



Synchronous Condenser



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Synchronous Condenser System

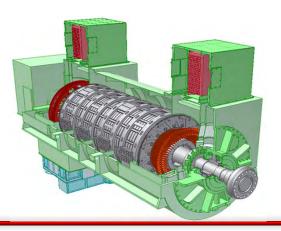
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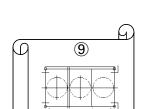
Comparison of Power Factor Correction Options



| | Fixed Capacitors | Switched Capacitors | Static VAR Compensators | Synchronous Condensers |
|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| First Cost | Low | Medium | High | Medium |
| Installation Cost | Low | Medium | High | Low |
| Harmonic Problems | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Voltage Transients | No | Yes | Yes | No |
| Infinitely Adjustable | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| Physical Capability | Small | Medium | Large | Medium |
| Overload Capability | No | No | No | Yes |
| Outage Ride-Through | No | No | No | Yes |
| Maintenance | Easy | Easy | Complex | Easy |
| Install Outdoors | No | No | No | Yes |

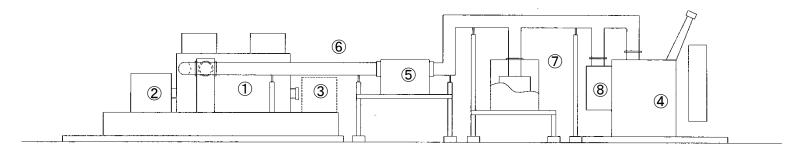
Conception Diagram of Synchronous Condensers System

- Main Components -





Changes for the Better



- ① Synchronous Condenser
- 2 Slip Ring (or Brushless Exciter)
- 3 Starting Motor
- 4 Main Transformer
- ⑤ GMCB

- 6IPB
- 7EXC TR(EXC & SFC Package)
- **8** UNIT AUX TR
- 9 Cooling System
- 10 Electrical & Control Package

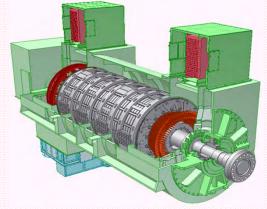
MELCO's Generator Line up



AIR COOLED

~400MVA



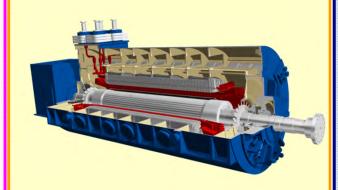


- Larger Capacity Air-Cooled Turbine Generator
- Simple and Higher Efficiency

HYDROGEN INDIRECTLY COOLED

~800MVA



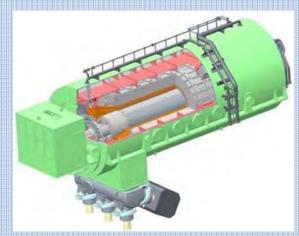


- Larger Capacity Hydrogen Indirect Cooled Generator
- High Reliability / Proven design based or long experience
- Simple and Higher Efficiency

WATER COOLED

~1200MVA





- Larger Capacity Water / Hydrogen Cooled Generator
- High Reliability / Proven design based on long experience
- Higher Efficiency

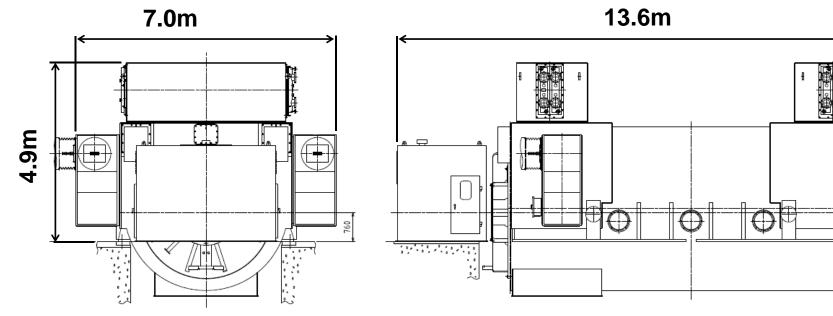
Advantages of 2-pole over 4-pole Generators



- Very lower mass moment of inertia with the same power (appr.1:4)
 This results in a smaller starting motor
- Higher rotational energy due to the double speed, more stable in the grid
- Higher thermal time constants. This results in a higher over load capability
- Higher unbalance load capability due to the damper winding, which is composed of rotor wedges and retaining ring
- Modern reliable Generators

