DC Traction Power Supply

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A comprehensive product portfolio combined with an extensive application know-how
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Value propositions

**Factory-assembled solutions**

**DC eHouse**

- Prefabricated walk-in modular outdoor enclosures in steel, concrete or glass reinforced polyester.
- Factory assembled and tested solutions ensure that site works run faster and smoothly.
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**Electrification packages**

- Comprehensive ABB portfolio covering all functional requirements of DC traction substations.
- Reduced contracting time.
- One contract and one single point of contact.

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Rectifier substations

- Medium voltage switchgear
- Diode rectifiers and controlled rectifiers
- DC high-speed circuit breakers
- DC switchgear
- Protective devices
- Energy recuperation and energy storage systems
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Rectifier substations – Main electrical equipment

DC feeding scheme

- DC traction power supply networks consist normally of an MV grid, which supplies the DC injection points along the railway line.
- Medium voltage equipment are standard gas- or air-insulated three-phase switchgear.
- Rectifiers convert the 3-phase supply voltage to DC voltage.
- More sophisticated systems allow feeding back surplus energy into the MV grid.
- DC switchgear and voltage limiting devices serve as control and protection equipment.
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**Rectifiers**

### Transformer-rectifier groups

ABB offers a full range of rectifiers in line with EN 50328 and IEC 62590 connection schemes.

- **No 8** Six pulse rectifier
- **No 9** Twelve pulse rectifier with two six pulse bridges connected in parallel (with or without interphase transformer)
- **No 12** Twelve pulse rectifier with two six pulse bridges connected in series

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Rectifiers

Diode rectifier Enviline TDR / WDR

ABB provides a comprehensive range of rectifier transformers and diode rectifiers in different technologies, configurations and ratings.

Key benefits:
- Fixed and withdrawable solutions
- High availability
- Flexible footprint

Main ratings:
- Up to 5 MW @ 750 VDC and 8 MW @ 1500 / 3000 VDC
- Duty class according to EN 50328 and IEC 62590
- 6, 12 or 24 pulse solutions
- Natural convection cooling
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Rectifiers

**Controlled rectifier Enville TCR**

Enville TCR \(^1\) is a controlled rectifier. The DC voltage control allows longer distances between substations, reduces losses and can prevent interruptions caused by under-voltage.

Key benefits:
- DC line voltage control
- Proven and robust thyristor technology
- High overload capability

Main ratings:
- Up to 5 MW @ 750 VDC and 8 MW @ 1500 / 3000 VDC
- Duty class according to EN 50328 and IEC 62590
- 6, 12 or 24 pulse solutions
- Natural convection cooling or forced cooling

\(^1\) Enville TCI thyristor inverter is based on the same product platform
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Rectifier substations – Main electrical equipment

**DC HSCB and DC Switchgear**

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DC HSCB Gerapid and DC switchgear Enviline DCGear
Together we drive progress

Acquisition of GE Industrial Solutions

Legacy
In July 2018, ABB closed the acquisition of General Electric Industrial Solutions.

ABB has now strengthened its position in the urban transport market and gained experience in the design and manufacture of DC high-speed circuit breakers and DC switchgear.

Market
Gerapid product line was launched by GE and AEG Germany in 1998.

Today, over 20'000 Gerapid circuit breakers have been sold and installed in more than 40 countries worldwide.

AEG DC Circuit Breaker
ca. 1926
Rated 2500 A, 1650 V DC

ABB DC HSCB Gerapid and DC switchgear Enviline DCGear
DC HSCB Gerapid
Functionality and performance range

Product
– Gerapid DC high-speed circuit breakers are single-pole circuit breakers designed for use in DC traction power substations.

Range
– ABB is covering all applications and ratings with its DC HSCB Gerapid.
– DC HSCB Gerapid are available with thermal currents up to 8000 A and rated voltages of 900, 1800 and 3600 V.
– Also available according to IEEE (ANSI) C37.14.
DC HSCB Gerapid

Key features

- **Enclosed construction**
  Isolated & enclosed construction ensures highest safety against flashover faults.

- **Unique & proven design**
  Mechanical latching mechanism providing stable contacts force and does not require any holding circuits. Double contact system eliminates maintenance of main contacts.

