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115/34.5kV Solar Plant & Substation Senior Design Project

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AGENDA

- Safety Moment
- New Technology
- More One-Line Details
- ETAP updates

Safety Moment

Security in Substations

Why it's important? - Substations are critical infrastructure that transmit power to a large population. Any disruption or damage to a substation can result in widespread power outages and impacting essential services.

Security Measures

- Fences and Locks: Strong fences and/or high walls and use secure locks to keep people out who shouldn't be there
- Cameras: Can watch the substation at all times. Cameras should cover all important areas including the control house
- Badges and Scanners: Should be used so only people with ID badges can get in.
- Bright Lights in Control House: Keep the area well-lit to make it easy to see everything
- Alarms: Should be used at entrance points



- **New Technology**

ABB Live Tank Breaker (LTB) with Air Plus

- **Eco-Friendly Alternative** – Uses Air Plus, a CO₂ based gas mixture, instead of SF₆.
- **Near-Zero Global Warming Impact** – 100%. reduction in greenhouse gas emissions compared to SF₆.
- **Same Performance, Less Maintenance** – Matches SF₆ breakers while complying with future regulations.



How We Integrate It in Our Substation?

Replacing SF₆ breakers in our 115/34.5 kV substation
Lower environmental impact while maintaining grid reliability

Less lifecycle management and reporting compared to SF₆

<https://new.abb.com/news/detail/18580/abb-launches-carbon-reducing-high-voltage-breaker>

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Line Relaying

- **Primary Line Relaying – SEL 311C**
 - More complex protection features such as distance protection, load shedding, breaker failure detection and reclosing
- **Secondary Line Relaying – SEL 311L**
 - Simpler protection features serving as a distance and overcurrent backup

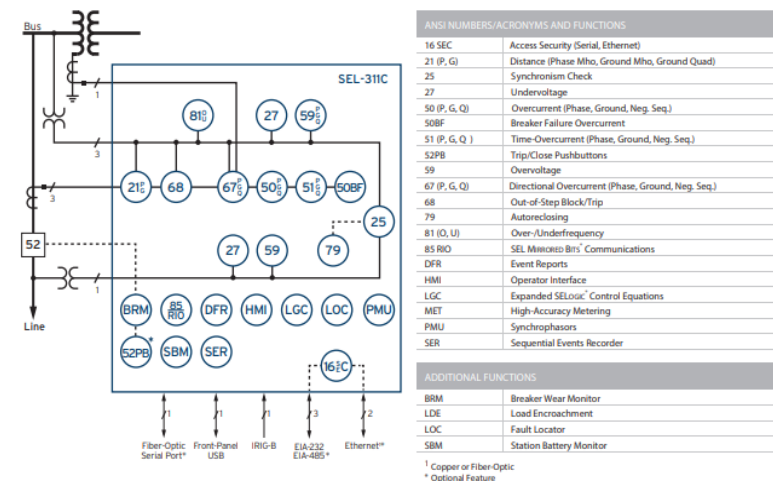


Figure 1 Functional Diagram

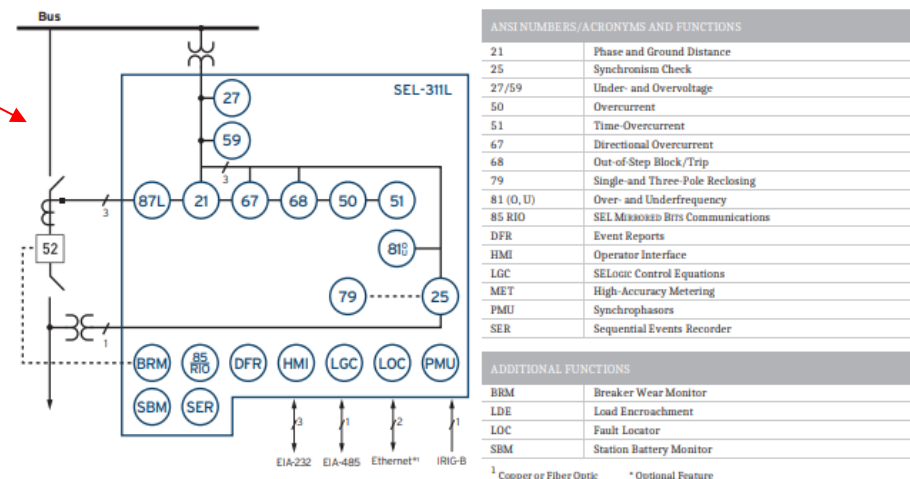


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Transformer Relaying

- **Primary Transformer Relaying – SEL 487E**
 - Provides distance protection and multiwinding protection for the transformer
- **Secondary Line Relaying – SEL 587**
 - Provides current differential protection for the transformer

