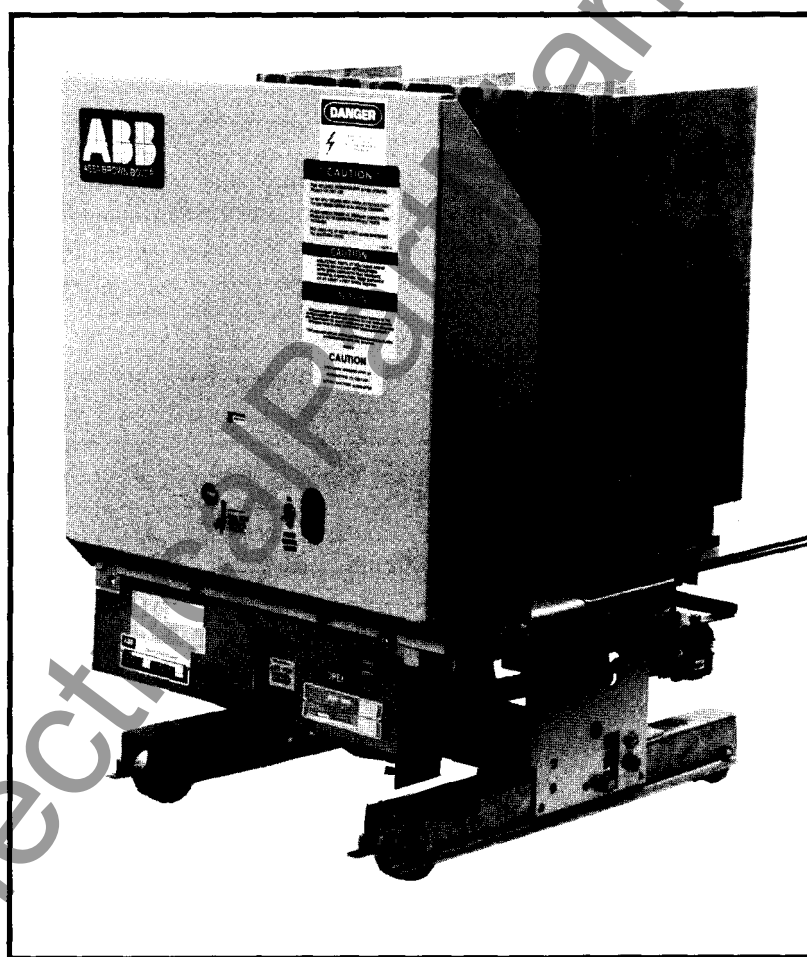


Installation/Maintenance Instructions

Medium-Voltage Vacuum Power Circuit Breakers

*Type VHK-R
250, 500 and 750 MVA
1200 /2000 Amperes
5000 - 15000 Volts*



(Shown on manufacturing wheel channels)

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These instructions do not purport to cover all details or variations nor to provide for every possible contingency to be met in connection with installation, operation, or maintenance. Should further information be desired or should particular problems arise which are not covered sufficiently for the purchaser's purposes the matter should be referred to the nearest District Office.

INTRODUCTION

These instructions for installation, operation and maintenance of VHK-R series vacuum circuit breakers should be read carefully and used as a guide during installation and initial operation.

The specific ratings of each model circuit breaker are listed on the individual nameplates.

File these instructions in a readily accessible place together with drawings and descriptive data of the switchgear. These instructions will be a guide to proper maintenance of the equipment and prolong its life and usefulness.

RECEIVING AND STORAGE

Immediately upon receipt of the circuit breakers, examine the cartons to determine if any damage or loss was sustained during transit. If abuse or rough handling is evident, file a damage claim at once with the carrier and promptly notify the nearest District Office. The company is not responsible for damage of goods after delivery to the carrier, however, we will lend assistance if notified of claims.

Unpack the circuit breakers as soon as possible after receipt. If unpacking is delayed, difficulty may be experienced in making a claim for damages not evident upon receipt. Use care in unpacking in order to avoid damaging any of the circuit breaker parts. Check the contents of each carton against the packing list before discarding any packing material. If any shortage of material is discovered, promptly notify the nearest District Office. Information specifying the purchase order number and part numbers of the damaged or missing parts should accompany the claim.

Circuit breakers should be installed in their permanent location as soon as possible. If the breakers are not to be placed in service for some time, it is advisable to provide adequate means of protection. This may be done by keeping the breaker in its original shipping carton and storing in a warm, dry and uncontaminated atmosphere. If the circuit breaker cannot be stored properly, it must be thoroughly checked before going into service to insure it has not absorbed moisture, rusted or become generally contaminated in any way.

