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FOREWORD

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INTRODUCTION

This amendment to IEC 61400-11:2002 addresses special cases where 95 % of rated power is reached below 10 m/s speed at 10 m height and for sites where wind speeds of 10 m/s at 10 m height are very rare. Furthermore a clarification on regression analysis and frequency weighting is included.

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4 Symbols and units

Add the following new symbol:

V_n wind speed measured by the nacelle anemometer (m/s)

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5 Outline of method

Insert, after the fifth paragraph, the following text:

If this part of IEC 61400 is used for verification that actual noise emission is in accordance with a reference/declared noise level, the verification measurement shall be made in accordance with the present standard for a wind speed range given by:

- Annual average wind speed at 10 m height onsite ± 1 m/s as a minimum. As a minimum, three integer wind speed values and 8 m/s shall be reported (i.e. site average = 4,8 m/s, use 4, 5, 6, and 8 m/s).

- If the declaration measurements indicate that audible tones are present at other wind speeds, these wind speeds shall be included as well.

Where local codes or contracts between parties involved (i.e. manufacturers, developers, owners) require measurements at a different wind speed or wind speed range, this part of IEC 61400 may be applied at those wind speeds.

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6.2.1 Anemometers

Add, at the end of the Subclause:

Because the nacelle anemometer is *in situ* calibrated during measurement, the demand for calibration does not apply to the nacelle anemometer. The measurements from the nacelle anemometer may be supplied from the wind turbine control system. The nacelle anemometer shall not be used for background noise measurements.

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7.1.2 Wind speed and direction measurement positions

Add, at the end of the Subclause:

If 95 % of the rated power is reached below a standardized wind speed of 10 m/s and the nacelle anemometer method is chosen, the wind speed from the nacelle anemometer shall be measured. If no nacelle anemometer is available, an anemometer shall be mounted on the nacelle. For wind turbines with a hub height below 30 m, all wind speed measurements may be taken from an anemometer between 10 m and hub height.

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7.2.2.3 Narrow band measurements

Replace the text of this Subclause by the following new text:

For each integer wind speed, at least 2 min of A-weighted wind turbine noise and background noise are required. These 2 min shall be as close as possible to the integer wind speeds. If the A-weighting cannot be applied during measurement, linear spectra may be converted to A-weighted spectra according to IEC 61672-1:2002.

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7.3.1.1 Method 1: determination of the wind speed from the electric output and the power curve

Replace the last paragraph, equation 6 and its legend by the following:

If the standardised wind speed corresponding to 95 % of rated power is below 10 m/s, one of the following two methods shall be used to determine the wind speed for data above 95 % of rated power:

7.3.1.1.1 Nacelle anemometer method

For all data points between 5 % and 95 % of rated power, a linear regression using the nacelle wind speed V_n and corrected wind speed V_H at hub height determined from electrical power measurements shall be determined. For passive stall turbines, the corrected wind speed V_H at hub height is the derived wind speed V_D from power. For active power controlled turbine, V_H is determined from Equation (5).

The corrected wind speed above 95 % of rated power shall be determined applying the resulting linear regression to the nacelle wind speed V_n .

7.3.1.1.2 κ -factor method

For all data points with power levels below 95 % of rated power, the ratio of standardised wind speed and measured wind speed, κ , shall be derived. This ratio shall then be applied to the measured wind speed of the data points with power levels above 95 % of rated power to estimate the standardised wind speed using Equation (6).

$$V_s = \kappa V_z \quad (6)$$

where

V_s is the standardised wind speed;

V_z is the wind speed measured at anemometer height z .

The nacelle anemometer method is the preferred method as the correlation between nacelle wind speed and the electrical power output is typically better than for the wind speed measured below hub height.

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7.3 Non-acoustic measurements

Add, after 7.3.3, the following new Subclause 7.3.4:

7.3.4 Rotor speed and pitch angle measurement

Measurement and reporting of relevant wind turbine control parameters such as rotor speed and pitch angle are recommended. These data may be obtained from the wind turbine controller.

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8.3 Apparent sound power levels

Replace the first sentence in 8.3 by the following:

The analyst shall use a 4th order regression as long as the correlation coefficient is 0,8 or greater. Otherwise bin analysis shall be utilized using linear regression within bins to determine the sound pressure levels at the integer wind speeds. The bins will be 1 m/s wide, open on the low end, closed on the high end. There shall be at least one point on both sides of the integer wind speed.