

GE AEPA I/O Modules

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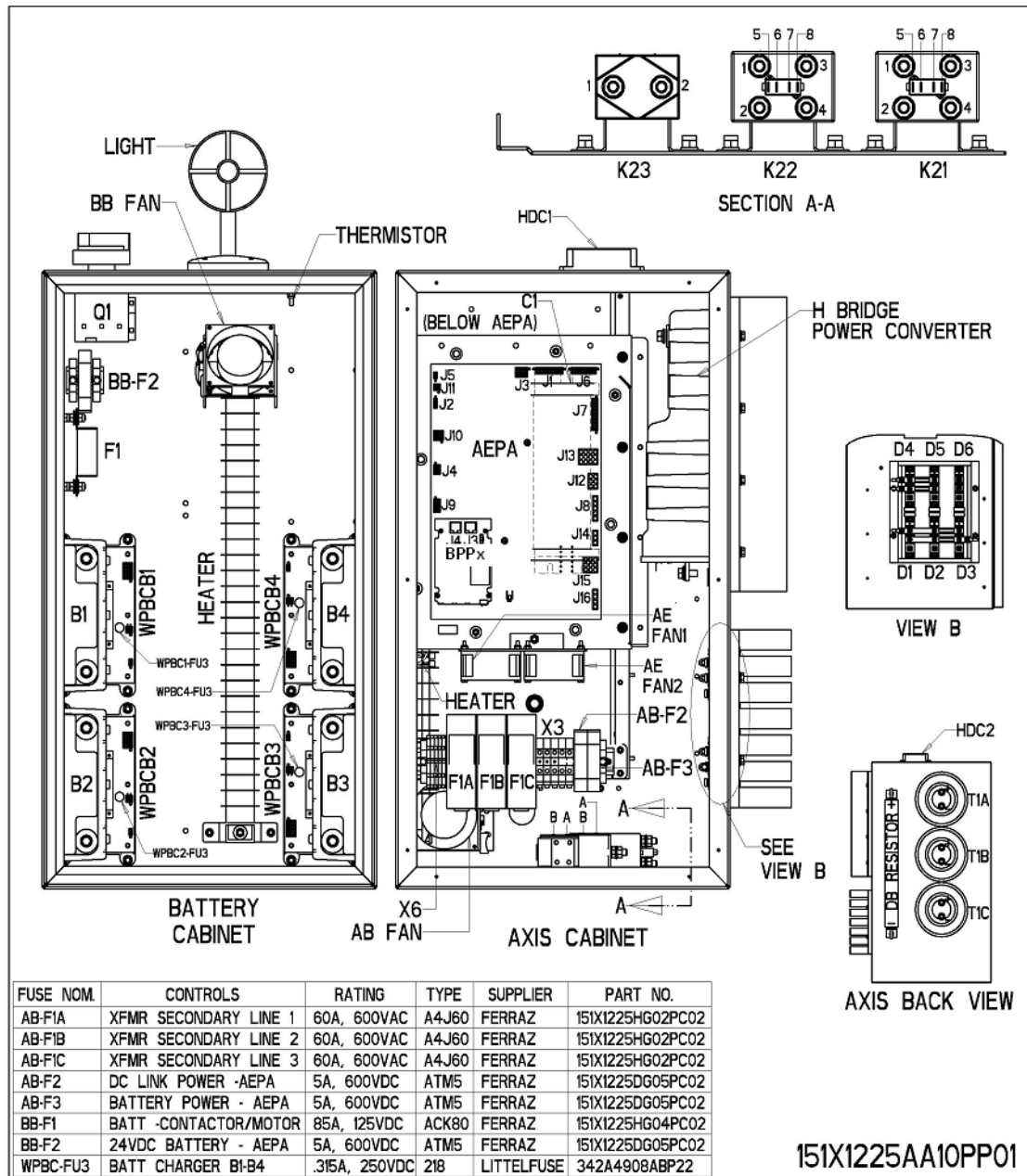
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5 Axis Box

The Axis box contains an application board (AEPA), a 3-phase transformer (three single-phase toroidal transformers), a 3-phase rectifier, power converter, and dc contactors. The AEPA accepts position references received by the AEPC from the turbine controller, and converts the position reference to a torque reference that is sent to the power converter. The main 400 V ac power is converted to approximately 63 V ac, and then rectified to supply the Pitch power converter with 80 V dc. The Pitch power converter controls the dc motor.



Typical Axis and Battery Boxes Layout

5.1 AEPA Module

Refer to *Mark VIe Control Renewable Energy Distributed I/O Modules (GEH-6779)*.

The AEPA is a special-purpose I/O module that controls the pitch of a wind turbine blade through a series-wound dc motor. The IS215AEPA is replaced as a single module (AEPA module and BPPx processor board). The ToolboxST application includes an AEPA HTML help file.

