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## INTRODUCTION

Electrical energy storage systems (EES systems) have been integrated into the grid systems. The EES systems play one of the key roles in grid operation. Integrating the EES systems with the grid systems may further bring benefits such as efficient utilization in renewable energy sources. A variety of electrical energy storage technologies have been used widely in small and large sizes, for residential, industrial and utility siting, and in renewable energy stabilization and other applications. An EES system is an integrated system with components that are well standardised, however, system aspects specific to EES systems have not been well discussed. Furthermore, environmental issues for product level have been discussed horizontally in other IEC documents; however, specific environmental aspects of systems have not been well discussed. Therefore, a standard method for assessing environmental issues in EES systems is indispensable.

Under these circumstances, this document describes, in accordance with ISO Guide 64:2008, principles and approaches for environmental issues of EES systems in both normal and abnormal operating conditions, and presents guidelines to address environmental impacts to and from EES systems, including the chronic impacts on humans.

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## ELECTRICAL ENERGY STORAGE (EES) SYSTEMS –

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#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 62933, which is a Technical Specification, describes environmental issues associated with electrical energy storage systems (EES systems), and presents guidelines to address the environmental impacts to and from EES systems including the impacts to humans due to chronic exposure associated with the mentioned environmental impacts.

It is the aim of this document to describe environmental issues that are uniquely and only applicable to EES systems. However, it is not the aim of this document to describe environmental issues that are applicable to any systems.

It is not the aim of this document to describe environmental issues associated with components and products used in EES systems.

This document applies to all EES systems regardless of the type of electrical energy storage technologies.

This document considers the issues in both normal and abnormal operating conditions.

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IEC 62933-1<sup>1</sup>, *Electrical energy storage (EES) systems – Part 1: Terminology*

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