

SECTION 23 0514 - VARIABLE-FREQUENCY DRIVES (VFD's)

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS

- A. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Specification Book Division 01 Specification Sections, apply to this Section.

1.2 SUMMARY

- A. Section includes separately enclosed, pre-assembled, combination VFDs, rated 600 V and less, for speed control of three-phase, squirrel-cage induction motors.
- B. Harmonic analysis.

1.3 DEFINITIONS

- A. AO - Analog Output.
- B. BAS: Building automation system.
- C. BI - Binary Input.
- D. BO - Binary Output.
- E. CE: Conformance Europeene (European Compliance).
- F. CPT: Control power transformer.
- G. EMI: Electromagnetic interference.
- H. EMS - Energy Management System.
- I. IGBT: Insulated-gate bipolar transistor.
- J. LAN: Local area network.
- K. LED: Light-emitting diode.
- L. Local: Within 50 miles of job.
- M. MCP: Motor-circuit protector.
- N. NC: Normally closed.
- O. NO: Normally open.

- P. OCPD: Overcurrent protective device.
- Q. PCC: Point of common coupling.
- R. PID: Control action, proportional plus integral plus derivative.
- S. PWM: Pulse-width modulated.
- T. RFI: Radio-frequency interference.
- U. TDD: Total demand (harmonic current) distortion.
- V. THD(V): Total harmonic voltage demand.
- W. VFD: Variable-frequency motor controller.

#### 1.4 ACTION SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: For each type and rating of VFD indicated. Include features, options, performance, electrical ratings, operating characteristics, shipping and operating weights, and furnished specialties and accessories.

#### 1.5 INFORMATIONAL SUBMITTALS

- A. Shop Drawings: For each VFD indicated. Include dimensioned plans, elevations, and sections; and conduit entry locations and sizes, mounting arrangements, and details, including required clearances and service space around equipment.
  - 1. Show tabulations of installed devices, equipment features, and ratings. Include the following:
    - a. Each installed unit's type and details.
    - b. Factory-installed devices.
    - c. Enclosure types and details.
    - d. Nameplate legends.
    - e. Short-circuit current (withstand) rating of enclosed unit.
    - f. Features, characteristics, ratings, and factory settings of each VFD and installed devices.
    - g. Specified modifications.
    - h. Outline dimensions, conduit entry locations and weight.
    - i. Customer connection and power wiring diagrams.
    - j. Complete technical product description include a complete list of options provided. Any portions of this specification not met must be clearly indicated or the supplier and contractor shall be liable to provide all additional components required to meet this specification.
  - 2. Schematic and Connection Wiring Diagrams: For power, signal, and control wiring.
- B. Coordination Drawings: Floor plans, drawn to scale, showing dimensioned layout, required working clearances, and required area above and around VFDs. Show VFD layout and relationships between electrical components and adjacent structural and mechanical elements. Show support locations, type of support, and weight on each support. Indicate field measurements.

- C. Qualification Data: For qualified testing agency.
- D. Product Certificates: For each VFD, from manufacturer.
- E. Source quality-control reports.
- F. Field quality-control reports.
- G. Results of harmonic analysis.
- H. Load-Current and Overload-Relay Heater List: Compile after motors have been installed, and arrange to demonstrate that selection of heaters suits actual motor nameplate, full-load currents.
- I. Load-Current and List of Settings of Adjustable Overload Relays: Compile after motors have been installed and arrange to demonstrate that switch settings for motor-running overload protection suit actual motors to be protected.

#### 1.6 CLOSEOUT SUBMITTALS

- A. Operation and Maintenance Data: For VFDs to include in emergency, operation, and maintenance manuals. In addition to items specified in **Section 01 7000 "Execution and Closeout Requirements,"** include the following:
  - 1. Manufacturer's written instructions for testing and adjusting thermal-magnetic circuit breaker and MCP trip settings.
  - 2. Manufacturer's written instructions for setting field-adjustable overload relays.
  - 3. Manufacturer's written instructions for testing, adjusting, and reprogramming microprocessor control modules.
  - 4. Manufacturer's written instructions for setting field-adjustable timers, controls, and status and alarm points.
- B. Northwestern University Maintenance Requirement Forms, see Division 01.

