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# Analysis of Voltage Imbalance in Prosumer Medium Voltage Distribution Systems with Rooftop Photovoltaic Systems

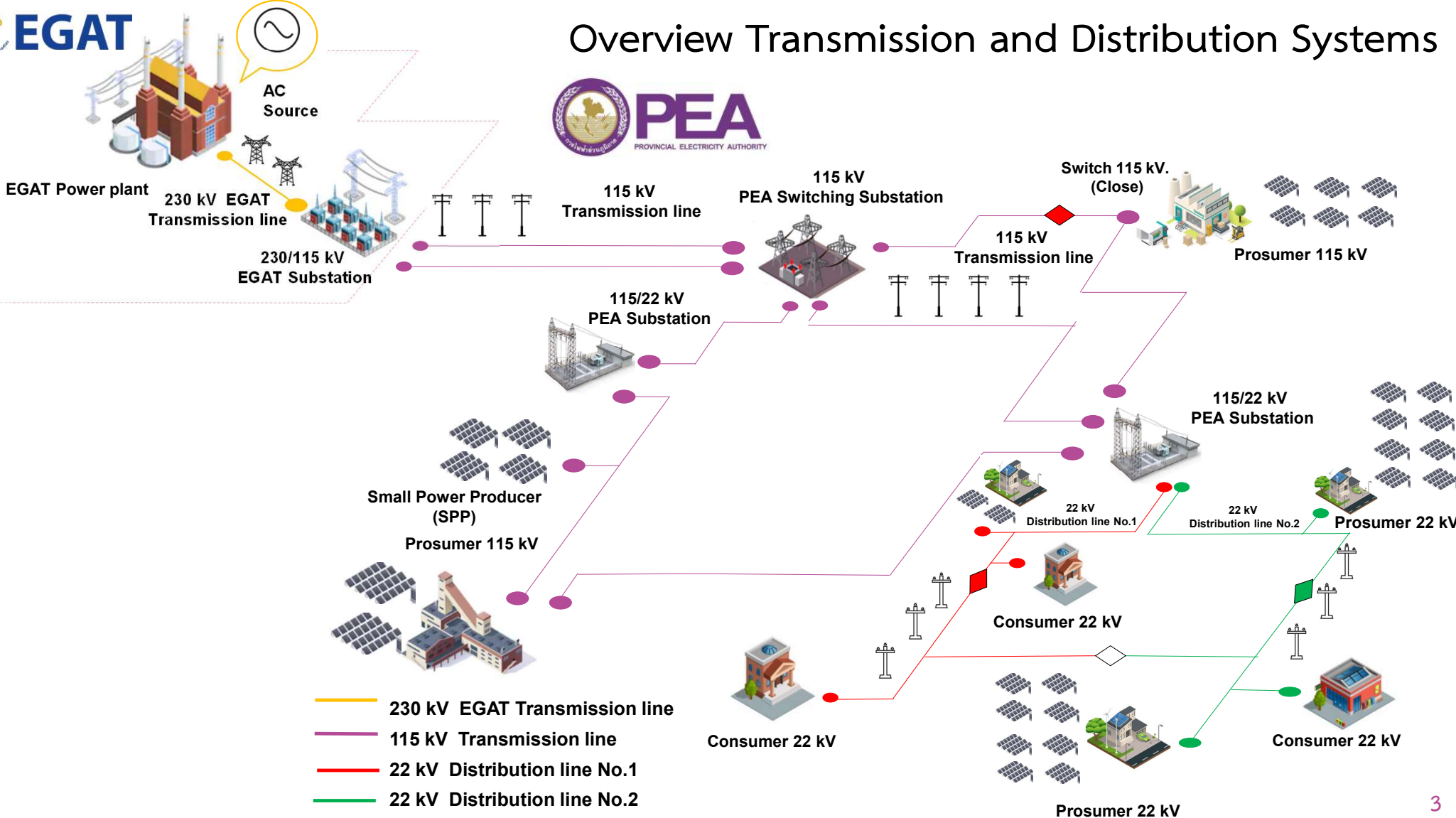
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# Agenda

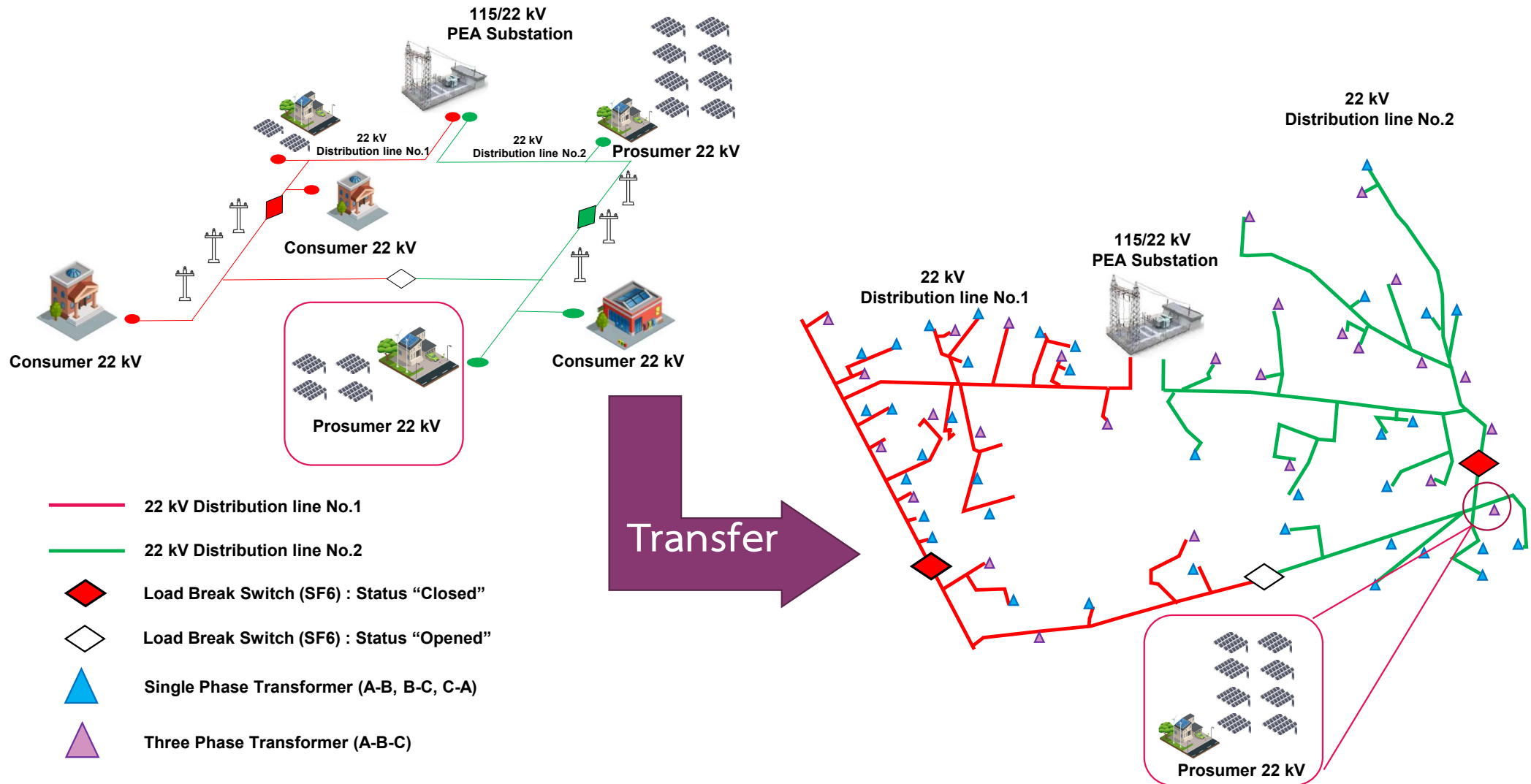
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# Overview Transmission and Distribution Systems

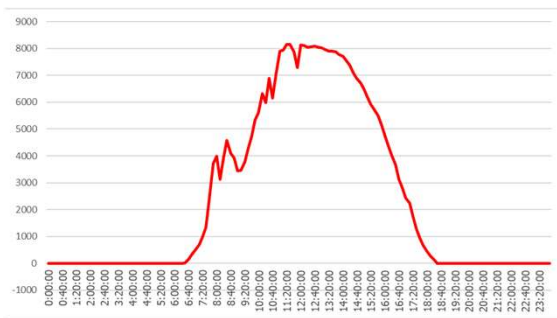


# Overview Transmission and Distribution Systems



# Definition of Prosumer

Prosumer is someone who both produces and consumes energy – a shift made possible, in part, due to the rise of new connected technologies and the steady increase of more renewable power like solar and wind onto our electric grid.



