



Model 236

Installation & Operation Manual





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1. SAFETY

Safety Guidelines

This manual contains information that is important for you, the owner/operator, to know and understand. This information relates to protecting **personal safety** and **preventing equipment problems**. It is the responsibility of the owner/operator to inform anyone operating or working in the area of this equipment of these safety guidelines. To help you recognize this information, we use the symbols that are defined below. Please read the manual and pay attention to these sections. Failure to read this manual and it's safety instructions is a misuse of the equipment and may lead to serious injury or death.



This is the safety alert symbol. It is used to alert you to potential personal injury hazards. Obey all safety messages that follow this symbol to avoid possible injury or death.



DANGER indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.



WARNING indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.



CAUTION indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.



CAUTION used without the safety alert symbol indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in property damage.



NOTE indicates information about the equipment that you should pay special attention to.

General Safety Statement

Our principle concern is your safety and the safety of others associated with this equipment. We want to keep you as a customer. This manual is to help you understand safe operating procedures and some problems which may be encountered by the operator and other personnel.

As owner and/or operator, it is your responsibility to know what requirements, hazards and precautions exist, and to inform all personnel associated with the equipment or in the area. Safety precautions may be required from the personnel. Avoid any alterations to the equipment. Such alterations may produce a very dangerous situation, where SERIOUS INJURY or DEATH may occur.

This equipment shall be installed in accordance with the current installation codes and applicable regulations which should be carefully followed in all cases. Authorities having jurisdiction should be consulted before installations are made.

Keep Hands Clear of Chain Disk

Moving Chain Disk can cut and crush. Keep hands clear.

Disconnect and lockout power before servicing.

Do not operate with guards removed.



Moving Parts

Install & Operate Electrical Equipment Properly

Electrical controls should be installed by a qualified electrician and must meet the standards set by the national electrical code and all local and state codes.

Disconnect and lock out all power sources before installing wires/cables or servicing equipment.



Practice Safe Maintenance

Understand service procedures before doing work. Keep area clean and dry.

Never lubricate, service, or adjust machine while it is in operation. Keep hands, feet, and clothing from all rotating parts.

Keep all parts in good condition and properly installed. Fix damage immediately. Replace worn or broken parts. Remove any build up grease, oil, or debris.



Prepare for Emergencies Be prepared if fire starts. Keep a first aid kit and fire extinguisher handy. Ð Keep emergency numbers for doctors, ambulance service, hospital, and fire **Keep Emergency Equipment Quickly** department near your telephone. Accessable. Wear Protective Clothing Wear close fitting clothing and safety equipment appropriate to the job. **Eye Protection** Safety glasses should be worn at all times to protect eyes from debris. Wear gloves to protect your hands from Gloves sharp edges on plastic or steel parts. Wear steel toe boots to help protect your toes from falling debris. **Steel Toe Boots** A respirator may be needed if a hog house Respirator has poor ventilation. Waste fumes can be toxic. Remove all jewelry. Tuck in any loose or dangling shoe strings. Long hair should be tied up and back. Wear hard hat to help protect your head. Hard Hat

2. DECALS





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3. INTRODUCTION

3.1 Applications

Typical Chain Disk System applications are shown as follows:

In poultry applications, switches may be placed in more than one hopper to assure that no hopper empties before the control unit hopper requires feed. If this is done, all switches must be wired in parallel so that any one switch can start the system. If only one hopper level control is used it must be located at the end of the delivery system.



Figure 3A Typical Application

In most swine applications, the feed control is installed in the last hooper at the end of the delivery system. If a tube mounted proximity switch is used, it should be installed just beyond the last feeder.

3.2 Using the Manual

Read the entire manual prior to any work being done. This installation/owner manual is to be used as a guideline for the installation of the Chain Disk Feed System Model 236. All instructions should be construed as recommendations only, as the actual installation may vary according to local conditions. Wiring diagrams can be found later in this manual. Instructions presented in this manual should only be carried out by a trained technician. It is essential that the technician has a sound understanding of technical matters and drawings in both mechanical and electrical areas.

3.3 Background

The Chain Disk Feed System consists of a drive unit which pulls a chain with polypropylene disks attached to it through tubing, thus conveying feed from a storage bin to animals inside a building. The disks have approximately the same diameter as the inside of the tube, therefore being a highly efficient conveying system with total clean-out of the tube. This system can be adapted to complex configurations because of its ability to go through tight corners and at any angle including vertical. The delivery of feed can be controlled manually or automatically with the use of a control unit, sensors and drop kits.

4. SPECIFICATIONS

Capacity	The rated capacity is up to 50 lbs/min (23 kg/min). Capacity is based on a feed density of 40 lbs/ft. ³ (641 kg/m ³). Refer to <i>Page 20</i> .
Overall system length	The maximum effective length for this system is 1000 ft. (305 m). Subtract 25 ft. (7.6 m) per corner or Effective Length = (Total ft.of Chain) + 25 ft. (# of Corners)
Types of feed	The Model 236 Chain Disk is specifically designed to convey normal types of swine and poultry feeds. When conveying any other type of material contact the manufacturer as the warranty may be invalidated.
Tubing	There are three options: Clear and white PVC tubing having dimensions of 2.00" (51 mm) I.D. and 2.36" (60 mm) O.D. coming in 10 ft. (3 m) lengths. Clear and white PVC couplers having dimensions of 2.38" (60.5 mm) I.D. and 2.63" (67 mm) O.D. are used to join sections of tubing together. -Ribbed Tube 2.00" O.D. 1.9" I.D. w belled end refer to <i>Page 127</i> for Length and Configuration.
Corners	Each corner has a 9.3" (236 mm) diameter steel cast wheel with nongreasable ball bearings encased in a nylon housing with a removable cover.
Chain	The chain is heat treated and case hardened with a 3000 lb. (13.3 kN) breaking strength. Polypropylene disks having 1.8" (46 mm) O.D. are molded on every other chain link. The chain is connected together using a special open link connector.
Drive unit	The drive unit, having dimensions of 46" (1.2 m) length, 16.5" (.4 m) height, and 16.25" (.4 m) width, is an enclosed stainless steel housing with a spring loaded aluminum idler tensioning wheel and drive sprocket inside. The drive sprocket is directly coupled to the output shaft. of an aluminum housed speed reducer, which in turn is driven by an electric motor.
Electric motor	There are 3 special built 2 HP motors to choose from: 230 V, 1 Ph, 60 Hz; 230 V, 1 Ph, 50 Hz; 208-230/460 V, 3 Ph, 50/60 Hz.
Control unit	A 230 V, 1 Ph unit is available. With an additional 3 PH contactor, it can be used to control a 3 Ph drive unit. The APCD- 295 control unit has a built in 24 hr time clock, max run timer and drop feed control. The APCD - 300 has a built in max run timer and is used for continuous feeding. The APCD-295-S is used in conjunction with the APCD-295, when configuring feed systems with multiple chain disk drive units. A single APCD- 295 can control up to seven APCD 295-S control units.

5. OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT

Part Number	Description		
	Model 300 Flex Flo Fill System or comparable equivalent having a maximum of 50 lbs/min (23 kg/min) rated capacity.		
APCD-279	Chain Disk fill hopper which connects to Flex Flo Control Unit		
APCD-109	Manual Kwik Attach Drop Kit (single)		
APCD-110	Manual Kwik Attach Drop Kit (Box of 10)		
APCD-119	Pneumatic Kwik Attach Drop Kit Assembly		
FLXDF-1172	Proximity Switch, 20 V DC to 240 V AC, N.C		
FLX- 4256	Proximity Switch, 20 V DC to 240 V AC, N.O		
AP-1002	Proximity Switch 220 V (1 sec to 60 min time delay)		
AP-1260	ACCU-DROP feeders fitting tube with 2.36" (60 mm) outside diameter		
AP-2259	Farrowing drop Feeder-Model 236 (8.5 lb capacity)		
AP-2263	Farrowing Drop Feeder - Model 236 (12 lb capacity)		
APCD-114	Suspension kit for drive unit		
APCD-294	Tube mounted prox switch		
AP-2385	ECONO DROP feeder fitting tube w/2.36" O.D (Uses FLX-4256 Proximity Switch)		
AP-3800	Ultra Drop feeders for Gestation w/2.36" O.D		
AP-3800A	Ultra Drop feeders for Farrowing w/2.36" O.D		
AP - 3202	Feeder Adapter for Ribbed tube when attaching ACCU-DROP, ECONO DROP or Kwik attach drop kits to Ribbed tube		

6. TUBING & DROP KIT

6.1 Tubing Options

There are three options for tubing Ribbed tubing w/belled end 2.00" O.D and 1.9" I.D coming in various lengths and hole spacings (See Page 127). Both clear and white PVC tubing having dimensions of 2.00" (51 mm) I.D and 2.36" (60 mm) O.D coming in 10 ft. (3 m) lengths are available. Clear and white PVC couplers having dimensions of 2.38" (60.5 mm) I.D and 2.63" (67 mm) O.D are used to join these sections of tubing together.

6.2 Laying Out the Tubing

Laying out the tubing is one of the most important steps in the installation of the Chain Disk System. Place the tubes in approximately the position where they will be installed (either on the ground or on top of the penning for the time being). If white PVC or Ribbed tubing is used it would be helpful to place sections of clear PVC tubing at various places throughout the system for easy viewing of the feed, especially before and after the fill hopper and where the proximity switch is located. *Things to consider: the system must be closed looped, sections of tubing can go in any direction, and the change in direction of the tubing must be 90 degrees.* For now overlap the tubes where there is to be a corner and leave the cutting of the tubes to fit various components until these components are installed which will be later on. Establish where the outlet drops are to be. *Make sure that the ends of these tubes don't meet where there is to be a drop kit or drop feeder.* If they do, one end of the tube must be cut off enough so the coupler or belled end will miss the drop kit.

6.3 Assembly & Gluing Sections of PVC Tubing

Once the tubing has been properly layed out the 10 foot (3 m) tubes need to be connected together in long sections.

Note: Maximum length of each glued section should not exceed the length of fish tape which will be used later on to install chain.

Note: For extremely long systems we recommend gluing only one side of the coupler leaving an 1/8" (3 mm) gap between ends of tubing to allow for tubing expansion.

Chain Disk Systems have specially formulated PVC tubing. For strong tube connections, apply the PVC solvent cement as the instructions below suggest:

- 1. Square tube ends and remove all burrs and dirt.
- 2. Check to make sure all connections are smooth.
- 3. When the temperature is below 40° Fahrenheit or above 85° Fahrenheit, consult PVC solvent cement container.
- 4. Apply a coat of cement to both parts being connected.
- 5. Assemble parts quickly! CEMENT MUST BE FLUID if not fluid, re-coat both parts.
- 6. Hold parts together for 30 seconds wipe off excess cement with cloth. Completed joints should not be disturbed until they have cured enough to withstand handling. Keep container closed when not in use.

6.4 Cutting Outlet Holes

With the sections of tubing still layed out and the placement of the drop kits already established, the next step is to mark on the top of the tube where each drop kit is to be. The reason for marking the tube in advance is to make sure the holes stay aligned even if the tubes rotate as the holes are being cut. Once the tubes are marked, cut the holes for the outlet drops as shown in *Figure 6A* and *Figure 6B*. When carry-over is acceptable drill two 1.5" (38 mm) dia. holes in the tube (*Figure 6A*) approximately 3.0" (76 mm) apart using a holesaw. If total dropout is necessary, cut a 6.5" (165 mm) long by .625" (16 mm) deep hole (*Figure 6B*) using a saber saw or hacksaw. Be sure to remove any burrs after cutting so the drop kit can perform properly.



Note: Ribbed Tubing Comes with Pre-punched Outlet Holes.

Figure 6A Outlet Holes with Carry-over



Figure 6B Outlet Holes with Total Dropout

6.5 Suspension of Tubing

Important: Suspend the sections of PVC tubing and Ribbed tubing from the ceiling at least once every 4 feet (1.2 m). To minimize drag and wear keep the sections of tubing as straight as possible. Failure to do this will void the warranty.

6.6 Drop Kit Installation

- 1. Snap the slide around the tube over the outlet hole (Figure 6C and Figure 6D).
- 2. When using ribbed tube, the adapter must be used (Figure 6E).
- 3. Fasten the housing to the tube using two hose clamps. Make sure the outlet hole is in the middle of the housing.
- 4. Slide can be rotated from side to side to open and close the drop kit.



Figure 6C Drop Kit Installation



Figure 6D Pneumatic Drop Kit Installation



Figure 6E Ribbed Tube Installation

6.7 Drop Feeder Installation

Refer to the Drop Feeder Installation and Operational Manual to install the drop feeders. When Installing ACCU-DROP feeders and ECONO DROP feeders to ribbed tube, the ribbed tube adapter must be used.

When installing ultra drop feeders, to ribbed tubing, do not use the ribbed tube adapter.

7. DRIVE UNIT INSTALLATION

7.1 Location

The Chain Disk Model 236 drive unit is designed in such a way that if feed enters the drive unit, it is able to carry it back out again. Because of this, the drive unit can be placed anywhere in the system given consideration to accessibility and potential traffic around it. The drive unit can also be bolted to the floor (bolts not provided) or suspended, keeping in mind that the position of it in relationship to the rest of the system will affect the number of corners needed.

However the best position to locate the drive unit is between the last feeder and the fill hopper. This ensures that only a minimum amount of feed flows through the drive unit.

7.2 Structural Integrity of Support

The entire drive unit weighs approximately 170 lbs. If the drive unit is suspended, the structural member(s) from which it is suspended must be able to support it. *Extreme caution should be used to avoid structural damage and bodily injury.* To evaluate structural integrity of the support consult a qualified structural engineer.

7.3 Suspension of the Drive Unit

Although the drive unit can be bolted to the floor, the most common installation is to suspend the drive unit (See Figure 7A). Angle Iron, bolts, chain and eyebolts are included in the suspension package which must be ordered separately.