#### 1.7 MAINTENANCE MATERIAL SUBMITTALS

- A. Furnish extra materials described below that match products installed and that are packaged with protective covering for storage and identified with labels describing contents.
  - 1. Power Fuses: Equal to 10 percent of quantity installed for each size and type, but no fewer than three of each size and type.
  - 2. Control Power Fuses: Equal to 10 percent of quantity installed for each size and type, but no fewer than two of each size and type.
  - 3. Indicating Lights: Two of each type and color installed.
  - 4. Auxiliary Contacts: Furnish one spare(s) for each size and type of magnetic controller installed.
  - 5. Power Contacts: Furnish three spares for each size and type of magnetic contactor installed.

1.8 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Factory Testing: Each drive, and all features of same, shall be factory tested under motor or other similar torque load that simulates the project duty.
- B. Testing Agency Qualifications: Member company of NETA or an NRTL.
  - 1. Testing Agency's Field Supervisor: Currently certified by NETA to supervise on-site testing.
- C. Electrical Components, Devices, and Accessories: Listed and labeled as defined in NFPA 70, by a qualified testing agency, and marked for intended location and application.
- D. Comply with NFPA 70.
- E. IEC rated components are not acceptable.
- F. Referenced Standards and Guidelines:
  - 1. Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE)
    - a. IEEE 519-1992, Guide for Harmonic Content and Control.
  - 2. Underwriters Laboratories (as appropriate)
    - a. UL508
    - b. UL508A
    - c. UL508C
  - 3. National Electrical Manufacturer's Association (NEMA)
    - a. ICS 7.0, AC Adjustable Speed Drives
  - 4. International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)
    - a. EN/IEC 61800-3
  - 5. National Electric Code (NEC)
    - a. NEC 430.120, Adjustable-Speed Drive Systems
- G. Harmonic Analysis: The VFD manufacturer shall perform a harmonic analysis at no cost to the University. The maximum allowable Total Harmonic Distortion (THD) imparted to the facility electrical system shall be 5% for current and voltage per IEEE-519. The University "may" be able to provide certain assistance/information for this analysis, but verify during bidding. The project provided VFD's shall be outfitted to limit the THD to the final, coordinated, harmonic analysis results.
- H. IEEE Analysis: The VFD supplier shall, with the aid of the Owner's detailed electrical power single line diagram showing all impedances in the power path to the VFD's, perform an analysis to initially demonstrate that the supplied drives will meet the IEEE recommendations after installation. If, as a result of the analysis, it is determined that additional filtering, isolation, or reactor equipment is required to meet IEEE recommendations, then the cost of such equipment shall be included in the drive supplier's quotation.

I. Qualifications:

1. VFDs and options shall be UL508 listed as a complete assembly. The base VFD shall be UL listed for 100 kA SCCR without the need for input fuses. Base VFDs with red label UL stickers requiring additional branch circuit protection are not acceptable.
2. CE Mark – The base VFD shall conform to the European Union Electromagnetic Compatibility directive, a requirement for CE marking. The VFD shall meet product standard EN 61800-3 for the First Environment restricted level (Category C2). Base drives that only meet the Second Environment (Category C3, C4) shall be supplied with external filters to bring the drive in compliance with the First Environment levels.

J. Comply with FM Global requirements for VFD's

1.9 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

- A. Store in space that is permanently enclosed and air conditioned.

1.10 PROJECT CONDITIONS

- A. Environmental Limitations: Rate equipment for continuous operation, capable of driving full load without derating, under the following conditions unless otherwise indicated:

1. Ambient Temperature: Not less than 14 deg F (minus 10 deg C) and not exceeding 104 deg F (40 deg C).
2. Ambient Storage Temperature: Not less than minus 4 deg F (minus 20 deg C) and not exceeding 140 deg F (60 deg C)
3. Humidity: Less than 95 percent (noncondensing).
4. Altitude: Not exceeding 3300 feet (1005 m).

- B. Interruption of Existing Electrical Systems: Do not interrupt electrical systems in facilities occupied by the University or others unless permitted under the following conditions and then only after arranging to provide temporary electrical service according to requirements indicated:

1. Notify the University no fewer than seven days in advance of proposed interruption of electrical systems.
2. Indicate method of providing temporary electrical service.
3. Do not proceed with interruption of electrical systems without the University's written permission.
4. Comply with NFPA 70E.

