Installation and Operation Manual

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Figure 1. APS–4C dimensional
General

Introduction

The APS “C” Series Snow Switch Control Panels, when used with compatible Environmental Technology, Inc., sensors, automatically control snow and ice melting systems, ensuring complete melting for minimal operating costs. Typical applications are pavement, sidewalk, loading dock, roof, gutter, and down spouts.

The APS “C” Series continues the Environmental Technology, Inc., APS family of Control Panels with the APS–3C Control Panel, the APS–4C Control Panel, and the SC–40C Satellite Contactor. All three models improve upon and extend the features of previous models while maintaining backwards compatibility. The new APS “C” Series models are interchangeable with earlier APS models to ensure the continued long life of existing systems.

The APS “C” Series offers voltage options from 120 VAC up to 600 VAC. The APS–3C is available for 120 and 208–240 VAC and is optimized for inductive loads up to 24 amps, ideal for use in hydronic systems or with customer systems that provide a relay interface. The APS–4C and the SC–40C are available for 208–600 VAC and are optimized for resistive loads up to 50 amps, with integrated ground fault equipment protection (GFEP).

All APS “C” Series models provide a relay closure interface for use with Energy Management Computers (EMC). This feature can also be used for general purpose remote control and annunciation and other advanced applications. Simple remote control features are also provided by the RCU–3 Remote Control Unit for the APS–3C and the RCU–4 Remote Control Unit for the APS–4C and SC–40C.

All sensor and communications wiring is NEC Class 2. This simplifies installation while enhancing fire and shock safety. **WARNING: Do not over-tighten the Class 2 terminal block screw as this can result in an open/intermittent connection.** The APS–3C and APS–4C can interface with up to six sensors from the CIT–1 product family. More sensors provide superior performance by better matching the controller to site performance requirements. (The SC–40C does not make use of snow/ice sensors but rather is notified of snow conditions by the master APS in the system.)

Environmental Interfaces

The APS “C” Series determines when to start heater operation by monitoring the signals produced by up to six customer supplied environmental sensors, paralleled together using a 3-wire bus. All sensors are Class 2 low voltage for safety reasons. Available sensors include:

- SIT–6E Pavement Mounted Snow and Ice Sensor
- CIT–1 Aerial Snow and Ice Sensor
- GIT–1 Gutter Snow and Ice Sensor

When used either alone or in combination, these sensors accurately determine whether snow and ice melting is required. This data is communicated back to either an APS–3C or APS–4C Control Panel.

Sensors measure ambient temperature and detect moisture in any form. Snow, sleet, freezing rain, etc., is assumed if moisture is present at temperatures below 38°F (3.33°C). Beginning heater operation at temperatures slightly above freezing is essential to meeting customer expectations. It takes a long time for snow to melt at 34°F.

Using several sensors improves snow melting effectiveness by compensating for environmental variations. Consider a typical pavement snow and ice melting system. Vehicular and pedestrian traffic in commercial environments often expose the pavement to tracked slush and blowing or drifting snow. Because refreezing could create a hazardous situation, these hazards must be cleared. The solution is to combine several SIT–6E Pavement Mounted Snow and Ice Sensors in expected pedestrian and vehicular pathways, along with a CIT–1 Aerial Snow and Ice Sensor placed high in an open, unobstructed location, exposed to falling snow. One or more additional SIT–6E sensors might be needed in areas subject to drifting and blowing snow and/or melt water run-off and refreezing.

The first sensor detecting freezing precipitation calls for snow melting. The last sensor detecting frozen precipitation signals the APS Control Panel that precipitation has stopped.

Sensors employ a heated interdigitated grid for moisture detection. Heat melts frozen precipitation to form water which is a better conductor of electricity. Circuits detect water as a change in resistance between the fingers of the interdigitated grid. The temperature of the moisture sensor is regulated electronically.
Each sensor has its own microcontroller for signal processing, logic and control. This enables the use of a simple 3-wire bus to connect sensors with the Control Panel. Extension wire function and colors follow:

- Supply (Red)
- Signal (White)
- Ground (Black)

Sensors are wired together in parallel in a “wired OR” configuration. That is, red to red, white to white, and black to black. When several sensors are connected in parallel, any sensor asserting a ground on the signal conductor enables snow melting heater operation. No ground on the signal line indicates the absence of snow.

