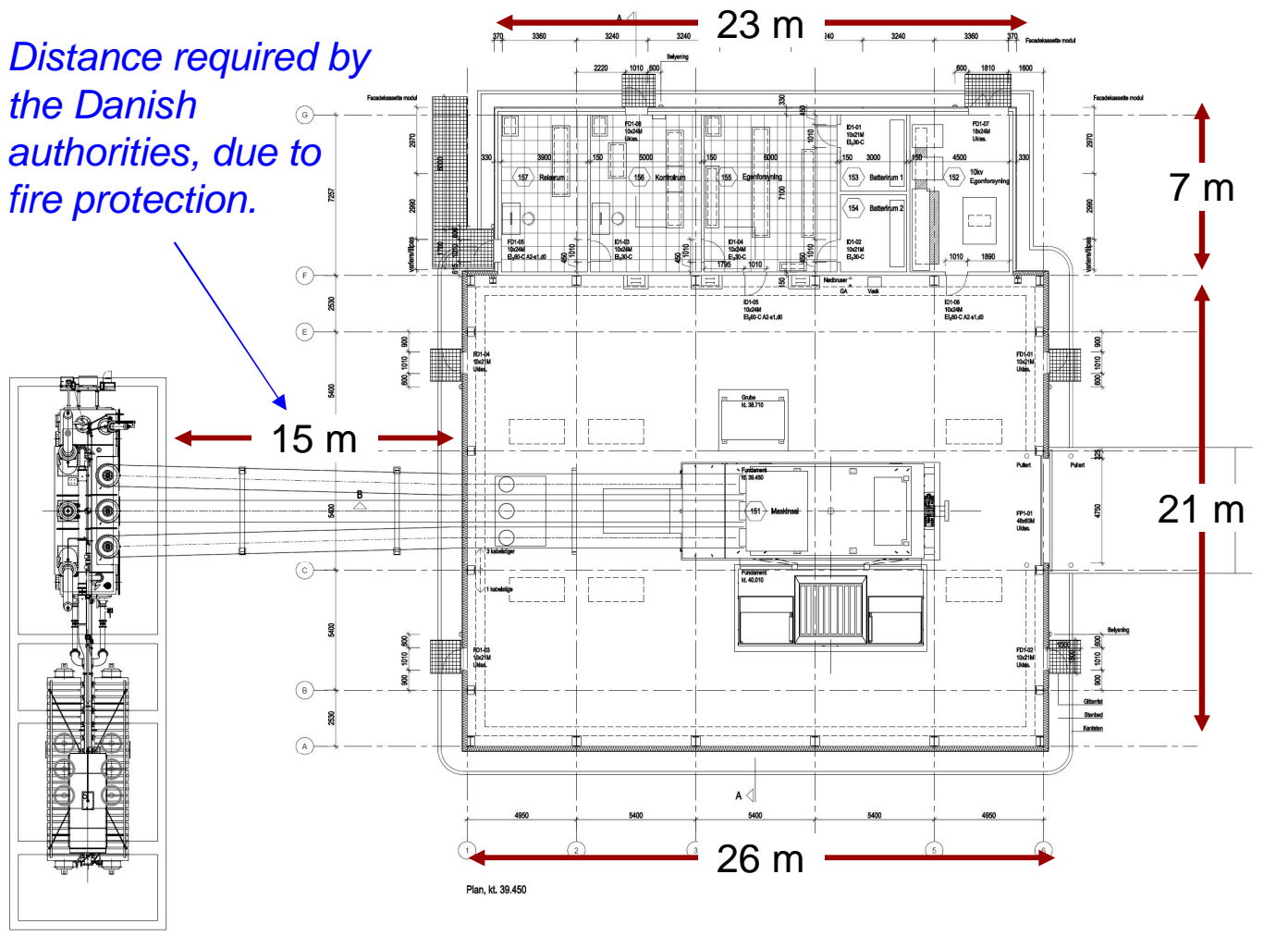
Design / Engineering

Civil works

Erection / Commissioning

Building layout - Bjæverskov

Distance required by the Danish authorities, due to fire protection.



