

# **Instruction Sheet**

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X – Pump Block (XPB)

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## General

The Taco X – Pump Block (XPB) represents a breakthrough in the design, control and installation of heating systems. The patent pending design combines a variable speed mixing control (VSMC), heat source circulator, system circulator, and heat exchanger into a single unit. This combination delivers complete isolation between the heat creation source side of the system (boiler, water heater, etc.) and the heat delivery side of the system (radiant tubing, glycol based snowmelt, baseboard, etc.). Extremely versatile, the X - Pump Block can be set up to operate in outdoor reset, setpoint or delta T limiting mode.



X – PUMP BLOCK (XPB)

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## **Typical Piping**



# Warning! Must Install a Pressure Relief Valve and Expansion Tank on Secondary Side in addition to Units Installed on Primary Side of System.





X - Pump Block (XPB), Multiple Zones - Circulators



X - Pump Block (XPB), Multiple Temperature System - Circulators



X - Pump Block (XPB), Multiple Temperature System – Circulators and Zone Valves

## **Typical Installation**



Pressure Return Return Sensor Return System System System System System System Return Sensor Radiant Manifold - Return Return System System Return System System Return System Sy





X - Pump Block (XPB), delta T Snow Melt System



X - Pump Block (XPB), Multiple Zones - Zone Valves



## Getting Ready

Ensure that the contents of this package are complete. If any of the contents are missing or damaged, please contact your local Taco sales representative for assistance.

Contents should include the following:

- One X Pump Block, preassembled
  - unit consists of the following parts:
    - One Variable Speed Mixing Control (VSMC)
    - One Green Enclosure
    - Two Casings with Circulators Attached
    - One Heat Exchanger
    - One Power Cord (6 feet)

## Application

- One Taco Outdoor Sensor
- Two Taco Strap-on Sensors
- One Instruction Sheet

The Taco X – Pump Block (XPB) is a complete mixing system with an attached heat exchanger for system isolation. Integral to the unit is a variable speed heat source circulator, constant speed system circulator, heat exchanger, and the electronics to drive it all. With only four piping connections needed, the XPB greatly reduces the time and space required for installation. The heat exchanger provides complete isolation between fluid on the heat source side and the fluid on the system side. The XPB can be set up to operate as an outdoor reset control, a setpoint control or a delta T limiting control, creating flexibility never seen before in a single unit.

## Design Procedure

1. Verify BTU capacity of X-Pump Block using charts below.

## BTU/H Capacity @ 10 degree Delta T Across System

X-Pump BTU Capacities*								
System		Heat Source Temperature Range						
Temp.	120/100	130/110	140/120	150/130	160/140	170/150	180/160	
70/80	29,900	29,900	29,900	29,900	29,900	29,900	29,900	
80/90	29,800	29,800	29,800	29,800	29,800	29,800	29,800	
90/100	29,800	29,800	29,800	29,800	29,800	29,800	29,800	
100/110	4,500	29,700	29,700	29,700	29,700	29,700	29,700	
110/120		5,500	29,600	29,600	29,600	29,600	29,600	
120/130			6,000	29,600	29,600	29,600	29,600	
130/140				6,500	29,500	29,500	29,500	
140/150					7,000	29,400	29,400	
150/160						7,500	29,300	

#### BTU/H Capacity @ 20 degree Delta T Across System

X-Pump BTU Capacities*								
System		Heat Source Temperature Range						
Temp.	120/100	130/110	140/120	150/130	160/140	170/150	180/160	
60/80	59,900	59,900	59,900	59,900	59,900	59,900	59,900	
70/90	59,800	59,800	59,800	59,800	59,800	59,800	59,800	
80/100	27,000	59,800	59,800	59,800	59,800	59,800	59,800	
90/110	4,500	29,000	59,700	59,700	59,700	59,700	59,700	
100/120		5,500	31,500	59,600	59,600	59,600	59,600	
110/130			6,000	33,500	59,600	59,600	59,600	
120/140				6,500	35,500	59,500	59,500	
130/150					7,000	37,600	59,400	
140/160						7,500	39,700	

\* Assuming 6 gpm Flow on Radiant Side of XPB

 Using the pump curve located below, ensure that the System Pump of the X – Pump Block will provide adequate head and flow for the system in which it is to be installed. If flow rate is unknown, then use Equation No. 1 below to determine required flow.
 Using the pump curve located below, ensure that the Heat Source Pump of the X – Pump Block will provide adequate head and flow for the system in which it is to be installed. If flow rate is unknown, then use Equation No. 1 below to determine required flow.

4. Use Equation No. 1 to verify flow rates. Example: 25000 BTU radiant load with supply temperature of 100° and return temperature of 90°.

EQUATION NO. 1:

Flow Rate (GPM) = 
$$\frac{BTU's}{500 \text{ x delta T}}$$

EXAMPLE:

$$\frac{25,000}{500\,(100-90)} = 5\,\text{GPM}$$



## Installation of the X – Pump Block

#### STEP ONE MOUNTING

1. Mounting position – The X – Pump Block must be mounted in the vertical position with the Variable Speed Mixing Control (VSMC) located at the top of the X – Pump Block.

2. Mount the X – Pump Block, using the attached brackets, to a solid surface capable of supporting 23.5 pounds.

3. Using four suitable screws or bolts ( $V_4^{"}$ ), fasten the X – Pump Block to the selected location. Ensure that at least two of the mounting screws are attached to a wall stud or similar surface.

