GE
Measurement & Control

Sentinel LCT4 High Accuracy Ultrasonic Flow Meter

Peace of Mind Performance

The Sentinel LCT4 is a new addition to the Panametrics line of ultrasonic flow meters. Designed specifically for high accuracy measurement of crude oil, other liquid refined hydrocarbon products, and other non-hydrocarbon liquids, it delivers extremely reliable and repeatable results and meets the strict performance requirements of OIML R117-1 and API MPMS Chapter 5.8.

The LCT4 refines the high-reliability characteristics of its predecessor, the Sentinel LCT, into an aesthetically designed, compact meter body with integral cables, no extended buffers and no junction boxes. It continues to retain all of the advantages of ultrasonic flow measurement, including:

- No drifting or required periodic calibration
- No pressure drop
- No restriction in the pipe
- No moving parts and no filters or strainers

A True Multi-viscosity Meter

The LCT4 uses a number of proprietary algorithms to reduce viscosity effects, making it viscosity independent. No prover run or change of settings is required when viscosity changes. The meter retains its accuracy over the whole range between minimum and maximum viscosity, using only one calibration curve.

Applications

- Liquid custody transfer measurement
- Allocation measurement
- Pipeline leak detection
- Crude oil and refined products
- Any critical liquid process

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Calibration

Laboratory calibration on the LCT4 is performed to match the application, using either a single fluid or multiple fluids. Each meter is calibrated to adhere to the OIML R117-1 international standard. Other specific calibrations are available upon request.

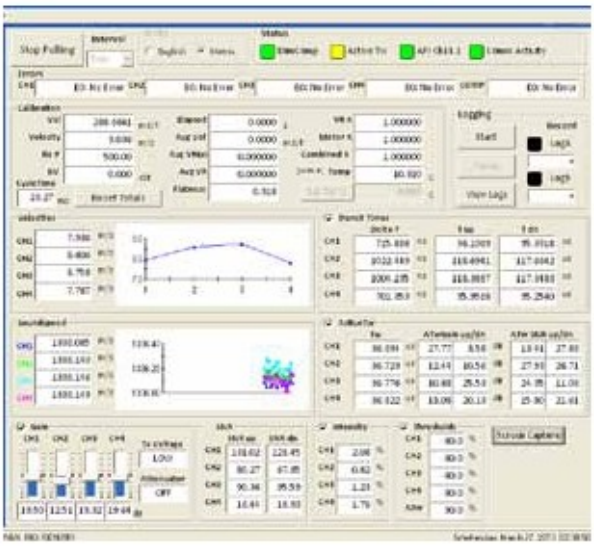
There is no need for recalibration when replacing transducers or electronics. This has been independently tested by NMI as part of the OIML certification.

Advanced Electronics

The Sentinel LCT4 electronics has digital signal processors that pack significant power in a simple package. As a standard package, several inputs and outputs are available, along with MODBUS and HART communication. The electronics is integrated with the flowcell body in a single unit, but can also be mounted remotely using an adapter and cable. Local programming and diagnostic access is done via magnetic induction to preserve hazardous area integrity. USB and RS232 connections are available to link with our Panaview software.

Panaview Diagnostics

The Panaview software facilitates communication between the Sentinel LCT4 and a PC. Not only does this software provide real time flow data, but it also is capable of providing historical tracking of diagnostics and a full configuration audit trail. Pictured below is a view of our diagnostic master screen.



Flow Ranges

Velocity						Volumetric [2, 3]					
Nominal Size		Vmin	Vmax	Vmin	Vmax	Qmin	Qmax	Qmin	Qmax	Qmin	Qmax
in	mm	ft/s	ft/s	m/s	m/s	m3/h	m3/h	gal/m	gal/m	bbl/h	bbl/h
3	75	1	40	0.3	12.2	5	209	23	922	33	1317
4	100	1	40	0.3	12.2	9	360	40	1587	57	2268
6	150	1	40	0.3	12.2	20	818	90	3602	129	5147
8	200	1	40	0.3	12.2	35	1417	156	6237	223	8913
10	250	1	40	0.3	12.2	56	2233	246	9831	351	14049
12	300	1	40	0.3	12.2	80	3203	353	14100	504	20150
14	350	1	40	0.3	12.2	98	3905	430	17191	614	24566
16	400	1	40	0.3	12.2	129	5172	569	22772	814	32542
18	450	1	40	0.3	12.2	165	6618	728	29137	1041	41637
20	500	1	40	0.3	12.2	206	8241	907	36285	1296	51852
24	600	1	40	0.3	12.2	301	12022	1323	52932	1891	75639

1. Based on nominal sch 40S/STD inner diameter
2. These flowrates comprise product capability.
3. OIML R117 applications will be limited based on ranges detailed in certificate.

Operation and Performance

Fluid Types
Liquid hydrocarbons, crude and refined products, other liquids

Linearity
± 0.15% of measured volume for flow rates between 1 and 33 ft/s (0.3 and 10 m/s)

Uncertainty
± 0.027% according to API MPMS 5.8

Viscosity Range
0 to 660 cSt

Reynolds Range
> Re 10,000, consult factory for lower Reynolds numbers

Process Temperature
-40°to +140°C (-40° to +248°F) standard

Ambient Temperature
-40° to +60°C (-40° to 140°F)

Storage Temperature
-40° to +85°C (-40° to +176°F)

Meter Body

Meter Body Materials
- Carbon steel SA216 Gr. WCB (Carbon Steel)
- Low temperature carbon steel SA352 Gr. LCB (Low Temp Carbon Steel)
- Stainless steel SA351 Gr. CF8 (304SS)
- Stainless steel SA351 Gr CF8M (316SS)

Pipe Sizes
3 in to 24 in

Flange Ratings
- 150 #
- 300 #
- 600 #

Pipe Schedules
- 40/40S • 80/80S • 10S
- STD • XS • Other schedules available upon request

PED Compliance
PED Cat II, module B + C1
Installation requirement = min. 10D upstream with flow conditioner; 5D downstream

Electronics

Electronics Enclosure Material
Epoxy coated aluminium
Stainless steel A351, Gr 316/316L (optional)

Environmental Protection
IP66

Power Supply
- 100 to 240 VAC
- 12 to 32 VDC

Power Consumption
7 watt

Display
High contrast 128 x 64 pixel LED graphical display

Outputs
- Two isolated frequency/pulse outputs
- Two alarm relays
- One 4/20 mA output with HART®

Inputs
- Two 4/20 mA and one 100 ohm RTD input for temperature, pressure and density input (option).
- Three 4/20 mA inputs for temperature, pressure and density input (option).

Digital Interfaces
- HART® over 4/20 mA output
- PanaLink over RS232/485/USB
- Modbus RTU over RS232/485

Flow Computer Functionality
Integrated flow computer with full P and T volume corrections according to API 11.1

Hazardous Area Certifications
- USA/Canada: Class 1, Div 1, Groups B, C, & D
- Europe: ATEX II 2 G Ex d IIB+H2 (Ex de as option)
- IEC Ex: Ex d IIB+H2 (Ex de as option)

CE Compliance
2004/108/EC EMC Directive
2006/95/EC LVD

Custody Transfer Performance Approvals
OIML R117-1 Accuracy Class 0.3; NMI Certificate TC7595
Multiple country-specific approvals available upon request.

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