First Synchronous Condenser in Denmark for 40 Years



Key components

Synchronous Generator

2 pole Synchronous Generator

SGen5-100A-2P 118/46

Power: 270 MVA_r

Voltage: 15,75 kV ± 5%

Power Factor: $\cos\varphi = 0$

Speed: 3000 rpm

Frequency: 50 Hz ± 5%

Design according to IEC 34

Different cooling types:

- DAC (Direct Air Cooling)
- TEWAC (Totally Enclosed Water to Air Cooled)



Key components

Generator Step-Up Transformer

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Rated Power: 250 MVA

Rated Voltage: 15.75/420 kV

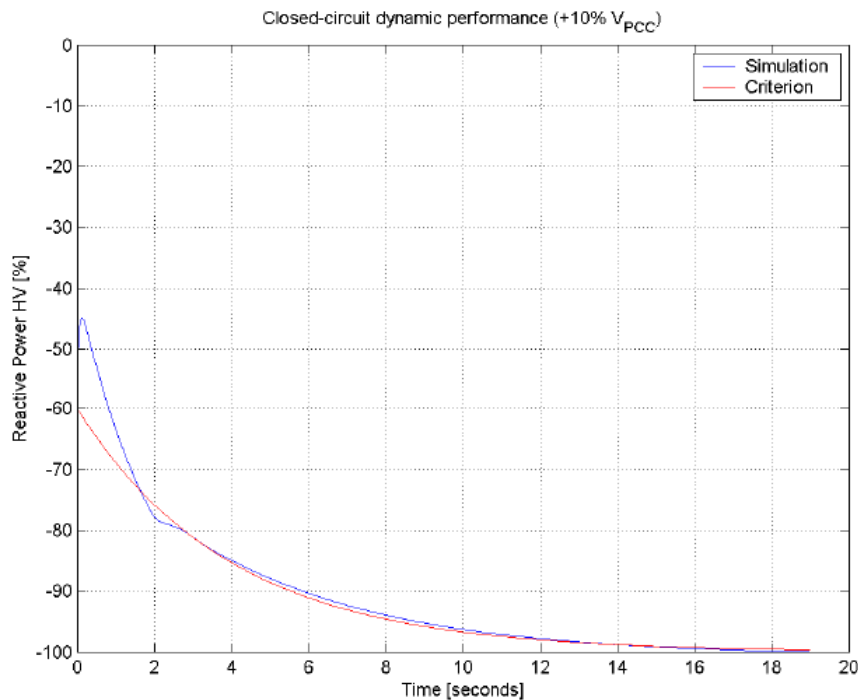
Rated impedance:
14% @ 250MVA

Frequency: 50 Hz

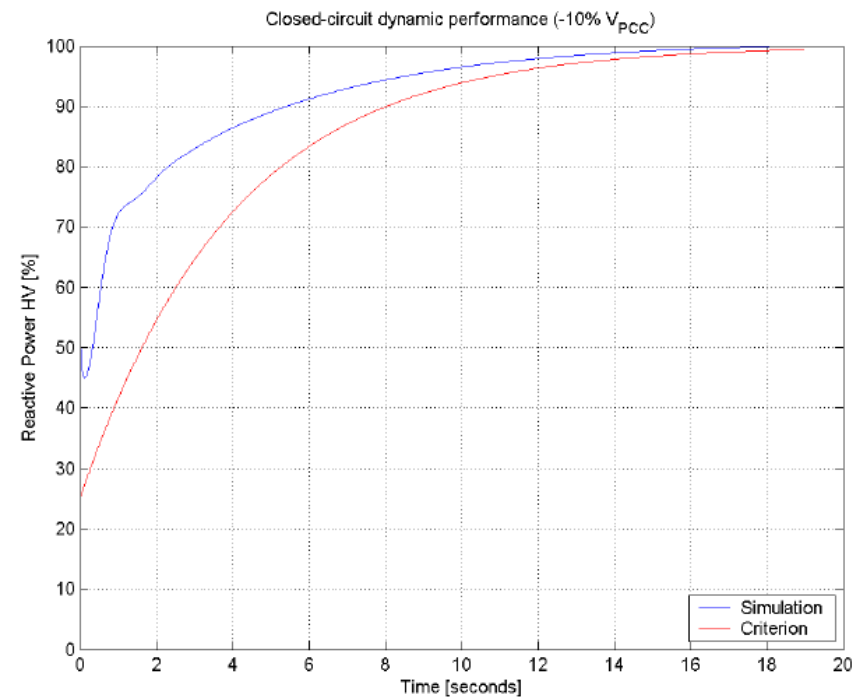
Tap changer: +/- 10 taps

Cooling: ONAF

Closed loop voltage step Brushless excitation

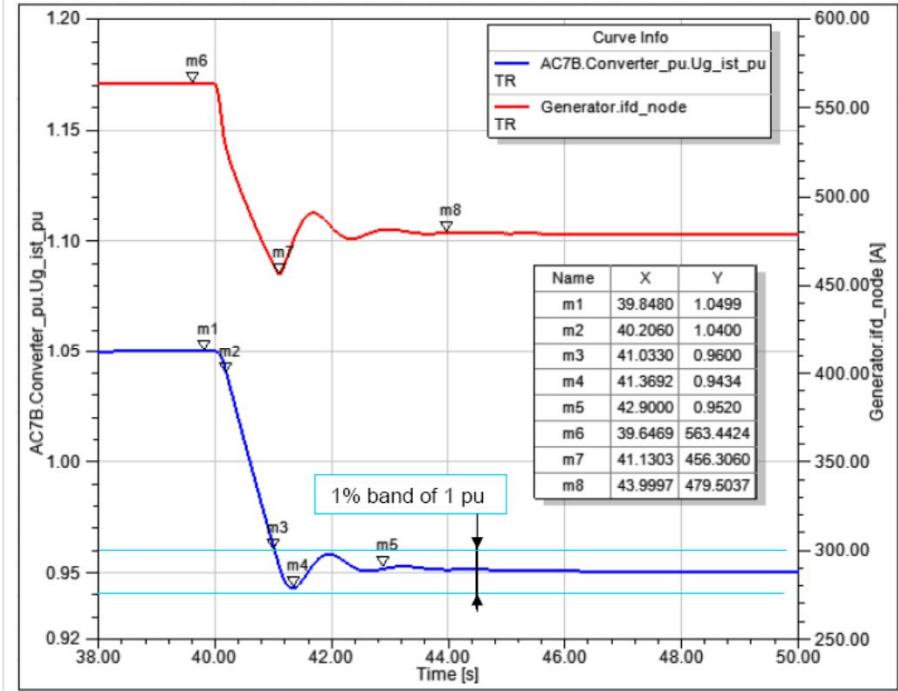
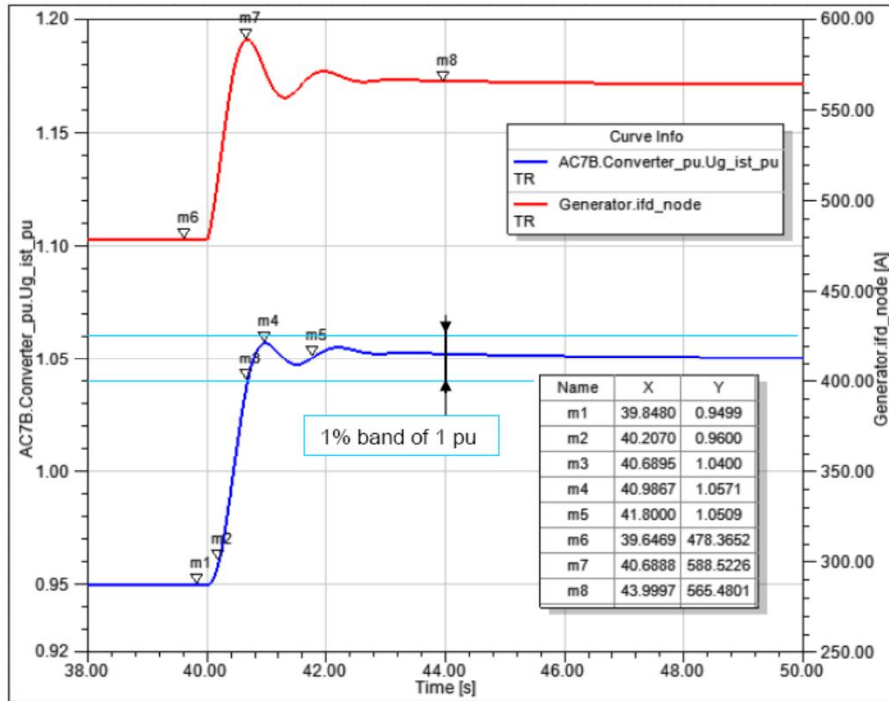


