PCC
Pump Cycle Counter
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Vacuum/Pressure Hydrocarbon Recovery System 4,761,225
SPG PSR technology 5,474,685
AP-2 5,641,272
Genie System 5,704,772

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Specific Gravity Skimmer (SPG) 1,239,868

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Introduction

QED Environmental Systems (QED) Pump Cycle Counters (PCC) are air pulse detecting units that are placed in-line between a pump and its air supply. They require no external power source. A digital readout displays the number of times a pump cycles. PCCs consist of a magnet housing, an internally located magnet shuttle, and a digital display.

The position of the digital display is adjustable, allowing the counter to be used on many different kinds of pumps and at various distances from the well. (See Figure 1)

The PCC can be used on at least 150 feet (45.7 m) of 3/8 inch (9.5mm) or 1/4 inch (6.4mm) air hose with air pressure supply 30% higher than the total developed head.

Performance of the PCC is dependent upon the air hose size and the length, the type of pump and the system pressure. Air flow control valves can affect counter performance. Please contact QED for application assistance.

Figure 1 - Pump Cycle Counter
Pump Cycle Counter Operation/Installation

When a pneumatically operated pump such as the QED AutoPump® has filled, it triggers itself “On”. This allows air to flow to the pump until a certain volume of fluid has discharged. The air stops; the pump fills; then the cycle continues to repeat.

A PCC mounted between a filter/regulator and a pump senses air flow to the pump. In a piston-like action, the internally located magnet shuttle moves forward (in the direction of air flow) during the “On” pulse and returns to a seated position in the “Off” period. (See Figure 2)

The digital display senses the completion of this “to-and-from” movement and records the cycle, increasing the number one digit that is shown in the clear plastic display.

This process repeats itself for each pump cycle.

Note:
The PCC will not function properly beyond certain distance limits from the pump, or, above or below optimum air line diameters. Safe limits are as follows:
- AP-4: 250 ft. maximum with 1/4 inch or 3/8 inch ID air hose.
- AP-3: 150 ft. maximum with 1/4 inch or 3/8 inch ID air hose.
- AP-2: 75 ft. maximum with 1/4 inch or 3/8 inch ID air hose.
Contact QED for advice.

Digital Display

The digital display has the following features:

- A six digit counter that counts from 0 - 999,999 before resetting itself.
- A clear viewing lens that is water-and-impact resistant.
- **Optional**: Switch for remote electronic readout available upon request.
Magnet Housing

The magnet housing has the following features:

- A clear mark on the outside that indicates the correct direction of air flow.
- It is made of anodized aluminum.
- It has a 1/4-inch FNPT inlet and a 3/8-inch or 1/4-inch FNPT outlet.
- It handles air pressures from 40 - 200 psi.

Hardware Options

Inlet and outlet openings can be fit with no-mix quick-connects or barb connections depending on site requirements.

Figure 2 - Pump Cycle Counter Installation
Materials of Construction

QED PCCs are made of the following:

- Anodized Aluminum
- Stainless Steel
- Engineering Plastics
- Brass
- Viton

Pump Cycle Counter Weight - 0.4 lbs (0.2 kg)

Adjusting the Pump Cycle Counter

Note:
To get the most reliable performance, adjust the counter after it is installed and the pump is running. Typically, the Display Assembly that holds the digital readout is set 1/2-inch (13mm) from the upstream hex. Before adjusting the PCC be sure there is no air leak downstream of the counter. A leak could influence the travel of the magnet shuttle when the pump cycles.

STEP 1 - Loosen, but do not remove, the thumb screw (item #3) that locks the Display Assembly. (See Figure 3)

STEP 2 - Slide the Display Assembly on the magnet housing (item #6) (back and forth or up and down as the case may be) while the pump is cycling until the digital display (item #4) advances once per pump cycle.

STEP 3 - Slowly slide the Display Assembly upstream towards the air source until the digital display (item #4) stops counting. Using a pencil, mark this point on the magnet housing (item #6).

STEP 4 - Slowly slide the Display Assembly in the opposite direction, towards the pump, past where the counting occurs until the digital display (item #4) stops counting. Using a pencil, mark this point on the magnet housing (item #6).

