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The worth of a CBA (cost benefit analysis) of the SBTACFR

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It is worth to make a CBA (cost-benefit analysis) regarding the proposed SBTACFR conductor by including the capital expenditure, installation costs, and transmission capacity gain regarding conventional conductors?

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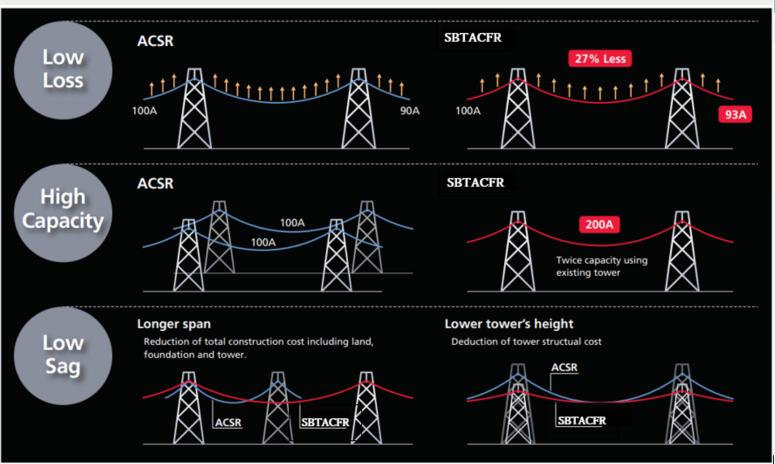
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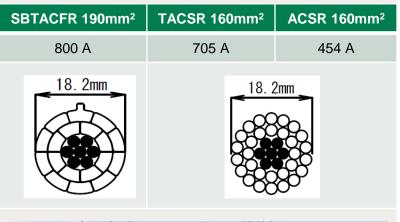
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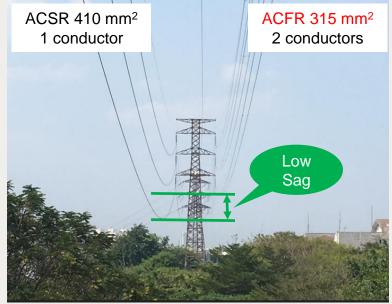


Characteristics of SBTACFR



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In case of reconductoring SBTACFR on existing transmission lines

Using existing structures without improvement

Advantages	 Increase transmission capacity Reduce transmission loss Lower sag / Increased clearance Construction period is minimum
Disadvantages	 Increase in conductor and fitting prices

Replacement of ACSR to ACFR



Using existing structures with improvement

Advantages	Transmission capacity can be further increased without constructing a new transmission line
Disadvantages	 Additional cost for tower reinforcement (design and development of structural members, tower loading test, installation of reinforcing members) Increase in conductor and fitting prices

In case of building new transmission line: SBTACFR vs ACSR

Advantages	 Reduction in the number of towers or downsizing the towers Lower structure costs Lower ROW acquisition costs Shorter construction period
Disadvantages	Increase in conductor and fitting prices

Conclusion

- Characteristics of SBTACFR are lighter weight, increased aluminum, high temperature operatability and its resistancy to thermal energy.
- Various cost-impacting factors are existed depending on the case of using SBTACFR.
- The utility need to conduct a CBA for each project to find the most beneficial scenario for operating the transmission line efficiently.

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