## **Discussion Group T6: Overspeed Trip Systems**

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## **Suggested Topics:**

- Electronic overspeed detection system (speed sensors and logic devices)
  - o Number, logic
  - Speed sensing gear
  - o Sensor type
- Electro-hydraulic solenoid valves
  - o De-energize to shutdown (API default)
  - o Number, location, orientation (vertical or horizontal)
  - o Built in position sensor
  - o Detection system to alarm on failure of the coil; change online
  - o Capable of on-line testing without defeating trip protection
- Emergency trip valve(s)/combined trip and throttle valve(s)
  - "Mechanical latch type" and "Oil operated/actuated type"
  - Periodic online exercising partial stroke test (frequency)
  - Full instrument loop "proof" test (frequency)
  - o Valve overhaul (repair shop, overhaul frequency, etc.)
  - Systems with duplicate trip valves arranged in parallel
  - o OEM upgrades (i.e. metallurgy, etc.)
- Non-return valve on extraction turbines
  - o Overspeed initiates a signal to close non-return valve
  - Types (spring-loaded hydraulic actuated cylinder; pneumatic actuated cylinder)
  - Valve overhaul (repair shop, overhaul frequency, etc.)
  - o Testing
- Mechanical overspeed system
  - Test frequency
- Exhaust vacuum breaker
- "Back up" coupling feature for steam turbine applications to stay coupled to load/inertia upon main coupling failure
- Other API 612, 611, 670 and ASME PTC 20.2 items