



South of Embley project

Expression of interest

High Voltage (HV) Variable Speed Drives

Package Number: 25977-000-MRA-EVV2-00001

Package Title: HV Variable Speed Drives

General Description

Rio Tinto's South of Embley project is located approximately 40 km south-west of Weipa in far North Queensland, Australia. The site will require High Voltage Variable Speed Drives (HV VSD). The scope includes design, manufacture, testing and supply of HV VSD for operation with 6.6 kV squirrel cage induction motors working in a three (3) phase, 50Hz, direct earth system, as well as providing technical support during construction and commissioning.

Specific Scope Requirements

The total number of HV VSDs required for this project is 9. The HV VSDs shall be used to control conveyors and pumps. The HV VSDs shall be standardised as far as possible and selected for applications ranging from 400kW to 900kW in size.

The HV VSDs shall be powered from a 3-phase, 6.6kV AC $\pm 10\%$, 50Hz power supply from a High Voltage Motor Control Centre (MCC). VSDs shall be installed indoors in an air-conditioned switchroom and are required to have a minimum ingress protection rating of IP42. The VSDs shall be capable of operating at 40°C in case of air conditioner failure.

All VSDs shall be variable voltage variable frequency, voltage source with Pulse-width Modulation (PWM) output. VSDs shall be suitable for at least two quadrant operation, and be rated for continuous operation. The VSD shall have a galvanically isolated input to accept frequency/speed control by a 4-20 mA external signal, Ethernet link or manual operation. There may be some multi-drive applications in which the speed shall be controlled via a master/slave configuration or similar. The VSD shall provide comprehensive motor protection by an electronic thermal model for all motors, backed up by standard motor RTD input. The VSDs shall provide a safe-torque-off feature in order to comply with Safety Integrity Level (SIL) ratings. VSDs shall provide a serial communication link using EtherNet/IP.

The VSDs shall include suitably sized dV/dt, EMC and RFI filters to minimise harmonic and other disturbances being injected into the AC power supply and the motor feeder. The VSD enclosure shall include all protection devices and filters to protect the motor and upstream feeder against harmonics and interference.

VSDs shall meet the following voltage and current harmonic distortion limits at the MCC, using the minimum fault current rating provided by Rio Tinto:

- Voltage Harmonics: All connected VSDs at each bus shall not exceed 3% for individual harmonics, and 5% for total harmonic voltage distortion
- Current Harmonics: Maximum allowable individual harmonic current distortion limits at each MCC or Switchboard shall not exceed values given in Table 1 of IEC 61000.3.4

The VSD shall be supplied with a distribution class surge arrestor. An earth switch shall be supplied with the VSD with a castell key interlocking scheme to be interlocked with the upstream HV MCC.

All VSDs shall be completely assembled, pre-wired, and tested as a complete package prior to shipment.

The vendor may be required to provide technical assistance and on-site services as required by Rio Tinto for the setup, testing and/or commissioning of the VSDs in the switchrooms and/or on site.

Only designs and technology that have been proven in service for a minimum of five years in a mining environment shall be offered.

The electrical design shall conform to all codes, standards, rules and regulations governing in the State of Queensland, Australia and all authorities having jurisdiction over the site.

Delivery Schedule

Forecast Award Date: Q1, 2016

In 2015, Rio Tinto is undertaking a detailed feasibility study that will inform a final investment decision. A decision is expected to be received in the final quarter of 2015. Future procurement decisions are dependent on board approval.

Construction of associated mine infrastructure is anticipated to take 36 months once final board approval is granted.

Instructions to Suppliers

If your business possesses the capability and capacity to perform the stated scope of work, please submit a registration of interest via the ICN Gateway at www.southofembley.icn.org.au.

Please ensure that:

- Your company profile on ICN Gateway is complete, up-to-date and accurate
- You register your interest as a Full Scope or Partial Scope supplier (where applicable), and
- You respond to all project-specific questions via the ICN Gateway.

More Information

Please contact the Industry Capability Network Queensland on +61 (7) 3364 0676 should you have any enquiries regarding this scope of work.

More information about the South of Embley Project can be found on the Rio Tinto website www.riotinto.com.

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