- C. Product Selection for Restricted Space: Drawings indicate maximum dimensions for VFDs, including clearances between VFDs, and adjacent surfaces and other items.

1.11 COORDINATION

- A. Coordinate features of motors, load characteristics, installed units, and accessory devices to be compatible with the following:

1. Torque, speed, and horsepower requirements of the load.
2. Ratings and characteristics of supply circuit and required control sequence.
3. Ambient and environmental conditions of installation location.

- B. Coordinate sizes and locations of concrete bases with actual equipment provided. Cast anchor-bolt inserts into bases.
- C. Coordinate sizes and locations of roof curbs, equipment supports, and roof penetrations with actual equipment provided.
- D. Verify during bidding, and again prior to construction, the required communication protocol required for the drives and provide the required drive electronics for proper communication with other devices/systems on the job.

#### 1.12 WARRANTY

- A. Special Warranty: Manufacturer's standard form in which manufacturer agrees to repair or replace VFDs that fail in materials or workmanship within specified warranty period.
  - 1. Warranty Period: Five years from date of turnover to the University.

### PART 2 - PRODUCTS

#### 2.1 MANUFACTURED UNITS

- A. Manufacturers: Subject to compliance with requirements, provide products by one of the following:
  - 1. ABB (Basis of Design and Highly Preferred).
  - 2. Danfoss or Toshiba (if approved in writing as an acceptable alternate by the Electrical Shop).

#### 2.2 VARIABLE FREQUENCY DRIVES

- A. The VFD's to be purchased by local contractor from a local representative, factory authorized for start-up and service.
- B. The VFD package as specified herein shall be enclosed in a UL Listed Type enclosure, exceeding NEMA enclosure design criteria (enclosures with only NEMA ratings are not acceptable), completely assembled and tested by the manufacturer in an ISO 9001 facility. Enclosure shall be determined by the environment where the VFD's are being installed.
- C. The VFD's shall be minimum 12 pulse inverter types, providing full rated output from a line of  $\pm 10\%$  of nominal voltage. The VFD shall continue to operate without faulting from a line of  $+30\%$  to  $-35\%$  of nominal voltage.
  - 1. VFDs shall be capable of continuous full load operation under the following environmental operating conditions:
    - a.  $-15$  to  $40^{\circ}$  C ( $5$  to  $104^{\circ}$  F) ambient temperature. Operation to  $50^{\circ}$  C shall be allowed with a 10% reduction from VFD full load current.
    - b. Altitude 0 to 3300 feet above sea level Operation to 6600 shall be allowed with a 10% reduction from VFD full load current.
    - c. Humidity less than 95%, non-condensing.

- d. Enclosure shall have a UL Type rating and shall be UL listed and available as a plenum rated VFD. VFDs without these ratings are not acceptable. Non UL Type enclosures (e.g. self-certified NEMA enclosures) are not acceptable.

