

MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC NON-SF6 SWITCHGEAR ROADMAP

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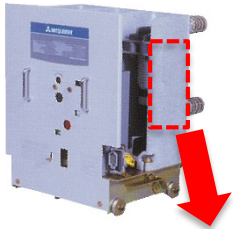
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- High Voltage Switchgear Division
 - Established 1985
 - Manufactures dead tank Gas Circuit Breakers from 72 kV to 800 kV
 - Delivered nearly 25,000 breakers from our Pittsburgh, PA factory
 - Affiliated with the MELCO Factory at the Itami Works, Japan
- Electrical Distribution Division
 - Established 2005
 - Manufactures dead tank Gas Circuit Breakers from 38 kV to 72 kV
 - Manufactures free standing Vacuum Circuit Breakers from 5 kV to 38 kV
 - Delivered over 10,000 breakers from our Pittsburgh, PA factory
 - Affiliated with the MELCO Factory at the Marugame Works, Japan
- Substation Division
 - Established ~1993
 - Delivers GIS equipment and projects from 72 kV to 500 kV
 - Delivered over 120 projects and nearly 600 breaker-positions in North America
 - Affiliated with the MELCO Factory at the Itami Works, Japan

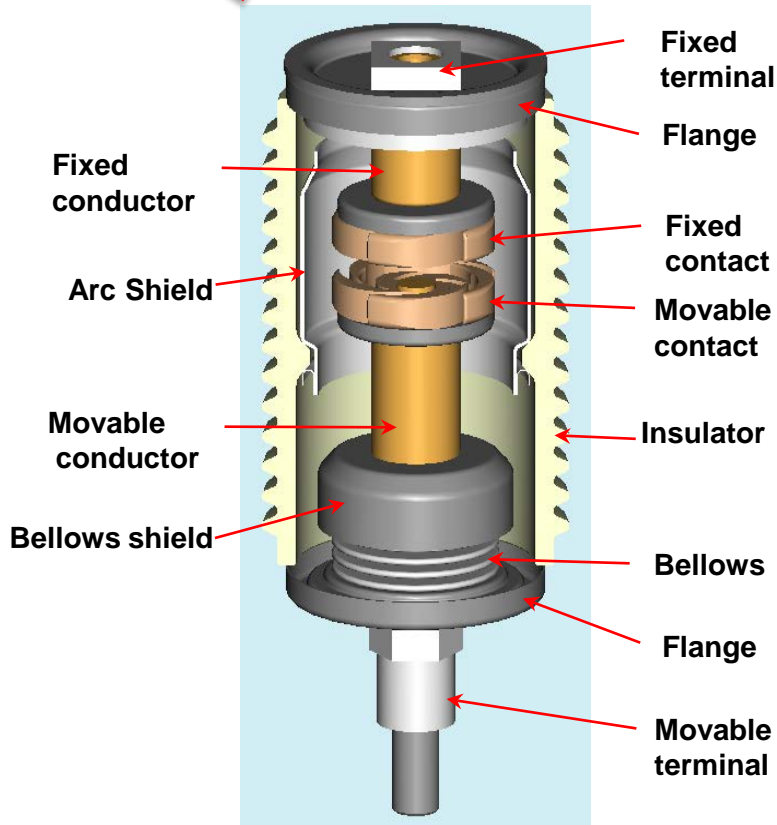
Power Distribution Systems Center (PDSC)



Vacuum Interrupter



- Compact and Lightweight Vacuum Interrupters
- Over 40 years of Experience with High Reliability



