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NOTES, CAUTIONS, AND WARNINGS

Throughout this manual, notes, cautions, and warnings are frequently used to direct the reader's attention to specific information. Use of the three terms is defined as follows:



If there are any questions, contact Siemens Mobility, Inc. Application Engineering

ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE (ESD) PRECAUTIONS

Static electricity can damage electronic circuitry, particularly low voltage components such as the integrated circuits commonly used throughout the electronics industry. Therefore, procedures have been adopted industry-wide which make it possible to avoid the sometimes invisible damage caused by electrostatic discharge (ESD) during the handling, shipping, and storage of electronic modules and components. Siemens Mobility, Inc. has instituted these practices at its manufacturing facility and encourages its customers to adopt them as well to lessen the likelihood of equipment damage in the field due to ESD. Some of the basic protective practices include the following:

- Ground yourself before touching card cages, assemblies, modules, or components.
- Remove power from card cages and assemblies before removing or installing modules.
- Remove circuit boards (modules) from card cages by the ejector lever only. If an ejector lever is not provided, grasp the edge of the circuit board but avoid touching circuit traces or components.
- Handle circuit boards by the edges only.
- Never physically touch circuit board or connector contact fingers or allow these fingers to come in contact with an insulator (e.g., plastic, rubber, etc.).
- When not in use, place circuit boards in approved static-shielding bags, contact fingers first. Remove circuit boards from static-shielding bags by grasping the ejector lever or the edge of the board only. Each bag should include a caution label on the outside indicating static-sensitive contents.
- Cover workbench surfaces used for repair of electronic equipment with static dissipative workbench matting.
- Use integrated circuit extractor/inserter tools designed to remove and install electrostaticsensitive integrated circuit devices such as PROM's (OK Industries, Inc., Model EX-2 Extractor and Model MOS-40 Inserter (or equivalent) are highly recommended).
- Utilize only anti-static cushioning material in equipment shipping and storage containers.

For information concerning ESD material applications, please contact the Technical Support Staff at 1-800-793-7233. ESD Awareness Classes and additional ESD product information are also available through the Technical Support Staff.





This equipment complies with the FCC RF radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This transmitter must follow the specific operating instructions for satisfying RF exposure compliance. This transmitter must be at least 8 inches (20 cm) from the user and must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

All antenna installation and servicing are to be performed by qualified technical personnel only. When servicing or working at distances closer than 7 feet (2 meters), ensure the transmitter has been disabled. Depending upon the application and the gain of the antenna, the total composite power could exceed 100 watts EIRP. The antenna location should be such that only qualified technical personnel can access it, and under normal operating conditions no other person can come in contact or approach within 7 feet (2 meters) of the antenna.

HUMAN EXPOSURE STATEMENT

This equipment is designed to generate and radiate radio frequency (RF) energy using an external antenna.

When terminated into a non-radiating RF load, the radio is certified to comply with FCC regulations pertaining to human exposure to RF radiation in accordance with the FCC Rules Part 1 section 1.1310 as published in title 47 code of federal regulations and procedures established in TIA/EIA TSB92, Report On EME Evaluation for RF

Cabinet Emissions Under FCC MPE Guidelines. Compliance with FCC regulations of the final installation should be assessed and take into account site-specific characteristics such as type and location of antennas, as well as site accessibility of occupational personnel (controlled environment) and the general public (uncontrolled environment). This equipment should only be installed and maintained by trained technicians. Whether a given installation meets FCC limits for human exposure to radio frequency radiation may depend not only on this equipment but also on whether the environments being assessed are being affected by radio frequency fields from other equipment, which may add to the level of exposure. Accordingly, the overall exposure may be affected by radio frequency generating facilities that exist at the time the licensee's equipment is being installed or even by equipment installed later. The effects of any such facilities must be considered in site selection and in determining whether a particular installation meets the FCC requirements.

FCC OET Bulletin 65 provides materials to assist in making determinations if a given facility is compliant with the human exposure to RF radiation limits. Determining the compliance of transmitter sites of various complexities may be accomplished through computational methods. For more complex sites, direct measurement of the power density may be more expedient. Personnel responsible for installing this equipment are urged to consult the listed reference material to assist in determining whether a given installation complies with the applicable limits.

GLOSSARY

- AAR Association of American Railroads - An organization that establishes uniformity and standardization among different railroad systems. ABM Asynchronous Balance Mode – Used as an identifier for a HDLC protocol. ADM Asynchronous Disconnect Mode – Used as an identifier for a HDLC protocol. ATCS Advanced Train Control System - A set of standards compiled by the AAR for controlling all aspects of train operation. BCP Base Communications Package - Defined by the ATCS specifications as the transmitter / receiver base station and associated processors to handle communications between mobile and central office equipment. BER Bit Error Rate - Expresses the quality of a communications in the number of errors per bits sent. **BPSK** Binary Phase Shift Keying - A method of modulating a carrier signal to carry two bits of information in every cycle. CBB **Communications Base Board** CC <u>Cluster Controller</u> - An ATCS ground network node responsible for the control of BCP II's. CINR Carrier to Interference Noise Ratio CLI **Command Line Interface** CRC Cyclic Redundancy Check - The CRC on a data packet is normally calculated and appended to the data so that the receiver can verify that no data was lost or corrupted during transit. CRM **Complimentary Radio Module** CSMA/CA Carrier-Sense-Multiple-Access/Collision Avoidance - A scheme for allowing multiple transmitters sharing a single medium to cooperatively timeshare with a minimum of overlap and interference. CTC Central Traffic Control System CTS Clear To Send CPU Central Processing Unit
- DATAGRAM In general, any ATCS packet. Several types of datagrams are defined for specific functions within an ATCS environment.

dB	Abbreviation for decibel. The standard unit for expressing transmission gain or loss and relative power levels. Decibels indicate the log ratio of power output to power input.
dBi	Abbreviation for decibels referenced to an isotropic (unipole) antenna.
dBm	Abbreviation for decibels above (or below) one milliwatt.
DCE	Data Communications Equipment - A device that merely transports but does not originate or consume data.
DM DISC	Disconnect Mode Disconnect Frame
DSP	Digital Signal Processor
DTE	Data Terminal Equipment - Any device (printer, terminal, PC, host computer) that originates or consumes data over a transmission facility.
EIA	<u>Electronics Industries Association</u> - A standards organization in the U.S. specializing in the electrical and functional characteristics of interface equipment.
ERP	<u>Effective Radiated Power</u> - The product of the antenna power (transmitter power less transmission-line loss) times either the antenna power gain or the antenna field gain squared.
FDD	Frequency Division Duplexing
FEP	<u>Front End Processor -</u> An ATCS ground network node responsible for providing network access to ground host and terminal users (provides network interfacing).
FIFO	<u>First In, First Out</u> - A buffer or shift register configured so that the first data queued is the first data dequeued - i.e. the sequence is preserved.
FM	Frequency Modulation
FPGA	Field Programmable Gate Array
FRMR	Frame Reject
FSK	<u>Frequency Shift Keying</u> - A baseband modulation technique that conveys digital information over analog facilities by associative discrete logical states with pre-defined frequencies.
GMSK	<u>Gausian Mask Shift Keying</u> - A complex signal conditioning process employed by the BCM II prior to audio transmission.
GPS	Global Positioning System
GRS	General Railway Signal
HD-FDD	Half Duplex Frequency Division Duplexing

HDLC	High-level Data Link Control - A serial protocol for exchanging synchronous information.	
HW	<u>Hardware</u>	
IEEE	Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers	
IF	Intermediate Frequency	
IP	Internet Protocol - ISO Model Layer 3 (network) protocol that performs proper routing of packets.	
LAN	Local Area Network - A limited network where the data transfer medium is generally wires or cable.	
LINK MARGIN	The amount of received signal strength beyond the receiver threshold reserved to compensate for normal signal fluctuations.	
MC-IoT	<u>Mission Critical Internet-of-Things</u> - Airlink MC-IoT complies with IEEE 802.16-2017 to deliver secure, wide area, broadband, end-to-end IP connectivity for mission critical rail operations.	
NMS	Network Management System	
NUL	Null – Used as an identifier for a HDLC protocol.	
NULL MODEM	A cable or other device that connects two DTE devices directly by emulating the physical connections of a DCE (the Transmit output of each DTE is connected to the Receive input of the other DTE).	
PA	Power Amp	
POL	Polled – Used as an identifier for a HDLC protocol.	
PSU	Power Supply Unit	
QPSK	Quadrature Phase Shift Keying - A method of modulating a carrier signal in such a way that each cycle carries four bits of information.	
RCI	Receive Clock In	
REJ	Reject frame	
RF	Radio Frequency	
RFM	Radio Frequency Module	
RNR	Receiver Not Ready frame	
RS232	EIA interface standard between DTE and DCE, employing serial binary data interchange.	

RS422	EIA interface standard that extends transmission speeds and distances beyond RS232, employing a balanced-voltage system with a high level of noise immunity.	
RSSI	<u>Received Signal Strength Indication</u> - A numerical value indicating the relative strength of received carrier.	
RTS	Ready To Send	
RXD	Receive Data	
SABM	Set Asynchronous Balanced Mode	
SMA	Sub-Miniature version A	
SSD	System Status Display	
SSH	Secure Shell	
SSI	Signal Strength Indicator - A measure of the relative strength of an incoming RF signal when it was received by a BCP II.	
SSR	<u>Spread Spectrum Radio</u> - A transmitter/receiver that uses a method of radio transmission in which the transmitted energy is evenly spread over the complete bandwidth of the radio, resulting in small RF signature.	
SW	<u>Software</u>	
TCI	Transmit Clock In	
тсо	Transmit Clock Out	
TCP/IP	<u>Transmission Control Protocol / Internet Protocol</u> - The Internet protocol used to connect a world-wide internetwork of universities, research laboratories, military installations, organizations, and corporations. The TCP/IP includes standards for how computers communicate and conventions for connecting network and routing traffic.	
TDD	Time Division Duplexing	
TRS	Transmit Receive Switch	
TTL	Transistor-Transistor Logic	
TXD	Transmit Data	
UA	Unnumbered Acknowledgment frame	
UI	Unnumbered Information frame	
UDP	<u>User Datagram Protocol</u> - A transport protocol used primarily for the transmission of network management information. Not as reliable as TCP.	

- VSWR Voltage Standard Wave Ratio
- WCP <u>Wayside Communications Package</u> The transmitter/receiver and associated control processors that handle communications between field equipment and WCP II equipment.
- WIU <u>Wayside Interface Unit</u>

CHAPTER 1 – INTRODUCTION

1.1 SCOPE



WARNING

THE A53682 AIRLINK BASE COMMUNICATIONS PACKAGE (BCP) IS A NON-VITAL PRODUCT.

This manual is the installation guide for the Siemens A53682 Airlink Base Communications Package (BCP) Radio System.

The BCP is periodically upgraded with additional features; therefore, prospective users are encouraged to contact Siemens Mobility for the latest technical information, or to request customization.



Figure 1-1 Airlink Base Communications Package (BCP) – Top View



Figure 1-2 Airlink Base Communications Package (BCP) – Front View



Figure 1-3 Airlink Base Communications Package (BCP) – Back View

1.2 SYSTEM FEATURES

- All 900 MHz ATCS frequencies supported in one radio package.
- Two client ports supporting configurable RS-232 and RS-422 line levels and synchronous and asynchronous operation.
- Front-panel display provides clear diagnostic messages and troubleshooting information.
- 10/100 Mb Ethernet ports allow for connection to diagnostic tools and network-enabled devices.
- Protocol emulation and conversion of many industry standard code-line protocols.
- Full non-volatile event log built in with hardware real-time clock.
- For ATCS operation: Full duplex operation at 4800 baud using GMSK direct FM signaling with forward error detection and correction.
- For MC-IoT operation: Half duplex operation.
- Built-in circuit breaker for protection.
- IEEE 802.16 ready.
- An external duplexer can be included as part of the package. The duplexer isolates the transmit frequencies from the receive frequencies and allows the Airlink BCP radio to use a single antenna for both transmit and receive.

1.3 SPECIFICATIONS

1.3.1 AIRLINK BCP SPECIFICATIONS

Input Voltage:	36 to 75 VDC
Input Isolation:	600 V rms
Peak Power Consumption:	5.6 A at 48 V
Dimensions:	Width: 18.375 inches (46.67 centimeters)
	Height: 3.5 inches (8.89 centimeters)
	Depth: 14.5 inches (36.83 centimeters)
Weight:	16.0 pounds (7.26 kilograms)
Operating Temperature Range:	68 °F to 77 °F (20 °C to 25 °C)

1.3.2 **DUPLEXER SPECIFICATIONS**

The external duplexer specifications are listed below. Orders ship with the Anatech Electronics duplexer, model AE897-936DB5521. The Sinclair duplexer was the model used previously, and its specifications are included for reference purposes only.



Figure 1-4 Anatech Electronics Duplexer AE897-936DB5521

1.3.2.1 ANATECH ELECTRONICS DUPLEXER, MODEL NUMBER AE897-936DB5521

Dimensions:	Width: 6.19 inches (15.7 centimeters)
	Height: 2.25 inches (5.7 centimeters)
	Depth: 3.19 inches (8.1 centimeters)
Weight:	1.55 pounds (0.70 kilograms) (approximately)

weight:

SINCLAIR DUPLEXER, MODEL NUMBER Q-4220E (FOR REFERENCE ONLY) 1.3.2.2

Dimensions:	Width:16.5 inches (41.91 centimeters)
	Height:4.28 inches (10.87 centimeters)
	Depth: 5.5 inches (13.97 centimeters)
Weight:	15.0 pounds (6.8 kilograms) (approximately)

1.4 ORDERING INFORMATION

1.4.1 CONFIGURATION OPTIONS

The various configuration options available for the Airlink BCP are provided in the following figure. To order, specify the basic Airlink BCP part number (9000-53682) plus the applicable dash numbers.



Figure 1-5 Airlink BCP Configuration Chart

1.4.2 RF CABLE INSTALLATION OPTIONS

The RF cable options available for the Airlink BCP are listed in the following table.

Fable 1- 1	RF Cable	and Adapter	Options
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Part Number	Siemens Order Number	Description	Quantity Included	Where Used
SP400U-60NM/N9	Z706-02008-0005	Low loss 5ft. 0.5in. Superflex Cable Type N male to type N male right angle.	2 ea.	Duplexer

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CHAPTER 2 – FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

2.1 AIRLINK BCP OVERVIEW

The Airlink BCP is used in an Advanced Train Control System (ATCS) data network (see Appendix A) to perform the following general functions:

- Provide the interface between Cluster Controller (CC) and "upstream" office equipment.
- Deliver ATCS messages to, and receive messages from, field equipment via an RF link.
- Perform MC-IoT base station functions.

2.2 AIRLINK BCP FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

The Airlink BCP integrates an isolated DC-DC conversion module, CPU module, and softwaredefined radio module into one package. The software-defined radio module allows for advanced configurability and flexibility. The radio may be used for other applications beyond ATCS, such as MC-IoT. Contact Siemens Mobility, Inc. for additional information.

The main functional components of the Airlink BCP are shown in Figure 2-1.



Figure 2-1 Airlink BCP System Block Diagram

The Airlink BCP radio platform system is comprised of the following sub-systems as shown in the figure above:

- PSU: Power Supply Unit
- CBB: Communications Base Board
- RFM: Radio Frequency Module
- PA: Power Amplifier
- TRS: Transmit Receive Switch
- SSD: System Status Display
- RF Antenna: Transmit Receive Signal
- GPS Antenna: GPS Signal

The following sections describe each subsystem within the Airlink BCP radio platform.

2.2.1 POWER SUPPLY UNIT

The Airlink BCP Power Supply Unit (PSU) converts the system input voltage to the voltages required by different elements of the system.

Input Voltage Range:

• 36 to 75 VDC

Internal Voltages:

- 5 VDC
- 7 VDC
- 12 VDC
- 28 VDC
- 150 VDC

2.2.2 COMMUNICATIONS BASE BOARD

The Airlink BCP Communications Base Board (CBB) acts as the main controller for the system. It provides general purpose computing resources based on an embedded Linux Operating System.

The CBB also includes logic implemented in FPGAs, DSPs, and a programmable RF Transceiver.

The CBB supports the following user interfaces:

- Reset button with embedded power LED.
- 2x 10/100 Mb Ethernet through onboard RJ45 sockets.
- Combined Serial Data and Console interface through onboard RJ45 socket.
- GPS antenna connection.

The CBB includes a GPS receiver to provide system and network synchronization using the 1-PPS signal, and GPS data to provide location, time of day, speed, and heading information.



NOTE

GPS is optional and is not required for ATCS operation. GPS is required for MC-IoT operation.

The CBB has a control and status interface with the Radio Frequency Module (RFM). The CBB provides the TX signal to the RFM and receives RX signal as an Intermediate Frequency (IF) from the RFM. The CBB also provides the RFM with a 40 MHz reference clock signal.

The CBB provides status information to the System Status Display under software control.

2.2.3 RADIO FREQUENCY MODULE

The Airlink BCP Radio Frequency Module (RFM) supports a wide range of operational frequencies. RX signals are converted into an Intermediate Frequency (IF) for common filtering. The IF RX signal is then routed to the CBB.

The RFM provides a power, control, and status interface to the Power Amplifier.

The RFM provides a power and control interface to the Transmit Receive Switch (TRS) to switch the system between TX and RX modes for Time Division Duplexing (TDD) and Half Duplex Frequency Division Duplexing (HD-FDD).

2.2.4 POWER AMPLIFIER

In general applications, the PA board supports a frequency range of 890 – 950 MHz and provides an output power of up to 100 Watts. The maximum available power is shared between the two operating modes, ATCS and MC-IoT, when in dual operating mode.

The PA uses a 28 VDC power supply from the RFM.

