



Sentinel LNG

Panametrics ultrasonic flow meter for cryogenic liquids

Panametrics introduces Sentinel LNG, a new addition to our series of advanced ultrasonic flow meters. Sentinel LNG demonstrates new levels of performance, reacts to changes in flow rate with incredible speed and accuracy, and is based on proven technologies. Sentinel LNG extends the use of ultrasonic technology into cryogenic applications for measuring liquefied natural gas (LNG) with unbeatable performance, reliability and safety.

Benefits

- Improved performance, reduced maintenance and dynamic flow measurement for cryogenic liquids
- · Fully welded construction with no moving parts
- Ultrasonic transducers protected from cryogenic temperatures using Bundle Waveguide™ Technology
- · Full bore design, zero pressure drop
- High accuracy to overcome limitations of tank level gauging
- Robust Path Configuration™ through extensive use of CFD (Computational Fluid Dynamics)

Applications

- Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)
- · Cryogenic fluid allocation
- · Custody transfer
- · Marine Cargo Verification





Sentinel LNG design

The design philosophy behind Sentinel LNG was simple; building a reliable flow meter to overcome the accuracy limitation of LNG tank level measurement. Sentinel LNG is an ultrasonic flow meter with a fully welded construction that has no moving parts. The acoustic transducers are placed outside the cryogenic liquid to avoid any long-term degradation due to temperature. The design is full bore; as a result, the pressure drop over the meter is simply equal to a section of pipe with the same length.

Advanced electronics

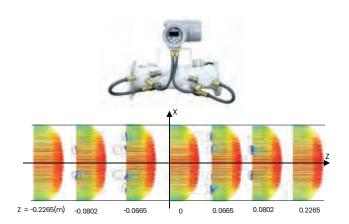
Sentinel LNG measures flow using advanced digital-signal processing and improved algorithms that enable the meter to measure flow with an exceptional response speed.

Sentinel LNG packs significant power in a simple package available with several standard output options. Customer wiring is kept in a separate location for safety. It can be mounted on the flowcell section or can be mounted up to 50 ft (15 m) away. Full access to cable connections is still possible even when mounted directly to a wall.

Full diagnostic capability can be checked locally on the display, remotely by PC or output via a variety of digital interfaces for continuous verification and preventative maintenance.

Robust path configuration™

Before Sentinel LNG was ever tested on a calibration loop, the meter was already extensively tested in the virtual world. Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) was used to simulate different path configurations under different flow scenarios.



CFD simulation of acoustic port effects under highly turbulent flow

CFD allowed us to test different ultrasonic path configurations under highly turbulent flow regimes that are typically seen in LNG measurements. Only after CFD simulation provided the optimal path configuration, Sentinel LNG was tested in a calibration loop to prove the CFD results.

Limitations of tank level gauging

Measuring the volume of LNG in a tank is more than just measuring the level of the (boiling) LNG inside the tank. The temperature in the tank might not be constant, causing density variation. Corrections need to be made for tank expansion caused by the weight of the LNG inside. In case of level measurement on a ship, a pitch or even movement because of wave motion may require compensation. By making a direct volume measurement, Sentinel LNG overcomes all these additional sources of uncertainty.

Bundle waveguide technology™

The bundle waveguide technology acts as a buffer between the transducer and the flowing cryogenic liquid. These buffer assemblies use waveguide bundles to efficiently concentrate a greater amount of transducer ultrasonic signal into the process. At the same time, the bundles act as a buffer to protect the transducer from the cryogenic temperatures. The buffer is an all-metal construction with no moving parts. As a result, transducers can be safely removed from service without opening the pipeline. An insertion mechanism or expensive valves are not required.



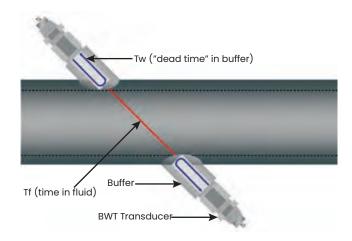


Water calibration

The Sentinel LNG meter is equipped with time tested correction curves that can translate a water calibration into high accuracy performance at cryogenic temperatures.

Active temperature compensation™

Ultrasonic flow meters use transit time to determine the liquid or gas flow in a pipeline. Measured transit time consists not only of the time the ultrasonic signal spends in a fluid; it also consists of a portion of "dead time," being the time that the electrical signal is converted into an acoustical signal and the time the acoustic signal travels inside the transducer. To allow for the utmost accuracy, Sentinel LNG uses pulse echo to actively measure the dead time. By sending a pulse and measuring its reflection at the end of the transducer, the dead time is measured in real time rather then using a preset value. Sentinel LNG guarantees a flow measurement of the highest accuracy.



Active flow compensation

Fluctuations in temperature, especially in cryogenic applications, can affect flow accuracy. These fluctuations change the characteristics of the fluid traveling through the pipe, flowcell dimensions and the acoustic characteristics of the flow meter. Based on a live temperature input, Sentinel LNG monitors the application temperature and calculates the changes in the flowcell dimensions. The transducer's transit time signal changes relative to temperature. Sentinel LNG's SEN898 electronics actively measure the transducer transit time signal to ensure accurate overall transit time measurement. The meter automatically and continuously makes adjustments as the application and ambient conditions change to ensure accurate measurement without user intervention.

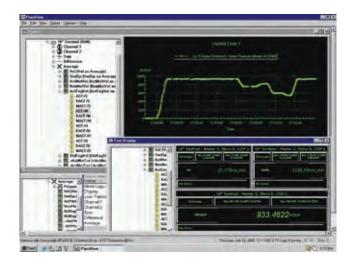
Advanced electronics

Sentinel LNG has advanced digital signal processors that pack significant power in a simple package. