ABB’s Inventory Access Program Plus gives ABB customers a cost-effective alternative to a purchased spares inventory.

Critical spare parts are made available without the typical problems of purchasing and maintaining an inventory. Increasing levels of support, minimizing complexity, administrative burden and inventory ownership costs.

With advances in technology and the advent of digital technology, systems are becoming more and more complex. Customers are increasingly exploring options for handing over responsibility for spare parts and the management of spare parts to ABB in the form of an Inventory Management Solution.

In addition to identifying the optimal spares holding, ABB’s IAP Plus solution also determines the most appropriate Inventory Management solution to suit your needs and priorities. ABB can manage both a local and a separate back-up inventory at an agreed location.

ABB can tailor an inventory management solution to match your specific goals, maintenance strategies and operational objectives. Resulting in an inventory management system that ensures critical operational spares are immediately available where and when they are needed.

Field Alert Management, which is included in the IAP offering, quickly identifies field alerts and product bulletins for site specific relevance.

The Field Alert Management process identifies issues affecting installed parts and the existing spares holding. Its output is a report that highlights status, condition and recommendations.
Reports include:

- Detailed technical information
- Information about risks of not acting
- Potential workarounds
- Process specific impact analysis (requirement for shutdown, etc.)
- Solution details/Recommended corrective actions.

Notification of risks and threats are provided as they become available, while statistical reports are provided on a monthly basis.

Inventory Access Program Plus is a collaborative end-to-end solution that includes:

- Parts Fingerprint
- Inventory Access
- Part Ordering and Logistics
- Field Alert/Product Bulletin Tracking
- Parts Quality Control and Maintenance (Open boxes, broken seals on bags, loose parts, etc.)
- Annual Spare Parts Strategy Review (reflecting changing life cycles, availability, etc.)
- Tailored Spare Parts Inventory Management Solution
- Annual Parts Fingerprint exercise

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Abbreviations:

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