The RFM uses a TTL logic line to turn the PA on or off according to the TX and RX phases of system operation in TDD or FD-HDD modes.

The PA status interface provides the RFM with its internal temperature in °C and current consumption in milli-Amps.

2.2.5 TRANSMIT RECEIVE SWITCH

The Airlink BCP operates in multiple modes. The Transmit Receive Switch (TRS) can be configured to operate in TX only mode or to switch between TX and RX modes for Time Division Duplexing (TDD) and Half Duplex Frequency Division Duplexing (HD-FDD).

2.2.6 SYSTEM STATUS DISPLAY

The Airlink BCP uses the "U01602DSF/AWH" LCD module as a system status display.

The display comprises a 2x16 character interface to provide the user with system status information under the control of the CBB.

2.2.7 RF1 AND RF2 ANTENNA

The Airlink BCP RF1 and RF2 antenna ports are connected to the TX and RX ports of the duplexer.

The antenna is connected to the antenna port of the duplexer and should be matched to the operational frequency, with an impedance of 50 ohm.

2.2.8 GPS ANTENNA

NOTE

The Airlink BCP GPS antenna is used to provide the GPS signal to the CBB.

The antenna should be an active device to support the 5 VDC provided by the CBB.

NOTE

The GPS antenna is optional and is not required for ATCS operation. The GPS antenna is required for MC-IoT operation.

CHAPTER 3 – AIRLINK BCP CONNECTORS

3.1 GENERAL

This section describes the connectors associated within the A53682 Airlink BCP equipment installation.

3.2 AIRLINK BCP EXTERNAL CONNECTORS

The Airlink BCP is equipped with the following connectors as shown in Figure 3-1 and Figure 3-2:

- two 25-pin D-type client serial port connectors.
- two TX/RX antenna connectors.
- an SMA GPS antenna connector.
- a 2-pin power connector.
- an RJ45 for a serial console connection to a PC.
- two RJ45 connectors for connection to a local network.



Figure 3-1 Airlink BCP – Front View



Figure 3-2 Airlink BCP – Back View

The pin assignments for each of these connectors are described in the following sections.

3.2.1 25-PIN D-TYPE CLIENT PORT CONNECTORS (FEMALE)

The female, 25-pin, D-type connectors (J1 and J2) located on the top of the Airlink BCP enclosure provide serial client ports that can be configured for RS-232 or RS-422 operation during configuration. Similarly, for synchronous protocols, the direction of the transmit clock for each port is software configurable to work either as a DCE or DTE device. Table 3-1 lists the pin assignments for the 25-pin connectors.

Pin	RS-232	RS-422
2	Tx Data out	Tx data (-) out
3	Rx Data in	Rx data (-) in
4	RTS out	RTS (-) out
5	CTS in	CTS (-) in
7	Common	Common
9		Rx Clock (+) in
12		Tx Clock (+) in
13		CTS (+) in
14		Tx data (+) out
15	Tx clock in	Tx clock (-) in
16		Rx data (+) in
17	Rx clock in	Rx clock (-) in
18		Tx clock (+) out
19		RTS (+) out
24	Tx clock out	Tx clock (-) out

 Table 3-1
 25-Pin D-Type Connector Pin Assignments

3.2.2 SERIAL CONSOLE CONNECTOR (RJ45)

The RJ45 socket provides a combined serial data and console interface according to the following pinout.

Pin	Function
1	Ground
2	Ground
3	Serial Data RX
4	Ground
5	Ground
6	Serial Data TX
7	Console RX
8	Console TX

Table 3-2 RJ45 Serial Console Connector Pin Assignments

The serial data pins match those used by the Cisco RS232 standard. An adapter cable is available to convert the console interface to the same standard.



Figure 3-3 RJ45 Serial Console Adapter Cable

3.2.3 2-PIN POWER CONNECTOR (MALE)

The male, 2-pin, Phoenix power connector has 2 connector pin assignments. The Phoenix connector part number is 1828249.



Figure 3-4 Phoenix Connector: Part Number 1828249

Table 3-3 Phoenix Connector Pin Assignments

Pin	Function
1	DC Power +
2	DC Power -

3.2.4 ETHERNET PORT CONNECTORS

The RJ45 Ethernet connectors "Eth1" and "Eth2" are wired according to the 10/100 Mbit standard as described in the following table.

Pin	Function
1	Receive +
2	Receive -
3	Transmit +
4	Not used
5	Not used
6	Transmit -
7	Not used
8	Not used

3.2.5 DUPLEXER I/O CONNECTORS

3.2.5.1 ANATECH ELECTRONICS DUPLEXER AE897-936DB5521

The Airlink BCP package includes the option of an Anatech Electronics AE897-936DB5521 duplexer which is usable for all frequencies without tuning. This model of duplexer also supports MC-IoT frequencies. The following figure provides the locations of the Anatech AE897-936DB5521 duplexer I/O connectors.





3.2.5.2 SINCLAIR DUPLEXER Q-4220E: LEGACY INFORMATION

The previous model of duplexer used with the Airlink BCP was the Sinclair Q-4220E, which was tuned to support the legacy ATCS frequencies, and the MC-IoT frequencies.

When using the Sinclair duplexer and ATCS channels 1, 2, and 3, the Airlink BCP package requires Siemens duplexer part number NYK:Z934010070008 and Sinclair part number Q-4220E-TX935.50-RX896.50.

When using the Sinclair duplexer and ATCS channels 4, 5, and 6, the Airlink BCP package requires Siemens duplexer part number NYK:Z934010070007 and Sinclair part number Q-4220E-TX936.00-RX897.00.

The following figure provides the locations of the Sinclair Q-4220E duplexer I/O connectors.





Some users may have a Sinclair Q-4220E duplexer from the legacy Safetran BCP that they wish to use with the new Airlink BCP radio. The legacy BCP duplexer has specific tunings for each ATCS channel and does not accommodate the MC-IoT frequencies.

If the Airlink BCP radio is being used for the legacy ATCS radio channel only and is not using MC-IoT frequencies, the legacy duplexer can be used as-is with the Airlink BCP.

However, if the Airlink BCP is using both ATCS and MC-IoT frequencies, the legacy duplexer requires retuning or must be replaced with the new Anatech Electronics duplexer.
CHAPTER 4 – INSTALLATION

4.1 GENERAL

The Airlink BCP can be mounted on a 19" rack as shown in Figure 4-2. The unit is secured on either side by retaining bolts, two on each side.

4.2 POWER

The Airlink BCP can be powered directly from a battery. It supports 36 to 75 VDC input power.



NOTE

The transmit current requires the use of number 10 AWG or larger wire to ensure that a significant voltage drop does not occur when the transmitter is keyed.

4.3 MOUNTING THE AIRLINK BCP

The following figure provides the dimensions of the Airlink BCP to use when mounting to a rack.



Figure 4-1 Airlink BCP Dimensions

NOTE

NOTE

At low input voltages, instantaneous current can exceed 10 A, and it is therefore extremely important to ensure tight connections and adequate wire gauge (minimum #10 AWG).

4.3.1 RACK MOUNTING

The following figures show a typical rack mounted Airlink BCP.

WARNING

WHEN RACK MOUNTED THE AIRLINK BCP IS USUALLY GROUNDED THROUGH THE MOUNTING BOLTS.

IF THIS IS NOT THE CASE, A SEPARATE GROUNDING WIRE (MINIMUM #10 AWG) MUST BE CONNECTED BETWEEN THE GROUND POST ON THE REAR PANEL AND THE BUILDING GROUND.



Figure 4-2 Airlink BCP Top/Front View when Mounted to Rack



Figure 4-3 Airlink BCP Top/Back View when Mounted to Rack



Figure 4-4 Airlink BCP Back View when Mounted to Rack

4.4 DUPLEXER MOUNTING

The following figure provides the dimensions of the Anatech Electronics AE897-936DB5521 duplexer which can be included as part of the Airlink BCP package. This will be mounted with the Airlink BCP on a 19" rack.



Figure 4-5 Anatech Electronics AE897-936DB5521 Duplexer Dimensions

The following figures show typical rack mounting and cabling of the Anatech Electronics AE897-936DB5521 duplexer and Airlink BCP, with the duplexer located on a shelf directly above the Airlink BCP.





Figure 4-6 Duplexer and Airlink BCP Front Views when Mounted to Rack



Figure 4-7 Duplexer and Airlink BCP Back View when Mounted to Rack



Figure 4-8 Duplexer and Airlink BCP Side Views when Mounted to Rack

4.5 EQUIPMENT INTERCONNECT CABLING

Once the Airlink BCP equipment is installed, connect the equipment as described in the following section.

4.5.1 AIRLINK BCP BASIC CABLING

The equipment cabling for a basic Airlink BCP installation is shown in Figure 4-7. All necessary information is provided in the following figures and in Table 4-1. Aside from the cabling that is provided as part of the package (refer to Table 1-1), all other cabling is customer supplied.

Part Number	Where Used	Termination
See Appendix C.4 and D.1.	Airlink BCP to Antenna	Male N to male N
Customer supplied	Airlink BCP to battery	Phoenix Power Connector to 10/12 AWG insulated ring lug
Customer supplied	Airlink BCP to battery	Phoenix Power Connector to 10/12 AWG insulated ring lug

 Table 4-1
 Airlink BCP Interconnect Cable Descriptions



Figure 4-9 Airlink BCP Typical Interconnect Diagram – Front View



Figure 4-10 Airlink BCP Typical Interconnect Diagram – Back view





CHAPTER 5 – FRONT PANEL DESCRIPTION

The following chapter describes the functions of the push buttons on the front panel display of the Airlink BCP.



Figure 5-1 Airlink BCP Front Panel showing Push Buttons

The front panel display design is based on the following menu tree. Display information is categorized as follows:

- 1. General details
- 2. RF port details
- 3. Serial J1 port details
- 4. Serial J2 port details
- 5. Restore default settings

The above menu options display at the primary level. They can be viewed sequentially by pressing the 'Select' push button. Press the 'Enter' push button to enter into the secondary level. Secondary level information can be viewed sequentially by pressing the 'Select' push button. On pressing the 'Enter' button in the secondary level, the menu will return to the primary level.

The following are screenshots of the 2x16 LCD display showing the primary level menu options.

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Figure 5-2 Front Panel Display Primary Level Menu Options

5.1 GENERAL DETAILS MENU

The following information can be viewed sequentially on entering the General Details menu.

1. Time and date



2. Device Type



3. SW Package version



4. HW/SW version

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5. Docker Application version

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1.0	.6					

6. ATCS address

AT	CS	Addr	ess
362	001	3200	

7. IP addresses



5.2 RF PORT DETAILS MENU

The following information can be viewed sequentially on entering the RF Port Details menu.

1. Operating Frequency

Tx(MHZ)	:93	6.9	375
R×(MHz)	:89	7.9	375

2. RSSI Info

RSS	IC		:	77	dBr	1
RSS	IC	\mathbb{O}	:	12	7dE	}m

3. RF Power Level and Rx Gain

Τ×	Po	wer	• ::	45c	18m
R×	Ga	in	:	35c	18

4. RF Port Data Count

T×C	80:	429	496	7295
$\mathbb{R}\times($	8):	429	496	7295

5.3 SERIAL PORT J1 DETAILS & SERIAL PORT J2 DETAILS MENUS

In these menus, the list of parameters viewed are based on the configured Communication mode: Synchronous or Asynchronous mode.

The following screenshots are the common parameters displayed for both modes.

1. Communication mode – Synchronous (or) Asynchronous



2. Tx/Rx activity of serial port

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Asterisk (*) represents active. Dash (-) represents non-active.

3. Baud Rate

	iner i				

4. Protocol



5. Tx/Rx Valid Frame Count



6. Tx/Rx Data Count



(B) denotes bytes count

7. CRC Error Count

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1.00 2.00 2								

5.3.1 ASYNCHRONOUS MODE

The following list shows the parameters that will display when Asynchronous mode is configured:

- 1. Parity Error Count
- 2. Framing Error Count
- 3. OverRun Count

5.3.2 SYNCHRONOUS MODE

The following list shows the parameters that will display when Synchronous mode is configured:

- 1. Tx/Rx HDLC Frame Count
- 2. Tx/Rx SABM Frame Count
- 3. Tx/Rx Info Frame Count
- 4. Tx/Rx FRMR Frame Count
- 5. Tx/Rx UI Frame Count
- 6. Tx/Rx UA Frame Count
- 7. Tx/Rx DM DISC Frame Count
- 8. Tx/Rx RNR Frame Count
- 9. Tx/Rx REJ Frame Count
- 10. OverRun Count

5.4 RESTORE DEFAULT SETTINGS MENU

This menu option is used to restore factory default settings from the front panel. On entering this menu, confirmation is requested before performing restore.

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Figure 5-3 Front Panel Display Message to confirm Restore of Factory Default Settings

The user must press and hold the "Enter" button (pressing the button for at least 5 seconds) to confirm the operation.

The below message is displayed after completing the operation. The device will undergo reboot automatically to apply the changes.



Figure 5-4 Front Panel Display Message after Restoring Default Settings

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CHAPTER 6 – CONFIGURATION & ALIGNMENT

6.1 INTRODUCTION

The Airlink BCP configuration data identifies the Airlink BCP with a specific location and establishes its communications, I/O, and ancillary function parameters.

6.2 CONFIGURATION

Ordinarily, initial setup and routine maintenance tasks consist of making changes to the site configuration and storing the data permanently in the Airlink BCP. While most of the parameters are factory set and do not require user alteration, site-specific data such as local ATCS address, remote FEP/CC address, client port assignments, system timers, hardware configuration etc. may be programmed on site by field maintenance personnel. This is accomplished by using the Apollo configuration editor and uploading the complete modified configuration information.

When using the Apollo configuration editor, all configuration data (as well as other site data) may be stored in a PC data file. The Apollo configuration editor is detailed in the following section.

6.3 APOLLO USER INFORMATION

6.3.1 INTRODUCTION

This section describes the installation steps and procedures to use the Apollo and Radio Discovery applications for the Airlink BCP. Apollo is a web based application which is used to configure, scan bandwidth, and perform actions and logging on the Airlink BCP radio. Radio Discovery is a desktop application which is used to discover radios in the network and runs the Apollo tool for the user.

6.3.2 INSTALLATION

6.3.2.1 DISCOVERY APPLICATION

The Discovery Application is shared as Windows installer (.exe). This can be installed on Windows 7/8/10 - 64-bit operating systems. The recommended operating system is Windows 10. Double-clicking on this file starts the installation process. The Discovery Application has identification number 9VE46.

6.3.2.2 APOLLO

The Apollo tool supports three levels of users. Each user level may have a different set of permissions. The following table lists the SSH login credentials for each user level.

Username	Default Password
level1	level100
level2	level200
level3	level300

These credentials are used by the Discovery Application to load Apollo from the target Airlink BCP. Once the user has logged in with their login credentials, the corresponding screens and permissions will be available in the Apollo tool.



NOTE

The current release of the Apollo Tool does not define user level access, therefore all user levels allow for the same level of access.

6.3.2.3 PREREQUISITES

- Connect the Windows PC ethernet interface to the Management Port (eth1) of the Airlink BCP.
- Set the static IP on the Windows PC interface on which the Airlink BCP is connected.
- The static IP needs to be in the same subnet of the Management IP used in the Airlink BCP.

6.3.3 DISCOVERY APPLICATION INITIAL CONFIGURATION STEPS

After successful installation of the Discovery Application, the user can search "Discovery Application" in the start menu and double click to run it.

S	Radio Discovery Ap	plication v2.1				_		×
0	otions							
	SIEMENS	Select inferace:	Ethernet adapte	r Ethernet 3 : 10.1	1.1.205		~	G
	Name	IP Address	MAC Address	Location	Interface IP	Disc	nnect	
						Add	Radio	

Figure 6-1 Discovery Application

The user PC can have multiple network interfaces. The user must select the interface on which the radios are connected from the Discovery App drop-down menu shown above (select interface).

Click on "Discover" to display the list of radios present on the selected network interface. The radio should be in a normal running state (all the applications of the radio should be up) for it to be discovered.

Discovered radio details are shown in the radio information table shown in the following figure.

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Opt	ions					
5	IEMENS	Select inferace:	Ethernet adapter E	thernet 3 : 10.1.1	1.205	~ G
-	Name NG-BCP	IP Address 10.1.1.206	MAC Address 00:21:EE:00:07:05	Location Sunnyvale	Interface IP 10.1.1.205	Discover
						Add Radio

Figure 6-2 Discovery Application: After Clicking Discover

If radios are not available/discoverable, the below popup will be shown.



Figure 6-3 Popup - No Radio Found

In certain cases, the radio might be ON, but the application may not be running. In such cases, the radio will not be discovered by the Discovery Application. To overcome this, the user can add the radio details manually to connect and use Apollo.

To do this, click on the "Add Radio" button. Fill in the details and click 'Add' to register it to the radio information table. The user should carefully select the interface on which the radio is connected. A wrong selection will lead to an unsuccessful connection.

S Radio Details	- 🗆 X
Name	NG-BCP
IP Address	10.1 .1 .205
Location	Sunnyvale
Select Interface	Ethernet adapter Ethernet 3 : 10.1 \vee
	OK Cancel

Figure 6-4 Discovery Application: Add Radio Manually

Select any of the radios listed and click on the 'Connect' button.

S	Radio Discovery Ap	plication v2.1				- 🗆 X
Opti	ons					
S	IEMENS	Select inferace	Ethernet adapter	Ethernet 3 : 10.1.:	1.205	~ G
1	Name NG-BCP	IP Address 10.1.1.205	MAC Address	Location Sunnyvale	Interface IP 10.1.1.205	Discover
						Connect
						Add Radio

Figure 6-5 Discovery Application: After Adding Radio Manually

The application will now ask for remote login credentials.

Username	Default Password
level1	level100
level2	level200
level3	level300

The user can use any of the above credentials to login and use Apollo.

