

# **Universal Transmitter**





## **CX/CN Series**

# Operations & Maintenance Manual



## **Warranty & Disclaimer Information**

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A gas monitoring system alone cannot prevent hazardous conditions from occurring. The reliability of a gas monitoring system, and the resultant safety level is dependent on, and the responsibility of the user. The user's responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- \*Insuring that the correct equipment is specified for conditions at the particular site
- \*Following recommended installation and wiring guidelines
- \*Meeting all applicable safety and electrical codes
- \*Scheduling regular calibrations and servicing
- \*Replacing inoperative or questionable parts or units

## WARRANTY

Conspec Controls Inc. provides warranty service for one (1) year from the shipping date on all electronic and mechanical components. Sensor elements are considered a consumable part subject to varying conditions which can affect their expected life. Sensor elements are covered under warranty for a period of six (6) months. Damage to sensor elements due to overexposure of the target gas, poisoning, or other factors beyond Conspec's control are not covered under warranty. Warranty service is limited to defects in materials and workmanship on units which fail under normal use. Conspec will repair or replace any unit found to have failed due to defects in materials or workmanship. This warranty is voided if the unit has been misused, damaged due to incorrect wiring, or altered before return to the factory. Warranty claims that are denied will be billed at the standard rate. Expedited shipping is not covered under warranty.

No other warranty is authorized other than the above.

Before returning a product for service, call Conspec Controls Inc. for a Return Authorization Number (RA#) at (724) 489-8450. Returned units should be packaged securely as damages incurred during shipping are not covered under warranty.



## 1.0 GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Universal Gas Transmitter is a micro-controller based electronic sensor that accepts signals delivered by several types of industry standard cells including *Electrochemical, Catalytic Bead, Infrared, Photo-Ionization & Thermal Conductivity* to determine ambient levels of target gas. The monitor can operate stand-alone, providing local display and alarm indication, or it can be connected to a larger fixed point detection system by incorporating the 900745 MODBUS protocol 2W 485 communications trunk adapter board. Alternatively, a 4-20 mA current signal is provided when the instrument is used as a remote sensor.

Alarm indicators are provided on the monitor. Normal condition will cause a green visual indicator to blink once every two seconds. If the first level of alarm is exceeded, this indication will change to one red blink every two seconds. When the second level of alarm is exceeded, the red visual indicator will blink twice every two seconds. Available options include the 900739 Alarm Relay Board. The 900739 contains three SPDT relays that activate via the programmable alarm set points. Optional self contained or remote audible and visual alarms can be connected with the incorporation of the Relay Board. This also enables control devices to be activated during an alarm condition. The monitor has a 2-line, 8-character alphanumeric Liquid Crystal Display that is used to display status, readings, and prompts to the user. User configuration and status indication is initiated via keypad entry. The standard keypad is a self-contained infrared encoder. The Universal Transmitter is temperature compensated over its entire range of operation in software. The one-person calibration feature is simple and adjustment free.

## 2.0 TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION

Control Voltage: 12-24 Volt DC, Approx. 100mA typical load

Analog Output: 4-20 mA current source standard
Operating Temperature: -20 to +50 degree Centigrade
Humidity: 10-95%, non-condensing

Accuracy: +/- 2% Full Scale Repeatability: +/- 2% Full Scale

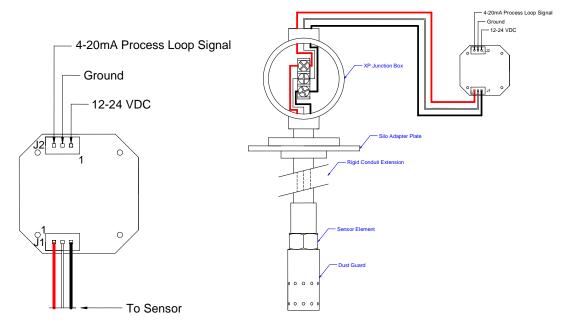
Stability: +/- 2% over 24-hour test, full temperature range

## 3.0 INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

The Universal Transmitter is available in a NEMA 4X rated electronic enclosure and a NEMA 7X rated Explosion Proof enclosure rated for use in Classified Areas. Locate a suitable location free of drips and drafts that allows the user to safely access the unit. The Universal Transmitter shall be mounted so the detection head is pointing downward. Securely mount the unit using industry approved methods and materials taking into account sound mechanical and electrical practices. (NOTE: It is the user's responsibility to follow all applicable Federal, State, and Local Building and Electrical Codes). The Universal Transmitter Card is powered via a 3-conductor 18-22AWG cable. The wiring diagram on the next page details the connection of V+, GND, and SIG on the terminal labeled J2.

