

Test 13:

Bundle: Seven wires (6 over 1) of BMS 42/1/1-20 specification.

Metal Shaving: Aluminum **7075; 50** mils by 8 mils

Circuit Resistance: 1 Ohm

Generator: 3 phase, 400Hz, 120 line to neutral (208 line to line), 10kVA.

Observations	Test 13
Flash	Yes
Strong Arcing	No
Circuit Breakers Tripped	No
Damage Length	0
# Wires Failing Wet Dielectric Test	0 of 5

In this test an Aluminum **7075** (50 mils by 8 mils) was used. Upon application of the voltage there was a high buzzing sound followed by a small flash. The sample then became dormant. There was no soot built up or visible damage to the insulation and none of the circuit breakers tripped. The oscilloscope showed a 100 amp peak short circuit current for 125 milliseconds that transitioned into an arc waveform for less than ½ a cycle before clearing (no current). None of the five wires failed the wet dielectric test.

Test 14:

Bundle: Seven wires (6 over 1) of BMS 42A/8/1-20 specification.

Metal Shaving: Steel; 52 mils by 9 mils

Circuit Resistance: 1 Ohm

Generator: 3 phase, 400Hz, 120 line to neutral (208 line to line), 10kVA.

Observations	Test 14
Flash	Yes
Strong Arcing	No
Circuit Breakers Tripped	No
Damage Length	0
# Wires Failing Wet Dielectric Test	0 of 5

This sample flashed immediately after power was applied to the sample. A small amount of soot was deposited on the wire. The insulation appeared to be slightly damaged but none of the five wire tested failed the wet dielectric test.

The oscillogram shows that there was intermittent arcing for less than 20 milliseconds and that the phase C wire did not become involved. There were peak current of 100 amperes and the total energy dissipated was about 18joules. Figure 37 shows the power and energy dissipated during the flash.