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The Quality Name in High Voltage Switching

**Type EVR
Aluminum
Vertical Reach
Disconnect Switch**

Single Pole

> 5000A

INSTALLATION &

INSTRUCTION

MANUAL

Safety Information

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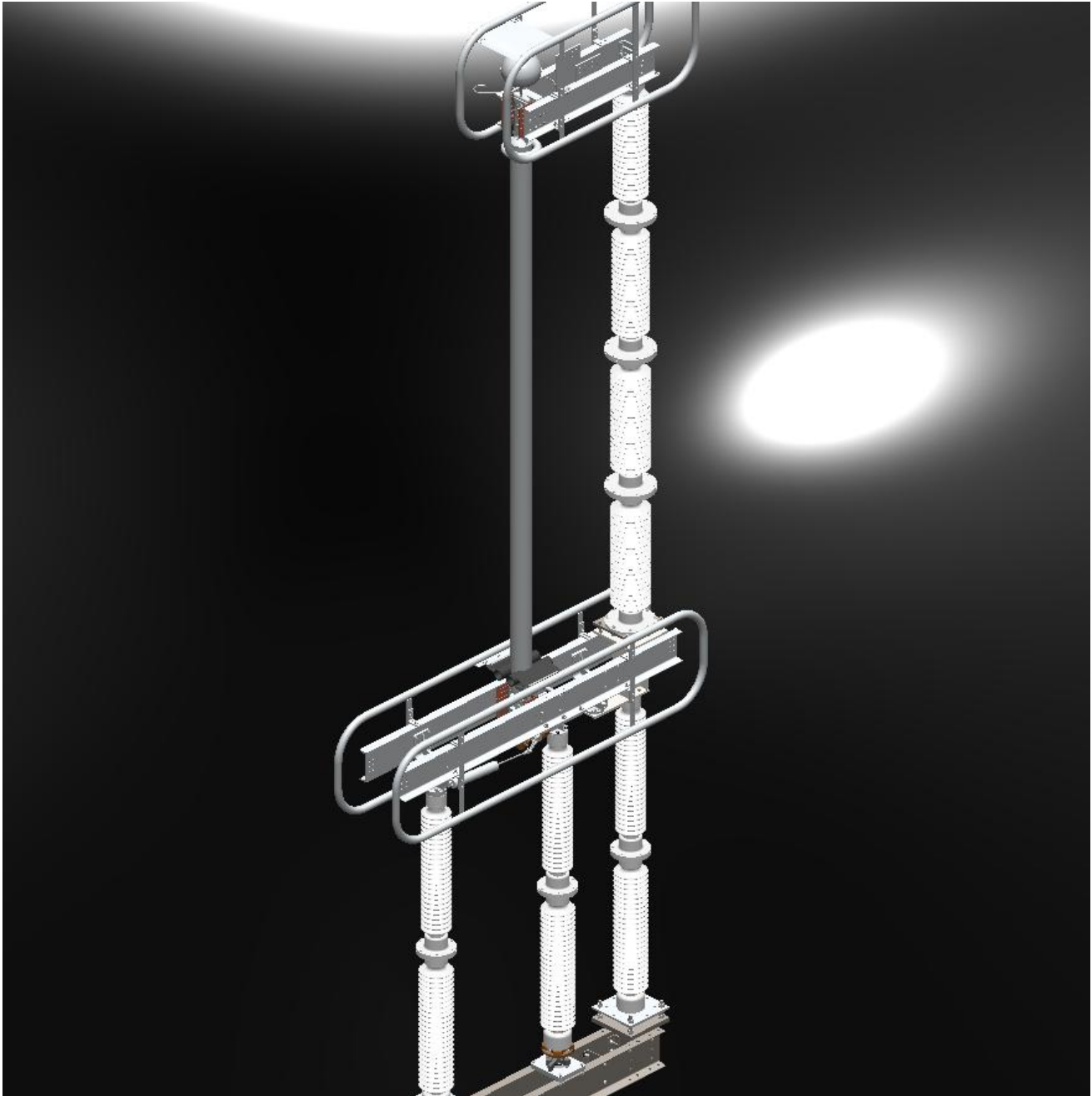
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Southern States type EV-R is a single phase operated, vertical reach air disconnect switch. The switch should be mounted in a horizontal "upright" only. The switch may be operated using a manual operator or an electrical motor operator.

The installation procedure for all mounting positions and operating schemes are similar and explained herein. A system of pipes, bearings may be utilized to open and close the switch from a ground level operator.

1. Unpacking

Unpack the equipment and check for damages or shortages immediately. Remove shipping ties from hinge and the jaw, **DO NOT CHANGE ANY FACTORY SETTING**. The bill-of-material from the Unit Assembly (switch) and Operating Mechanism drawings should be used to check for shortage. If damage or a shortage is noted contact the factory immediately.

2. Storage

All components of the EV-R vertical break disconnect switch are suitable for outdoor use and do not have any special storage requirements. If a motor operator is furnished be sure to connect the heater circuit, using the provided external wiring, while the unit is in storage. Discard the wiring upon installation. Typical crating is intended for storage less than 1 year. If long term storage is required please notify factory at time of order placement so that special crating can be used.

3. General Information

All photographs and sketches in this manual are for illustration purposes only and may not be to scale. Refer to the Unit Assembly drawing or the Operating Mechanism drawing provided with each disconnect switch for specific details. During installation, it maybe necessary to make adjustments other than those described in this manual. Contact your local representative or the factory if questions should arise.

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Table 1: Recommended Tools and Torque Values

Recommended Tools		Recommended Torque Values	
Type	Sizes (inch)	Bolt/Nut size (inch)	Torque (Ft-lb)
Hand Wrenches and/or Sockets	15/16, 3/4, 5/8, 9/16 1-1/8, 1-1/2	1/2	40
Drill Bit	3/16, 5/16	5/8	92
Wire Brush, Electrical Grease	St. Steel No-Oxid Sp.A	3/4	127
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4. Typical Disconnect Switch

In general, installing a disconnect switch consists of the following:

- Mounting the insulators to the switch base
- Mounting the live parts to the insulators
- Mounting the switch base to the structure
- Installing operating components
- Final adjustment or tuning.

