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- revision of the EMC requirements in Annex J;
- shifting of tables from Annex H to new Annex N;
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- new Annex P with a verification method for short-circuit withstand strength (integration of the content of IEC/TR 61117);
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