

Progress Rail Inspection and Information Systems

Working in tandem with defect detection equipment, the Micro Talker monitors one or two tracks and reports real-time data to help reduce and eliminate derailments and increase overall safety.

Through a simple user interface, the versatile Micro Talker can easily be configured for site ID, mile post, digital I/O, wheel gates, track circuit, and analog input.

The Micro Talker can monitor analog voltage to report such information as ambient temperature and battery voltage.

It can monitor wind speed and direction via serial port input. Events are stamped for time and date.

The digital I/O is user definable to be normally open or normally closed without additional hardware. The digital I/O output can be used as a relay drive that can handle up to 250 milliamperes.

Economical to install and maintain, the Micro Talker upgrades easily, too. Micro Talker software upgrades can be downloaded via a computer connected to the Micro Talker.

Micro Talker

Train and Rail Detection Reporting



Specifications

Power Requirements

Operating voltage: 9 to 16 VDC

Operating current: <300 mA

Operating Temperature

Minimum: -40°F (-40°C)

Maximum: +158°F (+70°C)

Communications

RS-232 local port adjustable baud rate to 115k baud

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RS-232 modem port adjustable baud rate to baud

Track Interface

Digital I/O

If defined as inputs: input can be normally closed or normally open, user definable

If defined as outputs: can be used to drive 12-volt relays requiring 250 mA current or less

Analog A/D converter

0-5 volt input

Ambient temperature battery monitoring

Wheel gates

Differential inputs to support electric rail and will support zero-speed transducers

Track circuit input

Input can be normally closed or normally open, user definable

Storage

Nonvolatile memory

With axle spacing: approx. 500 trains

Radio drive

1 Mbyte SRAM for train data storage

Isolated 600 ohm output with a software controlled modulation level

Modulation level can be preset to specific standards

Can operate with trains from

10 MPH (16.1 Kph) to 110 MPH (177 Kph)

Unit is FCC Part 15B Certified

Dimensions

Height: 3.5 in (8.89 cm)

Width: 8.75 in (22.23 cm)

Depth: 7.25 in (18.42 cm)

Weight

2.60 pounds (1.18 kg)

Options

Advanced transducers

Track circuit

Radio

Dragging equipment detector

Digital hot wheel detector

Car clearance detector

Ambient temperature monitor

Wind speed and direction monitor (via serial interface)

WILD interface (via special interface)

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