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# CHECKLIST TESTING AND INSPECTION WITHOUT INTERCONNECTION

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## 1 SCOPE

This document reports the results of the Mechanical Completion inspection.

The inspection consists of visual checks and of the measurement of selected electrical characteristics. Most checks are required with reference to 100% of the installation, some checks and measures with reference to a minimum percentage of 15% of the installation.

At completion of the test, a Test report shall be prepared.

Participants shall take note of inspection checks and measures for their own record. The test engineer of the Applicant / Contractor shall prepare the draft Test Report that will be distributed to the participants for comments and approval.

The present Mechanical Completion inspection is related to testing without interconnection, a further on-site testing phase shall be carried out in the frame of the Final Inspection: the Mechanical Completion test report will be thus become part of the Final Inspection Report.

The checks to be performed in the Mechanical Completion inspection are described in the following paragraphs.

The testing instruments shall be provided by the Applicant / Contractor and have valid calibration certificates in order that valid on-site testing measures can be performed.

## 1.1 PV PLANT AND INSPECTION DATA

Name of the PV Plant	Nominal Power (kW)			Location of the Plant			
Type of installation	Rooftop	Flat rooftop	Ground	Pole	BIPV		
Date of the inspection							

Name of Test Engineer (1)	Affiliation	Licence / Register ID
	Consultant	

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INTERCONNECTION RESULT	REJECTED

Participant	Affiliation	Role
	Consultant	Designer
	Consultant	Test engineer
	Contractor	Installer
	DEWA	Inspector

<sup>1</sup> Tests are to be carried out by a licensed engineer

# 2 TESTING EQUIPMENT

		Tes	t equipment			
Туре	e of measure	Manufacturer	Model	SN	Calibration Certificate	Date of last calibration
1	DC power					
	Wattmeter					
	DC clamp meter					
2	PV installation test equipme	ent (*)				
	VOC, ISC, insulation resistance (see Sect. 4.2.2)					
3	Solar radiation			'	'	
	Reference cell					
4	Cell temperature					
	Thermocouple / PT100					
5	Checks on PV strings					
	Inclinometer					
	Digital multimeter					
	Clamp Digital multimeter					
	Insulation resistance and continuity (Megger or equivalent instrument)					

<sup>(\*)</sup> It is recommended the use of equipment that can perform measurements in accordance to IEC 62446 (e.g. Seward PV150, HT-Instruments PVCHECK, Gossen Metrawatt PROFITEST, Benning PV1-1).

#### 3 **DOCUMENTS**

## 3.1 Reference documents and standards

- DEWA Standards for Distributed Renewable Resources Generators Connected to the Distribution Network [1]
- DEWA Connection Guidelines for Distributed Renewable Resources Generators Connected to the Distribution [2] Network
- DELATA T

[3]	DEWA Inspection and Testing Guideline for Distributed Renewable Resources Generators Connected to the Distribution Network
3.2	PV plant design documents (Technical dossier)
	of documents provided by the Applicant to DEWA will be filled as in the proposed template here below.
Data-	sheets and catalogues
[1]	
[2]	
[3]	
Techi	nical Reports
[1]	
[2]	
[3]	
Draw	ings
[1]	
[2]	
[3]	

# 4 TESTS AND INSPECTIONS WITHOUT INTERCON-NECTION TO THE NETWORK

## 4.1 Mechanical inspections and Tests

#### 4.1.1 PV plant General Assessment

		General ass	sessment of	RRGU	/ RRGP					
			Doc. ref.			Res	ult			Ref. to Note
1		of PV plant, separation fication of string layout on es		OK		NO		N/A [		
2		the PV field: within the range set out in the project design		OK		NO		N/A [		
3	Check the tota	al number of modules		ОК		NO		N/A [		
Follo	owing the verifi	cation of the number of modul	es installed,	the to	tal pov	ver is e	qual to	: XXX.>	κx kV	<b>/</b> p
4	Positioning of	the structures		ОК		NO		N/A [		
5	Number and p	osition of the cabins		ОК		NO		N/A [		
6	Position of ma	ain cable ways		ОК		NO		N/A [		
7	Safe access to	the rooftop and Exit plan		ОК		NO		N/A [		
8	Condition of t	he internal roads		ОК		NO		N/A [		
9	Drainage work	ks and / or rainwater drainage		ОК		NO		N/A [		
10	Cleanliness of	the modules		ОК		NO		N/A [		
11		ences (path, type) and f hazardous areas		ОК		NO		N/A [		
12	_	warning signs NG DUAL SUPPLY")		ОК		NO		N/A [		
13		single line diagram and PV ut in the cabin		ОК		NO		N/A [		
		1								
	Note:	2								
		3								

#### 4.1.2 Civil Works

The Inspections listed below will involve the concerned Authority (i.e. Dubai Municipality, Trakhees, etc.). A provisional description of the Inspection is given only to make the Applicant aware of the kind of checks that may be performed.

