**VACUUM STARTERS** AND CONTACTORS **Cutler-Hammer** 

CUTLER-HAMMER

# The Vacuum Technology Leader.

To say that nothing happens in a vacuum could be considered misleading when talking about Cutler-Hammer vacuum technology for starters and contactors. What does not happen in the vacuum is the greatest asset.

The key feature of vacuum starters and contactors is the vacuum bottle inside which the contacts are sealed. In this air-free chamber, arc extinction and current interruption are completed within a fraction of a cycle, minimizing contact erosion. Vacuum starters and contactors are frequently used when motors are in continuous, heavy-duty cycling applications where contact life is critical. In short, Cutler-Hammer provides the confidence of reliable motor starting, in the most demanding applications.

No matter what the application, trust Cutler-Hammer's full line of reversing and nonreversing vacuum starters and contactors. With the benefits of small size, contained arc interruption, long life and reduced maintenance, Cutler-Hammer vacuum contactors and starters are ideally suited for the harshest, heavy-duty applications.

ARCING THAT OCCURS WITHIN THE VACUUM BOTTLE IS DISSIPATED OVER THE ENTIRE CONTACT SURFACE. CONTACT EROSION IS MINIMIZED MAKING VACUUM TECHNOLOGY THE PERFECT SOLUTION FOR HEAVY-DUTY CYCLING APPLICATIONS.





In the mining, petrochemical, pulp and paper, food processing and many other industries, the need for reliable motor starting is critical.

#### VACUUM TECHNOLOGY

## Reliability Where It's Needed Most.

The very nature of vacuum technology keeps contacts sealed from air, moisture, and contaminants that could affect starter performance. With the main contacts sealed in a vacuum, arc interaction with the environment is minimized, making vacuum technology the clear choice in demanding environmental conditions.

Within the vacuum bottle, one contact is fixed and the other is movable.

Durable metal bellows allow the moving contact to operate while maintaining the vacuum within the bottle. Size 5 and 6 contactors utilize internal bellows, while size 4 contactors use an external bellows.

Cutler-Hammer technology ensures current chop is reduced to the point where transient voltage spikes are virtually eliminated. Our silver tungsten carbide contacts provide maximum performance, with average chop currents less than 0.5 Amps.

Regardless of the application, you get years of troublefree operations with long-lasting Cutler-Hammer vacuum technology. VACUUM TECHNOLOGY ENSURES ARC
EXTINCTION AND CURRENT INTERRUPTION
WITHIN A FRACTION OF A CYCLE. ARCS
EXTINGUISH WHEN THE CURRENT GOES
THROUGH ZERO AS IT ALTERNATES AT LINE
FREQUENCY; THE ARC USUALLY DOES NOT
SURVIVE BEYOND THE FIRST HALF CYCLE
AFTER THE CONTACTS BEGIN TO SEPARATE.



IN THE ILLUSTRATION ABOVE, THE UPPER OSCILLOSCOPE TRACE SHOWS CURRENT vs. TIME. THE LOWER OSCILLOSCOPE TRACE SHOWS VOLTAGE vs. TIME.

TO START AND PROTECT AC MOTORS, A
FULL LINE OF VACUUM STARTERS AND
CONTACTORS IS AVAILABLE IN REVERSING,
NON-REVERSING, ENCLOSED, AND MOTOR
CONTROL CENTER CONFIGURATIONS.
A CUTLER-HAMMER SIZE 4 STARTER IS
SHOWN BELOW IN A NEMA 1 ENCLOSURE.



CONTACTORS AND STARTERS CAN BE APPLIED TO A WIDE RANGE OF VOLTAGES AND ARE AVAILABLE IN BOTH NEMA AND IEC RATINGS. OPEN THE GATEFOLD ON THE NEXT PAGE FOR DETAILS.

The compact size and superior performance of Cutler-Hammer vacuum starters and contactors make them well suited for retrofitting existing air-break devices (NEMA size 4, 5 and 6). Complete motor control center unit assemblies are available for a variety of Cutler-Hammer Motor Control Centers, which ensure simple installation and minimal downtime.

SURGE SUPRESSORS ARE NOT REQUIRED SINCE AVERAGE CHOP CURRENT ON CUTLER-HAMMER VACUUM STARTERS AND CONTACTORS IS ONLY 0.5 AMPERES.