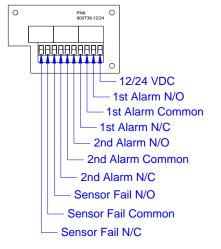


## **Transmitter Wiring Diagrams:**

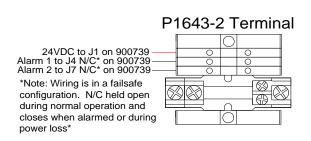


**Standard Transmitter Wiring** 

**Optional CDMA Silo Insertion Wiring** 



900739-12/24V Relay Adapter Board (3) SPDTRated .5A @ 120VAC, 60W

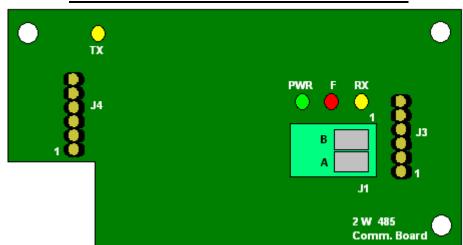


900739 Connection to Optional P1643-xx Remote Audio/Visual Alarm.



## 4.0 MODBUS OVERVIEW

The Conspec 900745 communication board allows interconnection of a Universal Remote Sensor or Combustible Remote Sensor to a standard 2-wire, RS-485, ModBus communication system. The UT communicates ModBus RS485 via 2 wire, twisted-pair connection (18-22 AWG)



900745 2W ModBus 485 Communications Board

### **Data Line Connections:**

CONNECTOR	EIA/TIA 485 NAME	DESCRIPTION
J1-1	B -	Transceiver Terminal 1
J1-2	A +	Transceiver Terminal 2

#### **Status LEDs:**

D1......Power (Green). Turns ON steady following a proper power initialization cycle.

D2......Communication Fault (Red). Flashes once during power initialization cycle. Flashes again each time a communication error occurs with the Universal Remote Sensor microprocessor.

D3......Data Receive Indicator RX (Yellow). Illuminates when data is present on RS-485 communication bus, indicating the Master or another Slave is talking.

D4......Data Transmit Indicator TX (Yellow). Illuminates when a response is being sent from this Slave to the Master.



## **Communication Settings:**

Trunk Address, Parity, and Baud are read from the 900732 Universal Remote Sensor (URS) during poweron initialization. These parameters are entered into the URS via the Command Code 130 entry method found on page 8. Following parameter modification, a power cycle must take place for the new settings to take effect. Default values are address = 1, parity = even, baud = 4800.

Parameter	Value
Trunk Address	1 – 247
Parity	0 - None
	1 - Even
	2 – Odd
Baud	0 - 1200
	1 - 4800
	2 – 9600
	3 - 19200

## 5.0 911118 INFRARED KEYPAD ENCODER

The Universal Transmitter Card is configured using the 911118 Infrared Keypad Encoder (not included). Command Codes consist of a number followed by the "ENTER" key labeled 'E'. Entries can be cleared by pressing the "CLEAR" key labeled 'C'.

Keys '1' and '2' can also be used to increment/decrement by a value of 1.

The 91118 Infrared Keypad Encoder uses (3) three 'N' size 1.5V batteries. Remove (2) two Phillips head screws on rear of the encoder to replace.



911118 Infrared Keypad Encoder (not included)



## 6.0 COMMAND CODES

### 25 Unlock Monitor

Enter Command Code 25 to unlock the monitor. A prompt will be displayed requesting entry of the User Password. The User Password is factory pre-programmed to "1". When the User Password is entered, the monitor will go into unlocked condition for a 15-minute period. In the unlocked condition, instrument settings can be modified.

## 100 Programmable Parameters

View when locked. View and modify when unlocked.

Gas Type: Selects target gas and range.\*

**Decimals:** Selects the number of digits represented in fractional form.\*

Range: Selects range for 20 mA output signal.\*

Span: Selects span calibration gas concentration.\*

## 111 Gas Sensor Calibration

Enter Command Code 111 while the monitor is un-locked to activate the gas sensor calibration routine. The Calibration routine is detailed on page 10.