- 1. Bolt angle iron to each bottom support of drive unit using four 5/16 x 1" bolts and 5/16" nuts.
- 2. Screw eyebolts into structural members approximately 48" (1.2 m) apart from one another to provide a stable suspension.
- 3. Measure and cut chain into four sections leaving each plenty long for adjustment later.
- 4. Fasten chain to angle iron using four 5/16 x 1" bolts, 5/16" nuts and 5/16" flat washers.
- 5. Suspend drive unit by hooking other end of the chain on the eyebolts.
- 6. Level drive unit by rehooking chain or by screwing eyebolts in or out.
- 7. Cut the PVC or Ribbed tubing so that it butts up to the stainless steel tubing on both the inlet and outlet side of the drive unit.
- 8. Clamp a Ribbed tube adapter to Ribbed tube. If Ribbed tube is used.
- 9. Glue a coupler to the PVC tube as detailed on Page 13.
 - a. Clamp a coupler to the ribbed tube adapter when using ribbed tube.
- 10. Clamp the coupler to the drive unit using saddle clamps.



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8. CORNER INSTALLATION

8.1 Measuring & Cutting Tube

8.1.1. Ends for Corners

- 1. Remove the top from the corner and hold the rest of it in place to mark the tubes for cutting (See Figure 8A).
- 2. Cut the tubes so they extend into the corner up to the shoulder provided in the molding.

8.1.2. Initial Assembly of Corners

- 1. If Ribbed tubing is used, clamp ribbed tube adapter on the end of the Ribbed tube.
- 2. Bolt the bottom of the corner to the tubes using the add on clamps (these parts need to be snapped off of the top), 5/16 x 1-1/4" bolts, 5/16" nuts.
- 3. Replace the 1/2" Neoprene backed flat washer and 1/2" locknut on the pivot shaft to retain the idler wheel from being pulled off during chain and disk installation. The top of the corner can remain off until after the chain and disks are installed. Corner must be suspended using the two angles provided to avoid tubing wear. Use one angle on each side of the corner (See Figure 8A). Place angles over the add on clamps so that corners will be supported before tops are installed.

Important: Two corner suspension angles must be used to support each corner. Failure to properly suspend corners will void warranty.



9. FILL SYSTEM

9.1 Installation

Figure 9A shows a typical Chain Disk installation including a Flex Flo System. A Flex Flo System must be used to transport feed from the bulk feed tank to the Chain Disk System inside the building. In colder climates the Chain Disk System can lock up when used outside due to freezing whereas the auger in the Flex Flo System can break loose frozen feed due to its outside rotational motion and winding up tendency.

Important: The correct gearbox must be used on the Model 300 Flex Flo System to prevent overfilling of the Chain Disk System.

Table 1 shows the maximum fill system rate for different effective lengths of a Chain Disk System and the corresponding flex flo gearbox R.P.M to deliver that rate. The effective length is determined by adding the length of chain plus 25 ft (.7 m) per corner. Refer to the Model 300 Flex Flo Installation & Operation Manual for proper installation of the Flex Flo System. The Flex-Flo System can run parallel or perpendicular to the Chain Disk System.

Flex Flo Feed Tank Configuration (Single or Tandem)	Effective Length of Chain Disk System, ft. (m)	Maximum Fill System Rate, Ibs/min (kg/min)	Model 300 Flex Flo Gearbox RPM
Single	Up to 700 (213)	50 (23)	358 (Standard)
Single	700-1000 (213-305)	35 (14)	250
Tandem	Up to 700 (213)	50 (23)	250
Tandem	700-1000 (213-305)	35 (14)	250

Maximum Fill System Rates

Effective Length= (Total ft of Chain) + 25 ft (# of Corners)



Figure 9A Typical Fill System Installation

9.2 Fill Hopper Installation

- 1. Attach fill hopper to the Flex Flo control unit using #10 x 1" self drilling screws provided with Flex Flo control (*Figure 9B*).
- 2. Adjust the suspension height of the control unit until fill hopper is in line with tubing.
- 3. Cut the tubing so that it butts up to the steel tubing on both the inlet and outlet side of the fill hopper.
- 4. If Ribbed tubing is used, clamp ribbed tube adapter on the end of the Ribbed tube.
- 5. Glue the coupler to the PVC tube as detailed on Page 13.
- 6. Clamp the coupler to the drive unit using saddle clamps.

A proximity switch with time delay can be used in the Fill Hopper to prevent the flex-flo auger from short-cycling and keep the Fill Hopper from bridging. Use the "KNOCK- OUT" hole in one end of the fill hopper to insert the rubber grommet in to hold the proximity switch in place.



Figure 9B Fill Hopper Installation

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10. WIRING DIAGRAMS

10.1 Wiring Instructions

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- 1. Disconnect all electrical power before inspecting or servicing equipment unless maintenance instructions specifically state otherwise.
- 2. Keep hands and tools away from exposed chain disks.
- 3. Do not operate equipment without covers and guards properly positioned. Failure to do so may cause personal injury or damage to the equipment.

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- 1. All wiring should be done by a qualified electrician in accordance with local and national electrical codes.
- 2. Ground all electrical equipment for safety.
- Use proper size wire according to the national electrical codes to wire all systems.



Fig. 10-A Chain Disk Junction Box



Fig. 10-B Master Chain Disk Control Unit APCD-295



Fig. 10-C Slave Chain Disk Control Unit APCD-295-S



Fig. 10-D Chain Disk Control Unit APCD-300

Illustration Showing Communication Wires Between Master and Up to 7 Slave Controls



Illustration Showing Communication Wires Between Master and Up to 7 Slave Controls



Wiring Diagrams











One Chain Disk Loop Filled by One Flex-Flo Auger with Continuous Feeding After Time Delay



Two Chain Disk Loops Filled by Two Independent Flex-Flo Augers with Timed Filling





Two Chain Disk Loops Filled by Two Independent Flex-Flo Augers with Timed Filling





Two Chain Disk Loops Filled by One Common Flex-Flo Auger with Timed Filling





Two Chain Disk Loops Filled by One Common Flex-Flo Auger with Timed Filling










Two Chain Disk Loops Filled by One Common Flex-Flo Auger with Timed Filling and Feeding by Air Actuation





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Two Chain Disk Loops Filled by One Common Flex-Flo Auger with Timed Filling and Feeding by Electric Actuation



Two Chain Disk Loops Filled by One Common Flex-Flo Auger with Timed Filling and Feeding by Electric Actuation



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Two Chain Disk Loops Filled by One Common Flex-Flo Auger with Timed Filling and Feeding by Electric Actuation with Isolation Relay

Two Chain Disk Loops Filled by One Common Flex-Flo Auger with Timed Filling and Feeding Electric by Actuation with Isolation Relay



Two Chain Disk Loops Filled by One Common Flex-Flo Auger with Timed Filling and Feeding Electric by Actuation with Isolation Relay



One Chain Disk Loop Filling Four Flex-Flo Auger Flag Lines Started by any of Four Proximity Switches at End of Flag Lines



One Chain Disk Loop Filling Four Flex-Flo Auger Flag Lines Started by any of Four Proximity Switches at End of Flag Lines



11. OPERATION CONTROLS

11.1 Current Sensor

The Chain Disk System can over fill if the fill system's capacity is greater than the capacity of the Chain Disk System or if longer systems are allowed to recirculate. Overfilling will overload the Chain Disk motor causing the thermal reset switch on the motor to kick out and/or premature motor failure. To prevent this from occurring a current sensor has been installed on the circuit board of the Chain Disk Control Unit. This Current sensor monitors the Amp draw of the Chain Disk motor and controls a relay which has the fill system (Ex. Flex-Flo) wired to it. While the Chain Disk system is filling, the amp draw of the motor will increase steadily. If the amperage reaches the maximum point of a specified range, the current sensor will automatically turn off the fill system temporarily. As the Chain Disk system continues to empty itself, the amp draw of the current sensor will automatically turn the fill system back on. This ON/OFF cycling of the Flex-Flo will occur every few minutes untill the Chain Disk feed system is full, at which time both the Chain Disk and flex-flo will shut OFF (See Figure 11B on page 53).



Figure 11A PC Board



Figure 11B Graphical Illustration of Current Sensor Operation for Typical Feed System

11.2 Limit Switch

The limit switch (See Figure 11C), which is located in the chain disk drive unit, is used as a safety switch. The limit switch can be activated in either direction by a bracket which is connected to the idler wheel. It will shut the system down if the chain is too long or too short, if the chain or spring breaks or if something gets caught in the system. To reactivate the system, push the blue reset button on the limit switch, reset the appropriate control unit by acknowledging the alarm on the APCD-295 control unit, or push the reset button on the APCD-295-S control unit.



Figure 11C Limit Switch in Normal Operating State

Operation Controls



Figure 11D Limit Switch in Activated Shut Down State

WARNING A

Disconnect power and fix the problem before pushing the reset button, or acknowledge the alarm on the APCD-295 control.

12. CHAIN DISK CONTROLLER - APCD-295

12.1 Terms and Symbols



LCD Display

The LCD display on the left gives the current readings and parameters to be adjusted when you select a function. The three keys at the right of the display are used to edit parameters and to navigate through the screen display. When the parameters for a given function cannot all be presented at once on the display, arrows are displayed on the right hand side to indicate that additional parameters can be displayed using the arrow keys \checkmark \checkmark . After 4 minutes of inactivity, the display returns to the STATUS display.

Arrow Keys

The arrow keys that are located next to the LCD display have 2 purposes. They are first used to step through the parameters that are displayed on the display. They are also used to modify a parameter's value when a parameter flashes on the display.

Menu Select Buttons

These keys are used to select the functions that are located in the main menu.

Adjusting a parameter

Use the arrow keys to select the parameter that needs to be adjusted. Once the parameter is selected, press MODIFY. The parameter then flashes on the display. It can now be adjusted with the arrow keys. Once it is properly set, Press MODIFY once again to validate the new value. If the value does not flash after having pressed the MODIFY, it means that the value is a reading. A reading cannot be modified.

Status LEDs

The LEDs at the right of the control panel give the status of each output. The following table gives the meaning of each pilot light:

LED	Meaning					
	Turns ON when an alarm is detected.					
Alarm	The feeding system stops operating until the alarm is acknowledged.					
Current Overload	Flashes when the amperage draw of the APCD-295 feeder has exceeded the Max Current limit for the Overload Delay or flashes when this occurs to a slave feeder (APCD-295-S).					
	Fix the problem then press and hold the RESET button to restart the system.					
Chain Disk Safety Switch	Turns ON when the drive unit of the APCD-295 has reached its safety switch; flashes when this occurs to a slave feeder (APCD 295-S).					
Max Run Time	Turns ON when the run time of the APCD-295 feeder exceeds the Max. Run Time parameter value (only if a proximity sensor is used); flashes when this occurs to a slave feeder (APCD- 295-S).					
Feed Switch	Turns ON when the proximity sensor detects feed. Flashes during the Feed Bypass Delay.					
Chain Disk Output	Turns ON when the master Chain Disk feeder is running.					
Auger Output	Turns ON when the bin auger is running; Flashes during the Auger Delay.					
Actuator Open	Turns ON when the dumps are opened.					
Actuator Close	Turns ON when the dumps are closing.					
Manual Mode	Turns ON when an output is manually controlled.					
Automatic Mode	Turns ON when the automatic control mode is active.					

Symbols



Double Insulation

12.2 Installation

Mounting Instructions

Remove the four screws in the front cover and lift the cover. Remove the black caps located on the three mounting holes. Mount the enclosure to the wall using three screws. Be sure the electrical knockouts are at the bottom of the enclosure in order to prevent water from entering the controller. Insert the screws into the mounting holes and tighten. <u>Fasten the black caps</u> onto the mounting holes.

Connections

To connect the controller, refer to the wiring diagram enclosed with this user's manual. Use the electrical knockouts provided at the bottom of the enclosure. Do not make additional holes in the enclosure, particularly on the side of the enclosure when using a computer communications module.

- 1. Do not install rigid conduit into electrical knockouts. Only nylon cable glands are permitted for cable or wire fastening.
- 2. A switch or circuit breaker shall be included in the building installation. It shall be in close proximity to the equipment and within easy reach of the operator. It shall be marked as the disconnecting device for the equipment.
- 3. The main supply circuit breaker for feeder motor (L1/L2 POWER IN) shall be 20 A.
- 4. Wire gage used for mains supply (L1/L2 POWER IN) and feeder motor shall be at least 12 AWG.
- 5. Separate circuit breaker shall be used for auger motor.
- 6. The mains supply breaker for auger motor shall be 15 A.
- 7. Wire gage used for auger motor shall be at least 14 AWG.

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All wiring must be done by an authorized electrician and must comply with applicable codes, laws and regulations. Be sure power is off before doing any wiring to avoid electrical shocks and equipment damage.

Safety may be jeopardized if the equipment is used in a manner not specified by the manufacturer.

12.3 Controller's Operation

Controller's Description

The APCD-295 controls the feed entry into Chain Disk feeders and the distribution of feed to the animals. When used in combination with APCD-295-S auxiliary units, this controller can control up to 8 Chain Disk feeders.

Due to its great number of options, the APCD-295 controller can suit most Chain Disk setups:

- 1. Timed or continuous feed cycles.
- 2. With or without proximity sensors at the end of the feeders.
- 3. With or without actuators/electric valves to open the drops.
- 4. With one or multiple bin augers.
- 5. With one or multiple Chain Disk feeders.
- 6. With cascade or independent Chain Disk setups.

Feeder Setup

Up to 7 slave units (APCD-295S) can be used to drive additional Chain Disk feeders. These supplementary feeders can share common bin augers, they can be linked together, or they can operate independently one from another. The following section explains the three possible feeder setups that can be managed by the controller. Refer to the *Installation Setup Section* to select your specific feeder setup.

Cascade Setup

In this setup, all feeders are connected together and share a common bin auger. When this auger starts bringing feed into the feeders, all drive units start running to send feed towards the farthest Chain Disk feeder (APCD-295-S unit with the highest ID number). When this feeder is filled-up, feed then goes toward the preceding feeder, etc.



