

Cordex HP 3.0kW Switched Mode Rectifier System

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Cordex HP Modular Switched Mode Rectifier System Shelf Models: 19" 1RU universal mount 12000W 23" 1RU universal mount 15000W

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1. Safety

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS: This manual contains important safety instructions that must be followed during the installation, servicing, and maintenance of the product. Keep it in a safe place. Review the drawings and illustrations contained in this manual before proceeding. If there are any questions regarding the safe installation or operation of this product, contact Alpha Technologies or the nearest Alpha representative. Save this document for future reference.

1.1 Safety Symbols

To reduce the risk of injury or death, and to ensure the continued safe operation of this product, the following symbols have been placed throughout this manual. Where these symbols appear, use extra care and attention.

The use of ATTENTION indicates specific regulatory/code requirements that may affect the placement of equipment and /or installation procedures.

NOTE:

A NOTE provides additional information to help complete a specific task or procedure. Notes are designated with a check mark, the word NOTE, and a rule beneath which the information appears



CAUTION!

CAUTION indicates safety information intended to PREVENT DAMAGE to material or equipment. Cautions are designated with a yellow warning triangle, the word CAUTION, and a rule beneath which the information appears.



WARNING!

WARNING presents safety information to PREVENT INJURY OR DEATH to personnel. Warnings are indicated by a shock hazard icon, the word WARNING, and a rule beneath which the information appears.



HOT!

The use of HOT presents safety information to PREVENT BURNS to the technician or user.

1.2 General Safety

WARNING!

This system is designed to be installed in a restricted access location that is inaccessible to the general public.

1.3 Mechanical Safety

- Keep hands and tools clear of fans. Fans are thermostatically controlled and switch on automatically.
- Power supplies can reach extreme temperatures under load.
- Use caution around sheet metal components and sharp edges.

1.4 Electrical Safety

WARNING!

Hazardous voltages are present at the input of power systems. The DC output from rectifiers and batteries, though not dangerous in voltage, has a high short-circuit current capacity that may cause severe burns and electrical arcing.

- Before working with any live battery or power system, follow these precautions:
 - a. Remove all metallic jewelry, such as watches, rings, metal rimmed glasses, or necklaces.
 - b. Wear safety glasses with side shields at all times during the installation.
 - c. Use OSHA approved insulated hand tools.

Lethal voltages are present within the power system. Always assume that an electrical connection or conductor is energized. Check the circuit with a voltmeter with respect to the grounded portion of the enclosure (both AC and DC) before performing any installation or removal procedure.

- Do not work alone under hazardous conditions.
- A licensed electrician is required to install permanently wired equipment. Input voltages can range up to 277Vac nominal. Ensure that the utility power is disconnected and locked out before performing any installation or removal procedure.
- Ensure that no liquids or wet clothes come into contact with internal components.
- Hazardous electrically live parts inside this unit are energized from the batteries even when the AC input power is disconnected.

1.5 Battery Safety

- Servicing and connection of batteries must be performed by, or under the direct supervision of, personnel knowledgeable of batteries and the required safety precautions.
- Always wear eye protection, rubber gloves, and a protective vest when working near batteries. Remove all metallic objects from your hands and neck.
- Use OSHA approved insulated hand tools. Do not rest tools on top of batteries.
- Batteries contain or emit chemicals known to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. Battery post terminals and related accessories contain lead and lead compounds. Wash your hands after handling batteries.

Follow battery manufacturer's safety recommendations when working around battery systems. Do not smoke or introduce an open flame when batteries (especially vented batteries) are charging. When charging, batteries vent hydrogen gas, which can explode.

• Batteries are hazardous to the environment and should be disposed at a recycling facility. Consult the battery manufacturer for recommended local authorized recyclers.

2.1 Scope of the Manual

This manual explains the installation, interconnection, and operation of the Cordex HP 48-3.0kW rectifier systems.

2.2 Product Overview

A complete rectifier system consists of one or more power modules in a common shelf enclosure. The shelf has connections for AC inputs, DC output, and system communications. The wide AC input operating range for global installations and wide operating temperature ranges for installation in uncontrolled environments along with high efficiency (>96%) reduces the carbon footprint and the operating expenses.

Cordex rectifier modules use a high frequency, switched mode conversion technique to provide a fully regulated and isolated DC output from the AC mains. Multiple 48V configurations are available up to 312.5A in a compact 1RU shelf system. Industry leading power density (35W/in³) yields more space for revenue generating equipment.

Rectifier power modules are "hot swappable"—they can be inserted or removed from the shelf without cutting power to or from the system or the load. Additional power modules can be included with the system at the time of ordering or added after the shelf has been installed.

The shelf rectifier system is designed to operate with the Cordex System Controller (CXC). This controller allows the user to configure, monitor and control the entire DC power system from its touch screen display which includes temperature compensation, auto equalization, remote access, dial out on alarm, battery diagnostics, as well as Web server and SNMP support for configuration and monitoring. Details of controller operation are provided in the current version of the related software manual.

External CXC models of the system controller communicate with the shelf via RJ-12 shelf connectors. In a power system, up to five (5) rectifier shelves may be stacked and connected to the same controller. The latest CXC-HP controller, featuring touch screen, color LCD display with front Ethernet and USB connectors, is available as a panel mount controller or as part of the CXPS-E3 system.

Shelf ID location technology is built into the 3.0kW rectifier. This feature is capable of remotely locating the exact position of a rectifier within a large system. This can be useful for quickly locating a unit during a service interruption or when a unit has failed.



Figure 1 — Cordex HP 19" 48Vdc-3.0kW Rectifier Shelf



Figure 2 — Typical 48V Power System with 3.0kW Rectifiers

2.3 Part Numbers and List Options

The product, options, and accessories can be ordered by using the part numbers in the following table.

Description	List Option
23in 1RU universal mount 15000W shelf* – bulk power for external distribution – up to five Cordex HP 3.0kW rectifiers	0300216-001 (shelf/slot ID supported)
19in 1RU universal mount 12000W shelf* – bulk power for external distribution – up to four Cordex HP 3.0kW rectifiers	0300228-001 (shelf/slot ID supported)
Cordex HP 3.0kW rectifier	0100037-001
Fan assembly replacement	7400732-001
Module blank	7400424-001
Rear DC Output 19" shelf cover	0370250-001
Rear DC Output 23" shelf cover	0370250-002
*Note: Standard DC bus bars available up to a maximum	of five shelves per system.