CIRCUIT BREAKER GENERAL INFORMATION

Prior to initial installation of the circuit breaker into the switchboard, certain preliminary inspections should be made to insure proper operation. The inspection procedures for this are given in this section.

The circuit breaker is shipped with contacts closed, closing springs discharged and opening springs charged. If the circuit breaker is furnished with an undervoltage device, the device will

be lockwired to allow closing of the breaker for shipment. A tag will identify the lock wire. To remove the wire, open the breaker and reach behind the control panel from the right hand side. Using wire cutters, cut and remove the tagged wire.

WARNING WARNING WARNING WARNING

Prior to any disassembly or inspection of the circuit breaker, the closing springs should be discharged, and the breaker should be open.

Installation Inspection

Inspect the condition of circuit breaker vacuum interrupters and electrical connections prior to installing the circuit breaker into the switchboard. Even though each circuit breaker is completely adjusted and tested at the factory, shipping and handling conditions could cause defects.

Vacuum Interrupter Examination (See Fig. 1)

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A grounding stick should be used to discharge the mid-band ring, on the vacuum interrupters (1) so equipped, before any work is done on the interrupters.

The insulated vacuum envelope (2) should be examined carefully for cracks in the area of the metal-to-insulation seals on both ends and around the mid-band ring. Since a certain amount of transmitted light is usually required to detect cracks, the inspection should be done in a well lighted area. If the mid-band ring, when so equipped, has been bent by an accidental impact, that area should be specially scrutinized for seal damage. Small external chips will not impair the useful life of the interrupter.

Insulation Structure

All insulated parts should be checked for damage. Any dust or dirt should be removed by air or wiped with a clean lintless cloth. The lead support moldings are polyester glass and occasionally have some resin rich cracks or crazing develop. These do not indicate defective material and should not cause concern.

NOTE: It is recommended that a dielectric withstand test be made prior to putting this or any type vacuum circuit breaker into service. Refer to Dielectric Tests, in the Maintenance, Adjustments and Tests section of this bulletin, for the correct test procedure.

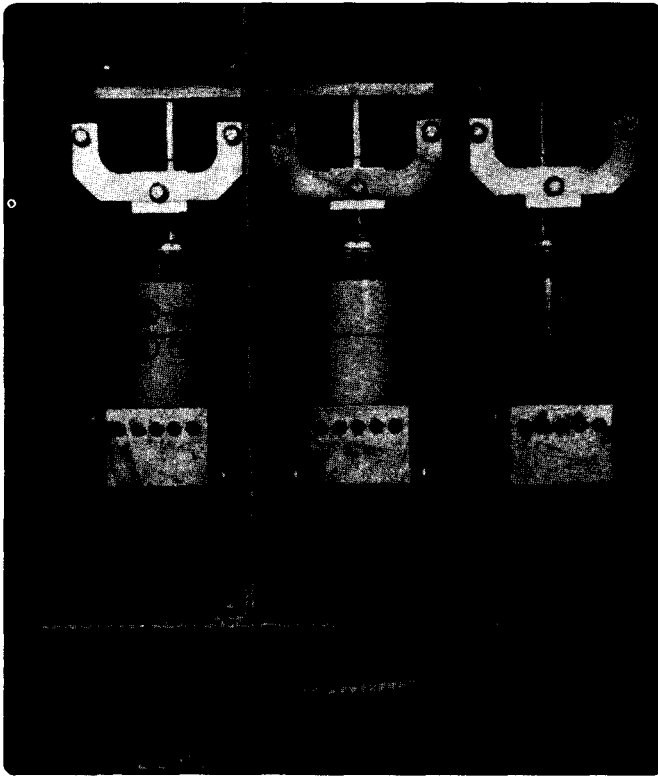


Fig. 1 - Circuit Breaker Rear - 5KV breaker shown. Lower leads for 15KV breaker are slightly higher