Power Generate Profile

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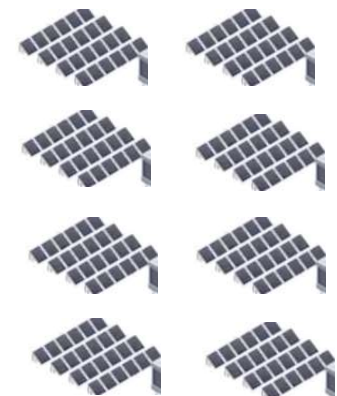
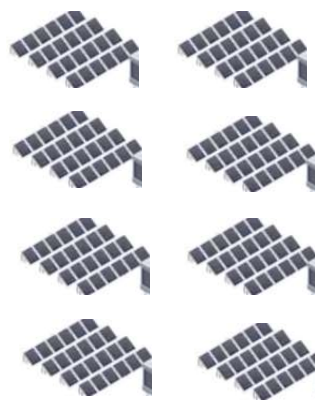


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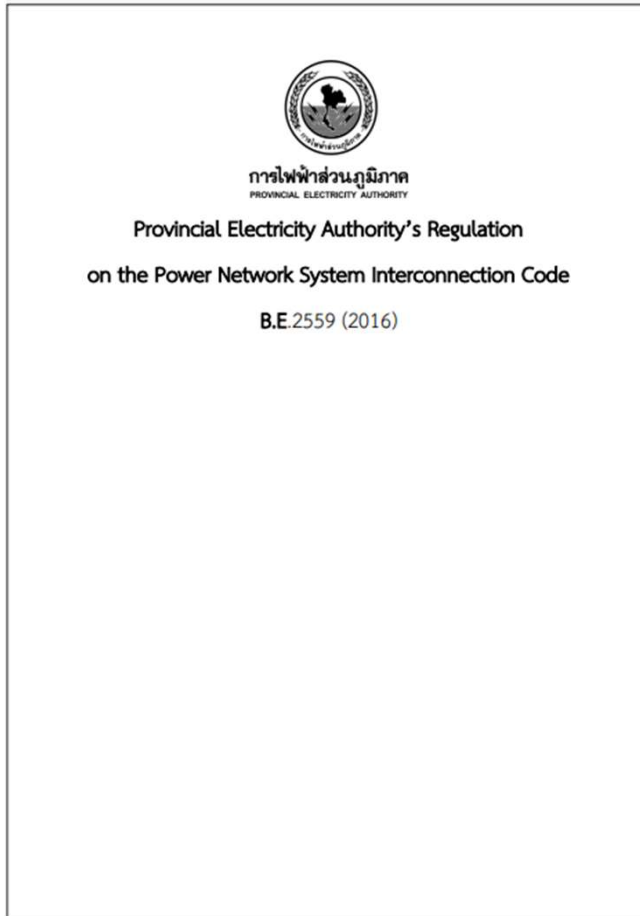
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Prosumer Load Profile



# Provincial Electricity Authority's Regulation on the Power Network System Interconnection Code B.E. 2559 (2016)



This Provincial Electricity Authority's Regulation on the Power Network System Interconnection Code, B.E. 2559 (2016), aims to provide minimum criteria of the designing technique, technical specifications of electrical equipment, and the installation standards that a connection requester wishing to connect to PEA's power network system must comply with

- Frequency Regulator
- Voltage Regulator
- Voltage Fluctuation Regulator
  - Voltage Flicker
  - Short-term Flicker Severity (PST)
  - Long-term Flicker Severity (PLT)
- Voltage Unbalance
- Harmonic Regulator

### 1. Frequency Regulator

The frequency of a power network system will be regulated by Electricity Generating Authority of Thailand (EGAT) to be within the standard of  $50 \pm 0.5$  Hz per second.

	Unit	Min	Max
Frequency	Hz	49.50	50.50

## 2. Voltage Regulator

A connection requester must design a voltage regulation system in line with PEA's standards of maximum and minimum voltage levels.

PEA's Standards of Maximum and Minimum Voltage Levels

Voltage Level	Normal State		Emergency State	
	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum
115 kV	120.7	109.2	126.5	103.5
33 kV	34.7	31.3	36.3	29.7
22 kV	23.1	20.9	24.2	19.8
380 kV	418	342	418	342
220 kV	240	200	240	200



### 3. Voltage Fluctuation Regulator

A connection requester must design, install, and regulate his equipment in the manner that will not cause voltage fluctuation at the point of common coupling (PCC) that is excess of the levels acceptable to PEA, as specified in the Voltage Fluctuation Regulation for Business and Industrial Customers

- Voltage Flicker
  - Short-term Flicker Severity (PST)
  - Long-term Flicker Severity (PLT)
- Voltage Unbalance

### Voltage Flicker

Voltage fluctuation and light flicker are technically two distinct terms, but have been erroneously referred to the same meaning. Aggravating the confusion is the use of the expression “voltage flicker”, which does not actually exist, even though it is often heard. In fact, IEEE has cautioned on the incorrect usage of these terms.

- Short-term Flicker Severity (PST)
- Long-term Flicker Severity (PLT)

### Short-term Flicker Severity (PST)

This is based upon an observation period of 10 minutes, allowing evaluation of disturbances with a short duty cycle or those that generate continuous fluctuations. **PST** can be calculated using the equation shown:

$$PST = \sqrt{0.0314P_{0.1} + 0.0525P_{1s} + 0.0657P_{3s} + 0.28P_{10s} + 0.08P_{50s}}$$

where the percentages  $P_{0.1}$ ,  $P_{1s}$ ,  $P_{3s}$ ,  $P_{10s}$ ,  $P_{50s}$  are the flicker levels that are exceeded 0.1, 1.0, 3.0, 10.0, and 50.0 percent of the time. These values are taken from the cumulative distribution function. A  $P_{ST}$  of 1.0 unit on block 5 output represents irritable flicker.

Voltage Level at PCC (kV)	115 or under	115 or above
Short-term Flicker Severity (PST)	1	0.8

## Long-term Flicker Severity (PLT)

On the other hand, the need for long-term assessment of flicker severity happens if the duty cycle is long or variable. These include electric arc furnaces or disturbances on the system that are caused by multiple loads operating simultaneously. PLT is derived from PST as shown below.

$$PLT = \sqrt[3]{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N PST_i^3}{N}}$$

The number of PST readings (N) is determined by the duty cycle of the flicker-producing load, in order to capture one duty cycle of the fluctuating load. However, if the duty cycle is unknown, the recommended number of PST readings is 12 (two hours of measuring). The limit for PLT is 0.8 units.

Voltage Level at PCC (kV)	115 or under	115 or above
Short-term Flicker Severity (PST)	0.8	0.6

### Voltage unbalance or imbalance

that is defined by IEEE as the ratio of the negative or zero sequence component to the positive sequence component. In simple terms, it is a voltage variation in a power system in which the voltage magnitudes or the phase angle differences between them are not equal. It follows that this power quality problem affects only polyphase systems

Voltage Level at PCC (kV)	115 or under (%)	115 or above (%)
Voltage Unbalance (%VU)	2	2

# Power Quality Control Regulation

## Unsymmetrical Component of Voltage

$$\%UV = \frac{I_2}{I_1} \times 100 \quad (1)$$

$$V_0 = \frac{1}{3}(V_a + V_b + V_c) \quad (2)$$

$$V_1 = \frac{1}{3}(V_a + aV_b + a^2V_c) \quad (3)$$

$$V_2 = \frac{1}{3}(V_a + a^2V_b + aV_c) \quad (4)$$

%UV คือ Percentage of Voltage Unbalance

$V_0$  : Zero Sequence Voltage

$V_1$  : Positive Sequence Voltage

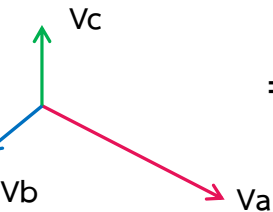
$V_2$  : Negative Sequence Voltage

$V_a \angle \theta_a$  : Magnitude and Angle of Voltage Phase A

$V_b \angle \theta_b$  : Magnitude and Angle of Voltage Phase B

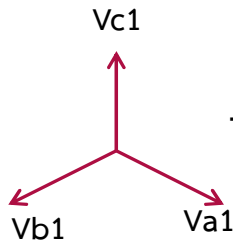
$V_c \angle \theta_c$  : Magnitude and Angle of Voltage Phase C

Original System



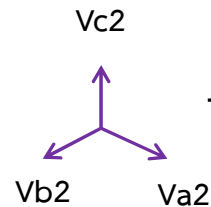
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Positive Sequence



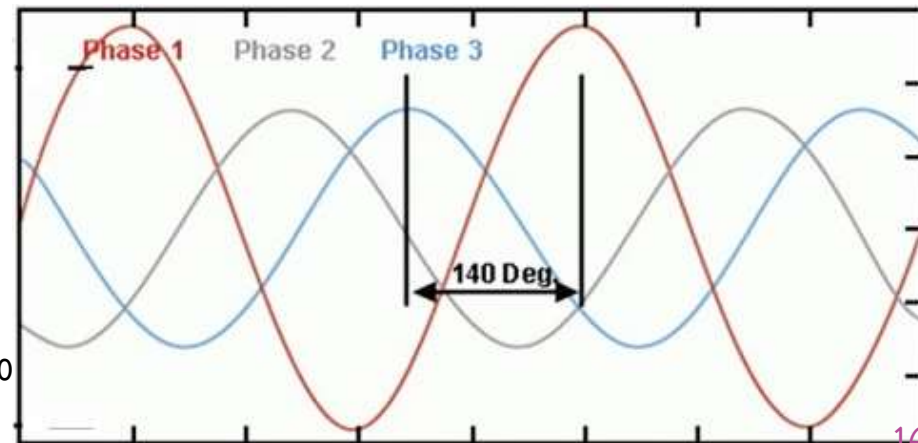
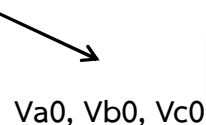
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Negative Sequence



