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Case of Offshore floating platform transformer

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Question and our contribution

Question:

What are design challenges for transformers installed in a nacelle with high range of vibration, shock, and special requirements? What are the best solutions for volume and pressure changes inside transformer considering hydro-compensator, N2 Tank, expander, and open breathing system?

Answer:

25 MVA silicone liquid immersed transformer was developed for offshore floating platform with satisfying the special requirements such as;

- (1) influence of swaying
- (2) limited and enclosed installation
- (3) environmental issue in case of liquid leakage

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Challenges and solutions (1/2)

No	Challenge		Solution
1	Special swaying		✓ Additional supporting on active parts, fixing insulation material
	Item	Requirement for the transformer	in the winding, and bolt tightening on core lamination are applied.
	Frequency	0.1 Hz (Very low frequency)	√ N2 tank system with a separate N2 space is also applied and
	Inclination	Less than 11.8 °	it was checked the pressure drop vs saturated vapor pressure for bubbling at the lowest ambient temperature.
	Vertical Acceleration	0.1 G	N2 Tank Additional support Fixing structure Inclination test
	Horizontal Acceleration	0.56 G	

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Challenges and solutions (2/2)

No	Challenge	Solution
2	Limited and enclosed installation area at offshore substation	 ✓ Application of low viscosity Silicone liquid leads approx. 70% reduction for installation area. ✓ Additional CFD to check heat circulation surround the transformer in enclosed area was conducted.
3	Environmentally friendly	 ✓ Low environmental impact liquid of silicone is applied. ✓ Silicone is chemically inert and decomposes into materials existing in nature through hydrolysis, photolysis and biodegradation.

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