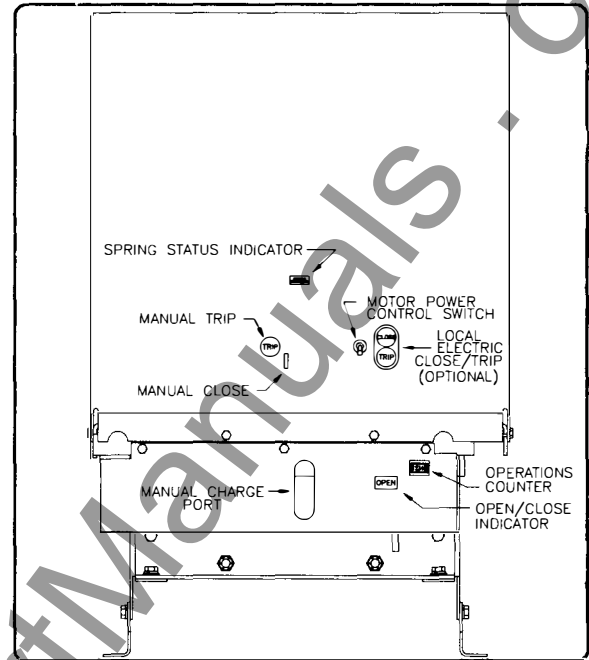
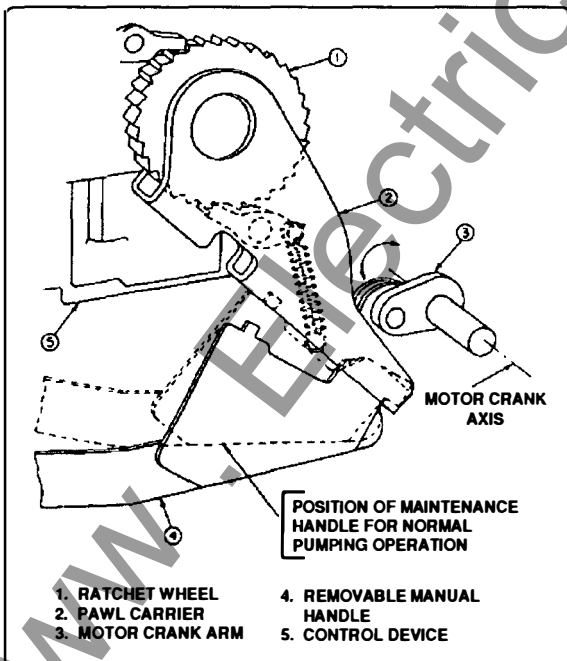


Fig. 2 - Front Circuit Breaker Panel & Accessories (See Detail 2A)



Detail 2A - Manual Charging Of Electrically Operated Circuit Breakers

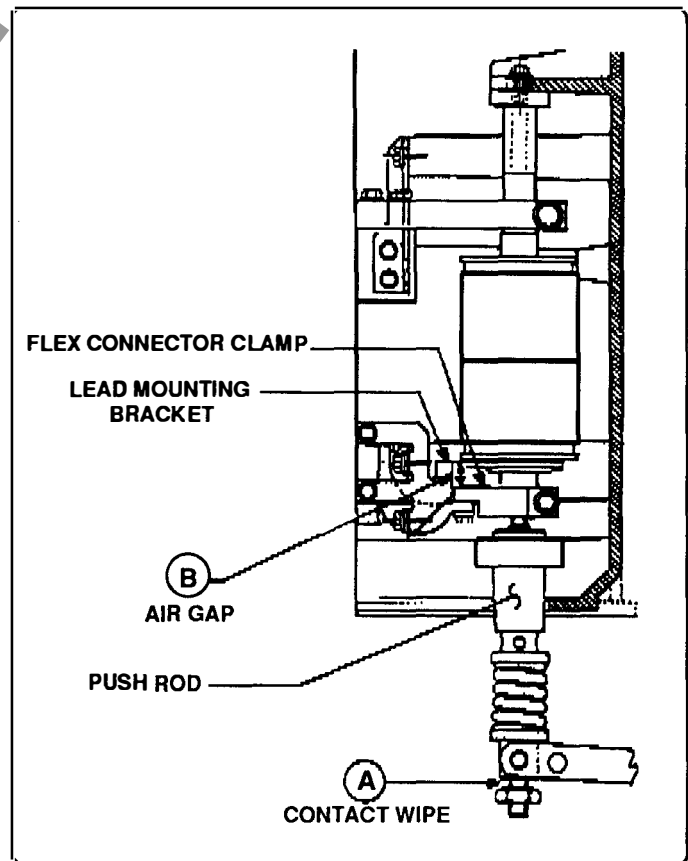


Fig. 3 - Contact Pressure

Manual Operation of Electrically Operated Models

Electrically operated circuit breakers may be charged manually by a removable maintenance handle for bench tests or emergency operation. To manually charge the closing springs, first position the maintenance handle hooked section in the long slot on the pawl carrier (Refer to Figure 2). The small tab on the maintenance handle will fit the small hole of the pawl carrier. Using a pumping motion, rotate the pawl carrier until the ratchet wheel no longer rotates. At this point, the spring charged indicator will indicate SPRINGS CHARGED. The circuit breaker can be closed manually with the manual close lever. **NOTE:** Occasionally the motor crank arm will stop in a position that will not allow manual spring charging. When this happens, the motor crank arm must be rotated manually by using a screwdriver to rotate the crank arm sufficiently so that the springs may then be manually charged with the maintenance handle.

