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Actuating Terminal Equipment Controller (ATEC)

Base VAV - Cooling or Heating,
Application 2521

Application Note

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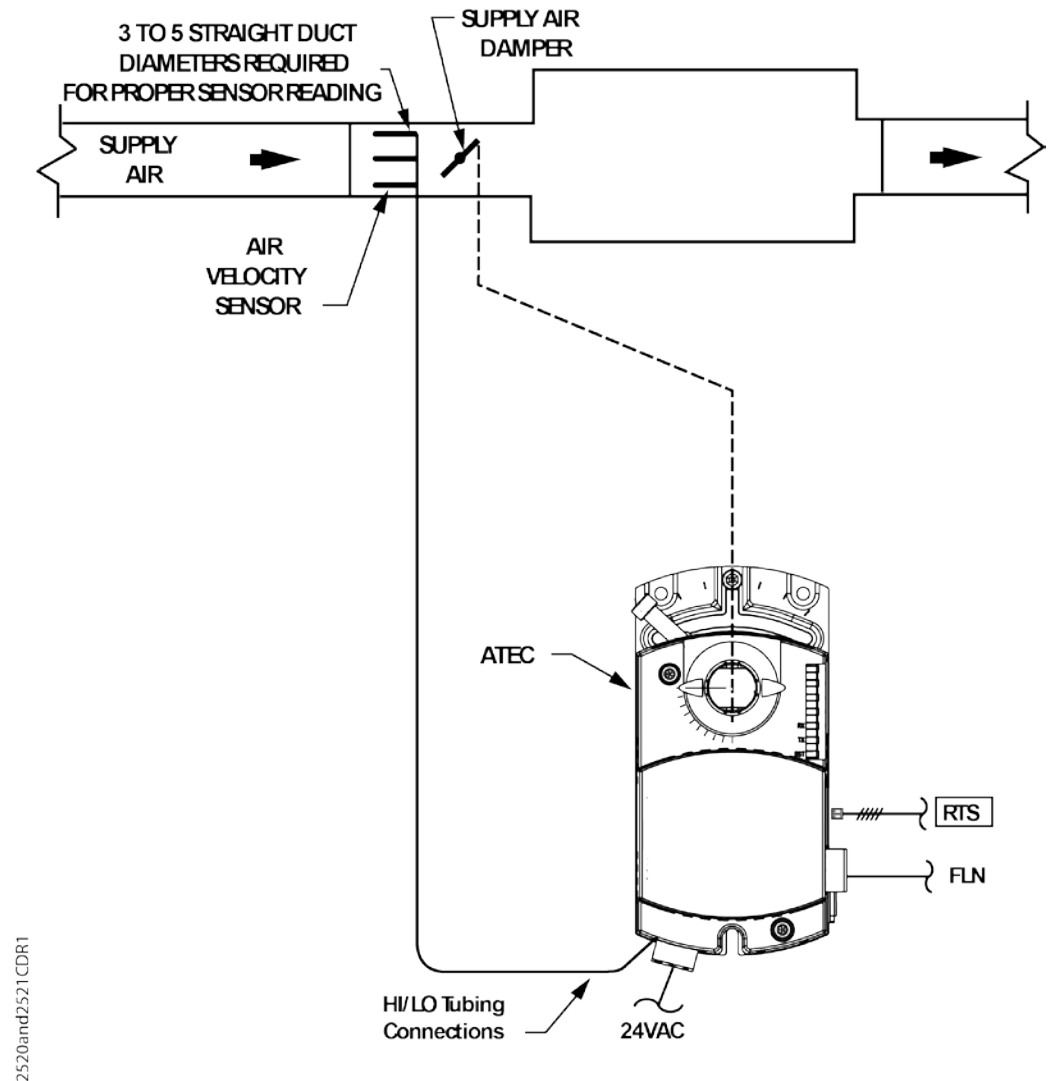
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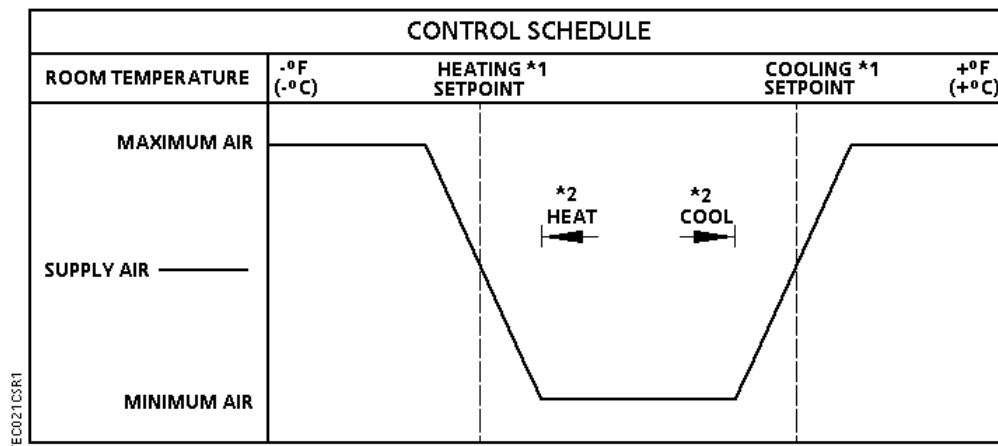
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Overview