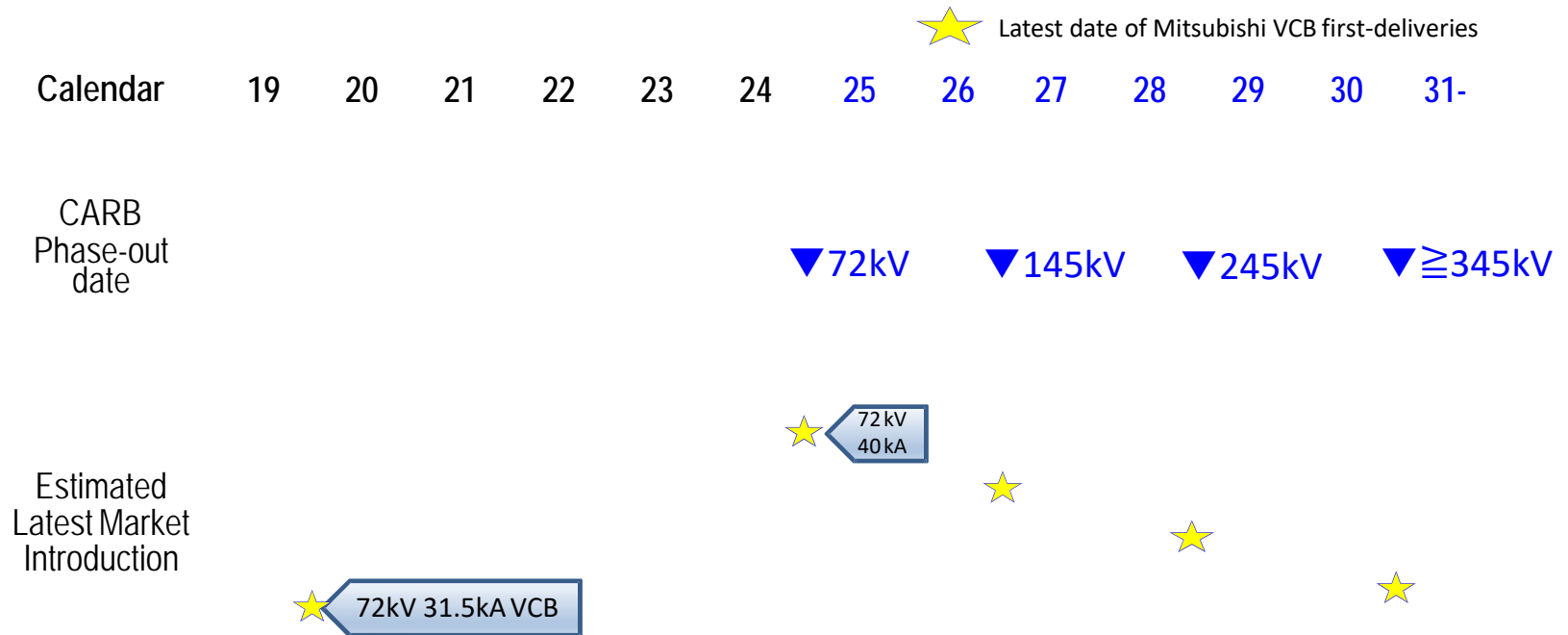
■ Structure



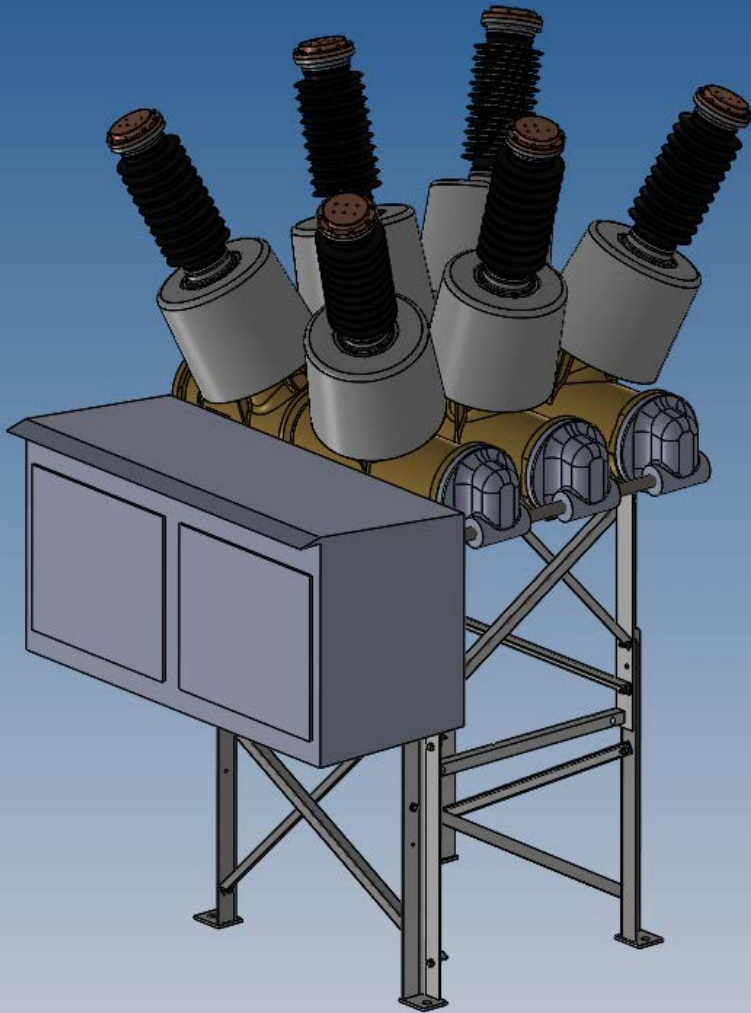
■ Mitsubishi Series(1.5kV/4kA~84kV/31.5kA)

- 1953** Rectifier Tubes such as Ignitron and Thyatron began being manufactured.
- 1962** Basic research of VI started in R&D.
- 1965** 6.6kV Glass vessel type VI was developed.
- 1968** Metallic vessel type VI was developed.
- 1970** 36kV-25kA VI was developed.
- 1973** Ceramic vessel type with Cu-Cr spiral contact was developed. 7.2kV-40kA VI was developed.
- 1980** VI export to European customers started. 12kV-50kA VI was developed.
- 1982** 7.2kV-12.5kA low surge type VI was developed.
- 1985** Total production quantity exceeded 0.5 million.
- 1988** Production quantity of VI's exceeded 0.1 million per year.
- 1989** VI plant transferred to Marugame works. Total production quantity exceeded 1 million.
- 1995** Obtained ISO 9001 certification.
- 1998** 7.2kV-40kA low surge VI was developed. Obtained ISO 14001 certification.
- 2000** 12/24/36 kV dry-air CGIS introduced
- 2002** 72/84 kV CGIS introduced
- 2004** Total production quantity exceeded 2.5 million.
- 2004** Medium Voltage project created at MEPPPI.
- 2005** Medium Voltage Dept. formed at MEPPPI to develop and launch 17 kV, 27 kV, and 38 kV F-VCB.
- 2011** JEC 72/84 kV dead-tank breaker (dry air) trialed in Japan
- 2013** Total Production quantity of VI's exceeded 3 million. MTBF = 5×10^9 hrs.
- 2018** e-F@ctory opened.

- To date there has been no alternative to SF6 gas that offers the same characteristics of :
 1. High dielectric strength
 2. High heat transfer capability
 3. Molecular stability
 4. Operational over a wide range of ambient temps
- Evaluation of alternative gases have found, in general, that they all have one or more undesirable characteristics that would make their adoption challenging
- Alternate gases may still require reporting because they are still considered a GHG in either pre-mixed or decomposed form
- No industry harmonized gas standards means utilities will require multiple gas handling carts in addition to legacy SF6 handling carts
 - Current suppliers have their own proprietary gas chemistries
- On that basis, MELCO made the decision to focus on a roadmap to develop an alternative to SF6 gas using vacuum technology



- Building upon our experience with our line-up of 5 kV, 15 kV, 27 kV, and 38 kV vacuum breakers and 5 kV to 72 kV compact GIS, Mitsubishi is moving forward with a development roadmap for an alternative to SF6 gas with an all vacuum solution.
- With our next product launch of a 72 kV 31.5 kA breaker in early 2020, Mitsubishi is committed to meet or beat the CARB phase-out schedule for additional/higher ratings.



