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## General Information

The Model 12614-001 *ElemeC3* CAN bus to Modbus I/O Module is a gateway device to connect GAI-Tronics *ElemeC3* systems to third party control systems that utilize the Modbus RTU protocol. The *ElemeC3* system functions as a modbus slave to the external control system that is the modbus master.

The modbus/CAN bus I/O module communicates with the *ElemeC3* system using a CAN bus and with the third-party control system using the Modbus protocol over RS-485 serial data lines. The CAN bus and modbus cabling connects to the I/O module with RJ45 jacks. An additional third-party gateway is needed for modbus TCP to modbus RTU conversion if using modbus TCP.

The modbus I/O module utilizes one-bit registers (known as coils) to activate input points in the *ElemeC3* system and read output contact activation from the *ElemeC3* system rather than from numerous contacts located on physical E3 I/O controller cards.

The modbus I/O module functions as a single modbus RTU device in the third-party control system, defined by the address of the modbus port. In an *ElemeC3* system; it operates as one or more *ElemeC3* I/O controller cards, defined by the address configured for the *ElemeC3* port. The number of logical I/O devices available in the *ElemeC3* system (16–256) depends on the address (0–F) assigned to the *ElemeC3* port on the modbus I/O module.

The module is designed to be installed in an *ElemeC3* system control cabinet but can be installed on any DIN mounting rail or on PC board mounting track. It is installed in its enclosure when secured directly to a DIN rail or can be removed from its enclosure for mounting in standard 3-inch or 4-inch PC board mounting track.

## Installation

### Important Safety Instructions

- **Read, follow, and retain instructions**—All safety and operating instructions should be read and followed before operating the unit. Retain instructions for future reference.
- **Heed warnings**—Adhere to all warnings on the unit and in the operating instructions.
- **Attachments**—Attachments not recommended by the product manufacturer should not be used, as they may cause hazards.
- **Servicing**—Do not attempt to service this unit by yourself. Opening or removing covers may expose you to dangerous voltage or other hazards. Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel.



Warning: Observe precautions for handling electrostatic sensitive devices.

### Installation Safety Guidelines

Adhere to all warnings, safety instructions, and operating instructions on the unit and in the installation manual. The following instructions assume a horizontal orientation of DIN rail. The PCBA must be reoriented if the DIN rail is positioned vertically.

#### DANGER

- Do not use this apparatus near water.
- To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, do not expose this apparatus to rain or moisture.
- Do not install near any heat sources such as radiators, heat registers, stoves, or other apparatus (including amplifiers) that produce heat.
- Use only with the enclosure specified by the manufacturer.
- Disconnect power before servicing, installing, or removing the module.
- Do not disconnect the equipment while the circuit is energized.
- Avoid servicing the unit during electrical storms.
- Do not touch uninsulated wires.
- Protect the power cord from being walked on or pinched, particularly at plugs, convenience receptacles, and the point where they exit from the apparatus.

### Installation Methods

The *ElemeC3* to modbus module comes preinstalled in an aluminum enclosure. The module can be installed on standard DIN rail using the DIN rail clips located on the rear of the enclosure or it can be installed on 3-inch or 4-inch PC board mounting track after removing the PCBA from the enclosure.

### Enclosure Removal and Installation

#### Enclosure faceplate removal:

1. Unscrew the four screws from the front corners of the enclosure.
2. Gently pull off the cover.

**Rear enclosure removal:**

1. Unscrew the four standoffs holding the PCBA to the back plate.
2. Remove the PCBA from the rear mounting plate.

**Rear enclosure installation:**

1. Place the PCBA onto the four studs on the back plate.
2. Secure the PCBA to the back plate using four ½-inch standoffs.

**Enclosure faceplate installation:**

1. Orient the cover on the enclosure so that the LEDs, switches, and connectors of the PCBA match the holes on the front cover.
2. Screw the four screws back through the front cover to secure.

## **DIN Rail Mounting**

### **Module Orientation**

The module can be mounted directly onto a DIN rail using the DIN rail clips on the rear of the enclosure. The module can be mounted horizontally or vertically by rotating the DIN rail clip on the back of the module prior to mounting the module onto the DIN rail. To rotate the DIN rail clip on the module:

1. Unscrew the three screws securing the clip to the module.

To determine which way to orient the clip:

2. Match the clip to the DIN rail without applying pressure.

The clip channel will be perpendicular to the DIN rail channel when the module is mounted to the DIN rail.

To attach the clip to the module:

3. Screw the clip onto the module housing in the required orientation using the three screws removed in step one.

The module must be removed from the DIN rail if it must be rotated after installation.

### **Installation**

There are two edges of the DIN rail clip that directly attach to the DIN rail; one fixed, and one that slides to expand the clip's opening. To mount the enclosure onto the DIN rail:

1. Set the sliding side of the clip onto the top or bottom edge of the DIN rail.
2. Firmly pull the module in the opposite direction to expand the clip.
3. Gently press the other side of the clip onto the opposite edge of the DIN rail and release pressure.

The module should snap into place.

Removing the front cover does not affect the DIN rail mounting stability.

### **Removal**

To remove the module from the DIN rail:

1. Firmly pull the module away from the expanding side of the DIN rail clip.
2. Pull the non-sliding edge off the DIN rail and lift the module off the DIN rail.

## PC-Board Track Mounting

The printed circuit board inside the module may be mounted onto 3-inch or 4-inch pc board mounting track (Snaptrack) if DIN rail mounting is not available. The size of the mounting track will determine the horizontal or vertical mounting arraignment.

### Installation

1. Remove the PCBA from the enclosure (see the [Enclosure Removal and Installation](#) section).

#### For installation on 3-inch PC board track:

2. Insert either side of the PCBA into the groove on one side of the Snaptrack.
3. Press the remaining two corners of the PCBA into the opposite side of the Snaptrack until the module snaps into the channel.

#### For installation on 4-inch PC board track:

2. Slide either the top or bottom edge of the PCBA into the groove on one side of the Snaptrack.
3. Press the remaining two corners of the PCBA into the opposite side of the Snaptrack until the module snaps into the channel.

The module can be slid up or down in the channel to adjust the vertical position of the PCBA.

### Removal

To remove the PCBA from the PC board mounting track:

1. Push out the left or right side of the Snaptrack and lift out the corresponding edge of the PCBA.  
Do not use force.
2. If the PCBA does not come out of the track easily, slide the module out through the top or bottom opening of the Snaptrack.  
Do not use tools to remove the module from the Snaptrack.

