

# **USER'S MANUAL**



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# **SECTION I**

## ACC-32 MODULATED CARRIER CONDITIONER/VOLTAGE CONVERTER

The ACC-32 Modulated Carrier Conditioner/Converter is an active pickoff accessory for the turbine flowmeter which provides a pulse output and an analog voltage output proportional to flowrate.

The Modulated Carrier principle eliminates the pickoff drag, associated with conventional magnetic pickoffs, resulting in a significant increase in the usable range of a turbine flowmeter at lower rates.

The ACC-32 excites a series MCP pickup mounted on the turbine flowmeter. Sensed through the flowmeter body, the motion of the turbine rotor modulates the coil field, subsequent conditioning provides a pulse output signal where each pulse is representative of a discrete volume of fluid and where the frequency is proportional to flowrate. Pulse scaling is optionally available to reduce output pulse rate where required.

The analog output is generated by passing the pulse output frequency signal to a frequency to the voltage converter to generate a voltage proportional to flowrate.

Flowmeters compatible with the ACC-32 are available in nominal sizes below two inches. Larger flowmeters do not require a modulated carrier pickup.

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

INPUT	Pickup Type - Compatible with Series MCP pickoff.		
	Transmission distance dependent on output waveform and drive requirements.		
	Cable type Beldon 8422.		
	Modulation frequency range 10 Hz - 3500 Hz.		
PULSE OUTPUT	Open collector VMOS transistor 2N6660.		
(Square Waveform)	Maximum OFF state voltage 60 VDC.		
	Maximum ON current 1.0 amps.		
	TTL/CMOS fanout of 10 TTL/CMOS loads.		
	AC capacitively coupled square wave.		
PULSE SCALING	÷2, ÷4, ÷8, ÷16, ÷32, ÷64, ÷128, ÷256		
CAPABILITY			
(OPTIONAL)			

## **ORDERING INFORMATION**

PULSE OUTPUT

ANALOG OUTPUT

INPUT POWER

OPTIONAL FEATURE

ENCLOSURE STYLE

#### PULSE OUTPUT

MODEL ACC32-( \_ )-( \_ )-( \_ )-( \_ )-( \_ )-( \_ )

- OPTION (A)
- (1) OPEN COLLECTOR
- (2) (2) TTL/CMOS
- (3) AC SQUARE WAVE
- (5) 0-10 V SQUARE WAVE

#### ANALOG OUTPUT

MODEL ACC32-(\_\_)-(\_\_)-(\_\_)-(\_\_)-(\_\_)

- <u>OPTION</u> ( B )
- (X) NONE
- (C) 4-20 MA

#### **INPUT POWER**

MODEL ACC32-(\_\_)-(\_\_)-(\_\_)-(\_\_)

OPTION (C)

- (A) 115 VAC 50/60 HZ
- (B) 220 VAC 50/60 HZ
- (D) 15-35 VDC

#### **OPTIONAL FEATURE**

MODEL ACC32-(\_\_)-(\_\_)-(\_\_)-(\_\_)-(\_\_)

<u>OPTION</u> ( □

(PS) DIP SWITCH SELECTABLE DIVIDE BY 2,4,8,16,32,64,128, 256

#### ENCLOSURE STYLE

MODEL ACC32-(\_\_)-(\_\_)-(\_\_)-(\_\_)-(\_\_)

<u>OPTION</u>(E)

- (2) STYLE 2 CASE, GENERAL PURPOSE
- (4/O) STYLE 4 CASE, EXPLOSION-PROOF WITH WATER TIGHT 'O' RING MEETS CLASS I, GROUP C, D (ADALET CASE, XJS WITH FLAT COVER), STOCK #200-0698 CLASS II, GROUPS E, F & G CLASS III

MODEL ACC32-( A )-( B )-( C )-( D )-( E )

NOTE: INSERT (X) IN MODEL NUMBER FOR EVERY OPTION NOT SPECIFIED.

# **SECTION II**

### FLOWMETER INSTALLATION

#### **GENERAL**

Proper application of the turbine flowmeter requires a suitable piping installation in order to achieve accurate and reliable operation.

The piping configuration immediately preceding and following the flowmeter is termed the meter run. Refer to the manufacturer's outline and installation instructions when installing the flowmeter and meter run.

**RELATIVE** - The performance of the turbine flowmeter is affected by the fluid swirl and non-uniform velocity profiles. The following recommendation will reduce such flow irregularities.

It is advisable not to locate the meter run immediately downstream of pumps, partially opened valves, bends or other similar piping configurations. In addition, the area surrounding the flowmeter should be free of sources of electrical noise such as motors, solenoids, transformers and power lines which may be coupled to the pickoff device.

The metering section should not be subjected to excessive vibration or shock. Such a condition may result in an mechanically induced output signal from the pickoff device.