In Application 2521, the controller modulates the supply air damper of the terminal box for cooling or heating. In order for it to work properly, the central air-handling unit must provide cool supply air in cooling mode and warm air during heating mode.



Application 2521 VAV Cooling and Heating Control Diagram.



Application 2521 control schedule.



NOTES:

1. See *Control Temperature Setpoints*.
2. See *Heating/Cooling Switchover*.

Hardware Inputs

Analog

- Air velocity sensor
- Room temperature sensor
- (Optional) Room temperature setpoint dial
- Spare sensor (two temperature) (100K Ω thermistor) or Digital Input

Digital

- (Optional) Night mode override

Hardware Outputs

Analog

- None

Digital

- Damper actuator (internal)

Ordering Notes

550-400N Actuating Terminal Equipment Controller (ATEC) Base VAV

Sequence of Operation

The following paragraphs present the sequence of operation for Application 2521, Base VAV - Cooling and Heating.

Control Temperature Setpoints

CTL STPT is Overridden

If CTL STPT is overridden, that value is used regardless of any other settings. This disables the setpoint deadband feature.

CTL STPT in Night Mode

The controller is in Night mode if DAY.NGT = NGT and NGT OVRD = NGT.

When the controller is in Night mode, CTL STPT holds the value of NGT CLG STPT or NGT HTG STPT depending on the value of HEAT.COOL. When the controller is in Night mode, the value of RM STPT DIAL is ignored.

CTL STPT in Day Mode

The controller is in Day mode if DAY.NGT = DAY or NGT OVRD = DAY.

Without setpoint dial:

When the controller is in Day mode and STPT DIAL = NO, CTL STPT holds the value of DAY CLG STPT or DAY HTG STPT depending on the value of HEAT.COOL.

With setpoint dial:

When the controller is in Day mode and STPT DIAL = YES, CTL STPT holds a value based on RM STPT DIAL depending on your room unit model/revision.

Heating/Cooling Switchover

In order for the controller to function properly, use one of the following two options for the heating/cooling switchover for this application.

1. If the controller is connected to a field panel, the field panel can command SUPPLY TEMP.
When SUPPLY TEMP is commanded below the value of COOL TEMP, the controller sets HEAT.COOL to COOL, switching the controller to cooling mode.
When SUPPLY TEMP is commanded above the value of HEAT TEMP, the controller sets HEAT.COOL to HEAT, switching the controller to heating mode.
2. If the controller is connected to a field panel, the field panel can switch the controller between heating and cooling modes by commanding HEAT.COOL to HEAT or COOL.

Day and Night Modes

The day/night status of the space is determined by the status of DAY.NGT.

If the controller is operating stand-alone, it stays in day mode all the time. If the controller is operating with centralized control (that is, connected to a field panel), the field panel can send an operator or PPCL command to override the status of DAY.NGT. See the *Field Panel User's Manual* (125-1895) for more information.

Night Mode Override Switch

If an override switch is present on the room temperature sensor and a value (in hours) other than zero has been entered into OVRD TIME, pressing the override switch resets the controller to DAY operational mode for the time period that is set in OVRD TIME. The status of NGT OVRD changes to DAY. After the override time elapses, the controller returns to night mode and the status of NGT OVRD changes back to NIGHT. The override switch on the room sensor only affects the controller when it is in Night mode.

Control Loops

The controller is controlled by three Proportional, Integral, and Derivative (PID) control loops; two temperature loops and a flow loop.

