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1.0 Objective

This specification defines the performance, test, quality and reliability requirements of the Barklip vertical connector.

2.0 Scope

This specification is applicable to the termination characteristics of the Barklip vertical connector which provides a means of bringing high current from Bus bar to Bus bar.

3.0 Ratings

- 3.1 Operating Voltage Rating = 480 VDC (The voltage rating is also dependent on the application)
- 3.2 Operating Current Rating = 300 A.
- 3.3 Operating Temperature Range = -40 °C to +105 °C

4.0 Applicable Documents

- 4.1 FCI Specifications
 - 4.1.1 Engineering drawing 10129416 / 10134620
- 4.2 Industry or Trade Association standards
 - 4.2.1 Telcordia GR-1217
- 4.3 National or International Standards
 - 4.3.1 Flammability: UL-94V-0
 - 4.3.2 EIA 364: Electrical Connector/Socket Test Procedures Including Environmental Classifications.
- 4.4 Safety Agency Approvals
 - 4.4.1 CSA std. C22.2 No. 182.3-M1987
 - 4.4.2 UL-1977

5.0 Requirements

5.1 Qualification

Connectors furnished under this specification shall be capable of meeting the qualification test requirements specified herein.

5.2 Material

The material for each component shall be as specified herein or equivalent.

Power Contacts - High Conductivity Copper alloy

Housing - Thermoplastic, UL 94V-0

5.3 Finish

The finish for applicable components shall be as specified herein or equivalent.

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Contact area: Silver over Nickel

5.4 Design and Construction

Connectors shall be of the design, construction, and physical dimensions specified on the applicable product drawing. There shall be no cracks, burrs, or other physical defects that may impair performance.

5.5 Connectors Mating Part (Busbar)

Recommended material: Copper, solid blade

Material Thickness: 2.0±0.1 mm; 3.0±0.1 mm; 4.0±0.1 mm Surface roughness in contact area: Ra 1.6 μm maximum

Plating in contact area: 3 µm min Silver over 1.27 µm min Nickel

Mating edges: 0.5 mm minimum, rounded or chamfered

6.0 Electrical Characteristics

6.1 Contact Resistance, Low Level (LLCR)

The low level contact resistance shall not exceed 0.15 milliohms initially and after any treatment and/or environmental exposure. Measurements shall be in accordance with EIA 364-23

The following details shall apply:

- a. Test Voltage 20 mV DC Max. open circuit.
- b. Test Current 100 mA DC Max.

Power contacts tested at specified Current (300A DC):

The contact resistance at a specified current shall not exceed 0.15 m Ω (milliohms) initially and after test only applicable to group 7 when measured in accordance with EIA 364-06.

6.2 Insulation Resistance

The insulation resistance of mated connectors shall not be less than 5000 Megohms initially and 1000 Megohms after environmental exposure.

Measurements shall be in accordance with EIA 364-21.

The following details shall apply:

- a. Test Voltage 500 volts DC.
- b. Electrification Time 1 minute

6.3 Dielectric Withstanding Voltage

There shall be no evidence of arc-over, insulation breakdown when mated connectors are tested in accordance with EIA 364-20.

The following details shall apply:

- a. Test Voltage 1000 Volts RMS, AC.
- b. Test Duration 60 seconds.

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6.4 Current Rating

The temperature rise above ambient shall not exceed 30 °C at any point in the connector system when all contacts are powered at 300A.

The following details shall apply:

a. Reference - EIA 364-70

7.0 Mechanical Characteristics

7.1 Mating/Un-mating Force

Mating force: 40.0 N maximum (one connector/at nominal status)

Un-mating force: 6.0 N minimum (one connector/at nominal status)

The following details shall apply:

- a. Cross Head Speed: 25.4 mm per minute.
- b. Utilize free floating fixtures.
- c. EIA 364-13, Method A

7.2 Durability (preconditioning) - EIA 364-09

The connector pairs shall be capable of withstanding 50 mating/un-mating cycles. When used for preconditioning treatment, 20 mating/un-mating cycles shall be applied prior to mechanical/environmental exposure.

- a. Cycling Rate: 127 mm per minute maximum
- b. Use free floating fixtures

7.3 Durability - EIA 364-09

With connector mating and un-mating samples for 50 cycles with a bus bar conductor.

- a. Cycling Rate: 127 mm per minute.
- b. Use free floating fixtures

7.4 Mechanical Shock -EIA 364-27

- a. Condition A (50G, 11 millisecond, half-sine pulses type)
- b. Shocks 3 shocks in both directions along each of three orthogonal axes (18 shocks total)
- c. Mounting Rigidly mount assemblies
- d. No discontinuities greater than 1.0 microsecond

7.5 Random Vibration - EIA 364-28

- a. Test Condition Test Condition V, Test condition C (50-2000Hz, 9.26g rms)
- b. Duration 120 minutes along each of three orthogonal axes
- c. Mounting Rigidly mount assemblies
- d. No discontinuities greater than 1.0 microseconds

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7.6 Reseating

Manually un-mate/mate the interconnect system once.

- a. Sample Size Dependent upon current test group, refer to specific sample sizes.
- b. Failure Criteria No evidence of physical damage.
- c. No lubrication to be used during cycling.