APS “C” Series models include a temperature sensor for measuring pavement slab or ambient air temperature. Its signal is used to provide an adjustable high limit thermostat function. This sensor, or a bypass resistor, is required for proper system operation. This feature is essential when using a potentially high temperature heater such as MI cable.

**High Limit Thermostat**

The calibrated 40°F to 90°F (4°C to 32°C) high limit thermostat prevents excessive temperatures when using constant wattage and MI heaters. It also permits safe testing at outdoor temperatures too high for continuous heater operation. **The temperature sensor is included and must be connected to the system for proper operation.**

There are two DIP switch configurable operation modes for the high limit thermostat. The factory default operation mode uses the high limit thermostat as a slab temperature regulator, preventing heater operation at temperatures above the High Temperature Limit setting. The optional operating mode uses the high limit thermostat as an ambient air sensor, preventing heater operation at temperatures above the High Temperature Limit setting until the temperature drops back to within the set limits.

The details of operation in each mode are as follows:

**Slab Regulating Thermostat Mode**

- High temperature causes unit to turn off heaters, if running, and to ignore any call for heater operation from the panel, RCU, or EMC.
- High temperature continues any hold-on cycle that was initiated before the high temperature condition. If the slab temperature drops within limits during the hold-on time, the heater will be turned back on.
- In a high temperature condition, an APS will still initiate operation of connected SC–40C contactor(s).
- The Heater Cycle functions normally.

**Ambient Temperature Thermostat Mode**

- High temperature causes unit to turn off heaters, if running, and to ignore any call for heater operation from the panel, RCU, or EMC.
- High temperature cancels any Hold-On cycle that was initiated before the high temperature condition.
- In a high temperature condition, an APS will not initiate operation of connected SC–40C contactor(s).
- If the Heater Cycle switch is operated in a high temperature condition, the heater(s) will be turned on for a maximum of 30 seconds. A new Heater Cycle cannot be initiated for another two minutes after that.

**Hold-On Time**

The adjustable Hold-On Timer provides three functions affecting heater operation. The Hold-On Timer is used to continue heater operation, to manually operate heaters, or to provide a limited heater cycle for testing.

During normal operation, the Hold-On Timer continues heater operation for an adjustable time period of up to 10 hours after snow stops. The additional operating time compensates for the fact that there may be insufficient power to both melt the snow as it falls and evaporate the resultant melt water.

After normal operation has ended, the Hold-On Timer provides a method for clearing tracked...
or drifting snow that did not fall on a sensor. This can be accomplished by either increasing the Hold-On Time or by manually toggling the heaters on for the Hold-On Time, independent of environmental conditions.

Lastly, the Hold-On Timer provides a method of safe heater testing, that is independent of environmental conditions. The high limit thermostat ensures that this is the case. In ambient mode, at ambient temperatures above the high limit, the manual Hold-On Time is reduced to 30 seconds. In pavement mode, at pavement temperatures above the High Temperature Limit, the heaters are disabled.

**Initial Settings**

When first placing the system into service, the Hold-On Time should be set to an initial value; 3 to 5 hours is suggested as a starting point. If the heaters turn off before the snow is completely cleared and the melt water evaporated, increase the Hold-On Time by an hour or two. If the heaters operate for several hours after the pavement is clear and dry, decrease the Hold-On Time by an hour. Continue this process until satisfactory performance is achieved.

The small amount of energy wasted by a slightly excessive Hold-On Time is secondary to complete snow clearing and melt water evaporation. Incomplete operation is not desirable because this can result in re-freezing melt water which creates a slippery ice film.