- A – GAP INSULATOR
- B – JAW ASSEMBLY
- C – JAW CORONA RING
- D – BLADE
- E – HINGE CORONA RING
- F – HINGE ASSEMBLY
- G – SUPPORT INSULATOR
- H – ROTATING INSULATOR
- I – INSULATOR SUPPORT
- J – JAW ICE SHIELD
- K – BASE
- L – BEARING
- M – HINGE ICE SHIELD
- N – BEARING EXTENSION
- X – TERMINAL PAD
- Y – TERMINAL PAD
- Z – TERMINAL PAD

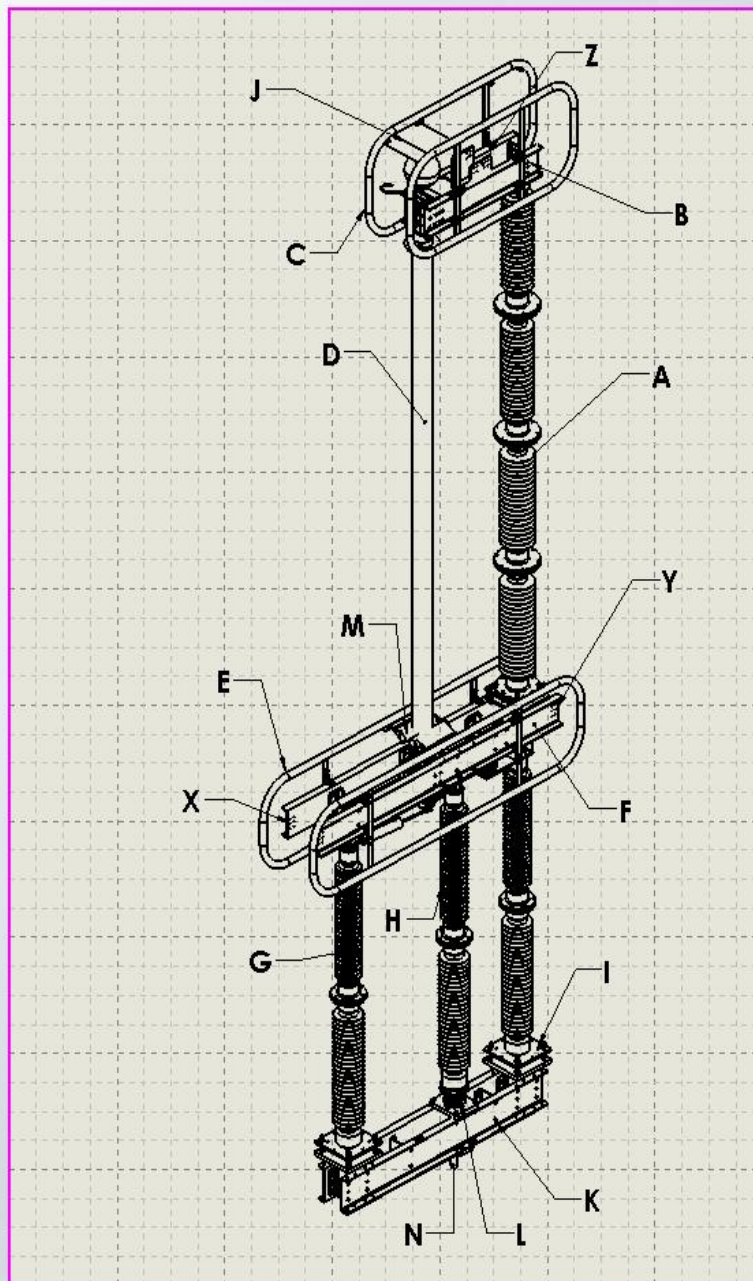


Figure 1: Typical EVR disconnect switch Terminology

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5. Removal of Live Parts:

EVR hinge mechanisms are NOT typically shipped mounted on switch base. Counter-balances are usually shipped assembled and NO adjustment will be required. Blade is shipped separately, however there will be a short disposable pipe shipped with all hinge assemblies. Do not remove this pipe until indicated.

CAUTION:

Place the unit on a firm, level surface.
Read the instruction before attempting to assemble or install the switch.

6. Mounting of Base

Mount the base on the structure as specified on the operating mechanism drawing after checking for proper spacing and elevation, NOTE direction of blade opening. Use the bolts specified on the operating mechanism drawing for this purpose.

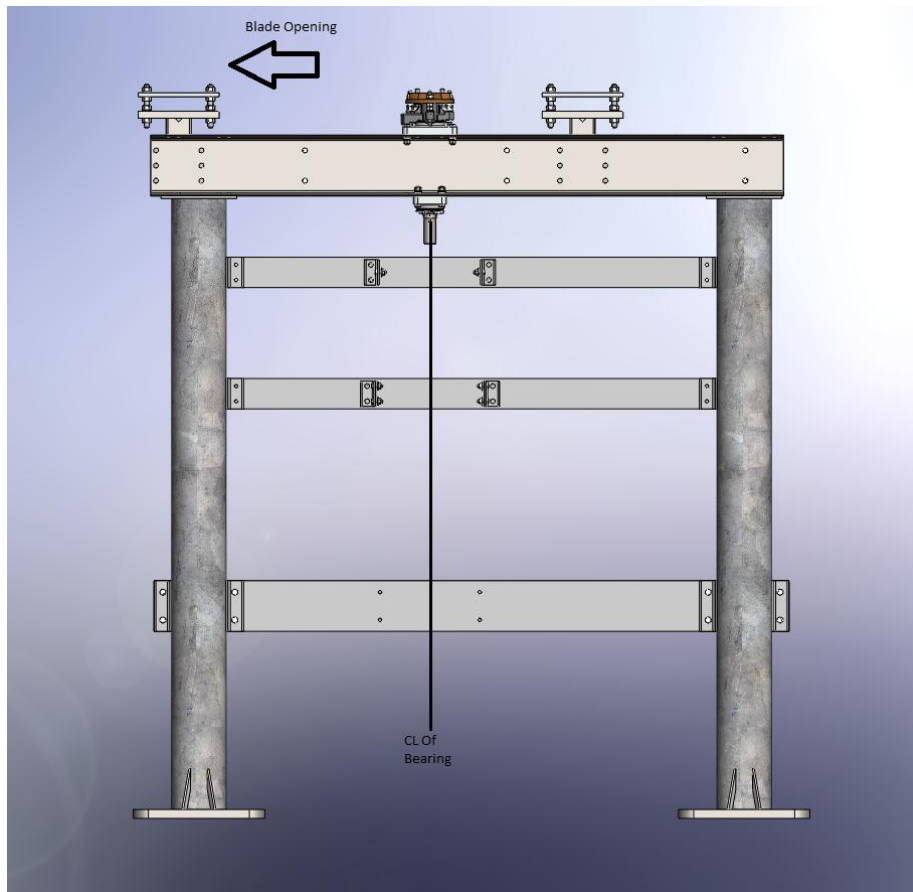


Figure 2: Mounting of switch base on structure

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7. Mounting of support Insulators