## STEP TWO PIPING CONNECTIONS



Warning! Must Install a pressure relief valve and expansion tank on secondary side in addition to units installed on primary side of system. Note! Heat should never be applied to X – Pump Block connections or damage to housing and/or electronics may result.

1. Using proper piping practices, connect the supply to the radiant heating system to the Radiant Supply (bottom right hand connection) as indicated on the plastic cover of the X – Pump Block. Ensure that a proper isolation value is installed.

2. Using proper piping practices, connect the return from the radiant heating system to the Radiant Return (top right hand connection) as indicated on the plastic cover of the X - Pump Block. Ensure that a proper isolation valve is installed.

3. Using proper piping practices, connect the supply from the heat source to the Heat Source Supply (bottom left hand connection) as indicated on the plastic cover of the X – Pump Block. Ensure that a proper isolation valve is installed.

4. Using proper piping practices, connect the return to the heat source to the Heat Source Return (top left hand connection) as indicated on the plastic cover of the X – Pump Block. Ensure that a proper isolation valve is installed.

5. When using a non-condensing heat source as heat source, connect the Heat Source Supply and Heat Source Return lines of the X – Pump Block to the heat source loop using standard Primary Secondary piping practices.



Refer to Page 2 for More Piping Diagrams

When using the X - Pump Block on snow melting systems, it is recommended to switch the system pump motor with the variable speed pump motor to protect the brazed plate heat exchanger from freezing up.

Follow the instructions for cartridge replacement (page 14) to disassemble the X – Pump.

Unbolt the fixed speed system pump motor (lower) and switch it with the heat source variable speed pump motor (upper).

This now insures constant flow on the heat source side of heat exchanger by the fixed speed pump to minimize the chance of freeze up. The snow melt system pump is now variable speed and both the System Supply Sensor **and** System Return Sensor must be installed and in Setpoint with delta T max mode.

#### STEP THREE FILLING

1. Fill both system and heat source with tap water – The system must be filled before operating the circulator. The bearings are water lubricated and should not be allowed to operate dry. Filling the system will result in immediate lubrication of the bearings. It is always good practice to flush a new system of foreign matter before starting the circulator.

2. Circulator operation – Operate the circulators for 5 minutes immediately after filling system to purge remaining air from the bearing chamber. This is especially important when installing the circulator during the off-season.

#### STEP FOUR ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS

1. Observe all applicable codes when connecting to power supply. The motors are impedance protected, and do not require overload protection. The pumps cannot run backwards.

## **Outdoor Reset Mode of Operation**

In order to properly control a hot water heating system, the amount of heat supplied to the building must equal the amount of heat lost by the building. The amount of heat delivered into a building depends on the temperature of the water in the heating unit and the surface area of the heating unit. Heating units with a small surface area, such as baseboard radiators, require a higher water temperature than heating units with a larger surface area such as radiant floors.

The amount of heat lost from a building depends on the outdoor temperature. As the outdoor temperature becomes colder, the amount of heat a building loses increases.

The operation of a hot water heating system can generally be improved by adjusting the supply water temperature to the system as the outdoor temperature changes. Using this approach, the heat input to the building can be matched to the heat lost from the building. This method of controlling the supply water temperature to a heating system greatly improves the comfort of the system and is known as Outdoor Reset.



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When a Taco Outdoor Sensor is connected to the Variable Speed Mixing Control (VSMC), the VSMC provides outdoor reset. When operating in the outdoor reset mode of operation, the installer must set the Outdoor Design Temperature and the Design Supply Temperature in order to establish the relationship between the outdoor temperature and the supply water temperature. This is known as setting the Heating Curve.

#### SEQUENCE OF OPERATION '

When the VSMC receives a Demand and it is not in warm weather shut down (WWSD), the VSMC turns on the system pump and calculates a Mixing Target temperature. The variable speed heat source side pump is then operated to maintain the Mixing Target temperature at the mixing supply sensor.

The heat source contact operates as described in the Heat Source Operation section. The VSMC also provides heat source protection as described in the Heat Source Operation section.

#### DEMAND

The VSMC requires a demand signal before it will begin operation. The VSMC can use either a powered or an unpowered demand signal. Once a demand signal is received, the VSMC displays the demand icon in the display and operates as described above.

#### Powered Demand

The VSMC recognizes a Powered Demand Signal when 24 V (ac) is applied across the Com and Heat Dem terminals.

#### **Unpowered Demand -**

The VSMC recognizes an Unpowered Demand signal when a switch is closed between the Com and Heat Dem terminals (relay type thermostat or end switch on zone control).

#### SYSTEM PUMP OPERATION -

The VSMC has an internal system pump contact. This contact turns on when the VSMC has a mixing demand and is not in a WWSD. The integrated system pump as well as an external heat source pump may be controlled by this relay. By providing proper flow in the heat source loop, the heat source temperature can be accurately controlled based on the mixing load.



#### HEATING CURVE SETTINGS

In order to establish the heating curve, the VSMC must be given two points to work with. The first point is the Outdoor Reset Starting Point and the second point is the Design Condition.

#### Outdoor Reset Starting Point

The Outdoor Reset Starting Point for the VSMC is fixed at 72°F. This means that when the outdoor temperature is 72°F, the VSMC calculates a required supply water temperature (Mix Target) of 72°F.