The two temperature loops are a cooling loop and a heating loop. The active temperature loop maintains room temperature at the value in CTL STPT. See *Control Temperature Setpoints*.

Cooling Loop – The cooling loop generates cooling loopout which is then used to generate FLOW STPT. FLOW STPT is the result of scaling the cooling loopout to the appropriate range of values determined by flow minimum (CLG FLOW MIN) and flow maximum (CLG FLOW MAX).

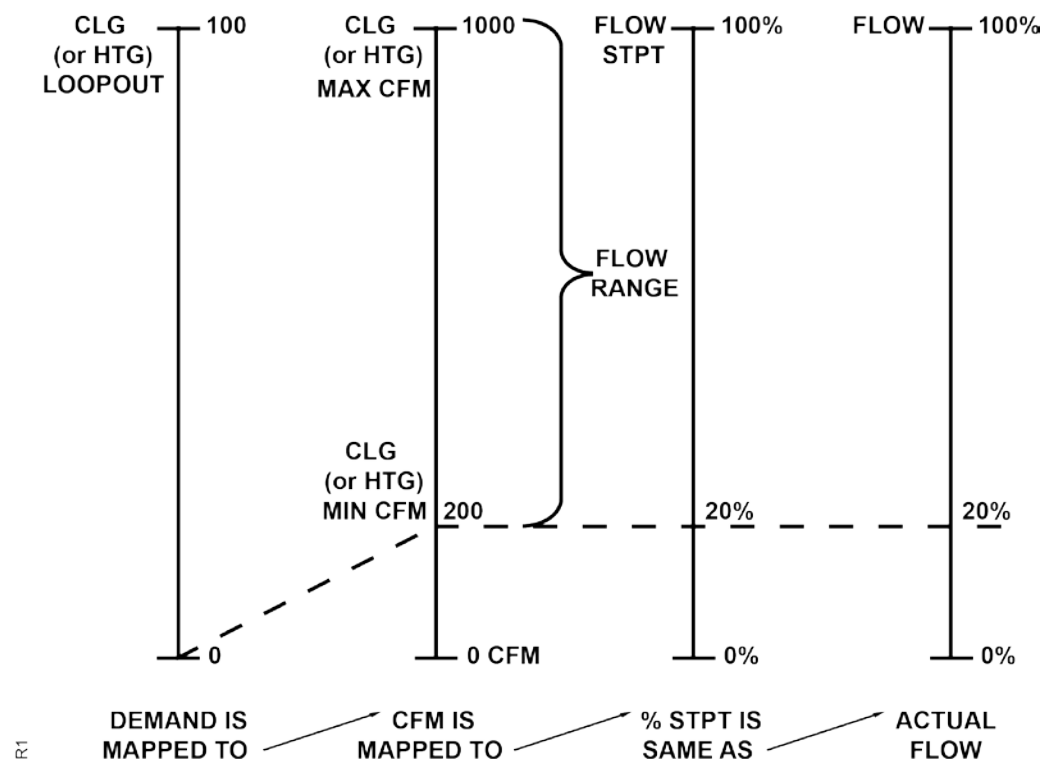
When CLG FLOW MIN \neq 0 CFM, FLOWSTPT \neq CLG LOOPOUT, the minimum flow setpoint is (CLG FLOW MIN/CLG FLOW MAX) \times 100% flow. And, FLOW STPT is [CLG LOOPOUT \times (100% – minimum setpoint)] + minimum setpoint.

The following figure describes how the flow setpoint is calculated:

FLOW STPT = [CLG LOOPOUT \times (100% – % minimum setpoint)] + % minimum setpoint.

Where percent minimum setpoint is:

% minimum setpoint = (CLG FLOW MIN/CLG FLOW MAX) \times 100%



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* APPLIES TO EITHER HEATING OR COOLING MODE.

FLOW STPT and FLOW % are relative to MIN and MAX STPTS of corresponding heating or cooling mode.

Example

If CLG FLOW MIN = 200 cfm, and CLG FLOW MAX = 1000 cfm, the minimum flow setpoint is $(200 \text{ cfm}/1000 \text{ cfm}) \times 100\% \text{ flow} = 20\%$.

When CLG LOOPOUT is 0%, FLOW STPT = 20% flow.

$$[0\% \times (100\% - 20\%)] + 20\% = 20\%$$

This ensures that the airflow out of the terminal box is no less than CLG FLOW MIN.