Reactive power response caused by a +10% step of the PCC voltage from 1 pu to 1.1 pu



Reactive power response caused by a -10% step of the PCC voltage from 1 pu down to 0.9 pu

Open loop voltage step Brushless excitation



Open-loop voltage step from
0.95 pu to 1.05 pu
Less than **500 ms**

Open-loop voltage step from
1.05 pu to 0.95 pu
Less than **850 ms**

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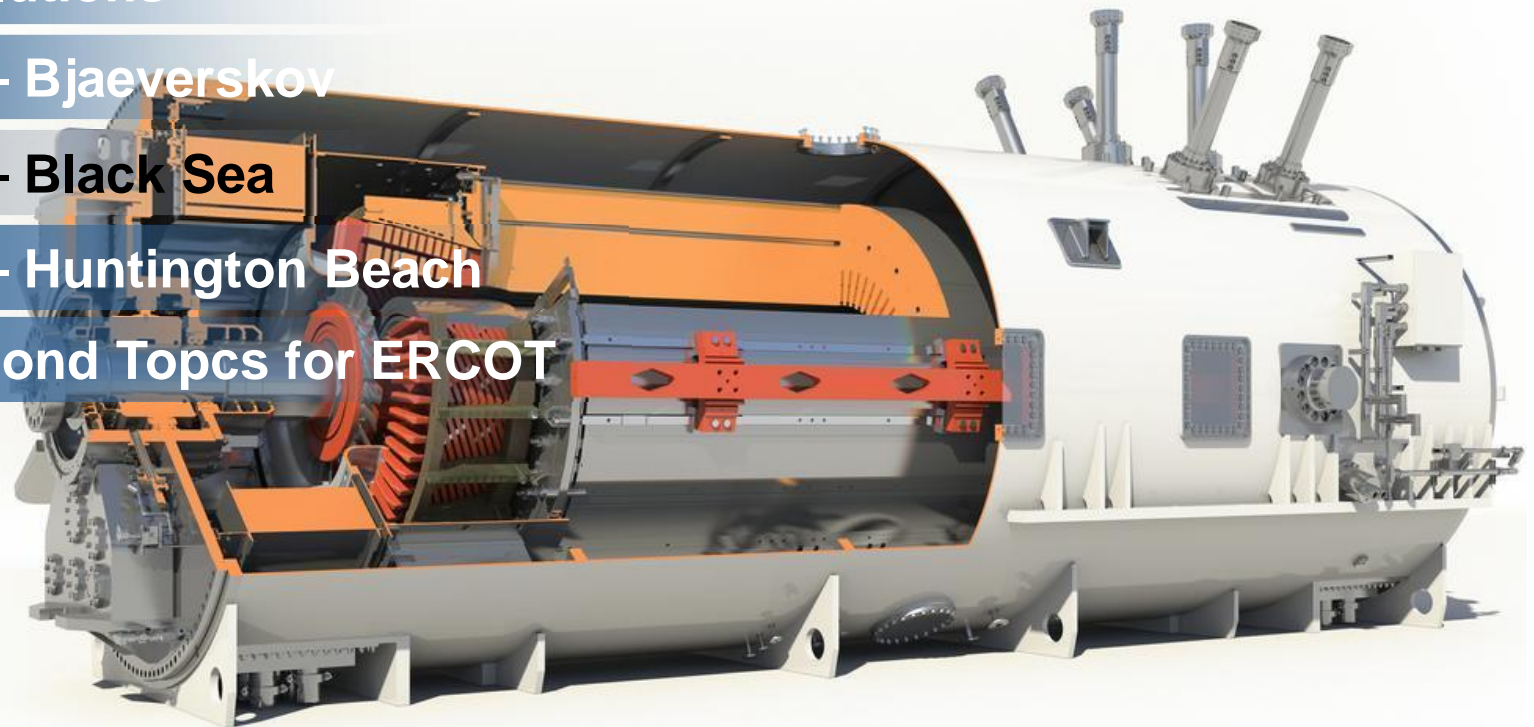
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Synchronous Condenser Solution References

