

# How to deal with environmental risk in IEC 62305-2

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**Abstract** - The 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the lightning risk management standard (IEC 62305-2) considers structures, which may endanger environment. In these cases, the loss is not limited to the structure itself, which is valid for usual structures. In the past (Edition 1) this danger was simply taken into account by a special hazard factor, multiplying the existing risk for the structure with a number. Now, in the edition 2, we add to the risk for the structure itself a “second risk” due to the losses outside the structure. The losses outside can be treated independently from what occurs inside. This is a major advantage to analyze the risk for sensitive structures, like chemical plants, nuclear plants, or structures containing explosives, etc. In this paper, the existing procedure given by the European version EN 62305-2 Ed.2 is further developed and applied to a few structures.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Risk management for lightning and overvoltage protection is an essential tool, to estimate the vulnerability of a structure and the people and content inside against lightning and overvoltage threat and to ensure, that the necessary and most effective protection measures are selected in the required quality.

Since the 1<sup>st</sup> edition of the lightning protection standard series IEC 62305 and with that EN 62305 (and the related European national standards) in 2006 risk management investigations according to the part 2 of the standard series were performed for a great number of structures. The experiences with the investigations lead to some improvement. In 2010 the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the international standard IEC 62305-2 [1] was published. In Europe some further modifications, essentially belonging to the use of thunderstorm warning systems and to the calculation procedure for economic losses, were implemented, so that the EN 62305-2 Ed.2 [2] was finally released in May 2012.

This 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the lightning risk management standard also allows a more detailed view to structures, which may endanger their surroundings due to explosion or contaminations. In these cases, the loss is not limited to the structure itself, which is valid for usual structures. In the past

(Edition 1) this danger was simply taken into account by a so-called special hazard factor, multiplying the existing risk for the structure with a rough and integer number. Now, in the edition 2, we add to the risk for the structure itself a “second risk” due to the losses outside the structure. With that, the losses outside can be treated independently from what occurs inside. This is a major advantage to analyze the lightning and overvoltage risk for sensitive structures, like chemical plants, nuclear plants, military structures containing explosives, etc.

In this paper, the existing procedure given by the European standard EN 62305-2 Ed.2 is further developed and applied to a variety of structures. Common for all these structures is that they may represent a further risk to their surroundings when they are exposed to a lightning event.

## II. GENERAL

The risk due to lightning (including overvoltages) is the sum of different risk components, differing in their source of damage (S1, S2, S3, S4) and their type of damage (D1, D2, D3). We distinguish between:

- S1: flashes to the structure;
- S2: flashes near the structure;
- S3: flashes to the lines connected to the structure;
- S4: flashes near the lines connected to the structure.

and:

- D1: injury to living beings by electric shock;
- D2: physical damage (fire, explosion, mechanical destruction, chemical release) due to lightning current effects, including sparking;
- D3: failure of internal systems due to LEMP.

In total, with that we get the eight risk components  $R_A$ ,  $R_B$ ,  $R_C$ ,  $R_M$ ,  $R_U$ ,  $R_V$ ,  $R_W$  and  $R_Z$ . Each of this risk component is expressed by the following general equation:

$$R_X = N_X \cdot P_X \cdot L_X \quad (1)$$

where:

$N_X$  is the number of dangerous events per annum (see also Annex A of [2]);

$P_X$  is the probability of damage to a structure (see also Annex B of [2]);

$L_X$  is the consequent loss (see also Annex C of [2]).

The number  $N_X$  of dangerous events is affected by the lightning ground flash density ( $N_G$ ) and by the physical characteristics of the structure to be protected, its surroundings, the connected lines, and adjacent and connected buildings.

The probability of damage  $P_X$  is affected by the characteristics of the structure to be protected, the connected lines and the protection measures provided.

The consequent loss  $L_X$  is affected by the use to which the structure is assigned, the attendance of persons, the type of service provided to public, the value of goods affected by the damage and the measures provided to limit the amount of loss. If the damage to a structure due to lightning also involves surrounding structures or the environment (e.g. chemical or radioactive emissions), a more detailed evaluation of  $L_X$  that takes into account this additional loss should be performed.