Figure 12A

Independent Feeders with a Common Auger

Independent feeders that share a common bin auger are filled following the numerical order: The master Chain Disk feeder is filled first, followed by slave feeder #1, slave feeder #2, etc.



Figure 12B

Independent Feeders with Individual Augers

Independent feeders that all have their own bin auger are being filled simultaneously when a feed cycle starts. Each feeder filled according to its respective parameter settings.



Figure 12C

Feed Distribution Modes

Timed Feed Distribution

When feed is distributed according to a timer, the user chooses at what time the feeders start being filled and at what time feed starts being delivered to the animals. Up to daily 20 feed cycles can be programmed. Refer to *Installation Setup Section* to enable the timed feed distribution method.

Continuous Feed Distribution Method

The continuous feeding method allows filling the feeders from the moment they are empty: When the proximity sensor located at the end of the master Chain Disk feeder stops detecting feed, a delay is launched to restart filling all feeders.

Proximity Sensor Location

Proximity sensors are used to detect the presence and absence of feed at the end of the feed lines.

In Timer Mode

When feed is distributed according to a timer, optional proximity sensors can be used to stop the entry of feed when feed is detected at the end of the feed line (See Figure 12D). If proximity sensors are used, one sensor must be located at the end of each feeder.



Figure 12D

In Continuous Mode

When using the continuous feed distribution mode, a proximity sensor must be located in the tube of the last drop of each feeder.



Figure 12E

Filling Chain Disk Feeders

Operation of the Bin Auger

At the start-up of each feeding cycle, right after the *Auger's Delay* has elapsed, the bin auger starts bringing feed into the feeders and stops when the feeder is loaded. There are two ways the controller can detect that a feeder is full:



Figure 12F

- 1. The proximity sensor located at the end of the line detects feed for 5 seconds without interruption.
- 2. The drive unit has been running for the *Max Run Time* parameter value (only if no proximity sensor is used).

Chain Disk Overload Protection:

The controller monitors the amperage draw of Chain Disk drive units to prevent overloading the system. If the amperage exceeds the limit (*Max Current Consumption*), the controller will temporarily shut down the bin auger while the Chain Disk keeps running in order to discharge the feed. As the feed load decreases the amperage draw also decreases; the bin auger restarts when the current consumption gets lower than the *Max Current Consumption - Window Size*.



Refer to Installation Setup Section to set bin auger parameters

Filling Process

The filling process of Chain Disk feeders is based on two factors:

1. Feeder setup:

- a. Cascade setup.
- b. Independent feeders with a common bin auger.
- c. Independent feeders with individual bin augers.

2. Feed Distribution Mode:

- a. Continuous feed distribution.
- b. Timed feed distribution.

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The following sections explain all possible ways Chain Disk feeders can be filled. Refer to the *Filling Chain Disk Feeders Section* that suit your particular feeder setup and feed distribution method.



Please note that the whole feeding system stops when an alarm is active!

Filling Cascaded Feeders

First Second Third	APCD-295S ID #3
Second Third	
Third	APCD-295S ID #2
	APCD-295S ID #1
Last	APCD-295 Master

Figure 12G Cascade Setup

Option A- O Continuous Feed Distribution

1. Beginning the Filling Process:

The filling process starts when the *Continuous Delay* has elapsed (this delay is launched when the proximity sensor located in the last drop of the master Chain Disk feeder stops detecting feed).

2. Emptying the Feeders:

Once the *Continuous Delay* has elapsed, the controller activates all drive units during the *Auger Delay to* make sure all feeders are empty before bringing new feed.

3. Filling the Farthest Chain Disk Feeder:

When the *Auger Delay* has elapsed, all drive units keep running while the bin auger brings feed into the feeders. Feed is first directed towards the farthest feeder (Chain Disk with the highest ID number).

4. The Farthest Feeder is Full:

The controller knows the farthest feeder is full when the proximity sensor located at its end detects feed for 5 seconds without interruption. When feed is detected, the drive unit of the loaded feeder stops and all other feeders continue running until they are all full.

5. The Last Feeder is Full:

When the last feeder is loaded (last feeder = master Chain Disk feeder), the bin auger stops and all drive units are Off. As the animals eat, the feed load will decrease gradually; the *Continuous Delay* will be launched once again when the proximity sensor of the master Chain Disk feeder will stop detecting feed (*Back to Step 1*).

Option B- () Timed Feed Distribution

1. Beginning the Filling Process:

The filling process starts at the start-up of each feed cycle.

2. Cleaning the Drops:

If actuators are used and the "Clean Drop" option is enabled in the INSTALLATION menu, the controller opens and closes the drops tree times in a row to evacuate feed leftovers from the system.

3. Emptying the Feeders:

To ensure all feeders are empty before bringing new feed, the controller activates all drive units during the *Auger Delay*.

4. Filling the Farthest Chain Disk Feeder:

When the *Auger Delay* has elapsed, all drive units keep running while the bin auger brings feed into the feeders. Feed is directed towards the farthest feeder at first (Chain Disk with the highest ID number).

5. The Farthest Feeder is Full:

- a. If a proximity sensor is used: The controller knows the feeder is full when the proximity sensor located its end detects feed for 5 seconds without interruption. When feed is detected, the controller stops the feed entry (bin auger), and stops all other drive units; the drive unit of the loaded feeder keeps running for the *Shutdown Delay* then stops.
- **b.** If no proximity sensor is used: When no proximity sensor is used, the controller knows the farthest feeder is full when the drive unit of this feeder has been running for its respective *Run Time* parameter value. The controller stops the drive unit of this feeder once it is full.

6. Filling the Next Feeder:

When the loaded feeder stops, the drive units of all empty feeders restart, and feed enters once again into the feed line. *Steps 4 and 5* are repeated up until all feeders are full.

7. Feed Dumping:

When the Chain Disk system is fully loaded, feed is ready to be delivered to the animals. Step to *Proximity Sensor Location Section*.



Filling Independent Feeders with a Common Bin Auger



Option A- 🚫 Continuous Feed Distribution

1. Beginning the Filling Process:

The filling process starts when the *Continuous Delay* has elapsed (this delay is launched when the proximity sensor located in the last drop of the master Chain Disk feeder stops detecting feed).

2. Emptying the Bin Auger and Feeders:

Once the *Continuous Delay* has elapsed, the controller activates all drive units during the *Purge Time* and launches the *Auger Delay*. Once the *Auger Delay* has elapsed, the bin auger starts bringing feed into the feeders. Normally, the Purge Time should be longer than the *Auger Delay* to prevent feed accumulation at the end of the bin auger.

3. Filling the First Chain Disk Feeder:

When the *Purge Time* is over, all drive units stop except for the first feeder to be filled: the master Chain Disk feeder. When the *Auger Delay* is over, the bin auger starts bringing feed toward this feeder.

4. The Feeder is Full:

The controller knows the feeder is loaded when the proximity sensor located its end detects feed for 5 seconds without interruption. When feed is detected, the drive unit of this feeder stops.

5. Filling the Next Feeder:

When a feeder is full, the drive unit of the next empty feeder starts (following numerical order) and the bin auger keeps running.

6. The Last Feeder is Full:

When the last feeder is full (slave feeder with the highest ID #), the bin auger stops and all drive units are off. As the animals eat, the feed load in the feeders will decrease gradually; the Continuous Delay will be launched once again when the proximity sensor of the master Chain Disk feeder will stop detecting feed (*Back to Step 1*).

Option B- 🕖 Timed Feed Distribution

1. Beginning the Filling Process:

The filling process starts at the start-up of each feed cycle.

2. Cleaning the Drops:

If actuators are used and the "Clean Drop" option is enabled in the INSTALLATION menu, the controller opens and closes the drops tree times in a row to evacuate feed leftovers from the system.

3. Emptying the Bin Auger and Feeders:

To ensure the bin auger and feeders are empty before bringing new feed, the controller first activates all drive units during the *Purge Time* and launches the *Auger Delay*. Once the Auger Delay has elapsed, APCD-295 rev.07 19 the bin auger starts bringing feed into the feeders. Normally, the Purge Time should be longer than the *Auger Delay* to prevent feed accumulation at the end of the bin auger.

4. Filling the First Chain Disk Feeder:

When the *Purge Time* is over, all drive units stop except for the first feeder to be filled: the master Chain Disk feeder. When the *Auger Delay* is over, the bin auger starts bringing feed toward this feeder.

5. The Feeder is Full:

- a. If a proximity sensor is used: The controller knows the feeder is full when the proximity sensor located its end detects feed for 5 seconds without interruption. When feed is detected, the controller stops the feed entry (bin auger), and stops all other drive units; the drive unit of the loaded feeder keeps running for the *Shutdown Delay* then stops.
- **b.** If no proximity sensor is used: The controller knows the feeder is full when the drive unit has been running for its Run Time parameter value. The controller stops the drive unit of this feeder once it is full.

6. Loading Next Feeder:

When the loaded feeder stops, the next empty feeder starts and the bin auger starts sending feed towards this feeder. *Steps 4 and 5* are repeated up until all feeders are full.

7. Feed Dumping:

When the Chain Disk system is fully loaded, feed is ready to be delivered to the animals. Step to *Proximity Sensor Location Section*.

Feeders Filling Order Controller & ID number Bins APCD-295S Simaltaneous ID #3 APCD-295S Simaltaneous ID #2 APCD-295S Simaltaneous ID #1 APCD-295 Simaltaneous Master

Filling Independent Feeders with Individual Bin Augers

Figure 12I Independent Feeders with Individual Augers

Option A- O Continuous Feed Distribution

1. Beginning the Filling Process:

The filling process starts once the *Continuous Delay* has elapsed (this delay is launched when the proximity sensor located in the last drop of the master Chain Disk feeder stops detecting feed).

2. Emptying the Feeders:

Once the *Continuous Delay* has elapsed, the controller activates all drive units during their respective *Auger Delay* to make sure all feeders are empty before bringing new feed.

3. Filling Chain Disk Feeders:

When the *Auger Delay* of a feeder has elapsed, all feeders keep running and start being filled by their respective bin auger.

4. A Feeder is Full:

The controller knows a feeder is full when the proximity sensor located at its end detects feed for 5 seconds without interruption. When a feeder is full, its drive unit and associated bin auger stop.

5. All Feeders are Full:

When the last feeder is full, all bin augers and drive units are off. As the animals eat, the feed load in the feeders will decrease gradually. The *Continuous Delay* will be launched once again when the proximity sensor of the master Chain Disk feeder will stop detecting feed (*Back to Step 1*).

Option B- 🕖 Timed Feed Distribution

1. Beginning the Filling Process:

The filling process starts at the start-up of each feeding cycle.

2. Cleaning the Drops:

If actuators are used and the "Clean Drop" option is enabled in the INSTALLATION menu, the controller opens and closes the drops tree times in a row to evacuate feed leftovers from the system.

3. Emptying Feeders:

To ensure all Chain Disk feeders are empty before bringing new feed, the controller activates all drive units during their respective *Auger Delay*.

4. Filling Chain Disk Feeders:

When the *Auger Delay* of a feeder has elapsed, the feeder keeps running and its respective bin auger starts filling it.

5. The Feeder is Full:

- a. If a proximity sensor is used: The controller knows a feeder is full when the proximity sensor located at its end detects feed for 5 seconds without interruption. When feed is detected, the controller stops the feed entry (bin auger) and the drive unit keeps running for the *Shutdown Delay* then stops.
- **b.** If no proximity sensor is used: The controller knows the feeder is full when the drive unit has been running for the *Run Time* parameter value. The controller stops the drive unit of this feeder once it is full.

6. Feed Dumping:

When the Chain Disk system is fully loaded, feed is ready to be delivered to the animals. Step to *Proximity Sensor Location Section*.

Feed Delivery Process

After the feeders have been filled up, feed is ready to be delivered to the animals. This section explains how feed is dumped by actuators and electric valves and how feed is delivered when no actuator/electric valve is used. Note that actuators and electric valves can only be used when using the timer-based feed distribution method and note that their parameters are common to all feeders in use.

1. Feed Delivery using Actuators:

- a. The actuator opens the drops during the opening time.
- Once the opening time has elapsed, the actuator stops moving during the Actuator Delay;
- c. Once the Actuator Delay has elapsed, the actuator fully closes the drops during twice the opening time or until the security sensor (limit switch) is reached.
- d. End of the feed cycle.

2. Feed Delivery using Electric Valves:

- a. Electric valves open the dumps at the *DumpTime*.
- b. The dumps remain opened during the Electric Valve Delay.
- c. Electric valve close after the Electric Valve Delay has elapsed.
- d. End of the feed cycle.

3. Feed Delivery without Actuators / Electric Valves:

If no actuator or electric valve is used, the feed that enters into Chain Disk feeders directly falls in the drops while the feeders are being filled. Once all feeders are full, feed will unload gradually as the animals eat.

Feed Cycles

When the feed distribution is performed in timer mode, the user must program feed cycles to signal the time at which the feeders are being filled and the time at which feed is delivered to the animals. Up to 20 feed cycles can be performed every day. Refer to section 5.6 to enable the required number of cycles.

1. Feed Cycle Start Time:

This is the time at which each feed cycle starts.

A WARNING A

The controller restrains the time at which feed cycles can start so that no cycle overlaps another.

2. Dump Time:

If actuators or electric valves are used, set the time at which the dumps must open. Make sure this dump is performed when all feeders are full (Start time + *Max Run Time* of all feeders - see below).

3. Run Time:

This is the time that is required to fill-up each feeder. This function is only available if no proximity sensor is used.

12.4 Parameter Settings

Controller Status

The STATUS menu shows the ongoing operations of the controller. All alarms situations must also be acknowledged from this menu (Refer to *Manual & Test Modes Section* for further information about alarms). The controller automatically returns to this STATUS menu after 4 minutes of inactivity.

