Variable Frequency Generator as a power supply for an ESP

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What is a VFG?

VARIABLE FREQUENCY GENERATOR (VFG)
• Power Generator that Varies Frequency and Voltage output
• Operates 30-70 Hz, 400-5000 Volts
• For use with ESP’s & other Variable Torque Loads requiring variable speed
• Eliminates Variable Speed Drive and Transformer
• Designed & Patented by Foundation Enterprises LTD
• Manufactured by: Canadian Advanced Inc. in conjunction with Finning Calgary
How the VFG Works!

- Reduced Speed Start
- Reduced Voltage Start
- Control Module controls:
  - Voltage, Current & Hz (RPM)
  - Engine (Diesel/Natural Gas)/Fuel/Governor
  - Motor Protection
  - SCADA/Communication

Start-up Traces (40 Hz ESP start)
3508 CAT; 12000 BPD pump and 644HP/3480V/117A motor

Ramp Start
Nominal full load Volt 3480V@60Hz
Nominal full load Amps 90A@60Hz
2sec for system stabilizations
inrash current 2.4 x full load current
Advantages of the VFG

- Lower Capital & Maintenance Cost
- More Efficient System, less Diesel fuel
- Smaller Engines required to Drive Large ESP’s
- No Harmonics, spikes or mirroring
- Increase Production
- Easy to Use – Fully Integrated System - Touch Screen

- Improved Run Times
- Volt/Current Optimization
- Hard Starting Advancements
- Recoverable Asset (Compared to High Line)
- Smaller Foot Print- Offshore Applications

VFG System Comparison

Typical Variable Speed Drive System

Typical Switchboard System

NEW Variable Frequency Generator System (Less Equipment)
Lower Capital/Maintenance Cost

- Engine Matched to Full Load of ESP
- Low frequency Soft Start-up
  - No Need to Oversize Engine
  - VFG = 2.5 X Nameplate Current
  - Switchboard = 6-8 X Nameplate Current
- Eliminates VFD & Transformer Capital Cost
- Eliminates VFD Maintenance Cost

Capital & Operating Cost

Fuel Cost Comparison, 3512 CAT 900 ekW

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Note: charts are for illustrative purposes only. Actual comparisons vary by application.
Advantages of the VFG

VFD (Variable Frequency Drive or Variable Speed Drive) Output

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VFG Generator Output (Ideal Sine Wave)

Improved Run Times

- Soft Starts Reduce Shaft Stress
- Cable Runs Cooler – Longer Life
- Motor Runs Cooler – Longer Life
- No Voltage Spikes – Ideal Sine Wave W/O Any Filter

RESULTS: Longer ESP Electric System Life
Increased Production - Example

• Improve Efficiency by 5-10% – Less Heat!
• VFG eliminates Heat and Turns to Oil Production
• Example for Maximum of 3508 CAT Diesel Generator, 562 Series CKC12000, 650 hp ESP

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<td>Maximum Frequency = 58 Hz</td>
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<td>Gross Fluid = 11,600 bbl/day</td>
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<td>Net Oil (90%WCT) = 1160 bbl/day</td>
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• INCREASE of 80 bbl/day OIL or $4800 per Day
• THAT’S $1.752M PER YEAR @ $60/bbl!
• APPROXIMATELY 2 MONTHS FOR RETURN OF INITIAL INVESTMENT

VFG Production Gain Example

Qataban 11 Production gain example. (Actual)
On a VSD at 114 Amps and 57.0 Hz, 18,250 bfpd RED SOLID LINE
On a VFG at 114 Amps and 59.0 Hz, 19,550 bfpd BLUE DASHED LINE
VFG measured benefit of an extra 1,300 bfpd for a 7.1% increase.
Entire Unit Prepared for Shipment

Typical VFG System - Heijah 49
WHEN TO USE THE VFG?

• Every time a Generator is Used on ESP
• Temporary or Permanent Installation
• Portable Well Testing
• Areas of Power Quality Problems
• Weak or Insufficient Supply Power
• Other Applications – PCP, Beam Pump, Ships, Fans, etc.

QUESTIONS?

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