Fire Pump Controller
For Electric Motor Driven Fire Pumps

Wye-Delta Reduced Current Types

Series MP430 and Series MP435 - Combined Manual and Automatic

Metron Fire Pump Controllers conform to the latest requirements of Chapter 10, National Fire Protection Association Pamphlet 20, Standard for Centrifugal Fire Pumps as adopted by Underwriters Laboratories and Factory Mutual. They are withstand rated and listed by Underwriters’ Laboratories and approved by Factory Mutual Research Corporation.

Sizes range from 15 to 700 horsepower, 200 to 600 volts, 60 Hz. These controllers are for use on Reduced Voltage type installations.

Only the highest quality components, all UL listed or UL recognized, are used throughout to assure the best possible reliability. The cabinet is fabricated of heavy gauge reinforced steel with drip-proof hood. All field wiring and service connections may be made from the front, allowing the controller to be mounted flush against a wall.

The controller is completely wired, assembled, and tested at the factory before shipment, and ready for immediate installation.
Standard and Optional Features

Standard Features

Series MP430/MP435
Wye- Delta motors have all six leads brought out to the motor terminal box. These leads are connected by the controller first in the Wye configuration which draws only 33% of normal starting current and develops 33% of normal starting torque. After a short time delay, the controller then connects the motor winding in a Delta configuration, applying full voltage and drawing full load running current and developing full running torque.

With the MP430 open transition types, there is a very short period of time where no voltage is applied to the motor during transition from Wye to Delta connections. This condition can cause current surges or disturbances being fed back into the main power source. The magnitude of the surges is proportional to the phase difference between the voltage generated by the running motor and the power source. These transients can in some instances, affect other equipment which are sensitive to current surges.

The MP435 closed transition types provide a smoother transition from Wye to Delta by keeping the motor continuously energized during the transition period. This is accomplished by means of resistors which are connected in the circuit during the momentary period of transition from Wye to Delta.

Metron Wye-Delta Controllers incorporate a mechanical as well as electrical interlock to prevent the Wye connecting contactor from being energized at the same time as the Delta contactor.

An emergency start lever to close starting contactor independent of automatic control circuits. When used, this lever will bypass the reduced current start feature and start the motor with full inrush current drawn from the power source.

Operator Interface Device (OID) with LED Annunciator and Digital Display

- NEMA Type 2 drip proof metal freestanding enclosure
- AUTO, OFF, MANUAL selector switch illuminated on OID with colored LED's for controller mode operation
- Operator Interface Device (OID) with 4 lines by 20 character display with large character backlit Liquid Crystal Display (LCD) capable of being read in both direct sunlight or dark lighting conditions
- 10 pushbuttons for easy screen navigation, LED lamp test, alarm reset, controller test and horn silencing
- Removable labels to allow for easy field language changes
- All controller settings are programmable through the OID. All features are enabled or disabled through the OID, no jumpers or external wires are needed allowing easy field modification
- The system status data is displayed on the OID. The displayed items include: System pressure, Phase to Phase (AB, BC, AC) voltage, Phase current (A, B, C), Current time and date, System Events and Notifications such as Remote Start, Local Start etc., Number of starts, Total motor run hours, Time remaining on sequential motor start and motor stop timers.
- Auxiliary alarm functions displayed on the OID LCD screen
- Audible horn with silence feature for silencable alarms
- Lamp test feature
- Foreign languages selectable through the OID
- Microprocessor based logic with real time/date clock capable of running a minimum of 14 days without AC power connected to controller
- SD Memory card used to record pressure log, event and log, and auxiliary user programs. Pressure log is stored in separate comma delimited ASCII text files with each file containing data for one day. The SD card is removable and can be read by any PC equipped with an SD card reader.
- Input and output status LED's provide visual indication of each discrete input's or output's on/off status
- One RS485 Serial Port
- Service Entrance Rated

Standard Auxiliary alarms:
The controller includes as standard six (6) discrete auxiliary inputs, nine (9) form 'C' auxiliary relay outputs. These auxiliary inputs and outputs are in addition to those mandated by NFPA 20. All auxiliary inputs, outputs, and OID Display can be field programmed through the OID.

