



## SERIES 346 Digital Power Control System

The ASCO SERIES 346 Power Control System offers wide-ranging features that make your facility's emergency power system more effective and efficient.

Digital microprocessor-based technology streamlines and simplifies total generator load control and engine management. The entire control system fits into one enclosure.

The technology is compatible with engines equipped with an electronic engine speed controller and voltage regulator.

A significantly smaller footprint meets the demanding requirements of tight or unconventional floor spaces.

Quicker manufacturing lead times and standardized configuration produce faster delivery.

Door-mounted, software-based display screens communicate easy-to-understand information in less space.

Digital metering measures voltage, amps, watts and frequency. It also includes protective relay functions as standard features.

Drawout insulated-case circuit breakers that parallel the generator to the emergency bus are an integral part of the system's design.

The system is rated at 800 to 3,000 amperes per generator.

It, of course, meets or exceeds the requirements of UL 891 and applicable standards of NEMA, IEEE, and ANSI. The system is labeled UL 891.





World-class technology for reliable power transfer



# INDEPENDENT GENERATOR CONTROL

## Independent Digital Generator Control Panels manage emergency standby systems comprised of up to four engine-generators

Independent microprocessor-based Digital Generator Control Panels provide complete generator load control and engine management for generators ranging in capacity from 250 kW to 2 MW.

Each control panel monitors an engine-generator, displays parameters for that engine-generator, annunciates generator and engine alarms, and controls engine speed and generator voltage for synchronizing and isochronous load sharing.

The panels automatically synchronize voltage and frequency, and match phase angles within two degrees of phase and 0.1 percent of voltage. Real (kW) load control and reactive (kVAR) controls are also included.

Each control panel also operates its respective generator circuit breaker, integral to the system, for paralleling or shutdown. Safe dead bus closing ensures that only one generator connects to the bus at a time.

Using integrated control logic, the system transfers the highest priority block of load to the first engine-generator that produces acceptable voltage and frequency.

Operator interface screens display:

- System status
- Engine status
- Generator metering
- DGCP input/output
- Synchronization status
- Load status
- PF/kVAR status
- Alarm/ Event log

The control panels have five levels of built-in security to protect against configuration changes and alarm purges by unauthorized personnel. A laptop is not required to configure the system.

A Modbus® RTU RS422 port enables communication to remote systems and allows those systems to access engine and generator parameters.

# Priority load management



A Generator Control Station includes a five-position selector switch for each engine generator. The settings are lockout/reset, off/cool-down, automatic test off line and test on line. Indicator lights signal when the generator is running and when controls are not in the automatic operation.

One priority block per generator with eight loads per block, such as electrically operated load distribution circuit breakers or power transfer switches, can be block load controlled.

An under frequency monitor on the main bus monitors generator loading.

Lowest priority loads will be shed automatically so critical priority one loads stay energized if the generators become overloaded, if one of the running generators fails, or if one of the generators

fails to start when a power outage occurs.

Visual indication identifies the status of priority load blocks and a push-button allows for a manual override of shed load blocks.

# Load demand management Available on Two Engine Systems



A System Control Station includes an alarm horn with alarm silence push-button. Push-buttons are also included for resetting priority two loads and the under frequency alarm. Visual indication provides status of priority two, three or four loads and emergency mode operation.

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In the optional load demand mode with more than one generator online, the system monitors total load demand. If the load falls below 80% of rated output of the highest priority generators, lower priority engines (selectable) will shut down after an adjustable time delay. If the load increases above 90% of rated output of the highest priority generators already operating, the next priority engine will be signaled to start and come online after an adjustable time delay.

If an under-frequency bus condition is detected, the system will exit load demand mode and signal all additional engines to start and come online. If an engine fails while in load demand mode, all additional generators will be signaled to start and come online, and the lowest priority loads will be shed.

# Generator Breakers

Generator circuit breakers offer drawout convenience to simplify maintenance or replacement.

Electrically-operated front-serviceable drawout breakers are available in 800 amp to 3000 amp frame sizes. The Square D, NW, 5.0P insulated case circuit breakers are UL 489 listed and are included with an adjustable long time delay, short time delay, instantaneous overcurrent trip and ground fault alarm.

Additional features include 120VAC electrical operation, 24 VDC shunt

trip, bell alarm, 4a and 4b auxiliary contacts, a protective cover for the manual close pushbutton, and instantaneous and ground fault indications.

Square D Micrologic 5.0P Trip units provide monitoring of electrical parameters as well as visual indication. Trip settings are adjustable from 40 % to 100% of the generator breaker frame size and a Modbus® RTU port provides communications to the Emergency Power Communication System.



## Generator breaker and bus ampacity<sup>1,3</sup>

GEN SIZE (kw @480V)	Breaker Frame (Amps)	Breaker Trip (Amps) <sup>2</sup>	Phase & Neutral Bus (Amps)	Ground Bus (Amps)
230 - 500	800	800	2500	1000
300 - 650	1200	1000	2500	1000
350 - 800	1200	1200	2500	1000
450 - 1000	1600	1600	4000	1000
550 - 1250	2000	2000	4000	1000
700 - 1500	2500	2500	6000	2000
800 - 2000	3000	3000	6000	2000

1. Square D MASTERPACT® NW Insulated Case Circuit Breaker  
 2. Adjustable Trip Settings 40% to 100% of Breaker Frame Size  
 3. Bus bracing level 100,000 amperes.