Assemble all insulators units on the ground if possible.

Hoist the insulator stacks, and install on base see **Figure 3**

- 7.1. Refer to the Unit Assembly and Field Assembly (SF) Drawings for bolt sizes. Mount the insulators to the base adapters and the switch arm plate on the bearing. Confirm match marks are aligned and properly torque the bolts (see **Table 1** on page 2).
- 7.2. Confirm proper insulator alignment, the rotating insulator must be as near to perpendicular as possible to both the long and short axis of the disconnect switch base. **NOTE:** The original insulator stack height must be maintained. When the nuts on the jack bolts are used to adjust insulator tilt, opposite nuts must be turned equally (run one nut up a certain number of turns, turn the opposite nut down the same number of turns).

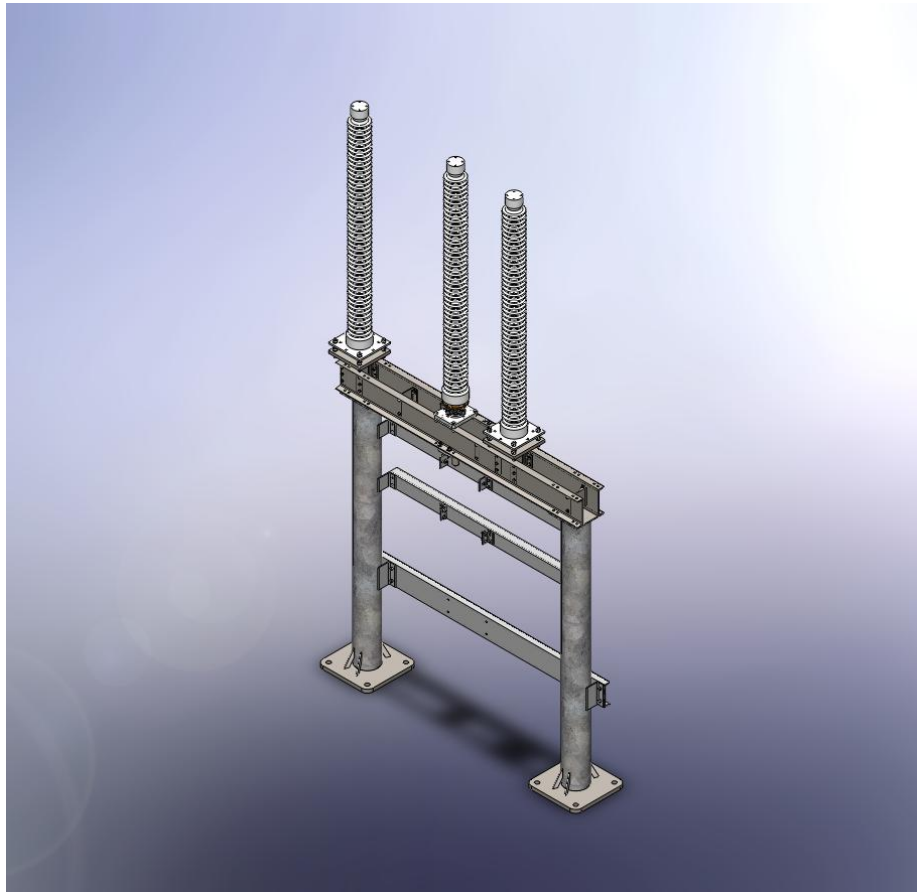


Figure 3: Mounting of Support insulators

- 7.3. Plum insulators using a plumb-bob or a level. Check insulator's to be on the same height as shown in **Figure 4** using a level.

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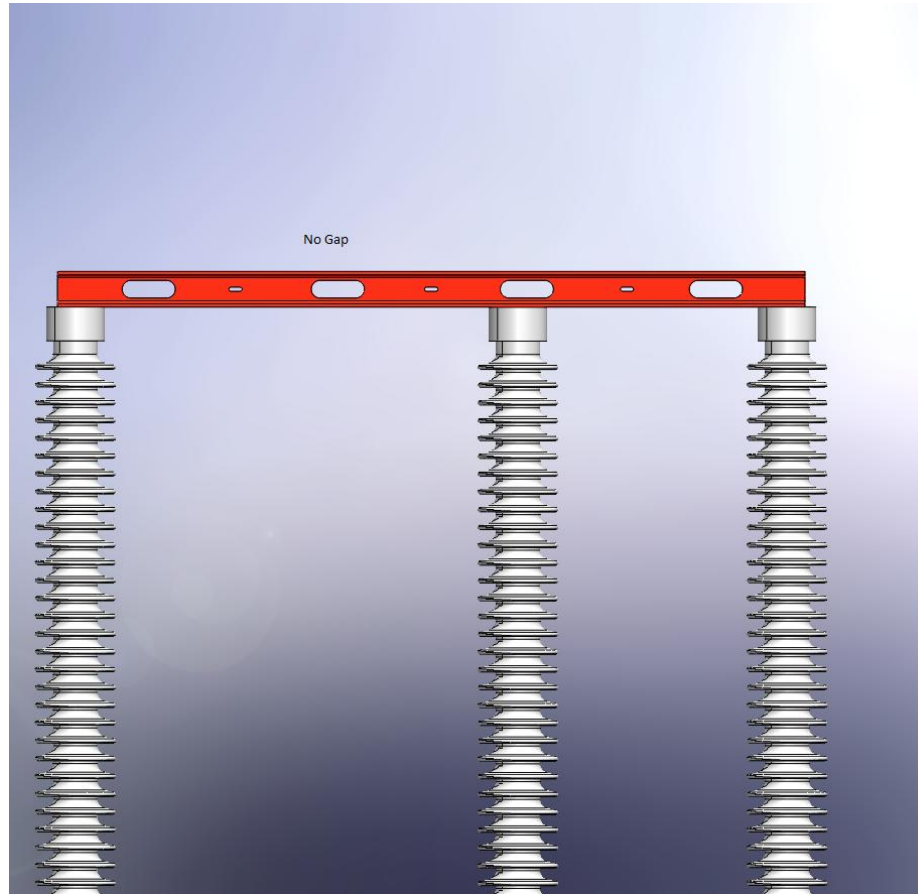


