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Introduction

The PRL-1200C Pulse Radio Link is a Transmitter and Receiver system that wirelessly sends up to four channels of KYZ pulses from the transmitter to a paired receiver. The short-hop PRL-1200C has a range of up to 5,000 feet depending on site topography and solves the problem of getting pulses across parking lots, vacant lots, roads, railroad tracks or other obstacles. With the PRL-1200C, you're now able to connect real-time KYZ pulses from 2 Form C pulse channels or 4 Form A pulse channels. Pulses from each meter output are independently outputted on one of the four channels in the receiver. The PRL-1200C eliminates trenching or other costly methods of getting wires strung between each meter and the destination device as well as providing superior isolation against transients that could be induced in a long cable run. Additionally, ground rise problems are eliminated since there is no electrical connection between the two devices.

The PRL-1200C Radio Pulse Link system consists of one PRT-1200C Transmitter and one PRR-1200C Receiver. The system uses Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum (FHSS) technology to communicate on 64 frequencies between 902 to 927MHz, using one of 6 hop sequence "channels", and allows unlicensed operation by the user, allowing multiple systems to operate in the same radio airspace. Nominally, the PRL-1200C will transmit pulses between 4,000 and 5,000 feet in an unobstructed <u>line-of-sight</u> configuration but may go farther depending on optimal site conditions.

PRT-1200C TRANSMITTER

The PRT-1200C Transmitter consists of the following:

*PRNT-1200C Pulse Radio Transmitter/Antenna Unit

*PRT-12C Pulse Transmitter Base Unit

The PRT-1200C Transmitter receives pulses from a meter's KYZ pulse initiator and sends them to the PRR-1200C Receiver unit wirelessly. Each time a pulse is received from the meter's pulse KYZ initiator, the transmitter validates this pulse and reports it to the Receiver upon the next transmission cycle. The Receiver will set the corresponding KYZ output to the correct state, to reflect the state of the pulse at the PRT-1200C's input. The PRNT-1200C Transmitter/ Antenna Unit contains the transceiver radio, a microcontroller and all the circuitry and software to communicate with the Receiver. The PRT-12C Base Unit contains the power supply, termination points, and has a built-in low voltage transformer-isolated power supply generating a +13VDC sense (wetting) voltage. The sense voltage is connected to meter's dry-contact KYZ pulse initiator. The PRT-1200C Transmitter is capable of operating on supply voltages of 120 or 208-277VAC. In addition to line power, it can be operated with batteries or a solar power supply such as Solid State Instruments' SPS-1 Solar Power Supply by using the PRT-12CS 12VDC Transmitter Base Unit.

PRR-1200C RECEIVER

The PRR-1200C Receiver consists of the following:

- *PRNR-1200C Pulse Radio Receiver/Antenna Unit
- *PRR-12 Pulse Receiver Base Unit

The PRR-1200C contains the transceiver radio, a microcontroller and all the circuitry and software to receive pulses from the Transmitter and output them on one of four output channels. The PRR-12 Base Unit contains the power supply, output relays and termination points where all connections are made. Four output channels are available, and can be configured as 4 Form A or 2 Form C. Each output channel contains one KY Form A (2-Wire) Solid State output. The Receiver/Antenna unit is intended to be mounted outdoors, in a direct line-of-sight with the Transmitter/Antenna units. It cannot operate if obstructed by trees, metal poles, buildings or other objects. The Receiver Base Unit is designed to mount indoors, or inside an existing control enclosure suitable for the application. The Base and Radio/Antenna Units are connected together by means of an 8-conductor, #24AWG shielded control cable. It is important for noise immunity and error-free communications between the Base and Transceiver that shielded control cable be used. The PRR-1200C is capable of operating on supply voltages of 120VAC or 208-277VAC. Other power supply voltages are available upon special order.

PRL-1200C SYSTEM DESIGN AND PLANNING

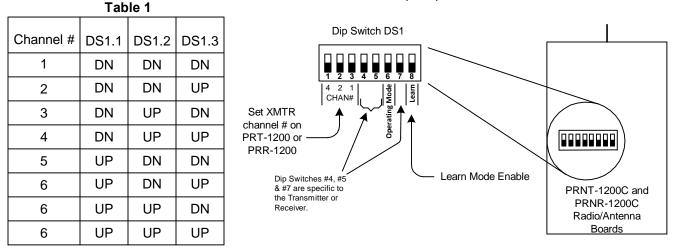
SYSTEM CONFIGURATION - The PRL-1200C can be used in one of two configurations: 4 Form A pulse channels or 2 Form C pulse channels. The entire system operates in either one mode or the other. They cannot be mixed.

Form A Configuration: The Form A configuration will transmit four 2-Wire (KY) pulse channels.

Form C Configuration: The Form C configuration will transmit two 3-wire (KYZ) pulse channels.

Determine the desired mode for the system.

Dip Switch DS1's switches #1 through #3 set the channel # or "hop" sequence. Both the PRNT Transmitter and the PRNR Receiver boards must be set to the same channel or hop sequence. See Table 1 at left.



SYSTEM CHANNEL - The PRL-1200C System operates on one of 6 hop sequence channels. Each channel consists of 50 of 64 frequencies in the 902MHz to 927MHz range. This allows great reliability since RF transmissions are transmitted on one of the channel frequencies until they are received by the receiver. Set the Transmitter and the Receiver to the same channel number. Multiple PRL-1200C systems can operate in the same radio airspace by each system having a different channel number. Once you have determined the channel # that you will use, configure Dip Switch S1's switches #1 through #3 on the PRNT-1200C Transmitter board and the PRNR-1200C Receiver board. Table 1 shows the dip switch combinations for each channel.