S Radio Re		×		
User Name	level 1			
Password	•••••		s	how
		OK	Cano	el

Figure 6-6 Logging into Radio

Click on OK to connect to the radio. Upon successful connection, the Discovery application will load the "Apollo" tool from the radio and launch it.

It automatically opens the default web browser and connects to the Apollo tool. The user can now use Apollo to configure and manage the radio.



Figure 6-7 Message to User





NOTE

The Apollo server will remain running unless the user manually exits Apollo or closes the Discovery application. The user can access the Apollo tool using <u>http://localhost:5000/</u> at any time.

6.3.4 APOLLO MENU DESCRIPTIONS

The Apollo tool has five main categories, divided based on functionality. They are:

- 1. Configurations
- 2. Diagnostics
- 3. Scanner
- 4. Actions
- 5. Logging

These functionalities are available in five different tabs on the main screen of the Apollo tool.

6.3.4.1 CONFIGURATIONS

This functionality is used to manage configurations of the Airlink BCP. It has two sub-categories:

- 1. Static Configurations
- 2. Dynamic Configurations

Static Configurations

This functionality is used to modify configurations in the "*bcp_config.xml*" configuration file of the radio.

This page has configuration fields, and two buttons: **Save** and **Revert.** Initially these buttons are disabled. On changing the configuration, the *Save* button is enabled and the particular configuration field outline color turns to yellow. This is to differentiate between saved and unsaved configuration changes.

Press the *Save* button to update the changed configurations in the configuration file present at the radio.

Press the *Revert* button to change back to the last set of configurations. One level of backup configuration file is maintained by the Apollo tool.

After pressing Save or Revert, a Radio reboot/Application restart action needs to be performed for the changes to take effect. It is highly recommended to perform these actions immediately after a Save or Revert to avoid conflicts for other users. The tool automatically redirects to the *Action* page after a Save or Revert.



Figure 6-8 Static Configurations

Dynamic Configurations

For Apollo Airlink BCP, dynamic configuration is not used.

6.3.4.2 DIAGNOSTICS

For Apollo Airlink BCP, diagnostics are not used.

6.3.4.3 SCANNER

This functionality is used for scanning the spectrum. The Apollo tool performs real time plotting of values generated by the radio's internal scanner application. Normal radio operation is suspended while the scanner application is running.

The user needs to input the following configurations to start the scanner application:

- Scanner Mode
- Center Frequency
- Span (Hz)
- Rx Gain
- Resolution Bandwidth
- Number of cycles

The "Stop Button" can be used to stop scanner operations at any time.

The "Export" option is used to download the values generated by the scanner application in CSV format.

NOTE

NOTE

Turn off the firewall before using the scanner feature in Apollo.

Windows firewall blocks UDP traffic in certain scenarios, therefore the user must turn off the firewall in order for this feature to function.



Figure 6-9 Scanner

Zoom

To zoom in on the graph, click on the desired start point of the graph and drag the cursor to the desired end point. The graph will display the selected part and freeze. In the background, new values will continue to be collected. To return the graph to its original state, double click on any part of the graph.

6.3.4.4 ACTIONS

The user can perform multiple actions on the radio using the Actions page of the Apollo tool. The Actions page has the following functionality.

- 1. Operations:
 - a. Reboot Performs system reboot of radio.
 - b. Restart Quit radio applications and run them again.
 - c. Rescan Radio does rescan and try for network entry. **This option is not used on Apollo Airlink BCP.**
- 2. Stop Radio Stop the radio applications.
- 3. Start Radio Start the radio applications.
- 4. Upload Configuration file Upload the configuration file into the radio (bcp_config.xml). Use the browse option to select the configuration file on the user's PC and click upload.
- 5. Download Configuration file Download the configuration file from the radio to the user's PC (bcp_config.xml).

- 6. Revert Configuration file After upload, the user can use this option to revert back to the last configuration file. One level of backup is maintained in Apollo.
- Flash new image This functionality is used to flash a file-system image to the nonactive partition. Use the browse option to select flash image on the user's PC and click Flash.
- 8. Swap partition the user can use this option to switch to another partition and reboot. It also has the option to enable Sanity reboot, meaning that if there is an issue in the other partition, the radio automatically reverts back to the old partition and reboots. NOTE: After successful flash and swap, it is recommended to quit Apollo and reconnect to ensure the user has the latest Apollo from the flashed partition.
- 9. Update Docker Application This functionality is used to upload the docker image to the radio and load it to the docker repository. Use the browse option to select the docker image to be updated from the user's PC and click update.
- 10. Restore factory settings This functionality uses the default factory file present in the radio and restores the factory settings on the radio.
- 11. Upload factory settings Upload the factory settings file into the radio. Use the browse option to select the factory settings file on the user's PC and click upload.
- 12. Download factory settings Download the factory settings file from the radio to the user's PC.
- 13. Switch NGBCP Operating Mode This functionality is used to change the Airlink BCP operating Modes (i.e. ATCS MODE, MC-IoT MODE, DUAL MODE).
- 14. Switch Apollo Mode This functionality is used to switch the Apollo Tool Mode to either ATCS or MC-IoT mode. This can be switched only if the Airlink BCP is in Dual Mode (see above).

SIEMENS		lev	el1 - NG-BCP - 10.1.1.206 - 00:21:EE:00:07:05 ● Connected NG-BCP Operating Mode: ATCS MODE Siemens S/W Version: 1.0.6
	Configurations Diagnostics Scanner	Actions Logging	Quit Apollo
	Operations:	Options 2	
	NG-BCP Operating Mode:	Select Mode V	
		Change 13	
	Upload Configuration File:	Choose File No file chosen	
		Upload 🕹	
	Revert Configuration File:	Revert	
	Download Configuration File:	Download ±	
	Update Docker Application:	Choose File No file chosen	
		Update 1	
	Flash New Software:	Choose File No tile chosen	
	Switch Partitioner		
	Restore Factory Settings:	Choose Eile No file chosen	APOLLO NG-BCPv1.1.1a
	Switch Partitions: Restore Factory Settings: Upload Factory Settings:	Flash * Swap © Restore © Choose File No file chosen	APOLLO NG-BCI ATCS

Figure 6-10 Actions Page

6.3.4.5 LOGGING

The Logging functionality is used to display the radio application logs on the Apollo tool. Click **Start** Logging to receive logs from the radio. Ensure **LOG_TO_FILE** value is enabled in the radio configuration file. If it is not enabled, Apollo will not display any logs.

The user can download the Application and System log file to their PC from the Logging page.

IEMENS	IEVENI - NG-BCP - 10.1.1.2	06 - 00:21:EE:00:07:05 ● Conner VG-BCP Operating Mode: ATC5 M Siemens S/W Version: 1
Configurations Diagnostics Scanne	r Actions Logging	Quit Apollo
2021/10/08/00-13:48: #8F1112- BY: Dr:Offert: RvState=2: AVC=001355: Curr=001607: Dd	a15vnr_m002483 175	
2021/10/08 00:13:48 *RFL1L2: RX, DcOffset, RXState=2, AVG=001373, Curr=001265, DC	CatSync=002483, 175	
2021/10/08 00:13:48 *RFL1L2: RX, DcOffset, RxState=2, AVG=001374, Curr=001476, D0	CatSync=002483, 175	
2021/10/08 00:13:48 ERT Report:		
2021/10/08 00:13:48 Sent: 0 Received: 148 Error: 0		
2021/10/08 00:13:48 *RFL1L2: RX, DcOffset, RxState=2, AVG=001314, Curr=001550, DC	atSync=002483, 175	
2021/10/08 00:13:48 *RFL1L2: RX, DcOffset, RxState=2, AVG=001411, Curr=001828, DC	atSync=002483, 175	
2021/10/08 00:13:48 *RFL1L2: RX, DcOffset, RxState=2, AVG=001367, Curr=001185, DC	atSync=002483, 175	
2021/10/08 00:13:48 *RFLIL2: KX, DCOffset, RXState=2, AVG=001483, Curr=001276, DC	atSync=002483, 175	
2021/10/08 00:13:40 *PELL2: PX DeOffeet PyState=2, AVG=001236, Curr=001735, DC	atsync=002483,175	
2021/10/08 00:13:49 *RE112: RX DCOffset, RxState=2, AVG=001248, Curr=001259, Dd	atsync=002483,175	
2021/10/08 00:13:49 *RFL1L2: RX. DcOffset, RxState=2, AVG=001440, Curr=001416, Dd	atSync=002483, 175	
2021/10/08 00:13:49 *RFL1L2: RX, DcOffset, RxState=2, AVG=001368, Curr=001338, D4	CatSync=002483, 175	
2021/10/08 00:13:49 *RFL1L2: RX, DcOffset, RxState=2, AVG=001337, Curr=001604, D0	atSync=002483, 175	
2021/10/08 00:13:49 *RFL1L2: RX, DcOffset, RxState=2, AVG=001248, Curr=001288, DG	atSync=002483, 175	
2021/10/08 00:13:49 *RFL1L2: RX, DcOffset, RxState=2, AVG=001494, Curr=001495, DG	atSync=002483, 175	
2021/10/08 00:13:49 *RFL1L2: RX, DcOffset, RxState=2, AVG=001330, Curr=001361, DG	atSync=002483, 175	
2021/10/08 00:13:49 *RFL1L2: RX, DcOffset, RxState=2, AVG=001459, Curr=001841, DC	atSync=002483, 175	
2021/10/08 00:13:49 *RFL1L2: RX, DcOffset, RxState=2, AVG=001256, Curr=001130, DC	atSync=002483, 175	
2021/10/08 00:13:49 *RFL1L2: RX, DcOffset, RxState=2, AVG=001478, Curr=001379, DC	atSync=002483, 175	
System Log 🕹 Application Log 🕹	Clear logs Start logging	
		APOLLO NG-BCP
		ATCS

Figure 6-11 Logging Page

6.3.4.6 COMMON FEATURES

At the top right corner of the Apollo tool, the radio details and state is shown to the user. There are three possible states:

- Connected.
- Application not running.
- Disconnected.

In the connected state, all features of the tool remain activated. The tool shows the state as "Connected".

If the application stops running and the radio is reachable, the tool shows the state as "Application not running". At this state, some of the features, such as the scanner, are disabled. When the radio application is run again and is back to its normal state, all features will be reactivated.

When the radio is in an unreachable state like during reboot and shutdown, the Apollo tool shows the state as "Disconnected". The tool automatically redirects to the Logging page and the last few logs of the radio are displayed, which may help the user to understand what is happening in the radio. These logs are not received in real time. All features of the tool are disabled in this state. When the radio is reachable and back to its normal state, all features will be reactivated.

To quit/exit the Apollo tool, click on the "**Quit Apollo**" button located at the top right of the Apollo screen, below the status bar.

6.4 COMMAND LINE INTERFACE (CLI) OPERATIONS & CONFIGURATION

The BCP may operate in one of two modes for the Command Line Interface. The following sections provides an overview of the CLI configuration and operational aspects of the Airlink BCP in each of these modes.

6.4.1 CONSOLE ACCESS

Airlink BCP radios may be accessed locally using the serial port as a console or remotely using SSH.

6.4.2 AIRLINK BCP CLI

The Airlink BCP CLI can manipulate key configuration parameters, perform volatile configuration changes, and read measurement and statistic information. The following instructions apply when accessing the Airlink BCP CLI using the serial console.



NOTE

When accessing the CLI over SSH session, use the following login credentials to access the CLI: Username: admin Default Password: admin100

6.4.2.1 BASIC INSTRUCTIONS

These keys perform the following functions:

- Tab: Auto complete commands.
- History: Prints recent history of commands.
- Clear: Clear screen.
- Back: Move prompt back by one level.
- Quit: Move all the way back.
- Exit: Go back to operator user.

There are two CLI users available – operator and admin.

The default CLI user is "operator". The command prompt is shown as "operator@AirlinkBCP". To log in as an administrator, use the "su admin" command in CLI and press Enter. It will prompt for a password. Use password "FullMax" and press Enter.

```
operator@AirlinkBCP-$ su admin
su admin
Enter Password:
admin@AirlinkBCP-$
admin@AirlinkBCP-$
```

Figure 6-12 Admin Login

6.4.2.2 OPERATOR USER

The operator can read all CLI non-security related parameters and change log levels. This user cannot change any parameter value. The "show" command is used to read the configuration values and statistics. The "debug" command is used to set log levels. The "su" command is used to log in as an administrator user.

operator@AirlinkBCP-\$
change
debug
reboot
show
stop
su

Figure 6-13 Press 'Tab' - Available Option in Operator Mode

6.4.2.3 ADMIN USER

The Admin can read all CLI non-security related parameters and change log levels. This user can change some parameters in volatile memory. These parameters will return to their original value after reset. The "show" command is used to read the configuration values and statistics. The "debug" command is used to set log levels. The "config" command is used for volatile configuration changes and to enable/disable BERT mode.

dmin@AirlinkBCP-\$	
hange	
config	
lebug	
exit	
reboot	
show	
top	
su la	

Figure 6-14 Press 'Tab' - Available Option in Admin Mode

6.4.2.4 READ CONFIGURATION INFORMATION

To view the complete listing of system configurations such as IP config, ATCS Address config, Radio config, etc. the user can issue the "show bcp sysconfig" command. An example of this is shown in the following figures.

operator@AirlinkBCP-\$ show bcp sysconfig show bcp sysconfig *************Ip Configuration********** IP Address (ETH1) Netmask (ETH1) Gateway (ETH1) DNS Server 1 IP Address DNS Server 2 IP Address	: 10,1,1,206 : 255,255,255,0 : 10,1,1,1 : 192,168,10,10 : 192,168,10,11
ATCS Address information Cluster Controller Address Local Address Health Addresss	: 2.620.00.0000 : 3.620.01.3200 : 2.620.00.0000
Radio Configuration Device Type Configured Frequency Index Frequency Deviation AGC Mode Receive Gain (If AGC is disabled) Tx Power RF Filter IF Filter Tx Frequency Rx Frequency Second LNA Antenna Mismatch check	: NG-BCP : 5 : 1300 (Hz) : Enable : 30 (dB) : 47 (dBm) : 1 (BW: 6 (MHz) CF) : 3 (BW: 15 (kHz) C) : 936,9375 (MHz) : 897,9375 (MHz) : Enable : Disable
Higher Layer Information Higher Layer Information ATCS software revision number ATCS hardware revision number	: 1 : 1v0
Log Configuartion InformationLog Configuartion InformationLog Configuartion Information Log To File Log Level	: Enabled 5 (DEBUG)

Figure 6-15 View System Configuration - 1

ATCS Udp Network Information Selected ATCS UDP Network Routing Type Circuit ID Line Circuit ID Port Circuit ID Poll Routing Region1 Routing Region2 Port Number Path Value Route Search Time Route Search Time Route Search Tries	: None : HUB : 1 : 1 : 0 : 0.0.0.0 : 0.0.0.0 : 5361 : 72 : 15 : 5 : 4
Serial Port O (J1) Information Interface Type Line Code Transmitter clock source Communication Mode Baud Rate Data bits Parity Bit Stop bits Flow Control Serial Protocol Poll Address	: RS-232 : NRZ : Internal : Synchronous : 9600 (bps) : 8 : None : 1 : None : 1 (Genisys Office) : 1
Serial Port 1 (J2) Information Interface Type Line Code Transmitter clock source Communication Mode Baud Rate Data bits Parity Bit Stop bits Flow Control Serial Protocol Poll Address	: RS-232 : NRZ : Internal : Synchronous : 9600 (bps) : 8 : None : 1 : None : 1 (Genisys Office) : 1

Figure 6-16 View System Configuration – 2

In addition to viewing the complete system configuration, individual configuration sets can be viewed by issuing the corresponding command. The following table lists the commands available to view different configuration sets.

CLI Command	Configuration Description
"show bcp radioconfig"	Radio configurations like Frequency Index, Tx Power, Rx Gain, etc. (Figure 6-17).
"show bcp atcs higherlayerconfig"	Siemens Docker Application configuration (Figure 6-18).
"show bcp atcs addressconfig"	ATCS Address configuration (Figure 6-19).
"show bcp ipconfig"	IP Address configuration (Figure 6-20).
"show bcp atcs udpnetworkconfig"	Siemens Docker Application configuration (Figure 6-21).
"show bcp serialport0config"	Serial port P1 configurations used by both the ONDAS App and the Siemens Docker App configuration (Figure 6-22).
"show bcp serialport1config"	Serial port P2 configurations used by both the ONDAS App and the Siemens Docker App configuration (Figure 6-23).

operator@HirlinkBLP-\$ show bcp radioconfi	19
show bcp radioconfig	
Radio ConfigurationRadio	
Device Type	: NG-BCP
Frequency Deviation	: 1300 (Hz)
Configured Frequency Index	± 5
AGC Mode	: Enable
Receive gain (If AGC is disabled)	: 30 (dB)
Tx power	: 47 (dBm)
RF Filter	: 1 (BW: 6 (MHz) CF: 895 (MHz))
IF Filter	: 3 (BW: 15 (kHz) CF: 70 (MHz))
Tx Frequency	: 936.9375 (MHz)
Rx Frequency	: 897.9375 (MHz)
Second LNA	: Enable
Antenna Mismatch check	: Disable



operator@AirlinkBCP-\$ show bcp atcs hig show bcp atcs higherlayerconfig	gherlayerconfig
Iigher Layer Information ATCS software revision number ATCS hardware revision number	: 1 : 1v0

Figure 6-18 View Higher Layer Configuration

operator@AirlinkBCP-\$ show bcp atcs addressconfig show bcp atcs addressconfig

ATCS	Address	information
Cluster Controller	Address	: 2.620.00.0000
Local Address		: 3.620.01.3200
Health Addresss		: 2,620,00,0000

Figure 6-19 View ATCS Address Configuration

operator@AirlinkBCP-\$ show bcp ipconfig	
show bcp ipconfig	
IP Address (ETH1)	: 10.1.1.206
Netmask (ETH1)	: 255,255,255,0
Gateway (ETH1)	: 10.1.1.1
DNS Server 1 IP Address	: 192,168,10,10
DNS Server 2 IP Address	: 192.168.10.11

Figure 6-20 View IP Configuration

operator@AirlinkBCP-\$ show bcp atcs udpnetworkconfig show bcp atcs udpnetworkconfig	
ATCS Udp Network Information Selected ATCS UDP Network Powting Tune	: Office
Circuit ID Line	: 620
Circuit ID Port	: 2
Circuit ID Poll	: 1
Routing Region1	: 192.168.61.25
Routing Region2	: 0.0.0.0
Port Number	: 5361
Path Value	: 72
Route Search Time	: 15
Route Refresh Time	:5
Route Search Tries	:4



operator@AirlinkBCP-\$ sho show bcp serialport0confi	w bcp serialportOconfig 9	
Serial Port Interface Type Line Code Transmitter clock source Communication Mode Baud Rate Data bits Parity Bit Stop bits Flow Control Serial Protocol Poll Address	0 (J1) Information : RS-232 : NRZ : Internal : Synchronous : 9600 (bps) : 8 : None : 1 : None : 1 (Genisys Office) : 1	



operator@AirlinkBCP-\$ sho	w bcp serialport1config
show bcp serialport1confi	.9
Serial Port	1 (J2) Information
Interface Type	: RS-232
Line Code	: NRZ
Transmitter clock source	: Internal
Communication Mode	: Synchronous
Baud Rate	: 9600 (bps)
Data bits	: 8
Parity Bit	: None
Stop bits	: 1
Flow Control	: None
Serial Protocol	: 1 (Genisys Office)
Poll Address	: 1

Figure 6-23 View Serial Port 1 Configuration
6.4.2.5 READ STATISTICS AND MEASUREMENT INFORMATION

The following table lists the CLI commands available to view real time statistics information.