## Hardware Configuration

Refer to the following figures when configuring the Modbus to E3 module:

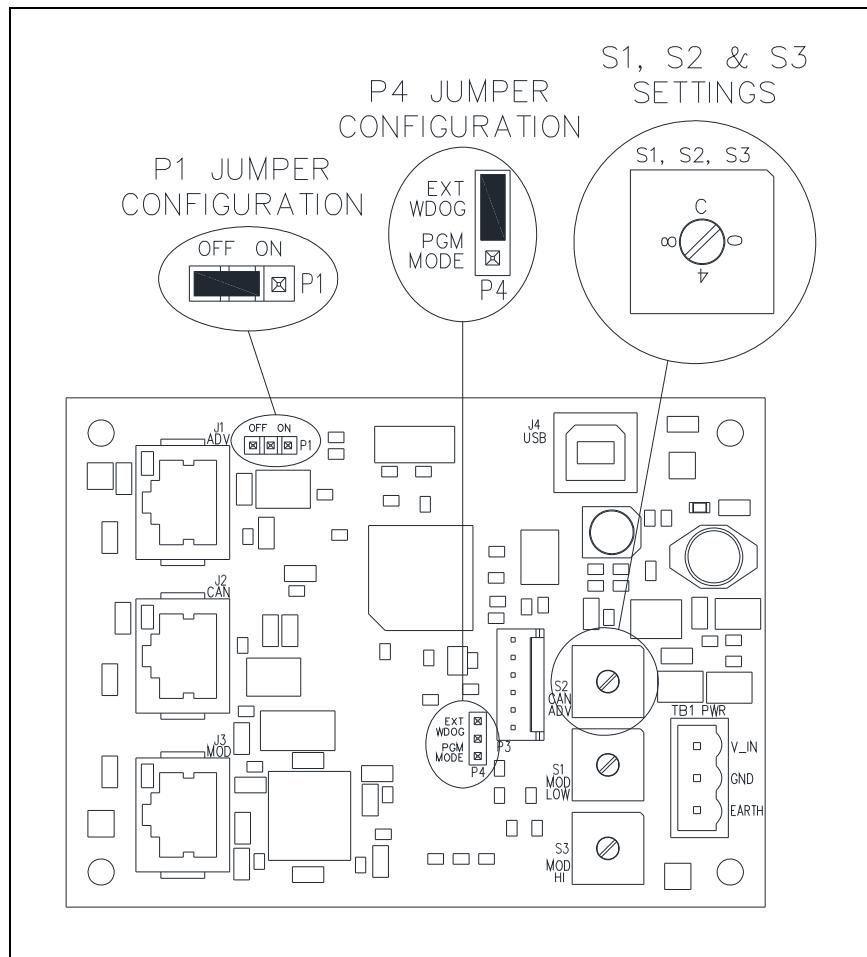


Figure 1. Modbus I/O Module PCBA

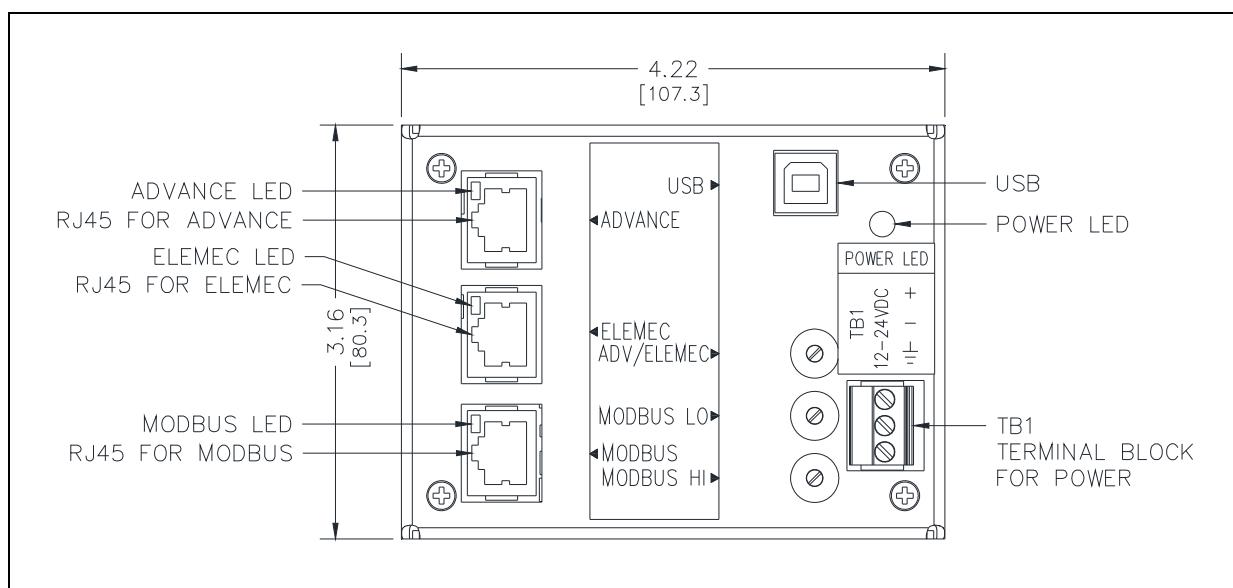


Figure 2. Module Front View—Dimensions are in inches [mm]

## LED Indicators

The *Eleme3* to Modbus I/O Module is equipped with four LED indicators (see [Figure 2](#) and [Table 1](#)). The LEDs serve to indicate proper operation of the module and should remain visible for diagnostic purposes.

Three RJ45 connector LEDs are located at the upper-right corner of jacks J1, J2, and J3 to indicate data transmission between the connected system and the module. The connector LEDs are not illuminated if data is not being transmitted.

The power LED, located on the upper-right corner of the module, remains illuminated while the voltage regulator is delivering power to the rest of the module. Failure of the power LED to illuminate indicates a problem with the module.

Table 1. LED Indicators

<b>LED Indicator</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>LED is Illuminated:</b>
Power LED	Upper-right corner of module	at all times (if module is powered)
ADVANCE LED	Upper-right corner of ADVANCE RJ45 (J1)	LED is not used
<i>Eleme3</i> LED	Upper-right corner of <i>Eleme3</i> RJ45 (J2)	when <i>E3</i> system is connected and receiving data
Modbus LED	Upper-right corner of Modbus RJ45 (J3)	Modbus interface is connected and transmitting data

The *Eleme3* to Modbus I/O Module contains switches and jumpers that must be configured for proper operation before connecting the systems to the module

Table 2. Switch/Jumper Summary

<b>Component</b>	<b>Function</b>
S1, S2, S3	Data Line Address Setting
P1	Testing Mode Selection
P4	Operating Mode

## Address Switch Settings

The I/O module contains three rotary hexadecimal switches that set the addresses of the *Eleme3* and Modbus interface ports. Switches S1 and S3 set the address of the Modbus interface port. Switch S2 sets the highest address of the *Eleme3* I/O Controller (see [Table 4](#) and [Table 5](#) to set the *E3* I/O Controller address).

Example switch configuration (S1, S2, S3):

<b>System Interface</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>S2</b>	<b>S3</b>	<b>S1</b>
<i>ElemeC3</i>	2	2	N/A	N/A
Modbus	05	N/A	0	5

### **Test Mode Jumper (P1)**

Test Mode jumper P1 configures the I/O module for testing and should not be adjusted in the field. P1-2 and P1-3 must be shunted for normal operation.