When CLG LOOPOUT is 50%, FLOW STPT = 60% flow.

$$[50\% \times (100\% - 20\%)] + 20\% = 60\%$$

When CLG LOOPOUT is 100%, FLOW STPT = 100% flow.

$$[100\% \times (100\% - 20\%)] + 20\% = 100\%$$

Heating Loop – Generates heating loopout which is used to generate the FLOW STPT. FLOW STPT is the result of scaling the heating loopout to the appropriate range of values determined by HTG FLOW MIN and HTG FLOW MAX.

As described in the figure, the flow setpoint is calculated by:

FLOW STPT = $[\text{HTG LOOPOUT} \times (100\% - \% \text{ minimum setpoint})] + \% \text{ minimum setpoint}$.

Where percent minimum setpoint is:

$$\% \text{ minimum setpoint} = (\text{HTG FLOW MIN}/\text{HTG FLOW MAX}) \times 100 \%$$

Example

If HTG FLOW MIN = 100 cfm, and HTG FLOW MAX = 1000 cfm, the minimum flow setpoint is $(100 \text{ cfm}/1000 \text{ cfm}) \times 100\% \text{ flow} = 10\%$.

When HTG LOOPOUT is 0%, FLOW STPT = 10% flow.

$$[0\% \times (100\% - 10\%)] + 10\% = 10\%$$

This ensures that the airflow out of the terminal box is not less than HTG FLOW MIN.

When HTG LOOPOUT is 50%, FLOW STPT = 55% flow.

$$[50\% \times (100\% - 10\%)] + 10\% = 55\%$$

When HTG LOOPOUT is 100%, FLOW STPT = 100% flow.

$$[100\% \times (100\% - 10\%)] + 10\% = 100\%$$

Flow Loop – The flow loop maintains FLOW STPT by modulating the supply air damper, DMPR COMD. The flow loop maintains the airflow between CTL FLOW MIN and CTL FLOW MAX.

To enhance stable flow control, an advanced algorithm is used to calculate a controllable setpoint as the value approaches zero cfm (lps).

When the controller is in cooling mode, CTL FLOW MIN = CLG FLOW MIN, and CTL FLOW MAX = CLG FLOW MAX.

When the controller is in heating mode, CTL FLOW MIN = HTG FLOW MIN, and CTL FLOW MAX = HTG FLOW MAX.

You can set CLG FLOW MIN equal to, but not greater than, CLG FLOW MAX. If the minimum and maximum values are set equal, the flow loop becomes a constant volume loop and loses its ability to control temperature.

FLOW is the input value for the flow loop. It is calculated as a percentage based on where AIR VOLUME is between 0 cfm and CTL FLOW MAX. This percentage is referred to as % flow.

- If AIR VOLUME = 0 cfm, FLOW is 0% flow.
- If AIR VOLUME = CTL FLOW MAX, FLOW is 100% flow.

The low limit of FLOW STPT is the percentage that corresponds to the volume given in CTL FLOW MIN. This percentage can be calculated as:

$$(\text{CTL FLOW MIN}/\text{CTL FLOW MAX}) \times 100\% \text{ flow}$$

The flow loop ensures that the supply air will not be less than CTL FLOW MIN.

Example

If CTL FLOW MIN = 250 cfm, and CTL FLOW MAX = 1000 cfm,

the low limit of FLOW STPT = $(250 \text{ cfm}/1000 \text{ cfm}) \times 100\% \text{ flow}$

$$= 0.25 \times 100\% \text{ flow}$$

$$= 25\% \text{ flow.}$$

Since 25% of 1000 cfm = 250 cfm, the minimum airflow out of the terminal box will be 250 cfm.

Calibration

Calibration of the controller's internal air velocity sensor(s) is periodically required to maintain accurate air velocity readings. CAL SETUP is set with the desired calibration option during controller startup.

Depending on the value of CAL SETUP, calibration may be set to take place automatically or manually. If CAL AIR = YES, calibration is in progress.

At the end of a calibration sequence, CAL AIR automatically returns to NO. A status of NO indicates that the controller is not in a calibration sequence.

Floating Control Actuation Auto-correct

In addition to the existing options for floating control actuator full stroke actions, all floating control actuators are provided with additional logic to fully drive open or closed when commanded to 100% or 0%.

Fail Mode Operation

If the air velocity sensor fails, the controller uses pressure dependent control. The temperature loop controls the operation of the damper.

