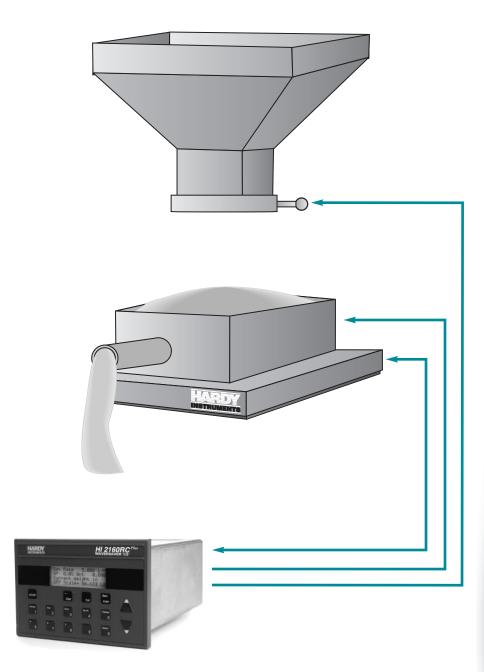
# Rate Controller Loss-in-Weight



# Model HI 2160RCPlus

### **Applications**

- Gravimetric Feeding
- Continuous and Batch Rate Control
- Master/Slave

#### **Features**

- Automatic Closed Loop Control
- WAVERSAVER®, Ignores
  Vibration Around Scales
- Automatic Weight and Rate Calibration



The latest generation of Hardy Instruments Loss-In-Weight Controller, the HI 2160RC<sup>Plus</sup> provides more features and capabilities than ever before. Used to retrofit volumetric feeders or replace outdated controllers in gravimetric systems, the HI 2160RC<sup>Plus</sup> controls a variety of feeding devices including:

- augers
- vibratory and belt-based feeders
- · your proprietary designs.

For years, WAVERSAVER®
technology has helped provide
precise rate control. Now we've
added customer driven features
such as automatic rate
calibration for easy setup,
storage of multiple calibration
parameters to allow quick
ingredient changes, and an
integrated Two Sigma test to
allow for on-site system
verification.

Features, performance and reliability make the HI 2160RC<sup>Plus</sup> the controller of choice for all feeder applications.

#### OPTIMUM CONTROL

The prerequisite of effective feeder control is accurate measurement of the process. Hardy Instruments' exclusive WAVERSAVER® technology ignores vibration and mechanical noise in feeders and the plant environment. There's no need for mechanical contraptions to dampen vibration because WAVERSAVER® intelligently deciphers true weight data from the load cell signal. All of this is done in a fraction of a second. allowing the HI 2160RCPlus's control algorithms to be precise and responsive. With 1,000,000 counts of display resolution, the HI 2160RCPlus can monitor even minute weight changes in systems with high dead loads.

### AUTOMATIC WEIGHT AND RATE CALIBRATION

Hardy Instruments' C2®, Second Generation Calibration, feature allows you to electronically calibrate your feeding system immediately after installation, eliminating all of the problems associated with test weights.

Each C2® certified load sensor contains information detailing its unique



performance characteristics. The HI 2160RC<sup>Plus</sup> uses these characteristics to automatically calibrate the scale without the need for test weights, even with material placed on the scale.

A five-point Auto Rate Calibration automatically allows the HI 2160RC<sup>Plus</sup> to tune itself to the feed characteristics of the feeder and the material being fed by it. It will also display a percent deviation, if any, at all five points. This allows for a higher feed accuracy over a broader range of feed rates.

#### MULTIPLE CONFIGURATION STORAGE

Need to change your material, an auger or the complete feeder? With the HI 2160RC<sup>Plus</sup>, once you have done your setup and calibrations, you simply store them away in its twelve dedicated, on board memory locations. When you make a change, you just retrieve the required configuration and continue your process. There is no need to manually recalibrate or reconfigure.

If the controller ever needs replacement, all twelve configurations can easily be transferred to another instrument via the rear accessible Secure Memory Module (SMM).



#### TWO SIGMA TESTING

Today, industrial processes utilizing feeders require a high degree of accuracy and must have a way to measure that accuracy. Feeder users have had to verify their performance by providing test material to a feeder manufacturer's test facility where under laboratory conditions a "Two Sigma" test was performed. For your convenience, Hardy Instruments has added this Two Sigma Test feature to the HI 2160RCPlus. Your system's performance can be verified at any time under your actual production conditions by an on demand, built-in Two Sigma test routine. This feature not only saves you money but also gives you near instant results.

## MULTIPLE FEEDER CONTROL

The HI 2160RC<sup>Plus</sup> is a powerful building block when it comes to multiple feeder systems. It can act as a master to multiple controllers or as a slave to some other process input. Lock out the keypad and let multiple HI 2160RC<sup>Plus</sup> units be controlled from a common host computer or programmable controller.

