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Foreword

This document (CLC/TS 50549-2:2015) has been prepared by CLC/TC 8X "System aspects of electrical energy supply".

Attention is drawn to the possibility that some of the elements of this document may be the subject of patent rights. CENELEC [and/or CEN] shall not be held responsible for identifying any or all such patent rights.

This Technical Specification relates to both future European Network Codes and current technical market needs. Its purpose is to give detailed description of functions to be implemented in products.

This Technical Specification is also intended to serve as a technical reference for the definition of national requirements where European Network Codes requirements allow flexible implementation. The stated requirements are solely technical requirements; economic issues regarding, e.g. the bearing of cost are not in the scope of this document.

CLC/TC 8X plans future standardization work, in order to ensure the compatibility of this Technical Specification with the evolution of the legal framework.

1 Scope

The purpose of this Technical Specification is to provide technical guidance on the requirements for generating plants which can be operated in parallel with a distribution network.

For practical reasons, this Technical Specification refers to the distribution system operator in case settings have to be defined and/or provided, even when these settings are to be defined and/or provided by another actor according to national and European legal framework.

NOTE 1 This includes European network codes and their national implementation, as well as further national regulations.

NOTE 2 Further national requirements especially for the connection to the distribution network and the operation of the generating plant can apply.

The requirements of this Technical Specification apply to all generating plants, electrical machinery and electronic equipment, irrespective of the kind of primary energy source and irrespective of the presence of loads in the producer's network that meet all of the following conditions:

- converting any primary energy source into AC electricity;
- connected to a MV distribution network;
- intended to operate in parallel with this distribution network under normal network operating conditions.

NOTE 3 Generating plants connected to a LV distribution network fall into the scope of EN 50438 (up to 16 A) and CLC/TS 50549-1 (above 16 A).

Unless stated differently by the DSO, a generating plant with a maximum apparent power up to 100 kVA can, as alternative to the requirements of this Technical Specification, comply with CLC/TS 50549-1. A different threshold may be defined by the DSO.

This Technical Specification defines connection requirements.

This Technical Specification recognizes the existence of National Standards, Network Codes, and specific technical requirements of the DSOs. These should be complied with.

Excluded from the scope are:

- the selection and evaluation of the point of connection;
- power system impact assessment;
- connection assessment;
- island operation of generating plants, both intentional and unintentional, where no part of the distribution network is involved;
- active front ends of drives feeding energy back into the distribution network for short duration;
- requirements for the safety of personnel as they are already adequately covered by existing European Standards.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 60044-2, Instrument transformers — Part 2: Inductive voltage transformers (IEC 60044-2)

EN 60044-7, Instrument transformers — Part 7: Electronic voltage transformers (IEC 60044-7)



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