If the room temperature sensor fails, the controller operates using the last known temperature value.

Performing the Automated Fault Detection and Diagnostics

VAV ATEC controllers have a built-in checkout procedure that performs a basic fault detection and diagnostic routine. It can be manually initiated at any time after the controller has been installed. This procedure tests all of the necessary I/O and ensures the controller can operate within the set airflow range, between CLG FLOW MIN and CLG FLOW MAX.

To perform the checkout procedure, set CHK OUT to **YES**. When the procedure has completed, CHK OUT returns to NO and the results display in CHK STATUS, Table *Possible Failure Value and Description*.

Possible Failure Value and Description	
CHK STATUS Values	Description
-1	Checkout procedure has not been run since last controller initialization.
0	No errors found.
1	RTS failed.
2	Room Setpoint dial failed (If STPT DIAL = YES).
4	AVS failed.
8	Controller could not reach CLG FLOW MIN or below.
16	Controller could not reach CLG FLOW MAX or above.
32	Controller did not read low (zero) flow when damper closed.



NOTE:

Multiple failures are added together and displayed as one value. For example, if the RTS failed (1) and the controller could not reach CLG FLOW MAX (16), CHK STATUS displays 17.

Failure codes indicate the following possible problems.



Room temperature sensor failed—CHK STATUS = 1

1. The cable for the room temperature sensor may be unplugged or loose. Check both ends to ensure that the cable is securely seated.
2. Connect directly to the controller through the room temperature sensor connection on the VAV Actuator and check whether communication is possible. If so, the problem lies in the room temperature sensor or its cable. If not, the problem is with the controller.
3. Contact your local Siemens Industry representative.

Room setpoint dial failed—CHK STATUS = 2

1. The cable for the room temperature sensor may be unplugged or loose. Check both ends to ensure that the cable is securely seated.
2. The controller may be incorrectly set to use a setpoint dial with a sensor that does not have the dial. If the sensor has no dial, change STPT DIAL from **YES** to **NO**.
3. Connect directly to the controller through the room temperature sensor connection on the VAV Actuator and check whether communication is possible. If so, the problem lies in the room temperature sensor or its cable. If not, the problem is with the controller.
4. Contact your local Siemens Industry representative.

Air velocity sensor failed—CHK STATUS = 4

1. The sensor tubing may be blocked, leaking, or disconnected. Check for pinched, disconnected, or cracked sensor tubing. Correct as needed.
2. The tubing connections for the air velocity sensor may be reversed. Re-pipe if HI and LO connections are incorrect.
3. The sensor or the VAV Actuator may be faulty.

Controller could not reach CLG FLOW MIN or below—CHK STATUS = 8

1. The actuator may be loose on the shaft. Check that the set screw is fully tightened against the damper shaft. Follow these torque guidelines:
 - 70 ± 5 inch pounds—solid metal
 - 37 ± 2 inch pounds—plastic, graphite, composite, or hollow metal (Hollow metal shafts require an insert to prevent shaft damage.)
2. The tubing for the air velocity sensor may be pinched, disconnected, or cracked. Check the tubing and correct as needed.
3. The tubing connections for the air velocity sensor may be reversed. Re-pipe if HI and LO connections are incorrect.
4. Box sizing information may be incorrect. Check the values of the following points and correct as needed:
 - DUCT AREA
 - FLOW COEFF
 - CLG FLOW MIN

- CLG FLOW MAX
- 5. Motor setup information may be incorrect. Check the values of the following points and correct as needed:
 - MTR SETUP
 - MTR1 TIMING
 - DMPR ROT ANG
- 6. The box may not have been balanced correctly. Contact your local Siemens Industry representative.
- 7. The air velocity sensor may need calibration. Set CAL AIR to **YES** to run the calibration sequence. When CAL AIR returns to NO, indicating that the sequence is finished, run the checkout procedure again to see whether the problem has been corrected.

Controller could not reach CLG FLOW MAX or above—CHK STATUS = 16

1. Check for the problems described immediately above for CLG FLOW MIN.
2. The box may be starved for air, because either the central air-handling unit is off or there is low duct static.