CLI Command	Description
"show bcp info"	Mode and SW, HW, Docker, FPGA, CBB and RFM board, PA, PSU, and T/R switch version details (Figure 6-24).
"show bcp I1I2statistics"	RF Frame statistics (Figure 6-25).
"show bcp measurement report"	Measurements like Last packet RSSI and SNR, Rx Gain, Tx Power, CBB and PA temperature, Current drawn (Figure 6-26)
"show bcp rfmconfig"	RFM configurations (Figure 6-27).
"show bcp statistics"	RF and Serial ports statistics in bytes count.
"show bcp gps location"	GPS Latitude and Longitude information (if GPS antenna is connected) (Figure 6-28).
"show bcp gps time"	GPS time UTC (If GPS antenna is connected) (Figure 6-29).
"show bcp temperature"	CBB Board and PA temperature (Figure 6-30).
"show bcp uptime"	System uptime (Figure 6-31).
"show bcp currenttime"	Current date and time (Figure 6-32).

Table 6-2	CLI Commands	for Viewing	Statistics
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ATIONAL
1b
3



admin@AirlinkBCP-\$ show bc; show bcp lll2statistics	> l1l2statistics
L1L2 STATIS	TICS
Tx Frame Count Rx Frame Count Header CRC Pass Count Header CRC Fail Count Packet CRC Pass Count	: 4 : 14 : 14 : 0 : 14
Packet CRC Fail Count Frame Sync Count	: 14 : 0 : 14







operator@AirlinkBCP-\$ show bcp rfmconfig	show bcp rfmconfig	
RFM RF Filter Frequency IF Filter Frequency IF Filter Bandwidth Max Pa Power Tx Gain Rx Gain Mimo Tupe	CONFIGURATION : 895000 (kHz) : 70000 (kHz) : 100 (kHz) : 52 (dBm) : 70 (dB) : 42 (dB) : SISO	



operator@AirlinkBCP-\$ show bcp gps location show bcp gps location +12.915442, +77.586067

operator@AirlinkBCP-\$ show bcp gps location show bcp gps location GPS not available

Figure 6-28 View GPS Location

operator@AirlinkBCP-\$ show bcp gps time show bcp gps time UTC 2022-01-13 10:00:37

operator@AirlinkBCP-\$ show bcp gps time show bcp gps time ______GPS not available

Figure 6-29 View GPS Time

operator@AirlinkBCP-\$ show	bcp temperature	
show bcp temperature		
CBB Temperature	: 40 (degree C)	
PA Temperature	: 21 (degree C)	

Figure 6-30 View CBB and PA Temperature

operator@AirlinkBCP-\$ show bcp uptime show bcp uptime 3 days, 15:32:48

Figure 6-31 View System Uptime

operator@AirlinkBCP-\$ show bcp currenttime show bcp currenttime Sun Oct 10 21:16:35 UTC 2021

Figure 6-32 View Current Time and Date

6.4.2.6 VOLATILE CONFIGURATION CHANGE

An admin user can configure the Airlink BCP dynamically (while the application is running) via the CLI. This function is only available in admin mode. These configuration changes are not saved permanently. On reboot, the parameter values will change back to their original values. BERT mode configurations are done here.

CLI Command	Description
"config bcp radio rxgain <gainindb>"</gainindb>	Dynamically configure Rx gain which takes effect immediately. Use "?" at the end of the command to know the present value (Figure 6-34).
"config bcp radio txPower <pwrindbm>"</pwrindbm>	Dynamically configure Tx power which takes effect immediately. Use "?" at the end of the command to know the present value (Figure 6-35).
"config bcp radio bertMode txEnable"	Disable operational mode and enable BERT Tx mode. BERT packets are transmitted by Airlink BCP (Figure 6-36).
"config bcp radio bertMode rxEnable"	Disable operational mode and enable BERT Rx mode. BERT packets are received by Airlink BCP (Figure 6-37).
"config bcp radio bertMode disable"	Disable BERT mode and enter into operational mode (Figure 6-38).
"config bcp radio dateAndTime <yr-mon-date;hr:min:sec>"</yr-mon-date;hr:min:sec>	Dynamically configure the date and time (Figure 6-39).

Table 6-3	CLI Commands for	Volatile Configuration Ch	anges
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admin@AirlinkBCP-\$ co		
bertMode		
dateAndTime		
rxgain		
txPower		

Figure 6-33 Available Volatile Configuration Parameters

```
admin@AirlinkBCP-$ config bcp radio rxgain 30
<gainIndB>
admin@AirlinkBCP-$ config bcp radio rxgain 30
config bcp radio rxgain 30
Rx Gain set : 30 (dB)
```



admin@AirlinkBCP-\$ config bcp radio txPower ? config bcp radio txPower ? 47 (dBm)

admin@AirlinkBCP-\$ config bcp radio txPower 47 <pwrIndBm> admin@AirlinkBCP-\$ config bcp radio txPower 47 config bcp radio txPower 47 Tx power set : 47 (dBm)

Figure 6-35 Tx Power Configuration

admin@AirlinkBCP-\$ config bcp radio bertMode txEnable config bcp radio bertMode txEnable BERT Mode Tx enabled

Figure 6-36 BERT Tx Mode

admin@AirlinkBCP-\$ config bcp radio bertMode rxEnable config bcp radio bertMode rxEnable BERT Mode Rx enabled

Figure 6-37 BERT Rx Mode

admin⊍AirlinkBCP-\$ config bcp radio bertMode disable config bcp radio bertMode disable BERT Mode disabled

Figure 6-38 Disable BERT Mode

admin@AirlinkBCP-\$ config bcp radio dateAndTime 2021-08-19;03;25;20 config bcp radio dateAndTime 2021-08-19;03;25;20 Thu Aug 19 03;25;20 UTC 2021

Figure 6-39 Date and Time Configuration

6.4.2.7 SETTING LOG LEVELS

This function is available in both operator and administrator mode using the "debug" command. The modules available for logging are:

- controller ATCS controller application logging
- dockerapp Docker application logs
- phy RF L1L2 application logging
- all Sets log level for both modules.

admin@AirlinkBCP−\$ de -11		
all		
controller		
dockerapp		
phy		



The controller and phy log modules have the following standard log levels:

- Critical
- Debug
- Error
- Inform
- Major
- Off
- Trace
- Warning

admin@AirlinkBCP−\$ de	ebug bcp module c		
critical			
debug			
error			
inform			
major			
off			
trace			
warning			

Figure 6-41 Debug Log Levels

The Docker application module has options only to enable or off.

Users other than developers use log levels from Critical to Major. Other levels are mostly used by developers for debugging.

Path to Log file - /media/common/Logfile.txt. When the LOG_TO_FILE parameter is set to 1 in the configuration file, logs are written to the configuration file, and only critical logs will be shown on the console.

If it is disabled, all logs will be shown on the console and not written to file.

admin@AirlinkBCP-\$ debug bcp module controller major debug bcp module controller major

Figure 6-42 Setting Major Log Level for Controller Module

6.5 MC-IOT APPLICATION USER INFORMATION

6.5.1 INTRODUCTION

This section provides an overview of the CLI configuration and operational aspects of the Airlink BCP when in mission critical Internet-of-Things (MC-IoT) operating mode.

While many aspects of a link are determined by the Base Station and learned by the Remote radio during network entry and regular operation (e.g. provisioning and Quality of Service), certain elements are preconfigured in the remote radio.

6.5.2 REMOTE ACCESS

Remote radios may be accessed locally using the serial port as a console or remotely using SSH, telnet or WinSCP over an Ethernet connection as described in the following sections.

6.5.3 CLI OPERATIONS AND CONFIGURATION

This section provides an overview of the CLI configuration and operational aspects of the Airlink BCP.

6.5.3.1 READ CONFIGURATION INFORMATION

To view the complete listing of system configurations such as IP config, System config, Radio config, etc. the user can issue the "show bs sysconfig" command. The following table provides CLI commands for system configuration. Examples are shown in the following figures.

CLI Command	Description
"show bs phyconfig"	Radio configurations like Frequency Index, Tx Power, Rx Gain, etc. See Figure 6-43.
"show bs ipconfig"	IP Address configuration. See Figure 6-44.
"show bs sysconfig"	System configurations like Security , DPD. See Figure 6-45.

Table 6-4 CLI Commands for System Configuration

show bs phyconfig

CP Length		32				
FFT size		128				
Frame durationCode		14 (200.00) ms)			
Preamble Id		0				
Preamble Type		Six-symbol	Confined	Preamble		
Number of DL symbols		108				
Number of UL symbols		90				
AGC		Disabled				
GPS		GPS OFF PF	REAMBLE ON			
Sampling rate		168000 (Hz	z)			
Target RPD		Dynamic				
Maximum Input Power to PA		52 (dBm)				
Rx1Gain		40 (dB)				
Duplex mode		HD-FDD				
DL RF Frequency		936062500	(Hz)			
UL RF Frequency		897062500	(Hz)			
Second LNA		Enabled				
TX Antenna Selected		TX1				
RX Antenna Selected		RX1				
DL Config						
BS EIRP		43.00 (dBm	n)			
TTG		960				
RTG		960				
DL AMC Alloc bitmap		0x7FE0000				
UL Config						
Start of Ranging code		5				
Initial Ranging codes		4				
Periodic Ranging codes		4				
BW Ranging codes		4				
HO Ranging codes		0				
UL AMC Alloc bitmap		0x7FE0000				
Zone Type		AMC 1X6				
Base band scaling		Dynamic				
SubChannel group deta	ails					
SubChannel group details						
GrpNo BandWidth SubChi	nlOf	fset noC	OfSubChnl	noOfActi	veSubChnl	SubChnlBitmap
[0] 106308Hz	1		9		9	1022(0x03FE)
[1] 11812Hz	10		1		1	1024 (0x0400)

Figure 6-43 View Radio Configuration

admin@airlink-\$ show bs ipconfig					
show bs ipconfig					
********Ip Configuration********					
Static Ip Configuration		ENABLED			
Ip Address		1.1.1.1			
Netmask		255.255.255.0			
Gateway		1.1.1.1			
BS MAC Address		00:21:ee:00:0a:c5			
Vlan Enable		0			
Vlan Id		0			
Vlan Ip Address		0.0.0.0			
Vlan Netmask		255.255.255.0			
Gateway Vlan Id		0			
Vlan Gateway		0.0.0.0			
AAA Ip Address		10.1.201.65			



operator@airlink-\$ show bs	sy	ysconfig			
show bs sysconfig					
**********MAC Configuration	on'	*******	* *		
DL MAP slots	:	3			
IR Interval	:	2			
PR Interval	:	4			
Num IR Symbol	:	6			
Unicast PR	:	Enabled			
Unipoll Alloc Per Frame	:	1			
HCS Fail Removal Count	:	60			
DPD	:	Disabled			
Security	:	Disabled			
Encryption	:	Disabled			
Packet loop back	:	Disabled			
Flood packet on TCE fail	:	Disabled			
Schedule Frame Advance	1	Disabled	MS/SubchGrp	:	Multiple
Papr Interval	:	0			
Unicat Papr	:	0			
Papr Log Count	:	0			
Minimum Multicast FEC	:	0			
TX Window		Enabled			

Figure 6-45 View System Configuration

6.5.3.2 READ STATISTICS AND MEASUREMENT INFORMATION

The following table lists the CLI commands available to view real time statistics information.

CLI Command	Description
"show bs version"	Mode and SW, HW version details (Figure 6-46).
"show bs measurement report all"	System measurement report when connected with remote radios (Figure 6-47).
"show bs I1Ifstatistics"	L1/L2 RF Frame statistics (Figure 6-48).
"show bs rfmType"	RFM configurations (Figure 6-49).
"show bs rfmstatistics"	RFM statistics, output power & PA temperature (Figure 6-50).
"show bs statistics"	RF and Serial ports statistics in bytes count (Figure 6-51).
"show bs gps location"	GPS Latitude and Longitude information (If GPS antenna connected) (Figure 6-52).
"show bs gps time"	GPS time UTC (If GPS antenna connected) (Figure 6-53).
"show bs temperature"	CBB Board temperature (Figure 6-54).
"show bs uptime"	System uptime (Figure 6-55).

|--|

admin@airlink-\$ show bs version
show bs version
MAC Load : Rev114BsMac_ngbcp_al.pc7205_CLIv4_d1
PHY Load : phyBs5000_PredCmit_CLP.pa

Figure 6-46 View BS SW Version





admin@airlink-\$ show bs 113	Γf	statistics		
show bs llIf statistics				
L1 SOF	:	4625		
DL Subframe request	:	0		
UL Subframe request	:	0		
DL Subframe sent	:	4625		
UL Subframe sent		4625		
PHY Config REQ sent : 1				
PHY Config RSP received : 0				
Radio Config REQ sent : 1				
L1 diag msgs received	:	63		
UL Data received	:	4623		
UL Burst received	:	0		
UL Ranging report received	:	0		
Control ch report received : 0				
UL Chn Measurement received: 0				

Figure 6-48 View RF Frames Statistics

operator@airlink-\$ show bs	rfmType
show bs rfmType	
Max Tx Power	: 52 (dBm)
Tx Gain	: 70 (dB)
Rx Gain	: 42 (dB)
IF Filter	: 1 (BW: 100 (KHz) CF: 245.5 (MHz))
RF Filter	: 1 (BW: 6 (MHz) CF: 895 (MHz))
Mimo Type	: SISO

Figure 6-49 View RFM Configuration



Figure 6-50 View RFM Statistics

admin@airlink-\$ show bs statistics					
show bs statistics					
System frame number	System frame number : 9771				
Number of DL Burst transmitted		0			
Number of DCD transmitted	:	0			
Number of UCD transmitted	:	0			
Number of UL Burst received : 0					
UL HCS error	:	0			
UL Mgmt CRC error	:	0			
UL Data CRC error	:	0			
DL SDUs enqueued	:	20030			
DL SDUs sent	:	0			
Serial communication baud rate	:	115200			
Number of DL symbols	:	108			
Number of UL symbols	:	90			

Figure 6-51 View System Statistics



Figure 6-52 View GPS Location

opera	ator@airlink-\$	show bs	gps i	time
show	bs gps time			
UTC	2022-01-19 05	:38:12		

Figure 6-53 View GPS Time

admin@airlink-\$ sh	ow k)S	temperature		
show bs temperatur	е				
CBB Temperature	:	41	(degree C)		
PA Temperature	:	29	(degree C)		

Figure 6-54 View CBB Temperature

```
operator@airlink-$ show bs uptime
show bs uptime
0 days, 21:57:10
```

Figure 6-55 View System Uptime

6.5.3.3 VOLATILE CONFIGURATION CHANGE

An admin user can configure the Airlink BCP dynamically (while the application is running) via the CLI. This functionality is only available in *admin* mode. These configuration changes are not saved permanently. On reboot, the parameter values will change back to their original values.

admin@airlink-\$	con		
logfreq			
logtarget			
max			
rf			
admin@airlink-\$	config	bs	

Figure 6-56 Available Volatile Configuration Parameters

CLI Command	Description
"config bs rf rxgain <gainindb>"</gainindb>	Dynamically configuring Rx gain which takes effect immediately. Use "?" at the end of the command to show the present value. This configuration is valid in AGC disable case.
"config bs rf txPower <pwrindb>"</pwrindb>	Dynamically configuring Tx power which takes effect immediately. Use "?" at the end of the command to show the present value.

adm	uin@a	irl	ink	c−\$	con	fig	bs	rf	rxgain	40
con	ıfig	bs	rf	rxg	ain	40				
RX	Gain	se	t	:	40	(dB)				

Figure 6-57 Rx Gain Configuration

admin@airlink-\$ config bs rf eirp 43 config bs rf eirp 43 BS EIRP set to : 43.00 (dBm)

Figure 6-58 Tx Power Configuration

6.5.3.4 SETTING LOG LEVELS

This function is available in both operator and administrator mode using the "debug" command. The modules available for logging are:

- bs RF L1/L2 application logging
- phy Users other than developers use log levels from Critical to Major. Other levels are mostly used by developers for debugging.

admin@airlink-\$	de	
bs		
phy		
admin@airlink-\$	debug	

Figure 6-59 Debug Modules

The debug bs and phy log modules have the following standard log levels, as shown in the following figures.

admin@airlink-\$ debug b
all
arq
cli
dsx
eap
harq
idle
infra
11if
13
13if
mobility
nwentry
pdudecoder
pduencoder
phymeas
pkm
ranging
rrm
scheduler
sleep
admin@airlink-\$ debug bs module 🗧

Figure 6-60 Debug BS Log Levels

```
admin@airlink-$ debug ph
all
dlp
measp
rngp
ulp
admin@airlink-$ debug phy module
admin@airlink-$ debug phy module a
critical
debug
error
inform
major
off
trace
warning
admin@airlink-$ debug phy module all
```

Figure 6-61 Debug Phy Log Levels

6.5.3.5 LOG TO FILE PARAMETER

The path to access the log file is as follows: mnt/part5/Logfile.txt

When the LOG_TO_FILE parameter is set to 1 in the configuration file, logs are written to the configuration file and only critical logs will be shown on the console. If it is disabled, all logs will be shown on the console and not written to file.

