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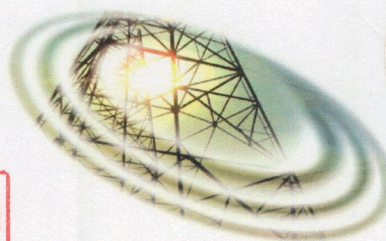
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## 1. Summary of test results

Test	Test Type	Standard/Clause	Result
Visual and dimensional examination	Type test	BS 3288	Passed
Slip test	Type test	IEC 61238	Passed
Connector bolt tightening test	Type test	IEC 61238	Passed
Electrical ageing test	Type test	IEC 61238	Passed
Corrosion test	Type test	EN 50483-6	Passed

Parallel Groove Connector Al 50-240 mm<sup>2</sup> / Al 50-240 mm<sup>2</sup> CO1201 of Electro Niroo Taban Control Company (NETCO) is approved according to BS 3288, IEC 61238, and EN 50483-6 standards.

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## 2. Product Specifications

Name: Parallel Groove Connector Al 50-240 mm<sup>2</sup> / Al 50-240 mm<sup>2</sup>

Model: CO1201



## 3. Technical Specifications

Branch Conductor Range: Al 50-240 mm<sup>2</sup>

Main Conductor Range: Al 50-240 mm<sup>2</sup>

Features:

4 × Belleville washer

2 × M10 bolt

Weight:

Installation Torque: 40 N.m

Markings:

## 4. General Considerations

The customer has the right to officially announce their written objection to the test results or procedure within one month after the test report is issued. The tested samples will be stored at the laboratory for up to 6 months after testing.

Sampling was conducted by representatives of the Niroo Research Institute.



## 5. Test Methods and Results

### 5.1. Visual and dimensional examination

The fitting was visually and dimensionally inspected in order to make sure that it is within standard tolerances.

#### Acceptance Criteria:

It shall be verified that the test samples are in accordance with the drawing provided by the manufacturer. Manufacturer's name shall be engraved on the sample.

#### Results:

The test samples were in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications. Manufacturer's name was engraved on the sample. The connector has 4 Belleville washers with 3.5 mm thickness and 2 bolts of size M10.

#### Conclusion:

The connector passed the test.

### 5.2. Mechanical tests

#### 5.2.1. Slip test

Al conductors with 185-185 mm<sup>2</sup> and 50-50 mm<sup>2</sup> were used in the test. The tensile force was  $40 \times A$ , where A was the conductor nominal cross section area in mm<sup>2</sup>.

#### Acceptance Criteria:

The conductor shall maintain the test load for 60 s without breaking or any damage that would prevent the correct function of the cable.

Sample	Conductor (mm <sup>2</sup> )	Standard load (N)	Slip load (N)
1	Al 185-185	7400	8560
2			8690
3	Al 50-50	2000	2750
4			2810

#### Results:

The connector and the conductors withstood the applied loads and no slip, damage or failure were observed.

#### Conclusion:

The connector passed the test.



### 5.2.2. Connector bolt tightening test

The connector shall be installed on a conductor or cable with a diameter equal to that for which the connector is intended to be used. The bolts and/or nuts shall be tightened with the installation torque specified by the supplier (40 N.m). The torque shall be increased to the specified installation value by a factor of 1,1 (44 N.m). 10 installations and removals shall be completed. Finally, the torque shall be increased to either twice the specified installation value or the maximum torque value recommended by the bolt supplier; whichever is the lower.

#### Acceptance Criteria:

The threads must be usable for any number of subsequent tightening and loosening operations and all parts of the connector must remain intact. There must be no unacceptable damage to the conductor inside the connector.

#### Results:

The threads were stripped at torques of 60.4 and 56.7, 59.8 and 62.1 N.m.

#### Conclusion:

The connector passed the test.

