

Aclara RF Network

Water Pressure Monitoring Solution



Aclara's water pressure monitoring solution leverages our industry-leading Aclara RF network to provide near real-time monitoring of water pressure throughout your distribution network. Whether used for leak detection or managing system-wide pressure, Aclara's pressure monitoring solution is easy to install, reliable, low-maintenance and integrated into your advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) environment.

OVERVIEW

Aclara's pressure monitoring solution will effortlessly and remotely monitor and collect pressure data throughout your distribution network. Near real-time data will improve network performance, identify maintenance needs, and discover leaks and other network issues quickly and cost effectively. Pressure transducers combine with sensor transmission units (STUs) for a complete solution guaranteed to provide detailed and actionable data.

Overlay weather, water consumption, and other relevant data to get a deeper picture of the operational condition of your distribution network. Accurate and timely data can help lower your overall system pressure for example – without violating minimum pressure thresholds. This will decrease the energy required to pump water, minimize leaks, and reduce wear and tear on your distribution infrastructure.

FEATURES AND BENEFITS

- Pressure ranges, accuracy, and pipe fittings can be configured to the operator's needs for maximum flexibility of installation and operational conditions
- Four user-configurable alert level thresholds give maximum flexibility of operation, with each threshold configurable both to send an immediate alert to the head-end and/or trigger the STU to enter an "event mode" operation state
- Event mode allows the STU to operate at different settings (like reading/transmitting more often) to give a more precise and timely view into out-of-the-ordinary operating conditions
- Targeted software modules at the head-end (GIS map of the location and state of each monitor, summary charts showing pressure vs. time) make analyzing and determining network performance a snap
- Alerts generated by exceeding thresholds can trigger email or SMS text notifications to designated recipients for immediate notification and response







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SENSOR SPECIFICATIONS

Pressure range 0-125psi, other ranges available (can be configured for kPA)

Fitting ¼" male NPT fitting¹

Cable 5-meter cable, vented to the atmosphere for automatic barometric compensation

Materials Stainless steel construction

Water ingress IP68 rated

Sensor accuracy Accurate to $\leq \pm 0.35\%$ FSO

Operating temperature range -25°C to +85°C

SENSOR TRANSMISSION UNIT (STU) SPECIFICATIONS

Network type Two-way, uses Aclara RF network²
Transmit/receive frequency 450 to 470 MHz (FCC-licensed)

Antenna Internal to the STU, or external/remote

Installation locations Interior wall, exterior wall, pit/vault, through-the-lid antenna

Size 9 ¾" high x 8 ¼" wide x 4 1/8" deep Scheduled read interval Configurable: 5 minutes to hourly

Scheduled transmit interval Configurable: default is four times per day³

Operating temperature range -40°C to +70°C

Operating humidity 0% to 100% non-condensing

Water ingress IP67 rated

Approvals FCC part 90; Industry Canada RSS-119

Alert thresholds Four user-configurable: high-high, high, low, low-low Power External 12V source or a field-replaceable battery pack

SOFTWARE MODULE SPECIFICATIONS

Environment Integrates into Aclara head-end

Visualization GIS mapping function for location visualization and instant system status check⁴

Bundled reports Pressure vs. time per endpoint, overlay other data sets

(barometric, water consumption, etc.)

Communications Alerts can trigger SMS or email "push" alerts to designated recipients

- 1. Other fittings may be available. Contact factory
- 2. Requires DCU II with T-board
- 3. Transmit intervals from five minutes to daily (may include all intervening readings or only latest reading)
- 4. Requires GPS coordinates of sensor installations and Google Maps access