MAINTENANCE, ADJUSTMENTS AND TESTS

General Information

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It is recommended that the circuit breaker be normally inspected after the first 2000 operations, regardless of the type of duty it is used for. These operations can be either no-load mechanical, load current switching, bulk capacitor or reactor switching operations, or for motor starting applications.

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Where unusual service conditions exist, as covered by ANSI Standard C37.04, it must be presumed that these conditions were considered at the time of order and that the equipment supplied was designed for the special application and that an appropriate supplemental maintenance program has been developed. These maintenance instructions only cover circuit breakers used under the standard service conditions.

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D.C. Millivolt Drop Test

During maintenance periods, the condition of the breaker current circuit can easily be determined by performing a millivolt drop test. This test should be performed regardless of whether the circuit breaker had interrupted low or high currents or has minimum operations.

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Contact Adjustment

1. To check breaker operation, the breaker should be withdrawn from the switchboard, and the racking screw turned two to three turns clockwise until the racking unlocking lever snaps into the first position corresponding to the disconnect position.

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The circuit breaker closing and opening times should be within the following time ranges for normal operation.

Closing Time Range - MS	Opening Time Range - MS
40-60	25-35

NOTES:

1. Below 0°C, the closing times will increase (but with no reduction in closing force); and opening times will be within the limits.
2. Adjustments to correct speeds, if found to be outside limits, are critical and the nearest District Office should be contacted for recommendations.

Operating Mechanism

The various mechanism adjustments described in the following sections apply to all circuit breakers covered by this Instruction Bulletin.

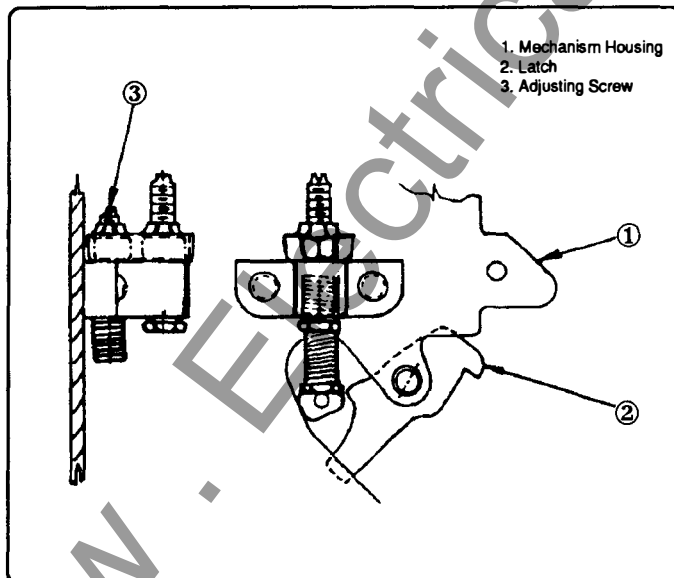


Fig. 4- Latch Adjustment

Latch Engagement (Bite) (Refer to Fig. 4)

The latch engagement adjusting screw (3) is located to the right of the right-hand mechanism housing (1). It can be reached easily from the top of the circuit breaker.

To adjust the latch (2) engagement, proceed as follows:

1. Back off adjusting screw (3) to assure excessive latch engagement.
2. Close the circuit breaker.
3. Turn adjusting screw (3) down slowly until the latch just releases, tripping the circuit breaker.
4. Back off the adjusting screw (3) 2 turns.

Control Device (See Fig. 5)

The control device is adjusted before leaving the factory. It is recommended that no attempt be made to adjust the internal relays and contacts of this device in the field. If replacement of the control device is required, the close latch release rod (5) overtravel may be adjusted as described below.

