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**Abstract:** Natural and synthetic ester-immersed transformers are handled in this guide. The following is addressed in this guide:

- a) The theory of combustible gas generation in a natural and synthetic ester-filled transformer
- b) Interpretation of the dissolved gas analysis results
- c) Recommended actions based on the interpretation of dissolved gas analysis results
- d) A bibliography of related literature

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## 1. Overview

### 1.1 Scope

The guide’s application is for natural and synthetic ester-immersed transformers. This guide addresses the following:

- The theory of combustible gas generation in a natural and synthetic ester-filled transformer.
- Interpretation of the dissolved gas analysis results.
- Recommended actions based on the interpretation of dissolved gas analysis results.
- A bibliography of related literature.

### 1.2 Purpose

The purpose of this guide is to assist the transformer operator in evaluating dissolved gas analysis (DGA) data obtained from natural ester and synthetic ester-filled transformers.