### **Watchdog Jumper (P4)**

External Watchdog jumper P4 enables a watchdog feature for software purposes and should not be adjusted in the field. The default setting is installed.

### **I/O Mapping**

The I/O Controller type in the *ElemeC3* system must be configured as an **ElemeC I/O Controller** in the *ElemeC3* Console when configuring the E3 system. The E3 I/O Controller card I/O addresses are assigned coils in the third-party modbus interface (see [Table 4](#) and [Table 5](#)).

*ElemeC3* inputs (modbus outputs) correspond to coils assigned to all addresses preceding the address assigned to the *ElemeC3* I/O Card. *ElemeC3* outputs (Modbus inputs) correspond to coils assigned to all addresses preceding the address assigned to the *ElemeC3* I/O Card (see [Table 3](#) for example configurations).

For example, if the ElemeC3 port address is set to 5, the module will respond to I/O Card addresses 0-5. If the ElemeC3 port address is set to 7, the module will respond to I/O Card addresses 0-7. In summary, the address configured for the *ElemeC3* system on the I/O Module jack J2 will simulate I/O Cards of that address and lower. The valid address range is 0-F.

Table 3. Example Configurations

<b>I/O Module Switch S2</b>	<b>ElemeC3 Address Range</b>	<b>ElemeC3 to Modbus coils</b>	<b>Modbus to ElemeC3 coils</b>
5	0-5	0 through 95	0 through 95
8	0-8	0 through 143	0 through 143
B	0-B	0 through 191	0 through 191

Table 4. Input Mapping from Modbus to *ElemeC3* Interface

<b>Mod bus Coil</b>	<b>E3 I/O Controller Address</b>	<b>Input</b>	<b>Mod bus Coil</b>	<b>E3 I/O Controller Address</b>	<b>Input</b>	<b>Mod bus Coil</b>	<b>E3 I/O Controller Address</b>	<b>Input</b>
0	0	1	32	2	1	64	4	1
1	0	2	33	2	2	65	4	2
2	0	3	34	2	3	66	4	3
3	0	4	35	2	4	67	4	4
4	0	5	36	2	5	68	4	5
5	0	6	37	2	6	69	4	6
6	0	7	38	2	7	70	4	7
7	0	8	39	2	8	71	4	8
8	0	9	40	2	9	72	4	9
9	0	10	41	2	10	73	4	10
10	0	11	42	2	11	74	4	11
11	0	12	43	2	12	75	4	12
12	0	13	44	2	13	76	4	13
13	0	14	45	2	14	77	4	14
14	0	15	46	2	15	78	4	15
15	0	16	47	2	16	79	4	16
16	1	1	48	3	1	80	5	1
17	1	2	49	3	2	81	5	2
18	1	3	50	3	3	82	5	3
19	1	4	51	3	4	83	5	4
21	1	5	52	3	5	84	5	5
21	1	6	53	3	6	85	5	6
22	1	7	54	3	7	86	5	7
23	1	8	55	3	8	87	5	8
24	1	9	56	3	9	88	5	9
25	1	10	57	3	10	89	5	10
26	1	11	58	3	11	90	5	11
27	1	12	59	3	12	91	5	12
28	1	13	60	3	13	92	5	13
29	1	14	61	3	14	93	5	14
30	1	15	62	3	15	94	5	15
31	1	16	63	3	16	95	5	16

<b>Mod bus Coil</b>	<b>E3 I/O Controller Address</b>	<b>Input</b>
96	6	1
97	6	2
98	6	3
99	6	4
100	6	5
101	6	6
102	6	7
103	6	8
104	6	9
105	6	10
106	6	11
107	6	12
108	6	13
109	6	14
110	6	15
111	6	16
112	7	1
113	7	2
114	7	3
115	7	4
116	7	5
117	7	6
118	7	7
119	7	8
120	7	9
121	7	10
122	7	11
123	7	12
124	7	13
125	7	14
126	7	15
127	7	16

<b>Mod bus Coil</b>	<b>E3 I/O Controller Address</b>	<b>Input</b>
128	8	1
129	8	2
130	8	3
131	8	4
132	8	5
133	8	6
134	8	7
135	8	8
136	8	9
137	8	10
138	8	11
139	8	12
140	8	13
141	8	14
142	8	15
143	8	16
144	9	1
145	9	2
146	9	3
147	9	4
148	9	5
149	9	6
150	9	7
151	9	8
152	9	9
153	9	10
154	9	11
155	9	12
156	9	13
157	9	14
158	9	15
159	9	16

<b>Mod bus Coil</b>	<b>E3 I/O Controller Address</b>	<b>Input</b>
160	A	1
161	A	2
162	A	3
163	A	4
164	A	5
165	A	6
166	A	7
167	A	8
168	A	9
169	A	10
170	A	11
171	A	12
172	A	13
173	A	14
174	A	15
175	A	16
176	B	1
177	B	2
178	B	3
179	B	4
180	B	5
181	B	6
182	B	7
183	B	8
184	B	9
185	B	10
186	B	11
187	B	12
188	B	13
189	B	14
190	B	15
191	B	16

<b>Mod bus Coil</b>	<b>E3 I/O Controller Address</b>	<b>Input</b>
192	C	1
193	C	2
194	C	3
195	C	4
196	C	5
197	C	6
198	C	7
199	C	8
200	C	9
201	C	10
202	C	11
203	C	12
204	C	13
205	C	14
206	C	15
207	C	16
208	D	1
209	D	2
210	D	3
211	D	4
212	D	5
213	D	6
214	D	7
215	D	8
216	D	9
217	D	10
218	D	11
219	D	12
220	D	13
221	D	14
222	D	15
223	D	16

<b>Mod bus Coil</b>	<b>E3 I/O Controller Address</b>	<b>Input</b>
224	E	1
225	E	2
226	E	3
227	E	4
228	E	5
229	E	6
230	E	7
231	E	8
232	E	9
233	E	10
234	E	11
235	E	12
236	E	13
237	E	14
238	E	15
239	E	16
240	F	1
241	F	2
242	F	3
243	F	4
244	F	5
245	F	6
246	F	7
247	F	8
248	F	9
249	F	10
250	F	11
251	F	12
252	F	13
253	F	14
254	F	15
255	F	16

Examples: Setting Modbus Coil 40 to the ON state will activate I/O Card address 2—Input #9.

Setting Modbus Coil 65 to the ON state will activate I/O Card address 4—Input #1.

