

# **MasterTrace**

MasterTrace Heat Tracing Systems are designed to be the very best in electrical heat trace control and monitoring for industrial applications.

# **ADVANTAGES**

- Custom Engineered Control Panels
- Easy-To-Read Interface,2x16-Character Alphanumeric Display, Field or Remote Mounted
- Modbus Comm
- RS-485 Serial Port Connectivity
- TraceCheck Early Warning System
- Power Limiting
- Load Shedding
- Solid State or Mechanical Switching Units
- Facility Wide Windows
   Based Software Monitoring
- Links to PLC or DCS
- Custom Engineered Software Designs

Custom engineered control panels designed to your specific requirements incorporate the unequaled quality and reliability of MasterTrace control modules.

# The Best in Monitoring

MasterTrace Heat Tracing Systems maximize the performance and reliability of any electrical heat tracing application. Sensing all critical heat trace variables and using the advanced algorithms of its microprocessor, MasterTrace controllers warn you of potential problems before they become critical and maintain your heat trace system 24 hours a day, 365 days of the year.

MasterTrace controllers continuously monitor your heat tracing system and provides you with user-settable alarms for temperature, heater current and ground fault current, all independent of the trip levels. Your heat tracing system is critical to your plant operations so



MasterTrace Systems are designed to perform self-check monitoring on all RTD's and switches. To further ensure that your heat trace works when you need it, the TraceCheck feature periodically energizes and checks for alarm conditions on all dormant lines and latches onto alarm functions.



# FEATURED BENEFITS

# TraceCheck Early Warning

Alerts operators to problems even when the circuit is not in use.

#### **Modbus**Protocol

Allows easy interfacing with our MC-100 software or PLC and DCS systems.

## **Alarm Outputs**

Common alarm alerts users to problems.

## **Centralized Interfacing**

No need to move around the plant. All variables are monitored at a single location.

#### **Statistics Monitoring**

Save energy by monitoring peak demand times.

# Staggerstart

Limits initial start up power.

# **Proportional Control**

Provides tight process temperature control.

#### **Advanced Control**

The advanced features of MasterTrace allow it to handle single-phase to three-phase heat trace applications with switch ratings up to 100A@ 600VAC. Integral user-settable ground fault trip protects your heat trace without costly ground fault breakers. The user-settable Ground Fault test function lets you know if Ground Fault monitoring is functioning properly. RTD inputs (dual RTD inputs available) have a user-settable fail-safe strategy. A Master Override input allows for external control for load-shedding or ambient control.

### Friendly Interfacing

MasterTrace interfaces make interrogation and programming easy for all MasterTrace controllers.

Two choices are available:

- Local Interface (MI100)
- Remote Interface (MR100)

ML100 communicates with a single controller of up to 10 circuits and up to five feet away. MR100 communicates with multiple controllers, up to 30 controllers or 300 circuits, to a maximum of 4,000 feet without repeaters.





### **Energy Management**

Operators have many reasons to reduce their environmental impact yet may be missing substantial opportunities to become greener without making significant investments. Opportunities for energy savings are in, perhaps, the most obvious of places—the plant. Monitoring energy and energy costs are the starting points and MasterTrace provides you with the tools through the measured values of: Heater Utilization, Power Consumption (MWh), and Operating Costs (\$0 to \$1,000,000).



#### A System With a Future

MasterTrace is the most complete system of heat tracing controllers. MasterTrace can handle all your heat trace control requirements and is the only heat trace system that offers Local, Group and Central Computer Interfaces (See MC100).

MasterTrace combines the power and flexibility you need today with the ability to expand to meet your needs for the future.

# **MC100** Centralized Monitoring

For plant wide monitoring, the MC100 windows software package provides

programming and monitoring for MasterTrace heat tracing controllers on your PC. Process setpoints and alarm levels are programmed for each heater through the computer keyboard reducing data entry on large systems. Setpoint programming and configuration functions are password protected to restrict access. By connecting individual MasterTrace modules or panels together, heat tracing throughout an entire plant can be programmed and monitored from a single location.

# **MasterTrace Product Specifications**

#### **APPROVALS**

Mechanical: CSA ordinary (general purpose) areas
Solid-State: CSA Class I, Division 2, Group A, B, C, D CSA

Class I, Zone II Group IIC

Alarm Output: NO and NC programmable contacts

Alarm Output Rating: Mechanical: 1.0A @ 120VAC max. (ordinary areas)

10mA @ 30VAC max. (hazardous areas)
Solid-state: 0.1A @ 30VAC max.

Control Power: 120VAC
Switch Rating: Internal: 30A @ 280VAC max.
External: 100A @ 600VAC max.

Temperature Input: One or two  $100\Omega$ , platinum, 3-wire RTD per

point,  $20\Omega$  max. lead resistance  $\pm$  0.2A accuracy over -50°C

to +500ºC

 $\textit{Heater Current Input:} \qquad \textit{One current transformer per point } 3\% \pm 0.2 \texttt{A} \ \textit{accuracy over}$ 

1.0A to 100A

 $Ground \ Fault \ Input: \qquad One \ current \ transformer \ per \ point \ 5\% \pm 2mA \ accuracy \ over$ 

0.01 to 3.0A

Operating Range: -40°C to +60°C (LCD screen -20°C to +60°C) VFD vacuum

fluorescent display -30°C to +60°C

Communication Ports: (1) Parallel local interface connection (2) Serial network

connections



Type: RS 485
Protocol: Modbus

Protocol: Modbus® RTU Transmission Rate: 1200-9600 baud

Interconnect: 2-wire, shielded, twisted pair
Highway Distance: 4,000 feet without a repeater
Modules Per Highway: (1) interface and (30) control modules