1. Back off on close latch release rod (5) and check that the circuit breaker will not close by attempting to close it electrically or manually pushing up on close latch release rod (5) to the full extent of its travel.
2. Charge the closing springs. Push up on close latch release rod (5) to the full extent of its travel. While holding the close latch

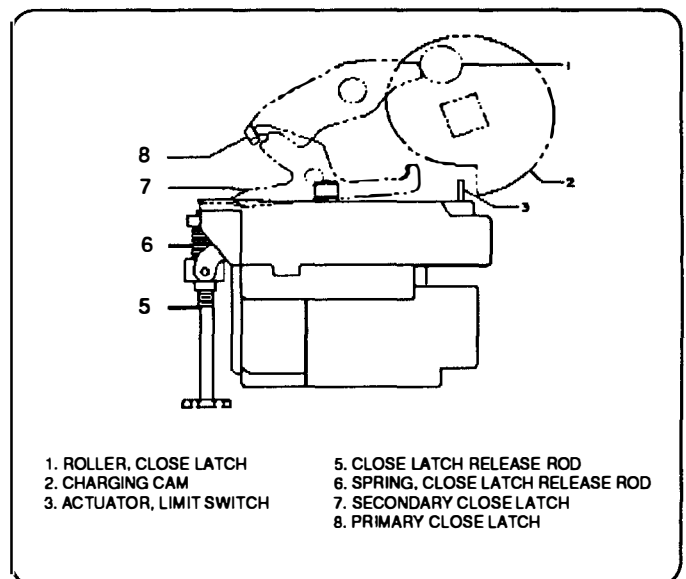


Fig. 5 - Control Device Adjustment

LUBRICATION

The VHK-R circuit breakers are lubricated during factory assembly as follows:

1. The primary disconnect contacts have been lubricated with NO-OX-ID special grade-A grease manufactured by Sanchem, Inc. (ABB No. 713222A, 1 Pt. can).
2. All other mechanism parts, bearings, pins, etc., have been lubricated with Anderol 757 manufactured by Nuodex, Inc. (formerly Tenneco Chemical, Inc). (ABB No. 712994A, 4 oz. tube).

If the grease should become contaminated or unduly oxidized (hardened and darkened) or if parts are replaced, any relubrication should be done with the lubricants noted.

NOTES:

1. It is recommended that the primary disconnects be maintained by renewing the grease. The mechanism should be periodically inspected for lubrication contamination; frequency of inspection is dependant on operating environment.
2. Do not use light oil to lubricate any mechanism parts. In emergency situations, Anderol 732 may be used as a temporary lubricant. In these cases, allow time for the solvents to evaporate prior to any mechanical operations. It is mandatory that the breaker undergo thorough lubrication with Anderol 757 at the next maintenance interval. Use of solvents to free contaminated lubricant is strictly forbidden without immediate relubrication using Anderol 757. Note that bearing surfaces must be repacked and this will require disassembly of the mechanism. Do not operate circuit breaker without completing this procedure.
3. The charging motor is sealed and no lubrication is required.

DIELECTRIC TESTS

It is recommended that dielectric withstand tests be made prior to use and then at routine maintenance periods to verify the integrity of vacuum interrupters. If, during the dielectric withstand test, the required test voltage cannot be sustained across the open contacts of the vacuum interrupter, the interrupter is faulty and must be replaced. Always insure that the contact air gap is correct before conducting primary circuit dielectric tests.

CAUTION CAUTION CAUTION CAUTION

While the procedure for dielectric testing a vacuum breaker is similar to that for any other type breaker, there are two areas which require extra CAUTION in handling.

1. The internal shield of a vacuum interrupter can acquire an electrical charge which is usually retained even after the voltage is removed. On certain types of interrupters, this shield is attached to the exposed mid-band ring and a grounding stick should be used to discharge the ring before working on the device.

2. Dielectric test voltages higher than rated voltage, applied across open contacts, may cause a vacuum interrupter to emit some X-radiation which could be a health hazard on prolonged exposure at close range. Accordingly, even though the emission is low and on for such a short period of time, it is considered appropriate to exercise caution.

Therefore, do not run any primary circuit dielectric withstand tests on isolated interrupters with open contacts, above rated voltage unless test personnel are adequately shielded or they are no less than six feet from the test unit.

It is noted that NO hazardous X-radiation is produced with closed contacts at any test voltage or with open contacts at rated voltage and there should be no cause for concern. Further, if the breaker is tested in its switchgear compartment, the enclosure steel provides sufficient shielding to protect personnel from X-radiation at the test voltages recommended below at the normal distances maintained for electrical safety.

The following test values should be used for dielectric testing the new breaker and are to be applied for a one-minute period.

	Description	50Hz
5 KV	Primary Circuit	19.0kV
	* Secondary Circuit (Control)	1100V
15 KV	Primary Circuit	36.0kV
	* Secondary Circuit (Control)	1100V

Once in service, the primary circuit should be tested at 75% of this rating

*If it is desired to make a dielectric test on the secondary control wiring, turn the spring charging motor disconnect switch (1, Fig. 3) to the "OFF" position. Apply test voltage (1100V-AC) for one minute to each of the secondary disconnect contacts at the rear of the circuit breaker.