Typical Outline of Synchronous Condenser



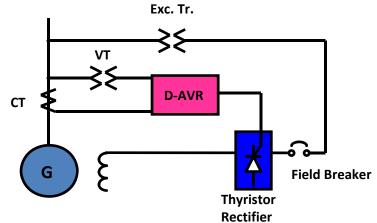


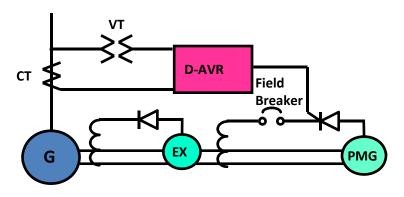
| Power (at PF=0) | Over / Under excited: 240 / 180 MVAr |
|-----------------|---|
| Voltage | 18kV |
| Frequency | 60Hz |
| Cooling | Air Cooled |
| Excitation | Static |

| Mass | Stator | 274 ton |
|------|--------|---------|
| | Rotor | 63 ton |
| | Total | 412 ton |

Type of the Excitation System







Static (Thyristor) Excitation System

Brushless Excitation System

| Item | Static (Thyristor) Excitation System | Brushless Excitation System |
|--------------------------------------|--|---|
| Equipment | Slip Ring Digital AVR Cubicle Excitation Cubicle | AC Exciter with PMG Digital AVR Cubicle |
| Features | Shorter Shaft Length Larger Equipment Space | Longer Shaft Length Smaller Equipment Space |
| Response Time (Excitation System) | High Speed (~ 0.05sec) | Nominal: 0.5 – 2.0 sec HIR application: Less than 0.1sec |
| Maintenance | Periodic Brush Replacement | Periodic Visual Inspection of Rotating Fuse |

Type of the Starting Method – Technical Features











Static Frequency Converter(SFC)

Starting Motor Controlled by Variable Frequency Drive(VFD)

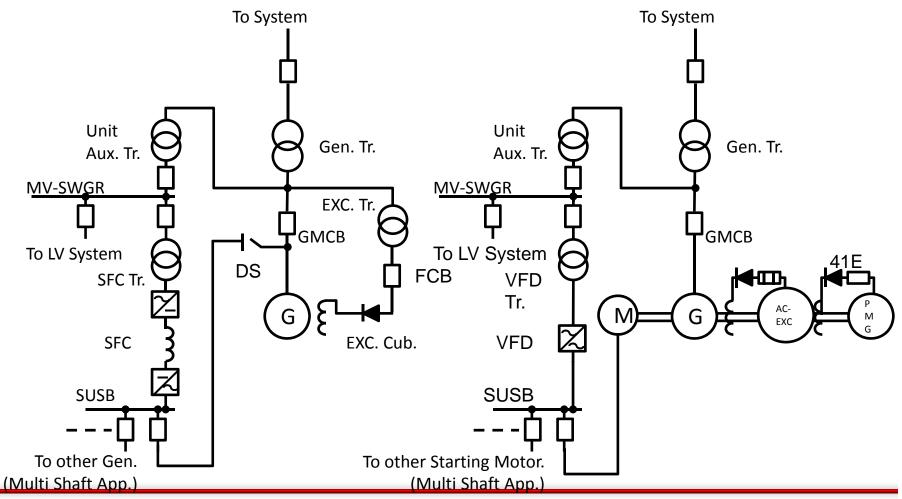
| Item | SFC | Starting Motor with VFD |
|---------------------------------|--|---|
| Equipment | Static Frequency Converter(SFC) | MV - Starting Motor Variable Frequency Drive(VFD) |
| Operation | The generator is accelerated as synchronous motor. | The generator is accelerated by the starting . |
| Features | Shorter Shaft Length | Longer Shaft Length or Mechanical Device |
| Applicable Excitation System | Static | Static or Brushless |
| Multi-shaft Application | SFC can be used as a common for multi-shafts. | One(1) VFD can be used as a common for multi- shaft. But, each generator requires own starting motor. |

Type of the Starting Method – Single Line Diagram



Static Frequency Converter(SFC)

Starting Motor Controlled by Variable Frequency Drive(VFD)