3. Specifications

Table A — 3.0kW Rectifier Specifications			
Electrical			
Input voltage:			
Nominal:	208 to 277Vac		
Operating:	85 to 310Vac		
Extended:	85 to 187Vac (de-rated power)		
Input frequency:	45 to 65Hz		
Power:	3000W continuous		
	Linear de-rating from 187Vac to 85Vac, 1200W @ 90Vac		
Power Factor:	>0.98 (50 to 100% load, nominal voltages)		
THD:	<5%		
Efficiency:	96.5% peak		
Output Voltage:	42 to 58Vdc (No load 46.5 to 58Vdc)		
Output Current:	55.5A @ 54Vdc (62.5A max @ 48Vdc)		
	(~40A @ 48Vdc at 120Vac Input)		
Load regulation:	<±0.5% (static)		
Line regulation:	<±0.1% (static)		
Transient response:	±3% for 40 to 90% load step		
Psophometric noise:	<2mV RMS		
Acoustic:	<60dBa @ 1m (3ft), 30°C		
MTBF:	623, 860		
	Mechanical		
Dimensions H x W x D:	41mm x 104 mm x 333mm (1.6in x 4.1in x 13.1in)		
Weight:	1.76kg (3.9lbs)		
	Environmental		
Temperature:			
Operation:	-40 to 75°C (-40 to 149°F)		
Full Nominal Output Power:	-40 to 55°C (-40 to 131°F); >2400W @ 65°C (167°F)		
Storage:	-40 to 85°C (-40 to 185°F)		
Humidity:	0 to 95% RH non-condensing		
Heat Dissipation:	<450 BTU per hour (typical)		
	<500 BTU per hour (worst case: 100% load at 187 Vac)		

3.3.1 Cordex 48-3.0kW Rectifier Shelves

23in 1RU universal mount 15,000W shelf P/N 0300216-001 (shelf/slot ID supported)		
Number of Rectifiers:	5 x CXRF HP 48-3.0kW	
Nominal AC input current (two modules per feed):	120VAC/29A (per feed), 50/60Hz 208-277VAC/31-24A (per feed), 50/60Hz	
Recommended input feeder breakers (three feeds per shelf):	40A per feed for nominal 120, 208, 240, 277 Vac	
Recommended AC input wire size:	8 AWG line; 10 AWG Protective Earth	
Shelf output power:	15kW maximum	
Distribution:	Bulk power for external distribution	
Dimensions, H x W x D:	44mm x 537mm x 420mm (1.75in x 21.1in x 16.5in)	
Weight:	5.7kg (12.6lbs)	
Communications ports:	CAN: interface to control rectifiers & smart peripherals	
19in 1RU universal moun	t 12,000W shelf P/N 0300228-001 (shelf/slot ID supported)	
Number of Rectifiers:	4 x CXRF HP 48-3.0kW	
Nominal AC input current (one module	120VAC/14.2A (per feed), 50/60Hz	
	208-277VAC/15.5-12A (per feed), 50/60Hz	
Recommended input feeder breakers (four feeds for shelf):	20A per feed for nominal 120, 208, 240, 277 Vac	
Recommended AC input wire size:	12 AWG line; 14 AWG protective earth	
Shelf output power:	12kW maximum	
Distribution Options:	Bulk power for external distribution	
Dimensions, H x W x D:	44mm x 438mm x 420mm (1.75in x 17.3in x 16.5in)	
Weight:	4.5kg (9.9lbs)	
Communications ports:	CAN: interface to control rectifiers & smart peripherals	
	Agency Compliance	
Safety:	CSA 60950-1-07 UL 60950-1 IEC 60950-1 EN 60950-1 CE marked	
EMC:	ETSI EN 300 386	
Emissions:	CFR47 (FCC) Part 15 Class A EN 55032 (CISPR 32) Class A EN 61000-3-2 EN 61000-3-3	
Immunity:	EN 61000-4-2 EN 61000-4-3 EN 61000-4-4 EN 61000-4-5 EN 61000-4-6 EN 61000-4-11 ANSI / IEEE C62.41 CatB3	

4.1 3.0kW Rectifier

4.1.1 Front Panel LEDs

The front panel LEDs indicate the rectifier status summary and patterned response to Locate Module command.

ALARM / FAULT (1)



Figure 3 — Rectifier Front Panel LEDs

The red LED is on during an active Module Fail alarm if the module is unable to source power due to a fault condition. Refer to the relevant controller manual for fault details.

The LED flashes (~2Hz) when a minor alarm is detected if the modules output capability has been reduced or a minor failure is detected.



NOTE:

The red LED will remain active if the module is receiving power from the DC bus.

DC ON (2)

The green LED is on when the rectifier is delivering power to the load. The LED goes out when the rectifier is off. For example, when commanded by the CXC.

AC ON (3)

The green LED is on when the AC input voltage is qualified and within the specified range 85Vac to 310Vac and frequency 45 to 65 Hz.

LED Activity During the Locate Module Command from CXC

The **Locate Module** command from the CXC, causes the LEDs of the target rectifier to flash in a cyclical pattern. This flashing normally lasts 60 seconds.

LED Activity During Power Save

When a rectifier is put into power save mode, only the AC ON LED remains illuminated.

4.1.2 Rectifier Rear Panel

Refer to drawings at the end of this manual for shelf power and communications connections (compatible with 2.4kW rectifiers):

- 0300057-08
- 0300040-08

Refer to drawings at the end of this manual for the 3.0kW shelf ID version.