SYSTEM OPERATING MODE - The PRL-1200C System can operate in one of two operational modes: Real-Time Mode or Delayed Mode. Real-Time Mode continuously transmits pulse data to the Receiver approximately 10 times per second. The intent of the real-time mode is to have pulse outputs which "mirror" input pulses from the meter as closely as possible. The Delayed Mode transmits one transmission every 10 seconds with the number of pulses received by the transmitter from the meter over the previous 10-second period. When the transmission is received by the Receiver, the pulses are generated over the next 10-second period. Additional error checking and pulse verification are used in this mode for the highest possible accuracy.

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CONSIDERATIONS FOR A SUCCESSFUL INSTALLATION

GENERAL - The PRL-1200C System has two operational modes, each designed for specific purposes. The <u>Real-Time Mode</u> is designed to provide mirror-image pulses from the transmitter to the receiver. This is important for Peak Demand Control since the KW demand is determined by timing the pulses. The greater the time between pulses the lower the demand. Conversely, the shorter time between pulses, the higher the demand. Every effort is made in the PRL-1200C to be a "virtual copper wire" and make the pulses coming out of the receiver look exactly like the pulses going into the transmitter in pulse length.

The <u>Delayed Mode</u> is designed for concentrated RF environments where there is a significant amount of RF traffic on these or adjacent frequencies. In this mode, pulses are collected by the transmitter for 10 seconds. The number of pulses received in the immediate 10-second period is then sent to the receiver which duplicates those pulses over the next 10 seconds. In the Delayed Mode, all output pulses are 10 seconds behind. The benefit of the Delayed Mode is reduced RF traffic and high accuracy due to the expanded error checking and pulse count "true up".

APPROPRIATE PULSE CONSTANT - It is important for Real-Time mode to properly program the Pulse Constant of the meter such that there are no more than 2 pulses per second at the peak KW demand of the building or facility. Pulses faster than this may be lost in Real-Time Mode. If a high pulse rate is necessary, use the Delayed Mode.

LINE OF SIGHT - Make sure that you have the Receiver Radio/Antenna Unit in a location where the Transmitter's Radio/Antenna unit can "see" it. The PRL-1200C is a <u>Line-Of-Sight</u> system, and the transmitter must have uninterrupted and unrestricted sight with the receiver radio at all times. Make sure that there are no trees, metal buildings, light poles, rail cars, trucks, or any other obstruction that gets in the line-of-sight between the transmitter and receiver at any time. Interruptions in the line-of-sight may cause pulses to be lost. Generally speaking, the PRL-1200C will not transmit through concrete, concrete block or masonry walls. It has been reported that in some cases it does in fact work, but it is our recommendation not to count on reliable communications in applications that are not line-of-sight.

HEIGHT - Get the Transmitter and Receiver Radio/Antenna units up off the ground as high as reasonably possible to eliminate RF reflections, improve reception and transmission distance. The higher the transmitter is off the ground, the longer the transmission distance and the more reliable the reception by the receiver.

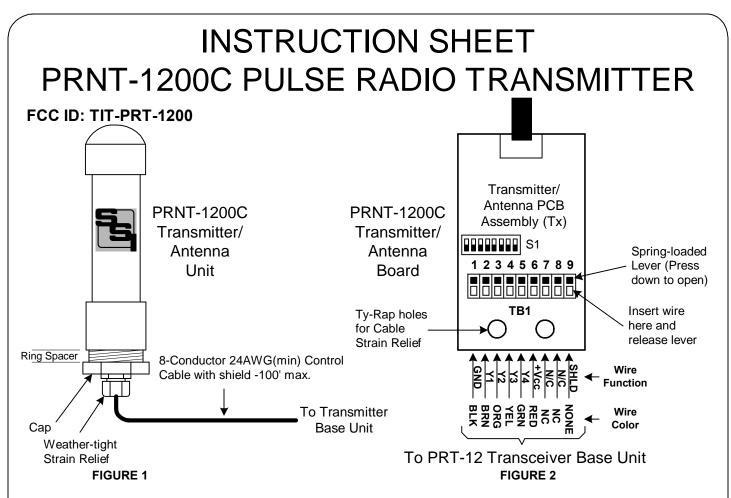
MOUNTING: If mounting the Receiver Radio/Antenna unit on the side of a metal building, make sure that the antenna in the Radio/Antenna unit is mounted at least 6.1" away from the metal siding. Use the brackets supplied with the PRL-1200C to get this distance. You may have to rotate the board to insure that the antenna is not closer to the metal surface than 6.1", since the antenna is not exactly in the center of the board as well as the board being mounted in an off-set fashion. If the antenna is closer than 6.1", the signal may be corrupted and transmissions may be affected.

INTERFERENCE - The PRL-1200C is a Frequency-Hopping Spread Spectrum system the communicates on 50 of the 64 frequencies. It may or may not work in substations or in other areas where there is high-power energy fields exist or where RF energy may jam the signal. The electromagnetic field around high voltage conductors may cause enough interference so as to keep the system from transmitting correctly or may significantly reduce the range of the system. It has been reported that other high-power RF transmitters mounted within close proximity can jam the signal even though they are not using the same frequencies.