D. All VFDs shall have the following features:

1. Main input circuit breakers with cover mounted handles.
2. Input Signal: 4 - 20 mA, (AO).
3. Output for a 4-20 mA feedback to EMS (AI) via communications link.
4. System enable terminal from EMS (BO) and system status contacts for EMS (BI).
5. Malfunction alarm contact for EMS (BI).
6. Digital current meter mounted on the door.
7. Overload relay.
8. DC link reactor and IGBT technology.
9. Minimum carrier frequency of 8kHz.
10. High motor winding temperatures shall shut down the driven device and alarm same.
11. Isolation transformer (if required per harmonics analysis).
12. 110% continuous current capability, and 120% overload capacity for 60 seconds minimum.
13. All circuit boards shall be coated. Drives that contain circuit boards that are not coated are not acceptable.
14. All VFDs shall have the same customer interface, including digital display, and keypad, regardless of horsepower rating. The keypad shall be removable, capable of remote mounting and allow for uploading and downloading of parameter settings as an aid for start-up of multiple VFDs. Complete set-up of drives shall be able to be accomplished through the keypad and display, and all drive points to be similarly accessible.
15. The keypad shall include Hand-Off-Auto selections and manual speed control. The drive shall incorporate "bumpless transfer" of speed reference when switching between "Hand" and "Auto" modes. There shall be fault reset and "Help" buttons on the keypad. The Help button shall include "on-line" assistance for programming and troubleshooting.
16. There shall be a built-in time clock in the VFD keypad. The clock shall have a battery backup with 10 years minimum life span. The clock shall be used to date and time stamp faults and record operating parameters at the time of fault. VFD programming shall be held in non-volatile memory and is not dependent on battery power
17. The VFD's shall utilize pre-programmed application macros specifically designed to facilitate start-up. The Application Macros shall provide one command to reprogram all parameters and customer interfaces for a particular application to reduce programming time. The VFD shall have two user macros to allow the end-user to create and save custom settings.
18. The VFD shall have cooling fans that are designed for easy replacement. The fans shall be designed for replacement without requiring removing the VFD from the wall or removal of circuit boards. The VFD cooling fans shall operate only when required, based on the temperature of and run command to the drive. VFD protection shall be based on thermal sensing and not cooling fan operation.
19. The VFD shall be capable of starting into a coasting load (forward or reverse) up to full speed and accelerate or decelerate to set point without tripping or component damage (flying start).
20. The VFD shall have the ability to automatically restart after an over-current, over-voltage, under-voltage, or loss of input signal protective trip. The number of restart attempts, trial time, and time between attempts shall be programmable.
21. The overload rating of the drive shall be 110% of its normal duty current rating for 1 minute every 10 minutes, 130% overload for 2 seconds every minute. The minimum FLA rating shall meet or exceed the values in the NEC/UL table 430.250 for 4-pole motors.

22. The input current rating of the VFD shall not be greater than the output current rating. VFD's with higher input current ratings require the upstream wiring, protection devices, and source transformers to be oversized per NEC 430.122. Input and output current ratings must be shown on the VFD nameplate.
23. The VFD shall include a coordinated AC transient surge protection system consisting of 4 MOVs (phase to phase and phase to ground), a capacitor clamp, 1600 PIV Diode Bridge and internal chokes. VFDs that do not include coordinated AC transient surge protection shall include an external TVSS (Transient Voltage Surge Suppressor).
24. The VFD shall provide a programmable loss-of-load (broken belt / broken coupling) Form-C relay output. The drive shall be programmable to signal the loss-of-load condition via a keypad warning, Form-C relay output, and / or over the serial communications bus. The loss-of-load condition sensing algorithm shall include a programmable time delay that will allow for motor acceleration from zero speed without signaling a false loss-of-load condition.
25. The VFD shall include multiple "two zone" PID algorithms that allow the VFD to maintain PID control from two separate feedback signals (4-20mA, 0-10V, and / or serial communications). The two zone control PID algorithm will control motor speed based on a minimum, maximum, or average of the two feedback signals. All of the VFD PID controllers shall include the ability for "two zone" control.
26. If the input reference is lost, the VFD shall give the user the option of either (1) stopping and displaying a fault, (2) running at a programmable preset speed, (3) hold the VFD speed based on the last good reference received, or (4) cause a warning to be issued, as selected by the user. The drive shall be programmable to signal this condition via a keypad warning, Form-C relay output and / or over the serial communication bus.
27. The VFD shall have programmable "Sleep" and "Wake up" functions to allow the drive to be started and stopped from the level of a process feedback signal.
28. All VFD faults shall be time stamped in a VFD fault log to aid troubleshooting. The faults to display in plain language.

E. All VFDs to have the following adjustments:

1. Three (3) programmable critical frequency lockout ranges to prevent the VFD from operating the load continuously at an unstable speed. The lockout range must be fully adjustable, from 0 to full speed.
2. Two (2) PID Set point controllers shall be standard in the drive, allowing pressure or flow signals to be connected to the VFD, using the microprocessor in the VFD for the closed-loop control. The VFD shall have 250 ma of 24 VDC auxiliary power and be capable of loop powering a transmitter supplied by others. The PID set point shall be adjustable from the VFD keypad, analog inputs, or over the communications bus. There shall be two independent parameter sets for the PID controller and the capability to switch between the parameter sets via a digital input, serial communications or from the keypad. The independent parameter sets are typically used for night setback, switching between summer and winter set points, etc.
3. There shall be an independent, second PID loop that can utilize the second analog input and modulate one of the analog outputs to maintain the set point of an independent process (i.e. valves, dampers, etc.). All set points, process variables, etc. to be accessible from the serial communication network.
4. Two (2) programmable analog inputs shall accept current or voltage signals.
5. Two (2) programmable analog outputs (0-20ma or 4-20 ma). The outputs may be programmed to output proportional to Frequency, Motor Speed, Output Voltage, Output Current, Motor Torque, Motor Power (kW), DC Bus voltage, Active Reference, Active Feedback, and other data. Drives that have only one (1) analog output must provide an option card that provides additional analog outputs.



