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Areas of Expertise

- Surge arrester design and application (30 years of experience)
- Overvoltage Protection of Power Systems
- Surge Arrester Manufacturing
- Arrester Product Marketing (International and Domestic)
- Surge Arrester Application Training
- FACTS Equipment Protection
- Engineering Management
- IEEE and IEC Standards Management and Development

Standards Activities

Institute for Electrical and Electronics Engineers [IEEE SPD Website](#)

Past Chair of the Surge Protective Devices Committee, the IEEE Power Engineering Society Technical Committee responsible for standards development for surge protective devices (all categories of surge arresters). For the past 22 years, I have held many roles from taskforce participant, working group convenor, secretary, and vice chair. As chair of WG 3.4.14, I was responsible for the 1997 publication of IEEE/ANSI standard C62.22 "Application Guide for Surge Arresters above 1000 Volts RMS". The working group consisted of over 20 task forces and 30 members. We published the standard precisely on schedule as outlined in 1993. As secretary to the SPD, I organized four major meetings from locating meeting locations, to all financial management of the meeting.

As of 2007 I am currently leading a taskforce charged with the responsibility of a comprehensive review of all tests in C62.11.

International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) [IEC Website](#)

Since 1994, I have chaired and co-chaired the working group (TC37 WG9 and MT4) of the IEC Surge Protective Devices Committee. In this function I have coordinated the activities of 5-10 working group members in the development of a Gapped MOV standard that will be completed this year. Information on this activity can be found at [IEC Maintenance Team Info](#). Presently involved a task force for the development of an Externally Gapped MOV arrester for distribution and transmission lines. The task force includes representatives from France, Sweden and Japan.

National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA) [Nema](#)

As chair of Section 8LA Surge Protective Devices, I had the honor of leading the NEMA joint activities of all North American Arrester Manufacturers. The manufacturers involved in this endeavor are Hubbell, Cooper, MacLean, Siemens and ABB. We meet twice yearly and strategize on how to best effect the standards on behalf of the manufacturers.

ArresterWorks**Jan 2008 to Present Independent Consultant**

Started ArresterWorks in January 2008 to utilize my arrester knowledge as an independent consulting engineer. The purpose of ArresterWorks is to consult to the arrester industry as well as maintain an Informational Website on the subject of High Voltage Arresters (www.arresterworks.com).

Clients Served in 2008

Preformed Line Products

Crompton Greaves

Pawuels

DStar

EUCI

Portland General Electric

Cooper Power Systems

NEMA

IEEE

INMR

2008 Activities

- Delivered 5 Overvoltage Protection Workshops around the US.
- Assisted two Manufacturing firms in arrester design
- Assisted in one law suit as an expert witness
- Reviewed reports and catalog sections
- Created content for a NEMA website and magazine ad
- Examined Power Systems in Brazil and trained personnel on how to test arresters
- Participated in 3 IEC and 2 IEEE standards meetings
- Authored more than 20 documents on the application of arresters
- Created and Maintained ArresterWorks.com
- Wrote more than 10 articles on the History of Arresters
- Wrote 4 arrester journal articles and became a Quarterly Columnist for INRM
- Issued 10 ArresterNews News letters

**COOPER POWER SYSTEMS: A Division of Cooper Industries
1979 thru 2007*****2004 to 2007 – Arrester Product Engineering Manager***

Managed all engineering functions for the Cooper Arrester product line including product development, technology development and personnel development

Responsibilities

- Lead a 15 person product development team in all aspects of arrester development
- Lead representative IEEE and IEC industry standards groups
- Actively participate in FACTS Protector design and production
- Development of MOV/Capacitive couplers for HV power systems
- Implementing and practicing stage/gate product development methods
- Development of Zinc Oxide disk and process for arresters products
- Oversight of University-Industrial projects

Accomplishments include:

- Paper and Presentation on the Development of Arrester Standards in IEC and IEEE. (Nov 2005 Hong Kong INMR World Conference) [INMR Site](#)

- Paper and Presentation on the transportation issues with Arresters today. Brazil INMR World Congress 2007
- Introduction of the world's first Broadband Over Power Line (BPL) Arrester/Coupler
- Leading the IEEE standards in a realistic review of all arrester tests
- Steering the NEMA Arrester Section in the development an Industry Development Committee
- Successfully implementing DOT requirements for transportation of arresters
- Routinely lead WEB based training sessions to utilities and customers around the world arrester application issues.

1996 to 2004 – Arrester Product Line Manager

Managed all marketing functions for an (annual sales volume) product line, including sales force training, production planning, marketing communication functions, and personnel management.

Responsibilities included:

- Business Development of Cooper's core technology (Metal Oxide Varistor manufacturing) where it can best be utilized in new markets (both international and domestic markets).
- Product Development Leadership, including product introductions, new product identification and justification, market studies and engineering guidance.