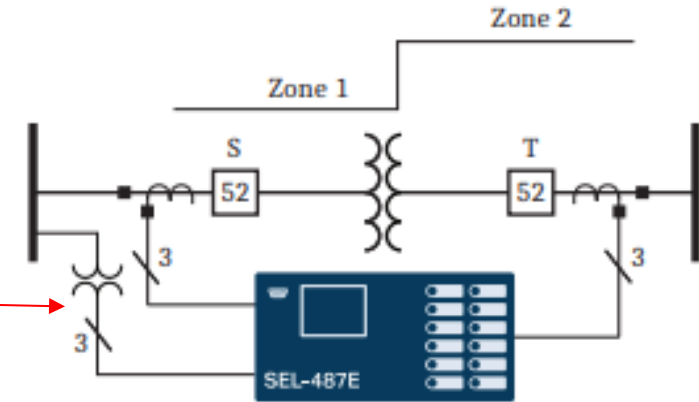


Figure 8 Transformer Distance Application

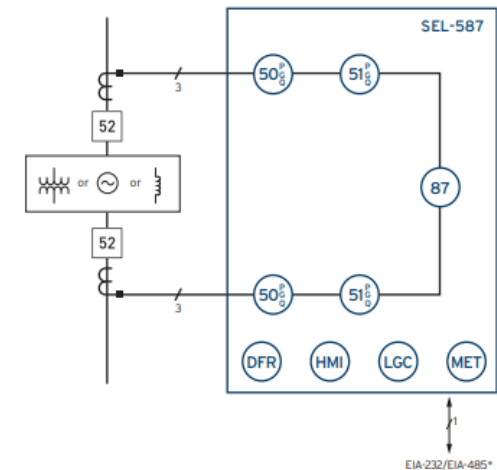
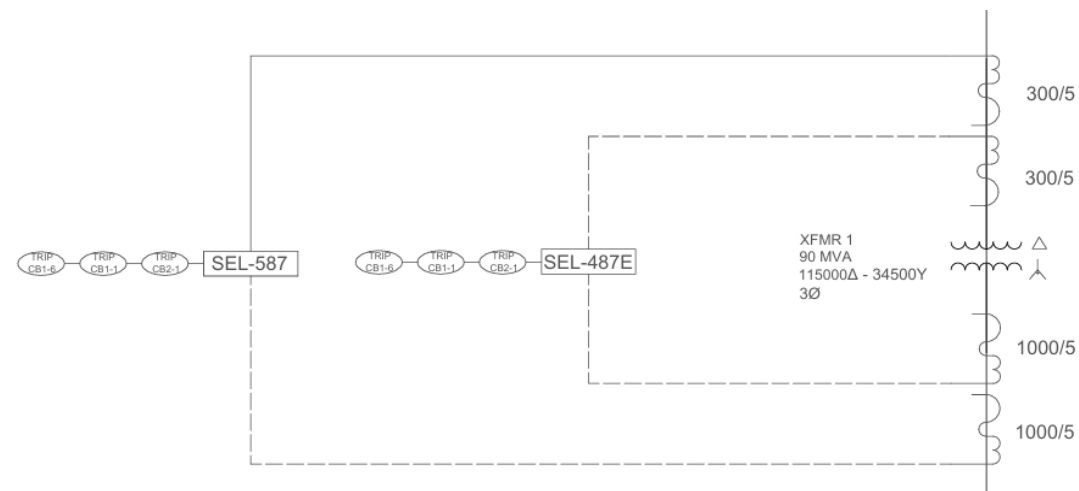
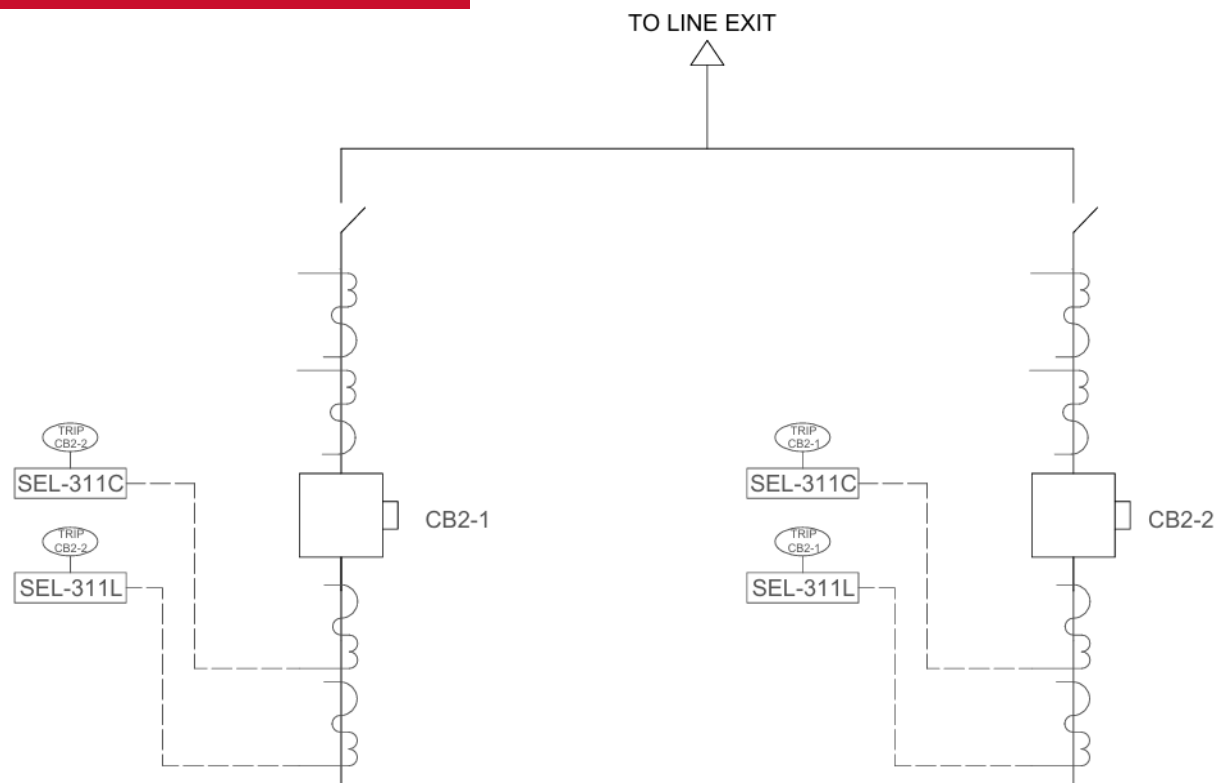