Figure 4: Leveling insulators

- 7.4. The rotating insulators require special attention to ensure good switch operation. It will be necessary to insure insulators rotate about their axis uniformly; that is, they do not **WOBBLE** as they rotate. This may become important due to irregularities in insulator's mounting faces. It is not unusual for an insulator to be out of alignment six inches or more. While this switch is designed to tolerate certain misalignment, the rotating insulators may be adjusted to reduce the wobble to 1/4-inch or less.

To true the insulators:

- 7.4.1. Make a mark at the center of insulator cap.
- 7.4.2. Make a marker of any convenient material; ie: metal angle
- 7.4.3. Make a sharp pointer and attach it to one end of marker.

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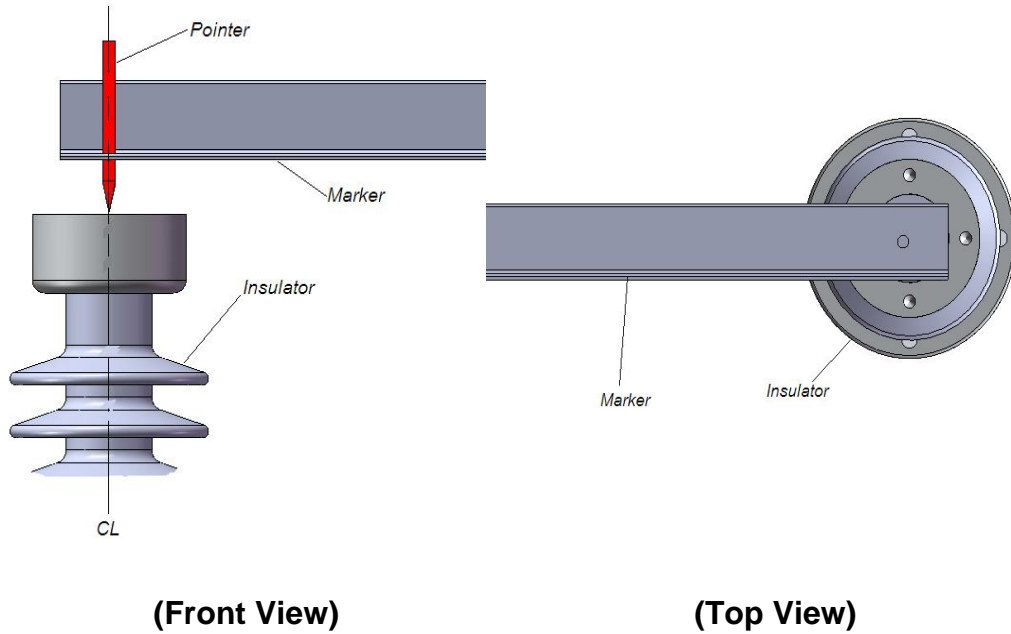


Figure 5: Marker Placement

- 7.4.4. The pointer should be placed on the center of the insulator, and the marker on a support outside of insulator rotation.
- 7.4.5. Rotate the insulator against a stop, and position the reference pointer over the center of insulator cap.
- 7.4.6. Rotate the insulator to the opposite bearing stop, observe for concentricity.

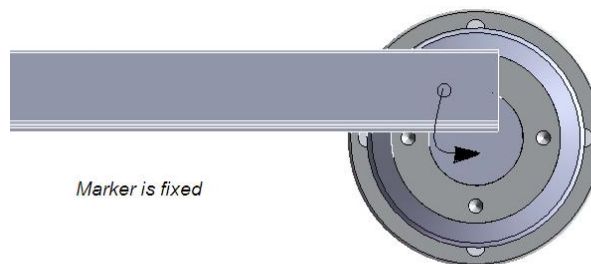


Figure 6: Insulator Adjustment
Insulator rotates away

- 7.4.7. If insulator wobbles, leave it at the same position in previous step. Use the jacking screws, and tilt the insulator one-half the distance toward the reference point.

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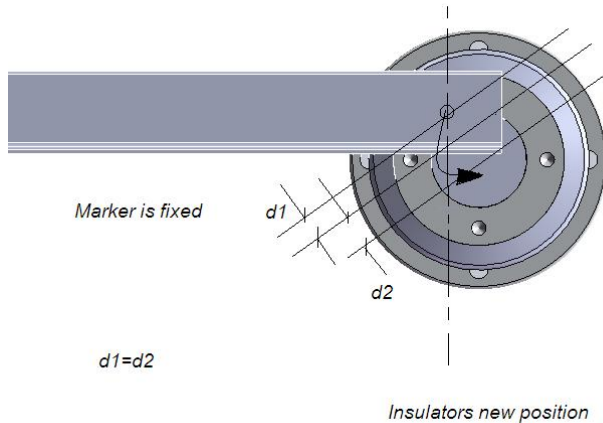


Figure 7: Insulator Adjustment

Tilt Insulator Half way (if necessary).

7.4.8. Bring the bearing back to beginning position step 7.4.5.

7.4.9. Repeat previous steps for all insulators

The above method can be used to adjust insulator rotation Axially, Laterally or combination of both.

8. Installing Hinge mechanism

There is gap between far support and the other hinge support and hinge mechanism. Use the disc spacer provided on top of far support insulator. Use hardware as specified on the unit assembly. Refer to **Table 1** for proper torque requirements.