#### **Design Conditions**

The design conditions represent the supply water temperature required to satisfy the heating system on the typical coldest day of the year. These are the conditions that are used when calculating the size of the heating equipment needed to heat the building. The Design Conditions are made up of an outdoor temperature (Outdoor Design) and a supply water temperature (Design Supply).



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#### Outdoor Design -

The Outdoor Design temperature is the average coldest day of the year for the area in which the building is located.

#### Design Supply

The Design Supply temperature is the supply water temperature that is required to heat the building when the outdoor air temperature is as cold as the Outdoor Design temperature.

#### Maximum System Supply

Some systems, such as hydronic radiant floor heating, may require the maximum supply water temperature to be limited in order to protect certain system components from high temperatures. The VSMC has a Maximum Supply setting that can be used to limit the maximum temperature that the control is allowed to use for a Mixing Target (MIX TRG) temperature.

#### Minimum System Supply

Some applications, such as floor warming, may require the minimum supply water temperature to be limited in order to provide a certain level of occupant comfort. The VSMC has a Minimum Supply setting that can be used to limit the minimum temperature that the control is allowed to use for a Mixing Target (MIX TRG) temperature. This minimum applies as long as the VSMC has a demand and is not in WWSD.



#### Warm Weather Shut Down (WWSD) -

When the outdoor temperature is warmer than the WWSD setting, the VSMC turns off the heat source and the system pump. If a demand is received while the VSMC is in a WWSD, the VSMC indicates that the demand has been received by displaying the Demand pointer however, the MIX TRG remains as "- - -". The VSMC has a freeze protection feature that does not allow the supply water temperature to drop below 35°F (2°C) as long as there is a mixing demand signal.

## Setpoint and Delta T Mode of Operation

In certain applications, it is desirable to maintain a fixed supply water temperature. This type of application is a setpoint application. Examples of setpoint applications include heat pump loops, reheat coils and floor warming.

In specialized applications, such as snow melting, it is desirable to limit the rate of temperature increase in the system from the system's starting temperature to its operating setpoint. This is desired in order to prevent thermal shock of the system. This type of application is a Delta T application.

If the VSMC is to operate as a setpoint control, the Outdoor Design temperature must be set to OFF and the Mixing Target temperature must be set to the desired temperature.

If the VSMC is to operate as a Delta T control, a mixing return sensor must be installed, the Outdoor Design temperature must be set to OFF and both the Delta T Max setting and the Mixing Target temperature must be set to the desired temperature.

In both of these applications, the outdoor sensor is not to be installed.

#### SEQUENCE OF OPERATION ■

When the VSMC receives a Demand, the system pump is turned on.

If the Delta T Max setting is set to OFF, the variable speed injection pump is operated to maintain the mixing supply sensor at the Mixing Target temperature set by the installer.

If the Delta T Max setting is not set to off, the variable speed heat source pump is operated to maintain the mixing supply sensor at either the Mixing Return temperature plus the Delta T Max setting or the Mixing Target temperature set by the installer whichever is lower. The heat source contact operates as described in the Heat Source Operation section. The VSMC also provides heat source protection as described in the Heat Source Operation section.

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#### Unpowered Demand

The VSMC recognizes an Unpowered Demand signal when a switch is closed between the Com and Heat Dem terminals (relay type thermostat or end switch on zone control).

#### SYSTEM PUMP OPERATION

The VSMC has an internal system pump contact. This contact turns on when the VSMC has a mixing demand. The system pump as well as an external heat source pump may be controlled by this relay. By providing proper flow in the heat source loop, the heat source temperature can be accurately controlled based on the mixing load.

## Setpoint and Delta T Settings

#### **Outdoor Design**

The Outdoor Design temperature must be set to OFF.

#### Mixing Target -

The Mixing Target temperature is set to the desired operating temperature of the system.

#### Delta T Max

The Delta T Max temperature is set to the maximum temperature difference that is desired between the system return temperature and the system supply temperature. In order to adjust this setting, a system return sensor must be connected to the control.



## **Heat Source Operation**

The VSMC operates the heat source in two basic modes of operation. The VSMC can either "Control" the heat source or "Enable" the heat source. The mode of operation is determined by the Heat Source Sensor location. The heat source sensor location is determined using the DIP switch on the back of the circuit board. If the DIP switch is set to ON, the heat source sensor is to be located on the heat source supply. If the DIP switch is set to OFF, the heat source sensor is to be located on the heat source return.

- If the DIP switch is set to On, the VSMC will "Control" the heat source (sensor on supply).
- If the DIP switch is set to Off, the VSMC will "Enable" the heat source (sensor on return).
- If the Heat Source Sensor has not been installed, the VSMC will "Enable" the heat source.



#### HEAT SOURCE CONTROL

When the VSMC controls the heat source, the VSMC opens and closes the heat source contact in order to control the temperature of the heat source supply water temperature. When the VSMC is controlling the heat source temperature, the VSMC will determine the heat source supply water temperature that is required to satisfy the demands of the system. The VSMC will also determine a differential that is sufficient to minimize short cycling of the heat source. The VSMC will then cycle the heat source using these parameters.

