MySiteCondition

ABB Ability™ life cycle assessment for electrical systems
What is MysiteCondition?

MySiteCondition supports finding the most appropriate business decisions related to the allocation of the operational budget. This is possible by strategically directing funds on an asset risk condition basis to move from time-based towards advanced maintenance methodologies.

Condition indexing is a great instrument for risk assessments and financial planning for maintenance and lifetime extension. Switchgear lineups are strategically critical for production, and the financial consequences of failure can easily exceed actual asset value. Maintenance, lifetime extension, and safety are important parts of the asset management, as means to control and mitigate risk.

Knowing the condition of the installed equipment, and where to spend the operational budget to grow reliability, is an issue of increasing importance in today’s electrical network operations due to the aging installed base.

MySiteCondition is the ABB methodology to adopt advanced maintenance methodologies by assessing:

- Importance of the equipment
- Actual site condition
- Critical points in the network
- Available historical data
- Operator and asset safety
- Product life cycle status

After the assessment is conducted, the collected data is carefully analyzed and factored by an engineered algorithm technique to evaluate the risks and consequences of a failure.
Your benefits

Condition status
- Objective up-to-date overview about the substation and single component condition

Risk reduction
- Knowledge about risk reduction opportunities as well as recommended mitigation actions

Budget allocation
- Operational budget only used where asset reliability or safety might be endangered in the future

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Outlook on current and future reliability

On-site collections and evaluation of data - the foundation of risk mitigation -

Basic actions
Preventive actions
Urgent actions

A documented and transparent decision making framework
Detailed reporting

The outcomes of the assessment are detailed reports and illustrations which explain and visualize the actual status of the overall plant condition and each asset, how performance and safety can be improved, availability increased, and service needs prioritized. In many cases, minor preventive maintenance actions can be performed to improve the condition of the equipment, while the assessment is performed and data is being collected. Some examples are shown here.

The categorization of plant substations chart, in the Importance/Condition matrix, gives an overview of the current condition of each substation on the plant, linked to its importance.

It gives a first idea about where to invest the operational budget in order to reduce risk of failure.

The Importance/Condition matrix chart illustrates one plant substation with the switchgear and breakers installed. Using the chart as a guide, maintenance efforts can now be directed on asset basis. Operational budget is only used where asset reliability might be endangered in the future.

For each asset, a full report, including pictures, will be available to directly target the required needs discovered during the assessment.

Based on the report, ABB will recommend measures to increase reliability, reduce risk, and improve safety.

By carrying out these measures, overall equipment and substation condition can be highly improved.

Asset improvement was achieved by properly allocating the funds on maintenance and upgrade measures. Status could be additionally enhanced by further investments.
Condition and predictive based are the most effective maintenance strategies which can be applied at reasonable cost to installed assets. Studies have shown that a substantial proportion of the operational budget can be used more effectively by performing assessments in order to prioritize and focus.

The documented and transparent decision making framework provided by MySiteCondition supports operators in the risk-based approach in times where the know-how is decreasing, and in parallel, switchgear line-ups are reaching a critical age. The assumption that all assets are fit for the future can be a dangerous gamble.

The identification of increased future risk and the mitigating effect of various intervention strategies is mandatory information for a safe and reliable operation.

How well do you know your assets?
- What is the age of your switchgear?
- How thorough is your maintenance program?
- How important is your switchgear to the overall process?
- When did you last have a complete diagnostic?
- What is the cost of an outage?
- What are your yearly maintenance costs?

How well do you know your operational stability?
- What are the most common failures?
- Which services and spare parts are still available?
- At which load percentage is your switchgear running?
- How do you carry out your maintenance?
- Is your operator safety really given?
The process

MySiteCondition methodology can be used for:
- MV equipment
- LV equipment

It approaches risk with a direct impact on asset reliability in a systematic way by analyzing:
- Importance of the asset
- Asset history
- Risk of the equipment

The factors considered for the evaluation of the importance of the asset are:
- System importance
- Functional weighting factor
- Product life cycle status

The on-site collection of data, via the MySiteCondition tablet/smartphone app, to classify the asset condition and the associated risk reverts to:
- Historical data
- Asset inspections
- Operator interviews
- Performance tests

The analyzation and calculation of the Condition Index based on the collected data is modeled after the Failure Mode and Effects Analysis (FMEA), a systematic technique for failure analysis which was developed to study problems that might arise from malfunctions in different systems.
- What are possible failure modes?
- What causes the failures?
- What is the system impact of the failure?

The Condition Index is the sum of the weighted scores and stands for the probability of a failure.

The results include:
- Executive report/general report with high priority actions
- Reports for each asset covered by MySiteCondition
- A detailed risk mitigation plan including actions that immediately improve the Condition Index
- Critical items are highlighted with photographs
- All recommended actions are listed in the report with proposal for optimal budget allocation
- The condition index performed by ABB is based on reliability principles in ISO & IEEE standards

Operational Stability

Specify | Classify | Analyze | Report | Action | Reassess
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- Customer requirements
- Project definition
- Asset selection
- Evaluation of importance of assets in network
- Data collection
- Asset inspection
- Performance tests
- Historical data
- Operator interviews
- Data evaluation
- Data formatting and processing
- Statistical analysis
- Reliability – Risk assessment
- Data analysis summary
- Condition index and risk report
- Risk mitigation proposal
- On-site presentation of report
- Development of a remediation plan
- Reasses the implementation and effectiveness of a remediation plan
- Continuous risk mitigation

Prepare | On-Site | Post-Site | On-Site | Monitor
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Scorecard of services for risk mitigation

ABB performs service activities according to the outcome of the MySiteCondition assessment and based on customer need. ABB always works with the customer to ensure a good understanding of the activities performed, and the impact of the respective assets. These activities ensure that you, as a customer, will have an optimal equipment utilization, that eventual risks are mitigated, and asset life is extended.

Spare parts and components
• Product reliability through high-quality certified spare parts
• Improved uptime due to guaranteed delivery
• Global logistic network

Training
• Long term product performance through correct operation
• Improve safety
• Lower downtime

Maintenance and field services
• Field service by certified technicians
• Fast response
• Improved equipment utilization

Retrofit and refurbishment
• Cost-effective alternative to replacement
• Maximize investment performance of asset
• Incorporate latest technology to increase safety, performance and functionality

Safety related upgrades
• Maximum protection for all personnel during an arc-fault through active or passive protection

Monitoring and diagnostic
• Proactive intelligent action to reduce risk of failure
• 24-hour continuous asset monitoring
• Access to expert analysis

Engineering and consulting
• Access to expert product specialists
• Sharing of global best practices
• Combined analysis and implementation capabilities