# WORRY-FREE OPERATION

Start your process and walk away with confidence, because the HI 2160RC<sup>Plus</sup> will watch and notify you of any problems. Display prompts and

"alarm" relay outputs occur with

conditions of rate tolerance errors and refill failures. Significant errors can cause a shutdown condition with specific control parameters. You decide at which levels to alarm or shutdown, and then let the HI 2160RC<sup>Plus</sup> do its job. Only authorized personnel can enter parameters, start the process and clear alarms. You assign one of three different security levels to each function. All personnel can view the data, but only those with the proper code can actually alter values.

Quick to set up and easy to use, the HI 2160RC<sup>Plus</sup> is designed for the realities of the workplace with a waterproof front panel, and tactile response keys. Frequently changed parameters are readily accessible and easy to view from the 80-character backlit display.

#### **EASY SYSTEM INTEGRATION**



Hardy Instruments provides a wide variety of interface

options, including standard bidirectional serial and optional Allen-Bradley Remote I/O, Profibus and Analog interfaces.

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#### **MAIN FEATURES**

#### Automatic Closed Loop Control

Continuously adjusts feeder to deliver desired feed rate. Alarm and shutdown can occur if feed rate exceeds customer specified levels

#### WAVERSAVER®

Ignores the effects of plant and process vibration for more accurate measurement of feed rates

- Continuous or Batch Menu selection of continuous operation, or a specific batch amount
- Automatic Refill
  User-selected refill points
  start and stop the refill
  process. Low and high
  alarms watch for failure of
  the refill process
- Convenient Manual Mode
  Manual speed control is
  achieved with the up and
  down arrows. When a
  desired feed rate is reached,
  you can switch to automatic
  closed loop control with the
  touch of a button
- Multiple Configuration
   Storage

Stores up to 12 different complete system configurations

• Two Sigma Test Built-in system performance

verification

#### • C2®, Second Generation Calibration

Calibrate the feeder scale without test weights

• Secure Memory Module
Stores critical data for retrieval
in a replacement HI 2160RCPlus

#### COMPONENTS TO COMPLETE YOUR HARDY INSTRUMENTS SYSTEM

 Hardy Rate Controller HI 2160RC<sup>Plus</sup>



#### Hardy Platform Scales and Load Points

Hardy Instruments caries a wide variety of strain gauge load points and scale bases to accommodate your applications requirements.



Load Point Model HI LPRA



#### • Hardy C2® Certified Cable

This 8-conductor cable is designed for optimizing weight and load sensor characteristic signals from the junction box to the instrument.

#### Hardy Junction Box (HI 215JB Series)

This Nema 4 rated waterproof enclosure sums from one to four load sensor signals. Its unique design allows for easy isolation and troubleshooting of the weighing system.





#### **ADDITIONAL FEATURES**

#### Operation Displays

A single button selects pre-defined operating displays including rate, current weight, totalized and batch data. Backlit 80-character display is easy to see from wide angles

#### Totalizer

Keeps track of the amount of ingredient dispensed

#### Remote Inputs

Allow synchronization with other process equipment or for simplified remote control of Refill, Start, Pause, Abort, Reset Totalizer, Print, Read Remote Setpoint and Clear Alarm

#### Time Units

Seconds, minutes and hours

#### Mass Units

lb., oz., ton, kg, g, gal, ltr, mltr

#### Control Output

Electrically and optically isolated, user selectable 0-20ma, 4-20ma, 0-5vdc, or 0-10vdc output

#### • Front Panel

Size 5" x 7" (124 x 178mm), waterproof (Nema 4) when panel mounted

#### Serial Communications

Bi-directional RS-232 serial port allows reading of data and downloading of feeding instructions. Additional network communications available

#### • Time and Date

Self-powered time and date clock

#### **OPTIONAL**

#### • Remote I/O Interface

Provides bi-directional communications to Allen-Bradley logic controllers

#### Profibus I/O Interface

Siemens certified interface providing bi-directional communications to Profibus compatible controllers

#### • RS-232 to RS-422 Converter

Allows the HI 2160RC<sup>Plus</sup> to share serial bus with other instruments and extends communications distances

#### Remote Set point Input

Allows rate set point to be adjusted by an external analog input Current: 4-20 or 0-20 milliamps Voltage: 0-10 or 0-5Vdc

#### Analog Output

Transmits weight or actual rate Current: 4-20 or 0-20 milliamps Voltage: 0-10 or 0-5Vdc

#### Quad Expander Box

Remote box when used with an option expander card increases instrument option capabilities from one to four

#### Remote Display

Allows the display and keyboard to be mounted up to five feet from the instrument

• 240 VAC Operation

# To learn more about the HI 2160RC<sup>Plus</sup>, visit our web site to find:

- full product specifications
- ordering information
- application notes
- technical description
- downloadable operator's manual

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