The STATUS menu tells you:

- If the test mode is active;
- If the manual mode is active;
- When the next feeding cycle will start;
- When the drive units will stop (Shut Down Delay);
- When the actuator will stop moving;
- When the Actuator Delay will end.
- When the Purge Time will end.
- When the next dump will be performed;
- What is the amperage draw of each drive unit;
- 1. Use the menu select buttons to select the STATUS main menu.
- 2. Use the arrow keys to scroll the display.

Run Time History

The APCD-295 keeps a daily history master Chain Disk run times. These values are kept in memory for the past 6 days.

1. Use the menu select buttons to select the RUN TIME HISTORY menu. The total run time of the last cycle is displayed.



1. Use the down-arrow key to scroll the display. The chain disk run times of the past 6 days are displayed.



Time & Date

1. Use the menu select buttons to select the TIME / DATE menu. The current time and date are displayed.



2. Press MODIFY. The hours flash on the display. Use the arrow keys to set the hours to the

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proper value.

- 3. Press MODIFY once again. The minutes flash on the display. Use the arrow keys to set the minutes to the proper value.
- 4. Press MODIFY once again. The seconds flash on the display. Use the arrow keys to set the seconds to the proper value.
- 5. Press MODIFY. The day flashes on the display. Use the arrow keys to set the day to the proper value.
- 6. Press MODIFY once again. The month flashes on the display. Use the arrow keys to set the month to the proper value.
- 7. Press MODIFY once again. The year flashes on the display. Use the arrow keys to set the year to the proper value.

Feed Cycle Settings

Refer to Filling Chain Disk Feeders Section to get information on feed cycles.



To ease programming the feed cycles, write down each of your settings in the feed cycle template in the Feed Cycle Settings section.

1. Use the menu select buttons to select the FEED CYCLES menu. This menu is only accessible if feed is distributed according to a timer (the continuous feeding mode is disabled in the installation). A password may also be required to access this menu *(See Installation Setup Section)*.



- 2. Press MODIFY. The start time of the first feed cycle flashes on the display. Use the arrow keys to adjust it to the proper value. Press MODIFY once again to validate.
- 3. Press the down-arrow key once. The dump time of the first feed cycle is displayed. Accessible if actuators or electric valves are enabled (See Installation Setup Section).
- 4. Press MODIFY. The dump time of the first feed cycle flashes on the display. Use the arrow keys to adjust it to the proper value. Press MODIFY once again to validate the new value
- 5. Press the down-arrow key once. The start time of the second feed cycle is displayed. Proceed in similar fashion to set the start and dump times of all feed cycles in use.

Check Feed Cycles

🛦 WARNING 🖌

The controller automatically rearranges the feed cycles in the case of a programming error. The warning message *"Check Feed Cycles"* is displayed afterwards. The user has to validate the new arrangement of the feed cycles by scrolling down the whole Feed Cycle menu. The warning message will then disappear.

Feed Cycle Temperature											
		Feeders Max Run Time ¹									
Feed Cycles	Start Time	Master Feeder	Slave Feeder 1	Slave Feeder 2	Slave Feeder 3	Slave Feeder 4	Slave Feeder 5	Slave Feeder 6	Slave Feeder 7	Full at ²	Dump Time ³
Example	09:00A	01:30	00:30	00:30	N.U	N.U	N.U	N.U	N.U	11:30A	11:45A
Cycle 1									_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 2				.				.	_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 3	_:_			_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 4									_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 5		<u>.</u>			_:_	_:_	_:_		_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 6		<u>.</u>			_:_	_:_	_:_	:	_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 7		<u>.</u>		:	_:_	_:_	_:_	:	_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 8									_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 9				.				.	_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 10				.				.	_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 11				.				.	_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 12				.				.	_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 13				.				.	_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 14									_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 15									_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 16									_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 17		<u>.</u>		:	_:_	_:_	_:_	:	_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 18	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	
Cycle 19	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_
Cycle 20	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_	_:_

- 1. The Maximum Run Time parameter value is common to all feed cycles.
- 2. The time at which all feeders are full corresponds to the *Start Time* + *Max Run Time* of all feeders.
- 3. Make sure the dump is performed after all feeders are full. The *Dump Time* must only be defined if actuators or electric valves are enabled.

Run Time Settings

The run time parameter represents the time that is required to fill-up each feeder. It can be adjusted from 00:00 hh:mm to 04:00 hh:mm. Refer to *Filling Chain Disk Feeders Section* to get information about this parameter.

- 1. Use the menu select buttons to select the FEED CYCLES menu. This menu is only accessible if feed is distributed according to a timer (the continuous feeding mode is disabled in the installation) and if no proximity sensor is used. A password may also be required to access this menu (See Installation Setup Section).
- 2. Press the down-arrow key in order to select the first run time screen display. This is the Run Time of the master Chain Disk.



- 3. Press MODIFY then use the arrow keys to set this parameter to the desired value. Press MODIFY once again to validate.
- 4. If slave feeders are used, press the down-arrow key to select the Run Time of the first slave feeder.



- 5. Press MODIFY then use the arrow keys to set this parameter to the desired value. Press MODIFY once again to validate.
- 6. Proceed in similar fashion to set the Run Time of all feeders in use.

Installation Setup

The following section describes how to customize the controller for your particular application. Normally, this setup needs to be done only once.

Enter Password

Use the menu select buttons to select the INSTALLATION main menu. A password may be required to access this menu. By default, the password is set to 6-1-0.


The following parameters are presented below in the order they appear on the display. To modify a parameter, press MODIFY then use the arrow keys to change it. When you are finished adjusting a parameter, press MODIFY once again to validate the new value and return to the display mode. Press the down-arrow key to move to the next parameter.

Use Password

Select "**Yes**" to enable a password; this password is used to restrain the access to the Installation and Feed Cycle menus.



of Slaves

Enter the number of additional Chain Disk feeders in use. Up to 7 slave feeders (APCD-295S) can be controlled.



Feeder setup

If slave feeders are used, select the proper feeder setup: Select Cascade if the feeders are connected together; select Independent if they are separated from one another. *This menu is shown if slave feeders are enabled below.*



Common Auger

If independent slave feeders are enabled above, select if all feeders have their own bin auger or if they share a common auger.

This menu is shown if independent slave feeders are enabled below.





Proxy Switch

Select "**Yes**" if proximity sensors are used to detect the presence of feed at the end of the feeders.



Proxy Switch Status

Choose the normal contact status of all proximity sensors in use: Normally Opened (NO) or Normally Closed (NC).

Only shown proximity sensors are enabled.



Feed Sensor Bypass

If a proximity sensor is used, the Chain Disk stops when feed is detected at the end of the feeder. However, when a feed cycle starts, some feed leftovers from the previous cycle are likely to remain at the end of the feed line. The Feed Sensor Bypass delay allows ignoring the presence of these leftovers at the beginning of a feed cycle. Set this delay separately for each feeder in use: (S1 = Slave 1, S2 = Slave 2, etc.,) It can be adjusted from 0 to 30 minutes. *Only shown if proximity sensors are enabled above and if feed distribution is based on a timer (if the continuous feeding mode is disabled below).*



Continuous Feeding / Timed Feeding

Select "**YES**" to use the continuous feeding mode; select "**No**" to use timed feed distribution (See Feed Distribution Modes Section). Only shown proximity sensors are enabled below.



Continuous Feeding Delay

When using the continuous feed distribution method, the Continuous Delay tells when to start a feed cycle from the moment where no feed is detected at the end of the master Chain Disk feeder (See Timed Feed Distribution Section). It can be adjusted from 1 min. to 23 h 59 min. Only shown if the continuous feeding mode is enabled below.



Feed Dump: Actuators / Electric Valves

Select "Actua" to enable feed dumps that are controlled by an actuator; select "Valve" to enable feed dumps that are controlled by an electric valve; select "None" to disable feed dumps. *Only shown if feed distribution is based on a timer (if the continuous feeding mode is disabled below).*



Clean Drops

This function allows cleaning the drops at the very beginning of each feed cycles: The controller uses the "Actuator Open Time" parameter to open and close the drops 3 times in a row in order to evacuate feed leftovers from the system.



Actuator Open Time

Delay that is required for the actuator to open the dumps. It can be adjusted from 0 to 120 minutes.

Only shown if the actuator is enabled below.



Actuator Delay

This is the time the dumps remain opened right after having been opened. It can be adjusted from 0 to 60 minutes.

Only shown if the actuator is enabled below.



Security Sensor

Select "**Yes**" if the actuator has a security sensor (limit switch). *Only shown if the actuator is enabled below.*



Electric Valve Delay

This is the time electric valves remain opened to dump the feed. It can be adjusted from 0 to 60 minutes.

Only shown if electric valves are enabled below.



Maximum Current of the Master Feeder

Select the maximum allowable current that can be consumed by the drive unit of the master feeder. This parameter can be adjusted from 1 to 14 Amp.



Window Size

This parameter is used to restart a drive unit that was stopped due to an over current condition. The drive unit restarts when its amperage draw becomes lower than its respective *Max Current Consumption - Window Size*. The window size is common to all drive units and can be adjusted from 0.5 to 3.0 Amp.



Maximum Current of Slave Feeders

Select the maximum allowable current that can be consumed by the drive unit of each slave feeder (S1 = Slave 1, S2 = Slave 2, etc.) The *Maximum Current Consumption* can be adjusted from 1 to 14 Amp.

Available if slave feeders are enabled below.



Over Current Delay

An alarm is set off when the amperage draw of a drive unit exceeds its respective maximum current limit for this time delay. The Over Current Delay is common to all drive units and can be adjusted from 30 seconds to 15 minutes.



Auger Delay

When a feed cycle starts, the activation of the bin auger is postponed until the end of this delay. This allows emptying the feeders before bringing new feed into the system. If all feeder have their own bin augers, set this delay separately for each slave feeders. The *Auger Delay* can be adjusted from 0 to 60 minutes.



Max Run Time

This is the maximum allowable running time of a feeder. The controller sounds an alarm when the continuous run time of a feeder exceeds the Max Run Time limit of this feeder. Set this parameter separately for each feeder in use. It can be adjusted from 00:00 hh:mm to 04:00 hh:mm.



of Feeding Cycles

Activate the proper number of daily feed cycles. Up to 20 cycles can be activated. The controller automatically restrain the number of feed cycles so that no cycle overlaps another. Refer to (See Feed Cycle Settings Section) to set the feed cycles.



Time Mode

Select the desired time display format: 12 h or 24 h mode.



Shut Down Delay

When a proximity sensor detects feed at the end of a feeder, the controller stops the feed entry (bin auger) and launches the Shutdown Delay before stopping the drive unit. This delay can be adjusted from 0 to 10 minutes.

Only shown if proximity sensors are enabled above.



Change password?

Select "Yes" if you wish to modify the controller's password then press the down-arrow key.



1. Press MODIFY. The first two digits of the password flash on the display.

2. The new password must be entered, one number at a time. Use the arrow keys to enter the first number. Press MODIFY to step to the next number. Use the arrow keys to enter the second number, etc.



Version

This is the current version of your controller.



Manual & Test Modes

The manual mode allows activating manually the actuators, electric valves and drive units.

Manual Filling of the Feeders

It is possible to fill some Chain Disk feeders without waiting for a feed cycle to start. When this manual start-up is performed, the Manual Mode pilot light turns on and the controllers activates the proper outputs in order to fill up the required feeder(s) (see the different filling methods in *Filling Process Section*). The manual filling process ends when the feeder is full.

WARNING 🖌

If the user starts a manual fill-up of a feeder while a feed cycle is ongoing, the ongoing cycle is bypassed and replaced by the manual filling process. When the controller returns to the automatic mode, it will not resume the previous cycle but will perform the dump at the next Dump Time (if applicable). A manual dump can also be performed (See Manual Start/Stop Section). Do not forget to exit from the manual mode once the manual filling process is completed.

- 1. Use the menu select buttons to select the MANUAL MODE menu. A password may be required to access this menu (See Installation Setup Section).
- 2. Before enabling the manual filling, select which feeder must be filled: Press the down-arrow key to select the Manual Start menu.



3. Press MODIFY then use the arrow keys to select the feeder that needs to be filled manually (Master Chain Disk feeder, All feeders or slave 1-7 feeders). Press MODIFY once again to validate. Once the desired feeder is selected, activate the manual mode as shown in *Manual Start/Stop Section*.

Manual Start/Stop

It is possible to start filling some feeders manually (as explained in previous section) or to stop the whole Chain Disk system manually.

- 1. Use the menu select buttons to select the **MANUAL MODE** menu. A password may be required to access this menu (See Installation Setup Section).
- 2. The manual mode status is displayed on screen.



3. Press MODIFY then use the arrow keys to select the desired status: Select Start to enable the manual mode; Select *Stop* to stop the Chain Disk system; Select *Auto* to return to the automatic control mode.

Manual Dump

The actuator/electric valve can only be activated manually when no drive unit is running. The Manual Mode pilot light flashes while an actuator or electric valve is controlled manually.

- 1. Use the menu select buttons to select the **MANUAL MODE** menu.
- 2. Press the down-arrow key to select the manual mode status of the actuator. Only shown if the actuator is enabled (See Installation Setup Section).



- 3. Press MODIFY then use the arrow keys to select the desired status (Auto /Open /Stop/ Close). Press MODIFY again to validate. *The answer is validated after an 8 second delay.*
- 4. Press the down-arrow key once. The manual mode status of the electric valve is displayed. *Only shown if the electric valve is enabled* (See Installation Setup Section).
- 5. Press MODIFY then use the arrow keys to select the proper status (Auto/Open/Close). Press MODIFY again to validate. *The answer is validated after an 8 second delay.*

Toggle Switch

A toggle switch can be connected to the main board. This switch allows stopping the drive unit of the master Chain Disk feeder and stopping bin augers manually, without sounding the Chain Disk is Not Running alarm until the next feed cycle. Refer to the wiring diagram enclosed with this manual to connect the toggle switch.