### **MEASURED VALUES**

 Temperature:
 -50°C to 500°C (-58°F to 932°F)

 Minimum Temperature:
 -50°C to 500°C (-58°F to 932°F)

 Maximum Temperature:
 -50°C to 500°C (-58°F to 932°F)

 Heater Current:
 1.0A to 100A

 Heater Percent Power:
 0 to 100%

 Peak Heater Current:
 1.0A to 100A

 Ground Fault Current:
 0.01A to 1.0A

 Heater Utilization:
 0 to 100%

 Power Consumption:
 0 to 1,000 MWh

 Operating Cost:
 \$0 to \$1,000,000

# **ALARM MESSAGES**

Temperature: High temperature alarm, Low temperature alarm
Current: High current alarm, Low current alarm, High current trip
Ground Fault Current: Ground fault current alarm, Ground fault current trip
TraceCheck: Switch shorted, High current alarm, Low current alarm,

Switch shorted, High current alarm, Low current alarm, High current trip, Ground fault current alarm, Ground fault

current trip

Hardware: Self-check failure, switch shorted, RTD open, RTD shorted



#### **USER-SETTABLE OPTIONS**

 Heater Status:
 Enable or disable

 Heater Name or Tag:
 16-character alphanumeric

 Temperature Units:
 2C or °F

 $\begin{array}{ll} \textit{Control Strategy:} & \textit{On-off or proportional*} \\ \textit{Deadband:} & \textit{0$^{\circ}$ to $50^{\circ}$C (0$^{\circ}$ fo $90^{\circ}$F)} \\ \textit{Stagger Start:} & *\textit{On or off} \end{array}$ 

Stagger Start: \*On or off

Power Limit: \*1.0A to 100A

 Temperature Setpoint:
 0ºC to 500°C (32°F to 932°F)

 High Temperature Alarm:
 0°C to 500°C (32°F to 932°F)

 Low Temperature Alarm:
 -50°C to 500°C (32°F to 932°F)

 High Current Alarm:
 1.0 At 100°A

High Current Alarm:1.0A to 100ALow Current Alarm:1.0A to 100AHigh Current Trip:1.0A to 100AGround Fault Alarm:0.01A to 1.0AGround Fault Trip:0.01A to 1.0ATraceCheck™Interval:1 to 24 hoursRTD Fail-Safe:Heater on or heater off

Master Override: ON or OFF

Alarm Contacts: NO or NC for each contact

Alarm On, alarm off, Flash during alarm then

on, Flash during alarm then off

<sup>\*</sup> Available on solid-state modules only



In heat trace design, cable and conduit for hard-wired RTD communications represent a large portion of project costs, even on small electrical heat tracing system designs. Wireless data transfer technology is becoming one of

the largest areas of growth in industrial plant applications and Nextron is the temperature control systems manufacturer that pairs technical innovation with savings.

CSA approved Class I, Division 2, Zone 2 microprocessor-based RTD sampler capable of transmitting and receiving data using the concept of direct sequence or frequency mode hopping wireless transmission. Using а

wireless system, temperature sensors are wired to RTD samplers located in the pipe racks and temperature information is transmitted to the controller via wireless modem,

dramatically reducing field-wiring costs to the end user. These transmitters then send temperature information to a remotely located MasterTrace module.

#### **COMMUNICATION MEDIA**

Rs485 Cable: Transmit RTD measurements via

RS485 cable (Figure 1)

Wireless RF Modem: Transmit RTD measurements via

Wireless RF modems (Figure 2)

#### **USER INTERFACE**

Power on, RTD OK, transmit, receive

Rs485 Port: Accessible to laptop, PC

# **ENVIRONMENT**

Approvals: CSA Class 1, Division 2, Groups A,

B, C, D Class 1, Zone 2, Ex nA IIC,

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-40°C to +50°C Operating Range:

Conformal Coating: Boards conformal coated for hostile

environments. Altitude: 0-200m

#### **ENCLOSURE**

NEMA-4 stee

Size: 10"Hx8"Wx4"D

Quick release latches to open door (1) 0.875" Features:

conduit knockout for power wiring, two 1.093" conduit knocks for RTD wiring, one 0.75" conduit

knock for RS485 cable or antenna

# TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENT RANGE

-50°C to 500°C, -58°F to 932°F

±2.5°C, ±4.5°F Absolute Accuracy: ±1°C, ±1.8°F Repeatability:

RTD. 100Ω platinum, 3-wire 10Ω max

lead resistance

#### MODEL

SAM-RTDxx-120V-v Configuration:

xx=10: 10 RTDs xx=20: 20 RTDs y=R: Rs485 v=M: Wireless

#### **CONTROL POWER**

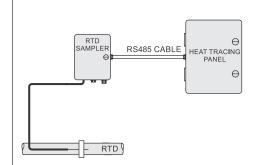
Power Requirements: SAM-RTDxx-120V-y:120VAC, 10VA

Line Frequency: 50 or 60Hz

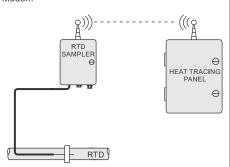
Protection: Protected by non-replaceable 2A,

time lag, 350 VAC fuse MOV transient protection & RC snubber

Transmit RTD Measurement Via RS485 Cable



#### Figure 2 Transmit RTD Measurement Via Wireless RF Modem



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