## 120 Alarm Parameters

View when locked. View and modify when unlocked.

AL1-L: Alarm Level 1 low limit AL1-H: Alarm Level 1 high limit AL2-L: Alarm Level 2 low limit AL2-H: Alarm Level 2 high limit

On Delay: Delay, in seconds, to onset of alarm condition Off Delay 1: Delay, in seconds, required to reset alarm relay 1 Off Delay 2: Delay, in seconds, required to reset alarm relay 2

Alarm Type: 8-bit binary word used to define output relay alarm modes (See Page 8)

Sensor Fail Level: Sets limit of live concentration excursion beyond zero and range that defines

sensor fail

<sup>\*</sup>Factory Programmed Value-User will not typically need to modify – Could render unable to detect faults with sensor head



Command Code 120 contains a "Out Type" option that allows the operator to select how the Transmitter will detect an alarm condition. The value entered will determine if the alarm outputs will operate failsafe or non-failsafe. The value will also determine the manner in which the alarm outputs will activate. The list below describes the operation and magnitude of bits 0-7.

Level 1 is always defined as being between 0.0 and AL1. Level 2 is always defined as being between AL1 and AL2. Level 3 is always defined as being between AL2 and Max Range.

**Bit 7\*** - Controls sensor fail relay fail safe. If you want the sensor fail relay output to be fail safe, set this bit to a 1. If not, clear it to a 0. This bit has magnitude = 128.

**Bit 6\*** - Controls relay output fail safe. If you want the alarm relay outputs to be fail safe, set this bit to a 1. If you do not want fail safe mode on the alarm relay outputs, clear this bit to a 0. This bit has magnitude = 64.

**Bit 5** - Relay 2 Active Level 3 control. If you want level 3 to activate relay 2, set this bit. If not, clear it. Magnitude = 32.

**Bit 4** - Relay 2 Active Level 2 control. If you want level 2 to activate relay 2, set this bit. If not, clear it. Magnitude = 16.

**Bit 3** - Relay 2 Active Level 1 control. If you want level 1 to activate relay 2, set this bit. If not, clear it. Magnitude = 8.

**Bit 2** - Relay 1 Active Level 3 control. If you want level 3 to activate relay 1, set this bit. If not, clear it. Magnitude = 4.

**Bit 1** - Relay 1 Active Level 2 control. If you want level 2 to activate relay 1, set this bit. If not, clear it. Magnitude = 2.

**Bit 0** - Relay 1 Active Level 1 control. If you want level 1 to activate relay 1, set this bit. If not, clear it. Magnitude = 1.

Factory default for most monitors is 38. Bits 5, 2, and 1 are set for normal output operation. 32 + 4 + 2 = 38

\*Previous manuals incorrectly state Bit 6 as sensor fail relay fail safe and Bit 7 as relay output fail safe.

## 130 Communication Parameters\*\*

View when locked. View and modify when unlocked.

**Address:** ModBus slave address. Valid range: 1 - 247. Default = 1.

**Parity:** Selects ModBus communication parity. Default = 1

0 = none

1 = even

**2** = odd

**Baud:** Selects ModBus communication baud. Default = 1.

0 = 1200

1 = 4800

2 = 9600

3 = 19,200

**Contrast:** Controls contrast of LCD display. Valid range: 0 - 60. Default = 4.

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<sup>\*\*</sup>Applies to Modbus Ready monitors only.



## 150 Signal Current Calibration\*

Enter Command Code 150 while the monitor is un-locked to calibrate signal output current and display contrast.

Each displayed parameter can be adjusted up or down by one incremental value per key stroke. The '1' key decreases value, while the '2' key increases the value within operational limits.

## 170 Change User Password

Enter Command Code 170 while the monitor is un-locked to change User Password. The user password is factory preset to "1". The display will request entry of a new User Password. The new password needs to be entered twice before being accepted. The password can be any number from 1 to 9999.

## 200 Informational Screens

Enter Command Code 200 to display informational screens. The code version, input voltage, ambient temperature, slope, and live signal values will be displayed one at a time. This information is often useful during performance checks and troubleshooting following installation.