The 72kV DTB is designed with the familiar MEPPI products in mind but taking advantage of a modern control and layout.

- Comparable in size to a 70SFMT40E breaker with the same foundation size as the 32F
- Utilizes well established MEPPI mechanism.
- Composite bushings matching the current 72kV design with only small changes to the end casting.
- CT's, mounting, and covers match existing 72kV designs.
- Rotary linkage with cabinet mounted on the side out from under the bus.
- Target Product Launch – April 2020

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

BASE RATING:

RATED VOLTAGE:	72.5kV	72.5kV
RATED SYMMETRICAL FAULT CURRENT:	40kA	31.5kA
BASE REFERENCE STANDARD:	ANSI C37	ANSI C37
RATED FREQUENCY:	60Hz	60Hz

ASYMMETRICAL X/R	17	17
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TIME CONSTANT:	45	45
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BREAKING TIME:	3 CYCLES	3 CYCLES
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CLOSING TIME:	5 CYCLE (max)	5 CYCLE (max)
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BREAKER RECLOSE DUTY:	O-0.3s-CO-15s-CO	O-0.3s-CO-15s-CO
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EXTERNAL TO VST ENCLOSURE GAS:	Dry Air	Dry Air
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EXTERNAL TO VST ENCLOSURE GAS PRESSURE:	101psi	101psi
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OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE:

MECHANICAL LIFE:	(M2) 10,000	(M2) 10,000
LOAD CURRENT ELECTRICAL LIFE:	10,000	10,000
ELECTRICAL LIFE:	E2	E2
FULL CURRENT FAULT LIFE:	20	20
TEMPERATURE RANGE :	-50°C TO 50°C	-50°C TO 50°C

DIELECTRIC:

1 MIN. DRY:	160kV	160kV
FULL WAVE WITHSTAND:	350kV	350kV
RATED NOMINAL CURRENT (MINIMUM):	2000A/3000A	2000A/3000A

SHORT CIRCUIT:

	TRV: Two Parameter	Two Parameter
FIRST POLE TO CLEAR K_{pp} (Terminal):	1.5	1.5
AMPLITUDE FACTOR K_{af} (Terminal & SL):	1.54	1.54
FIRST POLE TO CLEAR K_{pp} (Out of Phase):	2.5	2.5
AMPLITUDE FACTOR K_{af} (Out of Phase):	1.25	1.25
RATED SHORT TIME CURRENT:	40kA	31.5kA
RATED SHORT CIRCUIT MAKING CURRENT:	104kA	82kA
MAXIMUM PERMISSIBLE TRIPPING DELAY:	2s	2s

CAPACITIVE CURRENT SWITCHING:

OVERHEAD LINE CURRENT:	100A	100A
OVERHEAD LINE CURRENT RESTRIKE CLASS:	C2	C2

Notes:

Capacitor Single Bank testing is not included. Line charging is.

Reactor Switching will be possible based on system analysis, the same as SF6 DTB.

- Vacuum is used for interrupting only and requires another material for insulating energized parts inside a pressurized vessel
 - This material may be compressed dry air, solid dielectric or a combination
 - This may increase physical sizes of equipment
- Vacuum interruption currently performs to X/R ratio of 17
 - Higher X/R could be considered a special purpose application
- Vacuum is generally challenged for capacitor switching
 - Cap switching could be considered a special purpose application
- Currently vacuum seems practical for interruption up to 145 kV with dry air insulation for the dielectric
 - Beyond that, a new insulating gas may be required to keep equipment size and cost within reasonable bounds
- Multiple breaks will be required at and above 245kV