If the structure is partitioned in individual zones, each risk component shall be evaluated for each zone. The total risk  $R$  of the structure is the sum of all risks components over all the zones which constitute the structure.

### III. LOSS FACTOR FOR THE STRUCTURE

The values of amount of loss  $L_X$  should be evaluated and fixed by the lightning protection designer or the owner of the structure. Typical mean values of loss  $L_X$  in a structure given in [1, 2] are merely values proposed by the IEC. Different values may be assigned by each national committee or after detailed investigation.

For the cases to be investigated, structures being dangerous also for their surroundings, the two following types of losses are of interest:

- L1: loss of human life
- L4: economic loss

All other types of losses can be excluded here.

In addition to that, only the types of damage D2 and D3 are investigated. D1 as the injury to living beings due to electric shock is a consequence of step and touch voltages. With that, it is only relevant in the structure to be protected, not in the surroundings. Consequently, the risk components  $R_A$  and  $R_U$  can be neglected.

#### A. Loss of human life (L1)

The loss value  $L_X$  for each zone can be determined according to (2) and (3), considering that:

- the loss of human life is affected by the characteristics of the zone. These are taken into account by increasing ( $h_z$ ) and decreasing ( $r_b, r_p, r_f$ ) factors;

- the maximum value of loss in the zone must be reduced by the ratio between the number of persons in the zone ( $n_z$ ) versus the total number of persons ( $n_t$ ) in the whole structure;
- the time in hours per year for which the persons are present in the zone ( $t_z$ ), if it is lower than the total 8760 h of a year, also will reduce the loss.

$$L_B = L_V = r_p \cdot r_f \cdot h_z \cdot L_F \cdot n_z/n_t \cdot t_z/8760 \quad (2)$$

$$L_C = L_M = L_W = L_Z = L_O \cdot n_z/n_t \cdot t_z/8760 \quad (3)$$

where:

$L_F$  is the typical percentage of persons injured by physical damage (D2) due to one dangerous event (see Table I);

$L_O$  is the typical percentage of persons injured by failure of internal systems (D3) due to one dangerous event (see Table I);

$r_p$  is a factor reducing the loss due to physical damage depending on the provisions taken to reduce the consequences of fire (see Table II);

$r_f$  is a factor reducing the loss due to physical damage depending on the risk of fire or on the risk of explosion of the structure (see Table III);

$h_z$  is a factor increasing the loss due to physical damage when a special hazard is present (see Table IV);

$n_z$  is the number of persons in the zone;

$n_t$  is the total number of persons in the structure;

$t_z$  is the time in hours per year for which the persons are present in the zone.

When a structure is treated as a single zone the ratio  $n_z/n_t$  should equate to a value of 1. Where the value of  $t_z$  is not known, the ratio  $t_z/8760$  should equate to a value of 1.

Both types of damage D2 and D3 are relevant for this type of structure. An overvoltage and consequently the loss of a control system can result in a danger for human beings inside (and later also outside) the structure.

TABLE I. TYPE OF LOSS L1: TYPICAL MEAN VALUES OF  $L_F$  AND  $L_O$

Type of damage	Typical loss value	Type of structure
D2 physical damage	$L_F$	$10^{-1}$ Risk of explosion
		$10^{-1}$ Hospital, hotel, school, civic building
		$5 \cdot 10^{-2}$ Public entertainment, church, museum
		$2 \cdot 10^{-2}$ Industrial, commercial
		$10^{-2}$ Others
D3 failure of internal systems	$L_O$	$10^{-1}$ Risk of explosion
		$10^{-2}$ Intensive care unit and operation block of hospital
		$10^{-3}$ Other parts of hospital

These values of Table I (Table C.2 in [1, 2]) refer to a continuous attendance of people in the structure. In case of a structure with risk of explosion, the values for  $L_F$  and  $L_O$  may need a more detailed evaluation, considering the type of structure, the risk explosion, the zone concept of hazardous areas and the measures to meet the risk.

