

# FirstCall<sup>™</sup> Medical Gas Alarm Retrofit Installation Manual

This manual is only intended to detail the physical installation of Powerex FirstCall™ Retrofits. For more detail on Powerex FirstCall™ Alarm Panels, including features/benefits, setup and installation programming, wiring schematics, operating instructions, parts list, maintenance schedules, and troubleshooting guide, please see the original Powerex FirstCall™ Medical Gas Alarm Operating & Maintenance Manual.





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## Responsibilities

#### Installer Responsibilities

The alarm should be handled, installed, and tested per the recommended practice as described within this manual. Should any repair or replacement become necessary, contact Powerex for original equipment or replacement parts.

#### **User Responsibilities**

The alarm should be tested and examined periodically according to facility codes. Any parts which are found to be damaged, corroded, contaminated, etc. should be replaced.

## Introduction

#### Safety Guidelines

Installation of the Powerex FirstCall<sup>™</sup> retrofit alarm involves installing the transducers (if it is an area alarm or combination alarm) and front panel and making the necessary conduit, plumbing and electrical connections. All installation and testing should be done in accordance with NFPA 99.

**Electrical power intended for the** alarm to be installed should be disconnected prior to installation. *Attention: l'alimentation électrique a l'intention de faire installer l'alarme devrait déconnecter avant l'installation.* 



This device should only be installed by qualified personnel. Installation

should not be attempted by anyone not having general experience with the installation of devices of this nature. *Attention: cet appareil ne devrait installer que le personnel qualifié. L'installation ne devrait pas tenter par une personne n'ayant pas d'expérience générale avec l'installation d'appareils de cette nature.* 

#### **Product Line Overview**

The Powerex FirstCall<sup>™</sup> Alarm Panel Retrofit is designed to be installed into existing competitor rough-in assemblies in order to minimize disruption of the healthcare facility. The systems monitor the status of medical gases in Category 1 healthcare facilities. The alarm systems comply with the latest edition of NFPA 99. All alarm systems provide audible and visible indications of NFPA 99 medical gas alarm conditions.

#### Configurations

• Area Alarm Retrofit panels are available from 1 through 8 gases

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- Master Alarm Retrofit panels are available in either 23 or 39 signal inputs
- Combination Alarm Retrofit panels are available in 1 through 4 gases, and 23 signal inputs

Powerex FirstCall<sup>™</sup> Alarm Panel Retrofit is compatible with the following alarm panels:

- Amico Alert-2 (3 through 7 gang back box only)
- Amico Compact Alert-2 (3 through 7 gang back box only)
- Amico Alert-3
- Amico Alert-4
- Beacon Medaes MEGA 2
- Beacon Medaes MEGA 3
- · Beacon Medaes TotalAlert Infinity
- Ohio/Ohmeda/Medaes "Black Front"\*
- Hill-Rom/Beacon "Tan Front"\*
- Chemetron Series 74 Impact Alarm System
- Chemetron Digi I
- Chemetron Digi II
- Tri-Tech Medical DU/DC
- Tri-Tech Med Touch
- \* The Ohio/Ohmeda/Medaes Multi Module Line Pressure Alarm and the Hill-Rom/Beacon Area Line Pressure Alarm both require Hansen fittings for the transducers, so this must be indicated at the end of the part number with "-BTF"



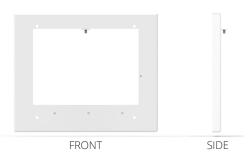
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The Powerex FirstCall<sup>™</sup> Alarm Panel Retrofit should consist of the following components:

• Front cover with HMI screen and PLC with attached hinge and screws for hinge



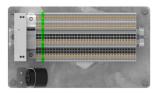
 Spacer frame with holes for mounting on cover plate and threaded holes for mounting cover hinge



• Cover plate



• Mounting flat plate with installed electrical components (power supply, circuit breaker, terminal blocks, and horn)



• Transducers (area and combo only)



 Hansen fittings (only for Ohio/Ohmeda/Medaes Multi Module Line Pressure "Black Front" Area Alarms and Hill-Rom/Beacon "Tan Front" Area Alarms)



# **Removing Existing Alarm Components**

Open the old, existing alarm panel and make sure the number of digital signal inputs and/or analog gas sensor inputs match up to the FirstCall<sup>™</sup> Alarm Panel Retrofit to be installed.

For Master Alarms, test the alarm signals to validate wiring and document all signal wires coming into the box with alarm type and locations prior to disconnecting the front panel.