Civil works										
			Doc. ref.	Doc. ref. Result					Ref. to Note	
1		(state, breakage, of the surface)		ОК		NO		N/A		
2	Structural ali tolerances se	gnments: within the t by design		ОК		NO		N/A		
3	Placement of foundations a	inserts and holes in and precast		ОК		NO		N/A		
4	General conditions of the cabins and related foundations			ОК		NO		N/A		
5	5 Waterproofing of the cabins			ОК		NO		N/A		
6		y and ingress protection ) of mounting system to		OK		NO		N/A		
7	Access doors	of the cabins		ОК		NO		N/A		
8	Ventilation g the cabins	rills / air conditioning of		ОК		NO		N/A		
9	Integrity and conduits	layout of cableways /		ОК		NO		N/A		
		1								
	Note:	2								
		3								

#### **4.1.3 Support Structures**

The Inspections listed below will involve the concerned Authority (i.e. Dubai Municipality, Trakhees, etc.). A provisional description of the Inspection is given only to make the Applicant aware of the kind of checks that may be performed.

Support Structures										
			Doc. ref.			Res	sult			Ref. to Note
1	Mounting of so	supporting structures and ements		ОК		NO		N/A		
2		the components (damages, quality, loss of galvanic prrosion)		OK		NO		N/A		
3	Planarity of th structures (ar	ne PV modules supporting rows, sags)		ОК		NO		N/A		
4	Inclination of PV modules: within the tolerances set in the design			ОК		NO		N/A		
5	_	ntening torque g to design (sample check)		ОК		NO		N/A		
6	suitable to we	tures and fasteners are eather conditions and ith other materials to sion		OK		NO		N/A		
		1								
	Note:	2								
		3								

#### **4.1.4** Photovoltaic Modules

		Pho	tovoltaic m	odules				
Visua	al inspection of	PV modules	Doc. ref.		Res	ult		Ref. to Note
1		tegrity of the modules downs or incomplete		OK	NO		N/A	
2		tional parts of the modules n, discoloration, dirt, etc.)		OK	NO		N/A	
3	Labeling of m	odules		ОК	NO		N/A	
4	Fixation syste	m		ОК	NO		N/A	
5		tening torques g to design (on a sample		OK	NO		N/A	
6	No growing tr module	ees or bushes shadow any PV		OK	NO		N/A	
Quali	ty of cabling		Doc. ref.		Res	ult		Ref. to Note
7	Tightening of	cable glands		ОК	NO		N/A	
8		lation of DC cables (clamps, folds too narrow, etc.).		OK	NO		N/A	
9	9 Assembly and crimping of plug-in connectors			OK	NO		N/A	
10	Plug-in conne ground or the	ctors do not touch the roof surface		OK	NO		N/A	
		1						
	Note:	2						
		3						

## 4.2 Inspections without interconnection

#### 4.2.1 Electrical equipment

		El	ectrical equi	pment				
			Doc. ref.			Ref. to Note		
1	_	nd fixation of string ses for connection of PV		OK		NO	N/A	
2	Installation of raceways and/or cable sheaths string			ОК		NO	N/A	
3	Positioning in the cabins of the equipment: inverters, transformers, switchgear, etc.			OK		NO	N/A	
4	4 Mechanical integrity of the said equipment (e.g. faults, breaks)			ОК		NO	N/A	
5	and reachable	nectors on DC side visible e (all buildings, switch rding to design)		ОК		NO	N/A	
6	point) to disco	mote control (manual call onnect a portion of PV plant higher hazard buildings, m above floor)		ОК		NO	N/A	
		1						
	Note: 2							
		3						

## 4.2.2 Protection of Assembled Components (IP degree)

With reference to 100% of the installation, check the fulfilment of the design prescriptions.