Accomplishments include:

- Presentations on a variety of topics, including:
- Presentation on Transmission Line Arrester Applications at INMR World Conference in Marbella Spain (Nov 2003) [INMR site](#)
- Low Voltage Arrester Application (to the Tennessee Valley Authority Maintenance and Operations Association)
- Overvoltage Protection (to the California Utility Association)
- Chair of the international working group (IEC TC37 WG9) that wrote the test standard for gapped MOV arresters.
- Chair of the IEEE Surge Protective Devices Subcommittee
- Developed a 4 hour course and manual to train substation design engineers proper overvoltage protection schemes. Presented the course at numerous utilities and for CEU credit.

As product line manager, I was instrumental in the preparation of product literature that includes colored brochures, catalog sections instruction sheets. Along with hard copy literature, I personally prepared and presented power point presentations, facilitated product website development ([Cooper Products](#)) and developed several Excel based calculators that demonstrate product features. These sales tools are the means by which we reach 100+ sales engineers and manufacturing reps to promote our products.

1987 to 1996, Product Engineering Manager

Managed a department of 22 engineers and technicians involved with the design of high- and low- voltage arresters and fuses.

Responsibilities included:

- Concept evolution and patent administration.
- Feasibility studies, market studies, and design studies.

- Quality implementation in design and manufacturing.
- Ceramic process development and control.
- Design and manufacturing CAD system administration.
- Marketing assistance with customers.
- Management of over 20 engineers and technicians, both locally and at an R&D department in the Wisconsin facility
- I routinely worked with patent attorneys involving a minimum of 5 patents at all times as patent administrator.

Accomplishments included:

- New products developed and introduced under my leadership:
 - UltraSIL housed Arrester Gapped MOV Arrester,
 - Polymer Housed Distribution Arrester,
 - Low Voltage High Energy Arrester, and
 - Compact Interchangeable Current Limiting Fuse (ELF).
- A U.S. patent (No. 4930039) pertaining to the polymer housed arrester.

1979 to 1987, Design Engineer

Developed arresters and metal oxide varistors as part of a team of engineers and technicians.

The metal oxide disk development was in its infancy when I started this endeavor. I was instrumental in the introduction of this technology to Cooper Power Systems as the lead electrical test engineer. The arrester produced then and now is from 120 volts ac to 360,000 volts ac. They are used from residential to substations applications all over the world.

FERMI NATIONAL ACCELERATOR LABORATORY (U.S. Department of Energy facility)

1973 to 1979 [Fermilab](#)

Operations Chief and Engineering Physicist at the [15-foot Bubble Chamber](#) which at that time was on the cutting edge in high energy particle targets. I was intimately involved in the design and operation of mechanical, electrical, cryogenic, vacuum and hydraulic systems.

Education

Masters of Business Administration (MBA marketing and finance), 1995, St. Bonaventure University (Olean, NY)

Bachelors of Electronic Engineering Technology, 1972, The Ohio Institute of Technology (Columbus, Ohio)

Authored and Co-authored Publications

1. J.J. Woodworth, "Substation Overvoltage Protection Workshop", Text for Cooper Power System's workshop on same subject. 2000-2001
2. J.J. Woodworth, "The Station Arrester's Problematic Joule Rating", The Line March 2001
3. L.J. Kojovic, J.J. Woodworth, G.L. Goedde, "The use of I2T Withstand to Characterize the Energy Handling Capability of Surge Arresters" IEEE/PES Summer Power Meeting, Vancouver BC, July 2001

4. L.J. Kojovic, J.J. Woodworth, G.L.Goedde, "Series Graded Gapped Arrester Provides Reliable Overvoltage Protection in Distribution Systems", IEEE/PES Winter Power Meeting, Columbus Ohio, Feb. 2001
5. J.J.Woodworth, "IEEE Guide for the Application of Metal-Oxide Surge Arresters for Alternating –Current Systems", C62.22-1997. Chair of Working Group and Editor
6. Jonathan Woodworth "Lightning Protection: Improving Reliability Through the Use of Surge Arresters" , [Utility Automation & Engineering T&D April, 2005](#)
7. Woodworth, J. J. and H. E. Fletcher, Technical paper presented to the See Overhead Committee, Annapolis, Maryland May 10, 1990 entitled "New Surge Arrester Technology Offers Substantial Improvement in Protection and Reliability," pp. 1-7, Cooper Power Systems (May 1990).
8. J.J. Woodworth, "Emerging Transportation Issue with Distribution Arresters" INMR World Congress Rio de Janeiro Brazil (April 2007)
9. J.J. Woodworth, "Arrester Standards: A Critical Review" INMR World Congress Hong Kong (Nov 2005)

Patents

US Patent 5594613 [Surge arrester having controlled multiple current paths](#)
US Patent 4930039 [Fail Safe Surge Arrester](#)
US Patent 5708555 [Surge Arrester having controlled multi current paths](#)