A WARNING A

The toggle switch does not cut the power lines to the chain disk motor. Shut off the circuit breaker for servicing and maintenance.

Test Mode

The test mode allows simulating the amperage draw of all drive units in order to verify the controller's performances.

- 1. Use the menu select buttons to select the MANUAL MODE menu.
- 2. Press the down-arrow key to select the amperage draw display of the drive unit of the master Chain Disk feeder or of a slave feeder.
- 3. Press the down-arrow key to select the amperage draw of the selected drive unit.
- 4. Press MODIFY then use the arrow keys to set the simulated current consumption. Press MODIFY to validate. *The answer is validated after an 8 second delay.*

WARNING A

Do not forget to exit from the test mode when the tests are completed.

Alarms

The following table shows the possible alarms conditions. When an alarm occurs, the whole Chain Disk system stops operating until the alarm is acknowledged.

Alarm Messages	Meaning
Actuator is not Closed	The limit switch of an actuator has not been reached after the Closing Time (this type of alarm can only occur if the safety sensor is enabled).
Actuator is not Opened	The limit switch of an actuator is still detected after the Opening Time (this type of alarm can only occur if the safety sensor is enabled in the installation).
APCD-295-S # X Comm Alarm	Communication is disrupted between the main controller and an APCD-295-S slave module ID $\# X$.
Chain Disk is not Running	The amperage draw of the master Chain Disk is lower than 2.0 Amps.
Current Overload	The amperage draw of the master Chain Disk exceeded its Maximum Current Consumption limit for the Over Current Delay.
Current Overload APCD-295-S # X	The amperage draw of slave feeder ID # X exceeded the Maximum Current Consumption limit for the Over Current Delay.
Max Run Time	The running time of the master Chain Disk drive unit exceeded the Max.Run Time parameter value.
Max Run Time APCD-295-S # X	The running time of slave feeder ID # X exceeded the Max.Run Time parameter value.
Chain Disk Safety Switch	The safety switch of the master Chain Disk feeder has been reached.
Chain Disk Safety Switch APCD-295-S # X	The safety switch of slave feeder ID # X has been reached.

Trouble Light

It is possible to connect a trouble light to the main controller. This light turns on whenever an alarm occurs. Refer to the *Wiring Diagram* enclosed with this manual to connect this light.

Acknowledging an Alarm

- 1. Use the menu select buttons to select the STATUS menu. The current alarm acknowledgment menu is displayed.
- 2. Press MODIFY. The acknowledgment status flashes on the display.
- 3. Press the up-arrow key to acknowledge the alarm then press MODIFY to validate. The alarm is now acknowledged.

12.5 Technical Specifications

Туре	APCD-295
Main Supply Fuse F1	F 1A, 250V, Fast-blow
Main Supply/Frequency	230V+10% - 20%, 12A, 50/60Hz
Housing	Plastic Casing
Operating Temperature	0 to 40° C
Storage Temperature	-15 to 50° C
Ambient Relative Humidity	MAX 95% (non condensing)
Alarm	10 mA to 2A, 24 VAC or DC MAX
Chain Disk Motor	230 VAC / 2 HP MAX
Auger Motor	230 VAC / 1 HP MAX 115 VAC / 1/2 HP MAX
Actuator/Electric Valve	230 VAC MAX, 5A MAX
Trouble light	500W MAX, 115 VAC
Installation Category	Categorie II: Overvoltage Category
Pollution Degree	2
Altitude	Up to 2000m

The room temperature where the controller is located MUST ALWAYS REMAIN BETWEEN 32° AND 104°F (0° AND 40°C). For indoor use.

12.6 Memory Card

The memory card is used to create a backup copy of your controller's configuration. The card is also useful to transfer the configuration of one controller to another controller of the same type.

The switch at the bottom of the card is used to lock or to unlock the card ($\hat{\mathbf{n}} =$ locked, $\hat{\mathbf{n}} =$ unlocked).



Turn off power each time you open the controller's enclosure. This prevents accidental exposure to areas of high voltage.

To Transfer a Configuration

- 1. Turn OFF power to the controller.
- 2. Open the latch and lift the controller's cover.
- 3. If you are about to copy the controller's configuration on the memory card, make sure the card's switch is at the unlocked position.
- 4. Insert the card in the J9 connector located on the electronic board inside the controller. Components of the memory card must face down as illustrated.
- 5. Close the cover then reapply power to the controller. The transfer menu should be shown on screen (if this is not the case, simultaneously press the MENU SELECT up and down-arrow keys for 3 seconds to display this menu).



Figure 12J

6. Use the ADJUSTMENT up and down arrow keys to select the proper type of transfer:

Memory Card \rightarrow Controller:

To transfer the memory card's content into the controller, select the "**Mem. Card to Control**". Once it is selected, simultaneously press the ADJUSTMENT up and down arrow keys to start the transfer.



Controller — Memory Card:

To save the controller's configuration into the memory card, select the "**Control to Mem. Card**" menu. Once it is selected, simultaneously press the ADJUSTMENT up and down arrow keys to start the transfer.



- 7. Once the transfer is over, simultaneously press and hold the MENU SELECT up and down arrow keys for 5 seconds to exit the transfer menu, then remove the memory card from the connector as follows:
 - Turn OFF power to the controller;
 - Open the controller's cover;
 - Remove the card from the connector;
 - Close the cover then reapply power to the controller.
- 8. Lock the card's switch (\bigcirc) if required.

Transfer Error

A WARNING A

The controller will not warn you if the transfer is incorrect. Respect the following rules to make sure the transfer works properly:

Make sure the card switch is at the unlocked position before transferring a configuration on the card.

Do not move or hold the card while a transfer is ongoing.

13. CHAIN DISK CONTROLER - APCD-295-S

13.1 Terms and Symbols

APCD-295-S	CHAIN DISK
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Figure 13A

Status Leds

The LEDs at the right of the control panel give the status of each output. The following table gives the meaning of each pilot light:



Figure 13B

LED	Meaning
Power ON	The APCD-295-S is correctly powered.
Current Overload	Flashes when the amperage draw of the drive unit has exceeded the <i>Max Current</i> limit for the <i>Overload Delay</i> . Fix the problem then press and hold the RESET button to restart the system.
Chain Disk Safety Switch	Turns ON when the drive unit has reached its safety switch. Fix the problem then press and hold the RESET button to restart the system.
Feed Switch	Turns ON when the proximity sensor detects feed. Flashes during the <i>Feed Bypass Delay.</i>
Chain Disk Output	Turns ON when the drive unit is running.

Internal Switches

The internal switches are located inside the box on the bottom board. When the controller is shipped from the factory, all the switches are set to OFF.



Figure 13C

Internal switches 1-7 are used to set the ID number of each APCD-295-S unit. Internal switch #8 is used to return to the previous communiation method as explained below.

#	OFF	ON
1	Only lift the switch that corresponds to the ID# of the APCD-295-S unit.	ID #1
2		ID #2
3		ID #3
4		ID #4
5		ID #5
6		ID #6
7		ID #7
8	Communication terminals are enabled.	Communication terminals are disabled. Do not turn this switch on unless your dealer tells you to do it.

Communication Mode

🛦 WARNING 🔺

Internal switch #8 allows stepping back to the communication mode that was previously used by the APCD-295 controller (without using COMM terminals). This option is used to ensure the compatibility between APCD-295-S units and older versions of the APCD-295. Do not turn this switch ON unless your dealer tells you to do it.

Note that turning internal switch #8 ON completely changes the way the APCD-295-S works. If you turn it ON, refer to revision 01 of the APCD-295-S manual and to revision 02 of the wiring diagram (contact your dealer).

13.2 Installation

Mounting Instructions

Open the latch and lift the cover. Remove the black caps located on each of the four mounting holes. Mount the enclosure on the wall using four screws. Be sure the electrical knockouts are at the bottom of the enclosure in order to prevent water from entering the controller. Insert the screws in the mounting holes and tighten. Fasten the four black caps provided with the controller onto the four mounting holes. The enclosure must be mounted in a location that will allow the cover to be completely opened right up against the wall.

Connections

To connect the controller, refer to the *Wiring Diagram* enclosed with this user's manual. Use the electrical knockouts provided at the bottom of the enclosure. Do not make additional holes in the enclosure, particularly on the side of the enclosure when using a computer communications module.

WARNING 🗚

All wiring must be done by an authorized electrician and must comply with applicable codes, laws and regulations. Be sure power is off before doing any wiring to avoid electrical shocks and equipment damage.

13.3 Controller's Operation

Controller's Description

APCD-295-S units allows adding up to 7 feeders to a Chain Disk system that is controlled by an APCD- 295 controller. The following illustration sums up the situation:



Slave Unit's Operation

The feeders connected to all APCD-295-S units are controlled by the master APCD-295 controller. This is true except when a current overload occurs or when the drive unit's safety switch is reached: When one of these situations occurs, the APCD-295-S stops its respective drive unit and stops the feed entry (bin auger).

Reset Button

This button is only used if your APCD-295-S unit operates according to the previous communication method (if internal switch #8 is set to ON). With the new communication mode (internal switch #8 to OFF), this reset must be performed from the master Chain Disk controller (APCD-295 controller).

Toggle Switch

A toggle switch can be connected to the main board. This switch allows stopping the drive unit of the APCD-295-S unit and stopping bin augers manually, whithout sounding the Chain Disk is Not Running alarm until the next feed cycle.

WARNING 🖌

The toggle switch does not cut the power lines to the chain disk motor. Disconnect the breaker for servicing and maintenance.

13.4 Technical Specifications

Туре	APCD-295-S
Main Supply Fuse F1	→ 1 A, fast-blow
Mains Supply/Frequency	230 V+10% -20%, 2 HP, 50/60 Hz
Housing	IP54, plastic casing
Operating Temperature	0 to 40°C
Storage Temperature	-15 to 50°C
Ambient Relative Humidity	Max. 95%
Chain Disk Motor	230 VAC, Max2 HP
Auger Motor	Max230 VAC, Max1/2 HP

The room temperature where the controller is located MUST ALWAYS REMAIN BETWEEN 32° AND 104°F (0° AND 40°C).

14. CHAIN DISK CONTROLER - APCD-300

14.1 Terms and Symbols



LCD Display

The LCD display on the left gives the current readings and parameters to be adjusted when you select a function. The three keys at the right of the display are used to edit parameters and step through the screen display. When the parameters for a given function cannot all be presented at once on the display, arrows are displayed on the right hand side to indicate that additional parameters can be displayed using the arrow keys \checkmark . After 4 minutes of inactivity, the display returns to the STATUS display.

Arrow Keys

The arrow keys that are located next to the LCD display have 2 purposes. They are first used to step through the parameters that are displayed on the display. They are also used to modify a parameter's value when a parameter flashes on the display.

Menu Select Buttons

These keys are used to select the functions that are located in the main menu.

Adjusting a Parameter

Use the arrow keys to select the parameter that needs to be adjusted. Once the parameter is selected, press MODIFY. The parameter then flashes on the display. It can now be adjusted with the arrow keys. Once it is properly set, Press MODIFY once again to validate the new value. If the value does not flash after having pressed the MODIFY, it means that the value is a reading. A reading cannot be modified.

Output Status LEDs

The LEDs at the right of the control panel give the status of each output. When the LED is turned on, the output is activated; when the LED is turned OFF, the output is deactivated. The following table gives the LEDS' meanings:

LED	Meaning
	Turns ON when an alarm is detected.
Alarm	The chain disk control stops operating until the alarm is acknowledged.
Current Overload	Turns ON when the chain disk's current exceeds the <i>max current</i> limit for a time period exceeding the <i>over current delay.</i>
	The chain disk control stops operating until the alarm is acknowledged.
	Turns ON when the safety switch is reached.
Chain Disk Safety Switch	The chain disk control stops operating until the alarm is acknowledged.
Max Run Time	Turns on when the chain disk's running time exceeds the <i>max run time</i> .
Max Run Hine	The chain disk control stops operating until the alarm is acknowledged.
5 10 11	Turns ON when feed is detected by the proxy switch.
Feed Switch	Flashes during the <i>feed sensor bypass</i> delay.
Chain Disk Output	Turns ON when the Chain Disk is operating.
Auger Output	Turns ON when the bin auger is operating. Flashes during the Auger Delay.
Manual Mode	Turns ON when the chain disk is on manual mode.
Automatic Mode	Turns ON when the chain disk is on the automatic mode.

Symbols



Double Insulation

14.2 Installation

Mounting Instructions

Remove the four screws in the front cover and lift the cover. Remove the black caps located on the three mounting holes. Mount the enclosure to the wall using three screws. Be sure the electrical knockouts are at the bottom of the enclosure in order to prevent water from entering the controller. Insert the screws into the mounting holes and tighten. <u>Fasten the black caps</u> onto the mounting holes.

Connections

To connect the controller, refer to the wiring diagram enclosed with this user's manual. Use the electrical knockouts provided at the bottom of the enclosure. Do not make additional holes in the enclosure, particularly on the side of the enclosure when using a computer communications module.

- 1. Do not install rigid conduit into electrical knockouts. Only nylon cable glands are permitted for cable or wire fastening.
- 2. A switch or circuit breaker shall be included in the building installation. It shall be in close proximity to the equipment and within easy reach of the operator. It shall be marked as the disconnecting device for the equipment.
- 3. The main supply circuit breaker for feeder motor (L1/L2 POWER IN) shall be 20 A.
- 4. Wire gage used for mains supply (L1/L2 POWER IN) and feeder motor shall be at least 12 AWG.
- 5. Separate circuit breaker shall be used for auger motor.
- 6. The mains supply breaker for auger motor shall be 15 A.
- 7. Wire gage used for auger motor shall be at least 14 AWG.



All wiring must be done by an authorized electrician and must comply with applicable codes, laws and regulations. Be sure power is off before doing any wiring to avoid electrical shocks and equipment damage.

Safety may be jeopardized if the equipment is used in a manner not specified by the manufacturer.