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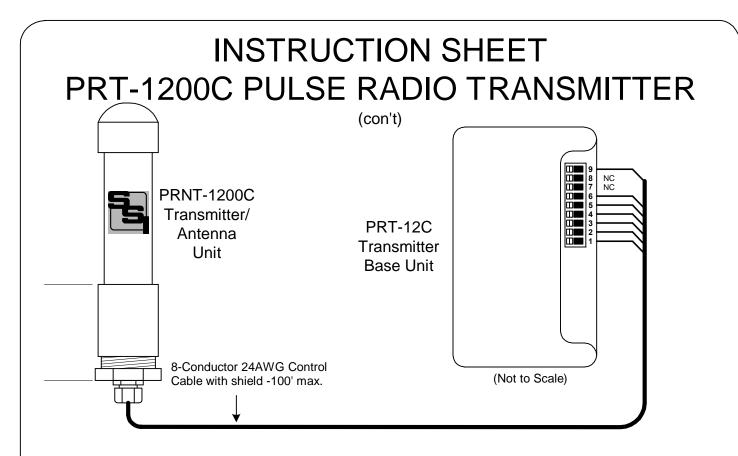
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MOUNTING POSITION - (See Note Below on Cable Connection before mounting) The PRNT-1200C Transmitter/ Antenna unit should be mounted in an upright position so that the cable is located on the bottom of the unit. Mount the unit as high as necessary to guarantee <u>LINE-OF-SIGHT</u> with the PRNR-1200C Receiver/Antenna unit. Mount using the aluminum mounting bracket supplied, making sure that the center of the transmitter is at least 6.1" away from any metal object such as a pole or metal building. Make sure that no metal mounting hardware is placed above the bottom of the PRNT-1200C Transmitter/Antenna unit case.

CABLE CONNECTION TO PRNT-1200C - It is advisable that this task is performed, if possible, in a convenient, clean work area before mounting the Transmitter unit. Connect the 8-conductor 24AWG(min) shielded control cable to the 9-position connector on the PRNT-1200C Board. Access the PCB Assembly by unscrewing the Transmitter housing cap on the bottom of the unit. Remove the Transmitter assembly from the housing. Feed the control cable into the housing's weather-tight connector on the cap so that there is approximately 12" of cable through the cap. Tighten the weather-tight cable fitting so that the cable is not quite tight and easily slides back and forth. Alternately, non-metalic conduit ("Seal-Tight" or "Carflex") may be used to connect directly to the housing and run the control cable to the Base unit inside this conduit.

Strip approximately 2" of the control cable's outer jacket to expose the individual conductors, being careful not to cut the insulation of the conductors or any strands of the shield's drain wire. Strip the insulation of each conductor back 1/4". Connect each conductor of the cable to the 9-position connector TB1 using a small flat-blade screwdriver or other similar tool to open the spring-loaded connector as shown above in Figure 2. Press down on connector lever, slip wire into hole and release. When all conductors are attached, attach a cable tie (ty-rap) through the Transmitter PCB Assembly's holes and tighten the control cable down, leaving about 1/4" of jacket above the ty-rap so as to provide adequate strain relief for the cable connector to secure the assembly in place. Put the ring spacer over the Cap's threads and insert the Transmitter Assembly into the housing. Tighten the cap until spacer is tight. For best results, keep the length between the Transmitter and the Base Unit to the minimum practical distance. When Transmitter installation is complete, secure cap to mounting bracket using sheet metal screw in slot.



POWER INPUT - The PRNT-1200C receives its power supply from the PRT-12C Transmitter Base unit.

METER INPUTS - See the PRT-12C Base Unit Instruction Sheet for detailed information on connecting the K-Y pulse inputs to the Electric Meter's KYZ Pulse output.

RADIO OUTPUT - The PRT-1200C's Transceiver/Antenna Unit(PRNT-1200C) contains a 900MHz band FHSS radio transceiver with an integral antenna mounted inside the unit. See diagram on reverse side for mounting method and considerations. Transmission is <u>LINE OF SIGHT</u> up to approximately 5,000 feet max. Metal poles, buildings or other objects will affect the distance the radio system will effectively work. Trees may also affect transmission distance. The user bears all responsibility for proper mounting and operation of the unit within the PRT-1200C's operating parameters.

TRANSMITTER MODE - To set the PRL-1200C system in single transmitter mode (TX Mode), set Dip Switch #4 in the **DOWN** position.

TRANSMITTER NUMBER - Even though you are set to single TX Mode, the transmitter must be numbered as Transmitter #1. Set the transmitter's # to #1 by setting Dip Switch #5 in the DOWN position.

TRANSMITTER CHANNEL - Set the channel number (hop sequence) using DIP Switches #1 through #3 as shown in Table 1 on page 4. This is set on the PRNT-1200C Transmitter/Antenna Board.

NOTICE TO USER -

FCC ID: TIT-PRT-1200

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

1. This device may not cause harmful interference; and

2. This device must accept any interference received including interference that may cause undesired operation.

INSTRUCTION SHEET PRNT-1200C RADIO/ANTENNA UNIT

Setting the System CHANNEL - Each system -- the Transmitter and Receiver -- must operate on one of six different channels. A "channel" is a collection of 50 specific frequencies that are arranged in a specific "hop sequence". A unique channel allows multiple systems to operate in the same radio airspace without any interference with each other. Therefore, the transmitter and receiver must have the same channel setting. The channel address is set using a 3-bit binary code plus 1. Switch #1 is worth 4 while Switch #2 is worth 2 and Switch #3 is worth 1. To add the value of each switch, set it in the UP position. If all three switches are down, then the channel# is equal to (0 + 0 + 0) + 1, or Channel #1. If the second and third switches are in the UP position, that would be equal to (0 + 2 + 1) +1 or Channel #4. See Table 1 at right for complete list of the channels. Note that Channel #6 is the highest channel number and even though there are eight unique switch combinations, Channel 6 is the highest channel that can be selected. The last three switch combinations all result in Channel #6 being selected.

Setting the System Mode - The PRL-1200C operates in the 1transmitter/1-receiver mode. Set Switch #4 to the DOWN position.

Setting the Transmitter Number - Since the PRL-1200C has only one transmitter, the Transmitter is, of course, Transmitter #1. Set Switch #5 to the DOWN position.