**METER RUN** - In general, the meter run should be chosen to have the same inner diameter as the meter bore. A minimum of 10 pipe diameters of straight pipe upstream and 5 pipe diameters downstream are required. Where this optimum line configuration can not be implemented, it is advisable to install a flow straightener properly positioned upstream of the flowmeter. Orientation is not a critical factor, however, horizontal is a preferred orientation.

**BYPASS RUN** - A properly sized bypass run with suitable blocking valves may be equipped where an interruption in fluid flow for turbine meters servicing can not be tolerated.

**STRAINER** - A strainer, filter and/or air eliminator is recommended to reduce the potential of fouling or damage. See table for recommended mesh size.

On initial startup of a line, it is advisable to install a spool piece purging the line to eliminate damaging the flowmeter, due to flux, tape, solder, welds or other contaminates carried along by the fluid stream.

**CAVITATION** - Cavitation causes measurement inaccuracies in turbine flowmeter and should be avoided by suitable line and operating configurations.

Whenever the pressure within a pipeline instantaneously falls below the equilibrium vapor pressure of the fluid, a portion of the fluid vaporizes and forms bubbles in the pipeline. This is termed cavitation. Cavitation is eliminated by maintaining adequate back pressure on the flowmeter. A downstream valve that provides the necessary back pressure is one means for preventing cavitation in the metering run. Control valves should be located downstream, if possible. Some installations may also make use of a vapor eliminator upstream of the flowmeter.

The minimum required back pressure may be estimated using the following equation:

*Min:* Back Pressure = 1.25 X Vapor Pressure + 2 X Pressure Drop

## INSTALLATION WIRING LAYOUT FOR INTERCONNECTIONS USING MCP PICKUP

In considering the interconnection between the flowmeter and the flow measurement system some attention must be given to anticipated noise sources and to the coupling of these noise sources to the interconnecting wiring.

Noise signals may be coupled inductively or capacitvely into the wiring between the flowmeter and the electronic measuring systems. In general, utilizing a shielded, twisted pair for the interconnection greatly reduces this coupling. The shield should be grounded on one end of the cable only. In general, grounding only on the electronic measuring system is best.

However, even with proper interconnecting cabling crosstalk with other signal lines or power lines may still occur and should be avoided. Physical isolation in the manner in which the wiring is run reduces the chances of potential problems.

The turbine flowmeter equipped with a Modulated Carrier Pickup (MCP) should not be located more than 100 feet from the Modulated Carrier Conditioner. It is recommended that the Modulated Carrier Conditioner be installed on or near the flowmeter to assure proper operation. Enclosures suitable for mounting in hazardous and wet areas are available.

## **INSTALLATION OF ACC-32 (DC POWERED)**

The Model ACC-32 should be placed in a convenient location which maintains access to the unit should repairs or readjustment be required.

Refer to outline and installation drawing for the appropriate case type to be installed. Drill appropriate mounting holes as required.

Refer to wiring installation drawing for the appropriate terminals for interconnections. Connections to the terminal block should be carefully dressed to avoid having bare wires extend pass the screw clamp on the terminal block. Wires should be neatly dressed near bottom of enclosure to assure wiring will not become fouled when cover is installed.

Connect two conductor shielded cables from flowmeter. Connect shield to ACC-32 only.

The DC power connection should be made through a circuit breaker so that power can be turned off while servicing accessory model. The input power type is factory wired **15-35 VDC** based on the model number specified. An earth ground connection is also required.

Connect pulse output is used, several output pulse waveforms are available factory equipped. Wire to appropriate terminal for waveform desired and specified.

If the analog output has been equipped connect wiring to appropriate terminals and load. A shielded, twisted pair wire is recommended. Ground shield on one end only. Use some precautions as described for flowmeter input signal.

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# **SECTION III**

## CALIBRATION OF ANALOG OUTPUT - GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS (LIQUID APPLICATIONS)

### **INTRODUCTION**

In general, all flow measurement systems supplied by Hoffer Flow Controls have been factory calibrated as specified by the user, at the time of purchase, free of charge.

All systems which underwent such a factory calibration have a calibration card attached prior to shipment. This card contains the details of analog outputs, as well as other useful calibration data.

Field calibration is only required when a change has occurred or is sought to the measuring system. Such a change may be due to repair, replacement or recalibration of the flowmeter, or perhaps a change in the analog output span.

### PROCEDURE

Begin by determining the equivalent maximum volumetric flowrate in GPM, expected by the application, term this GPM (MAX). GPM (MAX) may be calculated based on the analog output scale requirements or may be the maximum flowrate listed on the flowmeter's calibration sheet.

From the calibration constant (or K Factor) listed on the data sheet for the flowmeter, obtain the frequency corresponding to GPM (MAX) using Equation 1 and designate this frequency F (MAX).