14.3 Controller's Operation

Controller's Description

The APCD-300 is an electronic device used to control a chain disk system in livestock buildings. The APCD-300 takes in charge the feed intake from the bin into the feed line and controls the feed distribution process using a proximity sensor (Proxy Switch).

Auger's Operation

At the start-up of each feeding cycle, the auger starts bringing feed into the feed distribution line, right after the Auger's Delay. The auger's motor is stopped when the feed line is loaded. The following steps describe the whole process.



Figure 14A

- 1. The auger's screw brings feed into the feed line.
- 2. The feed line gets loaded and the chain disk reaches its *Max. Current Consumption.* The auger's motor is then stopped.
- 3. The chain disk keeps running regularly. Feed evacuates from the feed line.
- 4. The chain disk motor's current consumption decreases as the feed load decreases. When the current consumption is below *Max. Current Consumption Window Size*, the auger's operation is resumed and feed starts being delivered again into the feed line.



Refer to Installation Setup Sectiion to set auger's parameters.

Chain Disk Operation

The controller has two different ways of operating the chain disk system depending on the location of the Proxy Switch. The proximity sensor can either be located in the last drop or directly mounted on the feed line tube.



Figure 14B

Chain Disk Controler - APCD-300

Operating Mode 2: If the Proxy Switch is Mounted in the Last Drop:



Figure 14C

- Step 1 The chain disk motor runs continuously when as no feed is being detected by the Proxy Switch.
- Step 2 The chain disk motor stops when the Proxy Switch detects feed for 5 seconds without interruption. The feed line is now loaded. The controller waits for the feed line to empty.
- Step 3 The Proxy Switch stops detecting feed. The Continuous Feed Delay is launched. The controller waits for the end of this delay before restarting the chain disk system.
- Step 4 The chain disk motor restarts (back to Step 1).

Operating Mode 2: If the Proxy Switch is Mounted in the Feed Line Tube:





Step 1 - The Proxy Switch does not detect feed: The chain disk motor runs continuously.

- Step 2 The Proxy Switch detects feed for 5 seconds without interruption: the chain disk motor stops; the feed line is now loaded.
- Step 3 The Continuous Feed Delay is launched. This delay is required to empty the feed line.
- Step 4 Once the Continuous Feed Delay has elapsed, the chain disk motor restarts during the Feed Bypass Delay.
- Step 5 If feed is detected by the Proxy Switch: the Continuous Feed Delay is relaunched (back to Step 3).

If no feed is detected by the Proxy Switch: the chain disk motor restarts (back to Step 1).

WARNING 🗚

Note that the whole feed distribution process is stopped when an alarm is active!

14.4 Parameter Settings

Controller Status

This menu indicates the controller's status. The following pieces of information can be displayed:

- The chain disk is in manual mode
- A countdown before the chain disk stops (Shut down delay)
- The current that is consumed by the chain disk's motor.

The alarm acknowledgment must also be performed from this menu (Refer to *Alarms Sectiion* for further information about the alarms). The controller automatically returns to this menu after 4 minutes of inactivity.

- 1. Use the menu select buttons to select the STATUS main menu.
- 2. Use the arrow keys to scroll the display.

Run Time History

The APCD-300 keeps a daily history master Chain Disk run times. These values are kept in memory for the past 6 days.

1. Use the menu select buttons to select the RUN TIME HISTORY menu. The total run time of the last cycle is displayed.



2. Use the down-arrow key to scroll the display. The chain disk run times of the past 6 days are displayed.



Setting the Time & Date

1. Use the menu select buttons to select the TIME / DATE menu. The current time and date are displayed.



- 2. Press MODIFY. The hours flash on the display. Use the arrow keys to set the hours to the proper value.
- 3. Press MODIFY once again. The minutes flash on the display. Use the arrow keys to set the minutes to the proper value.
- 4. Press MODIFY once again. The seconds flash on the display. Use the arrow keys to set the seconds to the proper value.
- 5. Press MODIFY. The day flashes on the display. Use the arrow keys to set the day to the proper value.
- 6. Press MODIFY once again. The month flashes on the display. Use the arrow keys to set the month to the proper value.
- 7. Press MODIFY once again. The year flashes on the display. Use the arrow keys to set the year to the proper value.

Installation Setup

The following section describes how to customize the controller for your particular application. Normally, this setup needs to be done only once.

 Use the menu select buttons to select the **INSTALLATION** main menu. A password may be required to access this menu. <u>By default, the password is set to 6-1-0.</u>

> Enter Password 06 01 00

The following parameters are presented below in the order they appear on the display. To modify a parameter, press MODIFY then use the arrow keys to change it. When you are finished adjusting a parameter, press MODIFY once again to validate the new value and return to the display mode. Press the down arrow key to move to the next parameter.

2. Use Password

Select "**Yes**" to enable a password; This password is used to restrain the access to the Installation and Feed Cycle menus.



3. Proxy Switch Status

Choose the normal status of the proximity switch relay: Normally Open (NO) or Normally Closed (NC).



4. Continuous Feeding Delay

The Continuous Delay has a different utility depending on the location of the Proxy Switch. In both cases, the delay can be adjusted from 1 minute to 23 h 59 m.



1. If the Proxy Switch is located in the last drop:

(Feed Sensor Bypass = 0 second): The Continuous Feed Delay is the time period that is required before restarting the chain disk once feed stops being detected.

2. If the Proxy Switch is located in the last drop:

(Feed Sensor Bypass = 0 second): The Continuous Feed Delay is the time period that is required before restarting the chain disk once feed stops being detected.

5. Feed Sensor Bypass

Delay over which the chain disk runs right after the Continuous Delay. Set the bypass delay to 0 second if the Proxy Switch is located in the last drop. The bypass delay can be adjusted from 0 to 30 minutes.



6. Maximum Current

Select the maximum allowable current that can be consumed by the feeder motor. Adjustable from 1 to 14 Amp.



7. Window Size

This is the current difference, below the Max. Current, at which the auger motor restarts. The auger motor restarts at: Max Current - Window Size. It can be adjusted from 0.5 to 3.0 Amp.



8. Over Current Delay

An alarm is set OFF when the chain disk motor's current consumption exceeds the Maximum Current limit for this delay. The Over Current Delay can be adjusted from 30 seconds to 15 minutes.



9. Auger's Delay

The auger starts running when this delay has elapsed, right after the chain disk's start-up (once the Continuous Delay has elapsed). Adjustable from 0 to 60 minutes.



10. Max Run Time

The Max. Run Time is the maximum allowable running time of the chain disk. Whenever the chain disk reaches this running time, an alarm is set off and the system stops operating until the alarm is acknowledged. The Max Run Time can be adjusted from 0 to 4 hours.



11. Time Mode

Select the desired time display format: 12 h or 24 h mode.



12. Shut Down Delay

Once feed is detected by the proximity switch at the end of the line, a delay is launched before stopping the chain disk motor. The bin auger also stops bringing feed into the line over this delay. The shut down delay can be adjusted from 0 to 10 minutes.



13. Change password?

Select "Yes" if you wish to modify the controller's password then press the downarrow key.



- 1. Press MODIFY. The first two digits of the password flash on the display.
- 2. The new password must be entered, one number at a time. Use the arrow keys to enter the first number. Press MODIFY to step to the next number. Use the arrow keys to enter the second number, etc.



14. Version

Show the current version of your controller.



Manual Mode

This mode allows to manually perform a feed cycle: The chain disk runs up until feed is detected by the proximity sensor. The Manual Mode led is lit when this mode is in use. **Do not forget to select the automatic mode again once the manual feed cycle is completed.**

1. Use the menu select buttons to select the **MANUAL MODE** menu.



2. Press MODIFY to change the feed cycle mode; use the arrow keys to choose the proper mode (Auto/Start/Stop). Press MODIFY once again to validate. The new mode is validated after an 8 second delay if the user does not press on the Modify button.

Toggle Switch

It is possible to connect a toggle switch to the main board. This switch allows to manually stop the chain disk and auger motors without setting off the Chain Disk is Not Running alarm until the next feeding cycle. Refer to the *Wiring Diagram* enclosed with this manual to connect the toggle switch.

The Toggle Switch **DOES NOT** Cut The Power Lines To The Chain Disk Motor. Shut OFF The Circuit Breaker For Servicing And Maintenance.

Alarms

The following table shows the possible alarms conditions. When an alarm occurs, the system stops operating until the alarm is acknowledged.

Condition	Meaning
Chain Disk is not Runing	The Chain Disk Motor uses less than 0.2 Amps
Current Overload Occured	The Chain Disk Motor's current consumption exceeded the Max. Current limit for a time period exceeding the over current delay.
Max Run Time Occured	The Chain Disk's run time exceeded the Max. run time. This Alarm can only occur if a proxy switch sensor has been enabled in the installation setup.
Chain Disk Safety Switch	The chain Disk's safety switch has been reached.

Trouble Light

It is possible to connect a trouble light to the main controller. This light turns on whenever an alarm occurs. Refer to the wiring diagram enclosed with this manual to connect the trouble light.

Acknowledging an Alarm

- 1. Use the menu select buttons to select the STATUS menu. The current alarm acknowledgment menu is displayed.
- 2. Press MODIFY. The acknowledgment status flashes on the display.
- 3. Press the up-arrow key to acknowledge the alarm then press MODIFY to validate. The alarm is now acknowledged.

14.5 Technical Specifications

Туре	APCD-295
Main Supply Fuse F1	F 1A, 250V, Fast-blow
Main Supply/Frequency	230 V+10% - 20%, 12A, 50/60Hz
Housing	Plastic Casing
Operating Temperature	0 to 40×C
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Ambient Relative Humidity	Max95% (non condensing)
Alarm	10mA to 2A, 24 VAC or DC Max
Chain Disk Motor	230 VAC / 2HP Max
Auger Motor	230 VAC / 1HP Max 115 VAC / 1/2 HP Max
Trouble light	500 W Max, 115VAC
Installation Category	Categorie II : Overvoltage Category
Pollution Degree	2
Altitude	Up to 2000 m

The room temperature where the controller is located MUST ALWAYS REMAIN BETWEEN 32° AND 104°F (0° AND 40°C). For indoor use.

14.6 Memory Card

The memory card is used to create a backup copy of your controller's configuration. The card is also useful to transfer the configuration of one controller to another controller of the same type.

The switch at the bottom of the card is used to lock or to unlock the card ($\hat{\mathbf{n}} =$ locked, $\hat{\mathbf{n}} =$ unlocked).

WARNING

Turn off power each time you open the controller's enclosure. This prevents accidental exposure to areas of high voltage.

To Transfer a Configuration

- 1. Turn OFF power to the controller.
- 2. Open the latch and lift the controller's cover.
- 3. If you are about to copy the controller's configuration on the memory card, make sure the card's switch is at the unlocked position.
- 4. Insert the card in the J9 connector located on the electronic board inside the controller. Components of the memory card must face down as illustrated.
- 5. Close the cover then reapply power to the controller. The transfer menu should be shown on screen (if this is not the case, simultaneously press the MENU SELECT up and down arrow keys for 3 seconds to display this menu).



6. Use the ADJUSTMENT up and down arrow keys to select the proper type of transfer:

Memory Card → Controller:

To transfer the memory card's content into the controller, select the "**Mem.Card to Control**". Once it is selected, simultaneously press the ADJUSTMENT up and down arrow keys to start the transfer.



Controller → Memory Card:

To save the controller's configuration into the memory card, select the "**Control to Mem. Card**" menu. Once it is selected, simultaneously press the ADJUSTMENT up and down arrow keys to start the transfer.



- 7. Once the transfer is over, simultaneously press and hold the MENU SELECT up and down arrow keys for 5 seconds to exit the transfer menu, then remove the memory card from the connector as follows:
 - Turn off power to the controller;
 - Open the controller's cover;
 - Remove the card from the connector;
 - Close the cover then reapply power to the controller.
- 8. Lock the card's switch (\bigcirc) if required.

Transfer Error



The controller will not warn you if the transfer is incorrect. Respect the following rules to make sure the transfer works properly:

Make sure the card switch is at the unlocked position before transferring a configuration on the card.

Do not move or hold the card while a transfer is ongoing.

15. TESTING OF CONTROLS



If a Flex-Flo System is used, turn the toggle switch to the OFF position.

15.1 Limit Switch

With the motor turned on activate the limit switch in one direction (*Figure 15A*). If the motor does not stop, refer to the troubleshooting guide. To restart, refer to Section 11.2 on page 53.



Figure 15A Test Limit Switch

16. CHAIN INSTALLATION

16.1 Check Drive Sprocket Rotation

Check to make sure the drive sprocket is turning counter clockwise as viewed from inside the drive unit (*Figure 15A*). If not, rewire the wire connections to the motor according to the wiring connection diagram on the motor.

16.2 Direction of Travel

WARNING: The chain and disks must be installed in the right direction! The flat side of the disk must be the leading side (See Figure 16A). If the chain and disks are installed correctly, the disks will smoothly release from the drive sprocket after they travel around it and the system will be more efficient in transporting feed. If the chain and disks are installed incorrectly, the disks will catch on the drive sprocket during operation causing the system to be "jumpy" and resulting in excessive wear on the disks.



Figure 16A Chain and Disks with Connector Link

16.3 Pulling Chain Through Tubing

Note: Fish tape required (length must be equal to or longer than the longest section of glued PVC tubing).

Note: You may want to mark or paint the linked sections, so they can easily be identified through a clear tube.

- 1. Start installing chain at one end of the drive unit so after all the chain is installed the final connection can be made inside the drive unit.
- 2. At the other end of the first section of tubing start pushing the fish tape through the tube until it comes out into the drive unit.
- 3. Connect one end of a section of chain and disks to the fish tape (*make sure the chain and disks are going in the right direction See Figure 16A*).