TABLE II. REDUCTION FACTOR  $r_p$  AS A FUNCTION OF PROVISIONS TAKENTO REDUCE THE CONSEQUENCES OF FIRE (TABLE C.4 IN [1, 2])

Provisions	$r_p$
No provisions or structures with a risk of explosion	1
One of the following provisions: extinguishers; fixed manually operated extinguishing installations; manual alarm installations; hydrants; fire compartments; escape routes	0.5
One of the following provisions: fixed automatically operated extinguishing installations; automatic alarm installations <sup>a</sup>	0.2
a only if protected against overvoltages and other damages and if firemen can arrive in less than 10 min.	

If more than one provision has been taken, the value of  $r_p$  should be taken as the lowest of the relevant values.

TABLE III. REDUCTION FACTOR  $r_f$  AS A FUNCTION OF RISK OF FIREOR EXPLOSION OF STRUCTURE (TABLE C.5 IN [1, 2])

Risk	Amount of risk	$r_f$
Explosion	Zones 0, 20 and solid explosive	1
	Zones 1, 21	$10^{-1}$
	Zones 2, 22	$10^{-3}$
Fire	High	$10^{-1}$
	Ordinary	$10^{-2}$
	Low	$10^{-3}$
Explosion or fire	None	0

Notes for Table III:

In case of a structure with risk of explosion, the value for  $r_f$  may need a more detailed evaluation.

Structures with a high risk of fire may be assumed to be structures made of combustible materials or structures with roofs made of combustible materials or structures with a specific fire load larger than 800 MJ/m<sup>2</sup>.

Structures with an ordinary risk of fire may be assumed to be structures with a specific fire load between 800 MJ/m<sup>2</sup> and 400 MJ/m<sup>2</sup>.

Structures with a low risk of fire may be assumed to be structures with a specific fire load less than 400 MJ/m<sup>2</sup>, or structures containing only a small amount of combustible material.

Specific fire load is the ratio of the energy of the total amount of the combustible material in a structure and the overall surface of the structure.

For the purposes of this part of IEC/EN 62305, structures containing hazardous zones or containing solid explosive materials should not be assumed to be structures with a risk of explosion if any one of the following conditions is fulfilled:

a) the time of presence of explosive substances is lower than 0,1 h/year;

b) the volume of explosive atmosphere is negligible according to IEC 60079-10-1 [3] and IEC 60079-10-2 [4];

c) the zone cannot be hit directly by a flash and dangerous sparking in the zone is avoided.

For hazardous zones enclosed within metallic shelters, condition c) is fulfilled when the shelter, as a natural air-termination system, acts safely without puncture or hot-spot problems, and internal systems inside the shelter, if any, are protected against overvoltages to avoid dangerous sparking.

The values given in Table III for a risk of explosion consider in a simplified manner the existence of an explosive atmosphere, i.e. the time per year, where explosion really can occur. For an explosion, two events have to occur simultaneously: the lightning strike and the existence of an explosive atmosphere. With that, and if more detailed information is available, the parameter  $r_f$  can also be evaluated as:

$$r_f = t_{ex}/8760 \quad (4)$$

where:

$t_{ex}$  time in hours per year, for which explosive atmosphere is present in the relevant structure or zone.

TABLE IV. FACTOR  $h_z$  INCREASING THE RELATIVE AMOUNT OF LOSS IN PRESENCE OF A SPECIAL HAZARD (TABLE C.6 IN [1, 2])

Kind of special hazard	$h_z$
No special hazard	1
Low level of panic (e.g. a structure limited to two floors and the number of persons not greater than 100)	2
Average level of panic (e.g. structures designed for cultural or sport events with a number of participants between 100 and 1 000 persons)	5
Difficulty of evacuation (e.g. structures with immobile persons, hospitals)	5
High level of panic (e.g. structures designed for cultural or sport events with a number of participants – greater than 1 000 persons)	10

