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Foreword

This publication was prepared by a technical committee of the NEMA Industrial Control and Systems Section. It was approved in accordance with the bylaws of NEMA.

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This publication provides practical information concerning ratings and application of static (solid-state) transfer switches and may be used by the electrical industry to provide guidelines for the proper application of products and equipment.

Properly constructed equipment is only one factor in minimizing the hazards which may be associated with the use of electricity. The reduction of hazard involves the joint efforts of the various equipment manufacturers, the system designer, the installer, and the user. Information is provided herein to assist users and others in the proper selection of equipment.

The equipment manufacturer has limited or no control over the following factors which are vital to a safe installation:

- a. Environmental conditions
- b. System design
- c. Equipment selection and application
- d. Installation
- e. Operation practices
- f. Maintenance

This publication is not intended to instruct the user of equipment with regard to these factors except insofar as suitable equipment to meet needs can be recognized in this publication, and application guidance is given.

This publication is necessarily confined to providing recommendations for proper selection for use under normal or certain specific conditions. Since any piece of equipment can be installed, operated, and maintained in such a manner that hazardous conditions may result, conformance with this publication does not by itself assure a safe installation. When, however, equipment conforming to the applicable standards is properly selected and is installed in accordance with the *National Electrical Code*® (NEC) and properly maintained, the hazards to persons and property will be reduced.

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Part 2 Static AC Transfer Equipment

1 Scope

This publication applies to static (solid-state), automatic and non-automatic open transition transfer equipment (without cross-connection of sources during transfer or retransfer), with or without bypass or isolation switches, rated 600 volts AC or less, not exceeding 6000 amps, for use on single-phase and polyphase AC circuits.

Closed transition static transfer equipment (that does have cross-connection of sources during transfer or retransfer) is outside the scope of this Standard.

1.1 General

The definitions and requirements of NEMA ICS 1, except for clause 7 pertaining to spacings as indicated, also apply to this publication.

This publication covers static automatic transfer equipment intended for use in ordinary (non-hazardous) locations to provide for lighting and power only in optional standby systems in accordance with Article 702 of the *National Electrical Code*[®], ANSI/NFPA 70.

1.2 Normative References

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ICS 1-2000 (2015)

*Industrial Control and Systems
General Requirements*

ICS 1.3-1986 (2015)

Preventive Maintenance of Industrial Control and Systems Equipment

MG 1-2016

Motors and Generators

Underwriters Laboratories Inc.

333 Pfingsten Road
Northbrook, IL 60062

UL 869A

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UL 1000 S

Solid-State Transfer Switches