# GE Infrastructure Sensing

# **Applications**

This rugged dew point transmitter is a low-cost solution for many applications including:

- Refrigerative air dryers
- Furnace/oven applications
- High dew-point gases

# **Features**

- Microprocessor-based, all-digital technology for reliable operation
- Ideal for dryer manufacturers and OEM industrial applications
- Direct insertion into system at 300-psig (21.7-bar) maximum pressure
- Two-wire, loop-powered, 4- to 20-mA transmitter
- NIST-traceable factory calibration
- Uses GE Panametrics MiniCap 2 sensor
- Measurement range of -20° to 60°C (-4° to 140°F) dew/frost point

# **CMX 1** Loop-Powered Dew Point Transmitter

# Top Performance at an Economical Price

The CMX 1 is a rugged, two-wire, loop-powered dew point transmitter with a linearized 4- to 20-mA output. It uses the top-performing MiniCap 2 sensor and a thermistor to measure relative humidity and temperature. The CMX 1's microprocessor calculates the dew/frost point temperature from these two inputs.

The economically priced CMX 1 is intended for OEM gas dryer applications that do not require the superior performance and wide range capability of GE Panametrics aluminum oxide sensor-based hygrometers. The MiniCap 2 humidity sensor gives the CMX 1 fast response and excellent long-term stability over the range of -20° to 60°C (-10° to 140°F) dew/frost point temperature.

#### The MiniCap 2 Sensor

The GE Panametrics MiniCap 2 is a thin-film polymer capacitive type relative humidity sensor. State-of-theart semiconductor technology is employed in the sensor's manufacture. The dielectric constant of the polymer thin film changes with atmospheric relative humidity, resulting in linear capacitance changes as a function of relative humidity. The sensor is immune to most reagent vapors and recovers quickly from condensation, making it an excellent choice for lowcost gas dryer monitoring.

GE Panametrics has joined other GE high-technology sensing businesses under a new name —

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# **Specifications**

# **Electronics**

# **European Compliance**

Complies with EMC Directive 89/336/ EEC and PED 97/23/EC for DN<25

# **Dew/Frost Point Range**

 $-20^{\circ}$  to  $60^{\circ}$ C ( $-10^{\circ}$  to  $140^{\circ}$ F)

#### Accuracy

- ±2% relative humidity
- ±0.5°C temperature
- ±5°C dew/frost point at 20°C ambient temperature and -20°C frost point (see graph)

#### Repeatability

 $\pm 0.5^{\circ}$ C over the dew/frost point range

#### **Response Time**

Readings are updated every 15 seconds

Supply Voltage External 8 to 28 VDC required

**Analog Output** 4 to 20 mA

# **Output Resolution**

12 bits

# **Output Load**

Maximum load in  $\Omega = 40 \times (PSV - 8)$ , where PSV = power supply voltage

# Cable

Standard twisted pair, 20 to 24 AWG

# Sample Connection

<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-in. 16 straight male thread with Viton<sup>®</sup> O-ring

# **Operating Temperature**

 $-40^\circ$  to  $60^\circ \mathrm{C}$   $(-40^\circ$  to  $140^\circ \mathrm{F})$ 

# Warm-Up Time

Meets specified accuracy in 3 minutes

# Enclosure

Weatherproof

# Dimensions

- Overall: 8.00 × 2.75 in. (20.32 × 6.99 cm)
- Electronics: 4.00 × 2.75 in. (10.16 × 6.99 cm)
- Sensor: 2.70 × 0.63 in (6.86 × 1.60 cm)
- Weight: 2.0 lb (0.91 kg)

# **CMX 1 Dimensions**



CMX 1 transmitter dimensions in inches (mm)





# **Moisture Sensor**

# Sensor Type

- Capacitive thin-film RH sensor
- Thermistor temperature sensor

#### Calibration

Each transmitter is individually computer-calibrated against known moisture concentrations, traceable to NIST

# **Calibration Interval**

MiniCap 2 sensor recalibration is recommended typically at one year intervals, depending on application

# **Calibration Data**

Factory programmed, stored on EEPROM

**Operating Pressure (Sensors Only)** 

300-psig (21-bar) maximum



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