#### Differential

An on / off heat source must be operated with a differential in order to prevent short cycling. When the supply water temperature drops  $1/_2$  of the differential below the required heat source supply temperature, the heat source is turned on. The heat source is then



kept on until the supply water temperature rises  $1/_2$  of the differential above the required heat source supply temperature. If the differential is too wide, there can be large supply water temperature swings; however, if the differential is too narrow, the heat source short cycles and operates inefficiently. This control automatically calculates the heat source differential in order to achieve an appropriate balance between temperature swings and heat source efficiency. This also permits the control to adapt to changing loads and conditions. The VSMC only operates the heat source once the output of the injection circulator exceeds 10% of flow.

#### HEAT SOURCE ENABLE

When the VSMC "Enables" the heat source, the VSMC opens and closes the heat source contact based on the output of the variable speed pump. The actual temperature and cycling of the heat source is then determined by other controls or the aquastats on the heat source itself.

When operating in the heat source enable mode, the heat source contact turns on once the variable speed output exceeds 25%. The heat source contact shuts off if the output of the variable speed drops below 5% for more than three minutes or if the demand is removed from the VSMC.

#### HEAT SOURCE PROTECTION (HEAT SOURCE MINIMUM)

Cool water is often returned to the heat source from low temperature radiant floor heating systems or snow melting systems. This cool heat source return water may cause the heat source to operate at such a low temperature that the flue gases condensate. Alternatively, when the heat source surfaces are hot due to previous loads such as domestic hot water generation, the large temperature difference (Delta T) between the heat source and its return water can cause the heat source to become thermally shocked. Proper protection of the heat source under these circumstances is required.

When a heat source sensor is connected to the control, the VSMC is capable of providing heat source protection. When providing heat source protection, the VSMC limits the output of the variable speed pump in order to reduce the amount of cool water being returned to the heat source. This allows the heat source temperature to increase to a point that avoids flue gas condensation.

#### Heat Source Protection with Heat Source Enable -

When the Heat Source Sensor is set to the "Return" setting the control begins to back off the variable speed pump when the heat source temperature drops below the Heat Source Minimum Setting.

#### Heat Source Protection with Heat Source Control -

When the Heat Source Sensor is set to the "Supply" setting the control begins to back off the variable speed pump when the heat source temperature drops  $1/_2$  of the Differential below the Heat Source Minimum Setting.

Note: If a heat source sensor is not installed, the VSMC cannot provide heat source protection.

## Set Up of Variable Speed Mixing Control

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Improper installation and operation of this product could result in damage to the equipment and possibly personal injury. It is your responsibility to ensure that this product is installed in a safe manner according to all of the applicable codes, standards and instructions. The electronic control contained in this product is not intended as a primary limit control. Removal of the PC Board from its enclosure can result in damage to the control and possibly even personal injury. Refer to qualified personnel for servicing.

#### STEP ONE - REMOVING THE VARIABLE SPEED MIXING CONTROL FROM THE X - PUMP BLOCK

• Remove the screw from the front of the control.

• Grasp the front of the control and remove it from the green plastic enclosure surrounding the injection mixing block.

• Wiring to the control is connected to the back of the circuit board using either the indicated spade connectors, molex connectors or the snap on terminal plugs. These may need to be disconnected to fully remove the control.

## 🖄 Outdoor Sensor -

Note: The temperature sensor is built into the plastic enclosure.

If the X – Pump Block is to be used in the outdoor reset mode, the Outdoor Sensor must be installed. If the X – Pump Block is to be used in either the setpoint or a delta T mode, the Outdoor sensor is not required and does not need to be installed. (See pages 5 to 7 for a complete description of the available modes.)

• Remove the screw from the center of the sensor and pull the front cover off of the sensor. The outdoor sensor can either be mounted directly to an outside wall or onto a standard

electrical box. Wiring can enter the sensor either through the bottom or the back of the plastic enclosure.

• The sensor should be mounted on a wall which best represents the heat load on the building (i.e. a north facing wall for most buildings and a south facing wall for buildings with a large south facing glass area). The sensor should not be installed near heat sources such as exhaust vents or window openings.

• The sensor should be installed at an elevation above the ground that will prevent accidental damage or tampering and above snow line.

• Ensure that the sensor is installed in a sheltered location out of direct sunlight and rain.

· Connect a two conductor wire to the terminal block in the Outdoor Sensor and run the wires from the Outdoor Sensor back to the Radiant Mixing Control's location.

## Installing the System and Heat Source Sensors

Note: These sensors are designed to be mounted on a pipe or in a temperature well.

· These sensors can be strapped directly to the pipe using the cable tie provided with the sensors. Insulation should be installed around the sensors to reduce the effect of air currents on the temperature measurement. Care should be taken not to over-tighten the cable tie as this can cause damage to the sensor.

• The System Supply Sensor is to be installed on the System Supply pipe. This sensor is required at all times.

 If a Heat Source Sensor is used, install the heat source sensor on either the heat source supply or the heat source return. Ensure that the DIP switch on the back of the circuit board of the VSMC is set to ON if the sensor is installed on the heat source supply and set to OFF if the sensor is installed on the heat source return. If heat source control and heat source protection are not required in the application, the heat source sensor does not need to be installed.

• If a System Return Sensor is to be used, install the sensor on the system return pipe. This sensor is only required if the VSMC is operating in the Delta T mode.

## STEP THREE - WIRING THE VSMC

- · Before wiring the control, ensure that power to all circuits is off.
- Ensure that all wires are stripped to a minimum of  $\frac{\gamma_8}{\alpha}$ " (9 mm) in order to ensure proper connection to the low voltage terminals.
- Provide a separate circuit with a minimum 15 A capacity in order to insure proper operation.