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CHAPTER 7 – TROUBLESHOOTING

7.1 GENERAL

Extensive error and status indications are provided to aid in maintaining and troubleshooting the Airlink BCP. Two information levels are obtainable, depending on whether a laptop computer is available.

7.2 CODE SYSTEM APPLICATION

Initial troubleshooting involves determining the most likely location of the fault. On a code line with a number of field and base stations, it is relatively simple to locate the common denominator if more than one location is not responding. This could be a shared base station, shared wire line, or leased circuit between base stations and the office, or the office equipment. If the fault is isolated to a specific location, the following information may be helpful.

7.2.1 RF LINK

ATCS code systems transmit periodic messages (about once every minute) from the field to the office. By detecting and following the flow of this traffic, the fault can quickly be localized.

RF traffic can be monitored on a laptop, or by the LED display. The TX LED lights each time the Airlink BCP transmits, while the RX LED lights each time a valid ATCS header is received.

The Apollo tool monitors the data messages. Refer to Section 6.3.4.5 of this manual for information on using the Apollo tool to view the log. By using the ATCS datagram structure provided, the messages can be decoded to determine their labels, destinations, and source addresses.

NOTE

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In the destination and source address fields, a zero (0) is always represented by the character A (e.g., 50 is written as 5A).

The log output messages are displayed in the Apollo Tool Log as shown in the following samples:

RF Data message:

2021/09/03 20:58:25 DOCKER APP LOG: RADIO : RX [FIELD] [23] [CODELINE_INDICATION]: 68 00 68 00 E0 76 2A AA 2A 14 A1 A2 00 68 02 02 12 8B 04 01 00 08 B4

2021/09/03 20:58:25 DOCKER APP LOG: ROUTER: RX [RADIO] [23] [CODELINE_INDICATION]: 68 00 68 00 E0 76 2A AA 2A 14 A1 A2 00 68 02 02 12 8B 04 01 00 08 B4

2021/09/03 20:58:25 DOCKER APP LOG: ROUTER: TX [NETWRK] [23] [CODELINE_INDICATION]: 68 00 68 00 E0 76 2A AA 2A 14 A1 A2 00 68 02 02 12 8B 04 01 00 08 B4

2021/09/03 20:58:25 DOCKER APP LOG: NETWRK: RX [ROUTER] [23] [CODELINE_INDICATION]: 68 00 68 00 E0 76 2A AA 2A 14 A1 A2 00 68 02 02 12 8B 04 01 00 08 B4

2021/09/03 20:58:26 DOCKER APP LOG: NETWRK: TX [OFFICE] [29] [CODELINE_INDICATION]: 93 8A 8C 54 1B 21 68 48 68 00 E0 76 2A AA 2A 14 A1 A2 00 68 02 02 12 8B 04 01 00 08 B4

2021/09/03 20:58:26 DOCKER APP LOG: NETWRK: RX [OFFICE] [16] [L3_ACK 2021/09/03 20:58:26 DOCKER APP LOG: NETWRK: TX [ROUTER] [10] [L3_ACK 2021/09/03 20:58:26 DOCKER APP LOG: ROUTER: RX [NETWRK] [10] [L3_ACK 2021/09/03 20:58:26 DOCKER APP LOG: ROUTER: TX [RADIO] [10] [L3_ACK]: 23 39 8C 54 1B 21 38 6A 0E 76 2A AA 2A 14 A1 A2]: 38 6A 0E 76 2A AA 2A 14 A1 A2]: 38 6A 0E 76 2A AA 2A 14 A1 A2]: 38 6A 0E 76 2A AA 2A 14 A1 A2

Serial Data message:

2021/08/18 16:11:53 SER_1 : TX [OFFICE] [13] [HDLC_UI]: 01 13 34 04 E0 76 2A AA 2A A1 A1 A2 BA 2021/08/18 16:11:57 SER 1 : RX [OFFICE] [31] [HDLC UI 02 12 01 03 01 02 08 00 04

]: 01 13 64 00 02 00 AE 76 2A AA 2A A1 A1 A2 26 2A A2 5A A2 00 0E 02

Normal traffic on this link consists of indication, control, and recheck messages which are approximately 26 bytes in length. The RF acknowledged messages are considerably shorter at approximately 12 bytes each. Activity is present only when controls, indications, or rechecks are being sent (no polling).

7.2.2 CODE SYSTEM TROUBLESHOOTING

- 1. Verify that the wayside location transmits at least once each minute by observing the RF TX LED indicator on the WCP front panel, or by monitoring message traffic using Apollo. If the LED lights, proceed to step 4.
- 2. Verify that the office equipment acknowledges the wayside transmission. The RF RX LED normally flashes in response to each transmission. If the RX LED does not flash, or if the radio rejects the response, the transmission is repeated five times with a delay between transmissions of approximately 6 seconds. If the RF RX response is seen each time with no retries, the problem is not associated with the indication messages.
- 3. If the wayside radio transmits at least once each minute but there is no response from the base station, check the following:
 - a. Antenna connections and reflected power.
 - Radio power supply voltage Verify that the voltage level does not drop during b. transmissions.
 - Radio output power Verify peak transmit current (±10 Amperes) or use an RF C. wattmeter.
 - Radio frequency Set on radio using the Apollo tool. d.
 - Verify ATCS message format using Apollo. Ensure the correct site address and code e. line number are used and that an indication message is being sent periodically to the proper office address.

If all above items are normal, the base station location must be monitored to determine if the problem is at the base site or along the line to the office equipment.

- 4. No transmissions from the field:
 - a. Verify that the PWR LED on the Airlink BCP front panel is lighted.
 - b. Verify that all self-tests are passed.
 - Attempt a manual key-up by initiating the bit error rate test (BERT) using the command C. line (refer to section 6.4.2.6).
- 5. Check the following on the base station:
 - a. Antenna connections and reflected power.
 - Radio power supply voltage Verify that the voltage level does not drop during b. transmissions.

- c. Radio output power Verify peak transmit current (±10 Amperes) or use an RF wattmeter.
- d. Radio frequency Set on radio using the Apollo tool.
- e. Verify ATCS message format using Apollo. Ensure the correct site address and code line number are used and that an indication message is being sent periodically to the proper office address.

7.2.3 MC-IoT TROUBLESHOOTING

If properly configured, the Remote Station (RS) and the Airlink BCP should connect within one minute after being turned on. If the connection is not established, refer to the following table for troubleshooting issues and corrective actions.

Connection Issue	Corrective Action				
Configuration Mismatch	Verify that both the Airlink BCP and the RS are configured for the same configuration. (Note that if the configuration is to be changed over the radio link, then it is essential to configure all RS units before configuring the Airlink BCP unit, as connectivity to the RS unit will be lost after the new configuration is implemented.)				
	Symbolic Link: It is important to note that the system relies on symbolic links to the desired configuration file. Multiple configurations can be stored on each radio, but only the one linked is active. If the symbolic link is to the wrong configuration file, then the unit will not connect.				
	 In a lab setup, verify that the attenuation between the Airlink BCP and the RS is set properly and does not exceed 90 dB. Do not power on the radios without the proper attenuation between the units. 				
Excessive Pathloss	 In an operational environment, verify that the path loss is acceptable and that the connections to the antennas are secure and proper. 				
	• Verify that the antennas are correctly installed per the RF plan.				
Cabling & Antennas	Verify that both the Airlink BCP and RS along with their associated RF cabling and antennas are properly grounded.				
	Perform an RF scan using Apollo to verify that the channel is clear of RF interference.				
Interference	Note that the radio has an very large RF range and as such, out of TX/RX band RF energy can affect the radio's sensitivity. Proper use of external filters can reduce this interference.				

 Table 7-1
 Connection Troubleshooting Issue and Corrective Action

	If the Airlink BCP is detected (DL ACQUIRED) but a connection is not established, then the following needs to be determined:					
	• An RF scan using Apollo should be performed to verify that there is no interference in the channel. This needs to be performed at both the RS site and the Airlink BCP site. Note that in most installations, the Airlink BCP site is normally installed on a high tower and as such, the antenna is more susceptible to interference which could obscure the reception of the RS signal. Given this, a highly directional Yagi antenna, aligned properly is always preferred					
No Connection	 Verify the orientation (both horizontal and vertical) of the antennas. 					
	• Check the TX power of each unit. If both units are transmitting at maximum power, then there is most likely an issue with the RF path. Note that the Airlink BCP actively controls the TX power of the RS. So, if the RS is transmitting at maximum power, then that is an indication that the signal level is too low at the Airlink BCP. In this case, there is either interference obscuring the signal, the antennas are misaligned (which reduces the signal level), the RF cabling or lightning protector are damaged or possibly water has entered the connectors or cables.					
	The throughput is dynamically determined based on the RF environment and the default configuration for this is shown in the following table:					
		FEC	CINR	Modulation		
		0	0-5	QPSK 1/2		
		1	6-8	QPSK 3/4		
		2	9-12	QAM 16 1/2		
Low Throughput		3	13-17	QAM 16 3/4		
		4	N/A	QAM 64 ½*		
		5	18-19	QAM 64 2/3		
		6	20-21	QAM 64 3/4		
		7	22+	QAM 64 5/6		
	*QAM 64 ½ is not implemented.					
	To increase throughput, the CINR needs to increase to support the higher modulation techniques as shown.					
Console Messages are slow or garbled	re Verify correct interface settings for console					

APPENDIX A – ADVANCED TRAIN CONTROL SYSTEM

A. ADVANCED TRAIN CONTROL SYSTEM

A.1 OVERVIEW

The Advanced Train Control System (ATCS) standardizes the message formats and addressing scheme used by all railroads for train control applications. The system operates by sending and receiving standard datagrams (using a standard addressing scheme) between the various ATCS compatible signaling and operating equipment. Addresses are provided for wayside equipment, central office equipment, on-board equipment, base stations, maintenance equipment, railcars, and anything else found in a railroad environment. These messages convey operating instructions and status information such as track-and-time permits, codeline controls and indications, hot-box data, etc.

A typical ATCS network is shown in Figure A-1. Centralized Train Control (CTC) office equipment communicates with the onboard and wayside equipment via Base Communication Packages (BCPs), controlled by Cluster Controllers (CCs). Network Management System (NMS) office equipment monitors the dynamic performance of the network. Field radios are a mixture of Wayside Communication Packages (WCPs) and Spread-Spectrum Radios (SSRs). All communications use ATCS datagrams or packets.



Figure A-1 Typical ATCS Network

A.2 ATCS ADDRESSING

Each ATCS datagram carries with it a destination address (i.e., the address of the equipment it is destined for), and a source address (i.e., the equipment that generated it). These addresses are constructed with slight differences for the various uses. For example, on-board equipment will have a Type 1 (locomotive) address while wayside equipment will have a Type 7 (wayside) address. A number of the various types of addresses used are described in the following paragraphs. For further information concerning ATCS addressing, refer to the following specifications:

- ATCS Specification 200 (March 1993) ATCS Protocols
- ATCS Specification 250 (March 1993) ATCS Message Formats
- ATCS Specification 700 (March 1993) CPC Specification
- ATCS Specification 157 (March 1993) CPC Operation
- R/Link ATCS Radio Code Line System Application Logic Generation Guide (Siemens Mobility, Inc. Document No. C-00-94-06).

A.2.1 LOCOMOTIVE ADDRESSES (TYPE 1)

Each locomotive address consists of twelve digits in the following format: **1.RRR.VVVVV.DD** where:

1	=	Locomotive address type
RRR	=	Railroad number (see Appendix D)
VVVVVV	=	Locomotive number
DD	=	Device on board locomotive (e.g., Engineers display)

A.2.2 OFFICE EQUIPMENT ADDRESSES (TYPE 2)

Each office equipment address consists of ten digits in the following format: **2.RRR.NN.DDDD** where:

2	=	Office equipment address type
RRR	=	Railroad number (see Appendix D)
NN	=	Unit in the office (e.g., CTC computer, A53401 Packet Switch, etc.)
DDDD	=	Application in the office (e.g., maintenance alarm monitoring)

A.2.3 BASE STATION ADDRESS (TYPE 3)

Each address consists of ten digits in the following format: **3.RRR.NN.DDDD** where:

3	=	Wire line address type
RRR	=	Railroad number (see Appendix D)
NN	=	Node number (railroad defined)
DDDD	=	Base device number (railroad defined)

The ATCS specification recommends that the BCP node number be the same as the node number of the CC (A47620) to which it is connected. The device number is user defined and can be set to any convenient value.

A.2.4 WAYSIDE EQUIPMENT (TYPE 5)

The type 5 wayside address was used on earlier ATCS systems and is the default addressing scheme for Advanced Railroad Electronic System (ARES) wayside equipment. Although the ARES network differs slightly from the ATCS specification, for purposes of this discussion, the two can be considered identical systems.

Each address consists of ten digits in the following format: **5.RRR.NN.LL.GG** where:

5	=	Wayside address type
RRR	=	Railroad number (see Appendix D)
NN	=	Node or routing region number
LL	=	Code-line number
GG	=	Group or location number

This addressing scheme does not have the ability to address multiple devices at each location. The node number typically follows the node number of the CC controlling the base stations for the location.

A.2.5 WAYSIDE EQUIPMENT (TYPE 7)

This is the default ATCS wayside addressing scheme.

Each address consists of fourteen digits in the following format: **7.RRR.LLL.GGG.SS.DD** where:

7	=	Wayside address type
RRR	=	Railroad number (see Appendix D)
LLL	=	Code-line or region number
GGG	=	Group or location number
SS	=	Equipment or subnode at location
DD	=	Device controlled by this equipment

The LLL fields are normally assigned by each railroad according to internal conventions, and may represent a region, district, code line, or other area designation that shows it is part of the railroad.

The GGG field must be coordinated between the CTC equipment and field equipment configuration.

For the SS field, two subnode numbers are always pre-assigned at each location. The waysideto-office communications device is defined as number 01, and number 02 is reserved for the wayside-to-wayside communications system. Any additional equipment (e.g., the R/Link[™] I/O modules), will therefore have subnode numbers starting with 03.

Device numbers (DD field) are allocated in sequence beginning at 01. Each piece of field equipment has at least one internal device, but it may have more depending on the equipment.

Examples of full ATCS addresses for a wayside code system would be as follows:

For CP Rail, code line 8, control point 1: 7.105.008.001.03.02.

For the MCP radio at the same location: 7.105.008.001.01.01.

A.2.6 OTHER ADDRESS TYPES

Other address types are defined in ATCS for future applications. Please refer to the appropriate ATCS specifications for full details.

A.3 ATCS MESSAGE FORMATS

The major fields in an ATCS message are shown in Figure A-2.



Figure A-2 Major Fields of an ATCS Message

The **Destination** field is the address of the recipient equipment. For example, if this is an indication message coming from a wayside code unit, the destination address will be the CTC dispatching equipment (2.RRR.NN.DDDD).

The **Source** field is the sender's address (e.g., 7.RRR.LLL.GGG.SS.DD).

The number in the message number (**M#**) field is allocated by the sender in a sequential fashion so that the recipient can detect duplicate, missing, or out of order messages.

The **Label** field describes the type of data carried by the message. Many different labels have been defined in ATCS Specification 250. Additional labels are defined by suppliers to perform custom functions.

The **Data** field carries the particular data required for the type of message defined by the Label field.

A.4 ATCS RADIO NETWORK - LAYER 1

The ATCS radio network consists of pairs of UHF channels. These channels are as follows:

Channel Number	Base to Mobile Frequency	Mobile to Base Frequency
1	935.8875	896.8875
2	935.9375	896.9375
3	935.9875	896.9875
4	936.8875	897.8875
5	936.9375	897.9375
6	936.9875	897.9875

NOTE

NOTE

Transmission on the channels is baseline FSK. The deviation of the carrier to a higher frequency is interpreted as a logical 0 and to a lower frequency as a logical 1. The bit rate is 4800 bits per second. Nominal channel separation is 12.5kHz.

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APPENDIX B – ATCS SPECIFICATION 250 RAILROAD CODE LIST

B. RAILROAD CODE LISTING

The following chart lists the codes assigned to all carriers in accordance with ATCS Specification No. 250 and includes the railway carrier name along with the alphabetical and numerical codes assigned to each. In the event a discrepancy exists between the information in the following list and the current AAR specification, the AAR specification shall prevail.