Table 5. Output Mapping from *ElemeC3* to Modbus Interface

<b>E3 I/O Controller Address</b>	<b>Output</b>	<b>Mod bus Coil</b>
0	1	0
0	2	1
0	3	2
0	4	3
0	5	4
0	6	5
0	7	6
0	8	7
0	9	8
0	10	9
0	11	10
0	12	11
0	13	12
0	14	13
0	15	14
0	16	15
1	1	16
1	2	17
1	3	18
1	4	19
1	5	20
1	6	21
1	7	22
1	8	23
1	9	24
1	10	25
1	11	26
1	12	27
1	13	28
1	14	29
1	15	30
1	16	31

<b>E3 I/O Controller Address</b>	<b>Output</b>	<b>MOD Coil</b>
2	1	32
2	2	33
2	3	34
2	4	35
2	5	36
2	6	37
2	7	38
2	8	39
2	9	40
2	10	41
2	11	42
2	12	43
2	13	44
2	14	45
2	15	46
2	16	47
3	1	48
3	2	49
3	3	50
3	4	51
3	5	52
3	6	53
3	7	54
3	8	55
3	9	56
3	10	57
3	11	58
3	12	59
3	13	60
3	14	61
3	15	62
3	16	63

<b>E3 I/O Controller Address</b>	<b>Output</b>	<b>MOD Coil</b>
4	1	64
4	2	65
4	3	66
4	4	67
4	5	68
4	6	69
4	7	70
4	8	71
4	9	72
4	10	73
4	11	74
4	12	75
4	13	76
4	14	77
4	15	78
4	16	79
5	1	80
5	2	81
5	3	82
5	4	83
5	5	84
5	6	85
5	7	86
5	8	87
5	9	88
5	10	89
5	11	90
5	12	91
5	13	92
5	14	93
5	15	94
5	16	95

<b>E3 I/O Controller Address</b>	<b>Output</b>	<b>Mod bus Coil</b>
6	1	96
6	2	97
6	3	98
6	4	99
6	5	100
6	6	101
6	7	102
6	8	103
6	9	104
6	10	105
6	11	106
6	12	107
6	13	108
6	14	109
6	15	110
6	16	111
7	1	112
7	2	113
7	3	114
7	4	115
7	5	116
7	6	117
7	7	118
7	8	119
7	9	120
7	10	121
7	11	122
7	12	123
7	13	124
7	14	125
7	15	126
7	16	127

<b>E3 I/O Controller Address</b>	<b>Output</b>	<b>MOD Coil</b>
8	1	128
8	2	129
8	3	130
8	4	131
8	5	132
8	6	133
8	7	134
8	8	135
8	9	136
8	10	137
8	11	138
8	12	139
8	13	140
8	14	141
8	15	142
8	16	143
9	1	144
9	2	145
9	3	146
9	4	147
9	5	148
9	6	149
9	7	150
9	8	151
9	9	152
9	10	153
9	11	154
9	12	155
9	13	156
9	14	157
9	15	158
9	16	159

<b>E3 I/O Controller Address</b>	<b>Output</b>	<b>MOD Coil</b>
A	1	160
A	2	161
A	3	162
A	4	163
A	5	164
A	6	165
A	7	166
A	8	167
A	9	168
A	10	169
A	11	170
A	12	171
A	13	172
A	14	173
A	15	174
A	16	175
B	1	176
B	2	177
B	3	178
B	4	179
B	5	180
B	6	181
B	7	182
B	8	183
B	9	184
B	10	185
B	11	186
B	12	187
B	13	188
B	14	189
B	15	190
B	16	191

<b>E3 I/O Controller Address</b>	<b>Output</b>	<b>Mod bus Coil</b>	<b>E3 I/O Controller Address</b>	<b>Output</b>	<b>Mod bus Coil</b>
C	1	192	E	1	224
C	2	193	E	2	225
C	3	194	E	3	226
C	4	195	E	4	227
C	5	196	E	5	228
C	6	197	E	6	229
C	7	198	E	7	230
C	8	199	E	8	231
C	9	200	E	9	232
C	10	201	E	10	233
C	11	202	E	11	234
C	12	203	E	12	235
C	13	204	E	13	236
C	14	205	E	14	237
C	15	206	E	15	238
C	16	207	E	16	239
D	1	208	F	1	240
D	2	209	F	2	241
D	3	210	F	3	242
D	4	211	F	4	243
D	5	212	F	5	244
D	6	213	F	6	245
D	7	214	F	7	246
D	8	215	F	8	247
D	9	216	F	9	248
D	10	217	F	10	249
D	11	218	F	11	250
D	12	219	F	12	251
D	13	220	F	13	252
D	14	221	F	14	253
D	15	222	F	15	254
D	16	223	F	16	255

Examples: Activating I/O Card address 5—Output #1 will set Modbus Coil 80 to the ON state.

Activating I/O Card address 7—Output #8 will set Modbus Coil 119 to the ON state.

## Terminations

### Input/Output

The *ElemeC3* to Modbus I/O Module includes RJ45 connectors to connect the *ElemeC3* CAN bus and the Modbus system's serial data lines to/from the module. Connect the *ElemeC3* CAN bus to RJ45 jack J2 and the third-party Modbus cable to RJ45 jack J3 for proper translation to occur.

**NOTE:** Jack J1 labeled ADV must not be connected (see [Figure 2](#)).

Use Category 5 or better, twisted pair cable (CAT5) to connect the systems to the module. The *ElemeC3* CAN bus connects to the module with standard T568B terminations. The RS-485 pinouts for the Modbus system must match the external system's pinouts before connection to the module (see [Table 6](#)). It may be necessary to strip the CAT5 cable and connect the individual wires to the appropriate terminals of the external system.

Connect the *ElemeC3* system and the external Modbus control system to the I/O module as follows:

1. Terminate the CAT5 cable for the *ElemeC3* connection with RJ45 plugs using the T568B standard.
2. Connect the *ElemeC3* system to the Modbus I/O Module jack J2.
3. Terminate the CAT5 cable for the external Modbus connection with RJ45 plugs for RS-485 (see [Table 6](#)).

**NOTE:** The external Modbus system may have different termination requirements.

4. Connect the external Modbus system to the Modbus I/O Module jack J3.

Table 6. RJ45 Modbus Connector Pinouts

<b>Connector</b>	<b>System</b>	<b>Pin</b>	<b>Label</b>	<b>Description</b>
J3	Modbus Interface	1	PGND	Power ground
		2	PGND	Power ground
		3	PGND	Power ground
		4	MOD_A_Y	Data (+)
		5	MOD_B_Z	Data (-)
		6	NC	No connection
		7	NC	No connection
		8	PGND	Power ground

## Power

The module operates from a 12–24 V dc power source. Connect the dc power supply to terminal block TB1 (see Figure 2 and Table 7).

After mounting the module:

1. Connect TB1 (PWR) to a 12–24 V dc power source.
2. Connect the positive leg to TB1-1 (V\_IN).
3. Connect the return leg to TB1-2 (GND).
4. Connect the earth ground to TB1-3 (EARTH).

**NOTE:** Do not power this module from existing power supplies installed in an *ElemeC3* rack. An additional power supply must be installed in the cabinet to power this module.