Switch #6 - Operational Mode - Real-Time Mode or Delayed Mode - See page 4. Set **DOWN** for Real-Time mode, **UP** for Delayed mode. Switch #6 must be the same on both ends.

Switch #7 - Setting the Transmitter Input Mode - The PRL-1200C can operate in the Form C or Form A modes. In the Form C (3-Wire) mode, each input channel uses the K, Y and Z inputs. Two independent 3-Wire meter pulse channels can be transmitted. In the Form A (2-Wire) mode, each pulse channel uses the K (common) and a Y input. Four independent 2-Wire meter pulse channels can be transmitted. Set **Switch #7** to the **DOWN** position for the Form A mode and **UP** for Form C mode.

Switch #8 - Pairing the Transmitter and Receiver - The PRT-1200C System requires that each Transmitter and Receiver are paired together. Each Transmitter must learn the address of the Receiver it is designated to talk to. This makes it possible for the Transmitter to only talk to the designated Receiver and ignore other devices sending and receiving information on a particular frequency. After installation is complete, perform the pairing procedure described on page 15 ONLY IF the system has not been previously paired at the factory. <u>Do not switch #8 UP if the system is already paired.</u>

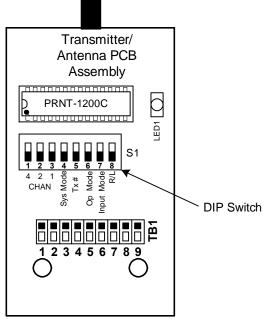


FIGURE 3

TABLE 1

| CHANNEL# | SW#1 | SW#2 | SW#3 |
|----------|------|------|------|
| 1 | DN | DN | DN |
| 2 | DN | DN | UP |
| 3 | DN | UP | DN |
| 4 | DN | UP | UP |
| 5 | UP | DN | DN |
| 6 | UP | DN | UP |
| 6 | UP | UP | DN |
| 6 | UP | UP | UP |

| TABLE 2 | 2 |
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| Mode | SW#4 | SW#5 | SW#6 |
|---------|------|------|------|
| DEFAULT | DN | DN | DN |

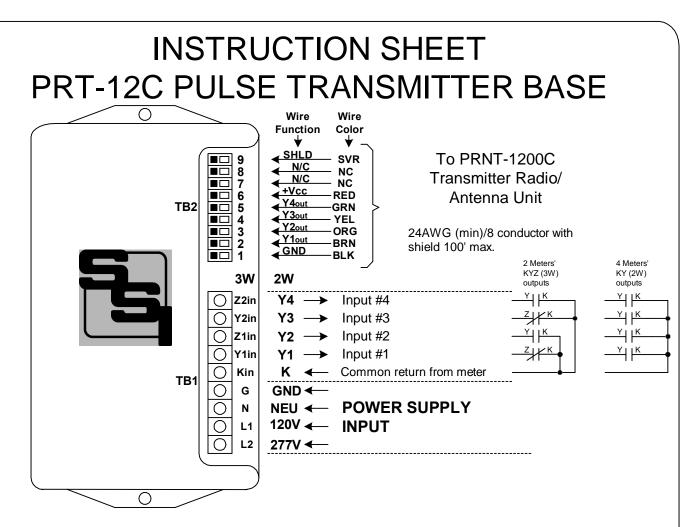
TABLE 3

| Input Mode | SW#7 |
|-------------|------|
| FORM A (2W) | |
| FORM C (3W) | UP |

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| | | |

| Run/Learn | SW#8 |
|-----------|------|
| RUN | DN |
| LEARN | UP |

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MOUNTING POSITION - The PRT-12C Base unit may be mounted in any position.

ENCLOSURE - The PRT-12C base unit is housed in a polycarbonate base and cover and is designed to be mounted into another electrical enclosure suitable for the application. An optional NEMA 3R raintight enclosure is available.

<u>POWER INPUT</u> - For 120VAC, connect the "hot" lead to the **L1** power supply terminal. Connect the neutral lead to the **NEU** terminal. For a power supply voltage between 208 and 277 VAC, connect the "hot" lead to the **L2** power supply terminal and the neutral lead to the **NEU** terminal. Use EITHER L1 or L2 for the appropriate voltage input but not both. Connect the **GND** terminal to Ground.

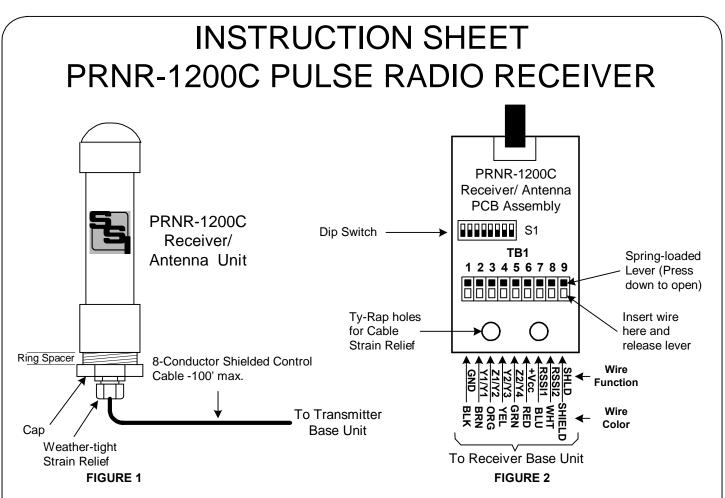
INPUT CONFIGURATION - The PRT-12C accepts either 2 Form "C" (3-Wire) inputs using the K, Y & Z input terminals, or 4 Form "A" (2-Wire) inputs using the K & Y terminals. See Dip Switch Definitions and Settings.