5.1.1 Compatibility

Refer to the section, [Replacing an AEPA](#).

The AEPA module has two versions and includes a compatible BPPx processor boards, as listed in the following table.

Version	Description
AEPAH1A	BPPB processor board
AEPAH1C	BPPC [†] processor board
† Supported with ControlST* software suite V04.06 and later	

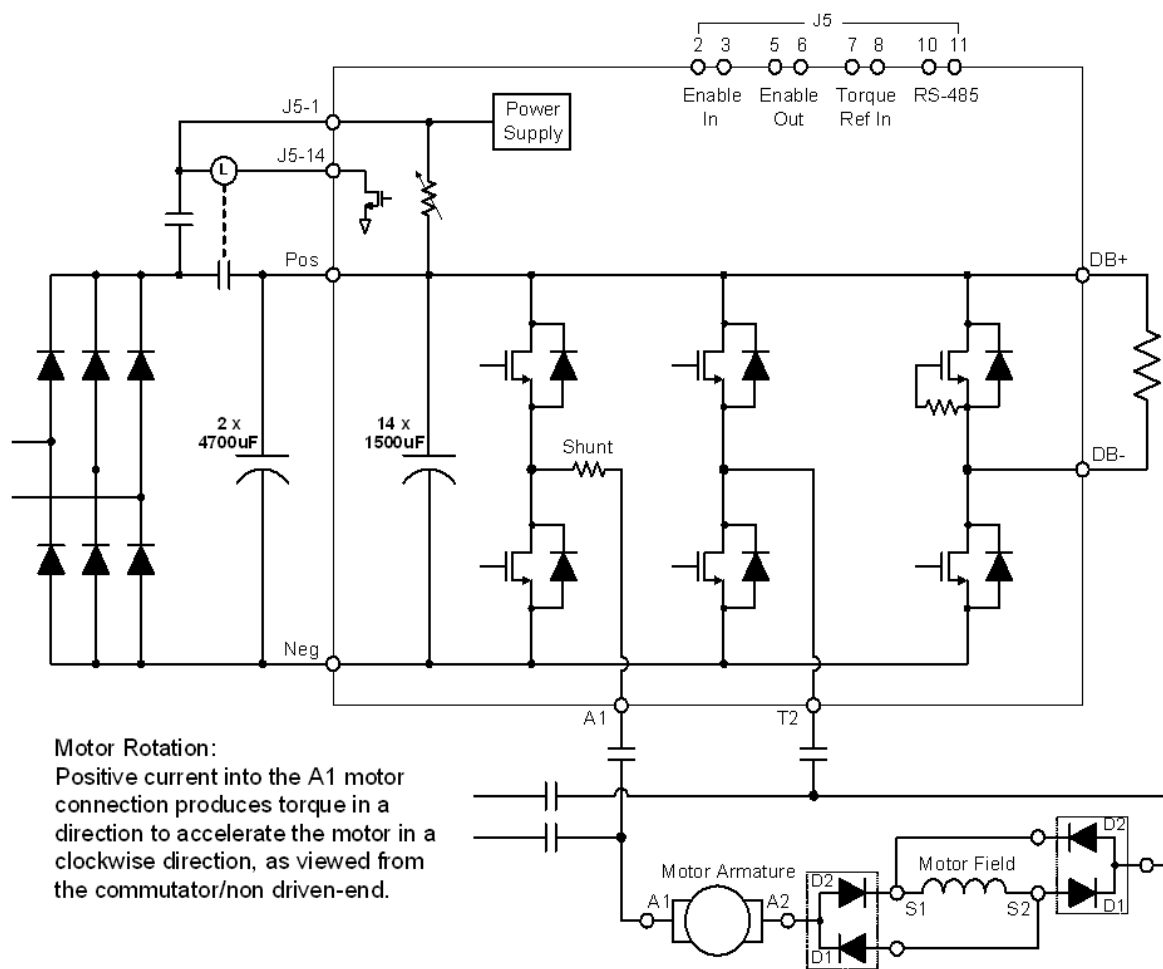
5.2 Pitch Motor Power Converter

The Pitch Motor Power Converter supplies the power to the pitch motor by pulse-width modulating (PWM) the dc voltage to regulate dc motor current. The AEPA supplies a hard-wired output *Enable* signal and a 4-20 mA current reference to the motor controller. The RS-485 link sends converter feedbacks and diagnostics from the converter to the AEPA. The Pitch Motor Power Converter provides the AEPA with a hard-wired *Enable Acknowledge* signal.



Attention

Do not service the Pitch Motor Power Converter. If a problem occurs, replace the entire component.



Pitch Motor Power Converter