- 0300216-08
- 0300228-08

4.1.3 True Module Fail Alarm

The power modules have a "true" fail alarm that provides a true indication of the power module's ability to source current. When the module's output current drops below 2.5% of the rated output, a low output current condition is detected and the Module Fail detection circuit is activated. This circuit momentarily ramps up the output voltage to determine if the module will source current. If no increase in current is detected, the **Module Fail** alarm is activated. The module will test once every 60 seconds for the condition until a current is detected. The output voltage ramping ceases upon detection of current. A minimum 2.5% load is required to avoid the **Ramp Test Fail** alarm. This load can be provided with the parallel system battery. Activation of this alarm could indicate a failed module or a failed load.

To avoid nuisance alarms for Cordex rectifier systems without batteries, and/or with a very light load (below 2.5% of the rated output), the ramp test should be disabled. Disable the Ramp Test via the CXC menu: **System > DC System > Inventory > Rectifiers > Configuration**.

4.1.4 Heat Dissipation

Each rectifier module is equipped with a front-mounted, variable-speed fan. The fan speed is determined based on ambient temperature, rectifier temperature, and the load. Air flow is front-to-rear with the exhaust air exiting through internal vents at the rear of the unit. The fan may spin in required situations.

4.1.5 Over Temperature Protection

Blockage or obstruction to the air flow can result in the internal temperature to rise and reduce the output power or even shut down the rectifier. The rectifier will resume normal operation when the temperature reduces to a safe level. Over temperature shut down can also occur when a fan failure has occurred.

4.1.6 Wide AC Range

The rectifier delivers up to 3000W of power between 187 Vac and 310 Vac input voltage. The rectifier can deliver up to 1920W between 85Vac and 187Vac.

During start up the rectifier begins to provide power for input voltage >95 Vac and shuts down if the input voltage drops below 85 Vac. The THD and power factor will be out of specs for input >277 Vac.

4.1.7 AC Inrush/Transient Suppression

To prevent a surge on the AC input line, the inrush current of a rectifier module is limited to the full load steady state line current. Modules are also protected from input lightning and transient surges in accordance with IEEE/ANSI C62.41 Category B3 standards.

4.1.8 Soft Start

A soft start feature is used to eliminate an instantaneous demand on the AC power source. A soft start, sometimes referred to as a "current walk-in", works by gradually (up to five seconds) ramping up the DC output current limit from zero to the actual or defined customer setting. The rectifier output voltage is ramped from the minimum voltage to the float voltage.

This feature along with Start Delay prevents any instantaneous surge demand on the utility.

4.1.9 Start Delay

The rectifier modules are equipped with a delay timer to stagger-start a series of modules. When multiple modules and multiple shelves, part of a larger system are used in conjunction with a controller, a start delay prevents all rectifiers from starting at the same time and causing an inrush on the utility. The default start delay is set to 1 second and can be adjusted up to 250 seconds on the CXC HP controller. The built-in timer delays the switching on of the module by the start delay interval (up to 250 seconds), which is set in the controller.

4.1.10 Current Limit/Short Circuit Protection

The current limit function determines the maximum output current limit of the rectifier module, regardless of the output voltage or power. The maximum output current is limited to a constant value down to a short circuit condition. Current limiting can be used to mate the rectifier output current ampacity to the needs of the load and parallel battery to minimize excessive battery recharge currents.

The rectifier will sustain a continuous short circuit at the output terminals. The maximum short circuit current will not exceed 62.5A per module.

4.1.11 Power Limiting

Each rectifier module is designed to limit the power output to the module specification. This enables more current to be supplied at lower output voltages, and allows matching the output power to the demands of constant-power loads often seen in telecom equipment.

This feature can also be used for a faster recharge of flooded batteries paralleled with the load.

NOTE:

The current limiting feature overrides the power-limiting feature.

4.1.12 High Voltage Shutdown (HVSD)

This feature protects the load from over-voltages originating in the rectifiers. The offending rectifier module is shut down when a high output voltage condition occurs. The red Alarm (Module Fail) LED will illuminate. The module will restart automatically. However, if more than three over-voltage conditions occur within one minute, the module will latch off and remain shut down until it is reset.

4.1.13 Battery Eliminator Operation

Rectifier modules maintain all specifications (except where indicated) with or without a battery or a DC source attached in parallel to the output. Under these conditions there will be no monitoring or control activity if AC power failure occurs.

4.1.14 Mechanical

An integral handle provides a means to both insert and remove the rectifier as well as locking the rectifier in place.



Figure 4 — Locking Handle Disengaged/Engaged

4.1.15 Firmware Update

The rectifier module should have its operating firmware updated through the CXC HP Controller. Using the latest firmware will ensure the controller has the latest features and that all corrections have been applied.

NOTE:

The 3.0kW rectifier requires AC input power to be connected to perform the firmware update.

4.2 Distribution

4.2.1 Bulk

- 23" 1RU universal mount P/N 0300057-001 (2.4kW compatible), 0300216-001 (shelf ID support)
- 19" 1RU universal mount P/N 0300040-001 (2.4kW compatible), 0300228-001 (shelf ID support)



Figure 5 — 19" Shelf with Bulk Distribution Busbars

4.3 Controller

The 3.0kW rectifier shelf is designed to operate with the CXC HP controller. A controller adds the following capabilities to the rectifiers:

- Local and remote communications and monitoring
- User definable alarms
- Daily logging of events and system statistics
- Load sharing
- Power Save





NOTE:

The 3.0kW shelf is also designed to operate without a Cordex controller; however, load balancing among the rectifiers won't be as efficient, particularly at lower input voltages.

The CXC HP controller requires version 5.20 of the software in order to correctly display the system capacity at 120Vac.

4.3.1 Internal CAN Bus

A CAN bus is used to transmit all alarm and control functions between the controller and rectifier shelves. Two CAN serial ports (modular jacks), are located on the left side of the rectifier shelf as viewed from the front.

The CAN bus can be daisy-chained from shelf to shelf (CAN 1 of one shelf to CAN 2 of another). The last shelf is terminated using a CAN terminator – "Figure 8 – CAN Bus Cabling" on page 20



5. Inspection

5.1 Packing Materials

Alpha Technologies is committed to providing products and services that meet our customers' needs and expectations in a sustainable manner, while complying with all relevant regulatory requirements. As such Alpha Technologies strives to follow our quality and environmental objectives from product supply and development through to the packaging for our products.