6. Six (6) programmable digital inputs for maximum flexibility in interfacing with external devices. All digital inputs shall be programmable to initiate upon an application or removal of 24VDC or 24VAC.
  7. Three (3) programmable, digital Form-C relay outputs. The relay outputs shall include programmable on and off delay times and adjustable hysteresis. The relays shall be rated for maximum switching current 8 amps at 24 VDC and 0.4 A at 250 VAC; Maximum voltage 300 VDC and 250 VAC; continuous current rating of 2 amps RMS. Outputs shall be true Form-C type contacts; open collector outputs are not acceptable. Drives that have only two (2) relay outputs must provide an option card that provides additional relay outputs.
  8. Run Permissive Circuit - There shall be a run permissive circuit for damper or valve control. Regardless of the source of a run command (keypad, input contact closure, time-clock control, or serial communications), the VFD shall provide a dry contact closure that will signal the damper to open (VFD motor does not operate). When the damper is fully open, a normally open dry contact (end-switch) shall close. The closed end-switch is wired to a VFD digital input and allows VFD motor operation. Two separate safety interlock inputs shall be provided. When either safety is opened, the motor shall be commanded to coast to stop and the damper shall be commanded to close. The keypad shall display "start enable 1 (or 2) missing". The safety input status shall also be transmitted over the serial communications bus.
  9. The VFD control shall include a programmable time delay for VFD start and a keypad indication that this time delay is active. A Form C relay output provides a contact closure to signal the VAV boxes open. This will allow VAV boxes to be driven open before the motor operates. The time delay shall be field programmable from 0 – 120 seconds. Start delay shall be active regardless of the start command source (keypad command, input contact closure, time-clock control, or serial communications), and when switching from drive to bypass.
  10. Seven (7) programmable preset speeds.
  11. Two independently adjustable accel and decel ramps with 1 – 1800 seconds adjustable time ramps.
  12. The VFD shall include a motor flux optimization circuit that will automatically reduce applied motor voltage to the motor to optimize energy consumption and reduce audible motor noise. The VFD shall have selectable software for optimization of motor noise, energy consumption, and motor speed control.
  13. The VFD shall include a carrier frequency control circuit that reduces the carrier frequency based on actual VFD temperature that allows higher carrier frequency settings without derating the VFD.
  14. The VFD shall include password protection against parameter changes.
- F. The Keypad shall include a backlit LCD display. The display shall be in complete English words for programming and fault diagnostics (alpha-numeric codes are not acceptable). All VFD faults shall be displayed in English words. The keypad shall include a minimum of 14 assistants including:
1. Start-up assistant
  2. Parameter assistants
    - a. PID assistant
    - b. Reference assistant
    - c. I/O assistant
    - d. Serial communications assistant
    - e. Option module assistant
    - f. Panel display assistant
    - g. Low noise set-up assistant