If it is desired to make a dielectric test on the spring charging motor, turn the motor disconnect switch (1, Fig. 3) to the "ON" position. Apply test voltage (540V-AC) for one minute to the motor circuit.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF CONTROL DEVICES

For operating voltage ranges for various nominal control voltages, refer to Table 1.

For average current values at various nominal control voltages, refer to Table 2. The current values given in this table are average, steady state values and momentary inrush currents for all charging motors and AC coils are approximately six to eight times these values.

ELECTRICAL OPERATING SEQUENCE

Please refer to the specific schematic diagrams and other operational information furnished with your order.

Figure 10 and 11 are provided as typical schematics for general information on electrical operation.

DC CLOSING OPERATING SEQUENCE

With the circuit breaker open, the closing springs uncharged, and the control power source energized, and motor disconnect switch closed, operation occurs as follows:

1. Immediately upon the availability of control power, the spring charging motor (motor) is energized, which in turn charges the closing springs. When the closing springs are charged, limit switch contact "LSb" is opened, and limit switch contact "LSa" is closed.
2. Operation of the Close Control switch energizes the latch release coil (X) through the circuit breaker auxiliary switch "b" contact, the normally closed lockout relay contact "Yb", and the limit switch contact "LSa". The latch release coil (X) releases the closing latch. The springs then discharge to close the circuit breaker.

3. When the springs discharge, limit switch contact "LSb" closes and switch contact "LSa" opens.

4. When limit switch "LSb" in the motor circuit closes, the spring charging motor is energized, which in turn recharges the closing springs.

5. When the circuit breaker closes, all auxiliary switch "b" contacts open and all auxiliary switch "a" contacts close.

6. When the limit switch contact "LSb" closes, the lockout relay coil (Y) is energized and opens lockout relay contact "Yb", which deenergizes the latch release coil (X). Lockout relay contact "Ya" closes, which seals-in the lockout relay coil (Y) as long as the "close" contact is maintained. The purpose of the lockout relay coil (Y) is to prevent pumping of the closing mechanism when closing against a faulted circuit.

7. After the breaker has closed and when the "close" switch is released by the operator, the lockout relay coil (Y) is deenergized. This allows the normally-closed lockout relay contact "Yb" to close, and the normally-open lockout relay contact "Ya" to open.

8. The circuit breaker can be tripped by operation of the trip control switch which energizes the circuit breaker trip coil (TC) through the auxiliary switch "a" contact.

9. The undervoltage device, if furnished, provides a direct acting lock-open and undervoltage tripping feature. This device must be energized to initially close the breaker, and also to maintain the breaker in a closed position.

10. The latch check switch, if furnished, insures that the tripping mechanism must be reset prior to energizing the closing latch release coil (X).

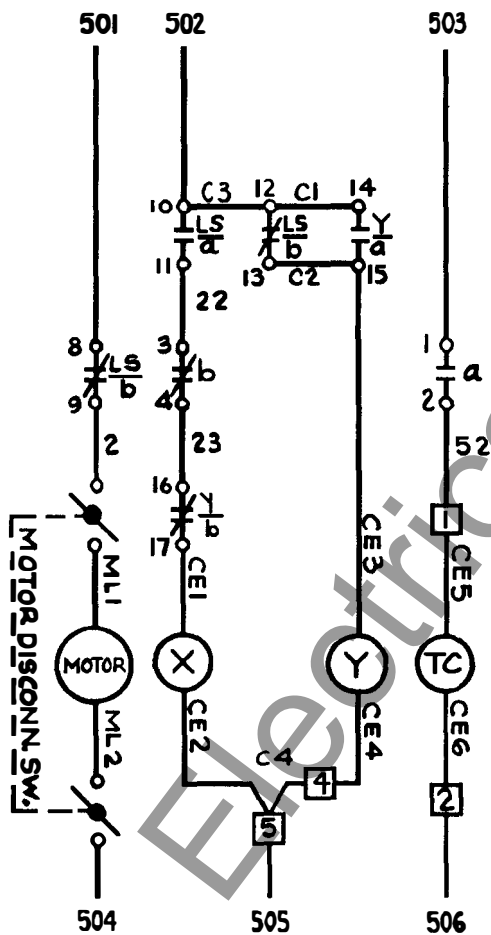
11. The stopping device switch, if applicable, prevents electrical reclosing of the circuit breaker after a manual trip until the stopping device has been manually reset.