METER CONNECTIONS - Form A (2W) mode: Connect the PRT-12's "K" and "Y1" input terminals to meter's "K" and "Y" terminals. The "Yx" input terminals are "pulled-up" to +13VDC power supply, making it compatible with open-collector transistor meter outputs, as well as all non-polarized mechanical or solid state pulse outputs. Form C (3W) mode: Connect the PRT-12C's "K", the "Y1" and the "Z1" input terminals to the meter's "K", "Y" and "Z" terminals. The PRT-12C's "K" terminal is the system common (return).

<u>OUTPUT TO PRNT-1200C TRANSMITTER/ANTENNA UNIT</u> - Connect the 8-conductor 24AWG(min) shielded control cable to the PRNT-1200C Transmitter/Antenna Unit. For best results, it is advisable to keep this length of this cable to the minimum practical distance.



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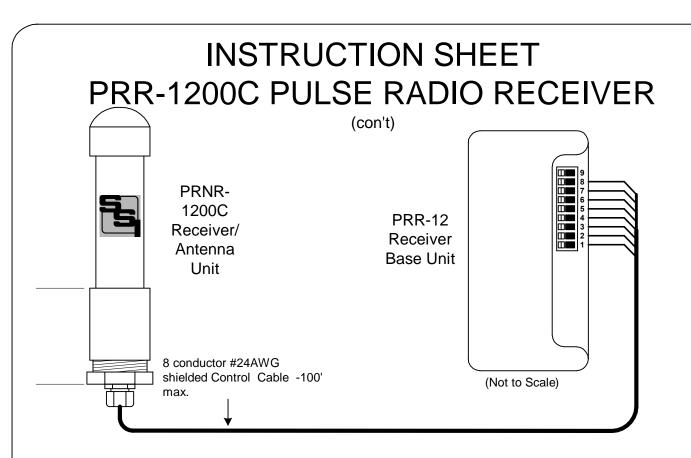


MOUNTING POSITION - (See Note Below on Cable Connection before mounting) The PRNR-1200C Receiver/Antenna unit should be mounted in an upright position so that the cable is located on the bottom of the unit. Mount the unit as high as necessary to guarantee <u>LINE-OF-SIGHT</u> with the PRNT-1200C Transmitter/Antenna unit. Mount using the aluminum mounting bracket supplied, making sure that the antenna of the receiver is at least 6.1" away from any metal object such as a pole or metal building. Make sure that no metal mounting hardware is placed above the bottom of the receiver unit case.

CABLE CONNECTION TO PRNR-1200C - Perform this task in a convenient, clean work area before mounting the Receiver unit. Connect the 8-conductor shielded control cable to the 9-position connector on the PRNR-1200C PCBA. (See page 13) Access the PCB Assembly by unscrewing the housing cap on the bottom of the unit. Remove the board assembly from the housing. Feed the control cable into the housing's weather-tight connector on the cap so that there is approximately 12" of cable through the cap. Tighten weather-tight cable fitting so that the cable is not guite tight and easily slides back and forth. Strip approximately 2" of the control cable's outer jacket to expose the individual conductors, being careful not to cut the insulation of the conductors or any strands of the shield's drain wire. Strip the insulation of each conductor back 1/4". Connect each conductor of the cable to the 9-position connector TB1 using a small flat-blade screwdriver or other similar tool to open the spring-loaded connector as shown above in Figure 2. Press down on the connector lever, slip wire into hole and release. When all conductors are attached, attach the cable tie(ty-rap) included through the PCBA's holes and tighten the control cable down, leaving about 1/4" of jacket above the ty-rap so as to provide adequate strain relief for the cable connections. Pull the cable back through the cap and weather-tight connector and place the PCB Assembly back into the cap's slots. Tighten the weather-tight connector to secure the assembly in place. Set the Channel Number and other settings using the Dip Switch. Perform the pairing procedure now - See page 15. Once the pairing procedure has been completed, put the ring spacer over the Cap's threads and insert the PCB Assembly into the housing. Tighten the cap until spacer is tight. For best results, keep the distance between the Receiver and the Base Unit to the minimum practical distance. When PCBA installation is complete, secure cap to mounting bracket using sheet metal screw in slot.



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POWER INPUT - The PRNR-1200C receives its power supply from the PRR-12 Receiver Base unit.

PULSE OUTPUTS - See the PRR-12 Base Unit Instruction Sheet for detailed information on connecting the KYZ Outputs to the receiving device. The receiving (destination) device may be the input to an energy management system, SCADA system, RTU, or other device configured to receive pulses.

RADIO RF INPUT - The PRNR-1200C's Receiver/Antenna Unit contains a low-power 900MHz radio transceiver with an integral antenna mounted inside the unit. Observe the following application guidelines: 1.) Mount the transceiver as directed on the reverse side of this sheet; 2.) Locate the PRNR-1200C Receiver/ Antenna unit so it is <u>LINE-OF-SIGHT</u> with the transmitter of the system; 3.) Ensure that all metal objects, trees and other obstructions, which may affect the distance the radio system will effectively work, are not within the line-of-sight between the transmitter and receiver.

OPERATING MODE - The PRR-1200C needs to be set for the same system operating mode that the transmitter is set for, either Real-Time or Delayed mode.

NOTICE TO USER - This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- * Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- * Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- * Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- * Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

In order to maintain compliance with FCC regulations, shielded cables must be used with this equipment. Operation with non-approved equipment or unshielded cables is likely to result in interference to radio and TV reception. The user is cautioned that changes and modifications made to the equipment without the approval of manufacturer could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

INSTRUCTION SHEET PRNR-1200C PULSE RADIO RECEIVER

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Setting the System Mode - The PRL-1200C operates in the 1transmitter/1-receiver mode. Set Switch #4 to the DOWN position.