## B. Economic loss ( $L_A$ )

The loss value  $L_X$  for each zone can be determined according to (5) and (6), considering that:

- the loss of economic values is affected by the characteristics of the zone. These are taken into account by decreasing ( $r_b$ ,  $r_p$ ,  $r_f$ ) factors;
- the maximum value of loss due to the damage of the zone must be reduced by the ratio between the relevant value in the zone versus the total value ( $c_i$ ) of the whole structure (animals, building, content and internal systems including their activities). The relevant value of the zone depends on the type of damage:

D2 (physical damage):  $c_a + c_b + c_c + c_s$   
(value of all goods)

D3 (failures of internal systems):  $c_s$   
(value of internal systems and their activities only)

$$L_B = L_V = r_p \cdot r_f \cdot L_F \cdot (c_a + c_b + c_c + c_s) / c_t \quad (5)$$

$$L_C = L_M = L_W = L_Z = L_O \cdot c_s / c_t \quad (6)$$

where:

$L_F$  is the typical percentage of economic value of all goods (animals, building, content, internal systems) damaged by physical damage (D2) due to one dangerous event (see Table V);

$L_O$  is the typical percentage of economic value of all goods (internal systems) damaged by failure of internal systems (D3) due to one dangerous event (see Table V);

$r_p$  is a factor reducing the loss due to physical damage depending on the provisions taken to reduce the consequences of fire (see Table II, in structures with a risk of explosion,  $r_p = 1$  for all cases);

$r_f$  is a factor reducing the loss due to physical damage depending on the risk of fire or on the risk of explosion of the structure (see Table III and (4));

$c_a$  is the value of animals in the zone;

$c_b$  is the value of building relevant to the zone;

$c_c$  is the value of content in the zone;

$c_s$  is the value of internal systems including their activities in the zone;

$c_t$  is the total value of the structure (sum over all zones for animals, building, content and internal systems including their activities).

TABLE V. TYPE OF LOSS L4: TYPICAL MEAN VALUES OF  $L_F$  AND  $L_O$

Type of damage	Typical loss value	Type of structure
D2 physical damage	$L_F$	1 Risk of explosion
		0.5 Hospital, industrial, museum, agricultural
		0.2 Hotel, school, office, church, public entertainment, commercial
		$10^{-1}$ Others
D3 failure of internal systems	$L_O$	$10^{-1}$ Risk of explosion
		$10^{-2}$ Hospital, industrial, office, hotel, commercial
		$10^{-3}$ Museum, agricultural, school, church, public entertainment
		$10^{-4}$ Others

Again, in structures where there is a risk of explosion, the values for  $L_F$  and  $L_O$  may need more detailed evaluation, in which considerations of the type of structure, the risk explosion, the zone concept of hazardous areas and the measures to meet the risk, are addressed.

Furthermore, also for the type of loss L4 the values given in Table III for the parameter  $r_f$  can be evaluated as described by (4), if a more detailed approach is possible and necessary.

#### IV. LOSS FACTOR FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

In this context, the international standard [1] differs in some points from the European one [2]. However, both standards define a concept for the inclusion of effects to the surroundings, which cannot be accepted for all structures:

- in the European standard the provisions taken to reduce the consequences of fire ( $r_p$ ) are not adequately taken into account for the evaluation of the loss factors for the surroundings;
- in the European standard the reduction factor  $r_f$  describing the risk of fire or explosion of a given structure is not adequately taken into account for the evaluation of the loss factors for the surroundings;
- in the international standard the zoning of the structure as well as the increasing factor  $h_z$  for the situation inside the structure influences misleadingly also the losses for the surroundings;
- in both standards the overvoltage related risk components due to the type of damage D3 have no direct influence on losses for the surroundings. In cases with process control applications, for example, where the loss of such equipment or internal systems may create a situation where there is a release of a chemical harmful to the environment, the consideration of these risk components is necessary.

Therefore, it seems useful, to investigate in detail the influence of different characteristics and conditions of the structure and its surroundings to the additional losses at these surroundings due to a lightning event to the structure.