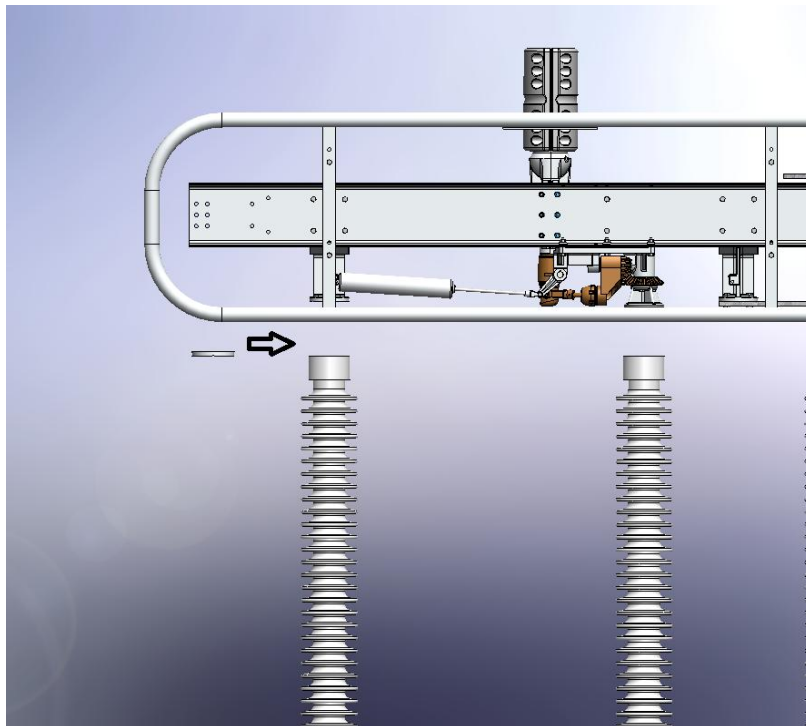


Figure 8: Installing hinge mechanism

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9. Installing gap insulator

- 9.1. Gap insulator is a 185-inches tall 2050kV BIL insulator of multiple segments. Assemble the insulator on firm ground. Pay close attention to the orientation of mounting holes on top and bottom when assembling the insulators together. The insulator then can be hoisted into place by attaching lifting bolts (eye bolts or cross bars).
- 9.2. Tighten all bolts as per operating mechanism hardware call out.

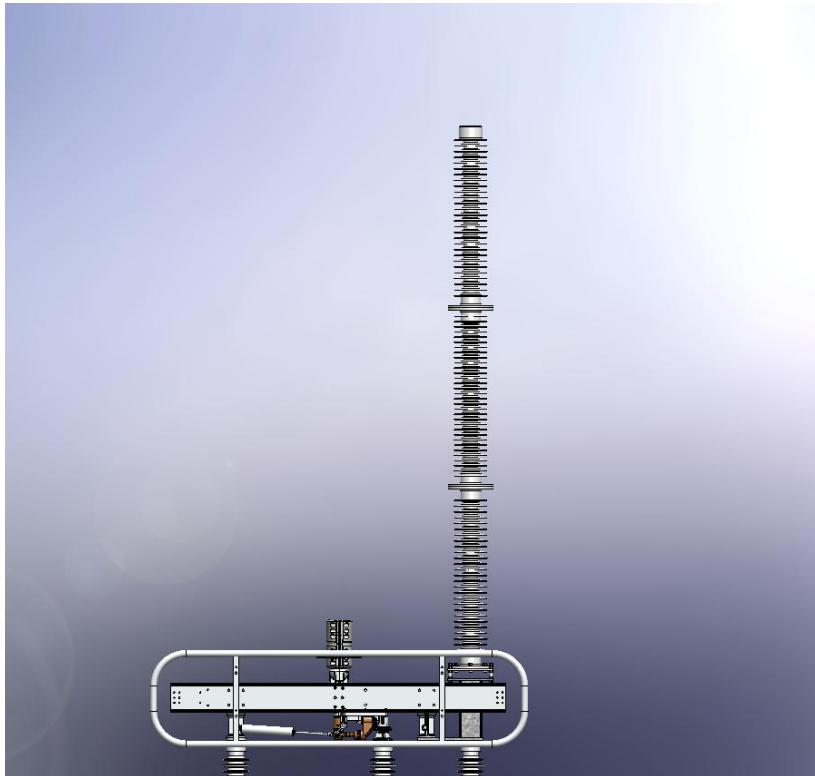


Figure 9: Gap Insulator

10. Installing Blade

Note: Follow factory match marks.

The hinge mechanism typically shipped with its mechanism toggled (locked) in closed position

- 10.1. Rotate bearing enough to remove the mechanism out of toggle. Do not over rotate, as the force of counterbalance will damage the mechanism. This can be achieved by inserting a crowbar between bearing adjusting screws.
- 10.2. Loosen blade socket bolts using a 15/16" Deep Socket.
- 10.3. Remove the dummy blade and discard
- 10.4. Prepare blade; wire brush and apply No-Oxide grease to engaging section of the blade.
- 10.5. Insert blade inside the blade socket
- 10.6. Snug two of the bolts using 15/16" deep socket to assure blade will not work itself out of blade socket.
- 10.7. **Do Not** move the bearing back into toggle.

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Figure 10: Inserting blade

11. Installing Jaw assembly

- 11.1. Hoist the jaw assembly into position
- 11.2. Hold and push the blade out of the way to have a clear mounting area. This is doable because the hinge mechanism has been move out of toggle. Using a rope with enough slack to tie the blade to the gap insulator is highly recommended.