	Protection of assembled components (IP degree)  Check the fulfilment of the design prescriptions									
			Doc. ref.	Result						Ref. to Note
1	IP degree of e boxes, etc.	quipment, string combiner		ОК		NO		N/A		
2	2 Installation of equipment, string combiner boxes, etc.			ОК		NO		N/A		
Installation of cable glands and connectors related to the above equipment				OK		NO		N/A		
4	4 Positioning of cable ducts / conduits on metallic cableways / ladders			ОК		NO		N/A		
5	Protective provisions against rodents  (polygrethane foam to obstruct inlets of			OK		NO		N/A		
6 Labeling of cables, cable ducts and equipment			OK		NO		N/A			
		1								
Note		2								
		3								

## 4.2.3 String Combiner Boxes (DC string connections and AC auxiliary services)

With reference to a percentage of the installed plant, ranging between the 15% and the 20%, check compliance of labels (cables, terminal blocks, and connectors) with drawings and design documents. Check the cables are tightened in their respective terminals.

		String combiner boxes (DC s	string conne	ctions	and AC	auxili	ary ser	vices)		
			Doc. ref.	Result						Ref. to Note
1	Execution of v	viring and cable labeling able lists		ОК		NO		N/A		
2	The cross section area and the type of cables (UV resistant, waterproof, etc.) fully comply with the design documents			OK		NO		N/A		
3	Cable loops executed with a minimum open area in order to reduce the risk of lightning induced voltage surges			OK		NO		N/A		
4	Termination of DC cables and control cables (including AC auxiliary services if applicable) into their respective clamp terminals			OK		NO		N/A		
5	Route of signa combiner box	al cables among the string es		ОК		NO		N/A		
6	breakers, disc	characteristics of DC circuit onnect switches, and Check their functionality		ОК		NO		N/A		
7	Quantity and characteristics of surge arresters			ОК		NO		N/A		
8	8 Assembly and wiring of blocking diodes			ОК		NO		N/A		
	1  Note: 2 3									

#### 4.2.4 Electrical Power Connections in Substations and Electrical Rooms

With reference to 100% of the installation, check compliance of labels (cables, terminal blocks, and connectors) with drawings and design documents. Check the cables are tightened in their respective terminals.

	Electrical power conne	ctions in subs	tations	s and e	lectric	al rooi	ns	
		Doc. ref.			Res	sult		Ref. to Note
1	Execution of wiring according to cable lists (sample check)		ОК		NO		N/A	
2	Labeling of trays and cables according to cable lists (sample check)		ОК		NO		N/A	
3	LV and MV switchgears: check termination of LV and MV cables and control that all cables are tightened into their respective clamp terminals		OK		NO		N/A	
4	LV and MV switchgears: quantity		OK		NO		N/A	
5	Inverter connected according to design		ОК		NO		N/A	
6	Systems for air conditioning and/or ventilation according to design		ОК		NO		N/A	
7	Connection of switchnears according to		ОК		NO		N/A	
8 Connection of LV / MV transformers according to design			ОК		NO		N/A	
	1							
Note	2							
	3							

## 4.2.5 Bonding and Earthing System

With reference to 100% of the installation, do the following checks.

		Bondir	ng and earth	ing sy	stem					
			Doc. ref.	Doc. ref. Result						Ref. to Note
1	according to c	em of PV plant installed design; check bonding and connection to terminals ng earthing grid		OK		NO		N/A		
2	2 Certification of correct execution / performance of main earthing grid (assess periodical verification tests of earth resistance according to local rules)			OK		NO		N/A	***************************************	
Connections to DEWA earthing network, if applicable			ОК		NO		N/A			
4	4 Earthing conductors terminate in the earthing busbar of the DRRG system			ОК		NO		N/A		
5		ar is properly bonded with ning of the site		ОК		NO		N/A		
6		earth connection of main earthing busbar		ОК		NO		N/A		
Connection of earthing copper cables to aluminum structures via proper connectors (copper-aluminum, tin plated copper, stainless steel,) to prevent corrosion from dissimilar metals			ОК		NO		N/A			
		1								
Note		2								
		3								

## 4.2.6 Connections to earthing system of metal structures / equipment

With reference to 100% of the installation, check the connections to the terminals and the earthing grid.