##### A. Loss of human life ( $L_I$ )

When the damage to a structure due to lightning involves surrounding structures or the environment (e.g. chemical or radioactive emissions), additional losses ( $L_{XE}$ ) should be taken into account to evaluate the total loss ( $L_{XT}$ ):

$$L_{XT} = L_X + L_{XE} \quad (7)$$

where:

$L_X$  is the loss factor for the losses of human beings inside the structure as given in (2) and (3);

$$L_{BE} = L_{VE} = r_p \cdot r_f \cdot L_{FE} \cdot t_d / 8760 \quad (8)$$

$$L_{CE} = L_{ME} = L_{WE} = L_{ZE} = r_p \cdot r_f \cdot L_{OE} \cdot t_d / 8760 \quad (9)$$

where:

$L_{FE}$  is the typical mean percentage of persons outside the structure injured by physical damage (D2) due to one dangerous event (see Table VII);

$L_{OE}$  is the typical mean percentage of persons outside the structure injured by failure of internal systems (D3) due to one dangerous event (see Table VII);

$r_p$  is the factor reducing the loss due to physical damage depending on the provisions taken to reduce the consequences of fire (see Table II, in structures with a risk of explosion,  $r_p = 1$  for all cases);

$r_f$  is the factor reducing the loss due to physical damage depending on the risk of fire or on the risk of explosion of the structure (see Table III and (4));

$t_e$  being the time of presence of persons in the potentially dangerous place outside the structure.

If values of  $t_e$  are unknown,  $t_e/8760 = 1$  should be assumed. In the surroundings of the structure usual residential areas may exist with a permanent attendance of people.

Otherwise the values proposed in Table VI can be used. These values are based on a French official document [5] giving the basic rules for counting the number of people around an industrial site and with that the potential number of victims in case of an event inside the site having an effect outside of the site.

TABLE VI. TYPE OF LOSS L1: PROPOSED TYPICAL VALUES FOR THE RELATED TIME OF PRESENCE FOR PEOPLE  $t_e/8760$  IN DIFFERENT ENVIRONMENT AS LIMITED BY TABLE VII

Type of surrounding	$t_e/8760^{(1)}$
Working people inside the fence	0.25
Necessity of controlled area inside the fence	1.0
Operation of plant with more than one shift	
Establishments Receiving of Public (ERP)	0.5
Zones of activities (industries and other activities not receiving usually from public)	0.75
Residences	1
Automobile lanes :	1
Railway ways	0.25
Inland waterways	0.1
Ways and ways pedestrians	0.75
Non made-up grounds and very little attended (fields, meadows, forests, waste lands, marsh...)	0.25
Usable airfields but little attended (horticultural gardens and zones, vines, fishing zones, marshalling yards ...)	0.25
Usable airfields and potentially attended or very attended (carparks, parks and parks, zones of supervised bathes, sports grounds)	0.5
Special cases (extremely temporary occupations)	0.1

1 : In case of "mixed" environments with different values, the highest value should be used.

For  $L_{FE}$  and  $L_{OE}$  the values given in Table VII are a proposal. More detailed calculations may be performed. Otherwise these values could be evaluated or based on authorities having jurisdiction documents. Of course, when there is no risk for the surroundings,  $L_{FE} = L_{OE} = 0$  should be assumed.

Table VII (as well as the later Table VIII) is based on experience of a working team built in France to analyze the environmental effect when using IEC/EN62305-2. It has neither been published nor approved by the said team. It has been developed and refined by the authors to be able to make calculation on some examples. It is a proposal that needs to be thoroughly fully discussed. However the typology of cases introduced in these tables seems adequate to reflect the possible

impact of a lightning event to the surrounding and to the environment.