Turn off the supply power to the alarm.

Remove and discard the front panel from the existing alarm.

Remove and discard all components from the alarm rough-in box.

Remove all existing regulatory compliance labels from inside the rough-in box.

Make sure there are no fasteners or other objects that extend out beyond the rough-in box.

Clean any debris out the inside of the rough-in box.



## **Sensor Installation**

**CAUTION** Before removing transducers or other components from the pipeline connection, make sure that the pressure on the pipeline in the alarm area has been relieved.

NOTE: Powerex transducers come with a gas-specific DISS female nut and corresponding male DISS demand check fitting. DISS demand check fittings must be used to be compliant with NFPA 99.

NOTE: Ohio/Ohmeda "Black Front" alarms and Hill-Rom/Beacon "Tan Front" alarms use Hansen fittings to connect the transducers to the gas risers. Powerex provides the male end of Hansen fittings with Retrofit kits for these alarms, but they are shipped loose. If you want to keep the Hansen connection for the transducers, the existing fittings must be removed from the transducer and replaced with the Hansen fitting.



Remove the old existing transducers, fittings, and adapters inside the rough-in box for local installation or directly to the pipeline outside of the rough-in box.

Install the gas-specific male DISS demand check valve(s) into the correct gas riser(s) (use Teflon tape to prevent leaks).

Install the corresponding Powerex gas-specific transducer(s).

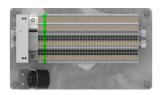
Return the pressure to each transducer and check for leaks.

NOTE: If the facility has Powerex Zone Valve Boxes installed, the transducers can also be remotely mounted inside the zone valve box using Powerex Sensing Kits (sold separately).

## Cover Plate, Spacer Frame, & Electronics Flat Plate Installation

Powerex offers 2 different standard size cover plates – 15"H x 18"W and 15"H x 26"W. Custom-sized plates can be provided by special request.

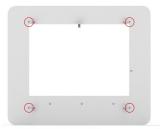
The power supply, circuit breaker, terminal blocks, PLC expansion module (if applicable), and horn are all mounted to the electronics bracket and wired from the factory.



The electronics flat plate is able to be positioned in the existing rough in box as needed. Four 1/4" selftapping screws are included for mounting the plate to the rough in box.

Position the cover plate. The cover plate must cover the rough-in and any gap in the drywall around it, and the electronics flat plate must be fully recessed into the rough-in.

Once the desired position is chosen, mark the four mounting holes onto the wall, then set the assembly to the side.



Drill holes in all 4 locations and install the insert portion of the drywall anchors – drill bit size and anchor inserts should all be done per the drywall anchor manufacturer specifications. Powerex does not provide fasteners or drywall anchors as part of Retrofit kits.

Fasten the cover plate assembly to the wall using drywall anchor screws.



If additional depth is required to accommodate the flat plate electronics and the back of the PLC in the rough in box, the spacer frame included may be attached to the mounted cover plate using the 4 rivet nuts on the cover plate using the included 4 1/4"-20 bolts. The spacer plate allows an adds 1 inch of depth the rough in. Holes for mounting the cover are included on both the spacer frame and the cover plate.

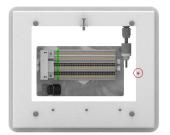


NOTE: The spacer frame may be installed without the trim plate if the frame covers the existing rough in box.

# Front Panel, Screen, & PLC Installation

Position the hinge of the front panel over the corresponding threaded holes in the cover plate or spacer frame. Using the screws provided, fasten the hinge to the plate.

Fasten the other end of the steel lanyard to the right side of the cover plate assembly using the provided screw and installing it through the eyelet and into the PEM nut.



Connect the wiring harnesses on the electronics assembly to the back of the PLC.

# Wiring & Programming

Please reference the Powerex FirstCall<sup>™</sup> Medical Gas Alarm Operating & Maintenance Manual for detailed instructions on wiring and programming.



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# **Powerex Limited Warranty**

#### Warranty and Remedies.

(a) Standard Period of Warranty – Parts and Labor. Powerex warrants and represents all Products shall be free from Defects for the first twenty-four (24) months from the date of shipment by Powerex. During such warranty period, Powerex shall be fully liable for all Defects in the Products (the "Product Defects"), i.e., all costs of repair or replacement, which may include "in and out" charges, so long as the Products are located in the United States or Canada, and the Products are reasonably located and accessible by service personnel for removal. "In and out" charges include the costs of removing a Product from buyer's equipment for repair or replacement.

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