

## SECTION 230514

### VARIABLE FREQUENCY CONTROLLERS

#### PART 1 GENERAL

##### 1.1 SECTION INCLUDES

- A. Variable frequency controller.

##### 1.2 RELATED SECTIONS

- A. Division 03 - Cast-in-Place Concrete: Housekeeping pads.
- B. Section 23 05 13 - Motors.
- C. Section 23 05 53 - Mechanical Identification: Engraved nameplates.
- D. Section 26 28 13 - Fuses.

##### 1.3 REFERENCES

- A. NFPA 70 - National Electrical Code.
- B. NEMA ICS 3.1 - Safety Standards for Construction and Guide for Selection, Installation and Operation of Adjustable Speed Drive Systems.
- C. NEMA ICS 7 - Industrial Control and Systems: Adjustable Speed Drives.
- D. NEMA 250 - Enclosures for Electrical Equipment (1000 Volts Maximum).
- E. NETA ATS - Acceptance Testing Specifications for Electrical Power Distribution Equipment and Systems (International Electrical Testing Association).

##### 1.4 SUBMITTALS

- A. Submit under the provisions of Division 01.
- B. Shop Drawings: Include front and side views of enclosures with overall dimensions and weights shown; conduit entrance locations and requirements; and nameplate legends.
- C. Product Data: Provide catalog sheets showing voltage, controller size, ratings, and size of switching and overcurrent protective devices, short circuit ratings, dimensions, and enclosure details.
- D. Test Reports: Indicate field test and inspection procedures and test results.
- E. Manufacturer's Installation Instructions: Indicate application conditions and limitations of use stipulated by testing agency specified under Regulatory Requirements. Include instructions for storage, handling, protection, examination, preparation, and installation of Product.
- F. Manufacturer's Field Reports: Indicate start-up inspection findings.

##### 1.5 SUBMITTALS AT PROJECT CLOSEOUT

- A. Submit under the provisions of Division 01.

- B. Operation Data: NEMA ICS 3.1. Include instructions for starting and operating controllers and describe operating limits that may result in hazardous or unsafe conditions.
- C. Maintenance Data: NEMA ICS 3.1. Include routine preventive maintenance schedule.

## 1.6 QUALIFICATIONS

- A. Manufacturer: Company specializing in manufacturing the Products specified in this section with a minimum of three (3) years' documented experience.

## 1.7 REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

- A. Conform to requirements of NFPA 70.
- B. Furnish products listed and classified by Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. as suitable for purpose specified and indicated.

## 1.8 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

- A. Deliver, store, protect, and handle products to site under provisions of Section 23 05 00.
- B. Accept controllers on site in original packing. Inspect for damage.
- C. Store in a clean, dry space. Maintain factory wrapping or provide an additional heavy canvas or heavy plastic cover to protect units from dirt, water, construction debris, and traffic.
- D. Handle in accordance with manufacturer's written instructions. Lift only with lugs provided for the purpose. Handle carefully to avoid damage to components, enclosure, and finish.

## PART 2 PRODUCTS

### 2.1 MANUFACTURERS

- A. Danfoss-Graham.
- B. A.B.B.
- C. Yaskawa.
- D. Substitutions: Under the provisions of Section 01600.

### 2.2 DESCRIPTION

- A. Provide enclosed variable frequency controllers suitable for operating the indicated loads. Conform to requirements of NEMA ICS 7.
- B. Select unspecified features and options in accordance with NEMA ICS 3.1.

### 2.3 RATINGS

- A. Rated Input Voltage: Reference drawings.
- B. Motor Nameplate Voltage: Reference drawings.
- C. Displacement Power Factor: Between 1.0 and 0.95, lagging, over entire range of operating speed and load.

- D. Operating Ambient: 0 degrees C to 40 degrees C.
- E. Minimum Efficiency at Full Load: 97 percent.
- F. Time to Stop: 90 seconds.

## 2.4 DESIGN

- A. Employ microprocessor-based inverter logic isolated from power circuits.
- B. Employ pulse width modulated inverter system.
- C. Design for ability to operate controller with motor disconnected from output.
- D. Design to attempt five automatic restarts following fault condition before locking out and requiring manual restart.

## 2.5 PRODUCT OPTIONS AND FEATURES

- A. Display: Provide integral digital display to indicate output voltage, output frequency, and output current.
- B. Status Indicators: Separate indicators for overcurrent, overvoltage, ground fault, over temperature, and input power ON.
- C. Volts Per Hertz Adjustment: Plus, or minus 10 percent.
- D. Current Limit Adjustment: 50 - 110 percent of rated.
- E. Acceleration Rate Adjustment: 0.5 - 600 seconds.
- F. Deceleration Rate Adjustment: 0.5 - 600 seconds.
- G. Provide HAND-OFF-AUTOMATIC selector switch and manual speed control.
- H. Input Signal: 0-10 mV DC.
- I. Door Interlocks: Furnish mechanical means to prevent opening of equipment with power connected, or to disconnect power if door is opened; include means for defeating interlock by qualified persons.
- J. Safety Interlocks: Provide terminals for remote contact to inhibit starting under both manual and automatic mode.
- K. Control Interlocks: Provide terminals for remote contact to allow starting in automatic mode.
- L. Manual Bypass: Provide contactor, motor running overload protection, and short circuit protection for full voltage, non-reversing operation of the motor. Include isolation switch to allow maintenance of inverter during bypass operation.
- M. Disconnecting Means: Include integral disconnect switch on the line side of each controller.
- N. Motors: Motor shall meet NEMA MG-1, Section IV, Part 31.40.4.2.

## 2.6 FABRICATION

- A. Wiring Terminations: Match conductor materials and sizes indicated.
- B. Enclosure: NEMA 1.
- C. Finish: Manufacturer's standard enamel.

## 2.7 SOURCE QUALITY CONTROL

- A. Shop, inspect, and perform standard production tests for each controller specified in this section.

# PART 3 EXECUTION

## 3.1 EXAMINATION

- A. Verify the existing conditions prior to beginning work.
- B. Verify that surface is suitable for controller installation.
- C. Do not install the controller until the building environment can be maintained within the service conditions required by the manufacturer.
- D. Verify that field measurements are as indicated on shop drawings.

## 3.2 PREPARATION

- A. Provide concrete housekeeping pad under the provisions of Division 03.

## 3.3 INSTALLATION

- A. Install controller where indicated in accordance with the manufacturer's written instructions and NEMA ICS 3.1.
- B. Tighten accessible connections and mechanical fasteners after placing controller.
- C. Install fuses in fusible switches.
- D. Select and install overload heater elements in motor controllers to match installed motor characteristics.
- E. Provide engraved plastic nameplates under the provisions of Section 23 05 53.
- F. Provide neatly typed label inside each motor controller door identifying motor served, nameplate horsepower, full load amperes, code letter, service factor, and voltage/phase rating. Place in plastic holder.
- G. The drive shall be interlocked through the motor disconnect switch by an auxiliary contact in the motor disconnect switch.

## 3.4 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

- A. Inspect and test in accordance with NETA ATS, except Section 4.
- B. Perform inspections and tests listed in NETA ATS, Section 7.16.2.

3.5 MANUFACTURER'S FIELD SERVICES

- A. Prepare and start systems.

3.6 ADJUSTING

- A. Make final adjustments to installed controller to assure proper operation of load system. Obtain performance requirements from installer of driven loads.
- B. Provide systems demonstration to the owner's representative.
- C. Demonstrate operation of controllers in automatic and manual modes.

3.7 CLEANING

- A. Touch up scratched or marred surfaces to match original finish.

END OF SECTION