TABLE VII. TYPE OF LOSS L1: TYPICAL MEAN VALUES OF  $L_{FE}$  AND  $L_{OE}$  OUTSIDE THE STRUCTURE

Values of $L_{FE}$ and $L_{OE}$ Scenario	Environmental risk – remaining inside the site fence $L_{FE}^{(7)}$ $L_{OE}^{(7)}$		Environmental risk – spreading outside of the site fence $L_{FE}$ $L_{OE}$	
	Explosion and overpressure <sup>(1)</sup>	0.25	0.025	0.5
Thermal flux <sup>(2)</sup>	0.05	0.005	0.1	0.01
Toxic fumes <sup>(3)</sup>	0.1	0.01	1.0	0.1
Soil pollution <sup>(3)</sup>	0.1	0.01	0.5	0.05
Water pollution <sup>(3)</sup>	0.25(4)	0.025	2.5	0.25
Radioactive material <sup>(3), (5), (6)</sup>	0.5	0.05	5	

1 : The overpressure exceeds a value of 50 hPa

2 : The thermal power per area exceeds a value of 3 kW/m<sup>2</sup>

3 : These maximum values could be reduced based on quantity of pollutant, danger of the pollutant and sensitivity of the environment

4 : only if pollution can reach the water bed or fresh water or sea/oceans

5 : this may not be applicable when a specific study including all scenario have been developed

6 : this is not applicable to sealed sources for example used in measuring devices or medical equipment

7 : In case of a TWS the values for LFE and LOE inside the site fence are multiplied by (1 – PTWS).

Note: damage to windows (explosion with limited effect) are excluded from this investigation and should be dealt with, if any, by specific protection measures.

## B. Economic loss ( $L_A$ )

When the damage to a structure due to lightning involves surrounding structures or the environment (e.g. chemical or radioactive emissions), additional losses ( $L_{XE}$ ) should be taken into account to evaluate the total loss ( $L_{XT}$ ):

$$L_{XT} = L_X + L_{XE} \quad (10)$$

where:

$L_X$  is the loss factor for the economic losses inside the structure as given in (5) and (6);

$$L_{BE} = L_{VE} = r_p \cdot r_f \cdot L_{FE} \cdot c_d/c_t \quad (11)$$

$$L_{CE} = L_{ME} = L_{WE} = L_{ZE} = r_p \cdot r_f \cdot L_{OE} \cdot c_d/c_t \quad (12)$$

where:

$L_{FE}$  is the typical mean percentage of economic value of all goods outside the structure damaged by physical damage (D2) due to one dangerous event (see Table VIII);

$L_{OE}$  is the typical mean percentage of economic value of all goods outside the structure damaged by failure of internal systems (D3) due to one dangerous event (see Table VIII);

$r_p$  is a factor reducing the loss due to physical damage depending on the provisions taken to reduce the consequences of fire (see Table II, in structures with a risk of explosion,  $r_p = 1$  for all cases);

$r_f$  is a factor reducing the loss due to physical damage depending on the risk of fire or on the risk of explosion of the structure (see Table III and (4));

$c_e$  is the total value of goods in potentially dangerous place outside the structure.

$c_i$  is the total value of the structure (sum over all zones for animals, building, content and internal systems including their activities).

If values of  $c_e$  are unknown,  $c_e/c_i = 100$  should be assumed.

For  $L_{FE}$  and  $L_{OE}$  the values given in Table VIII are a proposal. More detailed calculations may be performed. Otherwise these values could be evaluated or based on authorities having jurisdiction documents. Of course, when there is no risk for the surroundings,  $L_{FE} = L_{OE} = 0$  should be assumed.

TABLE VIII. TYPE OF LOSS L4: TYPICAL MEAN VALUES OF  $L_{FE}$  AND  $L_{OE}$  OUTSIDE THE STRUCTURE

Values of $L_{FE}$ and $L_{OE}$ Scenario	Environmental risk – remaining outside the site fence		Typical economic relation $c_e/c_i$
	$L_{FE}$	$L_{OE}$	
Explosion and overpressure <sup>(1)</sup>	0.5	0.05	1
Thermal flux <sup>(2)</sup>	0.1	0.01	1
Toxic fumes <sup>(3)</sup>	0.5	0.05	5
Soil pollution <sup>(3)</sup>	0.2	0.02	10
Water pollution <sup>(3)</sup>	0.5 <sup>(4)</sup>	0.05	50
Radioactive material <sup>(3), (5), (6)</sup>	1	0.1	100