- **Ease of use & service**
  Same footprint up to 6 000 A and embedded control circuits makes it cost effective & easy for integration.

- **High ratings**
  EN 50123-2 / IEC 61992-2 breaking capacity of 125 kA / 178 kA in peak at 900 V and Tnc=100 ms.

- **Simplified solutions**
  Gerapid without control cards is available for cost effectiveness.

- **Retrofit solutions**
  Withdrawable retrofits for AEG's GEA Rapid SE power DC breakers (GEA SE).
DC HSCB Gerapid
Insight view

**Arc Chute**
Compact size, asbestos free, cold-cathode splitter plate system with high energy dissipation capacity.

**Control Box**
Control cards and auxiliary contacts for signaling and safety functions.

**Closing Solenoid**
Instant closing with mechanical position indicator.

**Enclosed Frame**
Mitigates hazards of arc flash & hot gasses exhaust. Improved insulation.

**Main Terminals**
Vertically or horizontally oriented, depending on applications and ratings.

**Arcing Contact**
Copper piece that protects main contacts against arcing.

**Main Mechanism**
Modular mechanism with main spring enclosed. Provides mechanical latching and stable contact force. No holding circuit needed.

**Auxiliary Release**
Zero voltage or shunt trip releases for remote tripping.

**ED Impulse Release**
Remotely controlled high speed coil. Supplied from a capacitor bank.

**Main fixed contact**
Copper bus carrying main current. Connected to the top and bottom terminal.

**Overcurrent direct trip release**
Instantaneous magnetic release. Bidirectional & direct acting. Adjustable or fixed thresholds from 1.5 kA to 24 kA.
DC Switchgear Enviline DCGear
Functionality and performance range

Product
– Enviline DCGear serves as control and protection equipment in DC traction power distribution networks.
– The cubicles contain proven technology components, such as ABB's DC HSCB Gerapid.

Range
– Enviline DCGear for railway applications are available with service currents up to 7000 A \(^1\) and rated voltages of 900, 1800 and 3600 V.
– Reference standards: EN50123 and IEC61992.
DC Switchgear Envilne DCGear

Key features

- **Enclosed construction**
  Designed for railway applications in a harsh environment. Freestanding rigid metal enclosed cubicle with separate screened compartments.

- **Proven design**
  Tested as per standards EN 50123, EN 60068 and IEC 61992.
  Use of proven technology components, such as ABB's DC HSCB Gerapid.

- **Flexibility**
  Flexible footprint and variety of panels in different configurations for various applications.

- **Full spectrum**
  Large range of ratings and variants of panels.

- **Low maintenance**
  High availability and low maintenance.
  Minimum wear-and-tear of main contacts of the DC HSCB Gerapid.

- **Safety**
  High active and passive safety for operation and maintenance personnel.
DC Switchgear Enviline DCGear

Insight view

**Construction**
Free standing non-welded structure. Fully segregated compartments.

**Rear compartment**
Comprising main busbar and bypass busbar, disconnectors, current, voltage measuring and other devices.

**Circuit-breaker compartment**
DC HSCB mounted on a trolley.
Main insulating bushings between rear and circuit breaker compartment providing full protection against flash-over.

**Low voltage compartment**
Combined protection and control relay with HMI and other components to realize control and signaling circuits.

**Circuit breaker trolley**
Four wheeled trolley with DC HSCB Gerapid and line test device.
Guiding wheels (independent from basic wheels) for smooth operation. No need for any floor reinforcing.

**Options**
Motorized circuit breaker trolley.
Additional side panels for cable disconnector switches.
Protective Devices
Protection & control

**Distribution automation**

All-in-one user interface, automation platform and gateway designed for IEC 61850-based substation automation communication.

- Smart solutions for DC traction and auxiliary substations.
- User interface, communication gateway and automation platform in a single unit.
- Web based HMI provides a simple user interface for device control and management with multiple user access.
Protective Devices
Voltage limiting devices

Enviline VLD and HVL

- Voltage limiting devices (VLDs) are used to ensure personal protection.
- VLDs are connected between earthed system parts and the track, monitoring the potential difference at their terminals.
- If limit values are exceeded, a temporary equipotential bonding is preventing the tapping of impermissible touch voltages by people in case a fault occurs or during operation.