Rectifiers and batteries are shipped on individual pallets and are packaged according to the manufacturer's guidelines.

Almost all of Alpha's packaging material is from sustainable resources and or is recyclable. See the following table for the material and its environmental codes.

5.1.1 Returns for Service



Save the original shipping container. If the product needs to be returned for service, it should be packaged in its original shipping container. If the original container is unavailable, make sure that the product is packed with at least three inches of shock-absorbing material to prevent shipping damage.

NOTE:

Alpha Technologies is not responsible for damage caused by improper packaging of returned products.

5.2 Check for Damage

Before unpacking the product, note any damage to the shipping container. Unpack the product and inspect the exterior for damage. If any damage is observed, contact the carrier immediately. Continue the inspection for any internal damage. In the unlikely event of internal damage, inform the carrier and contact Alpha Technologies for advice on the impact of any damage.

5.3 General Receipt of Shipment

The inventory included with your shipment depends on the options you have ordered. The options are clearly marked on the shipping container labels and bill of materials.

5.3.1 Shelves

Consult the packing slip and power system bill of materials to verify that you have the correct number of shelves per your order.

5.3.2 Rectifiers

Consult the packing slip to verify that you have received the correct number of rectifiers per your order.

5.3.3 Miscellaneous Small Parts

Review the packing slip and bill of materials to determine the part number of the "configuration kits" included with your system. Review the bill of materials to verify that all the small parts are included.

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6. Installation

The equipment is suitable for installation in Network Telecommunication Facilities.

WARNING!

This system is designed to be installed in a restricted access location that is inaccessible to the general public.

The following procedure is written for qualified personnel to install this product in a clean and dry environment. For the battery installation, refer primarily to the manufacturer's manual.

6.1 Safety Precautions

Refer to section "1. Safety" on page 5 before beginning this installation.

6.2 Tools Required

Various insulated tools are essential for the installation. Use this list as a guide:

- Battery lifting apparatus if required
- Electric drill with hammer action, 1/2" capacity
- Various crimping tools and dies to match lugs used in installation
- Load bank of sufficient capacity to load largest rectifier to its current limit
- Digital voltmeter equipped with test leads
- Cable cutters
- Torque wrench: 1/4" drive, 0 150 in-lb
- Torque wrench: 3/8" drive, 0 100 ft-lb
- Insulating canvases as required (1' x 1', 2' x 2', 3' x 3', etc.)
- Various insulated hand tools including:
 - Combination wrenches Ratchet and socket set
 - Various screwdrivers. Electricians knife
- Battery safety spill kit required for wet cells only:
 - Protective clothing Face shields
 - Gloves Baking soda
 - Eye wash equipment
- Cutters and wire strippers (#14 to #22 AWG) [2.5 to 0.34 mm²]

6.3 Power System Assembly and Mounting

6.3.1 Mounting and Grounding a Rectifier Shelf

NOTE:

Mount the shelf in a clean and dry environment. Allow at least 1.75" of free space in front of the unit for unrestricted cooling airflow. Sufficient free space must be provided at the front and rear of the power system. This is to meet the cooling requirements of the rectifiers and to allow easy access to the power system components.

The 19" and 23" shelves have been designed for mid mounting in a standard EIA relay rack. Mounting brackets accommodate either 1" or 1-3/4" rack spacing.

Options for flush mounting in a 19" or 23" rack are also available, but require additional mechanical support at the rear of the unit unless connected to bus bars

- 1. Mount the shelf to the customer-provided rack using at least two #12 24 x 1/2" screws in each bracket. Use Phillips type screws and screwdriver to eliminate the possibility of slippage and scratching of the unit's exterior.
- 2. Connect the shelf chassis ground (Figure 7) to the rack. On the rack, use thread-forming screws and star washers that remove any paint or non-conductive coatings and establish metal-to-metal contact to ensure a proper electrical bond.



Figure 7 — Chassis Ground

6.3.2 Power System Size

In a power system, up to five (5) rectifier shelves may be stacked and connected to the same controller.

7. Wiring

This chapter provides cabling details and notes on cable sizing for DC applications with respect to the product.

Ensure that the power is switched off by switching off rectifiers and removing battery line fuses, turn off battery breakers before attempting work on the wiring. Use a voltmeter to verify the absence of a voltage. Clearly mark the correct polarity of the battery leads before starting work on DC connections.

7.1 Installation Notes

Refer to the Installation section for safety precautions and tools required.

7.1.1 Calculating Output Wire Size Requirements

Although DC power wiring and cabling in telecommunication applications tend to exceed electrical code requirements, mostly due to the voltage drop requirements, all applicable electrical code(s) take precedence over the guidelines and procedures in the present chapter, wherever applicable.

Wire size is calculated by first determining the appropriate maximum voltage drop requirement. Use the formula below to calculate the circular mil area (CMA) wire size requirement. Determine the size and number of conductors required to satisfy the CMA requirement.

$CMA = (A \times LF \times K) / AVD$

A = Ultimate drain in amps.

- LF = Conductor loop feet.
- K = 11.1 constant factor for commercial (TW type) copper wire.

AVD = Allowable voltage drop.

Check again that the ampacity rating of the cable meets the requirement for the installation application. Consult local electrical codes (NEC, CEC, etc.) for guidelines. If required, increase the size of the cable to meet the code.

Refer to Table B for cable size equivalents.