Setting the Fixed Width Pulse - Used in the Delayed Mode only. Set Switch #5 to the DOWN position for 50mS, or UP for 100mS pulse.

Setting the Operating Mode - The PRL-1200C can operate in the Real-Time or Delayed modes. See page 4 for a description of these modes. Set Switch #6 to the DOWN position for the Real-Time mode and UP for Delayed mode. This must match Switch #6 of the PRNT-1200C Transmitter.

RSSI Indicator* - The receiver has an Signal Strength Indicator to show the signal strength of the Transmitter. <u>This is a test mode and can only be used during installation</u>. See Diagnostics on page 18. Once the system is operational, set **Switch #7** to **DOWN** to turn off the RSSI.

Pairing the Transmitter and Receiver - The PRL-1200C System requires that each Transmitter and Receiver are paired together. Each Transmitter must learn the address of the Receiver it is designated to talk to. This makes it possible for the Transmitter to only talk to the designated Receiver and ignore other devices sending and receiving information on a particular frequency. After installation is complete perform the **Pairing Procedure** described on page 15 ONLY if the pairing procedure has NOT been done at the factory. <u>Do not put</u> switch #8 into the UP position if the system has already been paired.

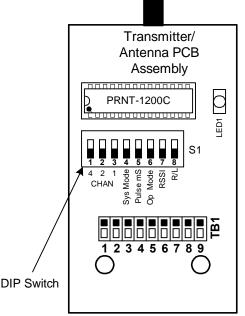


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| 4 | DN | UP | UP |
| 5 | UP | DN | DN |
| 6 | UP | DN | UP |
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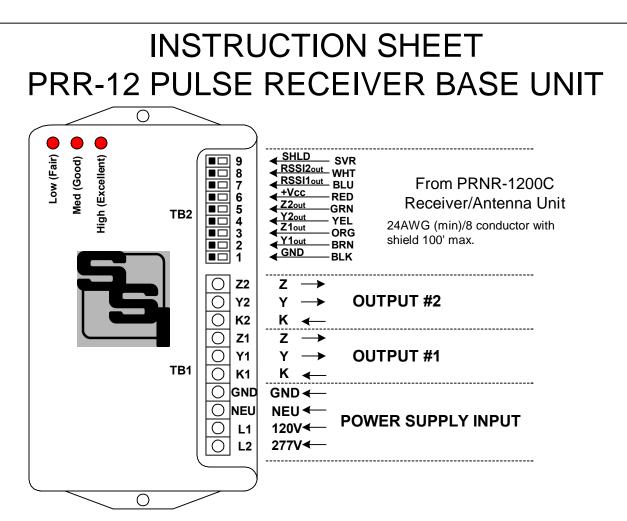
| Mode | SW#4 | SW#5 | SW#6 |
|---------|------|------|------|
| DEFAULT | DN | DN | DN |

| TABLE 3 | | |
|--------------|----|--|
| Output Mode | | |
| RSSI Disable | DN | |
| RSSI Enable | UP | |

| TABLE 4 | |
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| Run/Learn | SW#8 |
|-----------|------|
| RUN | DN |
| LEARN | UP |

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<u>**GENERAL</u>** - The PRR-12 serves as a base unit, and termination point for the PRNR-1200C receiver/antenna unit. It contains a power supply, output relays and all connection points for the receiver/antenna unit.</u>

MOUNTING POSITION - The PRR-12 may be mounted in any position.

ENCLOSURE - The PRR-12 base unit is housed in a polycarbonate base and cover and is designed to be mounted into another electrical enclosure suitable for the application. An optional NEMA 3R raintight enclosure is available.

POWER INPUT - For a power supply of 120 VAC, use the the **L1** terminal for the "hot" lead. For 208 to 277 volts AC, use the **L2** terminal for the "hot" lead. Connect the Neutral lead to the **NEU** terminal. Connect the **GND** terminal to Ground. GROUND MUST BE CONNECTED TO A GOOD ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

SIGNAL TPUT - The PRNR-1200C receiver/antenna unit connects to the 9-position connector labelled TB2. Terminals are numbered in the same order on the PRNR-1200C and the PRR-12. Connect #24AWG 8-conductor shielded control cable between the PRNR-1200C receiver/antenna board and the PRR-12 making sure that all connections are matched up on both ends: 1 to 1, 2 to 2, etc. Make sure that the control cable's shield is connected to position 9 on each end.

RSSI SIGNAL STRENGTH INDICATOR - The PRR-12 contains a 3-LED bar graph that tells the relative signal strength coming from the Transmitter. It consists of three RED LEDs in the upper left-hand corner of the board.

<u>OUTPUT CONFIGURATION</u> - The PRR-12 contains four solid state Form A dry-contact outputs, two each for both "K", "Y" and "Z" outputs. Each solid state output is limited to 100mA@ 250VAC, 800mW maximum. Fuses are sized at 1/10th amp (100mA). Do not exceed this rating as the device will be destroyed. Transient voltage protection for the contacts of the solid state relays are provided by MOVs on board.



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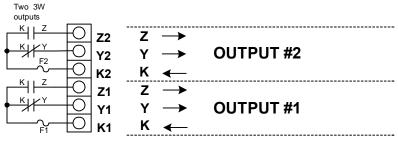
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INSTRUCTION SHEET PRR-12 PULSE RECEIVER BASE UNIT

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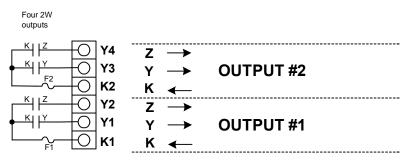
USING THE OUTPUT IN 3-WIRE MODE - When the PRL-1200C is operated in the Form C (3-Wire) mode, each output channel "toggles" back and forth like a single-pole, double throw switch. For one pulse there is continuity between K and Y (a closure) while there is no continuity between K and Z (an open). Upon the next pulse being received from the meter they reverse positions, K-Z closes and K-Y opens. In Form C mode, Y and Z are always opposite of each other. When one is closed and the other is open. There is logic in the PRNR-1200C's software that disallows two pulses of the some type in a row. They MUST alternate.