3. Maintenance assistant
  4. Troubleshooting assistant
  5. Drive optimizer assistants
- G. All applicable operating values shall be capable of being displayed in engineering (user) units. A minimum of three operating values from the list below shall be capable of being displayed at all times. The display shall be in complete English words (alpha-numeric codes are not acceptable):
1. Output Frequency
  2. Motor Speed (RPM, %, or Engineering units)
  3. Motor Current
  4. Motor Torque
  5. Motor Power (kW)
  6. DC Bus Voltage
  7. Output Voltage
- H. The VFD shall include a fireman's override input. Upon receipt of a contact closure from the fire / smoke control station, the VFD shall operate in one of two modes: 1) Operate at a programmed predetermined fixed speed ranging from -500Hz (reverse) to 500Hz (forward). 2) Operate in a specific fireman's override PID algorithm that automatically adjusts motor speed based on override set point and feedback. The mode shall override all other inputs (analog/digital, serial communication, and all keypad commands), except customer defined safety run interlocks, and force the motor to run in one of the two modes above. "FIREMODE" shall be displayed on the keypad. Upon removal of the override signal, the VFD shall resume normal operation, without the need to cycle the normal digital input run command.
- I. Serial Communications
1. The VFD shall have an EIA-485 port as standard. The standard protocols shall be Modbus, Johnson Controls N2, Siemens Building Technologies FLN, and BACnet. Optional protocols for LonWorks, Profibus, EtherNet, BACnet IP, and DeviceNet shall be available, and be provided as required for the project. Each individual drive shall have the protocol in the base VFD. The use of third party gateways and multiplexers is not acceptable. All protocols shall be "certified" by the governing authority (i.e. BTL Listing for BACnet). Use of non-certified protocols is not allowed.
  2. The BACnet connection shall be an EIA-485, MS/TP interface operating at 9.6, 19.2, 38.4, or 76.8 Kbps. The connection shall be tested by the BACnet Testing Labs (BTL) and be BTL Listed. The BACnet interface shall conform to the BACnet standard device type of an Applications Specific Controller (B-ASC). The interface shall support all BIBBs defined by the BACnet standard profile for a B-ASC including, but not limited to:
    - a. Data Sharing – Read Property – B.
    - b. Data Sharing – Write Property – B.
    - c. Device Management – Dynamic Device Binding (Who-Is; I-Am).
    - d. Device Management – Dynamic Object Binding (Who-Has; I-Have).
    - e. Device Management – Communication Control – B.
  3. If additional hardware is required to obtain the BACnet interface, the VFD manufacturer shall supply one BACnet gateway per drive. Multiple VFDs sharing one gateway shall not be acceptable.
  4. Serial communication capabilities shall include, but not be limited to; run-stop controls, speed set adjustment, and lock and unlock the keypad. The drive shall have the capability of allowing the BAS to monitor feedback such as process variable feedback,

- output speed / frequency, current (in amps), % torque, power (kW), kilowatt hours (resettable), operating hours (resettable), and drive temperature. The BAS shall also be capable of monitoring the VFD relay output status, digital input status, and all analog input and analog output values. All diagnostic warning and fault information shall be transmitted over the serial communications bus. Remote VFD fault reset shall be possible.
5. Serial communication in bypass (if bypass is specified) shall include, but not be limited to; bypass run-stop control, the ability to force the unit to bypass, and the ability to lock and unlock the keypad. The bypass shall have the capability of allowing the BAS to monitor feedback such as, current (in amps), kilowatt hours (resettable), operating hours (resettable), and bypass logic board temperature. The BAS shall also be capable of monitoring the bypass relay output status, and all digital input status. All bypass diagnostic warning and fault information shall be transmitted over the serial communications bus. Remote bypass fault reset shall be possible.
  6. The VFD / bypass shall allow the BAS to control the drive and bypass digital and analog outputs via the serial interface. This control shall be independent of any VFD function. The analog outputs may be used for modulating chilled water valves or cooling tower bypass valves, if applicable. The drive and bypass' digital (Form-C relay) outputs may be used to actuate a damper, open a valve or control any other device that requires a maintained contact for operation. In addition, all of the drive and bypass' digital inputs shall be capable of being monitored by the BAS system. This allows for remote monitoring of which (of up to 4) safeties are open.
  7. The VFD shall include an independent PID loop for customer use. The independent PID loop may be used for cooling tower bypass value control, chilled water value / hot water valve control, etc. Both the VFD PID control loop and the independent PID control loop shall continue functioning even if the serial communications connection is lost. As default, the VFD shall keep the last good set point command and last good DO & AO commands in memory in the event the serial communications connection is lost and continue controlling the process.
- J. EMI / RFI filters. All VFD's shall include EMI/RFI filters. The onboard filters shall allow the VFD assembly to be CE Marked and the VFD shall meet product standard EN 61800-3 for the First Environment restricted level (Category C2) with up to 100 feet of motor cable. Second environment (Category C3, C4) is not acceptable, no Exceptions. Certified test reports shall be provided with the submittals confirming compliance to EN 61800-3, First Environment (C2).
- K. DRIVE OPTIONS – Options shall be furnished and mounted by the drive manufacturer as defined by the VFD schedule. All optional features shall be UL Listed by the drive manufacturer as a complete assembly and carry a UL508 label.
1. Fieldbus adapters – The following optional fieldbus adapters shall be available as a plug in modules, and provided as required for the project.
    - a. LonWorks
    - b. DeviceNet
    - c. Ethernet IP
      - 1) ControlNet over Ethernet & ModBus TCP
    - d. BACnet IP
    - e. Profibus
- L. BYPASSES AND/OR REDUNDANT (Drives with primary and backup drives in same enclosure)  
DRIVES

