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This document covers recommended practice for the testing and installation of different types of smart grid communication equipment in power generation, transmission, and distribution facilities as well as commercial establishments and the home environment according to national and international standards. The recommended practice includes the safety, EMC, environmental, and mechanical battery of tests but excludes interoperability testing and verification of product compliance to its original performance specification.

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1. Overview

1.1 Scope

This document includes the recommended practice for testing and installing different types of smart grid communication equipment according to national and international standards available for equipment to be used in the smart grid.

The recommended practice includes the safety,¹ EMC, environmental, and mechanical battery of tests but excludes the interoperability testing. This document captures the recommended practice for communication equipment to be installed in various domains of the smart grid such as generation, transmission, and distribution.

1.2 Purpose

The recommended practice helps the industry to place on the market communication equipment suitable for use and installation in different smart grid domains. Based on specific types of communication equipment

¹ i.e., safety validation, as defined in IEEE 100, seventh edition, page 999.