

ORION® Water Endpoints

Classic Endpoint

DESCRIPTION

The ORION® Classic endpoint (CE) is a one-way water endpoint designed for mobile meter reading, which can be transitioned to a fixed network application through approved electric connectivity partner solutions or with a strategic deployment of ORION gateway 4.0 and 2.0 receivers.

The Classic endpoint is a member of the time-tested ORION family of products from Badger Meter, designed for maximum flexibility. Since 2002, the ORION product family has been providing comprehensive Advanced Metering Analytics (AMA) for interval meter reading and data capture using both one-way and two-way communications.

FUNCTIONALITY

Operation: The endpoint continuously monitors the encoder circuit. At predetermined intervals, the endpoint broadcasts the totalized reading value along with other metering data to the mobile collection devices.

Activation: The endpoints offer a Smart Activation feature. All ORION endpoints are shipped in an inactive, non-transmitting state. After the endpoint is installed, it begins broadcasting data when the encoder senses the first usage of water. No field programming or tools are required to activate the endpoint.

Broadcast Mode: The endpoints broadcast every four seconds.

Data Profiling: ORION Classic endpoints ordered with the data profiling option will store up to 2.4 years of hourly interval data within nonvolatile memory. The information is extracted from the endpoint via IR (infrared) local collection.

Output Message: The endpoint broadcasts its unique endpoint serial number, current meter reading and applicable status indicators.



APPLICATION

Configurations: Available in integral, remote or endpoint-only configurations, the endpoint can be deployed in indoor, outdoor and pit applications. The endpoint electronics and battery assembly are fully encapsulated in epoxy for environmental integrity.

Meter Compatibility: When attached to a Badger Meter high resolution encoder, Absolute Digital Encoder (ADE®) or Recordall® Transmitter Register (RTR®), the ORION Classic endpoint is compatible with all current Badger Meter Recordall Disc, Turbo, Compound and Fire Series meters and assemblies, and with E-Series® Ultrasonic and M-Series® Electromagnetic flow meters.

Encoder Compatibility: The endpoint is suitable for use with all Badger Meter HR-E LCD, ADE and RTR encoders as well as the following Badger Meter approved three-wire encoder registers that have a manufacture date of 2000 or newer, are programmed into the AMR/AMI three-wire output mode and have three-wires connected: Elster AMCO°, InVISION and ScanCoder°; Hersey° Translator; Master Meter° Octave° Ultrasonic meter encoder output; Metron-Farnier Hawkeye; Mueller Systems 420 Solid State Register (SSR) LCD; Neptune° ProRead, E-Coder° and ARB° V; and Sensus° Electronic Register encoder (ECR) and ICE.

SPECIFICATIONS

Dimensions	5.125 in. (H); 1.75 in. (W) at top; 2.125 in. (W) at bottom
Broadcast Frequency MHz Band	FCC regulated 902-928 MHz frequency hopping modulation
Operating Temperature Range Storage and Meter Reading	-4060° C (-40140° F) based on storage and meter reading. RF output may be reduced by extremely low temperatures. The water meter should not be subjected to temperatures below freezing.
Humidity	0100% condensing
Battery	Two (2) lithium thionyl chloride AA cell (nonreplaceable)
Battery Life	20 years (calculated)

Construction: All ORION Classic endpoints are housed in an engineered polymer enclosure with an ORION RF board, battery and antenna. To assure long-term performance, the enclosure is fully potted to withstand harsh environments and to protect the electronics in flooded or submerged pit applications.

Wire Connections: ORION Classic endpoints are available with in-line connectors (Twist Tight or Nicor®) for easy installation and connection to compatible encoders/meters. The endpoints are also available with flying leads for field splice connections. Other wire connection configurations may be available upon request.

Range: Transmission reception depends on a number of factors: topographical features, a building's construction materials and obstacles such as buildings, trees, vegetation and fences. Temporary conditions, such as a vehicle parked near the endpoint or heavy rain or snow, could also affect reception. These factors need to be considered when installing or designing a system layout and communicating with the endpoint using a handheld or mobile reading system. For a more in-depth discussion, see the white paper, Understanding RF Propagation of AMR/AMI Systems, available at www.badgermeter.com.

FEATURES

Communication Type	One-Way
Application Type	Monitor
Reading Interval Type	Now
Encoder Compatibility	Absolute/Incremental
Mobile Reading	✓
Premise Leak Detection	✓
Cut-Wire Indication	✓
Reverse Flow Indication (Absolute Encoder)	✓
No Usage Indication	✓
Encoder Error (Absolute Encoder)	✓

License Requirements: ORION Classic endpoints comply with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. No license is required by the utility to operate an ORION meter reading system.

The Federal Aviation Administration prohibits operating transmitters and receivers on all commercial aircraft. The ORION endpoint is considered Transportation:

an operating transmitter and cannot be shipped by air.

Changes or modifications to the equipment that are not expressly approved by Badger Meter could void the user's authority to operate Caution:

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