A New Generation of Controllers

Honeywell’s PLC is part of the ControlEdge™ family, a next generation family of controllers providing unprecedented connectivity through all levels of process and business operations. The result is optimized operations and maintenance efficiencies that liberate personnel from manual processes. ControlEdge PLC is one of our first controllers supporting Honeywell’s IoT-ready initiative.

ControlEdge PLC dramatically reduces configuration, integration, and support costs while decreasing risk with the best cyber security on the market. Honeywell is the first to provide a complete ecosystem including PLC, DCS, and DCS together. Combined with Experion®, ControlEdge PLC minimizes downtime through unified support, and lowers total cost of ownership through extended system lifecycle and the best investment protection on the market. Experion and ControlEdge PLC leverage a common HMI platform, provide faster field device commissioning, and improve device diagnostics.

Built-in OPC UA, EtherNet/IP protocol and cyber security provide smooth integration to a range of instruments, equipment and software from multiple vendors. The first PLC to offer HART® enabled Universal I/O offers remote configuration, late design change flexibility, and simulation for improved project implementation and training.

How is ControlEdge PLC Different?

Experion Integration
Honeywell can serve as your single vendor for all automation needs, including the DCS, PLC, SCADA, Field Device Manager for asset management, and a Panel PC—all with seamless integration, configuration, and support. Coordination is easier with fewer teams and direct access to system knowledge, and auto-configuration of PLC data points on Experion Server means easy updates and faster project deployment. A single point of responsibility reduces both risk and cost with fewer coordination errors, less engineering, faster installation, less training, and reduced hardware.

Field Device Manager (FDM) provides fast and accurate commissioning of field devices and simplified diagnostics, resulting in fewer site trips. Combining FDM with the HART® IP open standard offers design flexibility and protection of existing site investments. HART® command function blocks in the PLC support improved plant operation and device diagnostics, along with reduced commissioning and installation cost.

Operator effectiveness is increased with a common HMI across system applications. An integrated solution provides pre-built diagnostics, an integrated alarm summary, and history, trending and reporting on a single Experion infrastructure with native peer-to-peer integration to C300. Results are fewer operators and engineering stations, less hardware and wiring, reduced IT licensing and training, fewer errors, and increased efficiency and availability. You benefit from reduced cost over the lifecycle with smaller footprint and easier maintenance.

The Experion Panel PC, or Experion PPC, provides a touch user interface and consistent HMI for an operator in the field or in the control room. Consistent interface, alarms, trends, diagnostics and history results in better response and plant uptime.

Lean Project Execution and Universal I/O
Honeywell’s lean project execution solution, or LEAP®, provides several enhancements to the PLC.

ControlEdge PLC offers a variety of I/O choices for flexibility and reduced system cost. HART® enabled Universal I/O means no additional costly hardware to support HART. The first PLC to offer Universal I/O (part of LEAP), provides remote configuration and design change flexibility for improved project implementation. Universal I/O enables the entire cabinet to become a standard part, with I/O channels quickly configurable to allow modules to serve as analog or digital and as input or output. Engineers can quickly accommodate late configuration changes remotely with a simple software configuration change. This design flexibility reduces project schedule, cost, and risk.

LEAP also allows cloud enabled engineering through our Virtual Engineering Platform (VEP) for simulation to support engineering, training, and testing without requiring hardware.

Built-in OPC UA and EtherNet/IP Protocols
Built on a proven and capable platform, ControlEdge PLC provides an IIoT-ready open platform that enables users to better leverage data across their assets. Use of the OPC UA and EtherNet/IP protocols offers smooth integration to a broad range of instruments while providing built-in cyber security. Embedded OPC UA enables interoperable multi-level and multi-platform open communication for flexible and scalable design, enabling standardization with less hardware. An IIoT-ready platform enables more direct access to cloud-based applications for visualization and analytics. Direct access and reduced gateways delivers investment protection and easier maintenance, and therefore reduced cost and risk.

Built-in EtherNet/IP with ODVA Certification enables integration with a wide range of I/O modules, drives, devices, and controllers supporting this protocol. In addition, Modbus RTU, Modbus ASCII, and User Defined Protocols are also natively supported. Engineers get a wide range of design choices, be it for topology, vendor, specifications or connection media, to deliver a solution to fit application requirements. Standard data models for accessing the process and device information significantly improve information available for controls and diagnostics.

Built-in Cyber Security
Our embedded cyber security supports compliance, reduced risk, and availability. ControlEdge is the first PLC to be certified ISA-Secure EDSA Level 2. Features include secure boot to prevent uploading of unauthorized software, a built-in firewall to reduce exposure to denial-of-service attacks and message flooding, and a certified secure development lifecycle to ensure security is built-in from the start. PLC communication is secured using IPsec to prevent man-in-the-middle attacks and unauthorized access. ControlEdge PLC supports encryption, easy configuration and certificate-based authentication.

In addition, Honeywell offers world-class Industrial Cyber Security Solutions and Managed Services that help protect the availability, safety and reliability of industrial control systems and site operations.

Summary: Honeywell’s Solution Reduces Cost and Unplanned Downtime
Reducing time for commissioning and minimizing troubleshooting allows early startup. In addition, there is reduced unplanned downtime associated with the ability to remotely diagnose equipment.
Why Choose Honeywell?
Choosing Honeywell provides distinct support advantages as well as access to our broad portfolio. Honeywell helps customers cost-effectively manage their control and safety infrastructure in the face of constantly evolving technology with extended lifecycle support, flexible and easy migration paths, and virtualized upgrade capabilities.

Lifecycle Investment Protection
Honeywell has continually guarded customer investments by providing easy upgrade paths to the latest control system technology. Honeywell continues to evolve and innovate to bring significant advances in automation technology, while also providing a smooth migration path to today’s technology when the time is right for you. We have a wealth of experience in migrating legacy control and safety systems, no matter who the manufacturer.

An application migration tool, ControlEdge Transition R100, is now available for Rockwell legacy PLC migration to ControlEdge PLC. It includes extensive pre- and post-migration reports; the result is an improved project schedule.

Service and Support
Every Modular Control System installation is backed by Honeywell’s comprehensive one-year Warranty Support through our global Technical Assistance Centers (TAC). From installation and commissioning to start-up and ongoing operations, TAC has you covered with timely and expert local support. Factory trained and experienced TAC engineers provide telephone technical support, prompt answers to questions regarding procedures, documentation, operation, service, training and system enhancements. TAC support also includes a review of operational procedures, software analysis, and diagnostic evaluations when required.

For support services, ask for Total Care Services for Modular Systems. Extended support of installed assets has proven to be key to improved control system reliability, reduced downtime, increased plant availability, and lower operating costs. Our Total Care Field Service contracts provide on-demand support and services to keep your automation assets reliable, efficient and modern.

Honeywell Connected Plant
The ControlEdge family of controllers is part of Honeywell Connected Plant, an initiative turning data into actionable insight, from edge to enterprise, to help customers improve their bottom line. It provides access to data and control of assets from anywhere, improving efficiency and underlying performance with the lowest total cost of operation. Honeywell Connected Plant delivers a capital efficient solution that provides flexibility to add and remove assets quickly, and consolidates data for operations and analysis for long term market-leading profitability.

For more information
To learn more about Honeywell’s ControlEdge Family of Controllers, visit www.honeywellprocess.com/PLC or contact your Honeywell account manager.

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