Surge Protection Module
LSP05 and LSP10 Series

New Product Introduction
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Transient Surge Threats to Outdoor Devices

- Lightning strikes are traveling electrostatic discharges, usually coming from clouds to the ground with a magnitude of millions of volts.
- Surges up to thousands of volts are applied to copper wires carrying induced current from lightning strikes occurring up to a few miles away.
- These *indirect strikes usually occur in exposed outdoor wires*, transmitting surges to devices like streetlights or traffic lights.
- The **Surge Protection Module**, at the upstream of the circuitry, is directly facing surge interference coming from the power line. It diverts or absorbs surge energy, *minimizing surge threats to downstream devices* like the AC/DC power supply unit in an LED lighting fixture.
The Problem with LED Lights Installed Outdoors

## Comparison
High Pressure Sodium vs LED Retrofit Lamp

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<th>Structure</th>
<th>Simple</th>
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<td>Cost</td>
<td>Low</td>
<td>High – larger investment</td>
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<td>Reliability/Lifetime</td>
<td>Medium</td>
<td>Very high</td>
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<td>Overcurrent / Short Circuit</td>
<td>Robust assembly</td>
<td>May cause fire or explosion / safety risk</td>
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<td>Overvoltage (Surge, EFT, ESD)</td>
<td>Ballast is robust</td>
<td>Sensitive Semiconductor Components can fail</td>
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Street Light Protection Scheme

1. Circuit breaker at pole base – overcurrent protection for wiring in the pole to the luminaire (CB may or may not be installed)
2. **Thermal protection** inside surge protection module (SPD)
3. **Fuse** inside power supply – overcurrent protection for power supply circuitry
Protecting LED Luminaire in Product Design

SPD Module
Also known as Surge Arrestor
Product Overview

- Protection Module Maximum Lightning Surge Current
  - LSP10 Series - 20,000 Amps
  - LSP05 Series - 10,000 Amps
- Meets ANSI 136.2/IEEE C62.41.2 Location Category C High Exposure
- Thermally protected Varistor technology
- Parallel connected and series connected SPD options
- IP66 water-proof and dust-proof
- Indication wire lead options for parallel connected modules
- Certified to meet UL1449/IEC61643-11
- Compact form factor (48x48x30mm) with mounting tabs
## LSP05 & LSP10 Features and Benefits

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<td>• Maximum Lightning Surge Current 20kA</td>
<td>• Optimized surge immunity solution to protect the outdoor LED fixture investment to get the long term reduction in maintenance costs and energy savings. Without surge protection, the value proposition of LED lighting is at risk</td>
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<td>• Thermal fail-safe protection to prevent a hazard to the light or facility due to 'end-of-life' or extreme failure conditions of internal components</td>
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<td>• Wide operation voltage 120Vac~480Vac</td>
<td>• Flexibility to select optimal protection for each lighting installation input voltage</td>
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<td>• Ingress protection IP66</td>
<td>• Surge protector is less susceptible to damage from water or environment</td>
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<td>• Series – Clear indication for SPD module replacement by turning luminaire off when the thermal fail-safe protection is activated</td>
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<td>• Parallel – External wire option for LED indication or adaptive lighting circuit</td>
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<td>• Confidence in the quality and integrity of specifications will be met since it is subjected to regular, independent 3rd party analysis</td>
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LED SPD Module Value Proposition

Before and after the conversion to LED street lighting. Credit: Los Angeles Bureau of Street Lighting

- Up to 20kA lightning surge protection
- MOV thermal protection for end of life
- SPD replacement indication
- **LED fixture investment protected**
Value Proposition Explained

**SAFETY**
- LED lights are electronic appliances – failures in electronic appliances are the number one reason for fire in households
- Carefully selected **FUSES** provide the necessary **SAFETY**

**RELIABILITY**
Customer expectations are very high
- LED Lights promise extremely long lifetimes (20,000 to 50,000 hours)
- Suitable overvoltage protection MOV technologies help increase reliability

**External, replaceable, surge protection modules**
⇒ **Protect the overall LED lighting fixture investment**
⇒ Municipality is paying 2-4X the price when replacing legacy lighting; they need to recoup the investment but cannot accomplish this if LED lighting fixture is damaged by surge event during its prescribed lifetime.
⇒ **Reduce maintenance costs by providing real-time, clear indication that protection module needs to be replaced due to end of life.**
LSP10 Series Connection

