

DESCRIPTION

The ORION® Cellular endpoint is an innovative, two-way water endpoint that utilizes existing cellular infrastructure to efficiently and securely deliver meter reading data to the utility via the reliable cellular network.

The Cellular endpoint is a member of the time-tested ORION family of products from Badger Meter, designed for maximum flexibility. Since 2002, the ORION product family has provided comprehensive Advanced Metering Analytics (AMA) for interval meter reading and data capture using both one-way and two-way communications.

FUNCTIONALITY

Operation: The endpoint communicates with the encoder and captures 15-minute interval read data and meter status information. On a regular schedule (up to twice per day) the endpoint then automatically broadcasts the information, including endpoint status information, via the cellular network to the BEACON® AMA software.

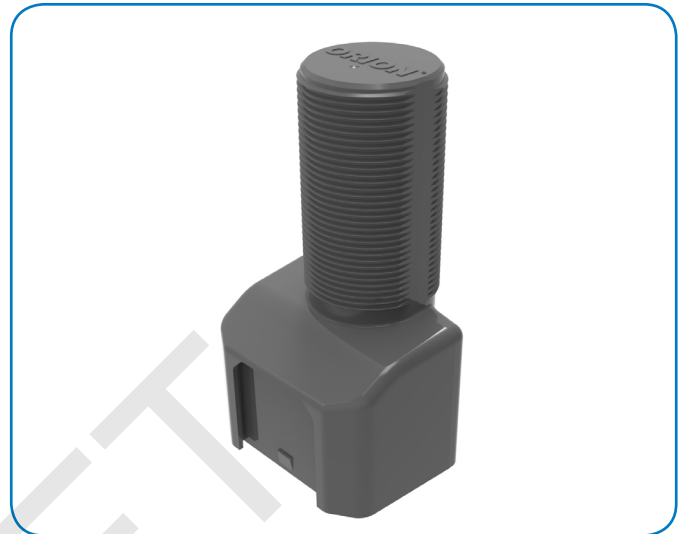
Activation: All ORION Cellular LTE-M endpoints are shipped in an inactive, non-transmitting state. The endpoints offer a Smart Activation feature. After installation, the endpoint begins broadcasting data when the encoder senses the first usage of water. No field programming or special tools are required. Alternatively, the Badger Meter IR Communication Device can be used to activate the endpoint and verify the encoder connection.

Successful endpoint function can be confirmed through a web app demonstrating that communication has been verified to both the encoder and the network.

Broadcast Mode: The endpoint broadcasts fixed network reading data through the secure existing cellular network within the service area. The endpoint also transmits a mobile message to support troubleshooting in the field.

Data Storage: The endpoint stores 42 days of 15-minute data.

Output Message: The endpoint broadcasts its unique serial number, meter reading data, and applicable status indicators. Each message is securely transported to the BEACON AMA software via Virtual Private Network (VPN) using Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) 256.



APPLICATION

Configurations: The endpoint is a multi-purpose endpoint that can be deployed in indoor, outdoor and pit applications. The electronics and battery assembly are fully encapsulated in epoxy for environmental integrity. The endpoint is available with a connector assembly for ease of installation.

Meter Compatibility: When attached to a Badger Meter high resolution encoder, the endpoint is compatible with all current Badger Meter Recordall® Disc, Turbo Series, Compound Series, Combo Series and Fire Service meters and assemblies, and with E-Series® Ultrasonic, E-Series® Ultrasonic Plus, and M-Series® Electromagnetic flow meters.

Encoder Compatibility: The endpoint is suitable for use with Badger Meter high resolution encoders as well as the following Badger Meter approved three-wire encoder registers that have a manufacture date of 2005 or newer, are programmed into the AMR/AMI three-wire output mode, and have three-wires connected: Elster InVISION and ScanCoder® encoders and evoQ4 meter (encoder output); Hersey® Translator; Master Meter® Octave® Ultrasonic meter encoder output; Metron-Farnier Hawkeye; Mueller Systems 420 Solid State Register (SSR) LCD; Neptune® ProRead, E-Coder® and ARB-V®; and Sensus® Electronic Register encoder (ECR) and ICE.

SPECIFICATIONS

Dimensions	5.125 in. (130 mm) (H)
	1.75 in. (44 mm) Diameter at top
	2.625 in. (W) x 2.875 in. (D) at base 67 mm (W) x 73 mm (D) at base
Broadcast Network	LTE-M cellular network, NB-IoT (Narrow Band - Internet of Things)
	Mobile backup frequency is FCC-regulated 902...928 MHz frequency hopping modulation
Operating Temperature Range	
	- Storage, Meter Reading and Mobile Backup: -40...60° C (-40...140° F) - Cellular Communications: -20...60° C (-4...140° F)
Humidity	0%...100% condensing
Battery	One (1) lithium thionyl chloride D cell (nonreplaceable)

FEATURES

Communication Type	Two-way
Application Type	Control/Monitor
Reading Interval Type	15-minute
Encoder Compatibility	Absolute
Fixed Network Reading	✓
Cut-Wire Indication	✓
Encoder Error	✓
Low Battery Indication	✓
Remote Clock Synchronization	✓
Firmware Upgrades	✓

Construction: All ORION Cellular endpoints are housed in an engineered polymer enclosure with an ORION RF board, battery and antenna. To ensure long-term performance, the enclosure is fully potted to withstand harsh environments and to protect the electronics in flooded or submerged pit applications.

Wire Connections: ORION Cellular endpoints are available with in-line connectors (Twist Tight or Nicor®) for easy installation and connection to compatible encoders/meters. The endpoints are also available with flying leads for field splice connections. Other wire connection configurations may be available upon request.

License Requirements: ORION Cellular LTE endpoints comply with Part 15, Part 22, Part 24, and Part 27 of the FCC Rules. No license is required by the utility to operate an ORION meter reading system. This device complies with Industry Canada license-exempt RSS standard(s).

Transportation: WARNING: The operation of transmitters and receivers on airlines is strictly prohibited by the Federal Aviation Administration. As such, the shipping of radios and endpoints via air is prohibited. Please follow all Badger Meter return and/or shipping procedures to prevent exposure to liability.

Warning: To reduce the possibility of electrical fire and shock hazards, never connect the cable from the endpoint to any electrical supply source. The endpoint cable provides SELV low voltage limited energy power to the load and should only be connected to passive elements of a water meter register.

Caution: The endpoint batteries are *not* replaceable. Users should make no attempt to replace the batteries. Changes or modifications to the equipment that are not expressly approved by Badger Meter could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

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