1 : The overpressure exceeds a value of 140 hPa

2 : The thermal power per area exceeds a value of 8 kW/m<sup>2</sup>

3 : These maximum values could be reduced based on quantity of pollutant, danger of the pollutant and sensitivity of the environment

4 : only if pollution can reach the water bed or fresh water or sea/oceans

5 : this may not be applicable when a specific study including all scenarii have been developed

6 : this is not applicable to sealed sources for example used in measuring devices or medical equipments

Note: damage to windows (explosion with limited effect) are excluded from this investigation and should be dealt with, if any, by specific protection measures.

## V. APPLICATION TO A FEW STRUCTURES

In this clause, applications of the values given in Table VII and VIII are made to illustrate the proposal. The two cases are focused on physical damage (D2) only.

### A. Case 1 - Industrial structure with danger for the environment

This is a hypothetical structure. The structure 50 m x 30 m x 12 m is surrounded by smaller structures. The ground flash density  $N_G = 2$  strike/year/km<sup>2</sup>. A single LV line is connected and the building is considered as a single zone. There are fire provisions: automatic extinguishers, and the risk of fire has been evaluated as being ordinary. In case of fire the structure can release toxic fumes but they will remain inside the site fence due to wind direction and amount of such fumes. To evaluate the risk we have compared results obtained if using Ed.1 of EN 62305-2 [6] and the proposed methodology derived from Ed.2 of EN 62305-2 [2].  $L_B$ ,  $L_{BE}$ ,  $L_V$ , and  $L_{VE}$  as proposed above have been calculated leading to the following results (see Table IX).

TABLE IX. PARAMETERS CALCULATED FOR CASE 1

Values for various parameters	Risk evaluated with Ed.2 of EN62305-2 modified	Risk evaluated with Ed.1 of EN62305-2
$L_B$	$6.39 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.28 \cdot 10^{-2}$
$L_{BE}$	$5.00 \cdot 10^{-5}$	/
$L_B$ total	$1.14 \cdot 10^{-4}$	/
$L_V$	$6.39 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.28 \cdot 10^{-2}$
$L_{VE}$	$5.00 \cdot 10^{-5}$	/
$L_V$ total	$1.14 \cdot 10^{-4}$	/
$R_B$	$1.29 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.45 \cdot 10^{-4}$
$R_V$	$2.68 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$3.01 \cdot 10^{-5}$
$R_I$	$1.56 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.75 \cdot 10^{-4}$
Level of protection for LPS and SPDs	Self-protected	II
$R_I$ reduced thanks to LPS	$1.56 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$7.85 \cdot 10^{-6}$

In such a case, the risk evaluated with Ed.1 gives a higher risk (coefficient 20 multiplying the risk of loss of people inside the structure due to danger for environment) than if we use Ed.2, modified by the proposed methodology (risk being a sum of risk of loss of people and risk directly related to the environment).

However, it must be noted that if we use the Ed.2 of EN 62305-2 without the suggested modifications (introduction of  $r_p$  and  $r_f$  in the calculation of  $L_{BE}$ ), the risk evaluated is higher than for Ed.1 (level of protection I necessary instead of II). One of the main reasons to revise the environment risk was because this risk was very often overestimated by using a multiplying factor related to the risk inside the structure to describe what happens outside of the structure. To achieve this goal of risk reduction, it is necessary to help the users of EN 62305-2 Ed.2 estimating the environmental risk described therein. This is the main purpose of this contribution.

