4-hour lockout avoidance for LM2500 and LM6000 gas turbines

Conversion, Modification & Upgrade Offering

Product description
This upgrade for GE’s LM2500 and LM6000 aeroderivative gas turbines helps you safely reduce or eliminate a common forced four-hour lockout period that can occur after a hot shutdown.

Product details
The upgrade package requires modifications to the hydraulic starter system and control system logic, including the addition of the following items:

- Hydraulic rectifier manifold block
- Pressure indicator
- New start control logic block with speed feedback signals
- Hydraulic line adapters, hoses, and additional hardware

GE’s solution enables two different operating modes:

- **Slow roll mode** allows the hydraulic start system to re-engage the starter after certain emergency shutdown conditions and slow roll the high pressure rotor at 80–120 rpm. This gives the operator time to address the trip condition and restore the unit to full power operation.

- **Soft start mode** allows for periodic restart attempts during the lockout period, when it is not advisable to attempt an automatic slow roll. A “soft start” automatically performs checks to determine if the turbine rotor is locked. If other requirements are met, the turbine follows a modified starting cycle to achieve full power. If the rotor is locked during the soft start mode, soft starts can be attempted every 15 minutes, as long as the hydraulic start system is available.

Customer benefits
- **Increased uptime.** Helps reduce or eliminate the four-hour lockout period that can occur after a hot shutdown of LM2500 and LM6000 gas turbines
- **Improved safety.** Allows for safer turbine inspection after a hot shutdown without the need for an operator to enter the turbine to check the rotor condition

Applicable units

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