Nine (9) of the following auxiliary alarms can be programmed and recorded in the event/alarm logs and annunciated on the OID display screen and/or output relay contact(s). These alarm conditions include:

- LOW PUMP ROOM TEMP
- RESERVOIR LOW
- RESERVOIR EMPTY
- RESERVOIR HIGH
- FLOW METER ON
- RELIEF VALVE OPEN
- LOW SUCTION PRESSURE
- HIGH PUMP ROOM TEMPERATURE
- LOW FIREFighter PRESSURE
- LOW PURGE PRESSURE
LOW GEAR OIL PRESSURE  
HIGH GEAR OIL TEMPERATURE  
GAS DETECTION  
HIGH VIBRATION  
EMERGENCY POWER ON  
PUMP ROOM DOOR OPEN  

Data logging:  
The controller includes two (2) separate data logs for storing system data that is readable through the OID or copied to a computer equipped with an SD card reader. The 2 data logs are as follows:  

**Pressure Log:** The pressure log provides a continuous pressure record for 30 days. The pressure log samples shall be time and date stamped and stored in permanent non-volatile SD memory card. The pressure log can be searched by each sample, by minute, or by hour through the OID.  

**Event Log:** The event log will store up to 300 of the most current events. These events can include, but is not limited to, any of the following events/alarms:  
- PUMP RUNNING  
- POWER AVAILABLE  
- PHASE REVERSAL  
- MOTOR OVERLOAD  
- REMOTE START  
- LOCAL START  
- PUMP ON DEMAND  
- SYSTEM FAULT  
- AUTO MODE  
- MANUAL MODE  
- OFF MODE  
- PRESSURE TRANSDUCER FAULT  
- PUMP FAILED TO START  
- LOW INTAKE SHUTDOWN ALARM  
- SUPERVISORY POWER FAILURE  
- LOW PRESSURE  
- AUTO WEEKLY TEST START  
- UNDER FREQUENCY  
- OVER FREQUENCY  
- LOW ZONE / HIGH ZONE CONTACTS  
- HIGH DISCHARGE PRESSURE  
- NO LOAD CONDITION  

### Options  

**Option H: Space Heater**  
If the ambient atmosphere is especially damp, a space heater rated at 100 watts may be supplied to reduce moisture in the cabinet. A thermostat is supplied as standard with this option. A humidistat may be substituted if specified.  

**Option T: Weekly Test Start Solenoid**  
In some cases it may be desirable to have the electric motor run at a preset time each week for approximately 30 minutes. The controller includes a built-in weekly test function. This option complements the standard function by simulating a loss of pressure. Simulation of pressure loss is accomplished by opening a solenoid valve, which reduces the system pressure below the starting pressure of the controller.  

**Option W: Omit Legs**  
For systems where the controller is mounted on a common skid with the pump and motor, the legs of the controller may be omitted. 3” (76.2mm) channels or wall mounting brackets can be supplied. If specified, lifting eyes may also be supplied.  

**Enclosure**  
The following NEMA type enclosures are also available: 3R, 4, 4X (Painted Cold Rolled Steel), 4X (Unpainted 304 or 316 Stainless Steel), and 12
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Model MP430/435 Wye-Delta Start Microprocessor Electric Motor Fire Pump Controller

Specifications

General Controller Description

The Fire Pump Controller shall be factory assembled, wired and tested as a unit and shall conform to all requirements of the latest edition of NFPA 20, NFPA 70 and be Third Party Listed by Underwriters Laboratories (UL) and Approved by Factory Mutual (FM). The controller shall be available for 208, 230, 380-415, or 480 volt three phase power.