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Zero Sequence



### 4. Harmonic Regulator

A connection requester must design, install, and control his equipment in the manner that will not cause frequency and current distortion at the point of common coupling (PCC) that is excess of the levels acceptable to PEA, as specified in the Harmonic Regulation for business and Industrial Customers

## 4. Harmonic Regulator

$$\text{THD (Voltage)} = \frac{\sqrt{V_2^2 + V_3^2 + \dots}}{V_1}$$

$$\text{THD (Current)} = \frac{\sqrt{I_2^2 + I_3^2 + \dots}}{I_1}$$

Limit voltage harmonics for customer at PCC

Voltage Level at PCC (kV)	voltage harmonic distortion limits (%)	voltage harmonic distortion limits each level	
		odd	even
0.400	5	4	2
11, 12, 22 and 24	4	3	1.75
33	3	2	1
69	2.45	1.63	0.82
115 and above	1.5	1	0.5

Limit current harmonics for customer at PCC

Voltage Level at PCC (kV)	Current Harmonics limit and Sequence (A rms)																		
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
0.4	48	34	22	56	11	40	9	8	7	19	6	16	5	5	5	6	4	6	
11 and 12	13	8	6	10	4	8	3	3	3	7	2	6	2	2	2	2	1	1	
22, 24 and 33	11	7	5	9	4	6	3	2	2	6	2	5	2	1	1	2	1	1	
69	8.8	5.9	4.3	7.3	3.3	4.9	2.3	1.6	1.6	4.9	1.6	4.3	1.6	1	1	1.6	1	1	
115 and above	5	4	3	4	2	3	1	1	1	3	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	





# Flow Chart Analysis

## Flow Chart Analysis under PEA Regulator Condition

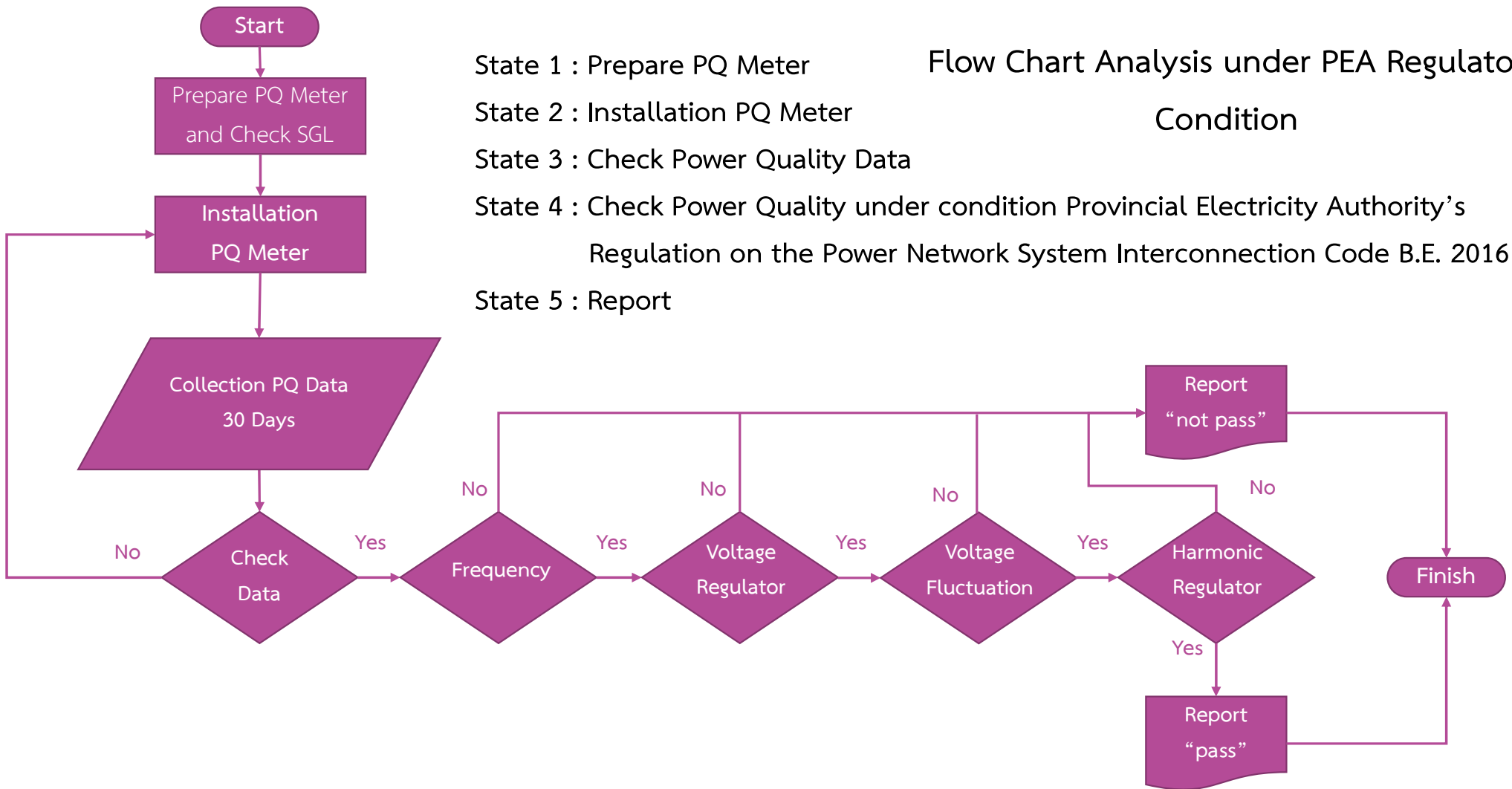
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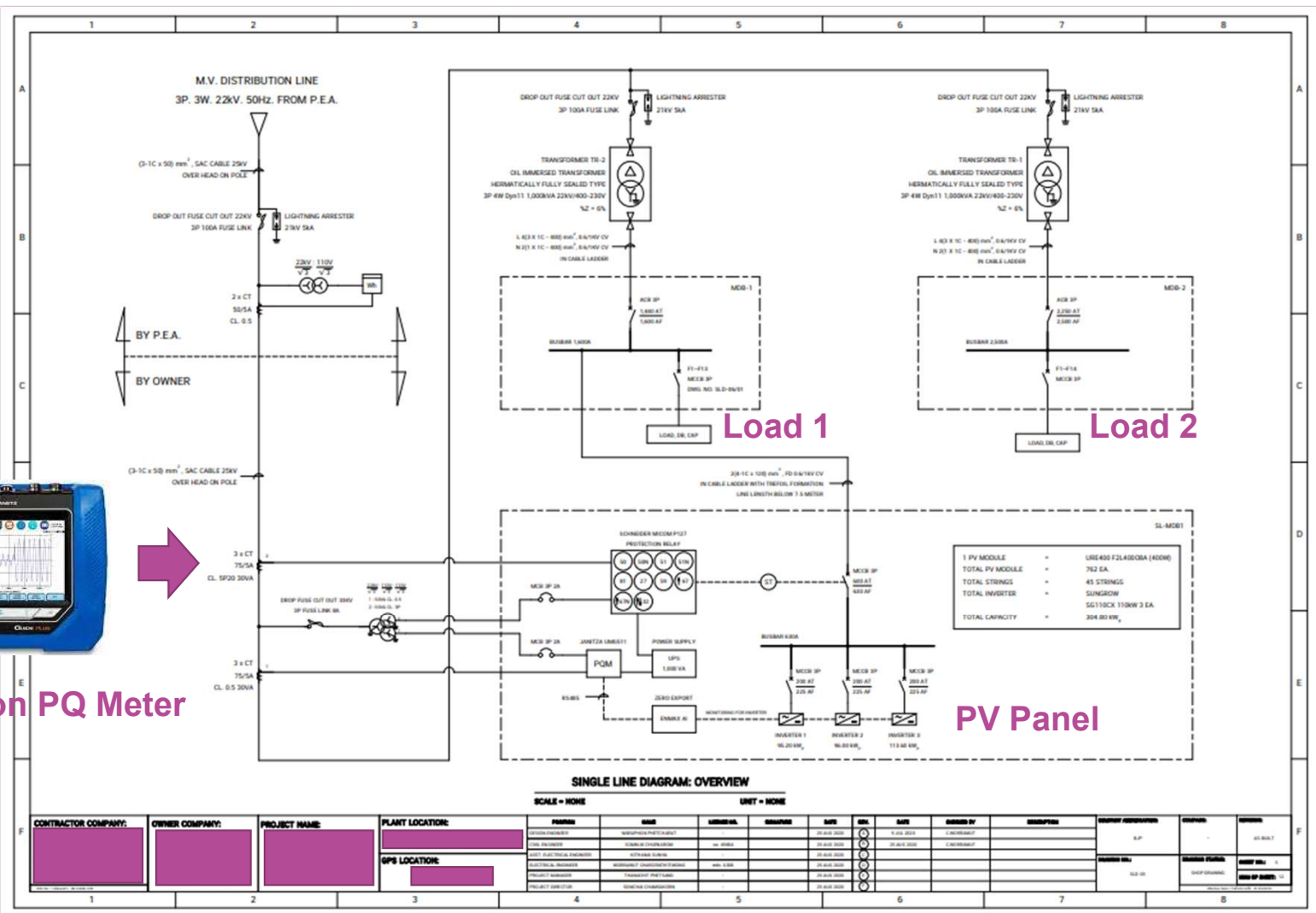
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State 4 : Check Power Quality under condition Provincial Electricity Authority's Regulation on the Power Network System Interconnection Code B.E. 2016

