Complete Functional Safety with Enhanced Reliability.

ASCO™ Redundant Control System (RCS)
Providing process reliability and valve diagnostics, for safety instrumented applications up to SIL 3.
The Redundant Control System (RCS) is the only pilot valve system that has no single point of failure that could result in an unwanted closure of the process valve. The Redundant Control System is fit for use in SIL 3 applications and greatly reduces spurious trip rates. RCS achieves a higher level of process safety and reliability by using a redundant, fault tolerant architecture, high diagnostic coverage, and automated testing. A keyed bypass allows on-line maintenance of the RCS without process interruption. The RCS is available in a variety of constructions that provide valve diagnostics through automated, online testing.

The availability and reliability of RCS provides the industry’s best choice for process valve diagnostics and actuation. Advantages include:

- No nuisance trips
- Easy on-line maintenance
- High availability
- Automated solenoid testing
- Known technology
- Automated partial stroke testing
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RCS Configuration

The RCS consists of two solenoid valves (SOV 1, SOV 2), a pneumatically operated bypass valve, and three pressure switches (PS1, PS2, PS3). Two pressure switches provide feedback status of the solenoid valves during on-line testing (Solenoid Valve Test, Partial Stroke Test) and also monitor the status of SOV 1 and SOV 2 (Failure Detection), the third pressure switch detects bypass status. Using a system controller (DCS or Safety PLC), the required I/O count is two digital outputs (SOV 1, SOV 2) and three digital inputs (PS1, PS2, PS3) for the implementation of redundant logic. Functional testing of the solenoid operated valves or partial stroke testing of the process valve is accomplished by programming the controller using IEC 61131 logic. In its simplest form, the RCS can be implemented using one digital output from the system controller, shared by both solenoid valves and a single digital input back to the system controller for a common alarm which will identify solenoid valve failure, or pressure switch failure or operation in maintenance mode.

**Operation:** The normally open RCS operates like a standard normally open 3/2 solenoid operated valve.

**Application:** The majority of emergency vent valves are required to open in order to achieve the specified safe state for the process under control (i.e. vent off pressure). In order to prevent opening of the process valve due to loss of instrument air, the user may choose to specify the process valve as air to open spring return closed. To move the process valve to the safe state requires the solenoid valves to apply air to the process valve actuator when they are de-energized. This configuration also fulfills the requirement that the process valve will move to the specified safe state on loss of power.

**Operation:** The normally closed RCS operates like a standard normally closed 3/2 solenoid operated valve.

**Application:** The majority of emergency shut down valves are required to close in order to achieve the specified safe state for the process under control (i.e. shut off flow) and they are specified “fail safe” (spring to the safe state) which requires that the solenoid operated valves vent the process valve actuator allowing the process valve to move to a specified safe state on loss of power.

**Operation:** The double acting RCS operates like a 4/2 valve controlling air pressure to opposite sides of a double acting actuator, air-to-open/air-to-closed.

**Application:** The user must determine the desired fail safe position (open or closed) for the process valve on loss of power. One of the solenoid valves act as a normally closed 3 way valve, controlling air to one side of the actuator. The second solenoid valve acts as a normally open 3 way valve, controlling air to the other side of the actuator. This arrangement does not allow for 1oo1HS operation.
**Operational Modes**

**2oo2D Mode**
In the 2oo2D mode, both solenoids are online during normal operation. Both solenoid valves must be de-energized for shutdown. Pressure switches are used to individually alarm if either solenoid valve goes to the vent state when not commanded, thereby reducing the potential for spurious trips. The pressure switches are also used for feedback signaling during on-line testing.

**1oo1HS Mode**
In the 1oo1HS mode, only one solenoid valve is on-line during normal operation. Any spurious trip of the on-line solenoid valve is detected by the logic solver, due to a signal being sent from an associated pressure switch. The response to the trip is to energize the second solenoid valve thereby maintaining air supply to the process valve. For functional testing, both solenoid valves are energized. Each solenoid valve is de-energized individually with pressure switch confirmation of successful venting. No bypassing is required for functional testing.