## **Equation 1**

$$\frac{F_{MAX} = K_{AVG} X GPM_{MAX}}{60}$$

## FOR ANALOG OPTION

The analog output of the ACC-32 may be calibrated with the aid of an external oscillator used in conjunction with a frequency counter.

The external oscillator is used to supply a test frequency. In this method, the external oscillator is connected to the signal input terminals as shown in Figure 1. The oscillator's output frequency is set to equal F (MAX) as indicated on the frequency counter.

1. The course range adjustment is accomplished by selecting a switch position on a DIP switch located on the PCA-58 printed circuit card. See Table A to determine required switch position and set into switch as shown on drawing ACC-32-403 for anticipated F MAX.

- NOTE: It is necessary to open the cover of the enclosure by removing two screws on the side of the box and lifting cover. Two printed circuit cards are attached. The "RANGE" Dip Switch may be programmed with a pen. Input power should be removed during this step.
- 2. Connect a digital milliampmeter or equivalent, across the voltage output terminals.
- 3. Adjust SPAN control fully counter clockwise or 20 turns.
- 4. Adjust ZERO control for desired zero current (i.e., 4 mA).
- 5. Inject the Test Frequency equal to F (MAX) while adjusting SPAN for current equal to 20 mA. See test setup shown in Figure 1.

NOTE:	Iterate steps 4 and 5	until no change is observed.
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E (MAV)	RANGE SELECT
	SWITCH POSITION
75 TO 150	1
150 TO 300	2
300 TO 600	3
600 TO 1200	4
1200 TO 2400	5

Table A

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Applications of ACC Series Signal Conditioner/Converters to Gas Measurement Applications under Fixed Temperature and Pressure.

#### General-

Hoffer's ACC Series of Signal Conditioner/Converters are often applied to gas metering applications. Where the analog output is to represent a mass flow rate or the equivalent amount of gas at reference conditions, special considerations need to be applied. These considerations are outlined in the following paragraphs.

#### Conversion to Volumetric Flow Rates-

Where an analog output span is to be setup as flowrate expressed in mass units or in equivalent flow of gas at a reference condition, a conversion to equivalent ACFM is necessary before the calibration and setup may be performed.

Begin by converting the given flowrate to SCFM units of measure at a reference condition of 70°F, and a pressure of 14.696 PSIA.

Next convert the assumed flowing pressure to units of PSIA, designate this FLOWING\_P.

Next convert the assumed flowing temperature to units of Degrees Rankine, designate this FLOWING\_T.

Next calculate the equivalent maximum flowrate under the assumed line pressure and temperature to find the equivalent ACFM using the equation which follows:

 $ACFM = SCFM \quad x \quad \frac{14.696}{FLOWING_P} \quad x \quad \frac{FLOWING_T}{530}$ 

Finally, follow the setup procedure listed for the Signal Conditioner to determine the equivalent full scale frequency, Fmax for this application.

Follow the procedure listed in the User's Manual, and the calibration setup listed, to adjust the span and zero controls to achieve the desired analog span.

Note that the above procedure assumes the standard conditions to be 70°F and 14.696 PSIA, these vary reference conditions from industry to industry and from country to country. It is important that any variations of the reference conditions be considered in the setup of the instrument.

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## CALIBRATION OF ANALOG OUTPUT - GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR GAS APPLICATIONS

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#### PROCEDURE

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From the calibration constant (or K-Factor) listed on the data sheet for the flowmeter, obtain the frequency corresponding to ACFM(MAX) using Equation-1 and designate this frequency F(MAX).

#### Equation-1

$$F_{MAX} = \frac{K_{AVG} \times ACFM_{MAX}}{60}$$

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# **SECTION IV**

## **OPERATION**

## **INITIAL STARTUP**

Perform any purging of piping with spool piece in place. Once completed, install the flowmeter and connect cabling to pickup coil. If false counting action occurs turn sensitivity control counterclockwise.

## INTRODUCTION

The pulse output and analog output commence with flow through the flowmeter.

For the analog output, the span is that established by either the factory calibration or field calibration. The range is 4-20 mA into a maximum of 375 ohms of loop resistance.

### PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

A simplified block diagram of the ACC-32 Modulated Carrier Conditioner/Converter is given on the drawing ACC-32-601. Key functional blocks, as well as, information flow are designated. The basic operation of the system is as follows.

The MCP on the turbine flowmeter is connected to the Model ACC-32 with a shielded twisted pair signal cable. The MCP pickup coil forms part of an oscillator circuit and is excited by the ACC-32. Motion of the turbine rotor modulates the oscillator output. A demodulator converts the AM signal to a signal at a frequency determined by the rotor speed. The low level demodulated signal is then passed through a signal conditioning chain where it is filtered, amplified and shaped into a train of digital pulses whose frequency is related to the volume flowrate and where each pulse represents a discrete volume of fluid.