Table B — Cable size equivalents (AWG to Metric)			
Cable size (see notes 1 and 2)	Circular mils	Square millimeters	Equivalent metric cable
20 AWG	1020	0.519	1
18 AWG	1624	0.8232	1
16 AWG	2583	1.309	1.5
14 AWG	4107	2.081	2.5
12 AWG	6530	3.309	4
10 AWG	10380	5.261	6
8 AWG	16510	8.368	10
6 AWG	26250	13.30	16
4 AWG	41740	21.15	25
2 AWG	66370	33.63	35
0 AWG (or 1/0)	105600	53.48	50 or 70
00 AWG (or 2/0)	133100	67.42	70

Table B — Cable size equivalents (AWG to Metric)			
Cable size (see notes 1 and 2)	Circular mils	Square millimeters	Equivalent metric cable
0000 AWG (or 4/0)	211600	107.2	120
313 MCM (or kcmil)	313600	159	150 or 185
350 MCM (or kcmil)	350000	177.36	185
373 MCM (or kcmil)	373700	189	185 or 240
500 MCM (or kcmil)	500000	253.36	300
535 MCM (or kcmil)	535300	271	300
750 MCM (or kcmil)	750000	380.00	400
777 MCM (or kcmil)	777700	394	400

7.1.2 Recommended Torque Values

Table C lists the recommended torque values for connection to the power system with the following hardware:

- Clear hole connections (nut and bolt)
- PEM studs
- PEM threaded inserts
- Thread formed connections (in copper bus bar)

Grade 5 rated hardware is required for these torque values.

7.2 Grounding

This power system is suitable for installation as part of a Common Bonding Network (CBN) and is intended to be used in a DC-C configuration (common DC return).

Connect the isolated power system battery return bus (BRB) to the building master ground bus (MGB), or floor ground bus (FGB) in a larger building. This acts as a system reference and as a low impedance path to the ground for surges, transients, noise, etc. The MGB or FGB must have a direct low impedance path to the building grounding system.

The cable from the power system to the MGB or FGB must be sized to provide sufficient ampacity to clear the largest fuse or breaker on the power system, excluding the battery protection fuse or circuit breaker. 750 MCM is recommended. This is the minimum requirement. Other factors including the length of the cable and special grounding requirements of the load must also be factored in. The insulated cable must be equipped with two-hole crimp type lugs and must not have any tight bends or kinks.

Table D — Typical ground reference conductor selection		
Power system ampacity	Ground reference conductor size	
< 30A	#10	
30 – 100A	#6 to #2	
100 – 400A	0000	
400 – 800A	350 MCM	
> 800A	750 MCM	

The power system frame must also be connected to the MGB or FGB for personnel safety and to meet many telecom grounding requirements. Each rack must have its own frame or site ground connection.

Table C — Recommended torque values		
1/4"	8.8 ft-lbs	
3/8"	32.5 ft-lbs	
1/2"	73 ft-lbs	

7.3 CAN Serial Ports (Rectifier Shelf)

Two CAN Serial ports (modular jacks), are provided for communications with Cordex controllers and other CANenabled equipment. These are located on the left side of the rectifier shelf as viewed from the front.

- 1. Daisy-chain from shelf to shelf (CAN 1 of one shelf to CAN 2 of another) as shown in Figure 8.
- 2. Insert a CAN terminator (part number 5450228-001) in the last CAN bus position at the end of the daisy chain.



Figure 8 — CAN Bus Cabling

7.4 AC Wiring 23" Shelf

7.4.1 AC Feeder Protection/Sizing

To maximize system reliability, each feed should have a dedicated protection feeder breaker located at the AC distribution panel. The feeder breaker can also act as the disconnect device for the connected modules. Refer to section "3.3.1 Cordex 48-3.0kW Rectifier Shelves" on page 10 for breaker and wire size recommendations.

7.4.2 AC Input Connections

CAUTION!

To minimize EMI disturbances, route the AC input wires in flexible or rigid conduit and located as far away as possible from the DC power wires.

WARNING!

Use care when removing or replacing the covers for the AC input connections. Never assume that an electrical connection or conductor is not energized.

- 1. Ensure that all modules are removed from the shelf.
- 2. At the rear of the shelf, remove screw and flip the cover down (two places) to access the AC input terminal blocks: each terminal pair corresponds to either two rectifiers or a single rectifier as shown in Figure 9.
- 3. The wire way is designed for two customer-supplied, 3/4" trade size conduit fittings for the AC supplies located on each side of the shelf. Attach the conduit retainers to the wire way hole(s) and route the AC cables through them.
- 4. Secure the wires to the AC input and AC ground terminals (15 in. lbf) and AC ground terminal (35 in. lbf). Refer to Figure 9 and customer connection drawing #0300057-08 and #0300216-08 at the end of the manual.
- 5. Tighten the cable connector to the AC cable (conduit similar).
- 6. Replace rear cover(s) once all connections have been completed.



NOTE: Rectifier slot numbers 1 to 5 from the left front of the shelf (for reference only).



7.5 AC Wiring 19" Shelf

For the 19" shelf, AC wiring is fed separately to each of the four rectifiers.

7.5.1 AC Feeder Protection/Sizing

To maximize system reliability it is recommended that, each power module be fed from a dedicated protection feeder breaker located at the AC distribution panel. The feeder breaker can also act as the disconnect device for the connected module. Refer to section "3.3.1 Cordex 48-3.0kW Rectifier Shelves" on page 10 for breaker and wire size recommendations.

7.5.2 AC Input Connections

CAUTION!

To minimize EMI disturbances, route the AC input wires in flexible or rigid conduit and located as far away as possible from the DC power wires.

WARNING!

Use care when removing or replacing the covers for the AC input connections. Never assume that an electrical connection or conductor is not energized.

- 1. Ensure that all rectifier modules are removed from the shelf.
- 2. At the rear of the shelf, remove the screw and flip the cover down (two places) to access the AC input terminal blocks. Each terminal pair corresponds to an individual rectifier as marked.
- 3. The wire way is designed for two customer-supplied, 3/4" trade size conduit fittings on each side of the shelf. Attach the conduit retainers to the wire way hole(s) and route the AC cables through them.
- 4. Secure the wires to the AC input connections(torque spec. 15 in. lbf) and AC ground terminal (35 in. lbf) as shown in drawing #0300040-08 and #0300228-08 at the end of this manual.
- 5. Tighten the cable connector to the AC cable (conduit similar).
- 6. Replace rear cover(s) once all connections have been completed.

7.6 DC Output Connections - Bulk Distribution

WARNING!

Do not complete the final live connections to the battery. Leave open and insulate the final connections or remove the battery fuses. Switch off the battery contacts if used.

The DC output wires must be UL approved XHHW or RHH/RHW (RW90 type for Canadian users). Control and sense wires must be UL approved Style 1015 (TEW type for Canadian users).

