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**Our value proposition**

*Working with you to develop innovative, energy efficient and EMC compliant solutions for your electrical power control and power quality problems.*

*Providing technical expertise to deliver an enhanced return on investment through lower energy consumption, superior process efficiency and increased product life.*
The resultant fixed voltage, variable frequency supply output, whilst able to control motor speed, creates unwanted electromagnetic interference (EMI) and harmonic currents, whose high frequencies can damage equipment. Overheating of transformers, windings and capacitors as well as interference on telecommunications equipment and metering apparatus can render equipment unusable.

European legislation has sought to solve the problem through the introduction of the IEC/EN 61800-3 directive, which makes it obligatory for manufacturers, panel builders and systems integrators to ensure that all equipment is electromagnetically compatible with surrounding devices.

It is the combination of these factors which ultimately impact the triple bottom line; price, people and planet. Procurement and finance managers must make decisions which not only impact profitability but also the people and environment around them. Although ever decreasing budgets require intense scrutiny of any expense, some simple changes can result in significant savings.

Price is the first ‘P’ of the triple bottom line. To provide original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) with a simple way to reduce energy costs, REO has developed an EMC compliant input choke. The CNW903, three phase, high current line reactor removes harmonic currents and EMI from the power supply, reducing any voltage distortion, which could degrade or damage equipment.

The unit’s small and efficient design has been achieved through careful selection of build materials and the application of design experience, which has resulted in a unit that requires much less panel space, and incorporates shielded terminals and protection covers.

In a typical example, a CNW903 choke, costing only a little more than fifty pounds, used on a 4kW VSD, achieved such significant energy savings, that return on investment was realised in less than five weeks - assuming an electricity cost of 11.2 pence/KWh and 50 hours usage per week. This amounts to nearly £600 of savings in the first year alone; an incredible saving considering that the unit also increases motor life by reducing harmful harmonic currents and EMI.

People are the second ‘P’. As anyone that works in an industrial environment will know, working conditions on the factory floor can be demanding. Ear noise and hand protection is the norm. The CNW903 is able to eliminate excess heat, acoustic noise and component vibration - including mechanical stress on machinery, by reducing the overheating of in phase neutral conductors. This means a quieter and cooler working environment for everyone in the environment.

Planet is the final ‘P’. By reducing energy bills, companies can expect to meet and exceed not only government targets for carbon emissions, but also corporate social responsibility goals. Green credentials and brand awareness is also enhanced.

So why is it that, even though equipment such as the CNW903 exists, many companies are yet to realise these cost savings and improve their return on investment?
Three-phase Line chokes (3 lines)
CNW 903

Description:
Commutation (current conduction between thyristors) for fast-switching semiconductors, PFC (Power Factor Correction)

- Conforming to: EN 60289 / EN 61558
- Test voltage: L-L 2500 V, DC 1s; L-PE 2500 V, DC 1s
- Rated voltage: \( U = 3 \times 500 \text{ V} \)
- Insulation material class: T40/F
- Protection: IP 00
- Climatic category: DIN IEC 60068-1
- Overload: 1,5 x Inenn 1 min / h
- Construction: standing mounting profile

The advantages at a glance:

- UL-listed
- compact construction
- low temperature rise
- connection via terminals or wire is an option
- low noise

Manufacture concerning to UL insulation E251513

Also available with high ingress protection (CNW M 903 IP), liquid cooled (CNW MC 903) or customer specific solutions
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Higher ratings (CNW 903/200 up to CNW 903/1200) upon request.

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### The Comparison of harmonics graphs

- **Without line choke**
- **With line choke**

All chokes are available with high protection classes and encapsulated:
- The special design allows external mounting outside of the Inverter, without the need for an additional enclosure
- They are particularly robust
- Protected from dust, liquids and slurries

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Do you have an enquiry? 01588 673 411

Protection IP00 up to IP65