Black Sea Transmission Network, Georgia



Black Sea Transmission network, Georgia

- Customer: Energotrans Ltd.
- Siemens Scope: Turnkey (HVDC)
- Number of SynCons: 2+1
- SynCon terminal voltage: 11 kV
- Power /Syncon, over / under excited: 60 / 39 MVar (@ PF=0)
- Short-Circuit Power (Sk): 300 MVA
- Impedence SynCon, unsaturated (X_d''): 0.12 pu
- Step-up Transformer: 60 MVA, 400 / 11 / 10 kV, OLTC



Specific Project Features

- SynCon cooling: Direct Air Cooled
- Excitation: Brushless
- Starting System: Frequency drive controlled Pony Motor
- Specials: Close operation with HVDC BtB system



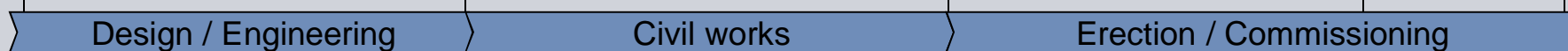
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PAC*
Dec'12



* PAC depends on power availability for HVDC Energy Sector

Black Sea Synchronous Condenser Building

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Black Sea Design

Main Terminal Box - Line Side – IPB's cast resin isolated

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Black Sea Generator Step Up Unit Transformers

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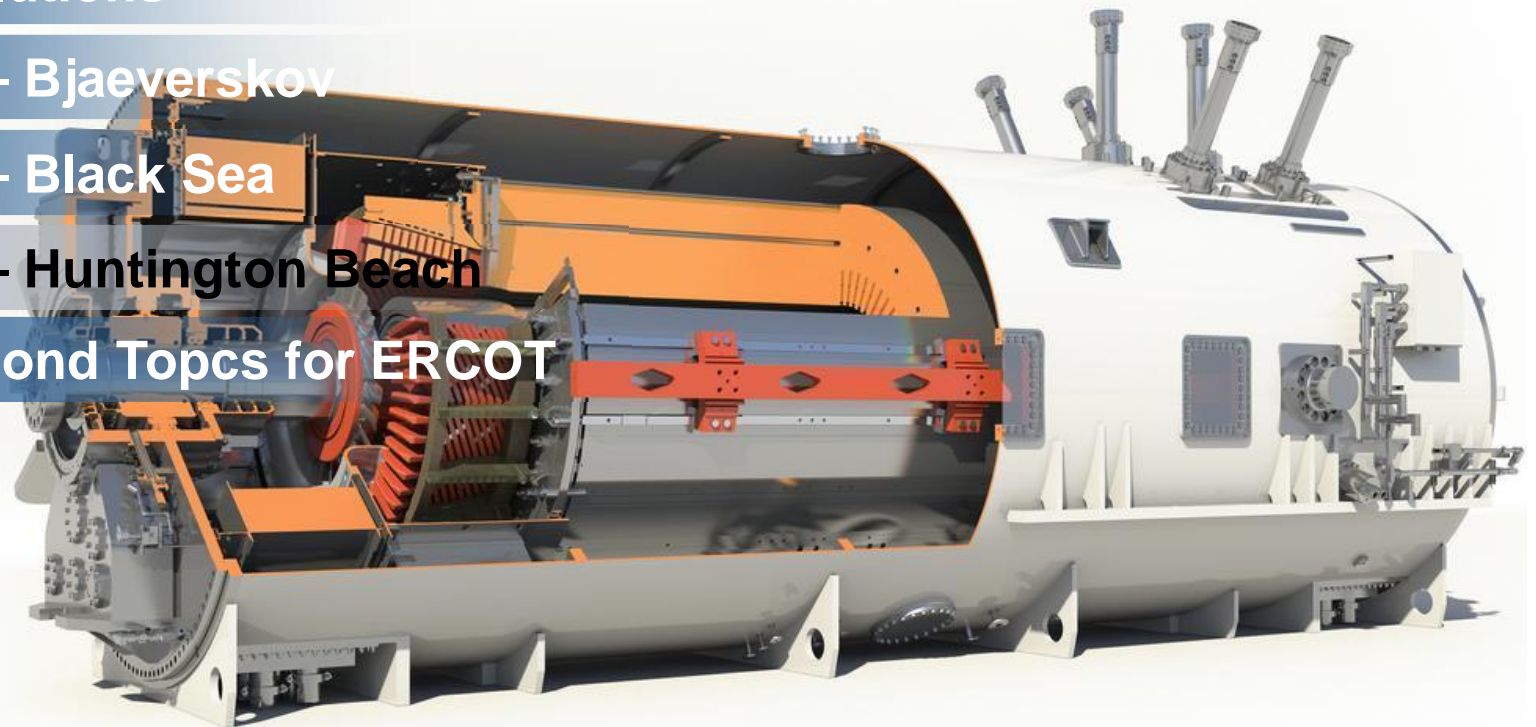
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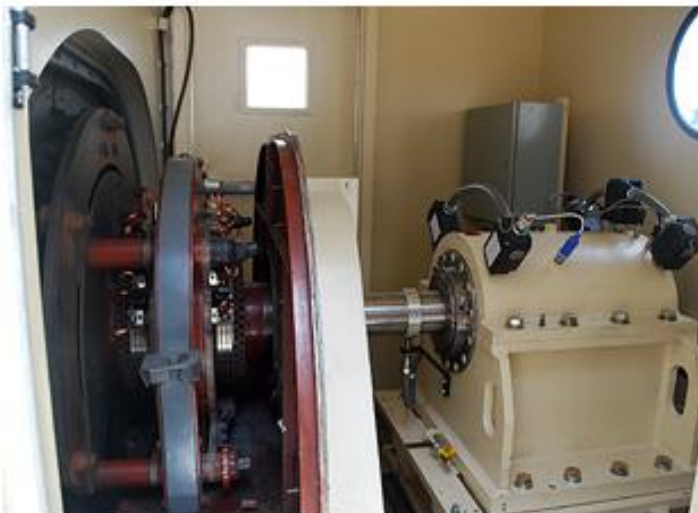
Huntington Beach, CA Synchronous Condenser Conversion