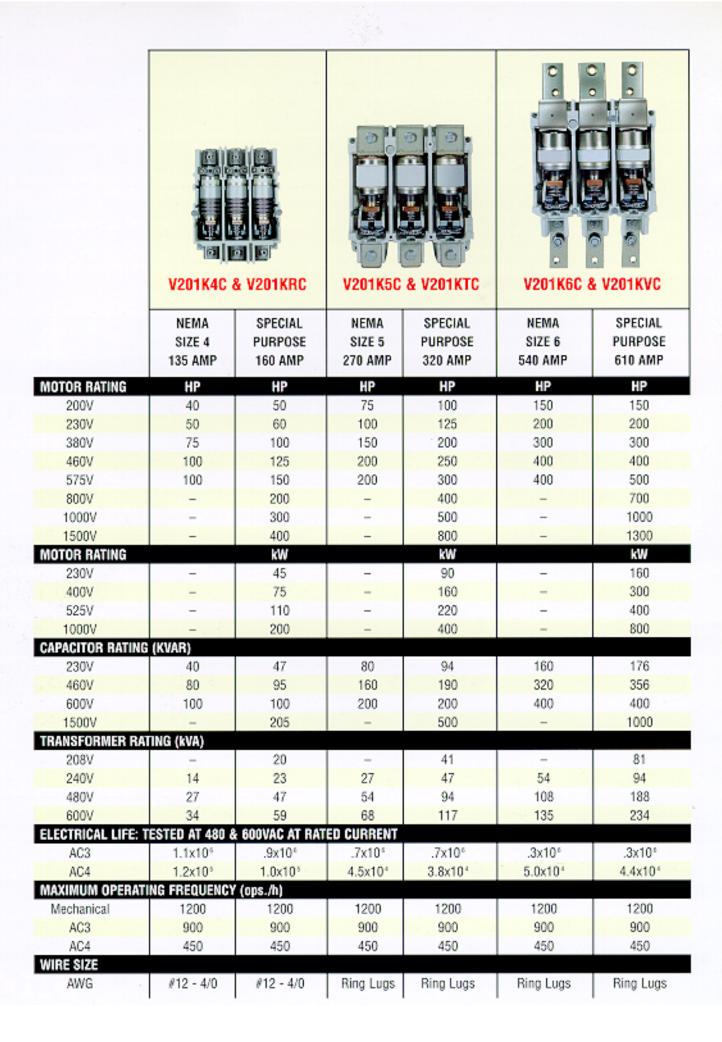
#### **GUARANTEED PERFORMANCE**

### Built For New or Retrofit Installations.

Cutler-Hammer engineers and manufactures all components for further quality assurance, including a complete line of enclosed vacuum starters and contactors. Each of these products has been designed to be easy to mount, wire, and service—a significant benefit during field replacement or installation.

In short, material choice, product design and engineering advantages ensure that Cutler-Hammer vacuum starters and contactors are the best products for the toughest applications. Every time. ORS ACE, FECT DINS.

VACUUM STARTERS AND CONTACTORS
ARE DESIGNED TO USE MINIMAL SPACE,
WHICH MAKES THEM A PERFECT
SOLUTION IN BETROFIT APPLICATIONS.



## **Product Specifications.**

	NEMA SIZE 4 135 AMP	SPECIAL PURPOSE 160 AMP	NEMA SIZE 5 270 AMP	SPECIAL PURPOSE 320 AMP	NEMA SIZE 6 540 AMP	SPECIAL PURPOSE 610 AMP
MAKING CAPABILI	TY					
Max. Amp	1350	1600	2700	3200	5400	6500
BREAKING CAPABI	LITY					
Max. Amp	1080	1350	2160	2700	4320	6000
SHORT TIME CURF	RENT WITHSTAND	(A)				
1s	2400	2400	4500	4500	9100	9100
2s	2000	2000	3750	3750	7580	7580
10s	1600	1600	3200	3200	6100	6100
30s	960	960	1920	1920	3600	3600
3 CYCLE SHORT CI						
50mSec	10	10	18	18	18	18
POWER POLE CLOS						
mSec	18-22	18-22	24-32	24-32	24-32	24-32
POWER POLE OPE						
mSec	95-115	95-115	95-115	95-115	95-115	95-115
SHOCK RESISTANC	E (g)					
Contacts closed	5	5	5	5	5	5
Contact open	5	5	5	5	5	5
VIBRATION (g)						
10 to 500Hz	2	2	2	2	2	2
ALTITUDE MAXIMU		/I (meter)				
Above Sea Level	3600	3600	3600	3600	3600	3600
Below Sea Level	2500	2500	4500	4500	4500	4500
AMBIENT TEMPER/	ATURE ('C)					
Storage	-40 to +80	-40 to +80	-40 to +80	-40 to +80	-40 to +80	-40 to +80
Operation	-10 to +75	-10 to +75	-10 to +75	-10 to +75	-10 to +75	-10 to +75
MOUNTING DIMEN		<u> </u>				
Height	6.63	6.63	8.94	8.94	17.1	17.1
	(168)	(168)	(227)	(227)	(434)	(434)
Width	4.63	4.63	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9
	(118)	(118)	(201)	(201)	(201)	(201)
Depth	5.91	5.91	6.25	6.25	6.96	6.96
	(150)	(150)	(159)	(159)	(177)	(177)
Mounting Width	1.88	1.88	6.75	6.75	6.75	6.75
	(48)	(48)	(172)	(172)	(172)	(172)
Mounting Height	6.00	6.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
	(152)	(152)	(203)	(203)	(203)	(203)

For a complete listing of Vacuum Control Products, consult the Cutler-Hammer 25-000 catalog, or your local sales office.

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