Table 1 - Operating Voltage Range

Nominal Control Voltage	Spring Charging Motor	Close Coil	Trip Coil	Undervoltage	
				Pick-up Maximum	Drop-out
48 V dc	38 - 56	38 - 56	28 - 56	41	15 - 29
125 V dc	100 - 140	100 - 140	70 - 140	105	38 - 75
250 V dc	200 - 280	200 - 280	140 - 280	212	75 - 150
120 V ac	104 - 127	104 - 127	104 - 127	102	36 - 72
240 V ac	208 - 254	208 - 254	208 - 254	204	74 - 144

Table 2 - Average Current Values

Nominal Control Voltage	Spring Charging Motor	Close Coil	Trip Coil	Lockout Coil	Under Voltage	N.E.C. Fuse
48 V dc	25.0	10.7	3.14	0.15	0.3	30
125 V dc	10.0	5.0	1.3	0.06	0.2	30
250 V dc	5.0	2.2	0.65	0.03	0.1	30
120 V ac	10.0	4.5	6.5	0.40	0.5	30
240 V ac	5.0	2.3	1.15	0.20	0.2	30



LEGEND

- a ----- Auxiliary Switch Contact Closed When Breaker Is Closed.
- b ----- Auxiliary Switch Contact Open When Breaker Is Closed.
- LCb ----- Latch Check Switch Contact Closed When Breaker Operating Mechanism Is Reset. (Option)
- LSa ----- Limit Switch Contact Open When Springs Are Discharged. Closed When Springs Are Charged.
- LSb ----- Limit Switch Contact Closed When Springs Are Discharged. Open When Springs Are Charged.
- TC ----- Shunt Trip Coil.
- X ----- Control Relay Release Coil.
- Y ----- Control Relay Lockout Coil.
- Ya ----- Normally Open Control Relay Contact.
- Yb ----- Normally Closed Control Relay Contact.
- ----- Terminal Block Point.
- ML ----- Motor Lead.
- CE ----- Coil Lead End.
- C1, C2 -- Terminal Jumper (Control Device).
- Y ----- Female Secondary Disconnect Contact.

Figure 8 - Typical DC Schematic Diagram Of Control Circuit

AC CLOSING OPERATING SEQUENCE

With the circuit breaker open, the closing springs uncharged, and the control power source energized across disconnects "5" & "02" and "01" & "6", motor disconnect switch closed, operation occurs as follows:

1. Immediately upon the availability of control power at secondary disconnects "5" and "02", the spring charging motor (motor) is energized, which in turn charges the closing springs. When the closing springs are charged, limit switch contact "LSa" is closed. Also, upon availability of control power at secondary disconnects "01" and "6" and after the closing springs have been charged, the lockout relay coil (Y) will be energized through the circuit breaker auxiliary switch "b" contact and the parallel resistors R₁ and R₂. The lockout relay will pick up and close contact "Ya".

2. Connecting secondary disconnects "03 or "7" to control via operation of the close control switch energizes the latch release coil (X) through the circuit breaker auxiliary switch "b" contact, the normally open lockout relay contact "Ya", and the limit switch contact "LSa". The latch release coil (X) releases the closing latch. The springs then discharge to close the circuit breaker.

3. When the springs discharge, limit switch contact "LSb" closes and limit switch contact "LSa" opens.

4. When limit switch contact "LSb" in the motor circuit closes, the spring charging motor is energized, which in turn recharges the closing springs.

5. When the circuit breaker closes, all auxiliary switch "b" contacts open and all auxiliary switch "a" contacts close.

6. When the limit switch contact "LSa" opens, both the latch release coil (X) and the lockout relay coil (Y) are deenergized. Contact "Ya" opens the latch release coil (X) circuit. Contact "Yb" closes connecting resistors "R₁" and "R₂" directly to control power as long as the close control switch remains closed. The circuit breaker is prevented from any automatic reclosing in the event "LSa" and auxiliary switch "b" close because "Ya" remains open. The "Yb" contact shorts out the lockout relay coil (Y) through resistors "R₁" and "R₂". The purpose of the lockout relay is to prevent pumping of the circuit breaker's mechanism when closing against a faulted circuit.

7. After the breaker has closed and when the closing control switch is released by the operator, the lockout relay coil (Y) remains deenergized due to the auxiliary switch "b" contact in the closing circuit being open.

