

**Saudi Electricity Company**



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**SEC DISTRIBUTION MATERIALS SPECIFICATION**

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**SPECIFICATIONS  
FOR  
BARE COPPER CONDUCTORS**

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## 1.0 SCOPE

This SEC Distribution Materials Specification covers the minimum technical requirement for design, materials, manufacturing, inspection, testing, performance and supply of bare concentric-lay stranded copper conductor, intended to be used for earthing and grounding of the low voltage as well as the medium voltage 13.8 & 33 KV systems of Saudi Electricity Company (SEC), Saudi Arabia.

## 2.0 CROSS REFERENCES

This specification shall always be read in conjunction with SEC General Specification No: 01-SDMS-01 latest revision titled (General Requirement for all Equipment/Materials), which shall be considered as an integral part of this SDMS.

This SDMS shall also be read in conjunction with SEC Purchase Order or Contract Schedules and the Scope of Work and Technical Specifications for project, as applicable.

## 3.0 APPLICABLE CODES AND STANDARDS

The latest revision of the following Codes and Standards shall be applicable for the equipment/material covered in this SDMS. In case of conflict, the vendor/manufacturer may propose equipment/material conforming to one group of Codes and Standards quoted hereunder without jeopardizing the requirements of this SDMS

3.1 IEC 60228 Conductors of Insulated Cables.

## 4.0 DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

### 4.1 General

4.1.1 The copper bare conductor shall meet or exceed the requirements of this specification in all respects.

4.1.2 Manufacturer's drawings, as required by 01-SDMS-01, shall show the cross-section of the copper bare conductor, together with all pertinent dimensions.



#### 4.2 Design Criteria

- 4.2.1 Unless otherwise specified, the conductor shall be manufactured and tested in accordance with the relevant standards mentioned in clause 3
- 4.2.2 The conductor shall be designed for service conditions specified in 01-SDMS-01
- 4.2.3 The size and continuous current carrying capacity of the conductor shall be based on a maximum permissible continuous temperature of 90°C taking into account the solar radiation and wind effects.
- 4.2.4 The copper bare conductor rating and dimensions shall be as per clause 3 and as indicated in Data Schedule.

#### 4.3 Materials

- 4.3.1 The bare copper conductors shall consist of concentric-lay stranded conductors made from uncoated annealed round soft drawn copper wires of class 2 non compacted.
- 4.3.2 Application of neutral grease is not acceptable between layers of copper wires.

#### 4.4 Construction

- 4.4.1 The bare copper conductor shall be constructed in conventional concentric-lay conductor type. The direction of lay of the outer layer shall be right hand and shall be reversed in successive layers.
- 4.4.2 No joints of any kind shall be made in the finished copper wires. Joints may be made in the rods or semi-finished wires prior to drawing to final size, provided that the supplier can guarantee that the joint will have at least 90% of the tensile strength of the un-jointed rod.
- 4.4.3 Welded joints in the copper wires shall be not closer than 15m to another or to either end of the wire. No more than two such joints shall be present in any reel length of the conductor.
- 4.4.4 The surface of the wire shall be smooth and free from imperfections not consistent with good manufacturing practice.



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## 4.5 Electrical Resistance

The appropriate electrical DC resistance at 20°C shall be as per reference standard and as per table and data schedule.

## 4.6 Area and Diameter

4.6.1 The area and diameter of bare copper conductors covered by this specification are as follows:

Type of Conductor	Area (mm <sup>2</sup> )	Overall Diameter (mm) max	Number of strands	DC Resistance Ω/km
Copper Bare	70	11	19	0.268
Copper Bare	35	7.9	7	0.525

**5.0 TESTS:**

## 5.1 General

5.1.1 Conductor shall be tested in accordance with the latest standards and as specified herein. Supplier shall provide all test results for review and acceptance by SEC.

5.1.2 The full range of routine, special and type tests specified in the relevant standard shall be carried out as applicable.

5.1.3 Routine and/or special tests shall be carried out in the supplier,s factory. Type test report/certificate from an independent testing laboratory shall be submitted to SEC.

5.2 Tests for mechanical and electrical properties of component wires shall be made before stranding.

5.3 Records for all joints made in the conductor wires shall be submitted to SEC.

**6.0 PACKING AND SHIPPING**

In addition to the applicable items per 01-SDMS-01, packing and shipping of the copper bare conductor shall conform to the following:

6.1 The conductor shall be delivered on standard sized wooden or steel reels of sturdy construction properly packed and lagged externally to prevent



possible damage to the conductor during transportation. Wood lagging or better material shall also be secured with steel straps to provide physical protection for the conductor during transit and during customary storage and handling operations.

