

rods because this tower has a high ground resistance value before the repair.

When each tower is installed with more electrodes, the tower footing resistance, the soil resistivity value, back-flashover level, and insulator voltage in the studied line can be reduced to less than half of their respective previous values. This can be seen in tower 77, where the tower footing resistance reduces to 0.99, the soil resistivity value drops to 6.07 Ω .m, the back-flashover rate decreases to 0.86 flashover rate/km/years, the insulator voltage decline to 0.9 MV when the disturbances occur. Another factor affecting the number of back-flashovers in the lines is the span length; this can be seen in towers 68 and 77.

The soil resistivity value in each tower has increased, but the number of back-flashover disturbances is lower. This is due to the length of the span because the shorter the span, the faster the reflected wave will be; consequently, it can reduce the voltage in the insulator and minimize the chance of flashover occurrence.

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