The common output leg of the rectifier system must be connected to the ground. This is typically done at the load common termination point.

The 23" and 19" bulk distribution models have positive and negative output bars.



Figure 10 — Positive and Negative Output Bars on 23" and 19" Bulk Distribution Models

7.6.1 Busbar Connection

Multiple shelves can be connected directly to customers' vertical busbar.

- 1. Remove the bolts and washers at both positive and negative output bars. Bolts are 3/8-16 x 1", and can accommodate up to 1/4" thick busbar.
- 2. Use fasteners removed from the previous step to secure the vertical busbars to shelf positive and negative output bars. Install all fasteners "FINGER TIGHT", then apply 20 ft-lbf torque to each bolt.
- 3. Refer to the system startup procedure before connecting batteries online.



Figure 11 — Connecting Output Bars to Customer's Vertical Busbars

7.6.2 Cable Connection

When attaching cables directly to the output bars, use appropriately sized cables terminated with crimp lugs with 3/8" holes on 1" centers.

- 1. Remove the bolts and washers at both positive and negative output bars. Bolts are 3/8-16 x 1"
- 2. Use fasteners removed from the previous step to secure the positive and negative cables to the shelf output bars. Install all fasteners "FINGER TIGHT".
- 3. Use a "Tongue and Groove" or similar pliers to hold and stabilize the output bar, torque each bolt to 20 ft-lbf.



Figure 12 — Connecting Output Bars Directly to Cables

7.7 Shelf ID Connection (optional)

The Shelf ID module can be used for loading individual rectifiers when multiple shelves are used in multiple bays.



Figure 13 — Example of a Single Bay with Two Rectifier Shelves.



7.8 Signal Wiring Connections to L-ADIO Board (optional)

For terminal block connections, the recommended wire sizes are 0.823 to 0.129mm² (#18 to #26 AWG) for the temperature range of 0 to 50 deg. C (as per UL/CSA).



CAUTION!

To reduce risk of fire, use only 0.129 mm² (#26 AWG) or larger wire.

7.8.1 Relay Outputs

Terminals provide contacts for extending various alarm or control signals. Each relay output can be wired for NO or NC operation during an alarm or control condition (Figure 12).



Figure 14 — Relay Connections in the De-energized State

Relays can be programmed to energize or de-energize during an alarm condition (see CXC-HP Software manual). When the CXC reset button is pressed or power is lost, all relays de-energize.

7.8.2 Digital Inputs

The digital input channels are used to monitor various alarm and control signals. All input channels are voltage activated and accept a bipolar (negative or positive) DC signal directly.

Connection Method

Typical systems use the "reset with Hot and trigger with Ground" connection. The digital input is wired in such a way that the Hot is wired directly into one of the input terminals. For example, the positive input for +24 V systems. The other input terminal is wired to the Ground (common) of the system through a dry contact relay usually located on the equipment requiring monitoring. This method allows the digital input to receive or not receive a Ground signal on an alarm.





8. System Startup

Visually inspect the installation thoroughly.

After completing the system installation and power system wiring, perform the following startup and test procedure to ensure proper operation:

8.1 Check System Connections

- 1. Make sure that the AC input power is switched off, the batteries are disconnected, and all the power modules are removed from the shelf.
- 2. Triple-check the polarity of all connections.

8.2 Verify AC and Power the Rectifier Shelf

NOTE:

Do not force a module into position if it does not seat properly. All modules are keyed to ensure that the correct module (voltage/polarity) type is used.

- 1. Install one power module into the left most position using the side of the shelf as a guide.
 - a. Place the rectifier module on the shelf bottom and slide the module into the rear connector (inside the shelf).
 - b. Apply pressure on the module handle to engage the rear connector in the shelf receptacle.
 - c. Place the handle in the down position to secure the module to the shelf.
- Verify that the AC input voltage is correct and switch on the corresponding feeder breaker. The power module AC ON LED illuminates after a preset start delay. (See the Product Features 4 on page 11 for a description of the LEDs.)
- 3. Use the CXC, if installed, to test the functionality of various module alarms and controls.

8.3 Check Battery Polarity and Connections

- 1. Use a voltmeter to verify that the battery polarity is correct. Ensure that no cells or batteries are reversed.
- 2. Connect the batteries to the output of the system.
- 3. Install the remaining power modules.
- 4. In the adjustments menu of the CXC, set the float and equalize voltages to the levels specified by the battery manufacturer.
- 5. Using the CXC, test the functionality of the various module alarms and controls. Perform a load test with the system using a resistive load box.
- 6. Enable the temperature compensation (temp comp) feature in the batteries menu. Program the settings for slope and breakpoints (upper and lower) according to the specific batteries used.

8.4 CXC HP Reset

Use the LCD on the front panel of the optional CXC HP to restart the microprocessor. Click **Settings** (Gear symbol) and then **Reset**.

9.1 Rectifier Modes

There are two main rectifier modes: output voltage mode and the output current/power mode.

9.1.1 Output Voltage Modes

Voltage modes are under software control, and can be used to directly adjust the output voltage. The qualification of "under software control" is made because there are processes that occur in the rectifier that can change the output voltage that do not adjust the output voltage directly, for example, if the rectifier has reached the current limit.

Table E lists four output voltage modes and a description of when they are active. These modes can be set via the controller.

Table E — Output voltage modes		
Output Voltage Modes	Active when	
Float	Output voltage is set to the float voltage setting.	
Equalize Output voltage is set to the equalize voltage setting.		
Battery Test Output voltage is set to the battery test voltage setting.		
Safe	If the rectifier is not connected to a controller, the rectifiers will switch to safe mode (51.4V) after 5 minutes	

9.1.2 Output Current/Power Modes

These modes directly affect the output current and power. Table F lists the four output current/power modes and a description of when they are active.