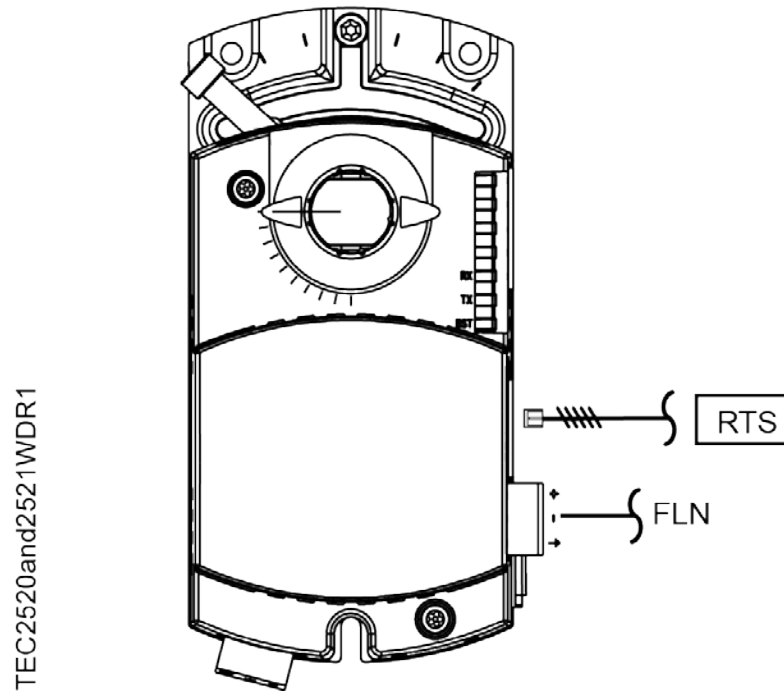
Controller did not read low (zero) flow when damper closed—CHK STATUS = 32

1. Check for the problems described above for CLG FLOW MIN.
2. The damper shaft may not be secured correctly to the actuator so that when the actuator is fully closed, the damper does not completely shut off airflow.
3. Airflow calibration (at zero) may need to be performed ensuring the damper is fully closed and/or the air handling unit is off.

Application Notes

- If temperature swings in the room are excessive or there is trouble maintaining the setpoint, the cooling loop must be tuned. If FLOW is oscillating while FLOW STPT is constant, the flow loop requires tuning.
- The controller, as shipped from the factory, keeps all associated equipment OFF. For more information, contact your local Siemens Industry representative.

Wiring Diagram



Application 2520 and 2521 Cooling Only Wiring Diagram.



NOTE:

There are no external I/Os for the Cooling Only Applications 2520 and 2521.

Application 2521 Point Database

Point Number	Descriptor	Factory Default (SI Units) ²	Eng Units (SI Units)	Slope (SI Units)	Intercept (SI Units)	On Text	Off Text
1	CTLR ADDRESS	99	--	1	0	--	--
2	APPLICATION	2486	--	1	0	--	--
{03}	CHK STATUS	-1	--	1	-1	--	--
{04}	ROOM TEMP	74.0 (23.44888)	DEG F (DEG C)	0.25 (0.14)	48.0 (8.88888)	--	--
{05}	HEAT.COOL	COOL	--	--	--	HEAT	COOL
6	DAY CLG STPT	74.0 (23.44888)	DEG F (DEG C)	0.25 (0.14)	48.0 (8.88888)	--	--
7	DAY HTG STPT	70.0 (21.20888)	DEG F (DEG C)	0.25 (0.14)	48.0 (8.88888)	--	--
8	NGT CLG STPT	82.0 (27.92888)	DEG F (DEG C)	0.25 (0.14)	48.0 (8.88888)	--	--
9	NGT HTG STPT	65.0 (18.40888)	DEG F (DEG C)	0.25 (0.14)	48.0 (8.88888)	--	--
{10}	CHK OUT	NO	--	--	--	YES	NO
11	RM STPT MIN	55.0 (12.80888)	DEG F (DEG C)	0.25 (0.14)	48.0 (8.88888)	--	--
12	RM STPT MAX	90.0 (32.40888)	DEG F (DEG C)	0.25 (0.14)	48.0 (8.88888)	--	--
{13}	RM STPT DIAL	74.0 (23.44888)	DEG F (DEG C)	0.25 (0.14)	48.0 (8.88888)	--	--
14	STPT DIAL	NO	--	--	--	YES	NO
{19}	DI OVRD SW	OFF	--	--	--	ON	OFF
20	OVRD TIME	0	HRS	1	0	--	--
{21}	NGT OVRD	NIGHT	--	--	--	NIGHT	DAY
{29}	DAY.NGT	DAY	--	--	--	NIGHT	DAY
31	CLG FLOW MIN	220 (103.818)	CFM (LPS)	4 (1.8876)	0	--	--
32	CLG FLOW MAX	2200 (1038.18)	CFM (LPS)	4 (1.8876)	0	--	--
33	HTG FLOW MIN	220 (103.818)	CFM (LPS)	4 (1.8876)	0	--	--
34	HTG FLOW MAX	2200 (1038.18)	CFM (LPS)	4 (1.8876)	0	--	--
{35}	AIR VOLUME	0 (0.0)	CFM (LPS)	4 (1.8876)	0	--	--
36	FLOW COEFF	1	--	0.01	0	--	--
{40}	SUPPLY TEMP	74.0 (23.495556)	DEG F (DEG C)	0.5 (0.28)	37.5 (3.055556)	--	--