## 201 Informational Screens

Routine displays gas monitor type and sensor

\*Factory Programmed Value-User will not typically need to modify



## 7.0 GAS CALIBRATION PROCEDURE

- 1. Unlock the monitor using Command Code 25 and the User Password factory preset to "1".
- Initiate calibration by entering Command Code 111. The display will request zero gas be applied to the sensor head. The LED status indicator will turn on green continuously.
- 3. Apply zero gas to the sensor head using the calibration adapter (Conspec Part # P3013-xx), tubing, and proper gas cylinder (Conspec PN# P1880-xx)
  - The display will indicate the raw decimal value of the sensor's output.
- 4. When the raw value on the display has stabilized, press ENTER to accept. This should take approximately 2-4 minutes. Remove the zero gas <u>after</u> the value has been accepted.
- 5. The display will request span gas be applied to the sensor head. The LED status indicator will turn red continuously. When the raw value has stabilized, press ENTER to accept. This should take approximately 2 4 minutes.

If the new calibration information is accepted, "Calibration Done" will be displayed for 30-60 seconds to allow the sensor to recover and prevent any alarms from tripping. The monitor will then return to normal operation. To speed the recovery of the sensor it is recommended to remove the calibration adapter immediately following calibration.

If the calibration information is not accepted "Calibra. Error" will be displayed. The pre-existing calibration data will be reused at this point to help prevent an invalid calibration. Two common reasons the calibration may be rejected are (1) Entering the data before the sensor has fully reacted to the target gas, or (2) The sensor has passed its expected life and can no longer produce a signal within the acceptable calibration limits. The sensor element is in most cases a consumable part that periodically requires replacement. See page 13 for sensor replacement instructions.

<u>Calibration gases, accessories, & kits can be purchased from Conspec for all available gas detection transmitters and monitors supplied by Conspec.</u>



## **8.0 SIGNAL CURRENT CALIBRATION**

This feature allows the user to calibrate the 4-20mA Analog Output Signal. A Multi-Meter can be connected in series with the SIG (signal) wire to the controller.

- 1. Unlock the monitor using Command Code 25 and the User Password factory preset to "1".
- 2. Initiate calibration by entering Command Code 150. The unit will display the Raw Analog Zero Count
- 3. Use Key number "1" to decrease or "2" to increase the Raw Zero Count.
- 4. When the Multi-Meter reads 4.0mA, the user may press Enter to confirm
- 5. The monitor then prompts 20mA and displays the Raw Count.
- 6. Adjust the Raw Count with keys "1" & "2" until the Multi-Meter displays 20mA. Press the Enter key to confirm.

The typical Raw Count for 4mA should be approximately 190, and 950 for the 20mA.

## 9.0 GAS LEVEL INDICATORS

#### Sensor Failure:

The Universal Transmitter Card is designed to detect failures in the sensor cell and electrical connections. If the cell's output is diminished the signal voltage will be driven outside the limits for normal operation. This will be detected and constitute a sensor failure. The monitor will go into sensor fail if ambient temperature falls outside the range –20 to +50 degree C.

### **LED Status Indication:**

Normal Mode: One short green flash, 2-second interval Alarm Level 1: One short red flash, 2-second interval Two short red flashes, 2-second interval Sensor Fail: Alternating red-green, 1-second interval

Calibration Span: Constant red Calibration Zero: Constant green

### **Output Signal Current:**

Normal Mode: 4.0 to 20.0 mA, linearly proportional from zero to full scale range

Sensor Fail: 2.0 mA

Temperature Fail: 0.0 to 20.0 mA, linearly proportional from zero to full scale range