The world’s first series connected, 20kA capable indicating surge arrestor

Transient voltage from lightning or load switching in the neighborhood

Thermal protection prevents MOV fire hazard caused by unstable line voltage and end-of-life failure

If SPD that has activated its thermal protection is not replaced, subsequent surge events can damage luminaire. Series connected SPD cuts luminaire power off to provide a clearly visible indication that SPD replacement is required.
LSP05 & LSP10
Parallel Connection

Transient voltage from lightning or load switching in the neighborhood

Parallel connection, the most common method of SPD installation to protect PSU from transient strikes

LED indicator shows when to replace the SPD

Thermal protection prevents MOV fire hazard caused by unstable line voltage and end-of-life failure
LSP10 Series
Parallel Connection & Series Connection

Design Schematic Circuit and Application Examples

Parallel Connection

Series Connection

LSP10xxxP

LSP10xxxS

AC/DC Power Supply

LED Module

SPD

SPD
LSP10
Parallel Connection with End-of-Life Indication

- Take series connection models (with suffix S) and apply as parallel connection in the lighting fixture.
- Use the output wires as end-of-life indication.
- Connected to a current limiting resistor and a green LED to form an external indicator of module status. When green LED is on, the module is working normally. When green LED is off, the module is disconnected from power circuit and not providing surge protection to downstream devices. It must be replaced with a new one.

Parallel Connection
With LED indicating SPD status
-ON (green): SPD is online
-OFF: SPD needs replacement

LSP10xxxS

LED normally on
**LSP05**

**Parallel Connection and Indication Options**

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**Design Schematic Circuit and Application Examples**

- **Parallel Connection**
  - AC/DC Power Supply
  - LED Module

- **SPD**
  - LSP05xxxP

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- Indication wires (R1/R2/R3) could be connected to current limiting resistor and LED to form normally-on or normally-off indicator.

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- **Parallel Connection**
  - With LED indicating SPD status
    - ON (green): SPD is online
    - OFF: SPD needs replacement

- **Parallel Connection**
  - With LED indicating SPD status
    - OFF: SPD is online
    - ON (red): SPD needs replacement

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*LED and Resistor are assembled by customer*
Series Connection Provides More Value

- Series connection **turns lighting off** as an obvious indication to maintenance personnel of the need for surge protection module replacement.
- Until the end-of-life surge protection module is replaced, the lighting fixture is separated from the power line and **immune to subsequent surge events**.

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**Surge protection to absorb overvoltage transient from power source**
- No SPD: No
- SPD connected: Yes

**Thermal disconnect to cut off damaged SPD from circuit to reduce risk of fire**
- No SPD: No
- SPD connected: Yes

**UL1449 certificated for SPD safety**
- No SPD: No
- SPD connected: Yes

**Indication for damaged SPD maintenance**
- No SPD: No
- SPD connected: No

**Prevent luminaire from subsequent surges after SPD is damaged**
- No SPD: No
- SPD connected: Yes, light turns off

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LSP05 & LSP10 Outline Dimension

NOTE: 1. Black: Line; White: Neutral; Green: Ground
2. Wire Gauge: AWG14; Wire Line in, AWG22 wire for indication wire
LSP05 & LSP10 Series
Surge Protection Module Key Applications

- Roadway Lighting
- Parking Garage Lighting
- Wash wall Lighting
- Traffic Lighting
- Flood Lighting
- Digital Signage
- Street Lighting
- Tunnel Lighting
Product Availability & Contacts

- Samples and pricing are available by contacting your Littelfuse sales representative
- Standard lead time: 10 weeks
- Please contact your local Littelfuse sales representative for fast support.