**If The System Turns Off Too Soon**

If the system turns off before the pavement is clear and dry, toggle the heaters on using the Hold-On Time switch on the front panel. Repeat as many times as is necessary until the pavement is clear and dry. If the heaters remain operating after the pavement is clear and dry, terminate the Hold-On cycle with the Hold-On Time switch. Normal operation resumes if it starts snowing during the Hold-On Time.

**Ground Fault Equipment Protection (GFEP) Operation**

GFEP operates in the event of a deicing heater failure indicated by excessive leakage current to ground. The leakage current equals the difference between the line and return currents flowing through the heaters. A precision current transformer measures the difference in currents. If the difference exceeds 30 mA, the heater contactor drops out. This removes heater power, thus eliminating potential fire and electric shock hazards.

Sometimes, longer length and/or higher voltage heaters cause nuisance GFEP operation. This is true even though the heaters are operating properly. Increasing the GFEP operating current can correct this problem. A DIP switch can increase the operating current from a default value of 30 to 60 or 120 mA.

Restoring heater operation requires operating the GFEP Reset switch on the front of the Control Panel. This starts a sequence of events beginning with testing the GFEP to make certain that it operates properly. If it is inoperative, the GFEP condition persists. Otherwise, the heater contactor is energized. If excessive ground current flows, the GFEP drops the contactor and waits for operation of the Reset switch. Otherwise, the contactor is operated only if there is a call for heat.

The GFEP checks itself and the deicing heaters every 24 hours, independent of environmental conditions. Operating the GFEP Test switch performs the same function. In addition, the GFEP function is tested each time the heater control contactor operates.

**Energy Management Computer (EMC) Interface**

The APS “C” Series interfaces with an EMC via relays. Inputs from the EMC include Override On, which causes heater operation, and Override Off, which inhibits heater operation. These functions are independent of weather conditions and the status of the Hold-On Timer. The interface provides five system status contact closures for the EMC including Supply, Snow, Heater, Alarm, and Temperature Limit.

Absent signals from the EMC, the APS Control Panel controls the heaters based on environmental conditions. Automatic snow melting control is the default condition of the system.

**APS–3C Front Panel**

The APS–3C has indicators, adjustments, and a switch for local control of the snow melting system. Indicators include LED lights for Supply, Snow, Heat, EMC, Temp Limit, and GFEP. Adjustments provided allow for the calibrated adjustment of system Hold-On Time from 0 to 10 hours (or Off)
and Temp Limit for the High Temperature Limit adjustment with a range of 40° to 90°F (4° to 32°C).
The Heater Cycle toggle switch allows for the manual starting and stopping of a Heater Cycle.

Figure 2 shows the APS–3C front panel layout.

APS–4C Front Panel

The APS–4C has indicators, adjustments, and a switch for local control of the snow melting system. Indicators include LED lights for Supply, Snow, Heat, EMC, Temp Limit, and GFEP. Adjustments provided allow for the calibrated adjustment of system Hold-On Time from 0 to 10 hours (or Off) and Temp Limit for the High Temperature Limit adjustment with a range of 40° to 90°F (4° to 32°C).

There are two toggle switches. The GFEP Test toggle switch toggles up to Reset a ground fault condition and toggles down to Test the ground fault circuitry. The Heater Cycle toggle switch permits manual starting and stopping of a Heater Cycle.

Figure 3 shows the APS–4C front panel layout.

SC–40C Front Panel

The SC–40C has indicators, adjustments, and a switch for local control of the snow melting system. Indicators include LED lights for Supply, Snow, Heat, EMC, Temp Limit, and GFEP. Adjustments provided allow for the calibrated adjustment of system Hold-On Time from 0 to 10 hours (or Off) and Temp Limit for the High Temperature Limit adjustment with a range of 40° to 90°F (4° to 32°C).

There are two toggle switches. The GFEP Test toggle switch toggles up to Reset a ground fault condition and toggles down to Test the ground fault circuitry. The Heater Cycle toggle switch allows for the manual starting and stopping of a Heater Cycle.