Chain Installation

- 4. Pull the section of chain and disks through the tubing until there is only about 5 feet (1.5 m) left in the drive unit. If the section of tubing is longer than the chain and disks, use more than one section of chain and disks and connect them together using a connector link. The plastic in the end links will need to be drilled out using a 5/16" drill bit, so the connector link will fit (See Figure 16A).
- 5. Go to the other end of the next section of tubing and start pushing the fish tape through the tube until it comes out this end of the tubing.
- 6. Connect one end of a new section of chain and disks to the fish tape (*make sure the chain and disks are going in the right direction See Figure 16A*).
- 7. Pull the section of chain and disks through the tubing until there is only about 1 foot (1.5 m) left hanging out the tube.
- Connect the two sections of chain and disk together using a connector link (See Figure 16A). The plastic in the last link will need to be drilled out using a 5/16" bit so the connector link will fit.
- 9. Pull on the chain and disks until the slack is out of the section.
- 10. Connect the sections of tubing together.
- 11. Connections of chain and disk can be made at the corners as well.
- 12. Repeat steps 4 through 10 until all the chain and disks are pulled through the tubing.

16.4 Final Assembly of Corners

Important: Before the final connection of the chain and disks is made in the drive unit the top on each corner must be replaced. Otherwise, the tension in the chain will warp the corner housings and make it difficult to replace the tops.

- 1. Remove the 1/2" locknut and 1/2" neoprene backed flat washer which were placed on the pivot shaft previously (See Figure 8A).
- Connect the top to the corner using 5/16 x 1-1/4" bolts and 5/16" nuts. Torque Hex nuts to 5 ft-lbs (DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN!).
- 3. Replace the 1/2" Neoprene backed flat washer and 1/2" locknut on the pivot shaft. Torque locknut to 10 ft-lbs (DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN!).

16.5 Wrapping Chain Around Drive Unit Wheels

- 1. Unhook the spring inside the drive unit (See Figure 16B).
- 2. Slide the idler wheel until it is as close to the drive sprocket as possible.
- 3. Wrap one end of the chain and disks around the idler and the other around the drive sprocket as shown in (See Figure 16B). The fan end of the motor has a shaft extension with flat sides which can be turned with a 1/2" wrench to thread the chain and disks around the drive sprocket. Remove the plastic protector cap to expose the motor shaft extension.

- 4. Cut the two ends of the chain and disks so that the connection can be made in a conventient location. Drill out plastic to 5/16" Diameter.
- 5. Connect the ends using a connector link (See Figure 16A).
- 6. Rehook the spring.
- 7. Put the drive unit cover on.



Figure 16B Drive Unit Chain and Disk Connection

16.6 Chain Take-Up

- 1. Run the Chain Disk System for 10 15 seconds.
- 2. Disconnect all electrical power.
- 3. Remove drive unit cover.
- 4. Check to see that the limit switch is in the middle of the switch actuator bracket (See Figure 15A). In process of breaking in the chain and disks, the chain will lengthen causing the switch actuator bracket to move to the left eventually hitting the limit switch and shutting down the system. If the switch actuator bracket has moved to the left or has already hit the limit switch, links of chain need to be taken out of the system.

Note: Always remove twice as much chain as the idler wheel needs to move. As an example, if the idler wheel should move 4 inches to the right, remove 8 inches of chain.

Chain Installation

- 5. Unhook the spring inside the drive unit.
- 6. Slide the idler until it is as close to the drive sprocket as possible.
- 7. Cut out a section of chain making sure that the connection can be made in a convenient location. Drill out plastic to 5/16" diameter.
- 8. Connect the two ends of chain using a connector link (See Figure 16A).

Note: You may want to mark or paint the linked sections, so they can easily be identified through a clear tube.

- 9. Rehook the spring. Reset limit switch. Reset the appropriate chain disk control (Refer to Section 11.2 on page 53).
- 10. Replace drive unit cover.
- 11. Connect all electrical power.
- 12. Repeat steps 1 11 until the limit switch stays approximately 2" from the left limit switch tab as shown in *(Figure 16C)* actuator bracket. Increase the time that the system runs each time these steps are repeated until the system has run for at least 10 minutes.



Figure 16C Limit Switch Adjustment
16.7 Mounting Proximity Switch

- 1. Mount Proximity Switch to a CLEAR section of tubing located after the last drop tube and before the drive unit (*See Figure 16D*).
- 2. Attach the Proximity Switch Mounting Bracket to the clear tubing using the hose clamps provided. Adjust the bracket so the proximity switch is mounted at a 45° angle (See Figure 16D).



Figure 16D

3. The Proximity Switch must touch the clear tube. Adjust the top plastic nut until the top of the switch is touching the tube. Adjust the bottom plastic nut to secure into place (See Figure 16E).



Figure 16E

16.8 Adjusting Sensitivity

- 1. Turn OFF the flex auger so no feed is being added to the line.
- 2. Turn chain disk on in Manual Mode and clear all feed from inside of line. You may want to adjust the Feed Sensor Bypass time to allow the line to run longer during setup.

Chain Installation

- 3. If the light is ON when the tube is empty, the switch is to sensitive. You must reduce the sensing distance by turning the sensitivity screw counter clockwise. To increase the sensing distance adjust the screw clockwise (See Figure 16E).
- 4. To set the correct sensitivity, place your index finger on the tubing so it is 1/4" from the top of the proximity switch. Then turn the sensitivity screw until the indicator light turns on. The light may be solid or may just blink on when a disk passes by. Either setup is fine.
- Note: Make sure that you have your fist closed with only your index finger open. Also, do not touch the tube with your other hand or leave anything laying over the tube to interfere with the sensitivity (See Figure 16F & Figure 16G).



Figure 16F



Figure 16G

5. Reset the Feed Sensor Bypass time if it was changed for setup.

17. MAINTENANCE



Always disconnect power before removing any covers from equipment.

17.1 Chain and Disk Tension

Check the tension in the chain and disk weekly. If the switch actuator bracket is close to the limit switch (Refer to *Section 16.6*) on "Chain Take-up", Steps 2 - 11 on how to remove a section of chain.

Remember to always remove twice as much chain as the distance the idler wheel needs to move to the right.

17.2 Gearbox Fluid Level Check

Check the gearbox fluid level monthly. Maintain a level 1" from top, always add a gear lubricant Mobile SHC 634 (Part No. APCD-286). The Fill plug is at the top of the gearbox. The chain disk drive unit may have to be lowered a few inches to provide access.

17.3 Bushing Replacement in Idler Wheel

Check nylon bushings (Part No. APCD-007) in main drive idler wheel annually. If bushings show excessive wear contact manufacturer for replacements. Refer to *Parts List* later in this manual for a drawing of this bushing.



Figure 17A Back of Control Unit

17.4 Limit Switch Inspection

Check the operation of the limit switch in drive unit monthly.

- 1. Disconnect power and remove drive unit cover.
- 2. Activate the limit switch in one direction.
- 3. Replace cover and turn ON power.
- 4. Turn the chain disk control to the manual start position. If the chain disk safety switch and alarm indicator light do not come on; disconnect power, inspect wiring and limit switch, and replace if necessary. If the alarm indicator light comes on then the switch is working properly.
- 5. Turn the chain disk control to the manual stop.
- 6. The chain disk is now ready for normal operation.

18. PARTS LIST

- 1. Proximity Feed Sensor for Tube
- 2. Corner Assembly, 90 Degree W/Hardware Package
- 3. Chain Disk Drive Unit
- 4. Pneumatic Drop Kit Accessories
- 5. Fill Hopper Assembly
- 6. Drop Kit & Pneumatic Drop Kit Chain Disk
- 7. Proximity Switch
- 8. Chain Disk Control Unit

1. Proximity Feed Sensor for Tube



Proximity Feed Sensor for Tube

key	Part #	Qty	Description	
1	APCD-294		Prox Feed Sensor for Tube 220 V	
2	AP-0583	2	Clamp 1 3/4" - 2 3/4" S.S Hose	
3	APCD-136	1	Prox Switch Mounting Bracket	
4	FLX-4256	1	Proximity Switch N.C. 20-250 VAC	
5	FLDX-1172N	2	Proximity Switch Mounting Nut	
6	APCD-104		Clear PVC tubing 2.00" (51mm) I.D x 2.36" (60 mm) O.D x 10 ft (3 m)	

2. Corner Assembly, 90 Degree W/Hardware Package



Key	Part #	Qty	Description	
1	APCD-100-4	4	Corner Assembly, 90 Degree w/Hardware (Box of 4)	
	APCD-100-4		Corner Assembly, 90 Degree w/Hardware Package	
2	S-7417	2	Lock Nut, 1/2-13" Stainless Steel	
3	S-8139	2	Flat Washer, 1/2" Stainless Steel	
4	APCD-000	1	Corner Top, 90 Degree Corner	
5	APCD-009	2	Add on Clamp, 90 Degree Corner	
6	APCD-330	2	Bearing, 15 mm I.D x 32 mm O.D x 9 mm width	
7	APCD-006	1	Idler Wheel, 90 Degree Corner	
8	APCD-327	1	Shaft, 90 Degree Corner	
9	APCD-001	1	Corner Bottom, 90 Degree	
10	APCD-228	2	Ribbed Tube Adapter for Ribbed Tube Only (Refer Page 127)	
11	APCD-104		Clear PVC Tubing, 2.00" (51 mm) I.D x 2.36" (60 mm) O.D x 10 ft (3 m)	
	APCD-112		White PVC Tubing, 2.00" (51 mm) I.D x 2.36" (60 mm) O.D x 10 ft (3 m)	
12	S-8452	16	Hex Nut, 5/16-18" Stainless Steel	
13	S-7683	16	Bolt, 5/16-18 x 1 1/4" Stainless Steel	
14	S-9379	2	Washer 1/2 SS/NEOP-Bonded Flat	
15	APCD-013	1	Chain Disk Corner Wheel Assembly (Including Key Numbers 6, 7, 8)	
16	DC-1244	1	Decal, Warning Chain Disk	
17	APCD-313	2	Corner Suspension Angle Idler	

Corner Assembly, 90 Degree w/Hardware Package

3. Chain Disk Drive Unit



Chain Drive Unit

Key	Part #	Qty	Description	
1	APCD-175-150		Chain Disk Drive Unit Model 236, 1 Ph,50 Hz	
	APCD-175-160		Chain Disk Drive Unit Model 236, 1 Ph,60 Hz	
	APCD-175-350		Chain Disk Direct Drive Unit Model 236, 3 Ph, 50 Hz & 60 Hz	
2	APCD-234	2	Plate, Gearbox Mounting	
NS	S-7413	2	Bolt, 1/2-13 x 1 S.S	
NS	S-7417	4	Nut Nylock 1/2-13 S.S	
3	APCD-174A	1	Trough Assembly D.D Chain Disk	
4	APCD-181	1	Electrical Box Drilled	
NS	S-6732	3	Screw # 10-24 x 1/2" Truss S.S	
NS	S-7931	3	Nut # 10-24 S.S	
5	APCD-138	1	Bracket, Terminal Block Mounting	
NS	DC-1374	1	Decal Terminal Block Label	
NS	S-8823	1	Screw TCS23 #8-32 x 3/8 HWHS GRN	
6	E240-1107	1	Terminal Block 12 Connector (Cut Off 3 Terminals to Make 9)	
NS	S-7663	2	Screw MS # 6-32 x 3/4 PHP S.S	
NS	APCD-089	2	Wire, 18 GA BLK x 8" with Terminal	
7	FLX-4561	1	Electrical Box Gasket 4 x 6	
8	FLX-4560	1	Electrical Box Lid 4 x 6	
NS	S-8766	4	Screw # 10-24 x 1 1/4" PHP S.S	
NS	S-7931	4	Nut # 10-24 S.S	
9	20-5060	1	Switch SPST 15 A On/Off Toggle	
NS	S-6622	1	Plate On/Off/ Back	
NS	DC-889	1	DECAL Danger High Voltage	
10	70-0129	1	Boot Switch Weatherproof	
11	S-7604	1	Light, 250 V Sealed Red Pilot	
12	APCD-014	1	Sprocket, Drive Chain Disk	
13	S-7991	2	Washer, 11/32 I.D. S.S Fender	
14	S-7821	2	Bolt 5/6-18 x 3/4 S.S	
15	APCD-169	1	Bracket, Limit Switch Chain Disk	
NS	S-7821	2	Bolt 5/6-18 x 3/4 S.S	
NS	S-7356	2	Nut Nylock 5/16-18 S.S	
16	APCD-352	1	Cord, Limit Switch Chain Disk	
17	APCD-155	1	Limit Switch Chain Disk Drive Unit	
NS	S-8766	2	Screw # 10-24 x 1-1/4 PHP S.S	
NS	S-7931	2	Nut # 10-24 x S.S	
18	APCD-173	1	Rod Assembly D.D. Idler Slide	
19	APCD-168	1	Actuator, Right D.D Chain Disk	
NS	S-7344	2	Bolt 5/16-18 x 3/4 S.S	
NS	S-7356	2	Nut Nylock 5/16-18 S.S	
	APCD-244-150	1	Gear-Motor Chain Disk 1 Ph, 50 Hz (Includes Key Numbers 2, 12, 13, 14, 20, 21, 22, 46)	
	APCD-244-160	1	Gear-Motor Chain Disk 1 Ph, 60 Hz (Includes Key Numbers 2, 12, 13, 14, 20, 21, 22, 46)	
	APCD-244-350	1	1 Gear-Motor Chain Disk 3 Ph, 50/60 Hz (Includes Key Numbers 2, 12, 13, 14, 20, 21, 22,	