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- Commercial and Industrial LED Lighting Sample Kit
  - Ivy Spidale (ispidale@littelfuse.com)
Background

Rapidly increasing demands for LED-based light sources for outdoor applications bring new challenges to system **durability**. In order to maximize the durability and **reliability** of LED lighting systems, it is critical to protect them from damage due to high current surges on the main lines.
Global Regulatory Overview

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<td>Integrated LED light bulbs (E27 Base Europe / E26 Base USA) LED Luminaires (indoor commercial)</td>
<td>Energy Star (Based on IEEE C62.41.2 Catetory A) Ring wave 2.5kV 100kHz</td>
<td>IEC/EN 61547 IEC/EN 61000-4-5 500V/250A 1kV/500A</td>
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<td>LED Outdoor Luminaires (Street Lighting, Parking Lot Lighting)</td>
<td>DOE MSSLC V1.0 (Based on IEEE C62.41.2) Cat C Low 6kV/3kA Cat C High 20kV/10kA ANSI/NEMA C136.2</td>
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<td>UL 8750, UL 1310, UL 1993, UL 1598</td>
<td>IEC/EN 62560 bulb IEC/EN 60598 general IEC/EN 61347 control IEC/EN 62031 general</td>
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**Municipal Street Solid State Lighting Consortium**

- LED roadway lighting model specification, effective from December 2011, calls out surge immunity requirements for outdoor lighting systems.
- Model specification may become mandatory ANSI/NEMA requirement.
- Cities, municipalities and utilities in North America are adopting this model specification in their Requests for Quotes (RFQs) for lighting retrofit projects.

![Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)]

- IEEE C62.41.2-2002 (or latest), IEEE Recommended Practice on Characterization of Surges in Low-Voltage (1000 V and less) AC Power Circuits

![National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA)]

- ANSI/NEMA/ANSLG C78.377-2008 (or latest), American National Standard for the Chromaticity of Solid State Lighting Products

![National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)]

- 70 – National Electrical Code (NEC)

![Underwriters Laboratories (UL)]

- 1449, Surge Protective Devices
- 1598, Luminaires
- 8750, Light Emitting Diode (LED) Equipment for Use in Lighting Products
North America - Commercial and Industrial Outdoor LED lighting
Dept of Energy Surge Requirements with reference to IEEE C.62.41-2002

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* A combination waveform where specified peak current is calibrated on the tester by a luminaire. Single phase modes: L-N L-G N-G. Polyphase Modes: L-L L-N L’s-G

Category A: parts of the installation at some distance from the service entrance
Category B: Between Cat A and Cat C
Category C: External part of structure, extending some distance into the building.
**DOE Spec Surge Testing Requirements for High Exposure Levels**

Table 2: 1.2/50μS – 8/20 μS Combination Wave Specification

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<td>Coupling Modes</td>
<td>L1 to PE, L2 to PE, L1 to L2</td>
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<td>Polarity and Phase Angle</td>
<td>Positive at 90° and Negative at 270°</td>
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<tr>
<td>Test Strikes</td>
<td>5 for each Coupling Mode and Polarity/Phase Angle combination</td>
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<tr>
<td>Time Between Strikes</td>
<td>1 minute</td>
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<td>Total Number of Strikes</td>
<td>= 5 strikes x 3 coupling modes x 2 polarity/phase angles</td>
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† This is a MINIMUM requirement. Note that for most combination wave generators, which have a source impedance of 2Ω, the generator charging voltage will need to be raised above the specified level (to somewhere in the vicinity of 20kV) to obtain the specified current peak.

Waveform: 1.2x50μs open circuit voltage/8x20μs short circuit current combination wave
Europe/Brazil/Asia Outdoor LED Surge Requirement
Suggested 10kV/5kA Level Surge Immunity

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Single phase modes: L-N L-G N-G Polyphase Modes: L-L L-N L’s-G

IEEE C62.41.2 Recommended Practice on Characterization of Surges on Low Voltage (1000V and less) AC Power Circuits

IEC 61643 Surge Protective Devices Connected to Low Voltage Power Systems

10kV/5kA
MOV End-of-Life Failure Mode

- MOVs tend to degrade gradually after a large surge or multiple small surges. The degradation leads to increasing MOV leakage current, in turn raising its temperature under normal conditions like 120Vac/240Vac operating voltage.

