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Most equipment is designed to handle minor variations in their standard nominal operating voltage however; surges can be very damaging to nearly all equipment. Surges, or transients, are brief overvoltage spikes or disturbances on a power waveform that can damage, degrade, or destroy electronic equipment within any home, commercial building, industrial, or manufacturing facility.

Sources of Surges/Transients

A common source for surges generated inside a building are devices that switch power on and off. This can be anything from a simple thermostat switch operating a heating element to a switch-mode power supply found on many devices. Surges that originate from outside the facility include those due to lightning and utility grid switching.

Sources of surges/ Transcients

20%-40% Surges/Transient generated EXTERNALLY external factor

60%-80% Surges/Transient generated INTERNALLY Within the facility

60-80% of surges are created within a facility	20-40% of surges/transient are generated from: » inside
Transients can originate from: » inside (INTERNAL	(EXTERNAL sources)
sources)	
 Contactor, relay and breaker operations 	• Lightning
 Switching of capacitor banks and loads (such as 	 Direct contact of the lightning to a facilities electrical
power factor correction)	system
 Discharge of inductive devices (motors, 	 Indirect or nearby lightning that induces electrical
transformers, etc.)	surges onto the power or communication systems.
 Starting and stopping of loads 	 Power quality disturbances
 Arcing (ground) faults 	 Power utilities grid switching
 Fault clearing or interruption 	 Power utilities capacitor bank switching
 Power system recovery (from outage) 	• Fallen tree limb or small animal causing a fault on the
 Magnetic and Inductive coupling 	line
Static electricity	 Under/Over voltage conditions

Static electricity

Why Power Quality is very important???

- Customer disatisfactions
- Cost of repair is very expensive
- Threaten the human life (e.g. Direct shock, security management, magnetic locks and fire protection
- Lack of efficiency
- Protect our valuable equipment
- Economical, service and security parameters







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