Table 7. TB1—DC Power In Pinout

Terminal	Label	Function
1	+	DC Positive
2	-	DC Negative
3		Earth Ground

## Configuring the Modbus Serial Comport

The Modbus port must be configured to match the connected system. Port Speed, data bits, stop bits, parity, and flow control must be defined:

1. Energize the I/O module.
2. Connect a USB cable between the administrative PC (Windows 7 or later) and the I/O module.

The USB cable must be a USB-A to USB-B type as shown.



Upon connection to the I/O module, the serial port drivers will be automatically loaded and a COM port number will be assigned to the USB port on the Administrative PC.

3. Open the Windows **Device Manager** Console.

4. Locate the COM port assigned to this connection.

The COM port number assigned to this connection must be entered into the PuTTY application later.

**NOTE:** If Windows doesn't automatically locate and install the proper Virtual COM Port (VCP) driver then it will need to be downloaded from: [www.gai-tronics.com](http://www.gai-tronics.com).

**NOTE:** Windows may assign a new COM port each time an I/O module is connected to the administrative PC. To avoid this, the registry can be modified to reuse the same COM port each time. See Appendix A—Preventing Windows from Assigning Multiple COM Ports for instructions.

## Using PuTTY

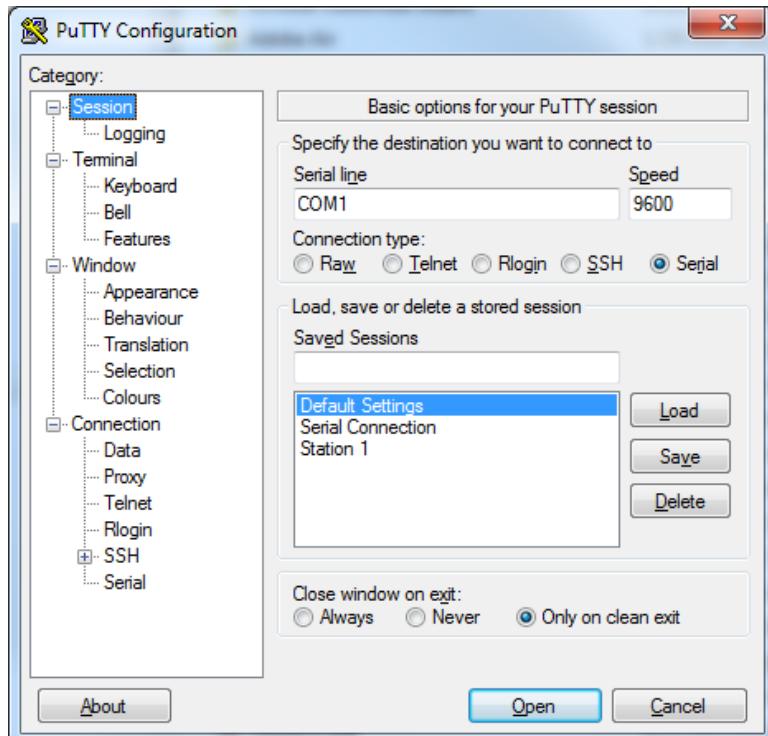
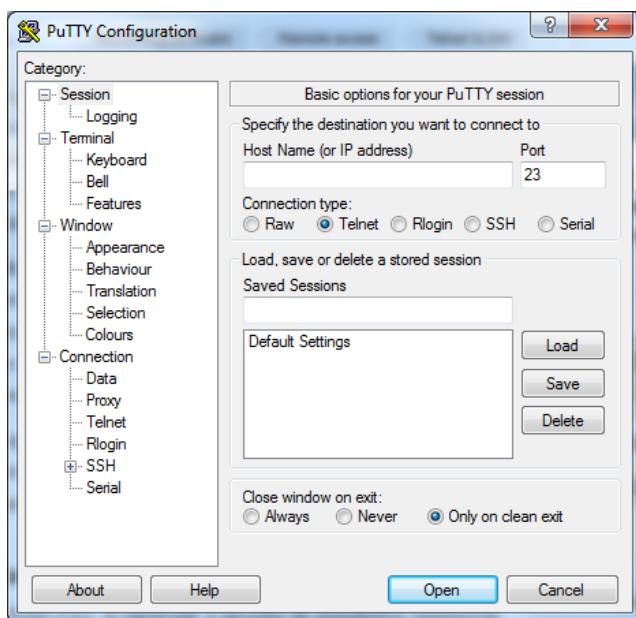
PuTTY (version 0.59 or later) is a program which supports serial data connections.

PuTTY can be downloaded from various Internet sites. After downloading, install PuTTY on the administrative computer and then run the application.

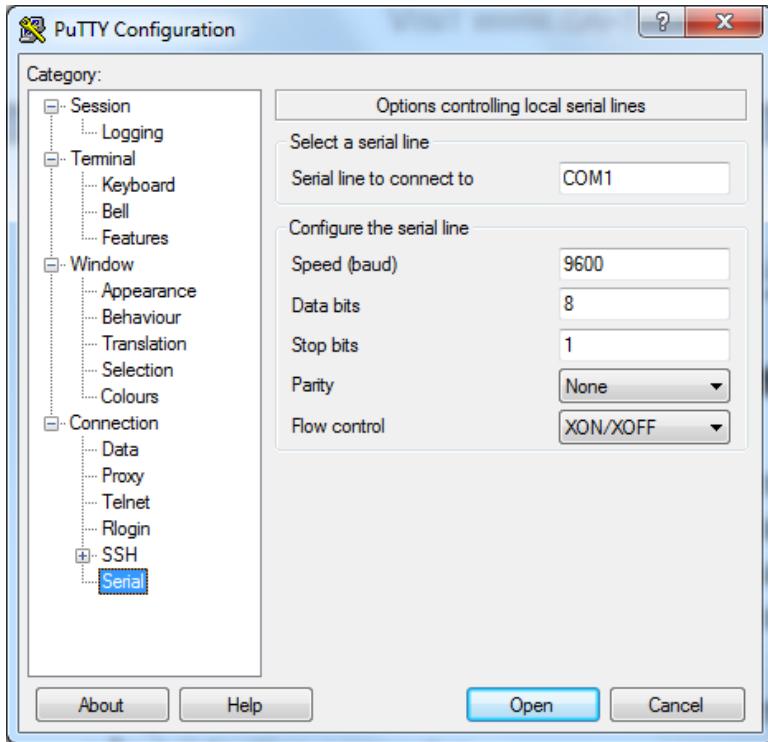
### 1. Run the PuTTY software

Upon start-up, the PuTTY configuration screen will appear as shown:

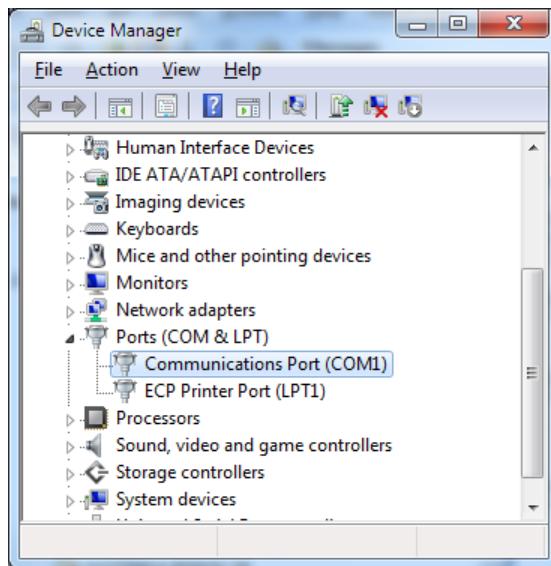
2. In the SESSION settings page in the CATEGORY panel select SERIAL for the connection type. Do not worry about the remaining serial port settings here; they will be set in the next screen. Note that sessions can be named and saved for future use when connecting I/O modules.