Table F — Output current/power modes		
Output Voltage Modes	Active when	
Temperature foldback mode	Output current and power limit have been reduced because a high temperature has been detected on the heatsink or internal ambient temperature sensor.	
AC foldback mode	Output current and power limits have been reduced because the AC input voltage is low. This will reduce the risk of tripping an AC breaker due to increased AC current draw as the AC voltage decreases.	
Short circuit foldback mode	Output current limit has been reduced due to a short circuit at the output.	
Internal fault foldback mode	Output current limit has been reduced due to an internal fault.	
Constant power mode	If the output current exceeds max rated current, the rectifier puts out constant power within a specific voltage range. The rectifier is in constant power mode.	
Overload	If the load current increases further, the output voltage and current will reduce. This mode is called fold back mode or Over Load.	

9.2 Factory Ranges and Defaults

Table G — Rectifier factory ranges and defaults			
Setting	Range (minimum to maximum)	Default	
Float (FL) Voltage	47.5 – 58V	54V	
Equalize (EQ) Voltage	49.8 – 60V	55V	
Battery Test (BT) Voltage	44 – 52V	46V	
Over Voltage Protection (OVP)*	63V	63V	
Current Limit (CL)	20 – 100%	100%	
Power Limit (PL)	0 – 100%	100%	
Module Start Delay	0 – 250s	1s	
System Start Delay	0 – 600s	0s	
Low Voltage Alarm (LVA)	42 – 52V	44∨	
High Voltage Alarm (HVA)	52 – 63V	55.5V	
EQ Timeout	1 – 2399h	30h	
BT Timeout	1 – 250h	8h	
Softstart Ramp-rate	Normal/Fast	Normal	
CL/PL Alarm	Enable/Disable	Enable	
Remote Shutdown	Enable/Disable	Enable	
Ramp Test	Enable/Disable	Enable	

Table G shows the rectifier settings/ranges/defaults. Changes are made through the CXC interface.

*The OVP cannot be set below the present system/FL/EQ/BT voltage setting or the safe mode voltage of 51.4 V.

Maintenance 10.

Although very little maintenance is required with Alpha systems, routine checks and adjustments are recommended to ensure optimum system performance. Qualified service personnel should do the repairs.

The following table lists a few maintenance procedures for this system. These procedures should be performed at least once a year.



WARNING!

Use extreme care when working inside the unit while the system is energized. Do not make contact with live components or parts.



Circuit cards, including RAM chips, can be damaged by static electricity. Always wear a strap when handling or installing circuit cards.

Ensure redundant modules or batteries are used to eliminate the threat of service interruptions while performing maintenance on the system's alarms and control settings.

Table H — Sample maintenance log		
Procedure	Date Completed	
Clean ventilation openings.		
Inspect all system connections. Re-torque if necessary.		
Verify alarm/control settings.		
Verify alarm relay operation.		

10.1 Replacing a Rectifier Module via the CXC HP Controller

When a rectifier is permanently removed, the system generates a **Rectifier Comms Lost** alarm. That alarm is cleared by removing the rectifier from the system inventory.

To remove the rectifier from the system inventory do the following:

- Remove the defective rectifier from the shelf. 1
- 2. To remove a module, flip the handle up and pull the module away from the rear connector and out of the shelf.
- In the web user interface go to **Power System > Inventory > Rectifiers > Status**. З.

Dashboard	Controller	Power Systems	Modules	Alarms and Event	ts Shelf Layout
A Power S	ystem / DC Sy	vstem 48V/4058 / In	ventory / Rec	tifiers	
	_		=	-	_
	_		=	-	_
	Status (•	Configuratio	n ⊖	Group Data ⊖

- 4. Click the **Unassign** button on the rectifier to be removed and confirm.
- 5. Place the new rectifier in the shelf.
- 6. Rectifiers are plug-and-play, but you may still need to map the new rectifier to an AC phase.
- 7. If not set to auto-assign, go to Modules > Unassigned Modules to assign new rectifier.
- 8. Confirm the assignment.

10.2 Fan Replacement

The fan assembly part number is 7400732-001. The Fan on the individual rectifiers is designed for very high reliability and long life. During year 6 of the life of the product the manufacturer recommends replacement of the fan assembly.

- 1. Lift the locking handle and slide the module 10cm (4") out of the shelf. Wait ten minutes for the module capacitors to discharge and then slide the rectifier out of the shelf.
- 2. Remove the two bottom screws that secure the front panel to the module chassis (Figure 16).



Figure 16 — Rectifier Bottom View

3. Push in the two plastic protrusions (Figure 17) on top of the rectifier and disengage the front panel and attached fan from the rectifier.



Figure 17 — Removing Front Panel from Rectifier

- 4. Disconnect the fan cables from the module by pulling out the fan cable connector.
- 5. Discard the old fan assembly and unpack the new replacement assembly.



Figure 18 — 3.0kW Rectifier Fan Assembly

- 6. Reconnect the fan cable. Insert the connector into the fan connector in the module. Ensure proper polarity and that the wires stay clear of the fan blade.
- 7. Slide the front panel into the rectifier body.



Figure 19 — Reattaching the Front Panel

- 8. Ensure the metal tabs of the rectifier body aligned with the screw holes of the front panel.
- 9. Ensure the plastic tabs of the front panel are protruding through the metal cutouts in the rectifier body.



Figure 20 — Locking the Front Panel in Place

10. Secure the front cover by hand tightening the bottom screws, see Figure 16.

11. Troubleshooting

The rectifiers and the shelves are designed for simple installation and reliable, trouble-free operation for several years.

In most cases the rectifiers will recover from minor alarms and faults automatically. However under certain conditions the rectifiers may need remote control. And under very rare cases the rectifier may need a manual reset (unplug and reinsert the rectifier). In the unlikely event of a rectifier failure, it may need replacement.

A 3.0KW rectifier shelf can have 4 or 5 rectifiers in it, depending on the model. The rectifiers have 3 LED indicators that provide information about the system. Refer to the LED section, 4.1.1 on page 11 for details.

When the 3.0KW shelf system is used in conjunction with a controller, detailed system informations and status can be obtained through it. Even more information can be obtained using the web interface using the Ethernet port.

Table below provides a quick look up at the LEDs and the corresponding rectifier states.

