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> Conductor Procurement and Qualification

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# Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn HQ-Strand Specification LARP-MAG-M-8002 Rev-B (54/61)

Process	Ternary RRP Nb <sub>3</sub> Sn	
Strand Diameter, mm	$0.8 - 1.0 \pm .003$	
Jc(12 T) at 4.2 K, A/mm <sup>2</sup>	≥ 2650	
Jc(15 T) at 4.2 K, A/mm <sup>2</sup>	>1400	1.1
D <sub>s</sub> , µm (subelement diameter)	< 100	
$J_s$ , A/mm <sup>2</sup>	>3000	/
Cu-fraction, %	$(53 \pm 3)$	
RRR (after full reaction)	$\geq 60$	
Twist Pitch, mm	$14 \pm 2$	
Twist Direction	right-hand screw	
Minimum Piece length, m	350	
High temperature HT duration, h	$\geq$ 48	
Increased Copper spa	icing	



# Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn HQ-Strand Specification LARP-MAG-M-8002 Rev-D

RRP 108/127 with increased Copper

Process	Ternary RRP Nb <sub>3</sub> Sn
Strand Diameter, mm	$0.7 - 0.8 \pm .003$
Jc(12 T) at 4.2 K, A/mm <sup>2</sup>	≥ 2650
Jc(15 T) at 4.2 K, A/mm <sup>2</sup>	>1400
$D_s$ , $\mu$ m (subelement diameter)	< 60
$J_s, A/mm^2$	>3000
Cu-fraction, %	53 ± 3
RRR (after full reaction)	$\geq 60$
Twist Pitch, mm	14 ± 2
Twist Direction	right-hand screw
Minimum Piece length, m	350
High temperature HT duration, h	$\geq$ 48



# **Conductor Procurement**

- In FY09
  - Took delivery of 160 kg of 54/61 at 0.8 mm
  - -Ordered 88 Kg of wire Mar'09
    - Initial spec for 54/61 ⇒ Changed to 108/127
    - Delivered in Jan'10
  - -On order 134 kg of 108/127 wire
    - 67 kg ⇔ Aug'10
    - 67 kg ⇔ Dec'10
- In FY10
  - On order 295 kg of 108/127 wire
  - Plan to order 200 kg by May'10
  - Additional order for 400 kg (on request from contingency)



# **Conductor Inventory Summary**

- 78 kg of 0.7 mm wire for 2-3 UL's of LQ
- 60 kg of 54/61- 0.7 mm wire from five billets available for practice coils and cable
- RRP 54/61 (increased spacing)
  69 kg at 0.8 mm
- RRP 108/127 (increased spacing)
  - -54 kg at 0.8 mm (some in short lengths)



#### Strand Production

						108/127_	108/127_
	108/127			Strand	Unit	<b>0.8 mm</b>	<b>0.7 mm</b>
	Delivery, kg	Coil ID	Cable ID	Req. kg	Lengths	kg	kg
Nov-09						20	
Dec-09						20	
Jan-10	88					54	54
Feb-10						54	54
Mar-10						54	54
Apr-10		LQ C15-C16	1003R	51	2	54	3
May-10						54	3
Jun-10						54	3
Jul-10						54	3
Aug-10	68	HQ1-C15/16		36		86	57
Sep-10		LQ C17-18		51	2	86	6
Oct-10						86	6
Nov-10						86	6
Dec-10	68					124	36
Jan-11		LQ C19		26	1	124	10
Feb-11	180					304	10
Mar-11	115	HQ2 C01-04		144	4	275	10
Apr-11		HQ2 C05-08		144	4	131	
May-11	57					188	
Jun-11	200					388	
Jul-11						388	
Aug-11	200	HQ6 C01		120	1	468	
Sep-11						468	
Oct-11	200	HQ6 C02		120	1	<b>548</b>	
Nov-11						<b>548</b>	
Dec-11	300					848	
Jan-12		HQ6 C03		120	1	728	
Feb-12						728	
Mar-12		HQ6 C04				728	
Apr-12						728	
May-12		HQ6-C05		120	1	608	
A Jun-12						608	

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#### **Conductor Qualification -1**



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# Conductor Qualification -2

- Billet Qualification
  - Rely on OST data
  - Meets minimum performance specification
  - Low field stability current  $I_s$  not measured.
  - Does LARP need further testing ?
- Cable Qualification
  - This is important and needs to be completed prior to coil winding.
  - Minimum 3 extracted strand and one round wire
  - HT as specified for coil reaction
  - For TQ cables and for most of the LQ cables, LARP followed a formal procedure to qualify the cable prior to use
    - Cable acceptance document
  - Discontinued in FY09 and 10 as wire testing was limited to witness samples and testing at 1.9 K.
  - HQ cables were checked during the development phase and for the first few cable runs. No formal documentation.



# **Conductor Qualification -3**

- HT Qualification
  - Witness sample tests of extracted strands
  - Tests done at two measurement labs
  - Minimum of three extracted strand and one round wire at each site
  - 1.9 K tests ?



### Ti-Ternary vs. Ta-Ternary



#### Ti-doped Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn wire more strain tolerant than Ta-doped

Influence of Ta and Ti doping on the irreversible strain limit of ternary Nb3Sn superconducting wires made with restacked-rod process\* N. Cheggour, L. F. Goodrich, T. C. Stauffer, J. D. Splett, and X.F. Lu, A. K. Ghosh, G. Ambrosio *Supercond. Sci. and Tech.*, 20, (2010)

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# Ti-Ternary RRP 108/127

- There are new results from a study of Ti-doped RRP wires that indicate that Ti-doped wires are more tolerant than Ta-doped wire in tensile strain
  - Wire for study used CDP developed billets
    - 54/61 (9415), 90/91 (8079), 108/127(9416) and 54/61 Nb-Ta-Ti-Sn (9362)
  - There are additional billets being produced by OST in FY10 under the CDP program
- What should be the strategy to qualify this type of conductor for the future ?



### Summary

- Present Procurement Plan
  - -All wire will be of the RRP 108/127 type 0.7-0.8 mm
  - The planned purchases will satisfy the needs of the HQ program.
  - Long term plan being developed to support long-HQ magnet development.
  - -Lead time for strand is now 12-13 months
    - Note: OST has very significant ITER production work
    - Claim that they can handle 600-800 kg of RRP for LARP
- Conductor qualification plan needs to be formalized