## Wiring Power to the VSMC -

Using the supplied line cord, connect the white wire with the  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch female spade connector to the  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch male spade connector labelled "N" on the back of the VSMC circuit board. Connect the black wire with the  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch female spade connector to the  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch male spade connector labelled "H" on the back of the VSMC circuit board. Connect the green wire to the ground screw located on the casting of the X - Pump Block.

## 🖉 Wiring to the X – Pump Block -

#### Wiring to the Variable Speed Pump -

Connect the variable speed pump's three pin molex connector from the X – Pump Block to the matching three pin molex connector labelled "Var" on the back of the VSMC circuit board.

#### Wiring the X – Pump Block System Pump -

Connect the system pump's four pin molex connector from the X – Pump Block to the matching four pin molex connector labelled "Sys" on the back of the VSMC circuit board.







## $t \stackrel{}{\frown}$ Wiring the Sensors au

Do not apply power to the sensors or the sensor terminals as this will damage either the sensors or the control. Begin by removing the eight (8) pin plug-in terminal block from the VSMC's circuit board. To do this, pull the terminal block directly away from the circuit board.

#### System Supply Sensor (Required)

Connect the two wires from the System Supply Sensor directly to the "Com" and "Sup" terminals of the terminal block. The System Supply Sensor is used to measure the supply temperature being delivered to the system.

#### System Return Sensor (Delta T Limiting Mode) -

Connect the two wires from the System Return Sensor directly to the "Com" and "Sys Ret" terminals of the terminal block. The System Return Sensor is used to measure the return temperature from the system.

#### Heat Source Sensor (Optional) -

Connect the two wires from the Heat Source Sensor directly to the "Com" and "Boil" terminals of the terminal block. The Heat Source Sensor is used to measure the heat source temperature.

#### Outdoor Sensor (Reset Mode)

Connect the two wires from the Outdoor Sensor directly to the "Com" and "Out" terminals of the terminal block. The outdoor sensor is used to measure the outdoor air temperature.

## 🖉 Wiring the External Heat Source Pump (Optional) -

Using a  $\frac{3}{16}$  inch female spade connector, connect the hot side of the heat source pump circuit to the male spade connector labelled "Pmp" located on the back of the VSMC circuit board. Connect the neutral side of the heat source pump circuit to the neutral (N) side of the VSMC's input power supply. When using this option the line cord should be removed and the VSMC hard wired.

#### 🖄 Wiring the Heat Demand (Required) -

The Heat Demand circuit can be wired using either a powered signal or an unpowered switch closure.

#### Powered Demand -

If a powered demand is being used, connect the switched side of the 24 V (ac) demand circuit to the "Heat Dem" terminal of the terminal block. Connect the second side of the 24 V (ac) demand circuit to the "Com" terminal of the terminal block.

#### Unpowered Demand -

If an unpowered demand is being used, connect one side of the demand switch to the "Heat Dem" terminal of the terminal block. Connect the second side of the demand switch to the "Com" of the terminal block (relay type thermostat or end switch on zone control).

#### 🖄 Wiring the Heat Source 🖓

Begin by removing the two (2) pin plug-in terminal block from the VSMC's circuit board. To do this, pull the terminal block directly away from the circuit board.

The Heat Source Relay is a switch that is to be used in the heat source circuit. There is no power available on these terminals from the VSMC. Connect the Heat Source relay in series with the control circuit of the heat source.

#### STEP FOUR - RECONNECTING THE TERMINAL BLOCKS

Insert the eight (8) pin plug-in terminal block into the eight (8) pin terminal header on the VSMC circuit board. Press firmly until it snaps into place.

Insert the two (2) pin plug-in terminal block into the two (2) pin terminal header on the VSMC circuit board. Press firmly until it snaps into place.

#### STEP FIVE - MOUNTING THE VSMC

- Begin by pushing all excess wiring back into the X Pump Block.
- Place the VSMC into the X Pump Block's plastic enclosure.

 Insert the screw into the hole located on the face of the VSMC and tighten the screw to fasten the VSMC to the X – Pump Block Enclosure. Do not overtighten.

## STEP SIX - POWERING THE VSMC

Apply power to the VSMC circuit by plugging in the line cord.

#### Powered Heat Demand Com Sup Sys Com Boil Out Com Heat Dem O O O O O O O O O C 24 V (ac) R Switch

Unpowered Heat Demand









## **Display Operation**

#### POWER UP

On power up, the control displays all segments for 2 seconds followed by the control version number.

The control then automatically goes to the operating mode and displays either the outdoor temperature or the mix supply temperature.

#### VIEW MENU

To advance to the next available View Item, press and release the ITEM button on the face of the control.

#### **Outdoor Temperature**

The outdoor temperature is displayed when the OUTDR element is turned on. This is the current temperature at the outdoor sensor. The outdoor temperature is only displayed if an outdoor sensor is installed and the Outdoor Design temperature is not turned off.

#### Mixing Supply Temperature -

The mixing supply temperature is displayed when the MIX SUP elements are turned on. This is the current temperature at the mixing supply sensor.

#### Mixing Return Temperature

The mixing return temperature is displayed when the MIX RET elements are turned on. This is the current temperature at the mixing return sensor. The mixing return temperature is only displayed if the Outdoor Design temperature is turned OFF and a mixing return sensor is installed.