Figure 4 shows the SC–40C front panel layout.

RCU–3 Remote Control Unit

The RCU–3 Remote Control Unit is used with the APS–3C. It adds remote control and status display to the APS–3C control at a location convenient to personnel capable of observing snow melting system operation.

Snow, slush, or ice, whether alone or in combination, must contact at least one sensor to start melting. Heater operation continues until all sensors are dry. Depending on the rate of fall, snow density, wind velocity, power density, and other factors, heater operation must continue for a period of time after the last sensor dries off. Slush tracked by vehicle and pedestrian traffic, along with blowing and drifting snow, are problems that are hard to predict.

The cycle timer in the APS–3C begins when the last sensor dries off and continues for an adjustable period of up to 10 hours to keep the heaters operational until the pavement is completely dry. Otherwise, residual water could re-freeze and create a hazardous condition.

The RCU–3 provides a 2-, 4-, 6-, or 8-hour Cycle Time adjustment that is independent of the APS–3C cycle time. This allows treatment of the condition requiring an additional heater cycle as the exception rather than the rule in order to minimize energy use.

Operating the Heater Cycle switch operates heaters for the Cycle Time which is normally set for 2 hours. Operating the Heater Cycle switch during the cycle time stops the timer. If the pavement or ambient temperature exceeds the APS–3C High Temperature Limit setting, the heater duty cycle is reduced or disabled to prevent overheating.

Status indicators include Supply and Heat. These perform the same functions as those on the APS–3C.

Figure 5 shows the RCU–3 layout.

RCU–4 Remote Control

The RCU–4 Remote Control Unit is used with the APS–4C and SC–40C. It adds remote control and status display to the APS–4C or SC–40C controls at a location convenient to personnel capable of observing snow melting system operation.

Snow, slush or ice, whether alone or in combination, must contact at least one sensor to start melting. Heater operation continues until all sensors are dry. Depending on the rate of fall, snow density, wind velocity, power density, and other factors, heater operation must continue for a period of time after the last sensor dries off. Slush tracked by vehicle and pedestrian traffic, along with blowing and drifting snow, are problems that are hard to predict.

The cycle timer in the APS–4C and SC–40C begins when the last sensor dries off and contin-
ues for an adjustable period of up to 10 hours to keep the heaters operating until the pavement is completely dry. Otherwise, residual water could re-freeze and create a hazardous condition.

The RCU–4 provides a 2-, 4-, 6- or 8-hour Cycle Time adjustment that is independent of the APS–4C and SC–40C cycle times. This allows treatment of the condition requiring extra heating as the exception rather than the rule thus minimizing energy use.

Operating the Heater Cycle switch operates heaters for the Cycle Time which is normally set for 2 hours. Operating the Heater Cycle switch during the cycle time stops the timer. If the pavement or ambient temperature exceeds the APS–4C or SC–40C High Temperature Limit setting, the heater duty cycle is reduced or disabled to prevent overheating.

Status indicators include Supply and Heat. These perform the same functions as those on the APS–4C.

The GFEP switch performs the same functions and operates in the same manner as those on the APS–4C and SC–40C. In the event of an unacknowledged GFEP, the Heat indicator flashes.

Figure 5 shows the RCU–4 layout.
Operation

APS–3C

The snow melting system can be controlled and monitored either locally from the APS–3C itself or from two remote locations including:
- RCU–3 Remote Control Unit
- EMC

Local Control from the APS–3C

Indicators
- SUPPLY (green) shows that power is present.
- SUPPLY (green, blinking) means either the pavement temperature sensor is missing from the system or is not functioning. **The pavement temperature sensor is included and must be connected to pins 10 and 11 for proper operation.**
- SNOW (yellow) shows that there is a snow/ice signal originating from at least one of the CIT–1, GIT–1, and/or SIT–6E sensors attached to the system.
- HEAT (yellow) shows that there is a call for heat. This happens during snow and for the Hold-On Time thereafter or when the Heater Cycle switch is operated
- EMC (yellow) shows that the interfaced Energy Management Computer is presently overriding local system control.
- TEMP LIMIT (red) shows that either the pavement temperature is above the set High Temperature Limit and there is a call for heat or the ambient air temperature is above the High Temperature Limit setting. The APS–3C can be configured to monitor slab temperature or ambient air temperature but not both.
- GFEP (red, blinking) shows that there is a ground fault condition present on an attached SC–40C Satellite Contactor.