### ANALOG OUTPUT

The signal entering the frequency to analog converter is passed through a combination of a divide by N and a DIP switch MATRIX. The QN output is chosen whose pulse rate is between 75 and 150 Hz at the maximum flowrate to be measured. This scaled pulse rate is fed to a precision monostable circuit. The output of the monostable is then filtered into an analog voltage that is proportional to volumetric flowrate.

The output amplifier is a voltage to current amplifier. If offers zero and span available in a standard process range of 4 to 20 mA.

## POWER SUPPLY

The power supply provides for operating bias voltage for all internal circuitry.

The output amplifier may be configured to provide one of the following:

- 1. High level AC square wave (Capacitively coupled).
- 2. Open collector transistor.
- 3. TTL/CMOS compatible square pulse of 5 volt amplitude.

The output amplifier is buffered from the signal driving the analog output.



# **SECTION V**

## **MAINTENANCE, GENERAL**

Hoffer Flow Controls Flow Measurement Systems are constructed to give a long service life in the targeted measuring field and service environment. However, problems do occur form time to time and the following points should be considered for preventive maintenance and repairs.

The bearing type used in the flowmeter was chosen to give compromise between long life, chemical resistance, ease of maintenance and performance. A preventive maintenance schedule should be established to determine the amount of wear which has occurred since last overhaul. See user's manual for flowmeter for further instructions.

A spare parts list has been provided which at the discretion of the user, may be user stocked. Consult with the manufacturer if an abridged spare parts list is sought. The recommended spare parts list may be found following this section and in the user's manual for the flowmeter.

In case the flow measurement system malfunctions or becomes inoperative, a troubleshooting procedure is enclosed.

Factory consultation is available to assist in diagnosing problems. In addition, factory repair parts and service are available for individuals who wish to utilize this service.

A complete set of schematic diagrams for all printed cards is available from Hoffer Flow Controls for users who wish their own personnel to service the measuring systems.

#### NOTE:

- All printed circuit cards are warranted for one year after date of sale.
- All printed circuit cards may be factory repaired at a nominal fee for parts and labor after warrantee period.

### TROUBLESHOOTING AND MAINTENANCE

### INTRODUCTION

In case of an inoperable or malfunctioning system the following procedures can be used to isolate the faulty wiring, printed circuit boards and/or alternate causes. The majority of repairs can be made in the field thereby reducing the time a unit is out of service.

A recommended spare parts list is given immediately following the troubleshooting portion of this manual. The necessary documentation is contained with this manual with the exception of the calibration data sheet for the turbine flowmeter. This calibration is supplied separately.

Factory consultation is available to assist in diagnosing problems. Note that in some cases factory repairs can be performed more easily than can be accomplished in the field.

Failure conditions are listed and the possible corrective actions given to eliminate the observed problem.

### **GENERAL INSPECTION TO DETERMINE IF UNIT IS OPERATING PROPERLY**

Proper operation of the ACC-32 can be assumed when with power applied to the unit:

- 1. The pulse output produces a pulse train of the desired amplitude when flow through the flow transducer occurs.
- 2. The analog output produces a voltage output signal of 4-20 mA with a span corresponding to that established by the calibration procedure.

## **OBSERVED CONDITION**

# A. NO PULSE OUTPUT 1. Inspect terminal strip wiring for conformity to the installation instructions and for acceptance workmanship. 2. Verify fuse is good with an ohm meter. See dwg. ACC-32-403. (AC power only). 3. Determine if flowmeter rotor is fouled. 4. Defective pickup coil. Replace MCP. 5. Defective cable. Replace. 6. Defective ACC-32. Repair or replace. B. PULSING OUTPUT WITH NO FLOW 1. Line voltage below 105V RMS. (AC power only). 2. Defective pickup coil. Replace. 3. Defective cable. Replace. 4. Defective ACC-32. Repair or replace. 5. DC input voltage below 18 VDC (DC power only). C. ANALOG OUTPUT MALFUNCTION 1. Improper wiring termination. Correct wiring. 2. ACC-32 improperly calibrated. Recalibrate. 3. Defective circuitry with the ACC-32. Factory repair ACC-32.

**PROBLEM/CORRECTIVE ACTION** 

NOTE: Refer to flowmeter user's manual for repair instructions for the turbine flowmeter.

MODEL ACC-32 MODULATED CARRIER CONDITIONER/CONVERTER				
PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY		
1/20 AMP	Fuse, power supply (AC Power Only)	1 Box		
ACC-32-XX	Modulated Carrier/Conditioner/Converter	1		
МСР	Modulated Carrier Pickup	1		

 Table 1 - Recommended Spare Parts List

*NOTE:* Additional spare parts may be recommended for the turbine flowmeter. See user's manual for turbine flowmeter for details.



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