	Connections t	o earthing syste	em of m	netal	struct	ures /	equipr	nent	
		Doc.	ref.			Res	ult		Ref. to Note
1	Installation and test of the electrontinuity of the grounding connections of metal support structures and other metal part (at least two points of each supstructure shall be connected to earthing system)	ts port		OK		NO		N/A	
2	The earthing conductors are co to the pre-drilled holes of PV m marked with an earthing sign a with lugs of a proper material t corrosion.	odules nd		OK		NO		N/A	
3	Test of the electrical continuity PV modules frames (if any) with supporting structure or installand test of bonding and earthin conductors on PV modules fran	nthe ition ng		OK		NO		N/A	
4	In case of bonding and earthing conductors on PV modules fran the removal of any PV module( not compromise the continuity grounding system	nes s) does		ОК		NO		N/A	
5	Installation and test of the electroninuity of the grounding connections of surge arresters	trical		ОК		NO		N/A	
6	Installation and test of the electrons continuity of the grounding connections of equipment and switchgear in the cabins	trical		ОК		NO		N/A	
7	Installation of the grounding connection of MV cable shields			ОК		NO		N/A	
8	Installation or revision of the Li protection system (LPS) accord detailed design			ОК		NO		N/A	
	1 Note: 2 3		,	1					

## 4.3 Tests without interconnection

#### 4.3.1 Insulation of LV connections DC and AC

The measurements are collected in Annex 1

	Insulation test – Summary of test results									
	Protection o	Insulation devices and electronic equ					, the te	st volt	ane sh	all he
	11000000000	disconnected dur							agesin	
			Doc. ref. Result Ref. to N						Ref. to Note	
1		n of DC circuits, including rminals (max. 1000 VDC		ОК		NO		N/A		
2	circuits higher clamps and te Check Insulati strings higher	fon resistance of DC than 1 M $\Omega$ (including rminals). For resistance of PV than 5 M $\Omega$ (2 M $\Omega$ in the lire on PV modules)		OK		NO		N/A		
3		n of AC circuits, including rminals (max. 1000 VDC		ОК		NO			***************************************	
4		on resistance is higher DC circuits including rminals		OK		NO		N/A		
		1								
Note:		2								
		3								

## 4.3.2 Measurements on PV strings

The measurements are collected in Annex 2

Pro	Measurements on PV strings – Summary of test results  Protection devices and electronic equipment that might be affected by the test voltage shall be disconnected during the performance of the measures.								
			Doc. ref.			Res	sult		Ref. to Note
1	Measure each VOC (inverter	single string voltage switched off)		ОК		NO		N/A	
2	Measure each single string current ISC (inverter switched off)			ОК		NO		N/A	
3	Insulation test between short- circuited array and earth. Limit			ОК		NO		N/A	
	Note:	<ol> <li>1</li> <li>2</li> <li>3</li> </ol>							

## 4.3.3 Calibration of protections (Interface Protection)

The Interface Protection(s) usually comes with predefined settings from factory. However it is required that settings are checked on-site, if necessary the said settings shall be adjusted.

		Calibration o	f protections (	Interf	ace Pro	otectic	on)			
			Doc. ref.			Ref. to Note				
1		uired – the thresholds and protective devices		ОК		NO		N/A		
2	intervention (Protection(s)	tings and the correct of the Interface through simulated is of the equipment 1] D.2.5.		ОК		NO		N/A	-	
				ОК		NO		N/A		
				ОК		NO		N/A		
				ОК		NO		N/A		
				ОК		NO		N/A		
				ОК		NO		N/A		
				ОК		NO		N/A		
				ОК		NO		N/A		
		1		1	1	I	ı		1	
Note		2								
		3								

# ANNEX 1 – INSULATION TESTS

Operati	ional note
1.	Test performed between each cable positive or negative and earth, test voltage maximum 1000Vdc for
	1minute.
2.	Insulation resistance for acceptance of test result 1 $M\Omega.$
3.	Insulation tests can be done also on short-circuited string as mentioned in ANNEX 2.

Insulation tests							
Cable ID	Connection (from / to)	Test time [hh:mm]	Insulation resistance [Mohm]	Test result		Ref. Note	
				ОК	NO		
				ок 🗌	NO		
				ок 🗌	NO		
				ок 🗌	NO		
				ок 🗌	NO		
				ок 🗌	NO		
				ок 🗌	NO		
				ОК	NO		
				ок 🗌	NO		
				ОК	NO		
				ок 🗌	NO		
				ок 🗌	NO		
				ок 🗌	NO		
				ок 🗌	NO		
Note:							

# ANNEX 2 – TESTS ON PV STRINGS

## PV string open circuit voltage measurements

Operat	ional notes (See Figure 1 in Annex 2)
1.	Solar irradiance ≥ 600 W/m2 on PV module surface
2.	String voltage measured in open circuit, inverter switched off.
3.	Measure strings connected in parallel (e.g. to same combiner box) so that possible changes of solar radiation are minimized.
4.	For strings connected in parallel (e.g. to same combiner box) evaluate percentage difference of each measure from average (Voc_ave_strings).
5.	Check strings that show differences larger than ± 5%.