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Information for the press

Siemens Energy converts U.S. steam turbine generators to synchronous condensers



Siemens Energy converted the units 3 and 4 steam turbine generators at the Huntington Beach Generating Station, in California, USA, to synchronous condensers. Both natural gas-fired steam units at Huntington Beach are currently owned by AES, but had been retired since 1995. By converting the two generators to synchronous condensers, AES and Siemens made a significant contribution to ensuring grid stability in Southern California.

Siemens' scope of supply included the turnkey conversion of both cross-compound steam turbine generators to synchronous condensers. One of the steam turbine generators was originally supplied by the Westinghouse Electric Co., and the other from General Electric. Siemens supplied various solutions from the SPPA- E3000 electrical systems portfolio, and was responsible for integrating the acceleration system and the auxiliary systems into the power plant's existing control and protection systems.

Due to the shutdown and subsequent closure of the San Onofre nuclear power plant in Southern California, the Californian grid operator, CA ISO, faced the challenge of ensuring the supply of power to 400,000 homes in the region. The grid's stability was a critical point. The solution installed by Siemens uses "pony motors" and variable frequency drives to accelerate the generators to synchronous speed.

"By partnering with Siemens to develop and construct this important project, we supported much needed grid stability", said Weikko Wirta, AES Southland Operations and Maintenance Manager. "This was a major undertaking, but well worth the effort to help keep the lights on and air conditioners blowing without interruption – especially during heat waves."