Enviline VLD
Class 4 - Combination of thyristor and contactor

HVL
Class 2 - Thyristor triggering
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Rectifier substations – Main electrical equipment

**Energy management solutions**

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Regenerative braking

- Electric rail transit operators are amongst the largest consumers of electricity.
- Recycling the braking energy is the single largest opportunity to improve the energy efficiency.
- ABB offers a complete range of smart energy management solutions.
Recovering the surplus braking energy

- Excess braking energy is fed back into the AC grid to supply own loads of the metro system, homes and businesses in the region.
- The railway becomes a net generator of electricity.
**Recycling the surplus braking energy**

- A wayside energy storage system is capturing and storing the surplus braking energy. The stored energy is re-injected in the DC grid.

- A static energy storage systems provides substantial savings considering that it can repeat such cycle hundreds or even thousands of times each day.
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Energy recuperation system

Envilene ERS – Increasing energy efficiency

Key benefits:
- Lowers energy costs through energy recuperation.
- Lowest upfront and maintenance costs.
- Reactive power compensation.
- Small footprint, easy installation and low maintenance.

Main ratings:
- 750 VDC: peak power up to 2.25 MW, continuous power up to 1 MW
- 1500 VDC: peak power up to 4.5 MW, continuous power up to 2 MW

Note: Duty classes as per EN 50328 are not applicable for energy recuperation systems.
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Energy storage system

Enviline ESS – Increasing energy efficiency

Key benefits:
- Lowers energy costs through energy recovery.
- Reduces the demand charge and peak power penalties by cutting the starting power of trains.
- Supports grid voltage, avoiding inadmissible voltage drops.
- It can be provided with supercapacitors, batteries or a combination of both.

Main ratings:
- System rated power\(^1\) up to:
  - 3.2 MW @ 750 VDC
  - 5.2 MW @ 1500 VDC

\(^1\) Depending on storage type, capacity and duty cycle
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Selected references
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Light Rail Application

GVB Amsterdam, Netherlands

Customer’s need
- Vittal as main EPC requesting a new DC traction substation for the tramway line in Amsterdam.

ABB’s response
- Comprehensive package for a new DC traction substations feeding the overhead lines with 750 VDC comprising:
  - Medium voltage switchgear UniSec
  - Rectifier transformers and diode rectifiers Enviline TDR
  - DC switchgear Enviline DCGear including protection and control
  - Substation automation system

Customer’s benefits
- Complete electrification package out of one hand with high-tech and high quality Power Products, utilizing ABB’s long standing experience in DC traction power supply applications.
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Tram-Train Application

Hódmezővásárhely Tram-Train, Hungary

Customer’s need
– Strabag as main EPC requesting a new DC traction substation for the extension of the tram-train line in Hódmezővásárhely.

ABB’s response
– Complete package covering design, supply and commissioning of a complete DC traction power supply package feeding the overhead line with 750 VDC. The scope comprises:
  • Medium voltage switchgear UniSec
  • Rectifier transformers, diode rectifiers Enviline TDR
  • DC switchgear Enviline DCGear and VLD

Customer’s benefits
– Complete electrification package out of one hand with high-tech and high quality Power Products, utilizing ABB’s long standing experience in DC traction power supply applications.
Liuzhou Monorail, China

Customer’s need
- Zhuhai Dalong Electrical Equipment Co Ltd looking for a competitive supplier of main electrical equipment for a new monorail system built in Liuzhou.

ABB’s response
- Design, supply and commissioning of the following main equipment for DC traction substations.
  - Gas insulated medium voltage switchgear ZX2
  - DC switchgear and VLD type Enviline DCGear

Customer’s benefits
- Electrification package with high-tech and high quality products and services, utilizing ABB’s long standing experience in serving the Chinese mass transit market.
Klang Valley Mass Transit, Malaysia

Customer’s need
– SRS Power Engineering Sdn Bhd building the test track for MRT2, looking for a complete traction power supply package.

