CONDITION-BASED MAINTENANCE AT EXACTLY THE RIGHT TIME

Railcar builders have been using relays to control equipment for years. During train maintenance, relays and devices such as lamps and push-buttons are often exchanged before their end of life or when they are no longer working. Moving from schedule-based to condition-based maintenance saves significant maintenance costs for train operators.

To address this need, Wabtec developed the Mors Smitt™ Relay Condition Monitoring System, which is used to analyze the condition of relays and connected devices in real-time and identify the accurate timing for part replacements. The result: reduced service costs and increased train control availability.
THE RELAY CONDITION MONITORING SYSTEM CONSISTS OF

Voltage Measurement Module (VMM)
VMM is an extra option for existing D and B relays to monitor the voltage of the relay coil and temperature inside the relay. A defect on VMM electronics has no effect on relay operation.

Current Measurement Module (CMM)
CMM is an additional unit in a D or B relay housing to monitor the current per relay contact.

Data Handling Unit (DHU)
Connect up to 50 relays/devices (daisy chaining possible).
At least seven days of data storage capacity to ensure health analyses of connected devices.
The serial bus configuration allows the DHU and any connected relays and modules to communicate with each other.
Data outputs are easily exportable to the train control management system or other computer devices in a variety of formats (.CSV, .SQL).

KEY FEATURES
Determines remaining lifetime of relays and connected devices (in number of operations, months/years, percentage of total lifetime).
Condition-based maintenance optimizes relay usage and also devices switched by the relay.
Fault-finding during commissioning or an incident.

SYSTEM DATA OUTPUTS
VMM: Device ID, number of operations, time on / time off, coil voltage, internal temperature
CMM: Device ID, 4 current measurement channels
DHU: Device ID, serial bus status

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