# PowerRail300 Operating Guide December 2007

## 1 Safety

This instruction sheet gives details of safe installation and operation of the *Rail300* electricity meter. Safety may be impaired if the instructions are not followed. Labels on each meter give details of equipment ratings for safe operation. Take time to examine all labels before commencing installation. Safety symbols on the meter have specific meanings.





Refer To User Manual

Risk of Electric Shock

#### WARNING

The meter contains no user serviceable parts. Installation and commissioning should only be carried out by qualified personnel

Further information is available at http://www.ndmeter.co.uk.

## 2 Operation

## 2.1 Energy Display





Scaling of the energy register is set by the nominal input currents and voltages and remains constant during operation of the meter.

If no keys are pressed, the meter will automatically revert to this page after 60 seconds. The energy register will accumulate from zero to 99,999,999 then restart from zero.

#### 2.2 Power Display





Power Register

The instantaneous power display may show negative values indicating export power or incorrectly wired inputs.

## 2.3 Setup Display Menu

Each meter is configured to operate in a specific system. The meter settings may be displayed on the LCD in the **Setup Display Menu**.





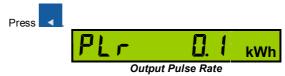
**Current Transformer Primary** 

The *CT* value should match the *Nominal Primary* rating of the current transformers fitted with the meter.





If no external potential transformer (PT) is fitted *Un* is the *Rated Nominal Line-Line Voltage* as detailed on the meter label. If a PT is fitted, its secondary voltage should match the Rated Nominal Line-Line Voltage of the meter, *Un* is then programmed as the **Nominal Rated Primary Voltage** of the PT.



**PLr** indicates the amount of energy accumulated between each pulse output.



**Pulse On Time** 

**PLt** indicates the length of time (in seconds) the output pulse contacts remain short circuit for each pulse.



**OPt** Is a code indicating which factory fit options are supplied on an individual meter. This information may be requested when contacting technical support.

## 2.4 Pulse Output

An isolated pulse output is provided for connection to external systems such as Building Energy Management Systems (BEMS), data loggers, remote counters etc.

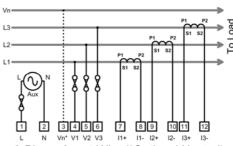
A single pulse occurs for each unit of energy on the display (eg 1 pulse per 0.1kWh). The pulse rate (amount of energy associated with each pulse) and pulse length may be set to suit the external system.

#### 2.4.1 Pulse LED

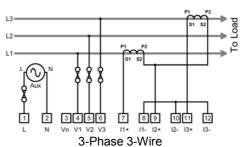
A light emitting diode (LED) on the front panel of the instrument pulses ON during each output pulse.



#### 3 Standard Connections



3-Phase 3 or 4-Wire (\*Optional Neutral)



## 4 Programming

## 4.1 Programming Menu

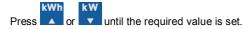
To enter programming mode:



The first programmable parameter, CT Primary, is displayed.

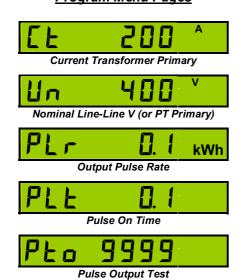


## To change a value (eg CT Primary):



## To Move to The Next Setting:

Press until the next parameter is displayed. **Program Menu Pages** 

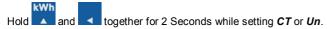


After the last parameter is set the new values are stored and the meter continues to measure kWh with the new settings.

#### 4.2 Fine Adjust

CT Primary and Nominal Voltage settings are selected from a table of preferred values. This reduces the time to program these parameters to industry standard values.

Fine Adjust Mode allows values other than those provided by the default tables to be set. To enter/exit Fine Adjust Mode:



Fine Adjust Mode is indicated by a decimal point immediately after the parameter type (ie. "CT." or "Un.")

#### 4.3 Pulse Output Test

This feature allows the pulse output hardware and external system connections to be commissioned without a measured load. The LCD shows **Pto** (off) and **Ptr** (run) and the number of test pulses. The test pulse rate is set automatically dependant on the programmed pulse length (maximum 0.5Hz).

Press to start/stop the test pulses.

Press and together to stop the test pulses and simultaneously reset the test counter.

## 5 Display Scaling

The units, Wh, kWh or MWh and the position of the decimal point for the energy/power displays are automatically set dependant on the *CT* and *Un* settings for the meter.

The nominal 3-phase input for the meter is defined as:

$$W_{nom} = 1.732 \times Un \times CT$$

The display pages are scaled as follows:

W <sub>nom</sub>	kW	kWh
	Resolution	Resolution
< 243 W	0.1W	0.001 kWh
< 2.43 kW	0.1W	0.001 kWh
< 24.3 kW	0.001 kW	0.01 kWh
< 243 kW	0.01 kW	0.1 kWh
< 2.43 MW	0.1 kW	1 kWh
< 24.3 MW	1 kW	0.01 MWh
< 243 MW	0.01 MW	0.1 MWh
> 243 MW	0.1 MW	1 MWh

## 6 Mounting On A Rail

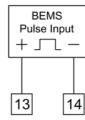
The *Rail300* conforms to DIN 43880, 6 Modules wide. The unit is therefore compatible with a number of standard distribution systems with 45mm cut-outs. The meter should be mounted on a 35mm symmetrical ("top-hat") DIN rail of minimum length 106mm.

## 7 Pulse Output Connection

The pulse output takes the form of an isolated volt free normally open contact pair.

The contacts are isolated from all other circuits (2.5kV / 1 minute).

The pulse can be used as an input to a remote counter, pulse logger, building energy management system etc.



Pulse Output

## 8 Specification

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Aux Supply	Nominal 230Vac ±15%, 45-65Hz, 1W max. Optional 115Vac ±15%. Isolation 2.5kV (1 minute)	
Input Voltage	Un 400V Line-Line. Range 20%-120% Un Burden 0.1VA / Phase. Overload 2xUn Continuous. Other nominal voltages are available to order.	
Input Currents	Nominal Ib = 5A. Range 0.2%-120% Ib Burden 0.1VA / Phase. Overload 40xlb (1 sec) Isolation 2.5kV (1 minute) Optional Ib = 1A	
Accuracy	KWh: Class 1. EN62053-21 & BS8431 (2% - 120% Nominal Load) KW: 1% Rdg (5% - 120% Nominal Load)	
LCD Display	LCD 8 Digits h=6.7mm + Legends h=3.2mm. kWh Memory 10 years without power.	
Pulse Output	Normally open volt free contacts 1 pulse per energy increment. Pulse rate and length selectable. Contacts: 100V ac/dc, 100mA, 5W max Isolation 2.5kV for 1 minute.	
Environment	Operate-10°C > T < 65°C. RH < 75% Non Condensing Storage- 25C > T < 75C IP 54	
Other	Size: 106 x 90 x 58mm (Cut out 106 x 45mm)	