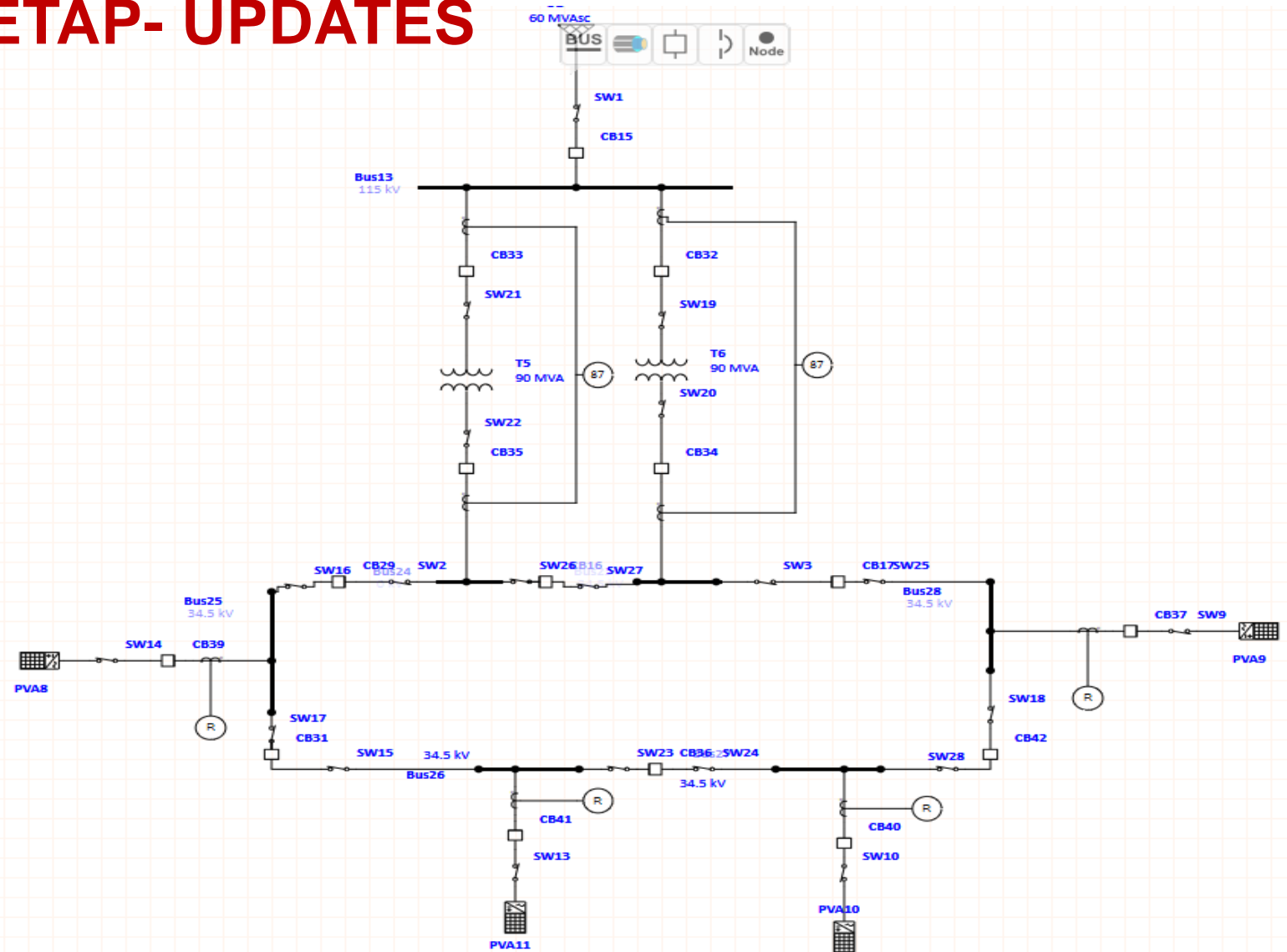
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BLACK & VEATCH DEMING, NEW MEXICO (LUNA COUNTY) PARCEL NUMBER: 3056149254397		
PROJECT TITLE: 115/34.5KV SOLAR POWER PLANT & SUBSTATION		
SHEET NAME: Sectionalized Radial Bus		
SHEET SIZE: 36" x 24"		
SHEET NUMBER: SUB-1		