ID	Company Name	RR Mark	ATCS
001	Aberdeen And Rockfish Railroad Company	AR	009
002	Akron & Barberton Belt Railroad Company	ABB	002
003	Alabama & Florida Railway Co	AF(LR)	917
004	Alameda Belt Line	ABL	014
005	Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority	АСТА	015
006	Alaska Hydro-Train	AHT	039
007	Alaska Railroad Corporation	ARR	005
008	Alexander Railroad Company	ARC	049
009	Algers Winslow And Western Railway Company	AWW	004
010	Algoma Central Railroad Inc	AC	008
011	Allegheny & Eastern Railroad Inc	ALY	532
012	Alley Railroad Company		664
013	Almanor Railroad Company	AL	046
014	Alton & Southern Railway Company	ALS	032
015	Amador Central Railroad Company	AMC	019
016	Andalusia & Conecuh Railroad Company	ACRC	173
017	Angelina & Neches River Railroad Company	ANR	035
018	Anthracite Railway Inc	ATRW	176
019	Apache Railway Company	APA	011
020	Apalachicola Northern Railroad Company	AN	012
021	Appanoose County Community Railroad Inc	APNC	226

ID	Company Name	RR Mark	ATCS
022	Arcade And Attica Railroad Corporation	ARA	013
023	Arkansas And Missouri Railroad Co	AM	906
024	Arkansas Louisiana & Mississippi (Missouri) Railroad	ALM	016
025	ARTC		047
026	Ashley, Drew & Northern Railway Company	AND	020
027	Ashtabula Carson & Jefferson Railroad	ACJR	235
028	Atchison, Topeka And Santa Fe Railway Company ATS	ATSF	022
029	ATCS Shared Network	ATCS	340
030	ATCS Testing & Field Evaluation	ATCR	050
031	ATCS Testing & Field Evaluation	ATCT	620
032	Atlantic & Western Railway, L P	ATW	025
033	Austin Railroad	AUNW	924
034	Austin, Todd And Ladd Railroad Company	ATLT	514
035	Baltimore And Annapolis Railroad Company	BLA	053
036	Bangor & Aroostook Railroad Company	BAR	056
037	Bath and Hammondsport Railroad Company	вн	079
038	Batten Kill Railroad Inc	BKRR	086
039	Bauxite & Northern Railway Company	BXN	084
040	Bay Colony Railroad Corporation	BCLR	082
041	Bayside Railway Co		021
042	BC HYDRO RAIL	BCE	072
043	BC RAIL LTD	BCOL	997
044	Beaufort And Morehead Railroad Company	BMH	068
045	Beech Mountain Railroad Company	BEEM	060
046	Belfast And Moosehead Lake Railroad Company	BML	087
047	Belt Railway Company Of Chicago	BRC	083
048	Belton Railroad Company	BRR	207
049	Berlin Mills Railway	BMS	073

ID	Company Name	RR Mark	ATCS
050	Bessemer And Lake Erie Railroad Company	BLE	061
051	Birmingham Southern Rr Co	BS	065
052	Black River & Western Corporation	BRW	066
053	Bloomer Line, The	BLOL	223
054	Blue Mountain And Reading Railroad	BMRG	256
055	Border Pacific Railroad Co	BOP	225
056	Boston And Maine Corporation	BM	069
057	Brandon Corporation	BRAN	081
058	Brandywine Valley Railroad Company	BVRY	067
059	Broken Hill Proprietary Co.		042
060	Brownsville And Rio Grande International Rr	BRG	170
061	Buffalo Southern Railroad Inc	BSOR	085
062	Burlington Junction Railway	BJRY	383
063	Burlington Northern (Manitoba) Ltd	BNML	457
064	Burlington Northern Railroad Company	BN	076
065	Burlington Northern Santa Fe	BNSF	777
066	C&J Railroad Investment Company	CJRR	565
067	Cadillac And Lake City Railway Co	CLK	093
068	Cadiz Railroad Company	CAD	092
069	Cairo Terminal	CTML	162
070	California Western	CWR	100
071	CALTRAIN	CALTRAIN	708
072	Camas Prairie Railnet, Inc	CSP	952
073	Cambria And Indiana Railroad Company	CI	101
074	Canada And Gulf Terminal Railway Company, The	CGT	116
075	Canadian National Railways	CN	103
076	Caney Fork And Western Rr	CFWR	187
077	Canton Railroad Company	CTN	097

ID	Company Name	RR Mark	ATCS
078	Cape Fear Railways Inc	CF	099
079	Carolina Rail Services Inc	CRIJ	988
080	Carrollton Railroad	CARR	113
081	Carthage Knightstown & Shirley Railroad	CKSI	396
082	Cedar Rapids & Iowa City Railway Company	CIC	111
083	Cedar Valley	CVAR	313
084	Central California Traction Company	ССТ	112
085	Central Indiana & Western Railroad Co Inc	CEIW	949
086	Central Michigan Railway Co	CMGN	472
087	Central Montana Rail Inc	СМ	374
088	Central New York Railroad Corporation	CNYK	151
089	Central Vermont Railway	CV	120
090	Central Western Railway Corp	CWRL	527
091	Charles City Rail Lines	CCRY	967
092	Chattahoochee Industrial Railroad	CIRR	222
093	Chattahoochee Valley	CHV	124
094	Chelatchie Prairie Railroad	CCPR	155
095	Chesapeake And Ohio Railway Company	со	125
096	Chesapeake Western	CHW	179
097	Chestnut Ridge Railway Company	CHR	117
098	Chicago And Northwestern	CNW	131
099	Chicago And West Pullman	CWP	172
100	Chicago And Western Indiana	CWI	132
101	Chicago Central & Pacific Railroad Co	СС	569
102	Chicago Heights Terminal Transfer Railroad Company	CHTT	139
103	Chicago Illinois Midland	CIM	130
104	Chicago Short Line Railway Company	CSL	147
105	Chicago Southshore & South Bend Railroad	CSS	168

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106	Cimarron Valley Railroad, L C	CVR	378
107	City Of Columbia	СТ	090
108	City Of Prineville Railway	СОР	166
109	Claremont Concord Railroad Corporation	CCRR	188
110	Clarendon And Pittsford Railroad Company, The	CLP	169
111	Cliffside Railroad Company	CLIF	181
112	Colonels Island Railroad Co	CISD	164
113	Colorado & Wyoming Railway Co	CW	158
114	Colorado Springs & Eastern	CSE	319
115	Columbia & Cowlitz Railway Company	CLC	163
116	Columbia & Silver Creek Railroad Company	CLSL	165
117	Columbus And Greenville Railway	CAGY	177
118	Conemaugh & Black Lick Railroad Company	CBL	215
119	Connecticut Central	CCCL	416
120	Connecticut Department of Transportation	CDOT	007
121	Consolidated Rail Corporation	CR	190
122	Cooperstown and Charlotte Valley Rwy	CACV	114
123	Copper Basin Railway Inc	CBRY	909
124	Corinth and Counce	CCR	201
125	Corman	RJCR	970
126	Cotton Belt (St. Louis Southwestern Rwy Company)	SSW	694
127	CP RAIL SYSTEM	СР	105
128	Crab Orchard & Egyptian Railroad	COER	089
129	CSXT	CSXT	171
130	Curtin Milburn	CMER	180
131	Cuyahoga Valley Railway Company, The	CUVA	186
132	D & I Railroad Company	DAIR	211
133	Dakota Minnesota & Eastern Railroad Corp	DME	912

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134	Dakota Rail Inc	DAKR	221
135	Dakota Southern Railway Company	DSRC	526
136	Dansville And Mount Morris Railroad Company, The	DMM	220
137	Dardanelle & Russellville Railroad Company,	DR	191
138	Davenport Rock Island And North Western Railway Co	DRI	192
139	Delaware & Hudson Railway Company Inc	DH	195
140	Delaware Coast Line Rr Co	DCLR	214
141	Delta Valley & Southern Railway Company	DVS	193
142	Denver Union Terminal Ry Co.	DUT	288
143	Dequeen And Eastern Railroad Company,	DQE	200
144	Des Moines Union	DMU	202
145	Detroit And Mackinac	DM	204
146	Dominion And Atlantic	DA	209
147	Doniphan Kensett & Searcy Railway	DKS	210
148	DRGW	DRGW	197
149	Duluth & Northeastern Railroad Company,	DNE	212
150	Duluth Missabe And Iron Range Railway Company	DMIR	213
151	Duluth Winnipeg And Pacific Railway Company	DWP	216
152	Dunn-Erwin Railway Corporation	DER	219
153	East Camden & Highland Rr Co	EACH	242
154	East Cooper And Berkeley Railroad Company	ECBR	229
155	East Erie Commercial Railroad	EEC	040
156	East Jersey Railroad And Terminal Company	EJR	245
157	East St. Louis Junction Rr	ESLJ	233
158	East Tennessee Railway, L P	ETRY	257
159	Eastern Shore Railroad Inc	ESHR	251
160	Edgemoor & Manetta	EM	232
161	El Dorado And Wesson Railway Company	EDW	247

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162	Elgin Joliet & Eastern Railway Company	EJE	238
163	Escanaba And Lake Superior Railroad Company	ELS	241
164	Esquimalt And Nanaimo	EN	246
165	Essex Terminal Railway Company The	ETL	228
166	Eureka Southern	EUKA	368
167	Everett Railroad	EV	231
168	Falls Creek	FCRK	267
169	Farmrail Corporation	FMRC	280
170	FCA - Ferrovia Centro - Atlantica SA	??	029
171	Ferdinand & Huntingburg	FRDN	273
172	Ferrocarril De Chihuahua Al Pacifico,	CHP	284
173	Ferrocarriles Nacionales De Mexico	NDM	266
174	Ferrocarriles Nacionales De Mexico	SBC	283
175	Ferrocarriles Nacionales De Mexico -	FCP	738
176	Ferrocarriles Unidos Del Sureste, S.A.	SE	281
177	Florida Central Railroad Co	FCEN	986
178	Florida East Coast Railway Company	FEC	263
179	Florida Midland Railroad Co Inc	FMID	507
180	Fonda, Johnstown And Gloversville	FJG	264
181	Fordyce And Princeton Railroad Co	FP	265
182	Fore River	CRY	908
183	Fort Smith And Van Buren	FSVB	279
184	Fort Worth & Western Railroad	FWWR	277
185	Galveston Railroad L P	GVSR	567
186	Galveston Wharves	GWF	303
187	Galveston, Houston And Henderson	GHH	293
188	Garden City Western Railway Company, The	GCW	287
189	Genesee And Wyoming Railroad Company	GNWR	320

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190	Georgetown Railroad Company	GRR	302
191	Gettysburg Railway	GBRY	294
192	Gloster Southern Railroad Company	GLSR	916
193	GO TRANSIT	GOT	954
194	Goderich - Exeter Railway Company	??	027
195	Golden Triangle Railroad	GTRA	295
196	Grafton And Upton Railroad Company	GU	323
197	Grainbelt Corporation	GNBC	443
198	Grand River	GRNR	322
199	Grand Trunk Western Railroad Incorporated	GTW	308
200	Graysonia, Nashville And Western	GNA	307
201	Great River Railroad	GTR	271
202	Great Southwestern	GSWR	305
203	Great Western Railway Company, The	GWR	311
204	Green Bay And Western	GBW	312
205	Green Hills Rural Development	GHRD	980
206	Green Mountain Railroad Corporation	GMRC	314
207	Gulf And Mississippi	GMSR	392
208	Hammersley Iron (Australia)		041
209	Hampton & Branchville Railroad Company	НВ	330
210	Hartford And Slocomb Railroad Company	HS	366
211	Hartwell Railway Company	HRT	334
212	Helena Southwestern Railroad Company	HSW	331
213	High Point Thomasville & Denton Railroad Company	HPTD	366
214	Hillsboro And North Eastern Railway	HLNE	338
215	Hillsdale County Railway Company, Inc.	HCRC	326
216	Hillside (Australia)		018
217	Hollis & Eastern RR Co	HE	328

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218	Houston Belt & Terminal Railway Company	НВТ	342
219	Huntsville & Madison County Railroad Authority	HMCR	391
220	Huron And Eastern Railway Company Inc	HESR	890
221	Hutchinson And Northern Railway Company, The	HN	332
222	Illinois Central Railroad Company	IC	360
223	Indian Creek Railroad Company	ICRK	380
224	Indiana & Ohio Rail Corp.	INOH	344
225	Indiana Hi-Rail Corporation	IHRC	352
226	Indiana Railroad Corporation	INRD	780
227	Indianapolis Union Railway	IU	363
228	Indonesia (Indonesian State Railways)		093
229	International Bridge And Terminal Company, The	IBT	358
230	Interstate Railroad Company	SOU	381
231	Iowa Interstate Railroad Ltd	IAIS	316
232	Iowa Northern Railroad	IANR	341
233	Iowa Southern Railroad Company	ISR	272
234	Iowa Traction Railroad Company	IATR	994
235	ITS - Highway Advanced Transportation Controller		051
236	ITS - Non-ATCS Railroad		052
237	Jefferson Warrior Railroad Co Inc	JEFW	254
238	Kankakee Beaverville And Southern Railroad Company	KBSR	399
239	Kansas And Missouri Railway	КM	414
240	Kansas City Southern Railway Company	KCS	400
241	Kansas City Terminal Railway Company	кст	401
242	Kentucky And Tennessee Railway	кт	405
243	Keokuk Junction Railway	KJRY	365
244	Kiamichi Railroad Company LLC	KRR	424
245	Knox & Kane Railroad Company	KKRR	376

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246	KWT Railway Inc	KWT	996
247	Kyle Railroad Company	KYLE	377
248	Lake Erie & Northern	LEN	421
249	Lake Erie, Franklin & Clarion Railroad Company	LEF	423
250	Lake Superior & Ishpeming Railroad Company	LSI	425
251	Lake Terminal Railroad Company, The	LT	404
252	Lamoille Valley Railroad Company	LVRC	452
253	Lancaster And Chester Railway Company	LC	426
254	Landisville Railroad Inc (Formerly Amherst Industry)	AMHR	071
255	Laurinburg And Southern Railroad Company	LRS	427
256	Levin-Richmond Terminal Corporation	PRT	606
257	Lewis & Clark Railway Co	LINC	355
258	Little Rock & Western Railway, L P	LRWN	485
259	Little Rock Port Railroad	LRPA	435
260	Livonia, Avon & Lakeville Railroad Corporation	LAL	398
261	Logansport & Eel River Short-Line Co Inc	LER	304
262	Long Island Railroad Company	LIRR	436
263	Longview, Portland & Northern Railway Company	LPN	450
264	Los Angeles Junction Railway Company	LAJ	428
265	Louisiana & Arkansas Railway Company	LA	441
266	Louisiana & Delta Railroad Inc	LDRR	972
267	Louisiana And North West Railroad Company, The	LNW	442
268	Louisville And Wadley Railway Company	LW	451
269	Louisville New Albany & Corydon Railroad	LNAL	446
270	Lowville And Beaver River Railroad Company, The	LBR	447
271	Ludington & Northern Railway	LUN	430
272	Madison Railroad	СМРА	144
273	Magma Arizona Railroad Company	MAA	463
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274	Mahoning Valley Railway Company, The	MVRY	504
275	Maine Central Railroad Company	MEC	456
276	Manufacturers Junction Railway Company	MJ	459
277	Manufacturers Railway Company	MRS	460
278	Marinette, Tomahawk & Western Railroad	MTW	520
279	Maryland And Delaware Railroad Company	MDDE	454
280	Maryland And Pennsylvania Railroad Company	MPA	463
281	Maryland Midland Railway Inc	MMID	495
282	Maryland Rail Commuter	MARC	003
283	Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority	МВТА	006
284	Massachusetts Central Railroad Corporation	MCER	461
285	Massena Terminal Railroad Company, The	MSTR	471
286	McCloud Railway Company	MCR	466
287	McKeesport Connecting Railroad Company	МКС	583
288	Meridian & Bigbee Railroad Company	MBRR	462
289	Metra		892
290	Mexican Pacific Railroad Company, Inc.	MDP	285
291	Mg Rail Inc	MGRI	388
292	Michigan-Wisconsin Transportation Company	MWTT	512
293	Mid Atlantic Railroad Co., Inc.	MRR	877
294	Middletown & Hummelstown Railroad Company	MIDH	479
295	Middletown & New Jersey Railway Company Inc	MNRR	475
296	Midland Terminal Co, The	MDLR	385
297	MidLouisana Rail Corporation	MDR	919
298	Midsouth Corporation	MSRC	905
299	Milwaukee Road	MILW	140
300	Minnesota Commercial Railway Co	MNNR	973
301	301 Minnesota Dakota & Western Railway Company MDW		610

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302	Mississippi & Skuna Valley Railroad Company	MSV	503
303	Mississippi Delta Railroad	MSDR	786
304	Mississippi Export Railroad Company	MSE	506
305	Mississippian Railway Cooperative Inc	MSRW	502
306	Missouri Pacific Railroad Company	MP	494
307	Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad Co.	МКТ	490
308	Mobile & Gulf Railroad Company	MG	483
309	Modesto And Empire Traction Company	MET	524
310	Monongahela Connecting Rr Co.	MCRR	498
311	Monongahela Railway Company	MGA	497
312	Montana Rail Link Inc	MRL	671
313	Morristown & Erie Railway Inc	ME	511
314	Moscow, Camden & San Augustine Railroad	MCSA	548
315	MRS Logistics of South America	??	028
316	Muncie And Western Railroad Company	MWR	464
317	N D C Railroad Company	NDCR	902
318	N J Transit Rail Operations (Commuter Carrier)	NJTR	574
319	Napa Valley Railroad Co	NVRR	402
320	Nash County Railroad Corp	NCYR	776
321	Nashville And Eastern Railroad Corp	NERR	934
322	National Railroad Passenger Corporation	AMTRAK	891
323	National Railways Of Mexico (Ferrocarriles Naciona)	NDM	286
324	New Hampshire North coast Corp	NHN	787
325	New Hope & Ivyland Railroad	NHRR	585
326	New York & Lake Erie Railroad	NYLE	545
327	New York Cross Harbor Railroad Terminal Corp	NYCH	573
328	New York Susquehanna And Western Railway Corp	NYSW	546
329	329 Nicolet Badger Northern Railroad Inc NBNR		476