Adjustments
- The Hold-On Time adjustment sets the time that heaters operate after snow stops. Doing this is necessary to make certain the pavement dries before heating ceases. This prevents refreezing. Try an initial setting of 3 to 5 hours. Increase, if necessary. Reduce with care as energy savings are being traded for an increased likelihood of refreezing.
  - The High Temperature Limit adjustment sets the maximum deicing temperature.

Switches
- The Heater Cycle switch momentarily toggled down will start a manual Heater Cycle for the Hold-On Time setting or restart the Heater Cycle if one was in progress. Momentarily toggled up will cancel a Heater Cycle if one is in progress.

Remote Control from the RCU–3

Indicators
- SUPPLY (green) shows that power is present.
- HEAT (yellow) shows that there is a call for heat. This happens during snow and for the Hold-On Time thereafter or when the heater cycle switch is operated.

Adjustments:
- Cycle Time adjustment sets the time heaters will operate when the Heater Cycle switch is momentarily depressed at the RCU–3.

Switches
- Heater Cycle switch momentarily depressed will start a manual Heater Cycle for the Cycle Time setting. Momentarily depressed while heaters are being operated by a Hold-On Timer or during manual Heater Cycle will end the Heater Cycle. Heater operation during snow conditions cannot be canceled in this manner.
Remote Control from the EMC Interface

The EMC interface is identical on all of the APS “C” Series models. Please see the EMC section of this manual for interface details.

APS–4C and SC–40C

The snow melting system can be controlled and monitored either locally from the APS–4C itself or from two remote locations connected to the APS Control Panel including:

- RCU–4 Remote Control Unit
- EMC

Control initiated from an SC–40C is local to the heater(s) connected to that panel and will not affect the operation of heaters attached to the APS Control Panel or other SC–40C Satellite Contactor in the system. This includes remote control operation from an RCU–4 or EMC connected to an SC–40C.

Local Control for the APS–4C or SC–40C

Indicators

- SUPPLY (green) shows that power is present.
- SUPPLY (green, blinking) indicates that either the pavement temperature sensor is missing from the system or is not functioning. **The temperature sensor is included and must be connected to pins 10 and 11 for proper operation.**
- SNOW (yellow) shows that there is a snow/ice signal originating from at least one of the connected CIT–1, GIT–1, and/or SIT–6E sensors attached to the system.
- HEAT (yellow) shows that there is a call for heat. This happens during snow and for the hold-on time thereafter or when the heater cycle switch is operated.
- EMC (yellow) shows that the interfaced Energy Management Computer is presently overriding local system control.
- TEMP LIMIT (red) shows that either the pavement temperature is above the High Temperature Limit setting and there is a call for heat or the ambient air temperature is above the High Temperature Limit setting. The APS–4C can be configured to monitor ambient air temperature or slab temperature but not both.
- GFEP (red) shows that there is a GFEP condition present on the local APS–4C Control Panel or SC–40C Satellite Contactor.
- GFEP (red, blinking) shows that there is a ground fault condition present on an attached SC–40C Satellite Contactor.

Adjustments

- Hold-On Time adjustment sets the time that heaters operate after snow stops. Doing this is necessary to make certain the pavement dries before heating ceases. This prevents refreezing. Try an initial setting of 3 to 5 hours. Increase, if necessary. Reduce with care as energy savings are being traded for an increased likelihood of refreezing.
- High Temperature Limit adjustment sets the maximum deicing temperature.