One-Line Drawing



ETAP- UPDATES



GANTT Chart

- Updated Gantt Chart based on comments
 - Added deliverables – 10%, 40%, etc.
 - Combined cables, relays, panels, & batteries to control building
 - Changed dates
 - Updated DC calculation section

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
1	Project:	115/34.5 kV Solar Power Plant & Substation	Company Name	Black & Veatch														
2	Project manager	Adam Schroeder, Eli Schaffer, Utsavee Desai																
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5		TASK TITLE	TASK OWNER	START DATE	DUE DATE	DURATION	TASK COMPLETE	Week 1				Week 2						
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7		SUBSTATION						M	T	W	R	F	S	Su	M	T	W	F
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16		10% Deliverable - Bus Config., Prelim Component Selection, One-Line	All	1/27/2025	2/16/2025	20	<input type="checkbox"/>											
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18		70% Deliverable - Three-Line, Grnd & Conduit Plans & Calc Revised	All	3/24/2025	4/20/2025	27	<input type="checkbox"/>											
19		90% Deliverable - Equip. Section Views, Control House Plans, ETAP Sim	All	4/21/2025	5/4/2025	13	<input type="checkbox"/>											
20		100% Deliverable - All Calculations, Sheets, Documents Sent to VC	All	5/5/2025	5/16/2025	11	<input type="checkbox"/>											
21	2	Research																
22		Substation Components - Transformers	David & Ben	1/27/2025	2/9/2025	13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>											
23		Substation Components - Disconnect Switches	David	1/27/2025	2/9/2025	13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>											
24		Substation Components - Circuit Breakers	Mohamed & Ben	1/27/2025	2/9/2025	13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>											
25		Substation Components - CCVTs	Sergio & Andrew	1/27/2025	2/9/2025	13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>											
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32		Control Building - Cables, Relays, Panels, Backup Batteries	Andrew & Dallas	2/3/2025	2/23/2025	20	<input type="checkbox"/>											
33	4	Calculation & Design																

THANK YOU