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The invention provides for a DC brush-arc furnace comprising a vessel 12 and first and second electrodes 16, 18. A first DC power supply 20 supplies power to the electrodes. A first conductor 26 extends parallel to the first electrode, so that a first current flows in a first direction through the first conductor and in a second opposite direction in the first electrode. A second conductor 28 extends parallel to the second electrode, so that the current flows in the first direction in the second electrode and in the second direction in the second conductor. An arc deflection compensation system 30 comprises a second DC power supply 32 and a compensation circuit 34 comprising a first compensation conductor 36 and a second compensation conductor 38. The second DC power supply causes a second current to flow through the first compensation conductor in the first direction and through the second compensation conductor in the second direction.

