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Lightning protection specifications for communication base stations



Overview

Recommendation ITU-T K.112 provides a set of practical procedures related to the lightning protection, earthing and bonding of radio base stations (RBSs). Does a lightning arrester protect a telecommunication station?

Lightning protection (strikes with indirect effects) for telecommunication stations by lightning arresters, is applicable for all electrical networks. It is also compulsory to provide protection against lightning strikes with direct effects by placing a lightning arrester (near the top of the.

Who needs lightning protection?

or a large private subscriber / consumer (tertiary industry, others). Lightning protection (strikes with indirect effects) for telecommunication stations by lightning arresters, is applicable for all electrical networks.

How should a lightning protection System (RBS) be formed?

The earthing network of an RBS should be formed by a ring loop surrounding the tower, equipment room and fence, at a minimum. The mean radius r_e of this ring loop should be not less than l_1 , as indicated in Figure 1 and this value depends on the lightning protection system (LPS) class and on the soil resistivity.

What is a lightning protection system (LPS)?

3.2.3 lightning protection system (LPS): Complete system used to reduce physical damage due to lightning flashes to a structure. NOTE – An LPS consists of both external and internal lightning protection system.

Is a telecommunication tower impacted by lightning?

If the antenna is installed on the top of telecommunication tower, e.g., antenna positions 1 of Figure 29, it is considered to be impacted by or exposed to direct lightning strikes. Refer to [IEC 62305-3] for detail information about the protection angles and volume protected by an air

termination system.

How much protection does a lightning conductor need?

It depends on the initiation advance T of the OPR measured in the high voltage Laboratory, on the levels of protection I, II, III calculated according to the lightning risk assessment guide (Appendix B of the French standard NF C 17-102) and the height h of the lightning conductor over the area to be protected (minimum height = 2m). NF C 17-102.

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