Switches

- The GFEP Test switch momentarily toggled down will start a test of the ground fault circuitry of that APS–4C or SC–40C. Momentarily toggled up will Reset a ground fault condition at that APS–4C or SC–40C.
- The Heater Cycle switch momentarily toggled down will start a manual heater cycle for the Hold-On Time setting or restart the Heater Cycle if one was in progress. Momentarily toggled up will cancel a heater cycle if one is in progress.

Remote Control from the RCU–4

Indicators

- SUPPLY (green) shows that power is present.
- HEAT (yellow) shows that there is a call for heat. This happens during snow and for the Hold-On Time thereafter or when the Heater Cycle switch is operated.
### SPECIFICATIONS

All Specifications apply to APS–3C, APS–4C and SC–40C panels unless stated otherwise.

#### General

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<td>Cover attachment</td>
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| Entries         | APS–3C: 3 × 1-1/16" entries  
                  APS–4C and SC–40C: 1x1/16" entry (top) for NEC Class 2 connections  
                                2x11-11/16" entries (bottom) for supply and load power (except for 277 VAC Single Phase) |

#### Material

| Polycarbonate   | Wall mounted           |

#### Control

| Supply           | APS–3C: ETI PN 22470: 120 VAC, 50/60 Hz, 35 VA  
                  ETI PN 22471: 208-240 VAC, 50/60 Hz, 35 VA  
                  APS–4C: ETI PN 22472: 208-240 VAC, 35 VA, three phase 50/60 Hz  
                  ETI PN 22473: 277 VAC, 45 VA, single phase 50/60 Hz  
                  ETI PN 22475: 277/480 VAC, 45 VA, three phase 50/60 Hz  
                  ETI PN 22476: 600 VAC, 50 VA, three phase 50/60 Hz  
                  SC–40C: ETI PN 22477: 208-240 VAC, 35 VA, three phase 50/60 Hz  
                  ETI PN 22478: 277 VAC, 45 VA, single phase 50/60 Hz  
                  ETI PN 22480: 277/480, 45 VA, three phase 50/60 Hz  
                  ETI PN 22481: 600 VAC, 50 VA, three phase 50/60 Hz |
| Load             | APS–3C: ETI PN 22470: 120 VAC, 24 amp max. inductive  
                  ETI PN 22471: 208-240 VAC, 24 amp max. inductive  
                  APS–4C: ETI PN 22472: 208-240 VAC, 50 amp max. resistive  
                  ETI PN 22473: 277 VAC, 40 amp max. resistive  
                  ETI PN 22475: 277/480 VAC, 50 amp max. resistive  
                  ETI PN 22476: 600 VAC, 50 amp max. resistive  
                  SC–40C: ETI PN 22477: 208-240 VAC, 50 amp max. resistive  
                  ETI PN 22478: 277 VAC, 40 amp max. resistive  
                  ETI PN 22480: 277/480, 50 amp max. resistive  
                  ETI PN 22481: 600 VAC, 50 amp max. resistive |
| Contact type     | APS–3C: Form C  
                  APS–4C and SC–40C: 3 Form A |
| Maximum Ratings  | APS–3C: Voltage: 240 VAC  
                  Current: 24 amps  
                  APS–4C and SC–40C: Voltage: 600 VAC  
                  Current: 50 amps |
| Heater hold-on timer | 0 to 10 hours; actuated by snow stopping or toggle switch |
| System test      | Switch toggles the heater contact on and off. If temperature exceeds high limit, heater cycles to prevent damage. |

#### Snow/Ice Sensors

| Sensor type       | Up to 6 sensors from the CIT–1 product family (for APS–3C and APS–4C only) |
| Circuit type      | NEC Class 2 |
| Lead length       | Up to 500' (152m) using 18 AWG 3-wire jacketed cable  
                  Up to 2,000' (609m) using 12 AWG 3-wire jacketed cable |

#### High Limit Thermostat

| Adjustment range  | 40°F to 90°F (4°C to 32°C) |
| Dead band         | 1°F (0.6°C) |
Sensor type | Thermistor network
---|---
Circuit type | NEC Class 2
Lead length | Up to 500' (152m) using 18 AWG 2-wire jacketed cable
| Up to 1,000' (304m) using 12 AWG 2-wire jacketed cable

