ME Certification Scheme: Conformity Statement Requirements
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1 Scope of this document

This is a high level document as it applies to many different Conformity Statements. For example: Technology Qualification Conformity Statements; Design Basis Conformity Statements; Design Assessment Conformity Statements; Testing Conformity Statements; Type testing Conformity Statements; and Manufacturing Conformity Statements.

2 Normative references

The Normative References are provided below. Standards against which CSs can be issued (in particular the series IEC 62600 Marine energy - Wave, tidal and other water current converters) are listed on the IECRE website (www.iecre.org). The most current edition should be used in all cases.

- IEC CA 01 – Basic Rules for IEC Conformity Assessment Systems
- IECRE 01-S – IECRE 01-S Supplement to IEC CA 01
- IECRE 02 – Rules of Procedure
- IECRE 03 – ME Sector Rules of Procedure

3 Terms and Definitions

Terms and Definitions unique to this document

NONE

4 Conformity Statement within overall certification

Type certification consists of several modules. Each module has a corresponding Conformity Statement. An example of the process for a Type Certificate is shown in the diagram below.
Type Certification Steps

1. Technology Qualification
   - Certification Plan
   - Conformity Statement

2. Design Basis Evaluation
   - Conformity Statement

3. Design Assessment
   - Conformity Statement

4. Manufacturing Evaluation
   - Conformity Statement

5. Type Testing
   - Test Reports
   - Conformity Statement

6. Type Characteristic Measurements
   - Test Reports
   - Conformity Statement

Final Evaluation
- Type Certificate

Optional
5 Scope of Conformity Statement

The Conformity Statement shall outline clearly in the scope statement what work was carried out. In addition, the Conformity Statement shall identify which organization carried out both the assessment and the work being assessed.

6 Application of standards

The basis for the evaluation outlined in the Conformity Statement shall be the technical requirements outlined in the following:

- The approved standards as shown on the IECRE website (for example IEC/TS 62600-201, IEC/TS 62600-101, IEC/TS 62600-2, 62600-10, etc.);
- Any additional standards as listed in the basis of design and agreed with the RECB;
- Where applicable any additional standards, which are listed in the Technology Qualification plan (also referred to as a Process Management plan) as approved by the RECB;
- Any additional assumptions and requirements as specified in the basis of design or the Technology Qualification plan (refer to OD TBD); and
- Quality requirements as outlined in the basis of design

The evaluation should verify that all the technical requirements have been met. Any non-conformities should be recorded in the conformity assessment report.

7 Evidence basis for Conformity Statement

The Conformity Statement shall list the conformity assessment report as the evidence basis for issuing the statement. The RECB shall require that the documentation clearly refers to the design basis and identifies the basis for the design. With regard to testing the RECB shall require that measurements and test reports clearly identify the component(s), the test standards or procedures, as well as the conditions for which the tests have been carried out.

The evidence used to assess conformity shall be listed in the conformity assessment report. For example (but not limited to the following):

- codes, standards and references;
- design loads and relevant external conditions;
- where applicable the Technology Qualification plan;
- drawings and design calculations;
- static systems and boundary conditions;
- influence of adjacent structures and components;
- materials and permissible stresses.
- manufacturing specifications;
- work instructions, purchase specifications;
- quality control procedures; and
- requirements for workshop tests.

The conformity assessment report will be an RECB deliverable but this will NOT be in the public domain (private between the RECB and the OEM).

8 Limitations of Conformity Statement

The conformity assessment statement shall outline any exclusions or limitations. For example, operating conditions for which the conformity assessment is valid.