1. ***[Based on duty (critical, non-critical, supply, return, exhaust, or other air, pumps, involved with smoke control or not, etc.), the design AE must select and fully specify here, either no bypass required, mechanical ATL bypass, redundant drives, or electronic (Smart) bypasses. Electronic bypasses are generally preferred by the University but may not be the right choice for all applications. Coordinate with the University and the Electrical Shop when final specifying.]***

### PART 3 - EXECUTION

#### 3.1 EXAMINATION

- A. Examine areas, surfaces, and substrates to receive VFDs, with Installer present, for compliance with requirements for installation tolerances, and other conditions affecting performance.
- B. Examine VFD before installation. Reject VFDs that are wet, moisture damaged, or mold damaged.
- C. Examine roughing-in for conduit systems to verify actual locations of conduit connections before VFD installation.
- D. Proceed with installation only after unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.

#### 3.2 INSTALLATION

- A. Coordinate layout and installation of VFDs with other construction including conduit, piping, equipment, and adjacent surfaces. Maintain required workspace clearances and required clearances for equipment access doors and panels.
- B. Wall-Mounting Controllers:** Install VFDs on walls with tops at uniform height and with disconnect operating handles not higher than 79 inches above finished floor unless otherwise indicated, and by mounting units on lightweight structural-steel channels bolted to wall. For controllers not on walls, provide freestanding racks complying with **Section 26 0529 "Hangers and Supports for Electrical Systems."**
- C. **Floor-Mounting Controllers:** Install VFDs on 4-inch nominal thickness concrete base. Comply with requirements for concrete base specified in
  1. Install dowel rods to connect concrete base to concrete floor. Unless otherwise indicated, install dowel rods on 18-inch centers around the full perimeter of concrete base.
  2. For supported equipment, install epoxy-coated anchor bolts that extend through concrete base and anchor into structural concrete floor.
  3. Place and secure anchorage devices. Use setting drawings, templates, diagrams, instructions, and directions furnished with items to be embedded.
  4. Install anchor bolts to elevations required for proper attachment to supported equipment.
- D. **Temporary Lifting Provisions:** Remove temporary lifting eyes, channels, and brackets and temporary blocking of moving parts from enclosures and components.
- E. Install fuses in each fusible-switch VFD.

- F. Install fuses in control circuits if not factory installed. Comply with requirements in **Section 26 2813 "Fuses."**
- G. Install heaters in thermal-overload relays. Select heaters based on actual nameplate full-load amperes after motors have been installed.
- H. Install, connect, and fuse thermal-protector monitoring relays furnished with motor-driven equipment.
- I. Comply with NECA 1.
- J. Drives to be located in a normal University area of work.

### 3.3 IDENTIFICATION

- A. Identify VFDs, components, and control wiring. Comply with requirements for identification specified in **Section 26 0553 "Identification for Electrical Systems."**
  - 1. Identify field-installed conductors, interconnecting wiring, and components; provide warning signs.
  - 2. Label each VFD with engraved nameplate.
  - 3. Label each enclosure-mounted control and pilot device.
- B. Operating Instructions: Frame printed operating instructions for VFDs, including control sequences and emergency procedures. Fabricate frame of finished metal, and cover instructions with clear acrylic plastic. Mount on front of VFD units.

### 3.4 CONTROL WIRING INSTALLATION

- A. Install wiring between VFDs and remote devices and facility's central-control system. Comply with requirements in **Section 26 0523 "Control-Voltage Electrical Power Cables."**
- B. Bundle, train, and support wiring in enclosures.
- C. Connect selector switches and other automatic control devices where applicable.
  - 1. Connect selector switches with control circuit in both manual and automatic positions for safety-type control devices such as low- and high-pressure cutouts, high-temperature cutouts, and motor overload protectors.