State 5 : Report



# State 1 : Prepare PQ Meter and Single Line Diagram



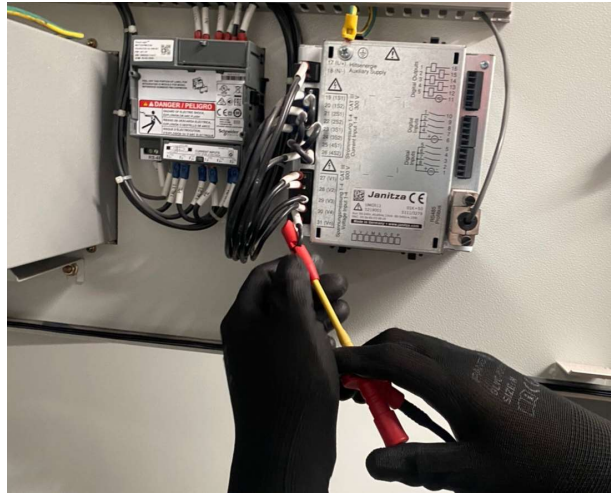
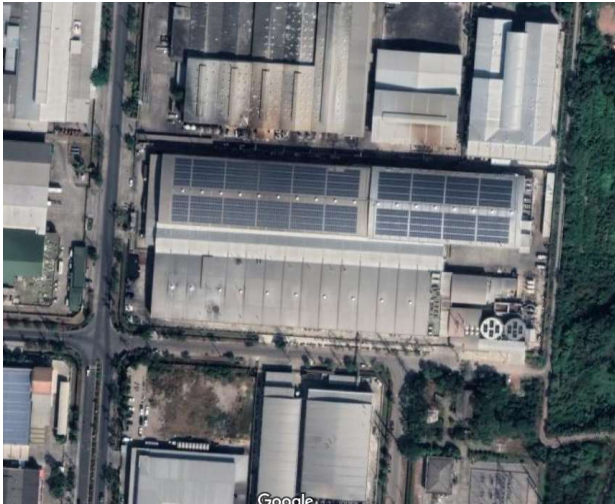
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Load 1

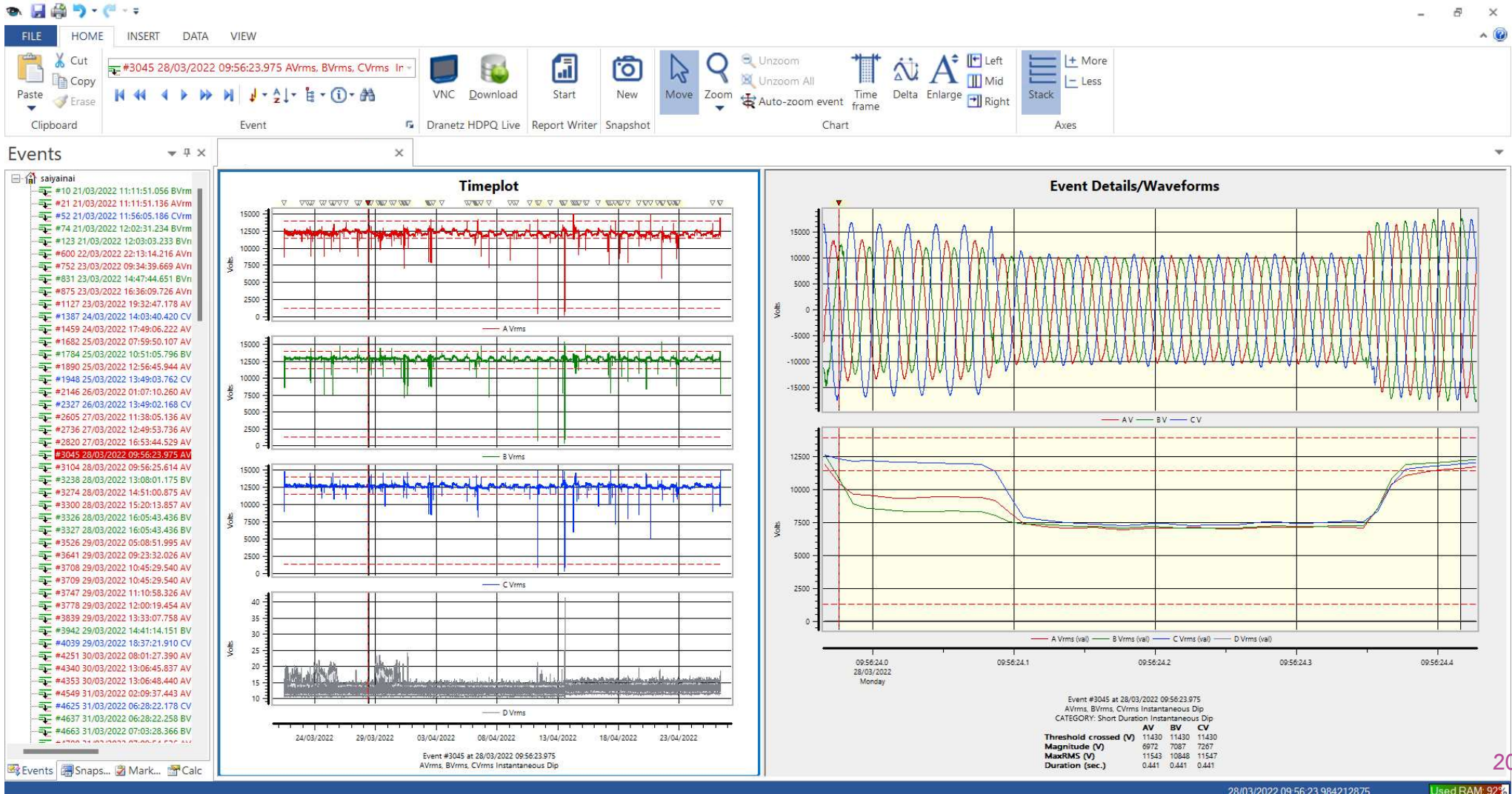
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PV Panel

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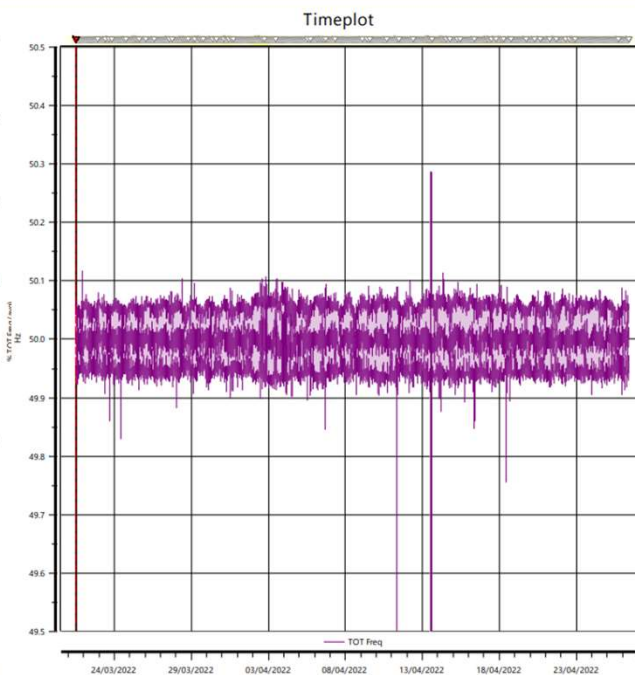
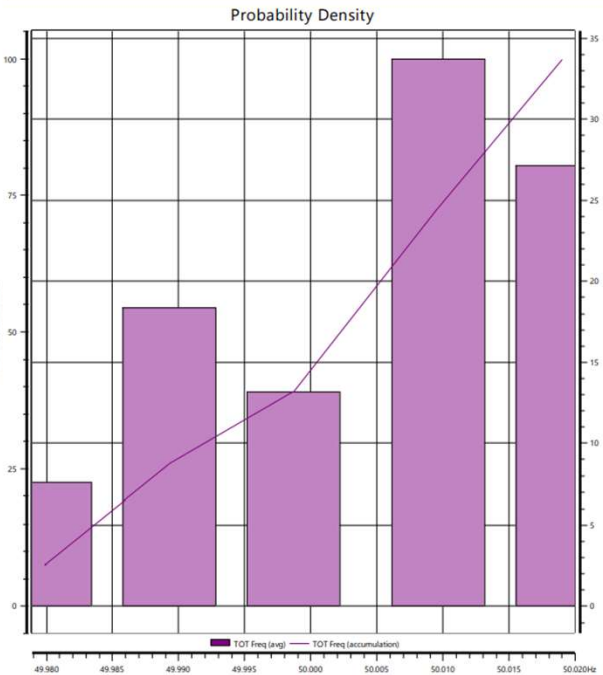
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Supply Voltage Frequency (PASSED)

