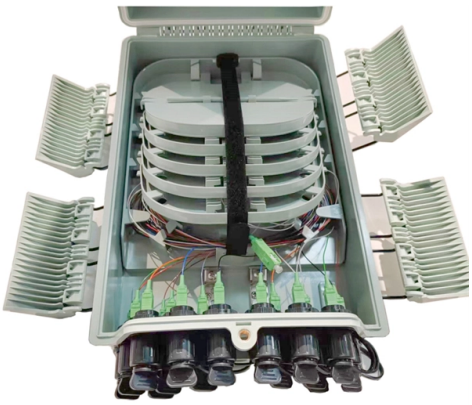
Voltage meter of primary distribution box



Overview

This document provides standards for electric primary metering for customers receiving voltages between 2.4kV and 24.9kV.

Key Takeaways

A voltage meter in a primary distribution box measures the high-voltage supply using voltage transformers (VTs) to safely step down the voltage for monitoring and billing purposes.

Overview

Primary distribution boxes, also called primary metering units, are used in medium-voltage systems (typically 5–34. 5 kV) to monitor voltage and current before stepping down power for customers or industrial loads. These units are essential for accurate billing, system monitoring, and protection.

Components

Voltage Transformers (VTs): Step down high primary voltage to a safe, measurable level for meters and relays. Each phase has its own VT, often mounted on an aluminum frame inside a NEMA 3R enclosure. Current Transformers (CTs): Reduce high current to a measurable level for metering and protection devices.

Metering Cabinet: Houses the VTs, CTs, and wiring. Cabinets can be factory-assembled with VT disconnect switches for safety and easy maintenance. Terminal Strip: Secondary wiring from CTs and VTs is terminated on a screw-type terminal strip inside the enclosure.

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Installation and Safety

Pole or Pad Mounting: Primary metering units are often pole-mounted using pre-punched aluminum brackets or installed in metal-enclosed cabinets. Secondary Wiring: Typically uses 10 AWG THHN/THWN wire in liquid-tight armored conduit to ensure safety and durability. Disconnect Switches: VT disconnect switches allow safe isolation of the voltage meter during maintenance, visible through viewing windows.

Function

The voltage meter reads the stepped-down voltage from the VT, providing accurate measurements for: Billing: Ensures customers are charged correctly for primary voltage service. Monitoring: Detects voltage fluctuations and system performance. Protection: Works with relays and protective devices to prevent faults and overloads.

Summary

A voltage meter in a primary distribution box relies on voltage transformers to safely measure high-voltage lines, integrated with CTs and housed in a secure enclosure. Proper installation, including disconnect switches and armored wiring, ensures accuracy, safety, and compliance with industry standards.

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There are several configurations of test switches – voltages on the left, voltage return on the far right, currents in between; OR voltages and currents alternating, etc.

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Application Primary metering units are designed for three-phase primary metering applications. They consist of current transformers (CTs) and voltage transformers (VTs) mounted on an aluminum frame

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For Primary voltage service level, this means that the utility meter is metering at a little above 9,000 volts and prior to the electricity being stepped

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