Controller Equipment Features

The controller shall include the following standard features:

- NEMA Type 2 drip proof metal freestanding enclosure
- The controller shall be designed for Wye-Delta starting and shall start the motor in the Wye configuration drawing 33% of normal current, then connect the motor in the Delta configuration applying full voltage.
- AUTO, OFF, MANUAL, selector switch with colored LED's for controller mode condition
- Operator Interface Device (OID) with 4 lines by 20 character display with large character backlit LCD capable of being read in both direct sunlight or dark lighting conditions
- 10 pushbuttons for easy screen navigation, system test, lamp test, alarm reset, and horn silencing
- Multicolored LED's for alarm and mode annunciation
- LEDs shall be labeled with removable labels to allow for easy field modification of language changes
- All controller settings shall be programmable through the OID and shall be protected by two password levels
- All features shall be enabled or disabled through the OID, no jumpers or external wires shall be needed or allowed to activate or deactivate a feature
- The system status data shall be displayed on the OID. The displayed items shall include: System pressure, Phase to Phase (AB, BC, AC) voltage, Phase current (A, B, C), System Events and Notifications, Current time and date. Number of starts, Total motor run hours, Displayed countdown timers for: Sequential motor start and motor stop.
- Audible horn with silence feature for slencable alarms

Auxiliary alarms

As standard the controller shall include 6 discrete auxiliary inputs, 9 form ‘C’ auxiliary relay outputs. These auxiliary inputs and outputs are in addition to those mandated by NFPA 20. All auxiliary inputs, outputs, and OID screens shall be field programmable through the OID. This permits a multitude of customizable controller configurations to meet each installations unique needs without adding cost to the controller. The use of jumpers, soldering, or other external components are not allowed.

The user can select any 9 of the following auxiliary alarms that can be programmed and recorded in the event log and annunciated with an OID screen and output relay contact for conditions such as but not limited to:

- LOW PUMP ROOM TEMP
- RESERVOIR LOW
- RESERVOIR EMPTY
- RESERVOIR HIGH
- FLOW METER ON
- RELIEF VALVE OPEN
- LOW SUCTION PRESSURE
- HIGH PUMP ROOM TEMPERATURE
- LOW FIREWATER PRESSURE
- LOW PURGE PRESSURE
- LOW GEAR OIL PRESSURE
- HIGH GEAR OIL TEMPERATURE
- GAS DETECTION
- HIGH VIBRATION
- EMERGENCY POWER ON
- PUMP ROOM DOOR OPEN

Data logging

The controller shall have separate data logs for storing system data that is readable through the OID.

Pressure Log: The controller shall have a Pressure log with continuous pressure recording of 30 days of data. The pressure log samples shall be time and date stamped and stored on a removable SD card memory. The pressure log shall be searchable by each sample, by minute, or by hour. Each days entries shall be stored in a separate file on the SD card. SD memory shall be readable by any PC equipped with an SD memory card reader.

Event Log: The event log shall be capable of storing no less than 3000 events. These events shall include, but is not limited to, any of the following events/alarms:

- PUMP RUNNING
- POWER AVAILABLE
- PHASE REVERSAL
- MOTOR OVERLOAD
- REMOTE START
- LOCAL START
- PUMP ON DEMAND
- SYSTEM FAULT
- AUTO MODE
- MANUAL MODE
- OFF MODE
- PRESSURE TRANSDUCER FAULT
- PUMP FAILED TO START
- LOW INTAKE SHUTDOWN ALARM
- SUPERVISORY POWER FAILURE
- LOW PRESSURE
- AUTO WEEKLY TEST START
- UNDER FREQUENCY
- OVER FREQUENCY
- LOW ZONE / HIGH ZONE CONTACTS
- HIGH DISCHARGE PRESSURE
- NO LOAD CONDITION

Each event or alarm recorded in the event log shall have the following data recorded with the event/alarm:

- Time and Date of Event or Alarm
- System Pressure
- Descriptive Text Message of the Event/Alarm
- Motor Running Status
- Phase to Phase Volts
- Phase Amps

The internal logic of the controller shall be capable of operation in a temperature range of 0°C to 50°C and high, non-condensing, humidity levels.

The controller shall be manufactured by Metron.

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