- A proper thermal disconnect will sense the increase in MOV temperature as it continues to degrade to its end-of-life condition, at which point it will open, removing the degraded MOV from the circuit and preventing its catastrophic failure.
Why Thermal Protection in Surge Protection Module – Continuous Overvoltage

- Metal Oxide Varistors (MOVs) are commonly used to suppress transients in Surge Protection Modules
- MOVs can also be subjected to continuous abnormal overvoltage conditions rather than short duration transients. Continuous abnormal overvoltage faults are usually caused by poor power grid quality or loss of neutral-to-ground connection in power transformer wiring. The abnormal conditions may last for minutes, even hours
- If an MOV is subjected to a sustained abnormal overvoltage, the MOV may go into thermal runaway, resulting in overheating, smoke, and potentially fire. In many cases, it requires surge protection module makers to include a thermal disconnect for an MOV. That thermal disconnect has traditionally been a thermal fuse or Thermal Cut-Off (TCO) device. It disconnects the MOV from the power line when over-temperature is detected
Abnormal Overvoltage (UL1449) Condition

- In AC line applications, the loss of a Neutral-Ground connection can occur.
- Loss can lead to a sustained over-voltage, affecting an MOV that is rated for a much lower continuous voltage.
- If tied to the AC line that limits current flow, MOV can overheat, causing the SPD module to overheat, resulting in smoke, out-gassing, and eventually fire.
- Ex: U.S. 120V AC Line application, two 120V AC power lines (180° out of phase) are commonly fed from a center-tapped 240V transformer, assuming 150V rated MOV is present in the top 120V circuit, and some load exists on the bottom 120V circuit.
- Both the MOV and load share the center tap, which is the Neutral-Ground connection. If a break occurs on the center tap (X—X), then the load in the bottom phase acts as a current limiter and the line fuse may not clear.
- Thermally self-protected MOVs can help protect against TOV conditions and sustained abnormal over-voltage limited current testing as itemized in UL1449. (Typically up to 10A fault current at about double the line voltage)
Line Swells & Oscillatory Transients

- Besides impulsive transient, oscillatory transients are a concern for lighting manufacturers.
- Caused by power quality problem on the feeder lines caused by transformers energizing or capacitor banks switching.
- Are of long duration, 3 cycles or more, temporary overvoltage that can last a few seconds.
- Up to 2 times normal operating voltage.
- Can lead to equipment damage or failure surge protection.

IEEE 1159 (Recommended Practice for Monitoring Electric Power Quality)

- Spec defines such a temporary overvoltage as an oscillatory transient is a sudden, non-power frequency change in the steady state condition of voltage, current or both, that includes both positive and negative polarity values.
- For frequencies below 5 kHz in power line sub-transmission and distribution, capacitor banks being energized can create an oscillatory voltage transient with voltages reaching 2 times the normal operating voltage and last 0.5-3 cycles.
The coordination between the MOVs used in the surge protection module and in the LED driver is also of important consideration. These MOVs must be coordinated such that the larger disc MOVs residing in the surge protection module should clamp before the smaller MOV used in the LED driver power supply. If the driver MOV voltage rating is lower, it will take the brunt of the transient since it will likely turn on first. That could result in a catastrophic event. Impedance between the primary SPD and the driver, perhaps a few uHs will help in ensuring proper coordination.

1. MOV1 and MOV2 need to be coordinated so that most of surge current/energy flows through MOV1.
2. $V_M$ (Maximum Continuous Operating Voltage) Select MOVs with $V_M(MOV1) \leq V_M(MOV2)$
3. $V_C$ (Maximum Clamping Voltage) Select MOVs with $V_C(MOV1) \leq V_C(MOV2)$
4. Inductance L may be added in series connection SPD. Increasing inductance L will result in better coordination as MOV1 absorbing higher surge energy. $V_{MOV1} = V_{MOV2} + L \cdot \frac{di}{dt}$
Residual Surge Energy Passing Through Surge Protection Module

- Surge protection module absorbs most of surge energy; however, there is still residual energy going into LED driver and causing damage to components inside.
- To minimize the damage, the LED driver should coordinate with the surge protection module so that less energy enters the LED driver.

“Coordination makes better protection and less damage”

- **Residual Voltage**
  - Determined by MOV1; thus, fast-response-time and low-clamping-voltage varistor is preferred.

- **Residual Current**
  - MOV2 is suggested as higher clamping voltage than MOV1 to maximize I1 and minimize I2 so that fuse F1 is not damaged by residual current.
  - R1, the equivalent resistance of primary circuitry including NTC, EMI filter, rectifier, PFC, transformer, transistor, etc., could be adjusted higher if necessary to minimize I3 and component damage in primary circuitry.
Use TVS Diode as Second-Level Transient Suppression

For components sensitive to and easily damaged by surge voltage or current, place TVS Diodes next to them to absorb “let-through” energy from surge protection module.