Point Number	Descriptor	Factory Default (SI Units) ²	Eng Units (SI Units)	Slope (SI Units)	Intercept (SI Units)	On Text	Off Text
{41}	DO 1	OFF	--	--	--	ON	OFF
{42}	DO 2	OFF	--	--	--	ON	OFF
{48}	DMPR COMD	0	PCT	0.4	0	--	--
{49}	DMPR POS	0	PCT	0.4	0	--	--
51	MTR1 TIMING	95	SEC	1	0	--	--
56	DMPR ROT ANG	90	--	1	0	--	--
58	MTR SETUP	0	--	1	0	--	--
59	DO DIR. REV	0	--	1	0	--	--
61	COOL TEMP	65.0 (18.455556)	DEG F (DEG C)	0.5 (0.28)	37.5 (3.055556)	--	--
62	HEAT TEMP	80.0 (26.855556)	DEG F (DEG C)	0.5 (0.28)	37.5 (3.055556)	--	--
63	CLG P GAIN	20.0 (36.0)	--	0.25 (0.45)	0	--	--
64	CLG I GAIN	0.01 (0.018)	--	0.001 (0.0018)	0	--	--
65	CLG D GAIN	0 (0.0)	--	2 (3.6)	0	--	--
66	CLG BIAS	0	PCT	0.4	0	--	--
67	HTG P GAIN	10.0 (18.0)	--	0.25 (0.45)	0	--	--
68	HTG I GAIN	0.01 (0.018)	--	0.001 (0.0018)	0	--	--
69	HTG D GAIN	0 (0.0)	--	2 (3.6)	0	--	--
70	HTG BIAS	0	PCT	0.4	0	--	--
71	FLOW P GAIN	0	--	0.05	0	--	--
72	FLOW I GAIN	0.01	--	0.001	0	--	--
73	FLOW D GAIN	0	--	2	0	--	--
74	FLOW BIAS	50	PCT	0.4	0	--	--
{75}	FLOW	0	PCT	0.25	0	--	--
{76}	CTL FLOW MIN	220 (103.818)	CFM (LPS)	4 (1.8876)	0	--	--
{77}	CTL FLOW MAX	2200 (1038.18)	CFM (LPS)	4 (1.8876)	0	--	--
{78}	CTL TEMP	74.0 (23.44888)	DEG F (DEG C)	0.25 (0.14)	48.0 (8.88888)	--	--
{79}	CLG LOOPOUT	0	PCT	0.4	0	--	--
{80}	HTG LOOPOUT	0	PCT	0.4	0	--	--
{92}	CTL STPT	74.0 (23.44888)	DEG F (DEG C)	0.25 (0.14)	48.0 (8.88888)	--	--
{93}	FLOW STPT	0	PCT	0.25	0	--	--
{94}	CAL AIR	NO	--	--	--	YES	NO

Point Number	Descriptor	Factory Default (SI Units) ²	Eng Units (SI Units)	Slope (SI Units)	Intercept (SI Units)	On Text	Off Text
95	CAL SETUP	4	--	1	0	--	--
96	CAL TIMER	12	HRS	1	0	--	--
97	DUCT AREA	1.0 (0.09292)	SQ. FT (SQ M)	0.025 (0.002323)	0	--	--
98	LOOP TIME	5	SEC	1	0	--	--
{99}	ERROR STATUS	0	--	1	0	--	--

- 1) Points not listed are not used in this application.
- 2) A single value in a column means that the value is the same in English units and in SI units.
- 3) Point numbers that appear in brackets { } may be unbundled at the field panel.