Table I — 3.0 kW Rectifier - Alarm and Fault States					
AC	DC	Alarm/Fault	Rectifier State	Possible Causes	Solutions
Green	Green	Off	Normal operation		
Green	Off	Off	Unit has no DC output	Unit is in Power Save mode	Unit will automatically resume power delivery power when load is increased or when the Remote restart is enabled.
Off	Off	Off	Unit may not be plugged in or system is off or unit has failed		Plug in unit completely, check AC and DC wiring
Off	Off	Red	Unit has shut down due to a fault and may need to be reset. Check controller or web interface to find the fault details	AC not qualified unit has failed	
Green	Off	Red	Unit has shut down due to a fault and may need to be reset. Check controller or web interface to find the fault details	Depending on the fault the unit may or may not recover automatically	Over temperature fault, will auto recover, plug unit into the shelf
Green	Off	Blinking Red	Unit has an alarm		Check the controller front panel or web interface to find out the details of the alarm
Green	Green	Blinking Red	Unit has an alarm.		Check the controller front panel or web interface to find out the details of the alarm
Green	Green	Red	Normal Operation	Unit is on No LOAD, and no battery is connected. CXC will report ramp test fail.	Add load or connect battery, or disable ramp test

12. Acronyms and Definitions

AC	Alternating current
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
AWG	American Wire Gauge
BTU	British thermal unit
CAN	Controller area network
CEC	Canadian Electrical Code
CSA	Canadian Standards Association
CX	Cordex™ series; e.g., CXC for Cordex System Controller
DC	Direct current
EIA	Electronic Industries Alliance
EMC	Electromagnetic compatibility
EMI	Electromagnetic interference
ERM	Electromagnetic Compatibility and Radio Spectrum Matters
ESD	Electrostatic Discharge
FCC	Federal Communications Commission (for the USA)
HVSD	High voltage shutdown
IEC	International Electrotechnical Commission
IEEE	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
IP	Internet Protocol
LED	Light emitting diode
LVD	Low voltage disconnect
MIL	One thousandth of an inch; used in expressing wire cross sectional area
MOV	Metal oxide varistor
MTBF	Mean time between failures
NC	Normally closed
NEC	National Electrical Code (for the USA)
NO	Normally open
OSHA	Occupational Safety & Health Administration
OVP	Over voltage protection
RAM	Random access memory
RU	Rack unit (1.75")
TCP/IP	Transmission Control Protocol / Internet Protocol
THD	Total harmonic distortion
UL	Underwriters Laboratories
VRLA	Valve regulated lead acid

13. Warranty Statement and Service Information

13.1 Technical Support

In Canada and the USA, call toll free 1-888-462-7487.

Customers outside Canada and the USA, call +1-604-436-5547.

13.2 Warranty Statement

For full information details review Alpha's online Warranty Statement at www.alpha.ca/support.

13.3 Product Warranty

Alpha warrants that for a period of two (2) years from the date of shipment its products shall be free from defects under normal authorized use consistent with the product specifications and Alpha's instructions, the terms of the manual will take precedence.

The warranty provides for repairing, replacing or issuing credit (at Alpha's discretion) for any equipment manufactured by it and returned by the customer to the factory or other authorized location during the warranty period.

There are limitations to this warranty coverage. The warranty does not provide to the customer or other parties any remedies other than the above. It does not provide coverage for any loss of profits, loss of use, costs for removal or installation of defective equipment, damages or consequential damages based upon equipment failure during or after the warranty period. No other obligations are expressed or implied. Warranty also does not cover damage or equipment failure due to cause(s) external to the unit including, but not limited to, environmental conditions, water damage, power surges or any other external influence.

The customer is responsible for all shipping and handling charges. Where products are covered under warranty Alpha will pay the cost of shipping the repaired or replacement unit back to the customer.

13.4 Battery Warranty

Note that battery warranty terms and conditions vary by battery and by intended use. Contact your Alpha sales representative or the Technical Support team at the above number to understand your entitlements under Battery Warranty.

13.5 Warranty Claims

Any claim under this Limited Warranty must be made in writing to Alpha BEFORE sending material back. Alpha will provide Product return instructions upon approval of return request. A Service Repair Order (SRO) and / or Return Authorization (RA) number will be issued ensuring that your service needs are handled promptly and efficiently.

Claims must be made online at: www.alpha.ca.

13.6 Service Information

For a list of international service centers, refer to the Alpha website: www.alpha.ca.

14. Certification

About CSA and NRTL

CSA (Canadian Standards Association also known as CSA International) was established in 1919 as an independent testing laboratory in Canada. CSA received its recognition as an NRTL (Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory) in 1992 from OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) in the United States of America (Docket No. NRTL-2-92). This was expanded and renewed in 1997, 1999, and 2001. The specific notifications were posted on OSHA's official website as follows:

- Federal Register #: 59:40602 40609 [08/09/1994]
- Federal Register #: 64:60240 60241 [11/04/1999]
- Federal Register #: 66:35271 35278 [07/03/2001]

When these marks appear with the indicator "C and US" or "NRTL/C" it means that the product is certified for both the US and Canadian markets, to the applicable US and Canadian standards. (1)

Alpha rectifier and power system products, bearing the aforementioned CSA marks, are certified to CSA C22.2 No. 60950-01 and UL 60950-01. Alpha UPS products, bearing the aforementioned CSA marks, are certified to CSA C22.2 No. 107.3 and UL 1778.

As part of the reciprocal, US/Canada agreement regarding testing laboratories, the Standards Council of Canada (Canada's national accreditation body) granted Underwriters Laboratories (UL) authority to certify products for sale in Canada. (2)

Only Underwriters Laboratories may grant a licence for the use of this mark, which indicates compliance with both Canadian and US requirements. (3)

NRTLs capabilities

NRTLs are third party organizations recognized by OSHA, US Department of Labor, under

the NRTL program.

The testing and certifications are based on product safety standards developed by US based standards developing organizations and are often issued by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). (4)

The NRTL determines that a product meets the requirements of an appropriate consensus-based product safety standard either by successfully testing the product itself, or by verifying that a contract laboratory has done so, and the NRTL certifies that the product meets the requirements of the product safety standard. (4)

Governance of NRTL

The NRTL Program is both national and international in scope with foreign labs permitted.

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