STEP 5 - Position the Display Assembly between the two extremes where counting did not occur. Lock the Display Assembly in place with the thumb screw. (item #3)
Cleaning the Pump Cycle Counter

Sometimes the PCC does not count due to either the magnet shuttle or the spring hanging up inside the magnet housing. The counter components can be cleaned by gently washing the unit in warm water. A soft brush may be used to remove debris. To clean the inside, follow these instructions: (See Figure 3)

**Note:**
As a precaution, mark and/or measure with a pencil, the set distance (See Figure 3) so that it can be reset in the same position should movement occur. Do not loosen the thumb screw (item #3) since movement of the Display Assembly is unnecessary for cleaning.

**STEP 1** - Remove the inlet fitting (item #11), not the thumb screw (item #3) as noted above.

**STEP 2** - Remove the magnet shuttle assembly (item #9) and the spring (item #8) from inside the magnet housing (item #6).

**STEP 3** - Inspect the magnet shuttle assembly (item #9), the spring (item #8), and the inside of the magnet housing (item #6) for burrs which may restrict the magnet shuttle assembly (item #9) movement.

**STEP 4** - If burrs are present, remove the burrs and smooth the part. Replace the PCC if necessary.

**STEP 5** - Use a soft bottle brush and warm water to clean the inside of the magnet housing.

**Caution:**
Be careful not to scratch the pieces.

**STEP 6** - Let the parts dry.

**STEP 7** - Reassemble the PCC.
NOTE:

1 - All threaded joints are Teflon sealed.
2 - Loosen Thumb screw (3) to adjust position of display assembly.

Figure 3 - Pump Cycle Counter Cleaning and Adjustment
Assembly of the Digital Display (Figure 3)

Should the digital display be removed and disassembled for any reason, the procedure for assembling is as follows:

**STEP 1** - Seat the digital display (item #4) on the flat of the display seat (item #5). (See Figure 3)

**STEP 2** - Slide the cycle counter sleeve (item #2) over the display seat (item #5) and the bottom lip portion of the digital display (item #4). Both pieces (the display seat #5 and the digital display #4) should be held in place by the cycle counter sleeve (item #2).

**STEP 3** - Align the thumb screw holes.

**STEP 4** - Screw in the thumb screw (item #3) to hold the Display Assembly together.
AutoPump Volumes Pumped Per Cycle

The volume of fluid pumped per cycle from an AutoPump® varies depending upon the inlet air pressure and the total developed head (TDH) (static plus dynamic head). The closer the pressures are to each other, (the TDH is almost the same as the inlet air pressure), the closer the volume pumped per cycle will be to the lower end of the gallon range in the table below. The TDH depends upon back pressure in the surface lines, hose size, fittings, vertical and horizontal pumping distance, the number of pumps feeding the hose system, air pressure to the pump, and the type of pump. The effects of some of these variables may cause the volume pumped per cycle to vary from pump to pump on a single site.

**AP4 AutoPump Models**

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<td>0.58 - 0.78 gal (2.2 - 3.0 L)</td>
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<td>Short AP4</td>
<td>0.22 - 0.36 gal (0.87 - 1.36 L)</td>
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<td>Low Drawdown AP4</td>
<td>0.11- 0.16 gal (0.42 - 0.61 L)</td>
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**AP3 AutoPump Models**

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<td>Short AP3</td>
<td>0.08 - 0.15 gal (0.30 - 0.57 L)</td>
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<td>Long AP2</td>
<td>0.14 - 0.17 gal (0.53 - 0.64 L)</td>
<td>0.155 gal (0.59 L)</td>
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<td>Short AP2</td>
<td>0.05 - 0.08 gal (0.19 - 0.30 L)</td>
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1. **Warranty Claims Procedure — Purchaser Responsibility —**

The original purchaser’s sole responsibility in the instance of a warranty claim shall be to notify QED or its appointed agent, of the defect, malfunction, or other manner in which the terms of this warranty are believed to be violated. The purchaser may secure performance of obligations hereunder by contacting the Customer Service Department of QED or its appointed agent, and:

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