PCS Series

Pitch Control Slipring for Wind Turbines



Technical Requirement:

Transfer of power and data from nacelle to rotating hub of wind turbine

Customised to meet your requirements
Maintenance free
> 100 million revolutions
4 year warranty
Wide operating temperature
Lower life cycle cost
High reliability
No periodic inspections required



Description

Wind turbines require reliable transmission of power and data signals from the nacelle to the control system for the rotary blades. Conductix-Wampfler slip rings provide the performance and quality needed in such demanding and safety-critical environments. Costly downtime is eliminated by using gold-alloy wire contacts and robust mechanical components in the slip ring design.

Gold-Wire Contacts

The unique feature of the gold-wire contact technology is its ability to perform in environmental and operational extremes. In addition, the gold-wire contacts have the capability to handle high power while at the same time transferring data signals. And all this performance while maintenance free for over 100 million revolutions.



- No Maintenance Required
- No dust generation
- No lubrication required
- Rugged dual-row bearing
- Heater for cold weather installations

OEM Supply or Direct Slip Ring Replacement

Conductix-Wampfler now offers a pitch control slip ring for wind turbines customized for individual OEM requirements. Alternatively it is available in various pre-configured specifications* as a direct replacement for certain wind turbines (please contact Conductix-Wampfler for the latest available specifications).

Conductix-Wampfler's unit provides direct mechanical connection to the gearbox with electrical connection by either pre-wired industry standard plugs or wire terminal connections in both stator and rotor junction boxes. Each unit is provided with a heater already installed for cold weather installations.

* subject to availability



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General Specifications:				
Weight (typical)	60lbs (32kg)			
Brush Material	Gold Alloy Wire			
Ring Material	Gold Plate			
Brush Life	> 100 million revolutions			
Ring Life	> 100 million revolutions			
Lubrication	No lubrication required			
Cleaning / Maintenance Interval	No maintenance required			
Power Circuit Rating	65 – 100A at 600V (* depending on specification)			
Data Circuits	Up to 100 Mbps			
Operating Temperature	-40°C to +80°C			
Heating Element	15 watt, 120 / 240 volts standard			
Protection	IP 54			

Please Note: Each PCS slipring model is customized to the requirements of a particular wind turbine. A typical electrical specification might be as shown below:

Typical Ring Specifications:						
	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4	Group 5	
	Main Power	Aux Power	Signals	Data	Heater	
Circuit Numbers	1 - 5	6 - 10	11 - 21	22 - 36	37 - 38	
Number of	5	5	11	15	2	
Circuits						
Nominal Current	65-100A	16A	16A	Data	1A	
Max. Operating	600 V	600 V	110-230 V	24 VDC	120V	
Voltage						
Wire Gauge	10mm ²	2.5mm ²	2.5mm ²	1mm ²	1mm ²	
	6 AWG	16 AWG	16 AWG	24AWG	24AWG	

This unit is configured as standard with a thermostatic 100W, 120VAC heater for cold weather operation.

Options:

Connections via plug/socket or junction box

Fibre-optic Rotary Joint (FORJ) for data transmission (see datasheet CFO2)

Positional encoder