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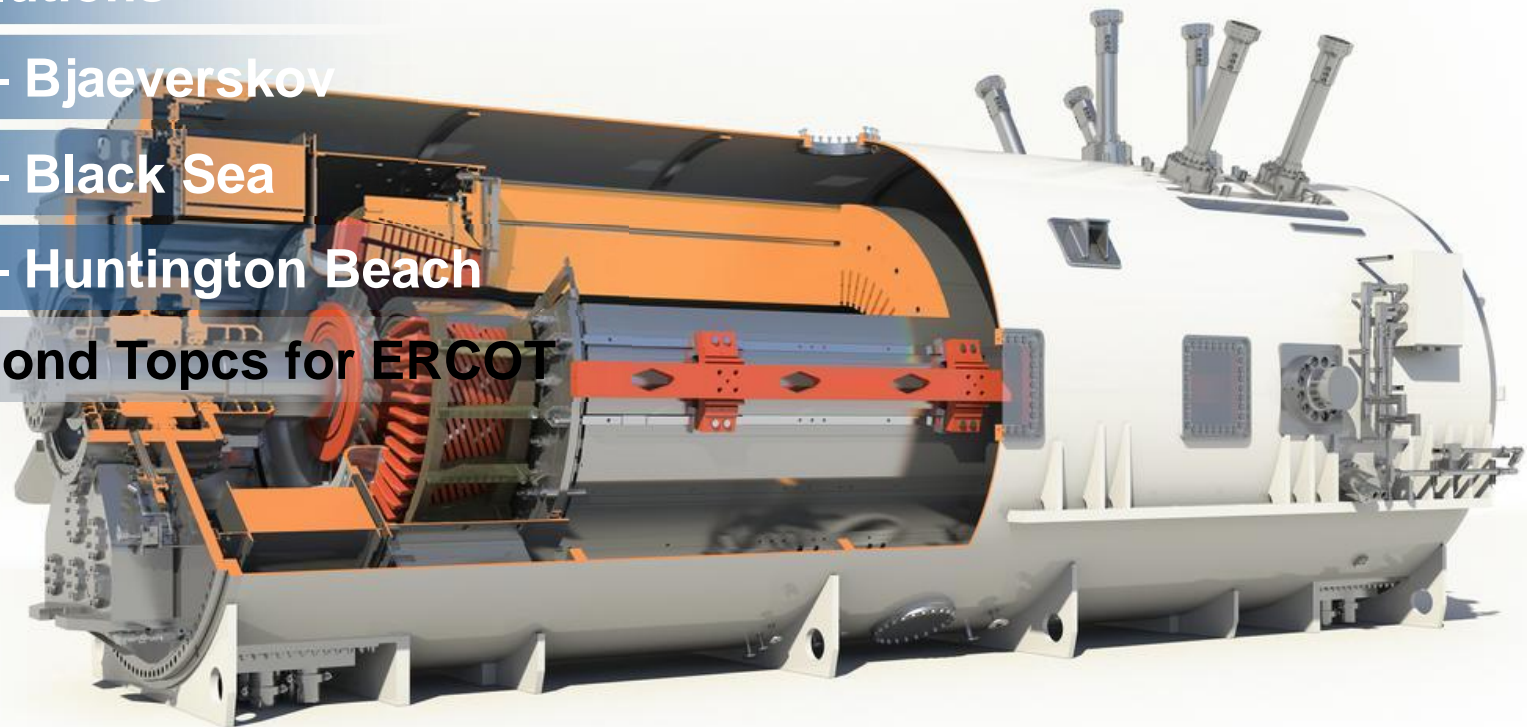
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Brownfield vs Greenfield Installations

	Pros	Cons (Relative)
<p>GREENFIELD</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lesser maintenance • Guaranteed performance • Guaranteed availability • Customized solution • Minimum O&M cost • High efficiency solution • State of the art technology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possible higher investment
<p>BROWNFIELD</p> <p>- Reuse of existing equipment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lower possible investment • Utilization of existing asset 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uncertain reliability • Less possible customization • Eventual lower efficiency • Uncertain maintenance costs • Limits in capabilities

Siemens offers both solutions from own portfolio based upon Customer's requirement

Remaining topics for ERCOT Stakeholder Meeting

- O&M – *see maintenance document*
- Reliability
- Losses

- *Any other topics ?*

An aerial photograph of a power substation. In the foreground, a large green transformer is connected to a metal lattice tower with insulators. To the right, a large, light-colored building with a cutaway section reveals internal green equipment, including a Siemens transformer. The substation is situated on a grassy slope overlooking a body of water. In the background, several wind turbines are visible on the water, and a city skyline is on the horizon under a clear sky.

Many Thanks for Your Attention

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