Each KYZ output is isolated, meaning there is no voltage applied to it internally. The wetting voltage for each KYZ output of the PRR-12 output must be supplied by the receiving ("downstream") device or by an auxiliary power supply. The outputs are solid state and are non-polarized. They may be used for AC or DC voltages. The output is limited to 100mA@ 250VAC, 800mW maximum. Fuses are sized at 1/10th amp (100mA). Do not exceed this rating as the solid state MOS-FET switching device may be destroyed. Internal current limiting of the solid state devices is also employed to protect them from over current or high dissipation situations. Transient voltage protection for the contacts of the solid state relays are provided by MOVs on board between the K and Y, as well as the K and Z outputs. Depending on user requirements the PRL-1200C can be operated in Form C mode and only two wires used on the output for the downstream device. This is perfectly acceptable, but remember to double the Form C pulse constant if your receiving device does not automatically adjust the pulse value.



USING THE OUTPUT IN 2-WIRE MODE -

The PRR-12's two KYZ outputs contain four solid state Form A dry-contacts and may be used independently as four Form A outputs. In this case instead of Y and Z being opposite of each other they are independently used. See the numbering of the output terminals in the diagram below. Even though the devices are operated independently in Form A mode, each set (Y1-Y2 and Y3-Y4) must be operated at the same voltage, from the same voltage source.





Transmitter and Receiver Pairing Procedure (Learn Mode)

REQUIRED

This procedure pairs the PRT-1200C Transmitter with a specific PRR-1200C Receiver. The PRL-1200C system WILL NOT work unless this procedure is completed. The PRL-1200C system is factory paired and tested as a system, so the pairing procedure is not normally necessary to do at installation. In the event that Dip Switch #8 is put in the UP position either accidentally or intentionally, the unit may be unpaired. Therefore, this procedure will need to be performed.

1. With the system powered down (OFF) at both ends, set the transmitter and receiver channel numbers (Dip Switches 1-3) to the same setting. (See instructions on pages 8 and 12 for the transmitter and receiver, respectively.

2. Set Dip Switch #8 on both the transmitter and receiver to the "UP" position to put the system in the Learn mode.

3. Turn on power to the PRR-1200C Receiver. The RED system status LED should flash quickly.

4. Turn on power to the PRT-1200C Transmitter. The RED system status LED should flash in slow mode, about once per second) for a few seconds and then flash fast, about 4 times per second. The fast flash means that the system has paired itself together.

5. Return Dip Switch #8 to the "DOWN" position on Receiver FIRST. This puts the Receiver in the RUN (normal operation) mode.

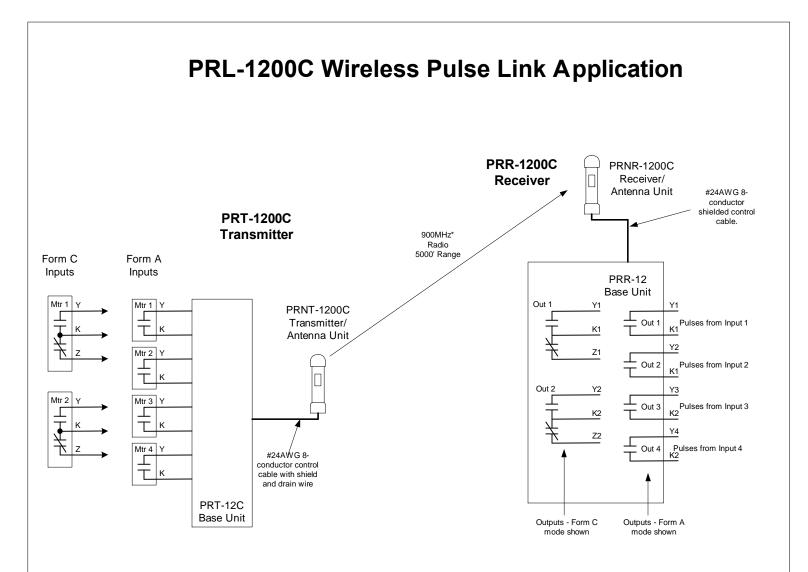
6. Return Dip Switch #8 to the "DOWN" position on the Transmitter SECOND. This will put the Transmitter into the RUN (normal operation) mode.

6. Once both units are in the RUN mode, you will see the KYZ outputs on the Receiver changing state to reflect the state of the transmitter's input. The LED's on the Transmitter and Receiver will match.

7. If the Transmitter and Receiver boards ever need to be changed or if the transmitter and receiver units ever have to be deployed in a new system with a different transmitter or receiver, the pairing procedure will have to be performed again.



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Notes:

1.) Configure each end to the same mode Form A or Form C. Make sure that the utility configures all the meter's outputs for toggle mode, not momentary mode. Form C (3-wire) mode is preferred from the meter to the transmitter's input. Set both the transmitter and receiver to Form C by setting Dip Switch #6 to the UP position. Using two wires (K and Y) on a Form C output is acceptable.

2,) Dip Switch #8 must be DOWN on the both ends for normal operation (in RUN mode).

3.) Transmission is Line-Of-Sight and must not be blocked by trees, buildings, metal poles, trucks, railcars, etc.