8. The circuit breaker can be tripped by operation of the "Remote Trip" switch, which energizes the circuit breaker trip coil (TC) through the auxiliary switch "a" contact.

9. The undervoltage device, if furnished, provides a direct acting lock-open and undervoltage tripping feature. This device must be energized to initially close the breaker, and also to maintain the breaker in a closed position.

10. The latch check switch, if furnished, insures that the operating mechanism must be reset prior to energizing the closing latch release coil (X).

11. The remote mounted capacitor trip feature, if furnished, provides an electrical energy storage network, whereby should a loss of control power occur at the instant of a tripping signal, sufficient energy will be furnished to insure an electrical tripping operation.

12. The stopping device switch, if applicable, prevents electrical reclosing of the Circuit Breaker after a manual trip until the stopping device switch has been manually reset.

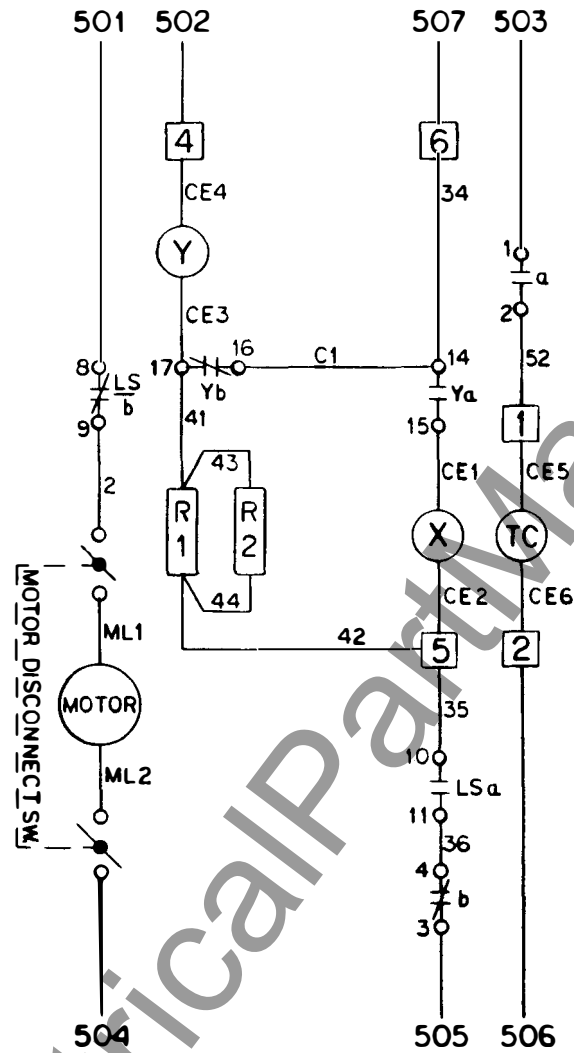


Figure 9 - AC Schematic Diagram Of Control Circuit

LEGEND

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|---|---|
| a ----- Auxillary Switch Contact Closed When Breaker Is Closed. | X ----- Control Relay Release Coll. |
| b ----- Auxillary Switch Contact Open When Br aker Is Closed. | Y ----- Control Relay Lockout Coll. |
| LCb ----- Latch Check Switch Contact Closed When Breaker Operating Mechanism Is Reset. (Option) | Ya ----- Normally Open Control Relay Contact. |
| LSa ----- Limit Switch Contact Open When Springs Are Discharged. Closed When Springs Are Charged. | Yb ----- Normally Closed Control Relay Contact. |
| LSb ----- Limit Switch Contact Closed When Springs Are Discharged. Open When Springs Are Charged. | □ ----- Terminal Block Point. |
| TC ----- Shunt Trip Coll. | ML ----- Motor Lead. |
| | CE ----- Coil Lead End. |
| | C1, C2 -- Terminal Jumper (Control Device). |
| | ----- Female Secondary Disconnect Contact. |
| | R1, R2 -- Resistors |

RENEWAL PARTS

We recommend only those renewal parts that will be required to insure proper and timely maintenance for normal operation of the VHK-R circuit breakers be stocked. Copies of the applicable Renewal Parts Bulletin for specific circuit breakers will be furnished on request to the nearest District Office.

The minimum quantity of assemblies and items recommended in these bulletins are predicated on infrequent replacement of parts based on accumulated tests and operating experience. Total assemblies are recommended for fast replacement, when it is necessary to return the breaker to service as quickly as possible. Replaced assemblies can be returned to the factory for nominal reconditioning. The bulletins contain specific part ordering instructions. If desired, specific instructions regarding replacement of those part assemblies are also available.



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