NRG PVT1 PV TEMPERATURE SENSOR
TECHNICAL PRODUCT SHEET

Overview

The NRG PVT1 module temperature sensor provides PV module temperature for PV performance monitoring. The sensor includes an adhesion kit for affixing the sensor to PV modules to ensure proper installation, and is compatible with the NRG SymphoniePRO data logger as well as data acquisition systems which can accept a 2- or 4- wire thermistor input.

Tools Required

- Small NRG screwdriver
- Alcohol prep wipes
- Adhesive strain relief stickers

Recommended Maintenance

- Inspect the sensor and overlay tape to verify that it is securely attached to the PV module (monthly).
- Inspect the sensor body and cable for wear and tear (annual).
- Review data against a reference to verify accuracy (annual).

Specifications

Measurement Range	-55 °C to 150 °C (-67 °F to 302 °F)
Signal Type	10 kΩ NTC thermistor
Transfer Function **Steinhart-Hart Coefficients (sensor can be programmed to offer temp in °F)**	A = 0.001032 B = 0.0002387 C = 0.000000158
Accuracy	± 0.2 °C from 0 to 70 °C (±0.36 °F from 32 to 158°F)
Supply Voltage	N/A
Supply Current	15 µA maximum (supplied by logger)
Mounting	Attaches to back of PV panels with adhesive tape

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= Monofacial*
= Bifacial*

*Typical placement shown – contact PV module OEM for model-specific recommendations.

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Sensor Wire   Logger

Red ➕ Excitation - - - EXC
Blk ➖ Ground - - - - GND
Grn ▣ Signal - - - - SIG+
Wht ▢ Signal - - - - SIG-
         Shield - - - - SHD

For a two-wire configuration (when not using a SymphoniePRO data logger) the wiring is as follows:
Green - Signal+
White - Signal-

NRG PVT1 PV Temperature Sensor Installation Process

1. Sensor placement.

   Monofacial module: Install sensor on module back sheet located in center of a cell nearest the center of the module. Any yellow highlighted cell will suffice.

   Bifacial module: Unless otherwise specified, place the sensor in the center of one of the blue highlighted cells
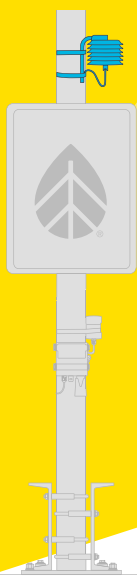
   a. Thoroughly clean the location where the PVT1 sensor will be installed using the provided alcohol wipe. Let the panel dry before proceeding to next step.

   b. Peel the backing off the sensor and place it onto the panel. Hold in place for 15 seconds.

   c. Remove the round circular sticker and cover the PVT1 sensor.

   d. Use the four strain relief stickers to secure the cable to the panel.

   e. Run the sensor wire from the panel to the data logger, making sure to secure the cable in place. Wire the sensor cable into the data logger.
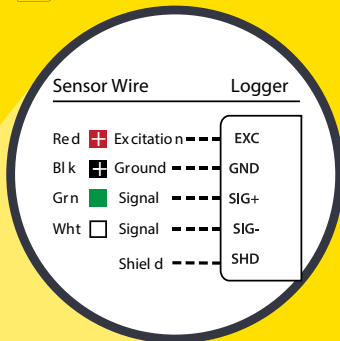
2. Sensor orientation.

   Do not orient inverted. *For single-axis tracking installations, orient the sensor cable along the axis of the torque tube.*

3. Wire the sensor cable into the data logger.

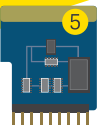4. Program the data logger as outlined below

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Description   NRG PVT1 PV Temp   ①
Serial Number   ②

Height   _____ Meters   ③
Boom Bearing   _____ Degrees ⓘ

Sensor Transfer Function
Scale Factor   1
Offset   -273.15   ④
Units   C

⑤

Enable Configuration

☑ Enabled

Sensor Type	Description	Units	Slope	Offset
NRG PVT1 ①	NRG PVT1	deg_C	1.00000	0.00000

Serial Number	Height (m)	Elevation Angle	Azimuth Angle	Modbus Address
000000000 ②	0.00 ③	0.0	0.0 ④	10036

4 Data Logger Programming

For SymphoniePRO, use the NRG SymphoniePRO Desktop Application.

For LOGR-S Data Loggers, use the web UI by navigating to the LOGR's IP address in a web browser.

Navigate to the Channel Configuration tab or web page (depending on the logger type) to configure the sensor.

1. Choose "NRG PVT1 PV Temp" from the sensor selection drop-down menu.
2. Enter the sensor's serial number (found on the end of the sensor cable).
3. Enter the height (elevation) of sensors from the ground.
4. Enter the direction (azimuth) the sensor is installed on the tower.
5. If using a SymphoniePRO data logger, insert P-SCM 9420 into the appropriate P-SCM slot in the front of the logger.

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