**Energy Management Computer (EMC) Interface**

Inputs | OVERRIDE ON (10 ma dry switch contact)
| OVERRIDE OFF (10 ma dry switch contact)

Outputs | SUPPLY (10 ma dry switch contact)
| SNOW (10 ma dry switch contact)
| HEAT (10 ma dry switch contact)
| HIGH TEMP (10 ma dry switch contact)
| ALARM (10 ma dry switch contact)

**Environmental**

Operating temperature | –40°F to 160°F (–40°C to 71°C)
Storage temperature | –50°F to 180°F (–45°C to 82°C)

**Ground Fault Equipment Protection (GFEP) (APS–4C and SC–40C only)**

Set point | 30 mA (default); 60 mA and 120 mA selectable by DIP switch
Automatic self-test | Mode A: Verifies GFEP function before contactors operate
| Mode B: Verifies GFEP and heaters every 24 hours
Manual test/reset | Toggle switch provided for this function
Maintenance facility | DC output proportional to ground current provided for troubleshooting the heater system

**Communication Bus (SC–40C only)**

Number of cascaded units | Unlimited
Contactor delay | 5 second
Bus-wire type | 3-wire jacketed cable
Circuit type | NEC Class 2
Lead Length | Up to 500' (152m) using 18 AWG 3-wire jacketed cable
| Up to 1,000' (304m) using 12 AWG 3-wire jacketed cable

**Figure 6. Location of DIP Switch**
Adjustments

- Cycle Time adjustment sets the time the heaters will operate when the Heater Cycle switch is momentarily depressed at the RCU–4.

Switches

- The GFEP Test/Reset switch momentarily depressed when there is no ground fault condition will start a test of the ground fault circuitry of that APS–4C or SC–40C. Momentarily depressed when there is a ground fault condition at the attached APS–4C or SC–40C will Reset a ground fault condition at that APS–4C or SC–40C and start a test of the ground fault circuitry of that APS–4C or SC–40C.
- The Heater Cycle switch momentarily depressed will start a manual Heater Cycle for the Cycle Time setting. Momentarily depressed while heaters are being operated by a Hold-On Timer or during manual Heater Cycle will end the Heater Cycle. Heater operation during snow conditions cannot be canceled in this manner.

Remote Control from the EMC Interface

The EMC interface is identical on all of the APS “C” Series models. Please see the EMC section below for interface details.

Energy Management Computer (EMC) Interface

The APS “C” Series provides an EMC interface to communicate with the EMC of building automation systems. The EMC interface provides 10 mA dry switch contacts for communicating status to the EMC or starting or stopping the system from the EMC. Refer to Figure 20, page 18, for EMC connections.

EMC interface outputs

- Output Common
- HEAT indicates that there is a call for heat. This happens during snow and for the Hold-On Time thereafter or when the heater cycle switch is operated.
- SNOW indicates that there is a snow/ice signal originating from at least one of the connected CIT–1, GIT–1, and/or SIT–6E sensors attached to the system.
- ALARM
- SUPPLY indicates that power is present.
- TEMP LIMIT indicates that either the pavement temperature is above the High Temperature Limit setting and there is a call for heat or the ambient air temperature is above the High Temperature Limit setting. An APS “C” Series Control Panel can be configured to monitor slab temperature or ambient air temperature but not both.