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330	Nittany & Bald Eagle Railroad Co	NBER	249
331	Norfolk & Portsmouth Belt Line Railroad Company	NPB	549
332	Norfolk And Western Railway Company	NW	550
333	Norfolk Southern	NS	555
334	North Carolina & Virginia Railroad Co Inc	NCVA	531
335	North Shore Railroad Co	NSHR	248
336	North Stratford Railroad Corporation	NSCR	570
337	Northwestern Oklahoma Railroad Company	NOKL	591
338	Northwestern Pacific Railroad Company	NWP	559
339	Oakland Terminal Railroad Company	OTR	586
340	Octoraro Railway, Inc.	OCTR	587
341	Ogden Union Railway And Depot Company, The	OURD	956
342	Ohio-Rail Corporation	оніс	579
343	Oil Creek & Titusville Lines	OCTL	948
344	Okanagan Valley Railway Company	OKAN	945
345	Oklahoma Central Railroad Co	OCR	270
346	Oklahoma, Kansas And Texas Railroad	оккт	593
347	Old Augusta Railroad Company	OAR	578
348	Omaha Lincoln And Beatrice Railway Company	OLB	598
349	Ontario Central Railroad Corporation	ONCT	589
350	Ontario Midland Railroad Corporation	OMID	588
351	Ontario Northland Railway (Ontario Northland Trans	ONT	754
352	Oregon & Northwestern Railroad Co.	ONW	596
353	Oregon Pacific & Eastern Railway Company	OPE	597
354	Oregon, California & Eastern Railway	OCE	603
355	Ottertail Valley Railroad Co Inc	OTVR	983
356	Ottumwa Terminal Railroad Co	OTT	276
357	Paducah & Illinois Railroad Company	PI	614

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358	Paducah & Louisville Railroad	PAL	907
359	Panther Valley Railroad Corporation	PVAL	575
360	Patapsco & Back Rivers Railroad Company	PBR	609
361	Pearl River Valley Railroad Company	PRV	636
362	Pecos Valley Southern Railway Company, The	PVS	644
363	Pee Dee River Railroad Corp	PDRR	010
364	Peninsula Terminal Company	PT	643
365	Peoria And Pekin Union Railway Company	PPU	645
366	Philadelphia Belt Line Railroad Company, The	PBL	608
367	Philadelphia Bethlehem And New England Railroad Co	PBNE	659
368	Pickens Railway Company	PICK	624
369	Pioneer And Fayette Railroad Company	PF	630
370	Pioneer Valley Railroad Company	PVRR	611
371	Pittsburg & Shawmut Railroad Inc	PSR	627
372	Pittsburgh Chartiers & Youghiogheny Railway Company	PCY	629
373	Pittsburgh, Allegheny & McKees Rocks Rr Co	PAM	607
374	Plymouth Short Line Ltd	PSLL	566
375	Pocono Northeast Railway, Inc.	PNER	618
376	Point Comfort & Northern Railway Company	PCN	651
377	Port Bienville Railroad	PBVR	677
378	Port Of Tillamook Bay Railroad	РОТВ	637
379	Port Royal Railroad	PRYL	393
380	Portland Terminal Company	PTM	619
381	Portland Traction Company	PRTD	632
382	Prescott And Northwestern Railroad Company	PNW	634
383	Providence And Worcester Railroad Company	PW	631
384	Quebec Central Railway Company	QC	658
385	Queensland Rail (Australia)		036

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386	Quincy Railroad Company	QRR	656
387	RAC (Railway Association Of Canada)		033
388	Rarus Railway Company	RARW	516
389	Red River Valley & Western Railroad Co	RRVW	321
390	Renfe (National Railways Of Spain)		119
391	River Terminal Railway Company, The	RT	665
392	Robe (Australia)		044
393	Roberval And Saguenay Railway Company, The	RS	669
394	Rochester & Southern Railroad Inc	RSR	941
395	Rockdale Sandow & Southern Railroad Company	RSS	675
396	Rocky Mountain Railcar And Railroad Inc	RMRR	915
397	Roscoe Snyder & Pacific Railway Company	RSP	673
398	Sabine River & Northern Railroad Company	SRN	678
399	Saint Lawrence Railroad	SLAW	705
400	Saint Mary's Railroad Company	SM	682
401	Salt Lake Garfield And Western Railway Company	SLGW	690
402	San Diego & Imperial Valley Railroad Co Inc	SDIY	315
403	San Luis Central Railroad Company	SLC	696
404	San Manuel Arizona Railroad Company	SMA	794
405	Sand Springs Railway Company	SS	707
406	Sandersville Railroad Company	SAN	691
407	Santa Maria Valley Railroad Company	SMV	741
408	Savannah State Docks Railroad Company	SSDK	679
409	Sequatchie Valley Railroad Inc	SQVR	910
410	Shore Fast Line Railroad Company	SFLR	255
411	Sierra Railroad Company	SERA	716
412	Singapore (Singapore)		076
413	Sisseton Southern Railway Co	SSOR	440

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414	Somerset Railroad Corporation	SOM	772
415	SOO Line Rail Company	SOO	030
416	South Branch Valley Railroad	SBVR	732
417	South Brooklyn Railway Company	SBK	718
418	South Buffalo Railway Company	SB	719
419	South Carolina Central Railroad Co Inc	SCRF	582
420	South Central Tennessee Railroad Corporation	SCTR	672
421	Southeast Kansas Railroad Company	SEKR	944
422	Southeastern Penn Transportation Authority	SEPTA	024
423	Southern Indiana Railway Inc	SIND	720
424	Southern New Jersey Light Rail Transit	??	026
425	Southern Pacific Transportation Company	SP	721
426	Southern Railway Company	SOU	724
427	Southern San Luis Valley Railroad Company	SSLV	706
428	St Maries River Railroad Company	STMA	698
429	STA		048
430	Staten Island Railway Corporation	SIRY	389
431	Steelton & Highspire Railroad Company	SH	799
432	Stewartstown Railroad Co	STRT	729
433	Stockton Terminal And Eastern Railroad	STE	739
434	Strasburg Railroad Company	SRC	686
435	Strouds Creek And Muddlety Railroad	SCM	687
436	Sunset Railway Company	SUN	734
437	Tacoma Municipal Belt Line Railway	TMBL	759
438	TasRail		119
439	Tennessee Railway Company	SCM	767
440	Tennessee, Alabama And Georgia Railway	SOU	755
441	Tennken Railroad Company Inc	TKEN	745

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442	Terminal Railroad Association Of St Louis	TRRA	757
443	Terminal Railway Alabama State Docks	TASD	758
444	Texas & Northern	TN	795
445	Texas Central Railroad Company	TEXC	750
446	Texas City Terminal Railway Company	тст	761
447	Texas Mexican Railway Company, The	тм	762
448	Texas North Western Railway Company	TXNW	747
449	Texas South-Eastern Railroad Company	TSE	765
450	Texas, Oklahoma & Eastern Railroad Company	TOE	764
451	Thailand (Thai State Railways)		102
452	Tippecanoe Railroad Company	TIPP	753
453	Tonawanda Island Railroad Inc	TIRL	743
454	Towanda And Monroeton Shippers Lifeline, Inc.	TMSS	752
455	Transkentucky Transportation Railroad Co Inc	TTIS	773
456	Tranz Rail (Tasmania)		057
457	Trinity Railway Express		751
458	Trona Railway Company	TRC	779
459	TTCI Test Unit 1	ттсі	884
460	TTCI Test Unit 2	ттсі	885
461	TTCI Test Unit 3	ттсі	886
462	TTCI Test Unit 4	ттсі	887
463	TTCI Test Unit 5	ттсі	888
464	TTCI Test Unit 6	ттсі	889
465	Tucson, Cornelia & Gila Bend Railroad Company	TCG	783
466	Tulsa-Sapulpa Union Railway Company LLC	TSU	709
467	Turtle Creek Industrial Railroad Inc	TCKR	744
468	Tuscola And Saginaw Bay Railway Company Inc	TSBY	770
469	Union Pacific Railroad Company	UP	802

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470	Union Railroad Company	URR	803
471	Union Railroad Of Oregon	UO	800
472	United South Eastern Railways Company	SE	281
473	Unity Railways Company	UNI	806
474	Upper Merion And Plymouth Railroad Company	UMP	808
475	Utah Railway Company	UTAH	811
476	Valdosta Southern Railroad	VSO	816
477	Vandalia Railroad Company	VRRC	781
478	Ventura County Railway Company	VCY	821
479	Vermont Railway Inc	VTR	817
480	Via Rail Canada Inc	VIA	818
481	VicTrack (Australia)		017
482	Virginia Railway Express	VRE	023
483	Visalia Electric Railroad Company	VE	824
484	Walking Horse & Eastern Railroad Co Inc	WHOE	390
485	Warren & Saline River Railroad Company	WSR	832
486	Washington Central Railroad Company, Inc.	WCRC	943
487	Washington County Railroad Corporation	WACR	812
488	Washington Terminal	WATC	849
489	Waterloo Railway Company	WLO	835
490	WCTU Railway Company	WCTR	844
491	Weatherford Mineral Wells & Northwestern	WMWN	837
492	West Jersey Short Line, Inc.	WJSL	387
493	West Shore Railroad Corp	WTSE	882
494	West Tennessee Railroad Corp	WTNN	258
495	West Virginia Northern Railroad	WVN	866
496	Western Railroad Company	WRRC	838
497	Westrail (Australia)		038

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498	White Pass & Yukon	WPY	845
499	Willamette Valley Railway Company, Inc	WVR	863
500	Wilmington Terminal Railroad Inc	WTRY	981
501	Winchester And Western Railroad Company	ww	850
502	Winifrede Railroad Company	WNFR	852
503	Winston-Salem Southbound Railway Company (CSX Tran)	WSS	854
504	Wisconsin & Calumet Railroad	WICT	382
505	Wisconsin & Southern Railroad Company	WSOR	879
506	Wisconsin Central Limited	WC	260
507	Yancey Railroad Company	YAN	876
508	Youngstown & Austintown Railroad Co	YARR	372
509	Youngstown & Southern Railway Company	YS	875
510	Yreka Western Railroad Company	YW	873
511	UK ATCS Testing and Field Evaluations	????	974
512	Network Rail - London North Eastern - UK	????	975
513	Network Rail - London North Western - UK	????	976
514	Network Rail - Scotland - UK	????	977
515	Network Rail - South East - UK	????	978
516	Network Rail - Western - UK	????	979

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APPENDIX C – GENERIC GROUNDING PROCEDURES

c GENERIC GROUNDING PROCEDURES

C.1 GENERAL

With all R-Link radio applications care should be taken to prevent ground differentials between the grounding points that can cause equipment damage. Perform the following recommendations when grounding equipment and enclosures.

C.2 EXTERNAL BUILDING GROUND

Grounding electrodes should be a minimum of 8 feet in length and located approximately 2 feet away from each corner of the building with the top of each element at least 6 inches below grade. Spacing between electrodes should not exceed 15 feet. The ground elements should be bonded together with a ring of #2 AWG solid copper wire. All below grade connections shall be Cadwelded. Refer to the following figure.

The following items should be connected to the ground ring using a #2 AWG solid copper conductor:

- All hydro ground elements within 6 feet of the ground ring
- All metal objects within 50 feet of the building (e.g., fuel storage tanks)
- Air gap surge protectors on the common ground side of the arrestors (as direct as possible through the floor)
- A conductor from each ground electrode to the closest corner of the building, passed up through the floor and up the inside wall to connect with an internal ground ring located 6 inches from the inside ceiling.



Figure C-1 Typical Ground Connections

C.3 INTERNAL BUILDING GROUND

The internal ground ring should be #2 AWG copper, and may be stranded. The following items should be connected to the internal ground ring using a minimum #6 AWG stranded copper conductor:

- All relay racks
- AC panels
- Battery system surge protectors
- Building doors
- Cable trays





Figure C-2 Typical Internal Building Ground

C.4 ANTENNA GROUND

A good RF ground will determine the quality of a radio antenna system. Poor grounds result in antennas not operating efficiently. It is possible to burn up between 50 and 90 percent of the RF power heating the ground losses under the antenna instead of propagating into the air. Ground resistances can vary from very low values of 5 ohms to more than 100 ohms. RF power is dissipated in the ground resistance. The following factors that affect ground resistance are:

- The conductivity of the soil
- The composition of the soil
- The water content of the soil

Note that the ideal ground depth depends on the level of the local water table; it is rarely at ground level and can be several feet below grade.

C.4.1 ANTENNA GROUND – ROOF-MOUNT YAGI

Roof-mounted Yagi antennae should have the pipe mast grounded to the outside grounding ring with a minimum #2 AWG solid copper conductor. The Heliax ground kit should be connected within 1 foot of the cable entry to the building and connected to the copper conductor. A lightning surge protector is not required if the Yagi antenna is less than 10 feet above the building roof. The inside terminating connector on the antenna Heliax should be bonded to the internal ground ring.

C.4.2 ANTENNA GROUND – TOWERS AND POLES

As with all elevated metal objects, antennas will attract lightning strikes. This necessitates the need for an adequate and effective ground to minimize electrical noise and interference (Figure C-3) On tower and pole equipped sites, the antenna must be well grounded by means of a #2 AWG solid copper conductor connection from the ground ring to the tower or pole grounding element(s). The tower ground system must have 5 ohms or less earth resistance. The antenna cable should be grounded to the tower/pole-grounding conductor where the cable bends and leaves the tower/pole towards the building.

The messenger wire for the cable should be bonded to the tower/pole ground and the external building ground ring. The antenna cable should be grounded outside the building, within 1 foot of the building entry, to the external building ground ring via a #2 AWG solid conductor. A lightning arrestor should be installed on the Heliax cable within 1 foot of the building entrance, and bonded to the internal ground ring.

Surge arrestors or a lightning protector should be installed at the point where the antenna cable enters the building or cabinet. The lightning protector should be properly grounded at the single-point chassis ground. Connectors must be weatherproofed to prevent corrosion to enable efficient grounding.



Figure C-3 Typical Tower and Pole Ground Connections



Figure C-4 Typical Connections for Grounding and Bonding

C.5 AC POWER GROUND

AC power grounding should be to the standards set forth by the applicable local or regional electrical code. When bonding AC panels to the internal ground ring, the connection should be made to the outside surface of the panel. Hydro ground electrodes should be bonded to the building ground electrodes only if they are within 6 feet of each other. A surge protector should be installed on the main electrical panel for any ungrounded electrical feed in or out of the building, and the connection to all air gap suppressors removed.

C.6 COMMUNICATIONS GROUND

All power and telephone company grounds should be made common to the communications ground. A surge arrester such as a Polyphaser[™] should be installed at the point where the cable enters the building.

C.7 CABLING

Cabling shall be installed to minimize inductive coupling that would otherwise allow surge energy to bypass the protective and isolating elements in the system. The input/output conductors entering the building shall follow a path as short as possible to the air gap surge protectors. These conductors shall not be within 3 inches of other conductors including the signal wires from the surge protectors to the relay racks. The signal wires from the surge protectors to the relay racks shall be dressed together and separated from power and other signal wires by 3 inches. The signal wires between the relay isolation and the Siemens equipment shall be dressed together and separated from power of the signal wires by 3 inches. Where physical separation is not possible, the wires should be run at right angles to each other.

C.8 SURGE PROTECTION

Surge protection should be provided on battery/charger systems to prevent the system from rising to dangerous voltages with reference to building ground. The protectors should be installed in series with a circuit breaker so if they fail in the short mode the circuit breaker will open and the system will remain isolated from ground.

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APPENDIX D – RF CABLE AND CONNECTOR REFERENCE DATA

D RF CABLE AND CONNECTOR REFERENCE DATA

D.1 JUMPER APPLICATIONS

In confined spaces (for example on combiners or equipment racks) use ¹/₄" super-flexible cables. In applications where a small bending radius is not usually required (for example jumpers between main feeders and antennas) the larger 3/8" and ¹/₂" cables are preferred. Their lower attenuation compared to super-flexible cables makes them ideal for longer jumper cables.