3. Chain Disk Drive Unit



Fig. 18-C Chain Disk Drive Unit

Chain Drive Unit

Key	Part #	Qty	Description	
20	APCD-241	1	Gearbox Electra 40:1, 56C Face, Right Angle	
21	APCD-351	1	Cord 1 Ph Chain Disk Motor	
	APCD-246-3 Ph	1	Cord 3 Ph Chain Disk Motor	
22	07100051	1	Motor, 2 HP, 1 Ph, 230 VAC, 1725 RPM, 60 Hz	
	07100051-150	1	Motor 2 HP, 1 Ph, 230 VAC, 1425 RPM, 50 Hz	
	07100051-350	1	Motor, 2 HP, 3 Ph, 230/380 VAC, 1425/1725 RPM, 50/60 Hz	
23	APCD-055	4	Eyebolt, 5/16 LAG x 4	
NS	FLX-2377	1	Key 3/16 x 3/16 x 1" Sq.GR2 (For Motor)	
NS	S-7104	4	Bolt 3/8-16 x 1 S.S (Motor to Gearbox)	
NS	S-8403	4	Bolt, Metric M10 x 1.5 x 20 S.S (Mounting Plate to Gearbox)	
24	HT-1414	2	Chain 3/16" Grade 30 (10 ft)	
25	APCD-025	2	Angle, Drive Unit Suspension	
26	APCD-114		Suspension Kit for Drive Unit (Includes Key Numbers 23-25)	
	APCD-102-20		Bag of Chain with Disks (Includes 20 Ft of Key #26)	
	APCD-102-50		Bag of Chain with Disks (Includes 50 Ft of Key #26)	
	APCD-102-100		Bag of Chain with Disks (Includes 100 Ft of Key #26)	
	APCD-102-150		Bag of Chain with Disks (Includes 150 Ft of Key #26)	
	APCD-103		Bag of Connector Links (Includes 12 of Key #27)	
27	S-7977		Chain Connector Link	
28	S-7998	2	lut 5/8-11 S.S Hex Jam	
29	S-7999	3	/asher Flat .641 x 1.187 x 0.62 S.S	
30	APCD-007	2	Bushing, Main Drive Idler	
31	APCD-010	1	Vheel, Main Drive Idler	
32	APCD-154	1	Shaft, Drive Unit Idler Wheel	
33	APCD-167	1	Actuator, Left D.D. Chain Disk	
34	S-8184	1	Knob, Bar 2 1/4" Dia. 5/16	
35	S-7008	2	Nut 5/16 x 18 S.S.	
36	S-8724	1	Washer, 5/16 x 1 1/2 S.S Flat	
37	S-8191	1	Eyebolt, 5/16-18 x 2-1/4 S.S	
38	APCD-043	1	Spring, 18.5", 1.1" Dia. S.S	
39	APCD-293	1	Door, Direct Drive Chain Disk	
40	S-8006	3	 Knob, 1/4-20 x 1/2 S.S Stud	
41	DC-1709	1	Decal Logo Chain Disk	
42	DC-490	1	DECAL,3" Automated Production	
43	DC-996	1	DECAL Warning! Chain Sprocket	
44	DC-997	1	DECAL Danger! Chain Sprocket	
45	PR-331	1	Peak Cap Handle	
	S-3611	1	Nut Flanges 5/16-18 YDP GR2	
	S-6606	1	Bolt Flanges 5/16-18 x 3/4 Zinc Grade	
NS	S-8045	2	#10 x 3/4" Self Drilling Screw	
46	APCD-233	1	Shaft, Chain Disk Gearbox Output	
NS	D31-0137	2	Key, 3/8 x 3/8 x 2-1/2	
NS	DC-889	1	DECAL, Danger High Voltage	
47	DC-1307	1	Decal, Mfg Label 1 Ph, 60 Hz, CD	
	DC-1308	1	Decal, Mfg Lable 3 Ph, 60 Hz, CD	
	DC-1308A	1	Decal, Mfg Lable 3 Ph, 50 Hz, CD	

4. Pneumatic Drop Kit Accessories



Pneumatic Drop Kit and Accessories

Key	Part #	Description
1	APCD-120	12 V DC Solenoid Valve
	APCD-122	24 V DC Solenoid Valve
	APCD-123	110 V AC Solenoid Valve
2	APCD-133	Adapter fitting- 1/8" NPT Male x 1/4" Tube Stem
3	APCD-128	Flow control Valve - 1/8" NPT Female (Brass)
4	APCD-134	Straight fitting - 1/8" NPT Male x 1/4" Tube
5	APCD-124T	1/4" O.D. Polyenthylene Tubing (500 Ft. roll) Twin
6	AP-2712	"T" fitting-1/8" NPT Male x 1/4" Tube x 1/4" Tube
7	AP-2713	90 Degree Elbow Fitting - 1/8" NPT Male x 1/4" Tube
8	APCD-119	Pneumatic Drop Kit, Chain disk
9	AP-2588	Shut off Valve - 1/8" NPT Female x 1/8" NPT Female (Brass)
10	APCD-135	90 Degree Elbow Fitting 1/8" NPT Male x 1/8" NPT Male (Brass)

5. Fill Hopper Assembly



Fill Hopper Assembly

Key	Part #	Qty	Description	
1	APCD-279		Fill Hopper Assembly - Chain Disk	
2	FLX-3486	4	Washer, Power Head Drop	
3	S-7621	4	Screw, # 10 x 1" Self Drilling	
4	AP-1003	1	Grommet, 36.5 x 2 mm Groove (Use with Proximity Switch)	
5	AP-2983	1	Universal Proximity Switch Feed Sensor	
5	AP-1001	1	110 V Proximity Switch, N.O. or N.C. 1 second - 5 minutes time delay (optional)	
6	S-7906	1	1/2" Cord Connector	
7	FLX-4496	1	220-300-350 Control Unit (220 V Coil)	
	FLX-4520	1	220-300-350 Control Unit (110 V Coil)	
	AP-1770	1	220-300-350 Control Unit (220 V Coil) w/proximity Switch	
8	APCD-275	1	Chain Disk Fill Hopper	
9	S-8004	2	U-bolt 5/16 - 18 x 2 1/2" with Saddle	
10	APCD-105	2	Coupler, 2.63" (67 mm) O.D. x 2.38" (60.5 mm) I.D. Clear PVC	
	APCD-113	2	Coupler, 2.63" (67 mm) O.D. x 2.38" (60.5 mm) I.D. White PVC	
11	APCD-228	2	Ribbed Tube Adapter for Ribbed Tube (Refer Page 126) Only	
12	APCD-104		Clear PVC tubing, 2.00" (51 mm) I.D. x 2.36" (60 mm) O.D. x 10 ft (3 m)	
12	APCD-112		White PVC tubing, 2.00" (51 mm) I.D. x 2.36" (60 mm) O.D. x 10 ft (3 m)	
	Ref Only		Ribbed Tube (Refer Page 126)	
13	APCD-281	1	Hopper Screen Weld Assy.	
14	APCD-276	1	Outer Access Door CTR.Hopper	
NS	S-3558	2	3/8" (.434) STL Back NEO Washer	
NS	S-4490	2	2 1/4" Tube Clamp. (For Ribbed Tube Only)	
15	DC-1107	1	2 1/2" AP Logo for Basket Fans	
NS	S-4301	2	5/16-18 Wing Nut, GRD. 2, Zinc	

6. Drop Kit & Pneumatic Drop Kit Chain Disk



Drop Kit & Pneumatic Drop Kit Chain Disk

Key	Part #	Qty	Description	
1	APCD-109		Drop Kit, Chain Disk (Single)	
	APCD-110		Drop Kit, Chain Disk (Box of 10)	
2	APCD-119		Pneumatic Drop Kit, Chain Disk	
3	APCD-104		Clear PVC Tubing, 2.00" (51 mm) I.D. x 2.36" (60 mm) O.D. x 10 ft (3 m)	
	APCD-112		White PVC Tubing, 2.00" (51 mm) I.D. x 2.36" (60 mm) O.D. x 10 ft (3 m)	
	APCD-248H		Ribbed Tube Coupler 15" Long with Drop Out Hole	
	APCD-251		2" x 48" No Holes	
	APCD-285		2" x 62" No Holes	
	APCD-238		2" x 111" No Holes	
	APCD-250		2" x 144" No Holes	
	APCD-314		" x 120" 60" Spacing, 2 Holes	
	APCD-356		' x 120" 120" Spacing, 1 Hole	
	APCD-307		2" x 132" 66" Spacing, 2 Holes	
	APCD-237		2" x 132" 22" Spacing, 6 Holes	
	APCD-236		2" x 138" 23" Spacing, 6 Holes	
	APCD-296		2" x 140" 20" Spacing, 7 Holes	
	APCD-235		2" x 144" 24" Spacing, 6 Holes	
	APCD-252		2" x 144" 48" Spacing, 3 Holes	
	APCD-380		2" x 130" 26" Spacing, 5 Holes	
3a	APCD-3202		Feeder Adapter For Ribbed Tube	
4	APCD-058	1	Slide, Chain Disk Drop Kit	
5	AP-0583	2	Stainless Steel Hose Clamp, 1 3/4" (44 mm) - 2 3/4" (70 mm)	
6	APCD-059	1	Housing, Chain Disk Drop Kit	
7	S-8120	2	Nut, 3/8-24 UNF Hex S.S. Jam	
8	APCD-088	1	Rack, Drop kit Actuator	
9	APCD-121	1	Cylinder, 1-1/4" x 3" Double Acting	

7. Proximity Switch



Parts List

Proximity Switch

Key	Part #	Qty	Description	
1	FLX-2425	1)rop Tube, 3.00" I.D. x 3.188" O.D. x 12 Ft	
2	FLXDF-1172	1	Proximity Switch, normally Closed, 20 V DC - 250 V AC	
3	S-7906	1	1/2" Cord Connector	
4	FLDX-1172N	2	Proximity Switch Mounting Nut	

8. Chain Disk Control Unit



Chain Disk control Unit

Key	Part #	Description
1	APCD-295	Chain Disk Auto Drop Feed Master Control
2	APCD-295B	Bottom Board for APCD-295
3	E260-1036	Relay for APCD-295
4	APCD-295T	Top Board for APCD-295
5	APCD-295-S	Chain Disk Slave Control
6	APCD-295B-S	Bottom Board for APCD-295-S
7	E260-1036	Relay for APCD-295-S
8	APCD-295T-S	Top Board (Slave) for APCD-295-S
9	APCD-300	Chain Disk Continuous Feed Control
10	APCD-300B	Bottom Board for APCD-300
11	E260-1036	Relay for APCD-300
12	APCD-300T	Top Board for APCD-300

19. TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Corrective Action	
	No power to system	Check circuits, fuses, and ON-OFF switches on equipment.	
Chain Disk motor will not run.	Limit switch activated in drive unit.	Refer to limit switch Section 11.2.	
	Motor thermal overload switch activated.	Refer to motor overload problem later in this guide.	
	Low voltage (motor runs slow and overheats).	Check line voltage at motor; use adequate wire size in circuits.	
	Foreign object caught in chain.	Check system for any foreign objects and remove them.	
Motor overloads after running briefly.	Chain Disk System to full with feed.	Check Flex Flo Fill System rate; check feed sensing switch; check current sensor setting.	
	Wet feed being conveyed or allowed to stand in system.	Clean your system; avoid conveying wet feed or empty line after each feeding.	
	Defective motor.	Replace motor.	
	Chain in system not tight enough.	Take out a section of chain referring to Section 16.6; push reset button.	
	Chain has broken somewhere in system.	Find where chain has broken and fix using special connector link; reset limit switch and then push control unit reset button.	
Limit switch activated.	Foreign object in system.	Check system for any foreign objects and remove them; reset limit switch and then push the control unit reset button.	
	Chain Disk System to full with feed.	Check Flex Flo Fill System rate; check feed sensing switch; reset limit switch and then push control unit reset button.	
Polypropylene disks catch on main drive sprocket.	Chain installed in the wrong direction.	Refer to Section 16.2 on chain installation.	
Gearbox overheating.	Low fluid level.	Add fluid refer to Section 17.2.	
Chain disk motor does not shut OFF when full.	Proximity switch sensitivity impropely adjusted.	Refer to Section 16.7 for proper proximity switch adjustment.	
Chain disk motor always shut OFF immediately after prox by-pass time.	Proximity switch sensitivity improperly adjusted.	Refer to Section 16.7 for proper proximity switch adjustment.	



The GSI Group, LLC. ("GSI") warrants products which it manufactures to be free of defects in materials and workmanship under normal usage and conditions for a period of 12 months after sale to the original end-user or if a foreign sale, 14 months from arrival at port of discharge, whichever is earlier. The end-user's sole remedy (and GSI's only obligation) is to repair or replace, at GSI's option and expense, products that in GSI's judgment, contain a material defect in materials or workmanship. Expenses incurred by or on behalf of the end-user without prior written authorization from the GSI Warranty Group shall be the sole responsibility of the end-user.

Warranty Extensions: The Limited Warranty period is extended for the following products:

	Product	Warranty Period
AP Fans and	Performer Series Direct Drive Fan Motor	3 Years
Flooring	All Fiberglass Housings	Lifetime
	All Fiberglass Propellers	Lifetime
Cumberland	Feeder System Pan Assemblies	5 Years **
Cumpenand Ecoding/Watering	Feed Tubes (1.75" & 2.00")	10 Years *
Svetome	Centerless Augers	10 Years *
Systems	Watering Nipples	10 Years *
Grain Systems	Grain Bin Structural Design	5 Years
Grain Systems	Portable & Tower Dryers	2 Years
Farm Fans Zimmerman	Portable & Tower Dryer Frames and Internal Infrastructure †	5 Years

* Warranty prorated from list price:
0 to 3 years – no cost to end-user
3 to 5 years – end-user pays 25%
5 to 7 years – end-user pays 50%
7 to 10 years – end user pays 75%

- ** Warranty prorated from list price:
 0 to 3 years no cost to end-user
 3 to 5 years end-user pays 50%
- † Motors, burner components and moving parts not included. Portable Dryer screens included. Tower Dryer screens not included.

GSI further warrants that the portable and tower dryer frame and basket, excluding all auger and auger drive components, shall be free from defects in materials for a period of time beginning on the twelfth (12th) month from the date of purchase and continuing until the sixtieth (60th) month from the date of purchase (extended warranty period). During the extended warranty period, GSI will replace the frame or basket components that prove to be defective under normal conditions of use without charge, excluding the labor, transportation, and/or shipping costs incurred in the performance of this extended warranty.

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