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1. Overview

1.1 Scope

This document provides guidance for the specification and performance of an arc-flash hazard calculation study, in accordance with the process defined in IEEE Std 1584™.¹ It outlines the minimum recommended requirements to enable the owner or its representative to specify an arc-flash study, including scope of work and associated deliverables.

1.2 Purpose

This document defines the recommended minimum guidelines for performing a detailed arc-flash hazard calculation study (arc-flash study) based on IEEE Std 1584™. Use of this document should enable persons such as facility owners, contractors, equipment manufacturers, operations, safety, and electrical personnel as well as those responsible for the specification and/or the performance of the study to understand the

¹ Information on references can be found in Clause 2.