D.2 CONNECTORS

Coaxial cable N-connectors provide excellent electrical matching of the connector to the cable and ensure low VSWR (typically 1/10 dB). Excellent mechanical matching will ensure weatherproofing. They have the following features:

- Silver-plated connectors to reduce Intermodulation
- DIN connectors for higher power applications

D.3 ACCESSORIES (RECOMMENDED)

The following accessories used in conjunction with coaxial cables will help to ensure a long lasting and cost-effective system:

- Cold-shrink for weatherproofing
- Snap-in hangers for easier installation
- Surge arrestors for equipment protection

Foam Coaxial Cable					
	3/8"	1/2"	7/8"	1-1/4"	1-5/8"
Attenuation dB / 100ft (dB / 100m)					
875 MHz	3.27 (10.8)	2.17 (7.13)	1.21 (3.98)	0.896 (2.94)	0.757 (2.49)
960 MHz	3.47 (11.4)	2.29 (7.52)	1.28 (4.20)	0.945 (3.10)	0.80 (2.62)
Average Power Rating, KW					
875 MHz	0.712	1.07	2.29	3.45	4.57
960 MHz	0.678	1.01	2.16	3.27	4.32
Suggested Cable Length, ft (m)					
806 – 960 MHz	40 (12)	65 (20)	115 (35)	155 (47)	185 (56)

Table D-1 Transmission Line System Components

Attenuation dB / 100ft (dB / 100m)					
	Standard	Conditions: v	SWR 1.0; AMD	nent remp 75°	F (24°C)
3/8"	1/"	7/8"	1-1/4"	1-5/8"	High Power Plenum Foam
3.55 (11.6)	2.34 (7.68)	1.31 (4.30)	0.96 (3.17)	0.82 (2.69)	Not recommended
Average Power Rating, KW Standard Conditions: VSWR 1.0; Ambient Temp 104°F (40°C), Inner Conducture 212°F (100°C)					
3/8"	1/"	7/8"	1-1/4"	1-5/8"	High Power Plenum Foam
0.663	0.994	2.11	3.20	4.22	1.90

Table D-2 Coaxial Cable Selection Guide 50-ohm, Foam Dielectric

Table D-3 3/8" 50-ohm Foam Dielectric Coaxial Cable Attenuation and Average Power

Frequency (MHz)	Attenuation dB/100ft (dB /100m)	Average Power (kW)
894	3.34 (11.0)	0.704
960	3.47 (11.4)	0.678

(Not recommended for SSR or R-Link applications)

Table D-4½" 50-ohm Foam Dielectric Coaxial Cable Attenuation and Average Power(Suitable for SSR or R-Link applications)

Frequency (MHz)	Attenuation dB/100ft (dB /100m)	Average Power (kW)
894	2.20 (7.22)	1.05
960	2.29 (7.51)	1.01

Frequency	Connector	Assembly VSWR, Maximum (R.L., dB)				
Band (GHz)	Туре	1-25 ft (0.3-8m)	25-100 ft (8-30m)	100-200 ft (30-60m)	200-500 ft 60-150m)	> 500 ft (150m)
0 824 0 060	N Male	1.08 (28.3)	1.08 (28.3)	1.10 (26.4)	1.12 (24.9)	1.12 (24.9)
0.824 - 0.900	N Female	1.08 (28.3)	1.08 (28.3)	1.10 (26.4)	1.12 (24.9)	1.12 (24.9)

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Frequency (MHz)	Attenuation dB/100ft (dB /100m)	Average Power (kW)
894	1.23 (4.03)	2.25
960	1.28 (4.20)	2.16

Table D-67/8" 50-ohm Foam Dielectric Coaxial Cable(Recommended for Long Range SSR and MCP RF Data Links)

 Table D-7
 7/8" N-Connector Loss VSWR, Low VSWR Specifications, Type N

Froquency	Connector	Assembly VSWR, Maximum (R.L., dB)				5)
Band (GHz)	Туре	1-25 ft (0.3-8m)	25-100 ft (8-30m)	100-200 ft (30-60m)	200-500 ft 60-150m)	> 500 ft (150m)
0.824 – 0.960	Male and Female	1.06 (28.3)	1.07	1.10 (26.4)	1.10 (26.4)	1.10 (26.4)

 Table D-8
 ½" Coaxial Cable Loss dB Comparison Reference

Manufacturer (Part No.)	894 MHz	960 MHz
Cableware (FLC12-50J)	2.20 dB	2.29 dB
Celldyne by Eupen (5128)	2.12 dB	2.20 dB
Amphenol (AFC4-50J)	2.20 dB	2.29 dB
Andrew (LDF4-50A)	2.20 dB	2.29 dB
Hi Tech Soft Flex	2.489 dB	2.589 dB

Table D-9	Base Radio Main	Feeder Cable	Coaxial Cable	Selection Guide	- 50 ohm "Air"	Dielectric

Attenuation dB / 100ft (dB / 100m)						
	1-5/8"	2-1/4"	3"	4"	5"	
1000 MHz	0.70 (2.30)	0.59 (1.93)	0.56 (1.84)	0.43 (1.41)		
	Average Power Rating, kW					
	1-5/8"	2-1/4"	3"	4"	5"	
1000 MHz	4.94	6.61	10.7	17.2		

Frequency (MHz)	Attenuation (dB/100ft)	Average Power (kW)
894	0.907	3.41
960	3.10	3.27

Table D-10 1-1/4" 50-ohm Foam Dielectric Coaxial Cable

Base Radio Main Feeder

Table D-11 1-1/4" Connector LOSS Low VSWR Specifications

Base Radio Main Feeder

Fraguanay	Connector	Assembly VSWR, Maximum (R.L., dB)				5)
Band (GHz)	Туре	1-25 ft (0.3-8m)	25-100 ft (8-30m)	100-200 ft (30-60m)	200-500 ft 60-150m)	> 500 ft (150m)
0.824 0.804	N Male	1.08 (28.3)	1.09 (27.3)	1.12 (24.9)	1.15 (23.1)	1.20 (20.8)
0.024 - 0.094	7/16 DIN	1.08 (28.3)	1.09 (27.3)	1.10 (26.4)	1.15 (23.1)	1.20 (20.8)

Table D-12 1-5/8" 50-ohm Foam Dielectric Coaxial Cable

Base Radio Main Feeder

Frequency (MHz)	Attenuation (dB/100ft)	Average Power (kW)
894	0.767	4.51
960	0.800	4.32

Table D-13 1-5/8" Connector LOSS Low VSWR Specifications

Base Radio Main Feeder

Froquency	Assembly VSWR, Maximum (R.L., dB)					5)
Band (GHz)	Туре	1-25 ft (0.3-8m)	25-100 ft (8-30m)	100-200 ft (30-60m)	200-500 ft 60-150m)	> 500 ft (150m)
0 824 - 0 894	7/16 DIN	1.06	1.08	1.10	1.15	1.20
	Male	(30.7)	(28.3)	(26.4)	(23.1)	(20.8)
0.024 - 0.094	7/16 DIN	1.10	1.13	1.18	1.20	1.22
	Female	(26.4)	(24.3)	(21.6)	(20.8)	(20.1)

Frequency (MHz)	Attenuation (dB/100ft)	Average Power (kW)
894	0.658	5.24
960	0.684	5.05

Table D-14 1-5/8" 50-ohm Air Dielectric Coaxial Cable

Base Radio Main Feeder

Table D-15 1/2" N-Connector

Froquoney	Connector	Asse	embly VSWR, I	Maximum (R.L.	, dB)
Band GHz	Туре	0-10 ft (0-3m)	10-20 ft (3-6m)	20-100 ft (6-30m)	> 100 ft (> 30m)
0.01 2.2	N-Males	1.10 (26.4)	1.10 (26.4)	1.15 (23.1)	1.15 (23.1)
0.01 - 2.3	N-Females	1.15 (23.1)	1.15 (23.1)	1.15 (23.1)	1.20 (20.8)

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APPENDIX E – RF PROPAGATION BRIEF

E RF PROPAGATION BRIEF

E.1 WAVELENGTH VS FREQUENCY

The frequency of an electromagnetic wave is the number of cycles that occur in one second. If either the frequency or length of a wave is known, the unknown value can be calculated as follows:

Where $C = 3 \times 10^8$ meters per second (mps)

Frequency (Hz) = C / Wavelength (λ)

Wavelength (λ) = C / Frequency (Hz)



Figure E-1 Wavelength vs Frequency

E.1.1 QUARTER AND HALF WAVELENGTH LINES

Sections of transmission lines that are exactly a quarter-wavelength or a half-wavelength in length have important impedance-transforming properties and are often used at radio frequencies.

Impedance inversion by quarter-wavelength lines. Refer to the following figure. The load of impedance Z_L connected to a piece of transmission line of length s is exactly a quarter-wavelength (or an odd number of quarter-wavelengths) and line is lossless. Therefore, the formula for impedance Z_8 , seen when looking toward the load, is as follows:



Figure E-2 Loaded Line

E.2 CURRENT AND VOLTAGE DISTRIBUTIONS

The length of an antenna, like a transmission line, is a sizable portion of a wavelength – even several wavelengths. It is a circuit with distributed constants. A voltage is applied at one point, resulting in a voltage and current at that point. Traveling waves are then initiated, and possibly standing waves are set up, resulting in voltage and current on the antenna that will generally vary from one point to the next. This antenna voltage and current distribution will have an effect on the radiated field. The field depends chiefly on the antenna length measured in wavelengths, its power losses, and the terminations at its ends, if any. In addition, the thickness of the antenna wire is of importance, but for practical purposes antennas may be assumed to be lossless, and of wire whose diameter is infinitely small when compared to a wavelength.

There is a similarity to the distribution of voltage and current on a piece of quarter-wave transmission line that is open-circuited at the far end. Just as a voltage minimum and current maximum appear at the antenna feed point, so an identical situation exists $\lambda/4$ away from the open circuit on a transmission line.

Refer to the following figure. The current distributions on antennas with lengths that are multiples of $\lambda/2$ are logical extensions of those of the half-wave antenna, and similarly comparable to equivalent transmission lines. The voltage distributions are omitted for simplicity.



Figure E-3 Current Distribution on Resonant Dipoles

E.3 EFFECTIVE RADIATED POWER (ERP)

There is an importance difference between output power and Effective Radiated Power (ERP): output power is regulated by the FCC for bands below 470 MHz, and ERP is not regulated. This lack of regulation can potentially impact a system's transmission capabilities and may be the reason for interference problems.

ERP is the transmitter output power multiplied by the net gain of the antenna system.

ERP = transmitter output power x net gain of antenna system

The net gain of the antenna system is equal to the transmission losses (caused by transmission lines, duplexers, cavity filters, and isolators) subtracted from the gain of the antenna.

To calculate the ERP, convert all components to decibels (dB) and then add the losses (-) and gains (+) of the antenna system to get the result. Perform the following steps:

1. Convert the output power (Po) from watts to dB above a watt (dBW)

dBW = 10 LOG Po

- 2. Add the net gain of the antenna system to get the ERP in dBW
- 3. Convert the ERP in dBW back to watts

Watts = 10 dBW/10

Example:

Po = 250 watts	=	+24.0 dBW
Antenna system losses	=	-2.5 dB
Antenna gain	=	+6.5 dB
ERP	=	+28.0 dBW = 631 watts

ERP is used in determining a coverage area because it includes power from the antenna, rather than simply the output power from the transmitter.

E.4 RESONANT ANTENNAS

A resonant antenna corresponds to a resonant transmission line. All antennas described after the elementary doublet have been resonant. An antenna is an opened-out transmission line, open-circuited at the far end and of resonant length. The source is low-impedance, and must be placed at a low-impedance point to avoid upsetting the standing-wave pattern. The nearest suitable point for this, from an open circuit, is a quarter-wavelength away.

APPENDIX F – VOLTAGE DROP TABLES

F VOLTAGE DROP TABLES

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12	12 Volts – 10% Drop Wire Sizes (gauge) – Based on Minimum CM Area																		
Total Current		Le	ngth	of Co	onduc	tor fi	rom S	Sourc	e of C	Curre	nt to	Devic	e an	d Bac	k to s	Sourc	:e - F	eet	
(Amps)	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130	140	150	160	170
5	18	18	18	18	18	16	16	14	14	14	12	12	12	12	12	10	10	10	10
10	18	18	16	16	14	14	12	12	10	10	10	10	8	8	8	8	8	8	6
15	18	16	14	14	12	12	10	10	8	8	8	8	8	6	6	6	6	6	6
20	16	14	14	12	12	10	10	8	8	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	4
25	16	14	12	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	4	2
30	14	12	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	2
40	14	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	6	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
50	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1
60	12	10	8	8	6	6	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	0
70	10	8	8	6	6	6	4	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	2/0	2/0
80	10	8	8	6	6	4	4	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	2/0	2/0	2/0	2/0
90	10	8	6	6	6	4	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	2/0	2/0	2/0	3/0	3/0
100	10	8	6	6	4	4	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	2/0	2/0	2/0	2/0	3/0	3/0

Table F-1 Conductor Size for 10% Voltage Drop - 12 Volts

	24 Volts – 10% Drop Wire Sizes (gauge) – Based on Minimum CM Area																		
Total Current on	Total Length of Conductor from Source of Current to Device and Back to Source - Feet urrent on Circuit (Amps)																		
(Amps)	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130	140	150	160	170
5	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	16	16	16	16	14	14	14	14	14	14	12
10	18	18	18	18	18	16	16	14	14	14	12	12	12	12	12	10	10	10	10
15	18	18	18	16	16	14	14	12	12	12	10	10	10	10	10	8	8	8	8
20	18	18	16	16	14	14	12	12	10	10	10	10	8	8	8	8	8	8	6
25	18	16	16	14	14	12	12	10	10	10	8	8	8	8	8	6	6	6	6
30	18	16	14	14	12	12	10	10	8	8	8	8	8	6	6	6	6	6	6
40	16	14	14	12	12	10	10	8	8	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	4
50	16	14	12	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	4	2
60	14	12	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	2
70	14	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	2
80	14	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	6	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
90	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	6	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1
100	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1

Table F-2	Conductor Sizes for 10% Voltage Drop - 24 Vo	olts
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	32 Volts – 10% Drop Wire Sizes (gauge) – Based on Minimum CM Area																		
Total Current on	Length of Conductor from Source of Current to Device and Back to Source - Feet																		
Circuit (Amps)	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130	140	150	160	170
5	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	16	16	16	16	14	14	14	14
10	18	18	18	18	18	18	16	16	14	14	14	14	14	12	12	12	12	12	12
15	18	18	18	18	18	16	14	14	14	12	12	12	12	10	10	10	10	10	10
20	18	18	18	16	16	14	14	12	12	12	10	10	10	10	10	8	8	8	8
25	18	18	16	16	14	14	12	12	10	10	10	10	10	8	8	8	8	8	8
30	18	18	16	14	14	12	12	10	10	10	10	8	8	8	8	8	6	6	6
40	18	16	14	14	12	12	10	10	8	8	8	8	8	6	6	6	6	6	6
50	16	14	14	12	12	10	10	8	8	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	4	4
60	16	14	12	12	10	10	8	8	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4
70	14	14	12	10	10	8	8	8	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	2	2
80	14	12	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	2
90	14	12	10	10	10	8	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2
100	14	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	2

 Table F-3
 Conductor Sizes for 10% Voltage Drop - 32 Volts

12 Volts – 3% Drop Wire Sizes (gauge) – Based on Minimum CM Area																			
Total Current on	Length of Conductor from Source of Current to Device and Back to Source - Feet																		
Circuit (Amps)	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130	140	150	160	170
5	18	16	14	12	12	10	10	10	8	8	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
10	14	12	10	10	10	8	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2
15	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	6	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1
20	10	10	8	6	6	6	4	4	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	2/0
25	10	8	6	6	6	4	4	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	2/0	2/0	2/0	3/0
30	10	8	6	6	4	4	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	2/0	2/0	3/0	3/0	3/0	4/0
40	8	6	6	4	4	2	2	1	0	0	2/0	2/0	3/0	3/0	3/0	4/0	4/0	4/0	4/0
50	6	6	4	4	2	2	1	0	2/0	2/0	3/0	3/0	4/0	4/0	4/0				
60	6	4	4	2	2	1	0	2/0	3/0	3/0	4/0	4/0	4/0						
70	6	4	2	2	1	0	2/0	3/0	3/0	4/0	4/0								
80	6	4	2	2	1	0	3/0	3/0	4/0	4/0									
90	4	2	2	1	0	2/0	3/0	4/0	4/0										
100	4	2	2	1	0	2/0	3/0	4/0											

Table F-4 Conductor Sizes for 3% Voltage Drop - 12 Volts

	24 Volts – 3% Drop Wire Sizes (gauge) – Based on Minimum CM Area Total Length of Conductor from Source of Current to Device and Back to Source - Feet																		
Total Current on	Length of Conductor from Source of Current to Device and Back to Source - Feet																		
Circuit (Amps)	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130	140	150	160	170
5	18	18	18	16	16	14	12	12	12	10	10	10	10	10	8	8	8	8	8
10	18	16	14	12	12	10	10	10	8	8	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
15	16	14	12	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	4	4
20	14	12	10	10	10	8	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2
25	12	12	10	10	8	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
30	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1
40	10	10	8	6	6	6	4	4	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	2/0
50	10	8	6	6	6	4	4	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	2/0	2/0	2/0	3/0
60	10	8	6	6	4	4	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	2/0	2/0	3/0	3/0	3/0	3/0
70	8	6	6	4	4	2	2	1	1	0	0	2/0	2/0	3/0	3/0	3/0	3/0	4/0	4/0
80	8	6	6	4	4	2	2	1	0	0	2/0	2/0	3/0	3/0	3/0	4/0	4/0	4/0	4/0
90	8	6	4	4	2	2	1	0	0	2/0	2/0	3/0	3/0	4/0	4/0	4/0	4/0	4/0	
100	6	6	4	4	2	2	1	0	2/0	2/0	3/0	3/0	4/0	4/0	4/0				

Table F-5 Conductor Size for 3% Voltage Drop - 24 Volts

	32 Volts – 3% Drop Wire Sizes (gauge) – Based on Minimum CM Area																		
Total Current on	onLength of Conductor from Source of Current to Device and Back to Source - Feet																		
Circuit (Amps)	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130	140	150	160	170
5	18	18	18	18	16	16	14	14	12	12	12	12	10	10	10	10	10	10	8
10	18	16	16	14	14	12	12	10	10	10	8	8	8	8	8	6	6	6	6
15	16	14	14	12	12	10	10	8	8	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	4	4
20	16	14	12	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	4	2
25	14	12	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	2
30	14	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	1	1	1
40	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1
50	12	10	8	8	6	6	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0
60	10	8	8	6	6	4	4	2	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	2/0	2/0	2/0
70	10	8	6	6	6	4	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	2/0	2/0	2/0	3/0	3/0
80	10	8	6	6	4	4	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	2/0	2/0	3/0	3/0	3/0	3/0
90	8	6	6	6	4	2	2	2	1	0	0	2/0	2/0	2/0	3/0	3/0	3/0	4/0	4/0
100	8	6	6	4	4	2	2	1	0	0	2/0	2/0	2/0	3/0	3/0	3/0	4/0	4/0	4/0

Table F-6 Conductor Sizes for 3% Voltage Drop - 32 Volts