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Technical & Application Note C152

Application: Monitoring natural gas pressure in piping systems

Type Of company: Equipment Manufacturer

Location: Massachusetts

<u>Problem:</u> The customer manufactures a portable pressure monitoring device. This is a battery powered instrument that is used by the regulator maintenance technician to monitor natural gas pressure in a piping system while either corrective or preventative maintenance is performed on regulating valves. The regulator maintenance technicians want a digital readout of the pressure with the ability to enter alarm limits. They also require both a visual and an audible alarm to indicate any deviation from the operator specified pressure levels in the pipeline system while performing the regulator maintenance.

Note: For additional information on natural gas pipelines see http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pipeline_transport

Solution: The customer purchased an F16ADA. The F16ADA gives the customer both a visual indication scaled in operator selected engineering units and a relay output to power the audible alarm and can be powered by a 12 VDC battery.



F16ADA

Digital Pressure Gauge with Alarms



Benefits of API's solution:

Accurate monitoring of pressure Relay alarm contact output Rugged operation Use a standard product

Cecomp Unique Feature



Bi-Color Alarm LEDs

The Cecomp alarm family provides alarm status indication via a bi-color LED for each setpoint. The LED indicates **green** for a non-alarm condition and **red** for an alarm condition whether or not the unit is configured for normal acting or reverse acting. For system setup, testing, and troubleshooting, the test pushbutton can be used to toggle the state of the alarm relays. This allows them to be switched to their opposite state on demand without the need to vary the system pressure to test devices connected to the alarms

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