GE VERNOVA

GEC Manufactured Gas Insulated Switchgear

End-of-Manufacturing Notice

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Background

GE Grid Solutions is committed to customer care and the support of our products.

As part of this commitment, GE strives to design high quality products, provide knowledge support teams, and to communicate the availability of new features or products as well as managing the withdrawal of support for older products.

GE Grid Solutions are making the products listed below obsolete with effect from 31st October 2018. After this date, only site services and maintenance spares will be provided until full extinction in 2028.

The GEC factory ceased manufacture of these products in 1994. Difficulties in supporting the small remaining installed base due to component obsolescence, design constraints and supply chain competencies have made ongoing support unsustainable.

This notice applies to the following products manufactured by GE legacy companies:

Gas Insulated Switchgear:

GMS41 Switchgear (400kV)

MFC6 Circuit Breaker (400kV)

MFEA4 Circuit Breaker (400kV)

MFEB4 Circuit Breaker (400kV)

MFE2 Circuit Breaker (400kV)

TFC6 Circuit Breaker (400kV)

MFQ2 Switch Disconnector

MFQA2 Switch Disconnector

GMT1 Switchgear (132kV)

GMT11 Switchgear (132kV)

MFH1 Circuit Breaker (132kV)

In accordance with our obsolescence strategy and considering the age profile of these products, GE will continue to offer spare parts and maintenance of these products for a further 10 years.

During this timeframe, enquiries for parts or services no longer supported will be handled on a best-endeavors basis with no guarantees made as to availability. All workshop activities in relation to these products will also cease during 2018.

In most cases GE Grid Solutions can provide support to customers who want to upgrade their existing installed base of affected products by supplying, installing and commissioning alternative products which provide considerable advances, and which utilise state-of-the-art design and manufacturing techniques. Such a transition allows users to benefit from later and more current technology.

Support Timeframe

The obsolescence of the referenced products is effective from 31/10/2018. From this date forward, only maintenance activities and associated spare parts will be provided by GE Grid Solutions, with this support continuing until the end of 2028.

GE is committed to supporting their customer's switchgear needs, and although all products affected by this notice are now outside of their warranty period, GE's warranty provision is unaffected by this End of Life Notification.

Upon complete withdrawal of GE's support in 2028 and considering the last dispatch date from the factory, the switchgear products referred will have exceeded their intended life and should component obsolescence or sourcing difficulties affect the ability to honor longer term support commitments, we will work with you to offer a functionally-equivalent device.

Recommended Alternative Products

Visit our website at http://www.gegridsolutions.com/ for more information about alternative products.

For Additional Information

Advice and assistance is also available via our Contact Center:
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