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DESCRIPTION

The RCT1 Coriolis mass flow meter identifies flow rate by directly measuring mass flow and density of fluids over a wide range of process temperatures with a high degree of accuracy. For homogenous fluids consisting of two components like sugar and water, the RCT1 Coriolis system can derive the concentration and mass of each component based on fluid properties and density measurement. Furthermore, the unobstructed, open flow design makes it suitable for a variety of fluids such as slurries and other viscous, nonconductive fluids that are difficult to measure with other technologies.

APPLICATIONS

The Coriolis design and measurement principle allows the meter to be an exceptional device in measuring:

- Oil and fuels
- Homogeneous suspensions and slurries
- Adhesives, glues or binding materials
- Coatings and hardeners
- Dyes, fragrances, vitamins and other additives
- Vegetable oils and fats

OPERATION

Coriolis flow meters simultaneously measure mass flow rate, density and temperature. As fluid flows through the vibrating sensor tube, forces induced by the flow cause the tube to twist slightly. These small deflections are measured by carefully placed detectors. A phase shift occurs between detector signals that is directly proportional to mass flow rate. As the fluid density varies, the resonant frequency at which the tube vibrates changes, which is also measured by the detectors. These larger sensors have two tubes that are vibrated in opposing directions in order to reduce the effect of process vibration on the flow measurement. Temperature is measured by an internal RTD in order to calculate thermal effects on the tube vibrating frequency and can be used as a measurement output.

CONTROLS SYSTEM INTEGRATION

RCT1 transmitters provide a variety of means to integrate the meter's output into new and existing operations. The batch and PID functionality enables direct control of devices, such as valves, by use of digital or analog outputs. Additionally, programmable digital outputs can indicate low and high alarm conditions. Network options are available including EtherNet/IP, Modbus TCP/IP and Modbus RTU.

MAINTENANCE

With no internal moving parts, the vibrating tube design has little impact on mechanical wear, resulting in a longer life expectancy and in fewer repairs than many other flow technologies.

FLUID DIAGNOSTICS

RCT Console software offers much more than configuration features. Users can obtain advanced data logging and performance trending analysis, as well as system verification provided by the unique HealthTrack feature, which captures critical operation parameters.

ADVANTAGES

- Highly accurate direct measurement of:
  - ◊ Mass flow
  - ◊ Density
- Derive concentration of homogenous liquids containing two components
- Open flow path
- No straight-run requirements
- Low maintenance operation
- Flexible integration options
- Advanced fluid diagnostic software