EMC interface inputs

- OVERRIDE ON can be used to override an attached APS “C” Series Control Panel in order to turn heaters on. A normal contact closure will turn on heaters until operation is cancelled. If the EMC cycles the Override On relay on and off again within more than 32 milliseconds, but less than 300 milliseconds, the attached APS “C” Series Control Panel will begin a manual Heater Cycle and run for the Hold-On Time setting.
- OVERRIDE OFF can be used to override an attached APS “C” Series Control Panel in order to turn heaters off. A normal contact closure will turn off heaters. If the EMC cycles the Override Off relay on and off again within more than 32 milliseconds, but less than 300 milliseconds, the attached APS “C” Series Control Panel will end a manual Heater Cycle.
Installation

Jumper Settings

Configuring GFEP Threshold
DIP switch pins 1 and 2 are utilized to set GFEP threshold. On the APS–4C and SC–40C, the integrated GFEP can be set to 30 mA, 60 mA, 120 mA, or Off. Factory default is 30 mA. This feature is not available on APS–3C Control Panels. Figure 7 shows how to configure the GFEP option at the DIP switch.

DIP Switch Settings GFEP

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Figure 7. DIP Switch GFEP
Threshold Settings

Configuring the High Limit Thermostat
Dip Switch pin 3 is used to set the high limit thermostat operation to one of two possible operating modes:
• Off sets the high limit thermostat as a slab regulating temperature sensor.
• On sets the high limit thermostat as an ambient air sensor. Off is the factory default.

Figure 8 shows how to configure the high limit thermostat mode at the DIP switch.

Factory Use Only
DIP switch pin 4 is for factory use only. The use of pin 4, except by authorized personnel, may lead to improper operation of the APS–3C, APS–4C, or SC–40C.

DIP Switch Settings HLT

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Ambient Air Sensor

Figure 8. DIP Switch Settings for High Limit Thermostat
Bypassing the High Limit Temperature Sensor

If, for any reason, you need to operate the system without the High Temperature Limit Sensor (for troubleshooting or while waiting for a replacement sensor), Figure 21 on page 19, you can temporarily replace the sensor with a 470K resistor. The resistor will allow the system to run as if the sensed temperature was 40°F (4.4°C).

Refer to Figure 22, page 19, for placement of resistor.

Reading the GFEP Current

The GFEP current being sensed by an APS–4C or SC–40C can be measured using a standard hand-held digital volt meter (DVM). Attach the DVM (reading DC voltage up to 2 volts) to pins 12 and 13. The DVM reading will be scaled 0.01 VDC = 1 mA. A typical reading then may be 0.3 VDC, which would equal a GFEP current of 30 mA.

As long as no ground fault condition exists, the DVM reading will change in real time. In the case of a ground fault condition, the reading at the time of the ground fault will be read until GFEP is reset on the panel or until power is cycled.

Refer to Figure 23, page 19, for DVM connections.

**APS–3C Line Connections**

![Diagram of APS–3C Line Connections](image)

**Figure 9. APS–3C: Operating Mechanically-Held and Electrically-Held Contactors**

**Figure 10. APS–3C: 120 VAC and 240 VAC Wiring to Heaters.**

**APS–3C**
22470 (APS–3C 120V)

120 VAC Single-Phase Supply

(Shown with dead front metal cover plate removed)

Contactor

Heater(s)

120 VAC

**APS–3C**
22471 (APS–3C 208/240V)

208/240 VAC Single-Phase Supply

(Shown with dead front metal cover plate removed)

Contactor

Heater(s)

208/240 VAC
Figure 11. 240 VAC APS–3C Operating Mechanically-Held and Electrically-Held Contactors

Figure 12. APS–4C and SC–40C 240 VAC Single Phase Heater Connection.

Figure 13. APS–4C and SC–40C 277 VAC Single Phase Heater Connection.
APS–3C & Remote Connections

RCU–3 Remote Control
ETI P/N 21357

RCU–4 Remote Control
ETI P/N 21358

Figure 16. APS–3C & RCU–3 Remote Connection Between Pins 8 and 9.

Figure 17. APS–4C & RCU–4 Remote Connection Between Pins 8 and 9
Communications Connections for Different APS Units

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Figure 18. APS–4C/SC–40C Communication Bus Connections.

Figure 19. APS–3C/APS–4C Sensor Connections.

CIT–1 and SIT–6E are sold separately.
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Figure 20. APS–3C/APS–4C/SC–40C EMC Connections.
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