#### Mixing Target Temperature -

The mixing target temperature is displayed when the MIX TARG elements are turned on. This is the temperature the VSMC is currently trying to maintain at the supply sensor. If "- - -" is displayed, the VSMC is either in WWSD or a demand for heat is not present.

#### Heat Source Temperature -

The heat source temperature is displayed when the BOIL element is turned on. This is the current temperature at the heat source sensor. The heat source temperature is only displayed if a heat source sensor is installed.

#### ADJUST MENU

To switch between the View menu and the Adjust menu, press and release the MENU button on the face of the control. To advance to the next available Adjust Item, press and release the ITEM button on the face of the control.

#### Mixing Target Temperature ·

The Mixing Target Temperature sets the desired supply temperature when operating in the setpoint mode. This item is only available if the Outdoor Design setting is set to OFF.





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#### Delta T Maximum

The Delta T Maximum sets the maximum temperature difference between the mixing return sensor and the mixing supply sensor. This item is only available if Outdoor Design setting is set to OFF. If a mixing return sensor is not installed, set this item to OFF.

#### Outdoor Design Temperature

The Outdoor Design Temperature is the outdoor temperature used in the heat loss calculation. If the VSMC is used in the outdoor reset mode, this item is set to the typical coldest outdoor temperature. If the VSMC is used in the setpoint mode, this item is set to OFF.

#### Mixing Design Temperature -

The mixing design temperature is the supply temperature used in the heat loss calculation. This is the supply temperature that is required to heat the building when the outdoor temperature is as cold as the outdoor design temperature. This item is only available if the Outdoor Design setting is not set to OFF.

#### Mixing Maximum Temperature -

The mixing maximum temperature is the highest temperature that the control is allowed to use as a mixing target temperature. This item is only available if the outdoor design setting is not set to OFF.

#### Mixing Minimum Temperature ·

The mixing minimum temperature is the lowest temperature that the control is allowed to use as a mixing target temperature. This item is only available if the outdoor design setting is not set to OFF.

#### Heat Source Minimum Temperature -

The heat source minimum temperature item should be set to the lowest water temperature at which the heat source can operate without causing the heat source flue gases to condense. Consult the heat source manufacturer for recommended minimum heat source supply temperatures. This item is only available if a heat source sensor is connected to the control.

#### Warm Weather Shut Down (WWSD) -

The warm weather shut down is the outdoor temperature at which the system is shut down. This item is only available if the outdoor design temperature is not set to OFF.

#### Units ·

The units of temperature in which all of the View and Adjust items are viewed in.

The control automatically goes back to the view menu when the buttons are left alone for 20 seconds All settings will be saved even during power down of the control

















## Trouble Shooting

As in any troubleshooting procedure, it is important to isolate the problem as much as possible. By using the Error Messages located on page 14, the trouble shooting process can be greatly simplified. When an error message is displayed on the VSMC, refer to the error messages on page 14 to identify the cause of the error and use standard testing procedures to confirm the fault. If you suspect an external wiring fault, return to step three and carefully check all external wiring connections.

Once the fault has been corrected, press any button on the face of the control to clear the error message.

#### **TEST ROUTINE**

The main control functions of the VSMC can be tested by pressing and holding the UP button for more than three (3) seconds. **Continue** to hold the UP button and the VSMC will test the outputs in the following sequence. **Step One** 

The variable speed output is increased from 0% to 100% over 10 seconds.

#### Step Two

The variable speed output is decreased from 100% to 0% over 10 seconds.

#### Step Three

The System Pump is turned on for 10 seconds.

#### Step Four

The Boiler Contact is turned on. After 10 seconds, the Boiler Contact and the System Pump contact are turned off. The VSMC continues normal operation.

#### MANUAL OVERRIDE

In the event that the VSMC fails to operate, a manual operation switch is located on the VSMC's circuit board. When the manual operation switch is set to Man, the variable speed pump and the system pump outputs are turned on. This operation continues until the manual switch is returned to its original position.

#### **FUSE REPLACEMENT**

The Variable Speed output of the VSMC is fuse protected. This fuse is located on the circuit board on the back of the VSMC. This is a field replaceable item. Fuse rating: 1 A  $\frac{1}{12}$  hp, fuse T1 A 250 V

#### ADJUSTMENT OF SETTINGS

If the outdoor temperature is cold and the rooms are cold, increase the MIX DSGN setting by 5°F (3°C) per day.

#### **TESTING THE SENSORS**

Do not apply voltage to the sensor or to the sensor input of the control as this will result in damage to either the sensor, the control, or both the sensor and the control.

A quality testing meter capable of measuring up to 2,000,000 ohms and a good quality digital thermometer are required to test the sensors. If a digital thermometer is not available, place a second sensor next to the original sensor and compare the readings.

Begin by measuring the temperature at the sensor location using the digital thermometer. Next, measure the resistance of the sensor using the testing meter. Ensure that the sensor is disconnected from the control at the time of testing. Using the reference chart below, determine the sensor's temperature. Compare the sensor's temperature to that measured by the digital thermometer. The two temperature readings should be close.

If the sensors temperature is too high, this can indicate that there is a partial short in the sensor wiring. If the sensor's temperature is too low, this can indicate that there is a loose connection or break in the sensor wiring. Isolate and repair the problem. If the problem is isolated to the sensor, replace the sensor.