Name PQ	Sampling	Min	Avg	Max	99%	Limitation	Standard
Frequency	2,127	41.55	49.99	50.29	50.03	$\pm 0.5$ Hz	PEA



Power Quality Control Regulation

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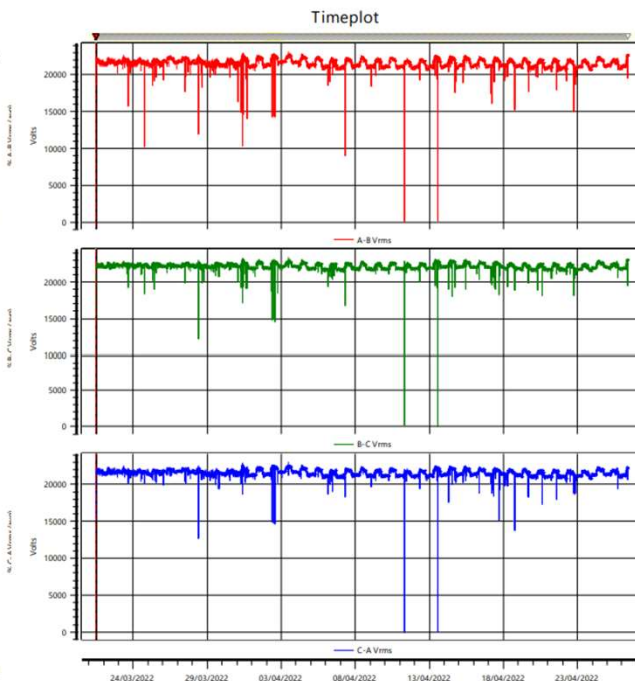
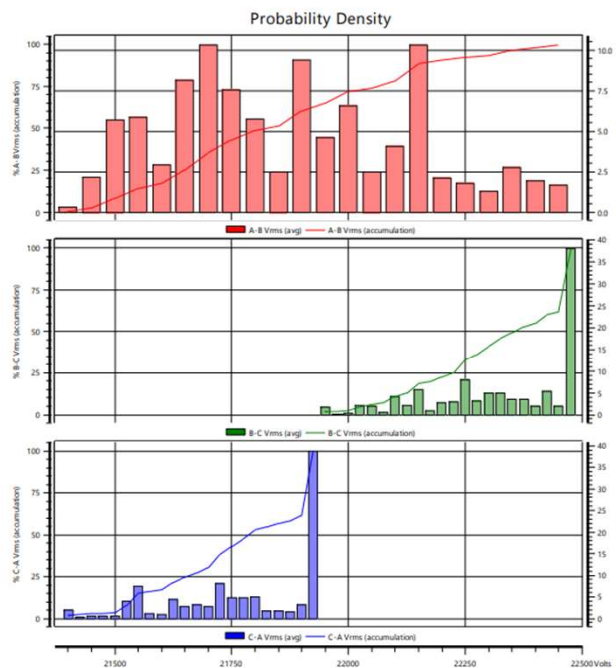
	Unit	Min	Max
Frequency	Hz	49.50	50.50



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## Supply Voltage Variations (PASSED)

Name PQ	Sampling	Min	Avg	Max	95%	Limitation	Standard
ABvrms	2,127	-	21,949	22,754	22,442	± 5 %	EN 50160
Voltage BCvrms	2,127	-	22,415	23,131	22,845	(20,900 -	OR
CAvrms	2,127	-	21,847	22,647	22,277	23,100 V)	PEA



## Power Quality Control Regulator

### 2. Voltage Regulator

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Short Term Flicker (PASSED)

Name PQ	Sampling	Min	Avg	Max	95%	Limitation	Standard
AVPst	2,126	0.06	0.29	-	0.93		PRC - PQG - 02
Short Flick	BVPst	2,126	0.05	0.18	-	0.27	< 1 pu
	CVPst	2,126	0.07	0.25	-	0.54	

Power Quality Control Regulation

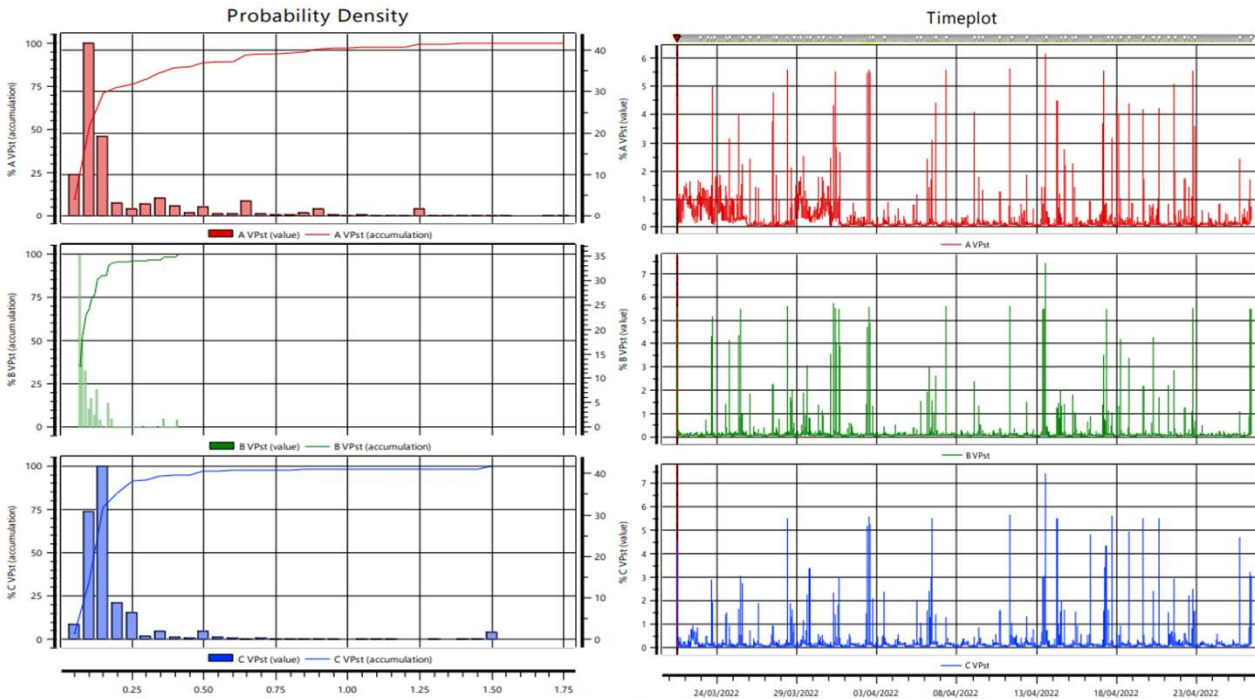
### Short-term Flicker Severity (PST)

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$$PST = \sqrt{0.0814P_{0.1} + 0.025P_{1.0} + 0.05P_{3.0} + 0.28P_{10.0} + 0.08P_{50.0}}$$

where the percentages  $P_{0.1}$ ,  $P_{1.0}$ ,  $P_{3.0}$ ,  $P_{10.0}$ ,  $P_{50.0}$  are the flicker levels that are exceeded 0.1, 1.0, 3.0, 10.0, and 50.0 percent of the time. These values are taken from the cumulative distribution function. A  $P_{ST}$  of 1.0 unit on block 5 output represents intolerable flicker.

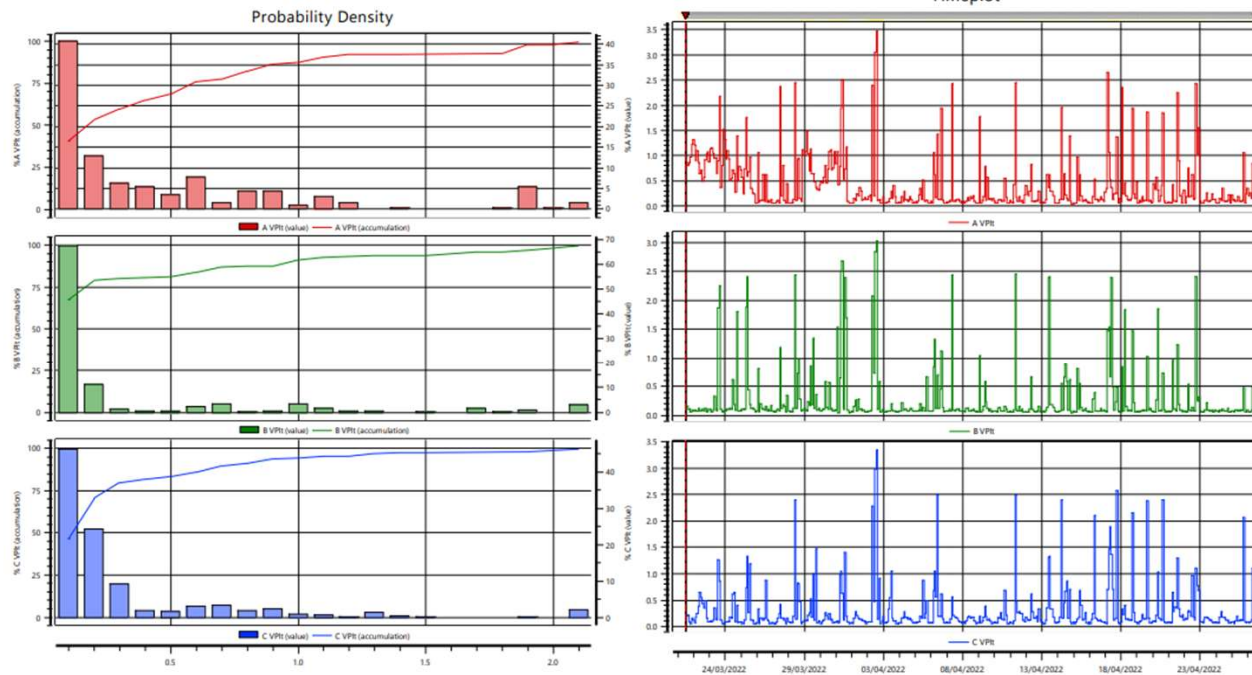
Voltage Level at PCC (kV)	115 or above
Short-term Flicker Severity (PST)	0.8