Start Up: 4.0 mA Calibration Mode: 4.0 mA



## 10.0 MAINTENANCE & REPAIR GUIDELINES, REPLACEMENT PARTS

- 1. Maintenance: This Gas Detection Monitor requires evaluation every thirty (30) days to ensure accuracy. The Monitor should be checked for accuracy by applying a known concentration of the target gas that exceeds the programmed alarm levels. The displayed gas value will stabilize as the gas fills the calibration chamber within the sensor head. When the programmed alarm levels are breached, the alarm output for that level would be activated subsequently to the programmed alarm delay duration. The displayed target gas value should match that of the concentration of test gas. Any warning or control devices connected to the alarm outputs should remain connected during this test to ensure proper operation of the entire gas detection system. Replace any inoperative or questionable parts immediately. This gas detection monitor requires calibration every ninety (90) days to ensure accuracy and to correct sensor drift. The gas detection "cell" located within the sensor housing is in most cases, a consumable part with an expected life. The cell's output decreases slowly as it nears the end of its expected life. The rate at which the output decreases depends greatly on the concentration and presence of target gas. This must be corrected by calibrating the monitor often to ensure an accurate reading and dependable alarming and control of connected devices. Conspec recommends that no modifications be made to this monitor without first consulting Conspec Technical Services. Modifying this equipment without consulting the factory could result in unsafe operation and/or unsafe atmospheric conditions. Modifying this equipment will void any warranty authorized by Conspec Controls Inc.
- 2. Repair: Any monitor found to be defective or questionable should be returned to Conspec Controls for evaluation and repair. Conspec requires any returned equipment to first be issued a Return Authorization Number (R.A.#) by calling Conspec at (724) 489-8450 Mon.-Fri. 8am-5pm est. Conspec also offers on-site Repair and Start-up service for Conspec Gas Detection Equipment.
- 3. Replacement Parts: Damaged or questionable parts should be replaced immediately upon detection. Damaged or inoperative parts could contribute to hazardous and/or unsafe conditions. Any consumable parts should be replaced if the reliability is questionable or within the part's specific expected life. Consumable parts include any filters, pump motors, sensors....etc.

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## 11.0 SENSOR REPLACEMENT

The sensor element on the CX/CN series transmitters is replaceable. No user serviceable parts are present inside the sensor housing. Sensor elements can be ordered from Conspec Controls. To replace the sensor, first disconnect power to the unit. It is normal for the monitor to display "Sensor Fail" after a new sensor has been installed. To correct this message, the new sensor will require calibration.

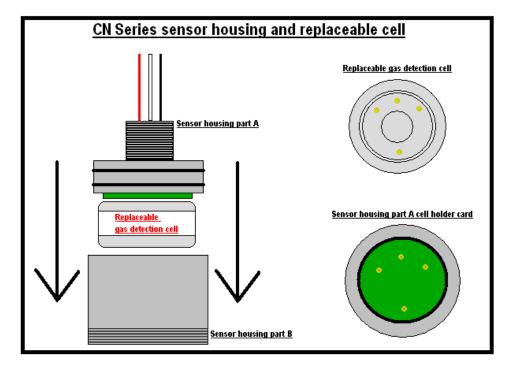
## **Sensor Replacement:**

## **NEMA 4X CN SERIES**

The NEMA 4X CN Series sensor housing is opened by pulling downward and twisting sensor housing part B until released from the compression seal on part A.

The replaceable cell can be removed by unplugging the cell from the cell holder card.

Plug the new cell into the cell holder card and replace sensor housing part B.





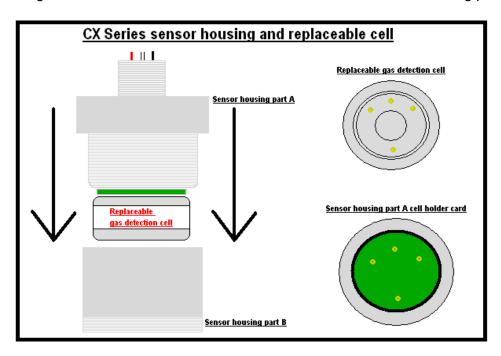
## HAZARDOUS/CLASSIFIED AREA CX SERIES

### \*WARNING: Remove power or declassify area before opening the sensor housing.

The Hazardous/Classified Area CX Series sensor housing is opened by loosening the Allen screw and unthreading sensor housing part B from part A.

The replaceable cell can be removed by unplugging the cell from the cell holder card.

Plug the new cell into the cell holder card and rethread sensor housing part B then retighten the Allen screw.



### **Contaminant/Small particulates Effects:**

Dust, coal fines, and rust are all small particulates that are encountered often within industrial environments. If preventative measures are not taken, these contaminants will likely block the flow of target gas into the sensor chamber. Once blocked, it can be nearly impossible to clean some sensor housings, and the housing may need to be entirely replaced. Preventive measures should be taken to avoid the sintered metal filter from becoming clogged. Available options include PTFE Hydrophobic disc filters to prevent moisture, rust and build up of small particulates.



## **Replacement Parts Notes:**