### 5.3. Electrical ageing test

A test loop consisting of 6 connectors was prepared according to standard and subjected to 1000 heating and cooling cycles. The test was performed using a Al 185-185 mm<sup>2</sup> conductor. The resistance was measured 12 times during the test; first measurement was taken before heating/cooling cycles, the second one after first 250<sup>th</sup> cycle, and the remaining measurements after every 75 cycles thereafter.

#### Acceptance Criteria:

Maximum standard values for the test parameters are shown in the following table.

Parameter	Maximum value
Initial scatter, $\delta$	0.3
Mean scatter, $\beta$	0.3
Assessment of resistance stability	15 %
Resistance factor ratio, $\lambda$	2.0
Temperature stability $\Delta\theta_j$	$\Delta\theta_{j-10} \leq \Delta\theta_j \leq \Delta\theta_{j+10}$
Maximum temperature $\theta_j$ of each connector	$\theta_R$

#### Results:

Results are shown in the following table.  
All samples fulfilled standard requirements.

#### Conclusion:

The connector passed the test.



Parameter	Maximum Standard Value	Connector 1		Connector 2		Connector 3		Connector 4		Connector 5		Connector 6	
Initial scatter, $\delta$	0.3	0.22											
Mean scatter, $\beta$	0.3	0.18											
Assessment of resistance stability	0.15	0.14		0.15 <sup>*</sup>		0.14		0.15 <sup>*</sup>		0.14		0.14	
Maximum temperature $\theta_j$ of each connector (°C)	140	118		126		120		128		121		119	
Resistance factor ratio, $\lambda$	1.5	1.3		1.5		1.4		1.5		1.3		1.3	
Primary torque (N.m)	-	40											
Secondary torque (N,m)	-	23.6	24.1	23.5	24.2	21.6	22.0	23.4	25.0	21.1	20.0	23.0	22.8
Torque drop (%)	-	41	40	41	39	46	45	41	37	47	50	42	43

\* Borderline

#### 5.4. Corrosion test

According to EN 50483-6, clause 8.4., the samples exposed to 500 cycles of 2 h (1000 h) in an environment created by the solution consisting of 0,05 % sodium chloride (NaCl) and 0,35 % ammonium sulphate ((NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) by mass. After the test, the samples were subjected to visual inspection.

##### Acceptance Criteria:

Visual inspection shall be carried out and there shall be no significant trace of red rust. The amount of corroded area should not be more than 10 % of the exposed surface area of the metallic parts.

The sample's identification marking shall be legible when examined with normal or corrected vision, without magnification.

No deterioration of the connector occur which would impair their normal function.

##### Results:

No trace of red rust was observed.

The connector's identification marking was legible when examined with normal vision.

The sample fulfilled standard requirements.

##### Conclusion:

The connector passed the test.



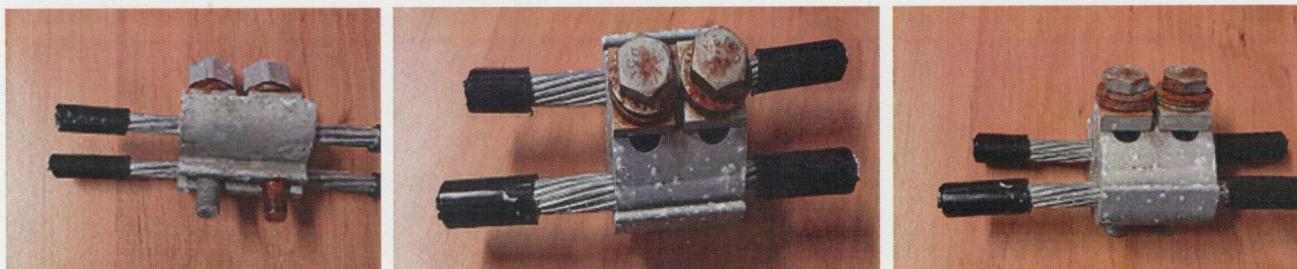


Figure 1. Sample after 6 weeks in the corrosion chamber.

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## Appendix