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## Long Term Flicker (PASSED)

Name PQ	Sampling	Min	Avg	Max	95%	Limitation	Standard	
AVPlt	153	0.07	0.23	0.79	0.66		PRC - PQG - 02	
Long Flick	BVPlt	153	0.06	0.13	0.73	0.44	< 0.8 pu	/1998
	CVPlt	153	0.08	0.21	0.70	0.55		



## Power Quality Control Regulation

### Long-term Flicker Severity (PLT)

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Voltage Level at PCC (kV)	113 - 115	115 or above
Short-term Flicker Severity (PST)	0.6	0.6

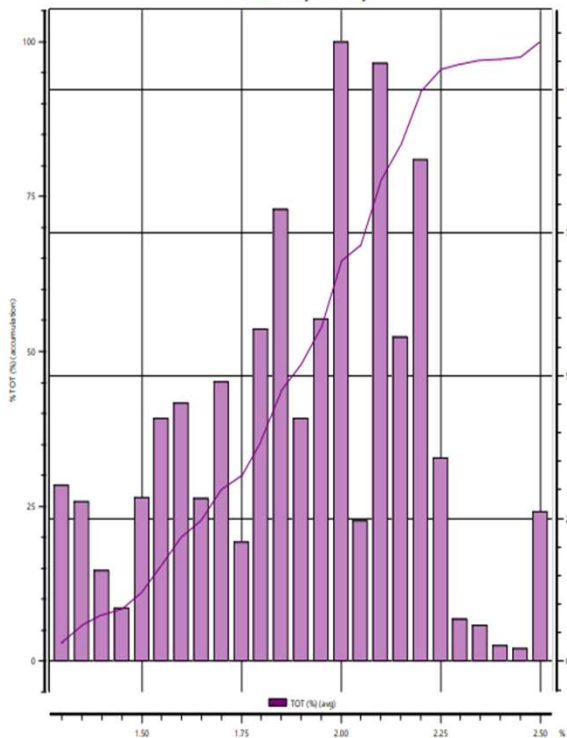


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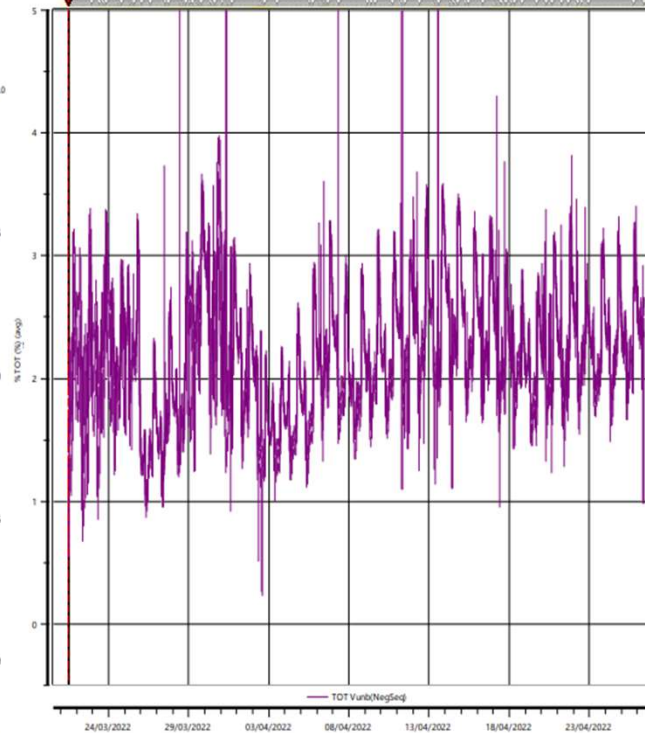
Voltage Unbalance (ABNORMAL)

Name PQ	Sampling	Min	Avg	Max	95%	Limitation	Standard	
Unbalance	Vunb	2,127	0.97	2.03	136.08	2.33	<2%	EN 50160

Probability Density



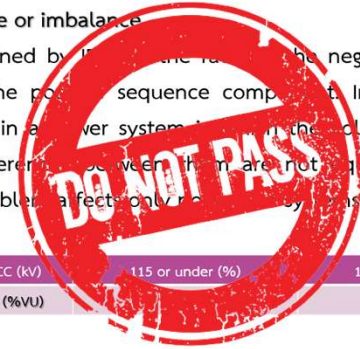
Timeplot



## Power Quality Control Regulation

### Voltage unbalance or imbalance

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Voltage Level at PCC (kV)	115 or under (%)	115 or above (%)
Voltage Unbalance (%VU)	2	

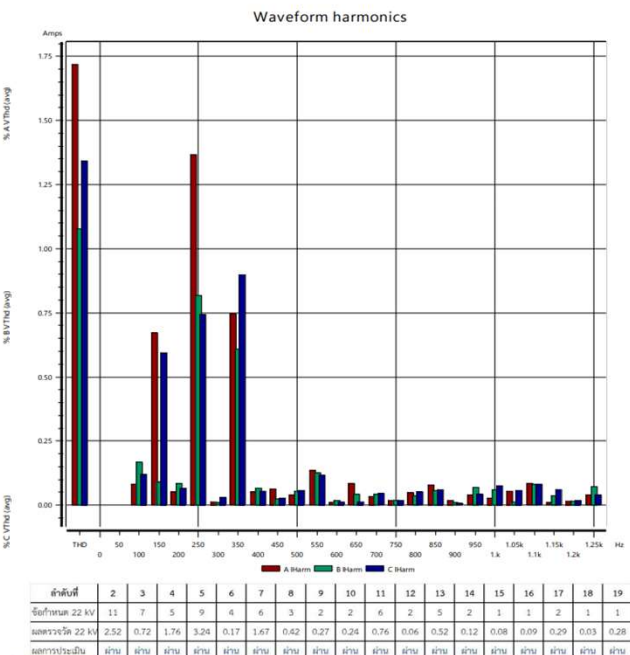
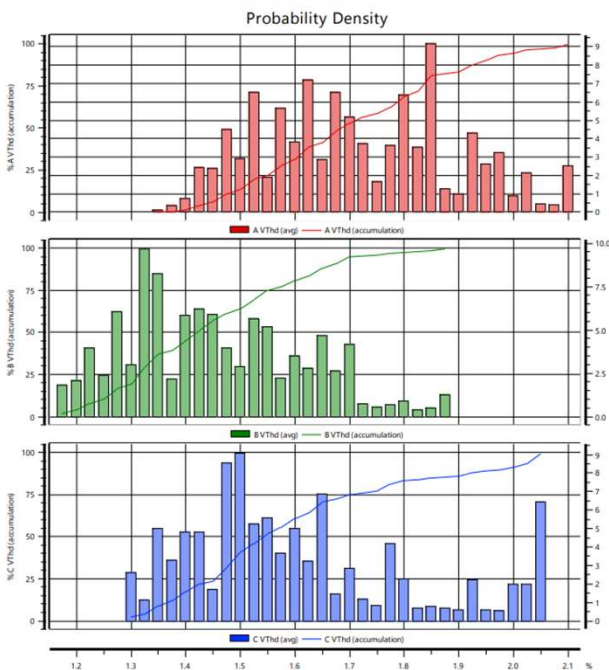


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## Voltage Harmonics (PASSED)

Name PQ	Sampling	Min	Avg	Max	95%	Limitation	Standard
AVThd	2,129	1.17	-	-	2.12		PRC - PQG - 01
Harmonic BVThd	2,129	1.06	-	-	1.88	< 4 %	/1998
CVThd	2,129	1.17	-	-	2.14		



## Power Quality Control Regulation

### 4. Harmonic Regulator

$$THD (Voltage) = \frac{\sqrt{V_2^2 + V_3^2 + \dots}}{V_1} \quad THD (Current) = \frac{\sqrt{I_2^2 + I_3^2 + \dots}}{I_1}$$

Limit voltage harmonics for customer at PCC and Limit current harmonics for customer at PCC