4.) Transmission distance is variable from 1000' to 5000' depending on conditions. Distance and reliability will increase as the height mounted above the ground increases. During extremely heavy rain, transmissions may not be reliable.

| PRL-1200C Wireless Pulse Link System Diagram | | REVISIONS | | | | Collid State Instruments | | |
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Troubleshooting and Tech Support

- 1.) Use shielded control cable between the PRT-12C Base Unit and the PRNT-1200C Transmitter/Antenna unit, as well as between the PRR-12 Base Unit and the PRNR-1200C Receiver/Antenna unit. Solid State Instrumentsqpart number 0715-0005 is an 8-conductor #24AWG shielded control cable sold by the foot. This cable is not UV rated so must be enclosed in seal-tight, liquid-tight or other non-metallic conduit. You can acquire your own cable but insure a high-quality communications cable with eight #24 stranded conductors. Do not use solid conductor wire, especially thermostat wire. Do not use any heavier wire than #22 AWG since there is limited space and it will be difficult to work with.
- 2.) Make sure that the transmission path between the Transmitter and the Receiver is free of ANY obstacles or anything that can interrupt the radio transmission line-of-sight path between the transmitter and receiver. The Transmitter or Receiver Radio/Antenna units <u>MUST</u> be in continuous sight of each other . no interruptions from cars, trucks, railcars, trees, light poles, metal buildings, ANYTHING!
- 3.) Mount the Transmitter or Receiver Radio/Antenna units as high up off the ground as reasonably possible to prevent RF reflections from the ground. This will increase range and reliability, and also allow for certain obstacles to be avoided. Do not mount the Transmitter Radio/Antenna unit next to high voltage powerlines.
- 4.) Program the pulse constant (Ke value) of the electric meter high enough to allow for a pulse rate that will not exceed 2 pulses per second at maximum KW demand. This is well below the system maximum pulse throughput rate but insures excellent reliability. NOTE: the PRL-1200C system does not change or modify the pulse values in any way. The pulse value is completely determined by the Ke value of the meter and the metering installation multiplier, which is based on Current Transformer (CT) and Potential Transformer (PT) ratios. Some meters are different and the programming of the pulse constant may vary from meter brand to meter brand.
- 5.) In extremely heavy rain or snow, the system may not be able to accurately receive all pulses transmitted. Like any other RF system, with enough interference, communications can be lost.
- 6.) RED System Status LED Light The PRT-1200C and PRR-1200C Radio/Antenna boards have a red Status LED to help the installer determine whether the system is operating. This LED indicates that the processor is running through its program and is "alive". Both of these LEDs must be flashing in the fast mode about 4 times per second to indicate two things:
 - a. there is power to the respective part of the PRL-1200C system and,
 - b. the processor is operating normally and executing its program.

7. If there is interference on the ‰op sequence+channel you have selected, change to another channel. There are six channels to choose from. Both ends must have the same channel number.

8. The systems maximum reliable transmission distance will change with each installation since it is dependent on all of the environmental and electrical factors of each particular installation. While the distance is nominally specified as up to 5,000 feet, it may not work at the full range in some installations.

9. The Transmitter base unit is designed for mounting inside another control cabinet or enclosure appropriate and suitable for the particular application. If a NEMA 4X enclosure is required, order SSI P/N: 05000-47001A for the NEMA 4X Fiberglass 12+x 10+x 4+enclosure option. This option includes an interior mounting plate that the PRT-12 or PRR-12 mounts onto.

Troubleshooting Procedure:

- Check all wiring connections especially the control cable connections between each Radio/Antenna unit and its respective Base unit.
- Check that power is on and applied properly to all components.
- Check the RED LED on the Transmitter and Receiver/Antenna boards and make sure they are flashing in fast mode.
- Check to make sure that all Transmitter and Receiver units are both on the same channel (Dip Switches #1-3)
- Make sure that there is not another system operating in the same RF airspace that has the same channel hop sequence selected.
- Make sure that the Transmitter and Receiver are set for the same Input and Operational Mode, Form A (2-wire) or Form C (3-wire). (Dip Switch #6)
- Check Red LEDqs on each Base Unitqs input or output, and make sure they are flashing with pulses received from the meter.
- Use the Signal Strength LEDs (RSSI) on the Receiver to measure signal strength. Put Dip Switch #7 in the UP position on the Receiver to enable the RSSI indicator. Put in DOWN position when test complete to turn off RSSI. Do not leave the RSSI indicator on during normal operation. Pulses will be lost if the RSSI is left on. The RSSI is a diagnostic tool only and not for normal operation.
- Check that the antennas are securely screwed to the Radio/Antenna board.
- Use an ohmmeter or continuity checker across the KY terminals of each output and determine whether each is opening and closing by watching the output resistance change. When the output is open, there should be infinite resistance. When the output is closed, the on-state resistance should be approximately 18 to 25 ohms.
- Is the % lownstream+equipment, that is receiving the pulses from the Receiver, providing a wetting voltage to the dry-contact output of the Receiver? Is the wetting voltage within the maximum specifications?

FCC / IC NOTICES

This product contains FCC ID: OJM-HUMA-900 / IC: 5840A-HUMA900 This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC rules and Industry Canada license-exempt RSS standards. Operation of this device is subject to the following two conditions:

1. This device may not cause harmful interference, and

2. this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

"Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.

" Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.

" Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.

["] Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

Any modifications could void the user authority to operate the equipment.

Le présent appareil est conforme aux CNR dendustrie Canada applicables aux appareils radio exempts de licence. Lœxploitation est autorisée aux deux conditions suivantes:

1. lappareil ne doit pas produire de brouillage, et

2. quillisateur de lappareil doit accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique subi, même si le brouillage est susceptible dan compromettre le fonctionnement.

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