3. Navigate to the SERIAL settings page under the CONNECTION group in the CATEGORY panel.



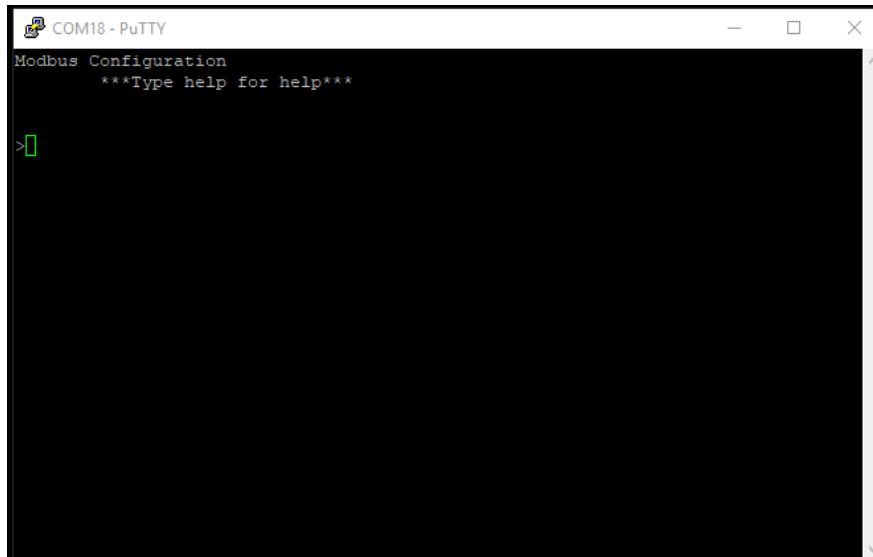
4. Enter the COM port number in the SERIAL LINE TO CONNECT TO field of the PuTTY Serial configuration screen. (The COM port number is found on the Device Manager screen below).



5. Enter the factory default serial data line parameters in the PuTTY configuration screen above as follows:

- Speed (Baud): 19200
- Data Bits: 8
- Stop Bit: 1
- Parity: None
- Follow Control: None

6. Select OPEN. The following log-in screen will appear upon successful connection to the I/O Module:



Upon successful connection to the module, the Modbus serial port can be configured to match the parameter of the Modbus control system being connected to the I/O module.

### **Checking the Firmware Version**

To check the firmware version of the I/O module, enter the command:

*getversion*

The firmware version is returned.

### **Setting the Baud Rate for Modbus**

To set the baud rate, enter the command:

*setbaudrate xxxx*

where *xxxx* represents the baud rate (Valid baud rate entries are: **2400, 4800, 9600, & 19200.**)

To check the current baud rate setting enter the command:

*getbaudrate*

### **Setting the Data Bits, Stop Bits, Parity, and Line Control for Modbus**

To set the serial line data parameters, enter the command:

*setlinecontrol usart\_xyz*

Where x=data bits, y=parity and z=stop bits

Examples: *setlinecontrol usart\_8n1* = 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit

*setlinecontrol usart\_8o1* = 8 data bits, odd parity, 1 stop bit

*setlinecontrol usart\_8e2* = 8 data bits, even parity, 2 stop bits

To check the current setting of the line parameters, enter the command:

*getlinecontrol*

### Setting the Modbus Mode

The I/O Module works in two Modbus Modes (ASCII and RTU). Select the desired operating mode by entering either of the following commands:

- ***setmode ascii***—ASCII Mode
- ***setmode rtu***—RTU Mode

To check the current setting of the Modbus operating mode, enter the command:

***getmode***

## Troubleshooting

To simplify the troubleshooting process, refer to the following table. If the problem cannot be solved through the use of the verification methods below, contact the GAI-Tronics Customer Service.

Table 8. Troubleshooting

Symptom	Possible Cause
J2 or J3 LED not illuminated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• systems are not connected to the correct RJ45 connectors (<a href="#">Figure 2</a>)</li><li>• the pinouts of the module and the connected systems must match (<a href="#">Table 6</a>)</li><li>• J2 is not connected</li><li>• power is not applied to the module</li><li>• connected systems are not energized and/or operating normally</li><li>• switches (S1, S2, and S3) configured with incorrect addresses (<a href="#">Table 2</a>)</li></ul>
3V3 LED not illuminated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• power is not applied to the module (<a href="#">Figure 1</a>)</li></ul>
No apparent connection between <i>ElemeC3</i> and third-party Modbus interface	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• systems are not connected to the correct RJ45 connectors (<a href="#">Figure 2</a>)</li><li>• the pinouts of the module and the connected systems must match (<a href="#">Table 6</a>)</li><li>• J2 is not connected</li><li>• power is not applied to the module</li><li>• connected systems not energized and/or operating normally</li><li>• switches (S1, S2, and S3) configured with incorrect addresses (<a href="#">Table 2</a>)</li></ul>

## Service and Spare Parts

If the equipment requires service or spare parts, contact your Regional Service Center for assistance. If service is required, a return authorization number (RA#) will be issued. Equipment should be shipped prepaid to GAI-Tronics with a return authorization number and a purchase order number. If the equipment is under warranty, repairs or a replacement will be made in accordance with GAI-Tronics' warranty policy. Please include a written explanation of all defects to assist our technicians in their troubleshooting efforts. Call 800-492-1212 inside the USA or 610-777-1374 outside the USA for help with identifying the Regional Service Center closest to you.

## Specifications

### Electrical

Power requirements .....	12–24 V dc (24 V dc nominal)
Current draw .....	79 mA maximum @ 12 V dc 40 mA maximum @ 24 V dc
Number of Modbus RTU devices .....	1
Number of simulated E3 I/O Modules.....	1–16
Terminations:	
Power.....	3-point terminal block
Com port programming .....	USB
<i>ElemeC3</i> CAN Bus serial data .....	RJ45
Modbus RTU RS-485 serial data .....	RJ45

### Mechanical

PCBA dimensions .....	2.90 H × 4.0 W in (73.6 H × 101.6 W mm)
Enclosure dimensions .....	3.16 H × 4.22 W × 1.89 D in (80.28 H × 107.19 W × 48.01 D mm)
Weight (with enclosure).....	0.44 lb

### Environmental

Temperature range (operating/storage).....	0 °C to 50 °C
.....	Title 47, Part 15 (47 CFR 15) Class A device

### Approvals

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## Appendix A—Preventing Windows from Assigning Multiple COM Ports

**!WARNING!** Serious problems might occur if you modify the registry incorrectly. These problems might require that you reinstall the operating system.