Provision of equipment from MELCO's Factories



TRANSMISSON & DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS CENTER Itami Works - IPB - GMCB Ako Works - Generator Transformer - Unit Aux. Transformer - Excitation Transformer - Excitation Transformer - Plant Engineering - Generator - Excitation System(AVR/EXC)

- MV/LV SWGR

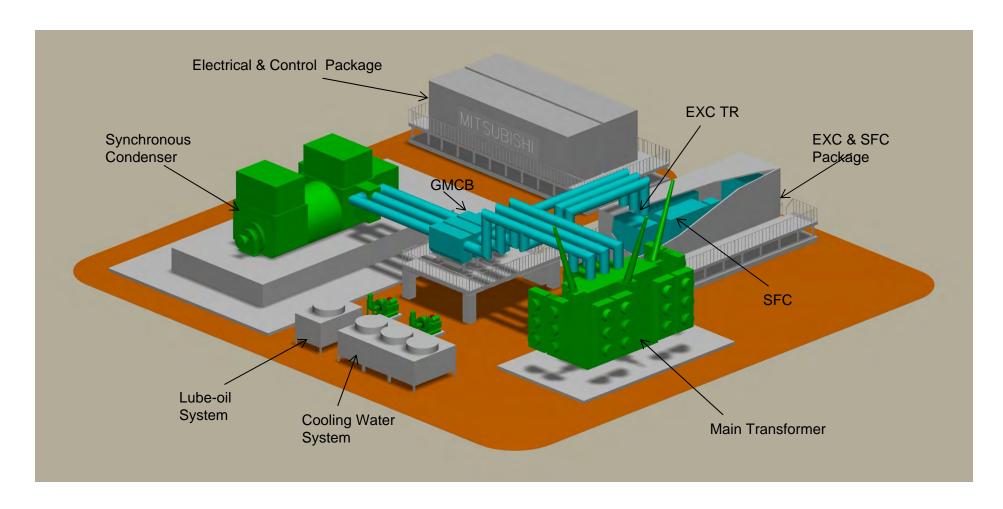
POWER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS CENTER

- MCC, D/B

- Digital Control System
- Protection Relay System
- DC system /UPS system
- Package House
- Lube Oil System
- Cooling Water System
 TMEIC SFC/VFD

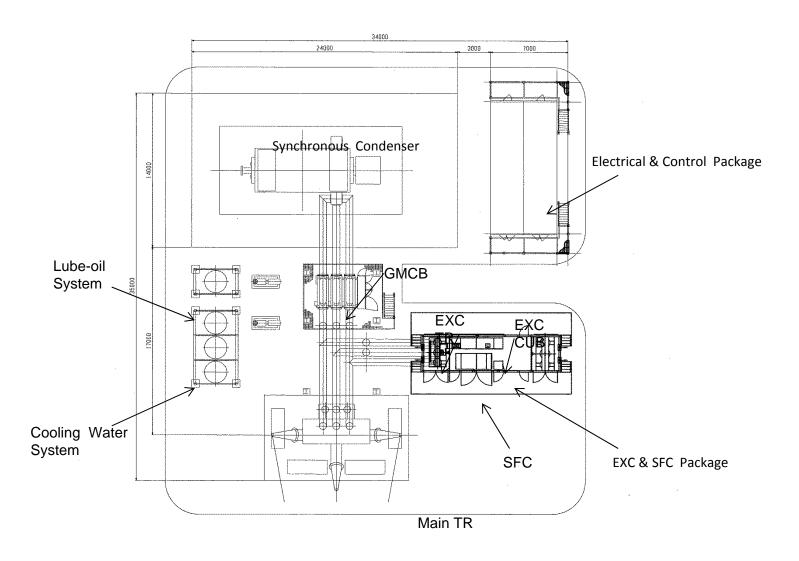
Layout Image of Synchronous Condensers System





Layout Plan of Synchronous Condensers System





Benefits of MELCO's Synchronous Condenser System



- MELCO is one of large generator supplier in the world.

 MELCO has rich experience/acknowledge of design/manufacturing/installation of large generators.
- MELCO also has capability for provision of electrical equipment, the excitation systems, the digital control/protection system, the starting device, large transformers, MV/LV-SWGRs, power distribution system and so on, which are required for the synchronous condenser system.
- MELCO also has rich experience of total(plant) engineering in the power station.
- MELCO can be a single contact windows for electrical equipment for the synchronous condenser system in the newly installation and future service.