# TCI's New KDR Optimized Drive Reactors Deliver Superior Design And Performance

Customers demand quality and performance at a price that translates to "optimum value". TCI, the drive industry's leading provider of value added technology, is proud to introduce the KDR Series of Optimized Drive Reactors. This is the latest addition to a family of reactor products with a reputation for increasing the value and improving the system performance of power inverters.

This KDR product has been designed to provide the same rugged reliability you've come to expect from TCI products in the smallest, lightest product package currently available in the market. Product models, covering the complete range of impedance needs, are available for either the line or load side of a PWM drive. Providing the optimum selection for your application, TCI's KDR Optimized Drive Reactors are your "Superior Design and Performance" solution.

KDR Optimized Drive Reactors are warranted against manufacturer's defect for the life of the drive with which they are installed.

#### Performance Guarantee

Properly sized for the application, a KDR reactor is guaranteed to eliminate any AC drive overvoltage tripping problems. If a KDR reactor is installed and the tripping problem remains, TCI will take back the reactor and pay shipping both ways. (Offer valid for 60 days from date of shipment.)



### Drawings/Specifications

Autocad® compatible\*.dxf drawings and Acrobat Reader® compatible\*.pdf drawings of all KDR Optimized Drive Reactors are available at www.transcoil.com or by contacting TCI at (800) 824-8282.



## KDR At The Input Of The Drive

KDR Optimized Drive Reactors applied to the line side of a PWM drive will greatly improve the overall performance of the drive. The additional circuit inductance will reduce AC voltage waveform line notching, DC bus overvoltage trips, inverter overvoltage, poor total power factor, and cross-talk.

## Typical Problems, Superior Solutions With KDR Reactors:

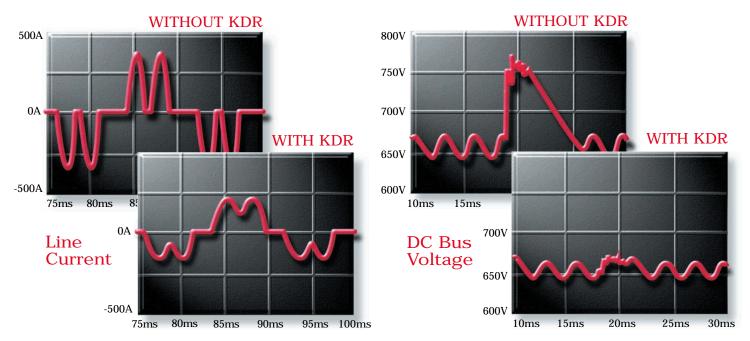
KDR On The Input to DC Drives

• Voltage line notching, also known as commutation notching, originates in SCR phase-controlled rectifiers. As the transfer of current takes place, there is a brief period of time where two SCRs connect during the switching process, causing a short between two of the AC lines. Additional impedance will reduce the depth and rounds the edges of the notches. This will eliminate drive cross-talk, interference, and equipment damage.

#### **KDR** On The Input to AC Drives

• Transient voltages, commonly caused by capacitor switching, or the switching of large load blocks, can result in an overvoltage condition of the DC bus. This overvoltage condition will cause the drive to shut down in order to protect its components. These transients can sometimes be very severe and too quick for the drive to shut down. The addition of a KDR Optimized Drive Reactor can prevent drive shutdown and even protect components from possible damage.

- Input line distortion is caused by the non-linear characteristics of drives. The addition of a KDR Optimized Drive Reactor will limit the inrush current to the rectifier, rounding the waveform, reducing the peak currents and lowering the harmonic current distortion. High peak currents may cause distortion of the voltage waveform. KDR's reduction of those peak currents also reduces total harmonic voltage distortion at the point of common coupling.
- Drive input currents rich in harmonics result in a decrease in total input power factor to the drive. The addition of a KDR Optimized Drive Reactor will reduce the RMS current through the reduction in harmonic content, thereby improving the total power factor.
- Input voltage unbalance may prevent the drive from performing due to subsequent overcurrent conditions which cause the drive to cease operating. Tests have proven that the addition of a KDR Drive Reactor to the input of every drive will help balance the drive input line currents.



# Two Rating Levels, Two Choices, One "Optimized" Answer...the new KDR

Choose TCI's new KDR Optimized Drive Reactors in two ratings versions, Low "Z" (low impedance) and High "Z" (high impedance). Input impedance can significantly improve drive performance; however, it should be noted that as impedance increases, the DC voltage on the VFD's capacitors actually decreases. This decrease can become significant enough to cause either an undervoltage trip or excessive motor current in the VFD. The KDR Optimized Drive Reactors have been designed to provide the best protection for both your drive and your application.

#### Use KDR Low "Z" Units For:

These units can be used in any applications where traditionally either a 1.5% or 3% reactor would be applied.

Reduction of nuisance tripping caused by:

- Transient voltages caused by capacitor switching
- Line notching
- DC bus overvoltage tripping
- Inverter overcurrent and overvoltage

Additional benefits include:

- Lowering injected percentage of harmonic current
- Improving true power factor
- Reducing cross-talk between drives

## Use KDR High "Z" Units For:

These units can be used in any rugged application where traditionally a 5% reactor would be applied.

KDR High "Z" offers the same superior benefits as Low "Z" plus additional benefits which include:

- Helping prevent drive component damage
- Providing maximum harmonic mitigation without adding capacitance
- Further improving true power factor
- Adding impedance to drives with or without DC link chokes/reactors when more impedance is desired due to a relatively stiff source.

#### **KDR Selection**

TCI has compiled tables for each drive manufacturer by voltage and HP with the proper KDR selection noted for Low "Z" and High "Z" based on the manufacturer's nameplate input current rating. These charts also include convenient crossover tables between the popular TCI KLR series of reactors as well as crossovers for many other brands of reactors.