6.2 Conductors shall be supplied in lengths of 500 meters. The allowable tolerance on the specified length shall be  $\pm 5\%$

### 6.3 Reel Markings

6.3.1 Conductor reels/drums shall be marked in legible and indelible letters on aluminum plate 30x20 cm plate, giving the following particulars:

- a. Conductor material
- b. Type of conductor
- c. Length and weight of conductor on reel
- d. Stranding
- e. Cross-section of conductor
- f. Gross weight
- g. Size of reel
- h. Manufacturer's name and country of origin
- i. Year of manufacture
- j. SEC stock number in bold numerals
- k. SEC address and purchase order number
- l. Serial number of reel
- m. Direction of rolling of reel
- n. Spec number 10-SDMS-02

6.3.2 All markings shall appear on both sides of the reel.

6.3.3 Conductor reel identification shall include any additional information as required by SEC shipping instructions.

## 7.0 GUARANTEE

The supplier shall guarantee the conductor against all defects arising out of faulty design or workmanship, or of defective material for a period of two years from date of delivery.

## 8.0 SUBMITTALS

8.1 Submittals required with tender:



- 8.1.1 The supplier shall complete and return one copy of the attached Data Schedule for each size of conductor offered.
  - 8.1.2 Guaranteed Ex-Works delivery date.
  - 8.1.3 Type test certificates.
  - 8.1.4 Dimensional cross-sectional drawings of conductor and drum along with Technical Data and Catalogues shall be submitted by the supplier to facilitate evaluation of the offer.
- 8.2 Submittals required following award of contract:
- 8.2.1 Details of manufacturing and test programs.
  - 8.2.2 Factory test reports.



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## 9.0 SCHEDULE OF PARTICULARS

### TECHNICAL DATA OF BARE COPPER CONDUCTOR (Sheet 1/2)

SEC Inquiry No: \_\_\_\_\_

Item No: \_\_\_\_\_

No.	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	SEC SPECIFIED VALUES*	VENDOR PROPOSED VALUES**
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4.0 DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS				
1	The standard to which cable or wire manufactured		IEC 60228	
2	Type of conductor		Copper bare	
3	Rated voltage	V		
4	Number and diameter of copper strands	No./mm	*	
5	Total cross-sectional area of conductor	mm <sup>2</sup>	70 mm <sup>2</sup> /35 mm <sup>2</sup>	
6	Overall diameter of bare conductor (max.)	mm	11mm/7.9mm	
7	Ultimate breaking load of conductor	kg	*	
8	Rated tensile strength	kg	*	
9	Equivalent modulus of elasticity	Kg/mm <sup>2</sup>	*	
10	Maximum stress	Kg/mm <sup>2</sup>	*	
11	Resistance of conductor per km at reference temperature 75°C	Ohm/km	*	
12	Max. continuous current carrying capacity of conductor at ambient temperature 45°C	Amps	*	
13	The short time overload current capacity of conductor at ambient 45°C			
	- 1 hour duration	Amps	*	
	- 3 hour duration	Amps	*	
14	Max DC resistance per Km at 20°C	Ω/km	0.268 Ω /0.524 Ω	
15	Max AC resistance per Km at 80°C	Ω/km	*	
16	Reactance per Km	Ω/km	*	
17	Weight of conductor per km	Kg/km	*	

6.0 PACKING AND SHIPPING				
1	Drum type		*	
2	Length of conductor (M)	500		
3	Dimensions (M)		*	
4	Gross weight (kg)		*	
5	Net weight (kg)		*	
6	Marking as per the specification	yes		

8.0 SUBMITTALS	
1	All submittals shall be as per the specification

(\*) - Values to be provided / proposed by the vendor.

(\*\*) - Please provide explanations for deviations if any.



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**9.0 SCHEDULE OF PARTICULARS****TECHNICAL DATA OF COPPER BARE CONDUCTOR**

(Sheet 2/2)

SEC Inquiry No: \_\_\_\_\_

Item No: \_\_\_\_\_

**A. ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL INFORMATION OR FEATURES SPECIFIED BY SEC:****B. ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTARY DATA OR FEATURES PROPOSED BY BIDDER / VENDOR / SUPPLIER:****C. OTHER PARTICULARS TO BE FILLED UP BY BIDDER / VENDOR / SUPPLIER:****D. LIST OF DEVIATIONS & CLAUSES TO WHICH EXCEPTION IS TAKEN BY THE BIDDER / VENDOR / SUPPLIER: (USE SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY).**

	<b>MANUFACTURER OF MATERIALS / EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>VENDOR / SUPPLIER</b>
Name of Country		
Location and Office Address		
Name & Signature of Authorized Representative and Date		
Official Seal / Stamp		