Tempe	erature	Resistance	Tempe	rature	Resistance	Tempe	erature	Resistance	Tempe	erature	Resistance
F	С	Ohms	F	С	Ohms	F	C	Ohms	F	С	Ohms
-30	-34	234,000	30	-1	34,500	90	32	7,300	150	66	2,000
-20	-29	165,000	40	4	26,000	100	38	5,800	160	71	1,700
-10	-23	118,000	50	10	20,000	110	43	4,700	170	77	1,400
0	-18	85,500	60	16	15,500	120	49	3,800	180	82	1,200
10	-12	62,500	70	21	12,000	130	54	3,100	190	88	1,000
20	-7	46,000	80	27	9,300	140	60	2,500	200	93	800



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## **Error Messages**

#### EEPROM Read Error

The control was unable to read the installers settings from its memory. The control was forced to load the factory defaults for all settings. The control will stop operation until all of the settings in the Adjust menu have been checked.



#### **Outdoor Sensor Short Circuit**

A short circuit has been detected in the outdoor sensor. The control assumes an outdoor temperature of  $32^{\circ}F$  (0°C) and continues operation. To clear this error message, correct the short circuit and press any button on the control.



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#### Outdoor Sensor Open Circuit

An open circuit has been detected in the outdoor sensor. The control assumes an outdoor temperature of 32°F (0°C) and continues operation. To clear this error message, correct the open circuit and press any button on the control.

#### Mixing Supply Sensor Short Circuit

A short circuit has been detected in the mixing supply sensor. The control continues to operate the injection pump at a low speed (17 - 18%) as long as a demand is present. To clear this error message, correct the short circuit and press any button on the control.

#### Mixing Supply Sensor Open Circuit

An open circuit has been detected in the mixing supply sensor. The control continues to operate the injection pump at a low speed (17 - 18%) as long as a demand is present. To clear this error message, correct the open circuit and press any button on the control.



#### Mixing Return Sensor Short Circuit

A short circuit has been detected in the mixing return sensor. If the Maximum Delta T setting is set to OFF, the control continues operation. If the Maximum Delta T setting is not set to OFF, the control stops operation until the fault is corrected. To clear this error message, correct the short circuit and press any button on the control.

#### Mixing Return Sensor Open Circuit -

An open circuit has been detected in the mixing return sensor. If the Maximum Delta T setting is set to OFF, the control continues operation. If the Maximum Delta T setting is not set to OFF, the control stops operation until the fault is corrected. To clear this error message, correct the open circuit and press any button on the control.

#### Heat Source Sensor Short Circuit -

A short circuit has been detected in the heat source sensor. The boiler contact is operated as if a heat source sensor is not installed. The control provides a heat source enable and does not provide heat source protection. To clear this error message, correct the short circuit and press any button on the control.

#### Heat Source Sensor Open Circuit -

An open circuit has been detected in the heat source sensor. The boiler contact is operated as if a heat source sensor is not installed. The control provides a heat source enable and does not provide heat source protection. To clear this error message, correct the open circuit and press any button on the control. If the sensor was deliberately removed, power down the control.



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## Replacing Cartridge Assembly

- 1. Disconnect the electrical supply.
- Reduce system pressure to 0 psi and allow system to return to room temperature. Isolate the XPB by closing the service valves or draining the system.
- 3. Remove screw holding the VSMC module to X Pump Block. Unplug both pump Molex plugs, power cord and heat source & sensor terminal blocks from VSMC. Set VSMC control aside in safe place, away from water damage.
- 4. Remove 4 screws holding plastic housing to pump castings.
- 5. Remove the body bolts and swing motor assembly away from the body.
- 6. Pull cartridge out of the motor housing.
- 7. Install replacement cartridge, making sure that the cover plate is between the cartridge flange and motor.
- 8. Make sure the replacement cartridge corresponds to the full circulator product number. A complete parts list is available from your local plumbing supply wholesaler.
- 9. Reassemble the circulator using the new gasket and bolts supplied.
- 10. Reassemble plastic housing and VSMC control in reverse order.
- 11. Follow the "Installation" procedure to start up the circulator.

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## **Technical Data**

## PERFORMANCE DATA

Flow Range	0 - 7.5 GPM
Head Range	0 - 15.5 Feet
Minimum Fluid Temperature	. 32°F (0°C)
Maximum Fluid Temperature	180°F (85°C)
Maximum Working Pressure	. 125 psi
Connections	. 3/4" NPT
C US UL Mark	
FOR INDOOR USE ONLY	

## MATERIALS OF CONSTRUCTION

Casing (body)	Bronze
Stator Housing	Steel
Cartridge	Stainless Steel
Impeller	Non-Metallic
Shaft	. Ceramic
O-Ring & Gaskets	EPDM
Standard Heat Exchanger	Stainless Steel
	Single Wall Design
Optional Heat Exchanger	Stainless Steel
	Double Wall Design

## ELECTRICAL DATA CHART

120
60
1
2
3250
2 @ 1/25
Permanent Split
Capacitor Impedance
Protected

## CONTROL ADJUSTMENT MENU

Mixing Setpoint Temperature 60°	' to 185° F
Maximum Temperature Difference	
Between Mixing Supply and Return 10°	° to 70° F, Off
Design Outdoor Air Temperature60	)° to 32° F, Off
Design Heating System Supply Water	
Temperature	' to 185° F
Maximum Mixing Target Supply 80°	' to 185° F
Minimum Mixing Target Supply	
Fluid Temperature	' to 150° F, Off
Minimum Heat Source Target Supply	
Water Temperature 80°	° to 180° F, Off