### 3.5 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

- A. Testing Agency: The University will engage a qualified testing agency to perform tests and inspections.
- B. Manufacturer's Field Service: Engage a factory-authorized service representative to inspect, test, and adjust components, assemblies, and equipment installations, including connections.
- C. Perform tests and inspections.

1. Manufacturer's Field Service: Engage a factory-authorized service representative to inspect components, assemblies, and equipment installations, including connections, and to assist in testing.

D. Acceptance Testing Preparation:

1. Test insulation resistance for each VFD element, bus, component, connecting supply, feeder, and control circuit.
2. Test continuity of each circuit.

E. Tests and Inspections:

1. Inspect VFD, wiring, components, connections, and equipment installation. Test and adjust controllers, components, and equipment.
2. Test insulation resistance for each VFD element, component, connecting motor supply, feeder, and control circuits.
3. Test continuity of each circuit.
4. Verify that voltages at VFD locations are within 10 percent of motor nameplate rated voltages. If outside this range for any motor, notify the University before starting the motor(s).
5. Test each motor for proper phase rotation.
6. Perform each electrical test and visual and mechanical inspection stated in NETA Acceptance Testing Specification. Certify compliance with test parameters.
7. Correct malfunctioning units on-site, where possible, and retest to demonstrate compliance; otherwise, replace with new units and retest.
8. Perform the following infrared (thermographic) scan tests and inspections and prepare reports:
  - a. Initial Infrared Scanning: After Substantial Completion, but not more than 60 days after Final Acceptance, perform an infrared scan of each VFD. Remove front panels so joints and connections are accessible to portable scanner.
  - b. Follow-up Infrared Scanning: Perform an additional follow-up infrared scan of each VFD 11 months after date of Substantial Completion.
  - c. Instruments and Equipment: Use an infrared scanning device designed to measure temperature or to detect significant deviations from normal values. Provide calibration record for device.
9. Test and adjust controls, remote monitoring, and safeties. Replace damaged and malfunctioning controls and equipment.

F. VFDs will be considered defective if they do not pass tests and inspections.

- G. Prepare test and inspection reports, including a certified report that identifies the VFD and describes scanning results. Include notation of deficiencies detected, remedial action taken, and observations made after remedial action.

### 3.6 STARTUP SERVICE

A. Engage a factory certified service technician to perform startup service.

1. To include complete installation and startup checks according to manufacturer's written instructions.

- B. Sales personnel and other agents who are not factory certified shall not be acceptable.

### 3.7 ADJUSTING

- A. Program microprocessors for required operational sequences, status indications, alarms, event recording, and display features. Clear events memory after final acceptance testing and prior to Substantial Completion.
- B. Set field-adjustable switches, auxiliary relays, time-delay relays, timers, and overload-relay pickup and trip ranges.
- C. Adjust the trip settings of MCPs and thermal-magnetic circuit breakers with adjustable, instantaneous trip elements. Initially adjust to six times the motor nameplate full-load amperes and attempt to start motors several times, allowing for motor cool-down between starts. If tripping occurs on motor inrush, adjust settings in increments until motors start without tripping. Do not exceed eight times the motor full-load amperes (or 11 times for NEMA Premium Efficient motors if required). Where these maximum settings do not allow starting of a motor, notify the University before increasing settings.
- D. Set the taps on reduced-voltage autotransformer controllers.
- E. Set field-adjustable circuit-breaker trip ranges as specified in applicable Division 26 Section.
- F. Set field-adjustable pressure switches.

### 3.8 PROTECTION

- A. Temporary Heating: Apply temporary heat to maintain temperature according to manufacturer's written instructions until controllers are ready to be energized and placed into service.
- B. Replace VFDs whose interiors have been exposed to water or other liquids prior to Substantial Completion.

### 3.9 DEMONSTRATION AND TRAINING

- A. Engage a factory-authorized service representative to train University maintenance personnel off-site to demonstrate, adjust, operate, program, troubleshoot, repair, and maintain VFDs, and a minimum of 24 hours to be included for this, over at least three days. Training to also include education on drive harmonics.

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