ABB’s response
– Design, supply and commissioning of a complete 750 VDC traction power supply package connecting to an existing MV grid.
  • Transformer-rectifier groups Envioline TDR
  • DC switchgear Envioline DCGear including protection and control
  • Automatic receptivity unit Envioline ARU

Customer’s benefits
– Electrification package with high-tech and high quality products and services, utilizing ABB’s long standing experience in DC traction power supply applications.
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Metro Application

Warsaw Metro Line 2, Poland

Customer’s need

- AGP Metro Polska building metro line 2 in the city of Warsaw looking for an energy efficient solution.

ABB’s response

- Design, supply and commissioning of a complete DC traction power supply and distribution package.
  - Main low-voltage distribution MNS, medium voltage breakers VD4 and uninterruptible power supply
  - Transformer-rectifier groups Enviline TDR and DC switchgear Enviline DCGear
  - Energy storage system Enviline ESS

Customer’s benefits

- Complete electrification package out of one hand.
- Average energy savings of more than 3 MWh per day.
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Mainline Railway Application

RFI Forli, Italy

Customer’s need
- RFI looking at reinforcing its 3 kV DC network by using controlled rectifiers and static energy storage systems.

ABB’s response
- Design, supply and commissioning of the following main equipment as replacement in a DC traction substation.
  - Energy storage Enviline ESS rated at 3000 VDC, 40 MJ storage capacity
  - IGBT based active rectifier Enviline ERS rated at 5 MW each
  - Testing and commissioning together with RFI

Customer’s benefits
- The expertise of ABB in power conversion and traction power supply for a sophisticated storage and voltage support system.
- Voltage stabilization in the 3 kV DC grid.
 Polish Railway PKP, Poland

Customer’s need
- PKP is undergoing a major refit program of nearly one hundred facilities related to power supply of the 3 kV traction power supply network.
- It is the most important upgrade investment project performed by Polish Railway PKP.

ABB’s response
- Design, supply and commissioning of:
  - Transformer-rectifier groups Enviline TDR rated at 4 MVA
  - 3 kV DC switchgear Enviline DCGear/RPS

Customer’s benefits
- Long standing expertise of ABB in 3 kV DC market.
- Comprehensive DC package form one vendor.
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Energy Storage Application

**SEPTA Philadelphia, USA**

Customer’s need

– Southeastern Pennsylvania Transit Authority (SEPTA) undertaking a major project to capture regenerative braking energy looking for a technology provider of energy management systems.

ABB’s response

– Design, supply and commissioning of:
  - Nine Enviline ESS for 10.3 MW, 750 VDC, 4.5 MWh battery capacity
  - Power control and monitoring system connecting to Viridity, Saft and SEPTA site equipment
  - Integration, testing and commissioning of the complete system

Customer’s benefits

– The expertise of ABB in power conversion and traction power supply ensured on time project delivery.
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Energy Storage Application

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**Metro Trains Melbourne, Australia**

Customer’s need
- Metro Trains Melbourne (MTM) planning to introduce active voltage support in their 1500 VDC network.

ABB’s response
- Design, supply and commissioning of:
  - One Enviline ESS rated at 1500 VDC, 40 MJ storage capacity
  - Integration, testing and commissioning of the complete system

Customer’s benefits
- The expertise of ABB in power conversion and traction power supply for a sophisticated storage system.
- Voltage stabilization at a weak point of the 1500 V grid.
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Mining Application

**Boliden AB’s Aitik Mine, Sweden**

Customer’s need
- Swedish mining company Boliden looking for a groundbreaking power infrastructure for electric mine trucks.

**ABB’s response**
- Design, supply and commissioning of an effective electrical infrastructure to power several mine trucks at Sweden’s largest open-pit copper mine.
  - One digital substation connecting to the local medium voltage grid
  - Diode rectifier Enviline TDR rated at 4.8 MW feeding the line with 3 kV DC
  - ABB Ability™ 800xA control system

Customer’s benefits
- The expertise of ABB in meeting the high demand in a sustainable manner by replacing parts of the mine’s existing transport system with electric trucks.
Thank you for your attention

Useful links

Low voltage products and systems
https://new.abb.com/low-voltage

Medium voltage products and solutions
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