## **DIMENSIONS & WEIGHT**

Model: XPB-1 Ship Weight: 26.5 lbs (12.0 kg)



#### CAUTION:

- 1. The addition of petroleum based fluids or certain chemical additives to systems utilizing TACO equipment voids the warranty.
- 2. Use supply wires suitable for 90°C ATTENTION: Employer des fils d'alimentation adequats pour 90°C. WARNING:
  - 1. To avoid electrical shock, disconnect the power supply to the circulator and the main electrical unit.
  - 2. Do not use in swimming pool or spa areas; pump has not been investigated for this application

## Cleaning

The exterior of the control can be cleaned using a damp cloth. Do not use any solvents. Moisten the cloth and wring out any excess water before cleaning the control.

## **Technical Data**

## VSMC - Variable Speed Mixing Control

Ambient Conditions Indeer use only 32 to 185°E (0 to 85°C) <00% PH pop	Control	<ul> <li>Microprocessor PID control: This is not a safety (limit) control</li> </ul>	
Var. Pump- 120 V (ac) 1 A 1/12 hp, fuse T1 A 250 VSys / Pmp Relay- 120 V (ac) 5 A 1/4 hp, pilot duty 240 VABoiler Relay- 120 V (ac) 5 A 1/4 hp, pilot duty 240 VADemand- 24 V (ac) 0.1 VA or Dry contactSensors- NTC thermistor, 10 kohm @ 77°F (25°C +/- 0.2°C) B=3892	Ambient Conditions		
Sys / Pmp Relay       - 120 V (ac) 5 A 1/4 hp, pilot duty 240 VA         Boiler Relay       - 120 V (ac) 5 A 1/4 hp, pilot duty 240 VA         Demand       - 24 V (ac) 0.1 VA or Dry contact         Sensors       - NTC thermistor, 10 kohm @ 77°F (25°C +/- 0.2°C) B=3892	Power Supply	- 120 V (ac) +/- 10% 50/60 Hz 720 VA	
Boiler Relay       - 120 V (ac) 5 A 1/4 hp, pilot duty 240 VA         Demand       - 24 V (ac) 0.1 VA or Dry contact         Sensors       - NTC thermistor, 10 kohm @ 77°F (25°C +/- 0.2°C) B=3892	Var. Pump	- 120 V (ac) 1 A 1/12 hp, fuse T1 A 250 V	
Boiler Relay       - 120 V (ac) 5 A 1/4 hp, pilot duty 240 VA         Demand       - 24 V (ac) 0.1 VA or Dry contact         Sensors       - NTC thermistor, 10 kohm @ 77°F (25°C +/- 0.2°C) B=3892	Sys / Pmp Relay	- 120 V (ac) 5 A 1/4 hp, pilot duty 240 VA	MENU ITEM
Sensors - NTC thermistor, 10 kohm @ 77°F (25°C +/- 0.2°C) B=3892	Boiler Relay	- 120 V (ac) 5 A 1/4 hp, pilot duty 240 VA	
Sensors       - NTC thermistor, 10 kohm @ 77°F (25°C +/- 0.2°C) B=3892         Included       - Taco Outdoor Sensor and 2 Taco Strap-on Sensors	Demand	- 24 V (ac) 0.1 VA or Dry contact	X-PUMP BLO
Included - Taco Outdoor Sensor and 2 Taco Strap-on Sensors	Sensors	- NTC thermistor, 10 kohm @ 77°F (25°C +/- 0.2°C) B=3892	ATENT PENDING
	Included	- Taco Outdoor Sensor and 2 Taco Strap-on Sensors	PATER

The installer must ensure that this control and its wiring are isolated and/or shielded from strong sources of electromagnetic noise. Conversely, this Class B digital apparatus complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules and meets all requirements of the Canadian Interference-Causing Equipment Regulations. However, if this control does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the control off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by reorienting or relocating the receiving antenna, relocating the receiver with respect to this control, and/or connecting the control to a different circuit from that to which the receiver is connected.

## **Limited Warranty Statement**

Taco, Inc. will repair or replace without charge (at the company's option) any product or part which is proven defective under normal use within one (1) year from the date of startup or one (1) year and six (6) months from the date of shipment (whichever occurs first). Taco, Inc. will repair or replace without charge (at the company's option) any Taco "00" Series circulator cartridge that is proven defective under normal use within three (3) years from the date of manufacture.

In order to obtain service under this warranty, it is the responsibility of the purchaser to promptly notify the local Taco stocking distributor or Taco in writing and promptly deliver the subject product or part, delivery prepaid, to the stocking distributor. For assistance on warranty returns, the purchaser may either contact the local Taco stocking distributor or Taco. If the subject product or part contains no defect as covered in this warranty, the purchaser will be billed for parts and labor charges in effect at time of factory examination and repair.

Any Taco product or part not installed or operated in conformity with Taco instructions or which has been subject to misuse, misapplication, the addition of petroleum-based fluids or certain chemical additives to the systems, or other abuse, will not be covered by this warranty.

If in doubt as to whether a particular substance is suitable for use with a Taco product or part, or for any application restrictions, consult the applicable Taco instruction sheets or contact Taco at (401-942-8000).

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