Voltage Level at PCC (kV)	voltage harmonic distortion limits (%)	voltage harmonic distortion limit, even level	Voltage Level at PCC (kV)	Harmonics limit and Sequence (A rms)																		
				2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
0.400	5	2	0.4	11 and 12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28		
11, 12, 22 and 24	4	3	0.4	11 and 12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28		
33	3	2	0.4	11 and 12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28		
69	2.45	1.63	0.62	11 and 12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28		
115 and above	1.5	1	0.5	11 and 12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28		



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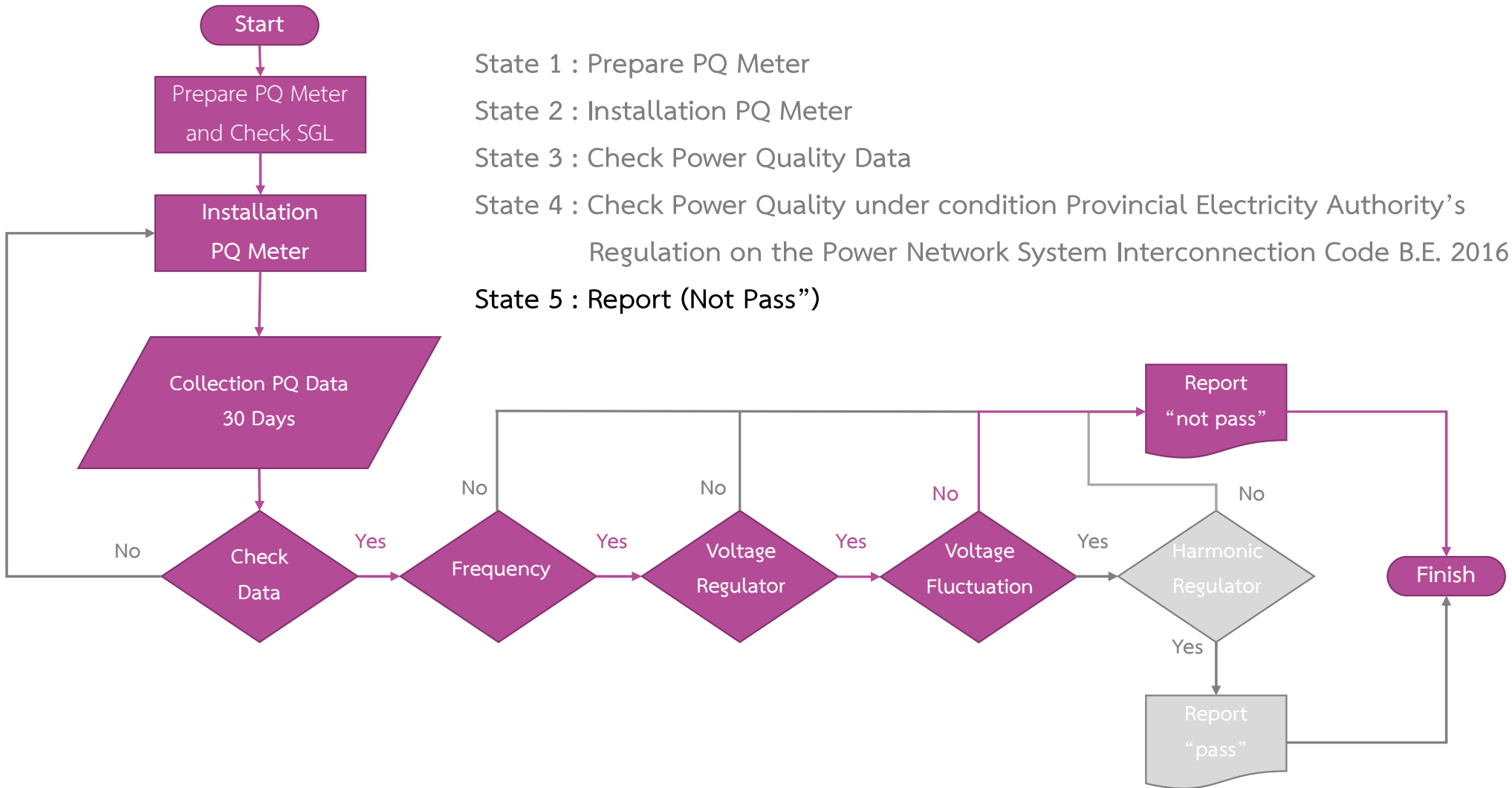
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State 5 : Report (Not Pass")





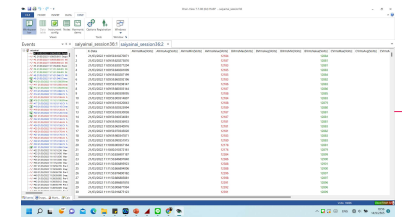
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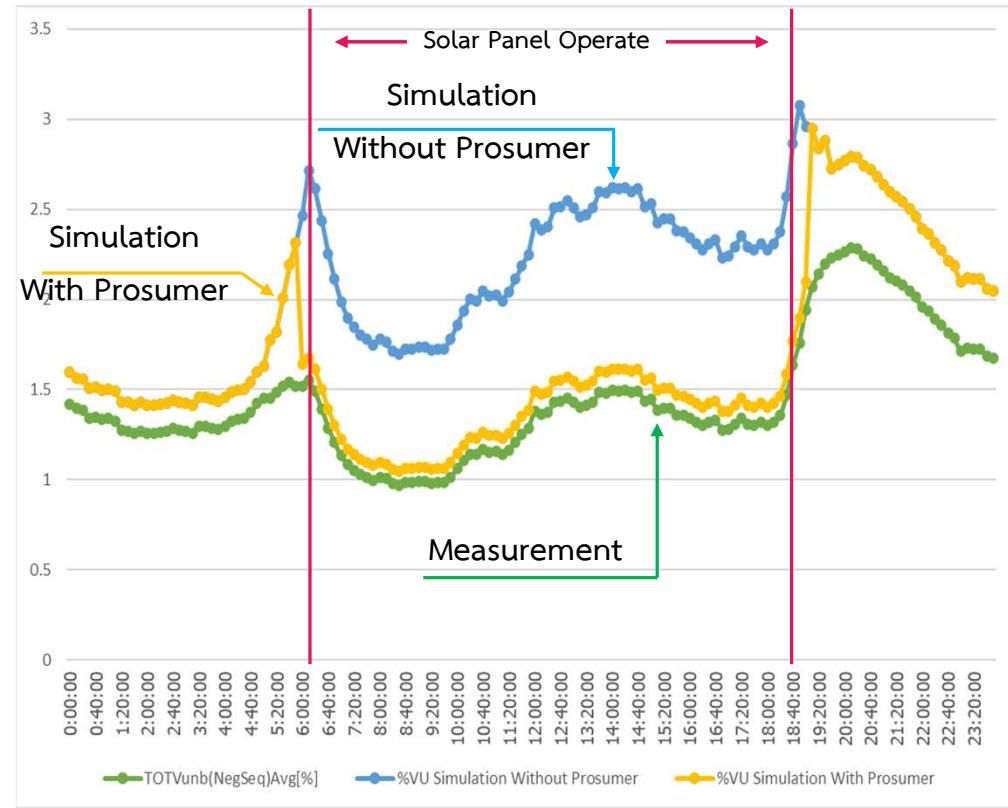
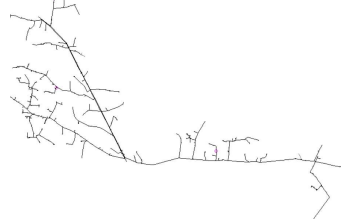
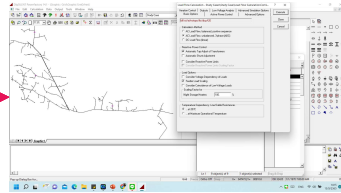