12. Adjusting Blade

- 12.1. Loosen all the bolts on the hinge blade socket.
- 12.2. Using a pipe strap, rotate blade into proper orientation

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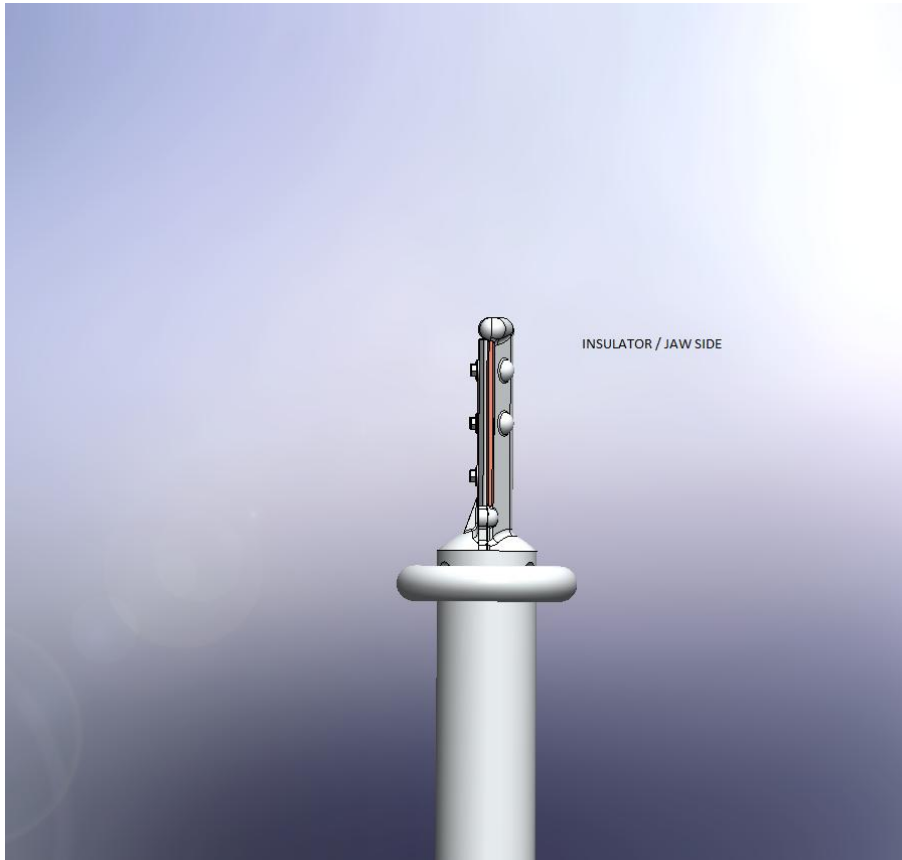


Figure 11: Blade orientation

- 12.3. Move the blade toward jaw using bearing assembly
- 12.4. Blade should enter jaw in the center. Adjust blade entrance into jaw using jacking bolts under gap insulator. See **Figure 12**.
- 12.5. Place bearing into toggle by closing it completely. Check hinge contact bar for alignment. Close the bearing more if more travel is required. See **Figure 13**.
- 12.6. Using a pipe strap turn the blade. The contact orientation should be checked. See **Figure 13**.
- 12.7. Tighten blade socket bolts by alternating between bolts to assure even closing.

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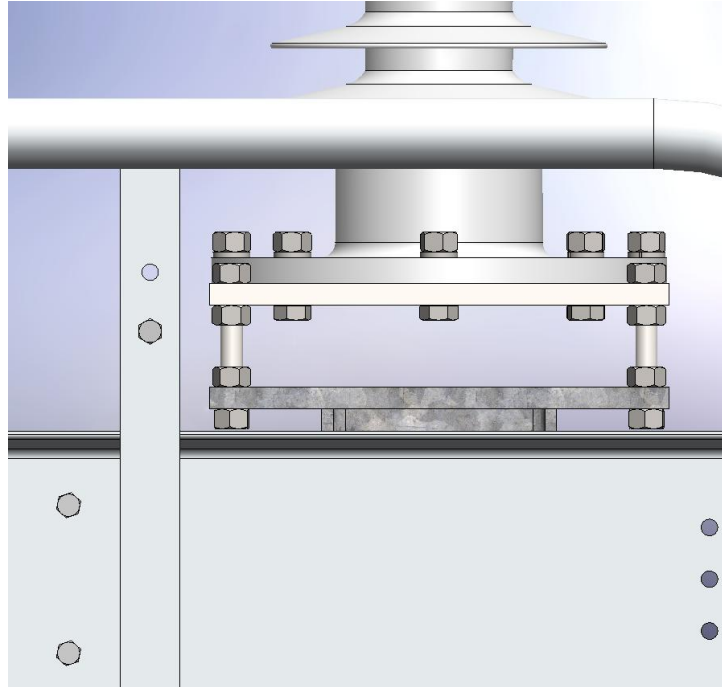


Figure 12: Gap insulator jacking screws

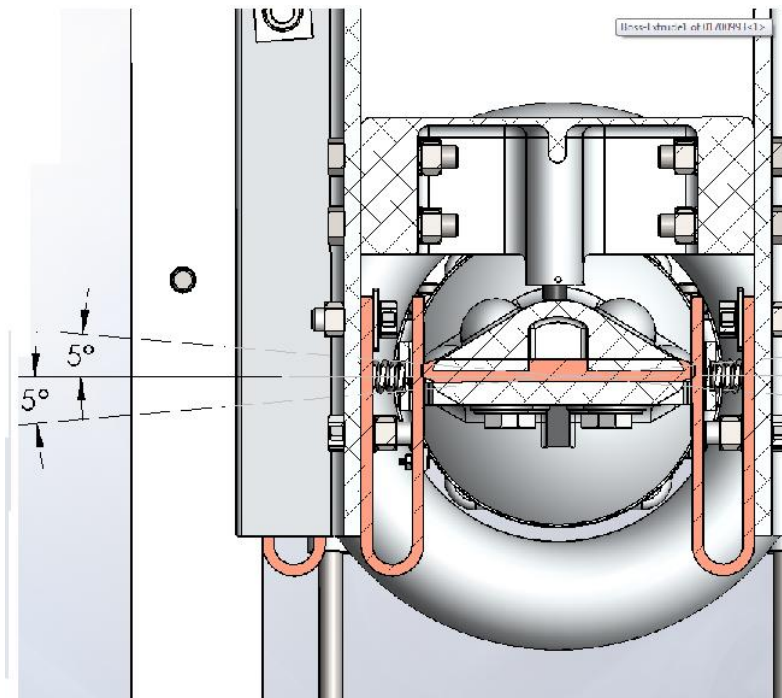


Figure 13: Jaw contact orientation

Hinge contact is similar in design

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13. Operating Mechanism:

- 13.1. These switches are designed to be opened and closed as a single phase unit by a system of pipes that translates the rotational movement of an operator on the ground.
- 13.2. Lay out all the operating mechanism parts and check them against the Operating Mechanism drawing bill-of-material.
- 13.3. To aid switch inspection from the ground, threader bolts (piercing bolts) can be installed on the bottom sides of the clevises so they can be viewed from the ground when pinned.
- 13.4. To ensure that the bearing stops do not interfere with switch adjustments, loosen each open/close bearing stop and slide them out of the way.
- 13.5. Refer to the Operating Mechanism drawing and install all mounting brackets, bearings, bushings, pipe clevises, switch operating device, adjustable arm, reach rod, and other necessary components.