To prevent Windows from assigning a new COM port number each time a new device with a FT232RL IC is plugged into a USB port, the FTDI enumeration instructions must be DISABLED. This is done by editing the registry on the Administrative computer. Two entries must be set in the following key: HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Control\UsbFlags register.

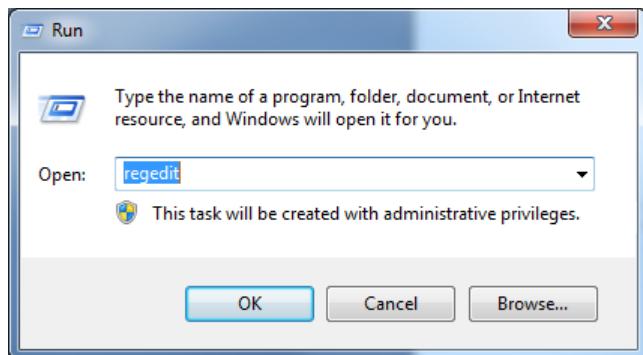
They are:

- IgnoreHWSerNum04036001
- IgnoreHWSerNum04036010

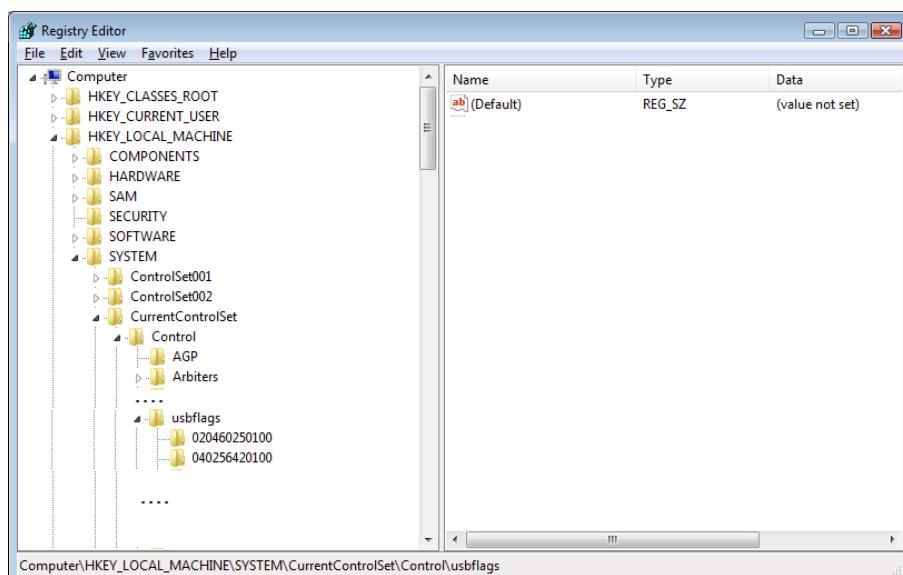
Each entry must have a value of *01*.

Perform the following steps to edit the registry:

1. Click the START MENU, select RUN and type *regedit*.

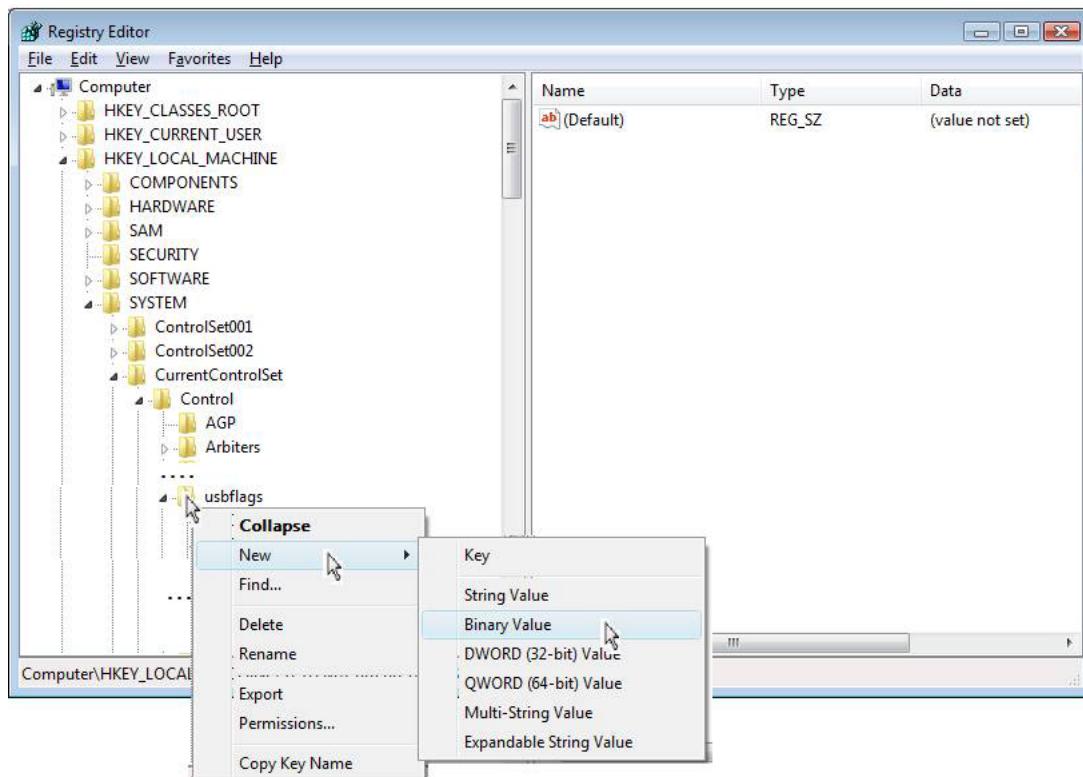


2. Navigate to HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Control\usbflags.

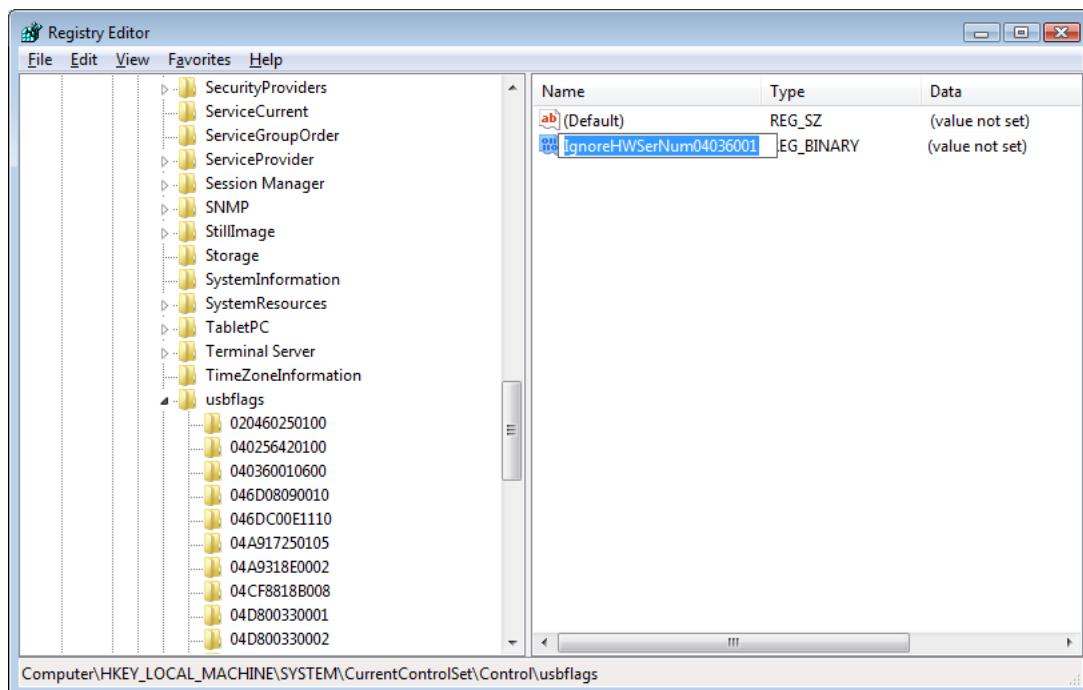


7. Right-click **usbflags**.

1. Select **NEW**.
2. Select **BINARY VALUE**.

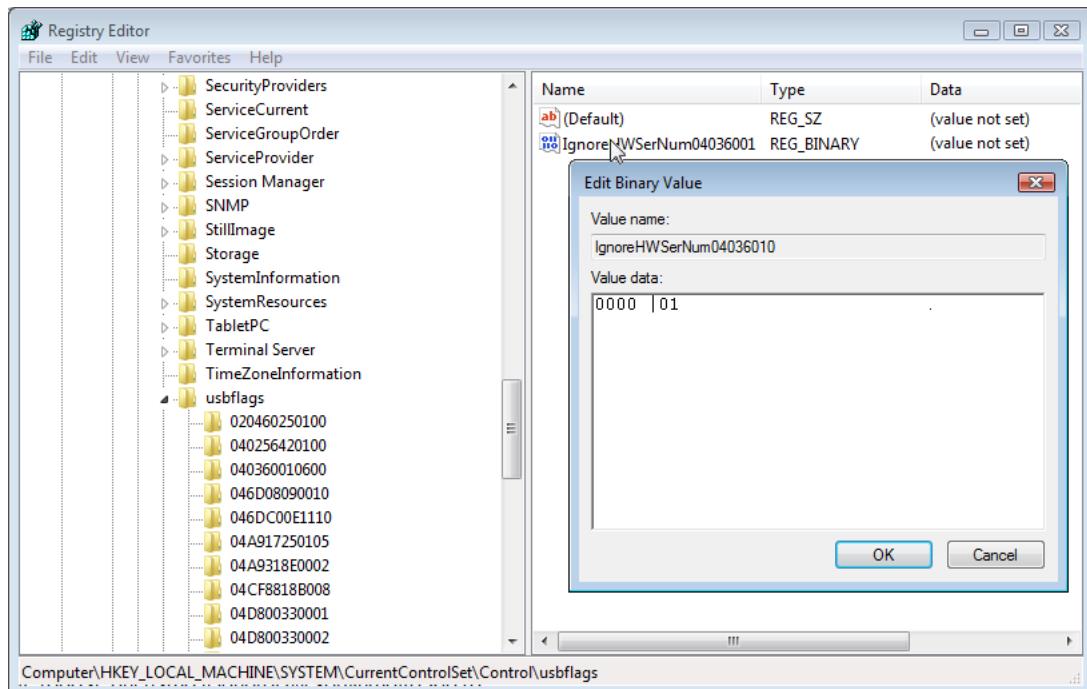


8. Name the new entry: **IgnoreHWSerNum04036001**.



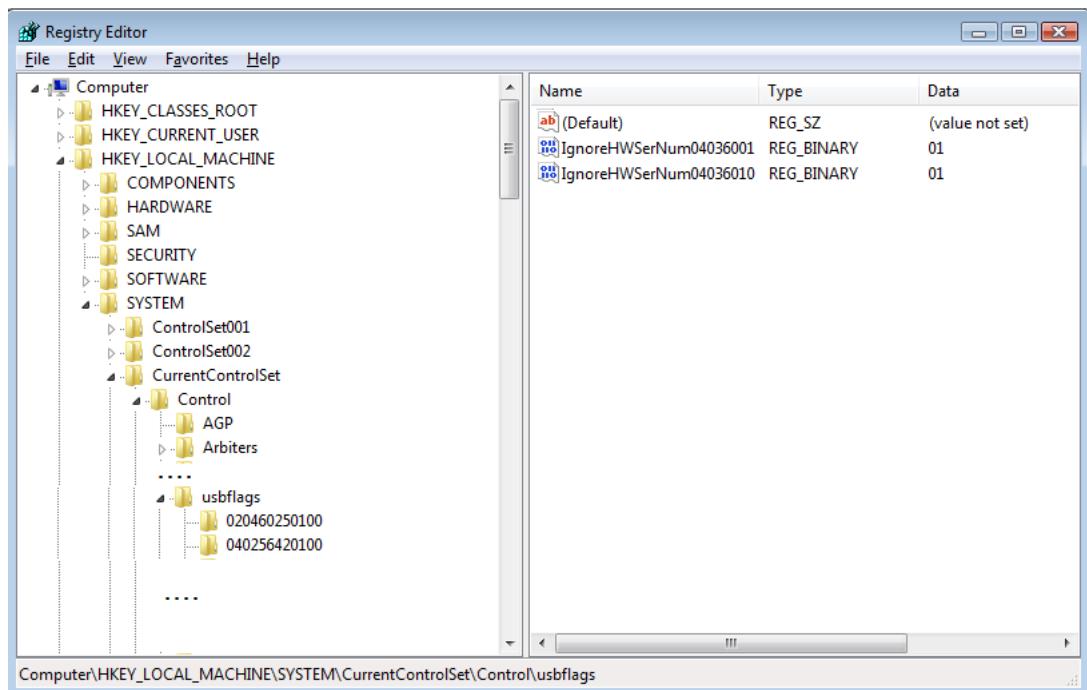
9. Double-click the new entry

Enter: **01** then click OK.



10. Add another new Binary Value entry to usbflags as described above.

1. Name the new entry: **IgnoreHWSerNum04036010**.
2. Assign the value: **01**.



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