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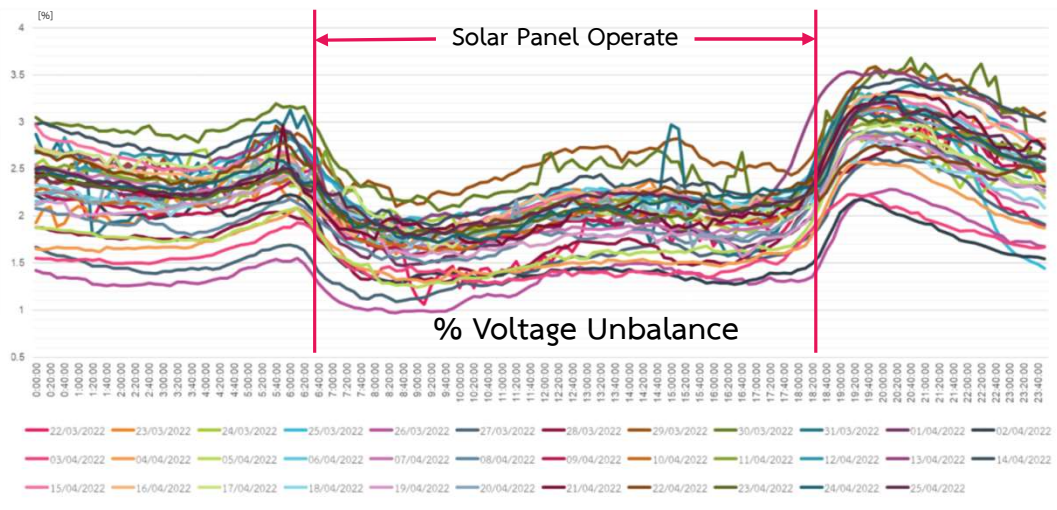
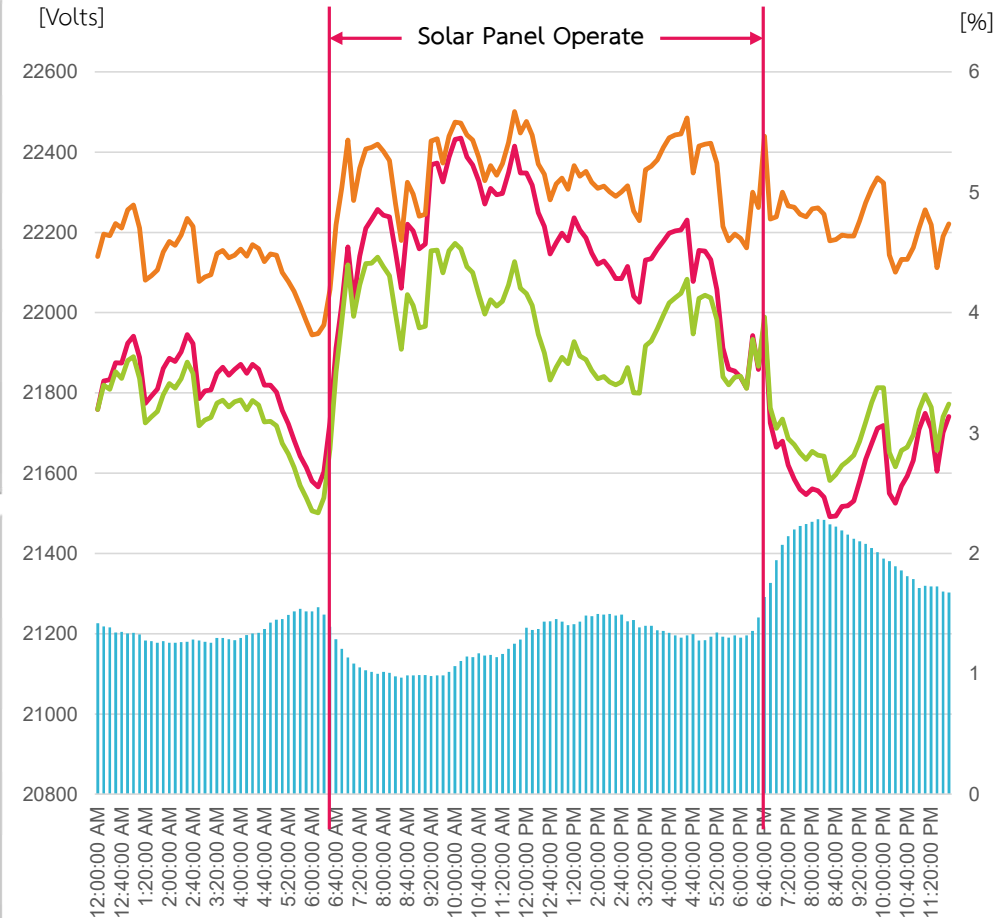
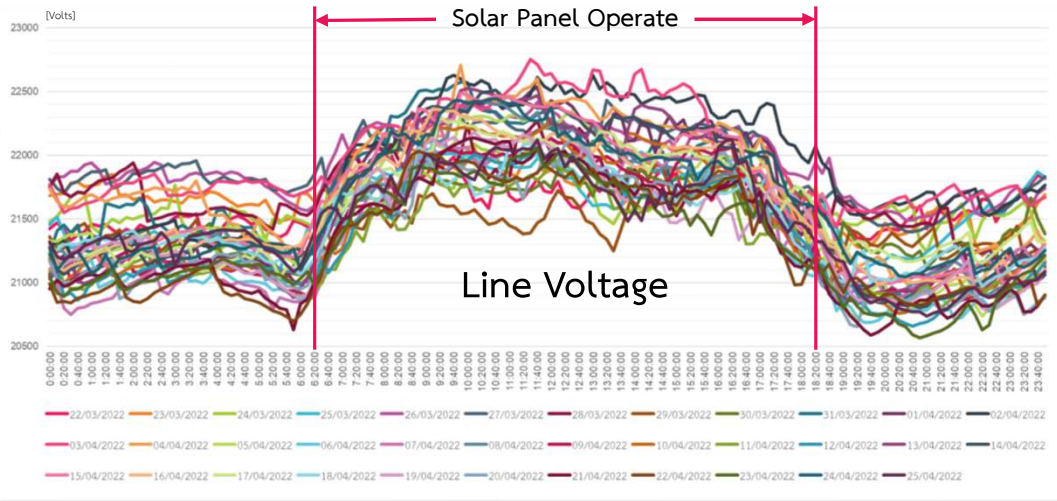
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# Simulation 22 kV in Distribution System and Results %Voltage Unbalance at PCC



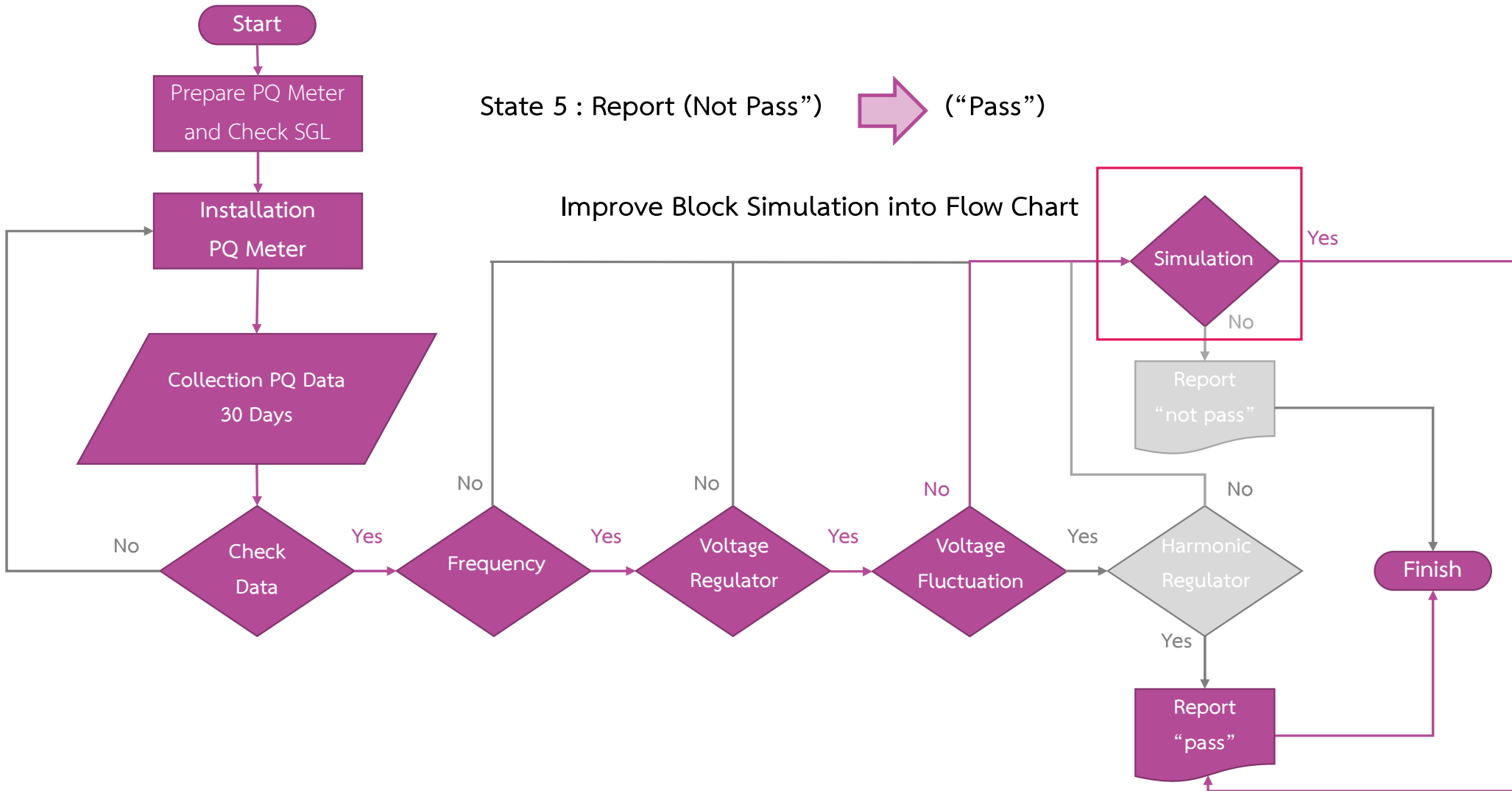
Result of Simulation

# Simulation 22 kV in Distribution System and Results



- █ TOTVunb(NegSeq)Avg[%]
- █ A-BVrmsAvg[Volts]
- █ B-CVrmsAvg[Volts]
- █ C-AVrmsAvg[Volts]

# Simulation 22 kV in Distribution System and Results



Thank you  
for your attention

## Biography



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