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IEEE Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineering
ISO International Organization for Standardization

LPC Loss Prevention Council

LPCB Loss Prevention Certification Board

MMAA Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Agriculture
NEMA National Electrical Manufacturer's Association

NFPA National Fire Protection Agency
PCI Prestressed Concrete Institute
PWA Public Works Authority (Ashghal)
QCS Qatar Construction Specification

QGEWC Qatar General Electricity & Water Corporation

QS Qatar Standards (Laboratories and Standardisation Affairs, Ministry of

**Environment)** 

Ooredoo Qatar Telecom Provider SIS Swedish Standards Institute

UK DOT United Kingdom Department of Transport
UPDA Urban Planning and Development Authority

VDE Verband Deutscher Elektrotechniker (Association for Electrical, Electronic

and Information Technologies)

## 1.5.2 Site Conditions

1 The Site conditions shall be assumed to be as follows for tendering purposes:

 Maximum ambient temperature
 50°C

 Minimum ambient temperature
 5°C

 Design ambient temperature
 50°C

 Maximum metal temperature under the sun
 85°C

 Maximum ambient humidity
 100%

 Minimum ambient humidity
 20%

 Design ambient humidity
 100%

50-year return period Wind Speed:

- (a) Nominal wind speed for 3 sec gust ........ 38 m/s (A per ASCE 7-05 / IBC 2012)
- (c) Mean 10 minutes wind speed...... 27 m/s (as per BS EN 1991-1-4)

Yearly rainfall ...... 80 - 150 mm

- The wind is very directional and that the W-NNW sector predominates for velocities greater than 8m/s (30km/h). However, the wind in coastal areas tends to exhibit a diurnal pattern, with onshore winds during daylight hours changing to offshore at night.
- 3 The temperature is relatively mild from October to May and hot from June to September.
- The relative ambient humidity is generally low from October to May and generally high from June to September.
- 5 Under certain climatic conditions, considerable condensation may take place.
- A considerable amount of salt is contained in the atmosphere which together with the relatively high ambient humidity, can produce sever corrosion problems.



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Distribution and occurrence of rainfall events are very erratic. Rainfall events are generally of a high intensity with a short duration and usually occur between December and March.

- 8 The prevailing wind directions are from the north and west.
- The seismic design for all building structure shall be based upon local seismic accelerations recommended as per ASCE 7-10, IBC 2012 or BS EN 1998-1:2004. Local seismic spectral accelerations based upon uniform hazard response spectra for 475 year and 2475 year return period as below.

Peak Ground Acceleration		0.2 second Spectral		1 second Spectral	
(PGA)		Acceleration (g) - S <sub>s</sub>		Acceleration (g) - S <sub>1</sub>	
475 year	2475 year	475 year	2475 year	475 year	2475 year
0.045	0.10	0.090	0.147	0.045	0.065

- 10 Wind tunnel test is recommended for buildings under below criteria
  - (a) Total building height exceeding 120m from ground.
  - (b) Structure with irregular geometry or shape.
  - (c) Unusual terrain or surrounding structure in the area.
  - (d) Any other factor as per design requirements or designer recommendation.
- 11 The ratio of the wind speed for any return period to the 50 year return period wind speed as per Peterka & Shahid Equation is

VT / V50 = [0.36+0.1 In (12T)]

12 Building structure design working life shall be minimum as specified below

Design working life category	Indicative design working life (years)	Examples
1	10	Temporary structures (a)
2	10 to 25	Replaceable structural parts, eg. Gantry girders, bearings
3	15 to 30	Storage and similar structures
4	50 to 75	Building structures and other common structures
5	120	Civil engineering structures like bridges, tunnel etc.

<sup>(</sup>a) Structures or parts of structures that can be dismantled with intention of being reused, aren't temporary structures.

## 1.6 LANGUAGE

## 1.6.1 Contract Language

1 All communications, meetings and documentation shall be in English.