*Both 1oo1HS and 2oo2D are certified SIL 3 Capable per IEC 61508:2010*

**Optional Features**
Many standard optional features are available. These features are available individually as well as in many different combinations. Special constructions containing customer specified features are also available. Please contact your ASCO representative for availability.

Some optional features automatically come with lights and/or push buttons located in pre-assigned locations for local initiation and local indication. They are as follows:

- **Common Alarm** – option includes (1) green light to indicate system status, illuminated when conditions are ‘normal’. Function is logic driven. Logic to reside in user’s PLC/DCS, which requires an additional output to the RCS.
- **Local Initiation of SOV Test** – option includes (1) pushbutton and (2) red lights. Allows for local initiation of SOV testing via door mounted pushbutton, however the functionality of SOV Testing is logic driven. Logic to reside in user’s PLC/DCS, which requires one additional input and two additional outputs to the RCS.
- **Local Manual Reset** – option includes (1) red-lighted pushbutton and internal relays. After a trip, the RCS will not re-energize solenoid valves until power is restore to the unit and the reset pushbutton is depressed. A separate power supply is required to illuminate light when unit is tripped.
- **Bypass indication** – option includes (1) red light. Used to indicate when the RCS is in the maintenance bypass mode. Function is logic driven. Logic to reside in user’s PLC/DCS, which requires an additional output to the RCS.

**Stainless steel constructions available for applications in corrosive environments.**

- 316 Stainless Steel valve bodies and pressure switches
- Optional FKM seals
General Specifications

**Total weight:** Approx. 75 lbs (standard unit), 120 lbs (unit w/stainless steel internals)

**Media:** Dry instrument air

**Filtration Requirement:** Dry instrument air, filtered to 40 microns (5 micron particulate and .3 micron coalescing filtration recommended)

**Ambient Temperatures:**
RCS-5R: -40˚F to 140˚F (-40˚C to 60˚C)

**Wiring:** Maximum wiring size 14 awg

**Cv:** 2.0 Typical for NC

**Assembly Approvals:** ATEX - Ex d e mb IIC Gb

**Enclosure**
304 or 316 Stainless Steel, Fiberglass Type 4, 4X, IP56

**Solenoid Valve (2 Units)**

**Body Material:** Die-cast Aluminum (Standard); 316 Stainless Steel (optional)

**Solenoid Operators:** 1.4 watt (DC), 1.8 watt (DC), 10.1 watt (AC), UL listed, CSA certified
Class I, Division 2, Groups A,B,C, & D - Nonincendive (DC only)
Class I, Division 1, Groups A,B,C, & D - Explosion-proof AC & DC

Ce (Emc Directive 2014/30/Eu)

**Pressure Switch (3 Units)**

**Housing Material:** Aluminum (Standard); 316 Stainless Steel (optional)
Stainless Steel Wetted Parts - FM, CSA, ATEX: Ex d IIC, CE (PED directive 2014/68/EU)

**Electrical Rating:** Gold contacts (standard) 1 amp suppressed resistive load; .5 amp inductive load @ 28 VDC
Silver contacts (optional) 5 amps suppressed resistive load; 3 amps inductive load @ 28 VDC

**SIL 3 Capable**

RCS in 1oo1HS and 2oo2D configurations are fit for use in SIL 3 applications per IEC 61508:2010 for low demand mode applications. Third party certified by Exida. For more information, consult the RCS safety manual.

**Pneumatic Connections**

Recommended piping for the inlet and outlet pneumatic connections to the RCS is 1/2” stainless steel tubing. The length of tubing between the RCS and the process valve should be kept as short as possible for the fastest response of the process valve actuator.

**Operational relationship of the RCS to the process valve**

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In addition to creating a catalog number, the configurator can also decipher a catalog number. Type a valid 5RC catalog number into the window next to the Enter Catalog Number button (CAPs only). The configurator automatically highlights the appropriate construction features.

To use the online RCS configurator go to:
www.asco.com/RCSconfigurator
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Where flow control meets pneumatics to create fluid automation solutions that maximize efficiencies, optimize applications, and enable customers to fulfill their true potential.

Our extensive product lines include a broad range of solenoid valves, angle body piston valves, valve manifolds, cylinders, filters, regulators, lubricators and accessories.

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