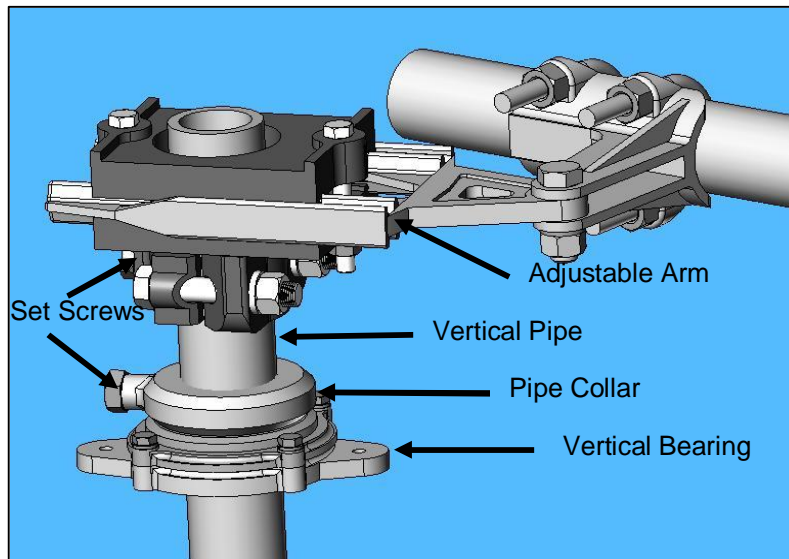


Figure 14: Typical Operating Arrangement

- 13.6. **CAUTION:** The pipe collar (above the vertical bearing support) must support the entire weight of the vertical operating pipe. **Do not allow the pipe to rest on the switch operating device refer to Figure 14**
 - 13.7. While installing the pipes and clevises that have threader bolts (piercing bolts), do not pierce the pipe until instructed. Tighten the threader bolts such that they grip the pipe until all adjustments are made.
 - 13.8. After mounting all the operating mechanism components, match-mark all clevis connections, the adjustable arm, and the switch operating device's coupling, so that you can tell if slippage occurs during trial operations.
- ### 14. Switch Adjustments (Tuning):
- 14.1. The operating mechanism is intended to fully open and fully close the disconnect switch by rotating the vertical operating pipe 180° using an operator (manual or electrical). The connecting pipe controls the individual operation of each switch pole, using a push/pull control. The adjustable arm controls the total amount of switch operation available.

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14.2. Final Adjustment:

- 14.2.1. Before making any adjustments always check that none of the pinned joints have slipped. If slippage occurs, correct it and repeat the operation to verify that adjustment is really needed.
- 14.2.2. Open the disconnect switch with the operator.
- 14.2.3. If the switch is not fully open before the operator reaches the fully open position, the adjustable arm radius is too short. To correct:
 - 14.2.3.1. Check to see that nothing has slipped.
 - 14.2.3.2. Return the switch to the closed position
 - 14.2.3.3. Match-mark the adjustable arm and the pipe clevis
 - 14.2.3.4. Loosen the bolts on the adjustable arm and pipe clevis
 - 14.2.3.5. Lengthen the adjustable radius arm approximately 1/4-inch. Allow the pipe clevis to reposition itself the same 1/4- inch. Refer to **Figure 15**
 - 14.2.3.6. Test operate and readjust as necessary.

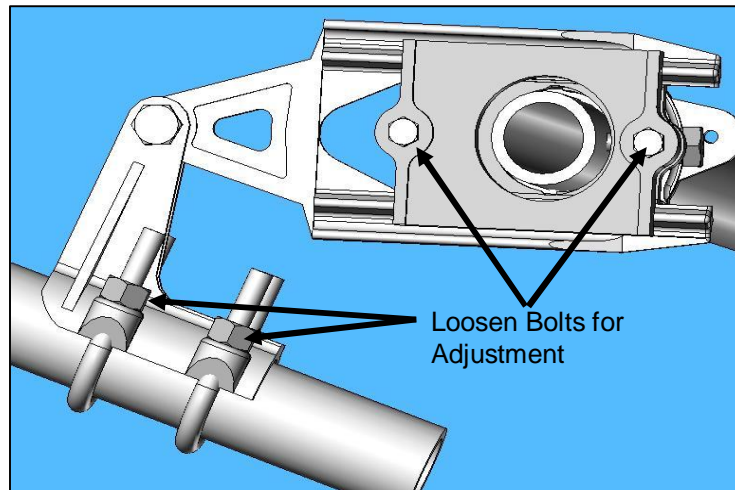


Figure 15: Adjustable Arm Assembly - Top View

- 14.2.4. If the switch is fully open before the operator reaches the fully open position, the adjustable arm radius is too long. To correct:
 - 14.2.4.1. Check to see that nothing has slipped.
 - 14.2.4.2. Return the switch to the closed position
 - 14.2.4.3. Match-mark the adjustable arm and the pipe clevis
 - 14.2.4.4. Loosen the bolts on the adjustable arm and pipe clevis
 - 14.2.4.5. Shorten the adjustable radius arm approximately 1/4-inch. Allow the pipe clevis to reposition itself the same 1/4- inch. Refer to **Figure 15**
 - 14.2.4.6. Test operate and readjust as necessary.
- 14.2.5. All poles of the fully adjusted disconnect switch should operate together although a slight variance between poles is acceptable. The primary objective is for all poles to fully open and fully close. Minor adjustments of the interphase pipe clevises may be necessary for pole coordination.