8.0 Environmental Conditions

After exposure to the following environmental conditions in accordance with the specified test procedure and/or details, the product shall show no physical damage and shall meet the electrical and mechanical requirements per paragraphs 6.0 and 7.0 as specified in the Table 1 test sequences. Unless specified otherwise, assemblies shall be mated during exposure.

- 8.1 Thermal Shock -EIA 364-32
 - a. Number of Cycles -Method A, Test condition II, 25 cycles.
 - b. Temperature Range Between -65 °C and +105 °C
 - c. Time at Each Temperature 30 minutes minimum
 - d. Transfer Time 5 minutes, maximum
- 8.2 Cycling Temperature & Humidity –EIA 364-31, method III, condition B
 - a. Relative Humidity and temperature between 25°C and 65°C at 80% to 98% relative humidity
 - b. Duration 10 days
 - c. Omitting 7b vibration test
- 8.3 High Temperature Life –EIA 364-17, Method A.
 - a. Test Temperature 105 °C
 - b. Test Duration 1000 hours
 - c. Pre-condition Perform 20 cycles of durability for product
- 8.4 Mixed Flowing Gas corrosion (MFG) -EIA 364-65
 - a. Class IIA
 - b. Duration 14 days
 - c. ½ of samples mated for 336 hours, ½ of samples unmated for 168 hours, then mated for final 168 hours.
 - d. After 7 days duration, test the LLCR. After 14 days duration, also test the LLCR.
- 8.5 Thermal disturbance-EIA 364-110
 - a. The test specimens shall be mated during the test.
 - b. Temperature Range +15°C±3°C to +85°C±3°C
 - c. Thermal Ramp minimum of 2°C per minute.
 - d. Dwell time to ensuring that the contacts reach the temperature extremes for a minimum of 5 minutes.

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- e. Number of cycles 10.
- f. Humidity does not need to be controlled during this portion of the test.
- 8.6 High Temperature Life(preconditioning) –EIA 364-17, Method A.
 - a. Test Temperature 105 °C
 - b. Test Duration 72 hours
 - c. Pre-condition Perform 20 cycles of durability for product

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9.0 Quality assurance provisions

9.1 Equipment Calibration

All test equipment and inspection facilities used in the performance of any test shall be maintained in a calibration system in accordance with ISO 9000.

9.2 Inspection Conditions

Unless otherwise specified herein, all inspections shall be performed under the following ambient conditions:

a. Temperature: 25 +/- 5 °C

b. Relative Humidity: 30% to 60%

c. Barometric Pressure: Local ambient

9.3 Sample Quantity and Description

The sample size and description for each test is listed in table 1

9.4 Acceptance

- 9.4.1 Electrical and mechanical requirements placed on test samples as indicated in paragraphs 6.0 and 7.0 shall be established from test data using appropriate statistical techniques or shall otherwise be customer specified, and all samples tested in accordance with this product specification shall meet the stated requirements.
- 9.4.2 Failures attributed to equipment, test setup, or operator error shall not disqualify the product. If product failure occurs, corrective action shall be taken and samples resubmitted for qualification.

9.5 Qualification Testing

Qualification testing shall be performed on sample units produced with equipment and procedures normally used in production. The test sequences shall be as shown in the qualification test table 1.

9.6 Re-Qualification Testing

If any of the following conditions occur, the responsible product engineer shall initiate requalification testing consisting of all applicable parts of the qualification test matrix.

- a. A significant design change is made to the existing product which impacts the product form, fit or function. Examples of significant changes shall include, but not be limited to, changes in the plating material composition or thickness, contact force, contact surface geometry, insulator design, contact base material, or contact lubrication requirements.
- b. A significant change is made to the manufacturing process which impacts the product form, fit or function.
- c. A significant event occurs during production or end use requiring corrective action to be taken relative to the product design or manufacturing process.

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9.7 Qualification Test Table 1

Test Sequence Table 1

		Test Group								
Test Items	Section	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
						Test Seque	nce			
Examination of Product	5.4	1,8	1,8	1, 10	1, 10	1, 11	1,7	1,4		
Contact Resistance (Low Level)	6.1	2,7	2,5,	2,5, 7,9	2,5, 7,9	2,5, 7 (After7days), 8 (After14days) ,10		3		
Insulation Resistance	6.2						2,5			
Dielectric Withstanding Voltage	6.3						3,6			
Current Rating (T-rise: 30°C Max.)	6.4							2		
Mating Force	7.1	3								
Un-mating Force	7.1	4,6								
Durability (Preconditioning)	7.2		3	3	3	3				
Durability	7.3	5					4			
Mechanical Shock	7.4				6					
Random Vibration	7.5				8					
Reseating	7.6		6	8		9				
Thermal Shock	8.1			4						
Cycling Temperature and Humidity	8.2			6						
High Temperature Life	8.3		4							
Mixed Flowing Gas	8.4					6				
Thermal disturbance	8.5									
High Temperature Life (preconditioning)	8.6				4	4				
Samples quantity(PCS)		5	5	5	5	5	5	3		

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10.1 Current temperature derating curve

10.2 Temperature rise vs current curve

Temperature Rise(°C)

Current(A)

Above rating is for reference only. Appropriate de-rating is required per ambient conditions, bus bar size to achieve thermal balance, gross heating from adjacent components, and other factors that influence connector performance.

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