## PV string short-circuit current measurements

Operational notes (See Figure 2 in Annex 2)						
1.	Solar irradiance ≥ 600 W/m2 on PV module surface					
2.	Measure short-circuited strings, downstream e.g. the DC disconnect of combiner box, inverter switched off.					
3.	Test each single short-circuited string, other strings in open. Before each new test open the DC disconnect, disconnect the last tested string and connect the following string to be tested. Finally close the DC disconnect, and test.					
4.	Measure strings connected in parallel (e.g. to same combiner box) so that possible changes of solar radiation are minimized.					
5.	For strings connected in parallel (e.g. to same combiner box) evaluate percentage difference of each measure from average (Voc_ave_strings).					
6.	Check strings that show differences larger than ± 5%.					
NOTE:	In case of DC disconnector embedded in the inverter, an external circuit shall be used. The safe connection/ disconnection between (+) and (-) poles is thus made by means of a proper switch-disconnector					

## Test insulation between earth and short-circuited strings

Operational notes					
1.	Measure short-circuited strings, downstream e.g. the DC disconnect of combiner box, inverter switched off.				
2.	Test each single short-circuited string, other strings in open. Apply the test voltage maximum 1000Vdc for 1 minute between earth and short-circuited string. Before each new test open the DC disconnect, disconnect the last tested string and connect the following string to be tested. Finally close the DC disconnect, and test.				
3.	Surge protective devices shall be disconnected before testing.				
4.	Insulation resistance for acceptance of test result 5 M $\Omega$ in dry conditions (2 M $\Omega$ in wet conditions).				

## Report of detailed test results

VOC, ISC, Insulation resistance (1 of xx)									
Combiner Box	Start Time	Stop Time	Start Time	Stop Time	Start Time	Stop Time			
	Voltage		Current		Insulation resistance				
String	V0C [V]	Difference between VOC_ ave [%]	ISC [A]	Difference between ISC_ ave [%]	[ΜΩ]	Resistance test result			
1						ОК			
2						ОК			
3						ОК			
4						ОК			
5						ОК			
6						ОК			
7						ОК			
8						ОК			
9						ОК			
10						ОК			
11						ОК			
12						ОК			
13						ОК			
14						ОК			
15						***************************************			
16						***************************************			
1/05	Itot_string:					***************************************			
VOC_a	ve [V]	ISC_ave [A]				1			
Note:									

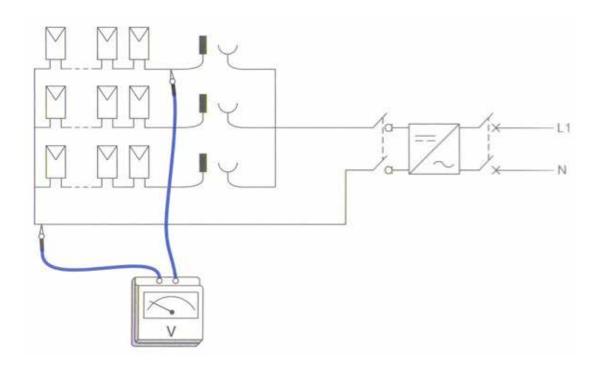
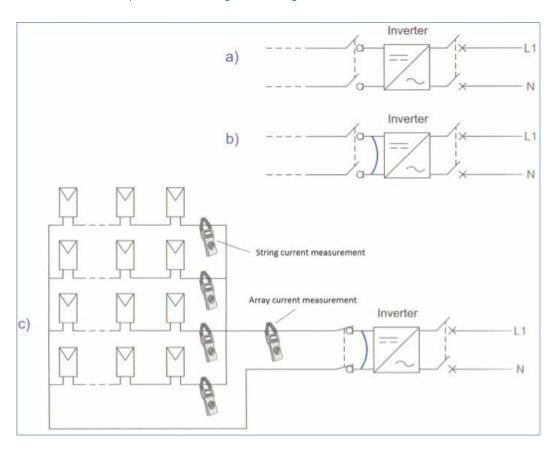


Figure 1 – Measurement of the open-circuit voltage of a string



- a) Circuit-break the inverter upstream and downstream
- b) Short-circuit the terminals not powered of the circuit-breaker upstream the inverter
- c) Close the circuit-breaker upstream the inverter and measure the current by means of a DC current clamp

Figure 2 – Procedure for the measurements of the current of strings and array:

## For generations to come