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15. Blade penetration adjustment

- 15.1. A yoke, a ball and socket device and adjusting stud along with gear mechanism controls the movement of blade. The blade is factory adjusted to enter the jaw with a prescribed force. However this adjustment can be changed if necessary. To change penetration:
 - 15.1.1. Use an adjustable wrench; turn the square end at the end of adjusting stud.
 - 15.1.2. Lengthen for more closing and less opening
 - 15.1.3. Shorten for more opening and less closing

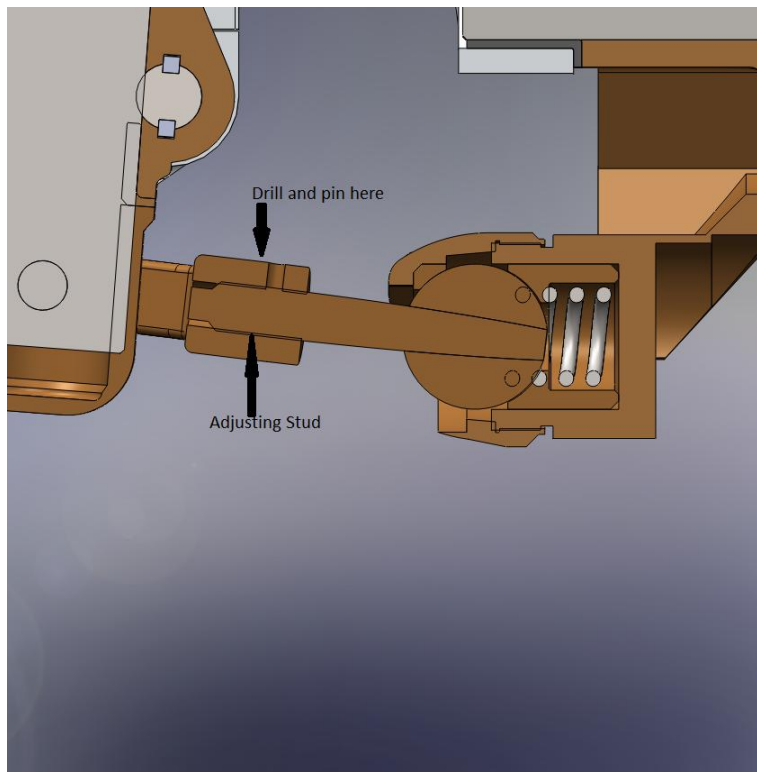


Figure 16: cross section of adjusting mechanism

16. Final Check:

- 16.1. These switches are designed to be opened and closed as a single phase unit by a system of pipes that translates the rotational movement of an operator on the ground.
- 16.2. Apply a minimal amount of grease to the point of each threader bolt (piercing screw) and then tighten the bolt until it pierces the pipe wall. For heavy walled pipe, (schedule 80 or above, 3 inch or above) pre-drill the threader bolt (piercing screw) holes with a threader drill guide (provided) and a 1/4- inch drill bit.
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- 16.4. Drill and pin Blade socket after final adjustment. See **Figure 17**.

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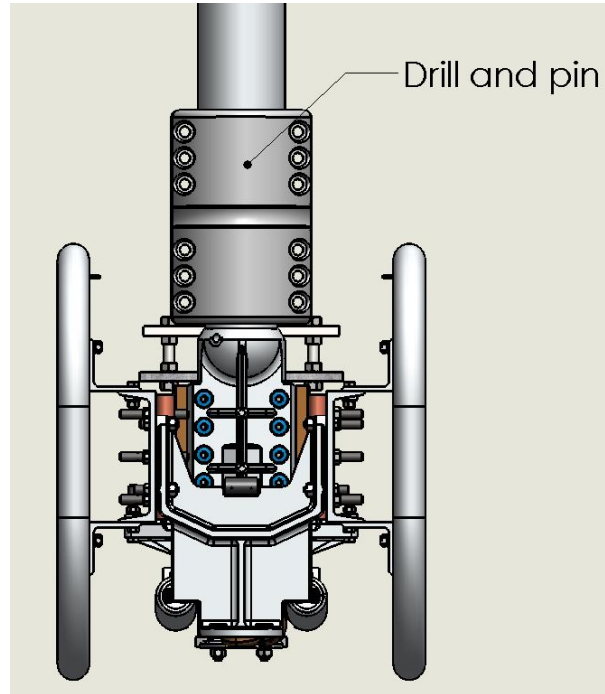


Figure 17: Blade socket pinning location

16.4.1. Drill and pin adjusting mechanism. See **Figure 16**

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The EVR has been designed to operate with low maintenance. Periodic inspection is important for satisfactory operation. Frequency of inspection and maintenance depends on the installation site, weather and atmospheric conditions, experience of operating personnel and special operation requirements.

Table 2: Recommended Installation and Maintenance Table

		Installation Tests	Patrolling Inspection 6 month	Routine 5 Year	Periodic 10 Year
Insulators	Contamination	X	X	X	X
	Damage	X	X	X	X
Cabinet (if motor operator supplied)	Any loose parts on the floor of the cabinet?	X	X	X	X
	Wiring Secure	X	X	X	X
	Links Secure	X	X	X	X
	Inspect Mechanism for loose parts	X	X	X	X
	Heaters Energized	X	X	X	X
	Door Seal	X	X	X	X
Mechanical	Operational Tests	X		X	X
Electrical	Contact Resistance	X		X	X
Liveparts Inspection	Inspect Contacts				X
	Inspect Arcing Horns				X

Patrolling Inspection (6 Months)

The patrolling inspection is a largely visual inspection on an energized unit in service. The frequency of the inspection is determined by the local conditions and policies of the owner of the equipment. Refer to **Table 2** for recommended inspection items.

Routine Inspection and Maintenance (5 year)

Routine inspection is performed on a de-energized unit. The frequency of the inspection is determined by the local conditions and policies of the owner of the equipment. Refer to **Table 2** for recommended inspection items.

Periodic Inspection and Maintenance (10 year)

Periodic inspection is performed on a de-energized unit. The frequency of the inspection is determined by the local conditions and policies of the owner of the equipment. Refer to **Table 2** for recommended inspection items.



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