### B. Case 2 - Laboratory with possible release of radioactive elements dangerous for the environment

This case is based on a real structure for which the risk was evaluated according to EN 62305-2 Ed.1 [6] and for which a danger study has been elaborated to evaluate the impact of the structure to the environment. The structure has an equivalent capture area of 8 100 m<sup>2</sup> and is surrounded by smaller structures. The flash ground density  $N_G = 2$  strike/year/km<sup>2</sup>. There are 6 lines (LV, data ...) connected to 5 different adjacent buildings and a power substation. The building is considered as a single zone. There are fire provisions: automatic extinguishers, and the risk of fire has been evaluated as being ordinary. The yearly time of presence inside the structure is 2 800 hours. One of the scenarios leads to a possible release of radioactive elements but quantity and severity of this release is such that no danger is considered outside the fence of the site. To evaluate the risk we have compared, as for case 1, results obtained if using Ed.1 of EN 62305-2 [6] and the proposed methodology derived from Ed.2 of EN 62305-2 [2].  $L_B$ ,  $L_{BE}$ ,  $L_V$  and  $L_{VE}$  as proposed above have been calculated leading to the following results (see Table X).

TABLE X. PARAMETERS CALCULATED FOR CASE 2

Values for various parameters	Risk evaluated with Ed.2 of EN62305-2 modified	Risk evaluated with Ed.1 of EN62305-2
$L_B$	$4.11 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$8.22 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$L_{BE}$	$2.50 \cdot 10^{-4}$	/
$L_B$ total	$2.91 \cdot 10^{-4}$	/
$L_V$	$4.11 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$8.22 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$L_{VE}$	$2.50 \cdot 10^{-4}$	/
$L_V$ total	$2.91 \cdot 10^{-4}$	/
$R_B$	$2.37 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$6.69 \cdot 10^{-5}$
$R_V$	$1.21 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$3.41 \cdot 10^{-4}$
$R_1$	$1.45 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$4.08 \cdot 10^{-4}$
Level of protection for LPS and SPDs	III	III with SPD having a level of protection > I ( $P_{SPD} = 0.005$ )
$R_1$ reduced thanks to LPS	$5.26 \cdot 10^{-7}$	$8.40 \cdot 10^{-6}$

As above (case 1), the risk evaluated with Ed.1 gives a higher risk than if we use Ed.2, modified by the proposed methodology.

However, it must be also noted that if we use Ed.2 of EN 62305-2 without the suggested modifications, the risk evaluated is much higher than for Ed.1 (level of protection better than I necessary corresponding to a probability  $P_B$  and  $P_{EB}$  of 0.001 instead of level III for LPS and  $P_{SPD} = 0.005$  for SPDs).

For this case, the danger study provided by the site manager clearly indicates that the risk evaluated by Ed.1 needed to be reduced to reflect the real potential of risk. Without appropriate changes to the method and easy evaluation of key parameters (mainly introduction of  $r_p$  and  $r_f$  in calculation of  $L_{BE}$  and  $L_{VE}$ , and proposed evaluation of parameters  $t_e$  and  $L_{FE}$ ), the risk cannot satisfactorily reflect the risk evaluated by other means (danger study).

## VI. CONCLUSIONS

As a conclusions of these two cases (and other cases not documented in the paper) it appears clearly that the calculation of  $L_{BE}$  and  $L_{VE}$  (and consequently also of the overvoltage

related loss factors  $L_{CE}$ ,  $L_{ME}$ ,  $L_{WE}$ , and  $L_{BE}$ ) needs to be amended to better reflect the reality and not to overestimate the risk outside the structure, i.e. for the environment. In addition, to make the calculation easier and to cover cases where these parameters are hardly known, it is necessary to give typical values for  $L_{FE}$  and  $t_e$ .

Proposals being made in the present contribution will need to be further discussed and evaluated. The case of structure with risk of explosion will need to be further analyzed. Previous calculations on the base of EN 62305-2 Ed.1 [6] and on the base of the unmodified EN 62305-2 Ed.2 [2] have shown that an explosive scenario leading to an "effect area" outside the site fence cannot be satisfactorily reduced with usual protection measures of usual quality. Only if the modifications to the calculation described in Chapter IV are considered (see (8), (9), (11), (12)) and the values proposed in Tables VI – VIII are used, the protection measures seem to be realistic and comprehensible.

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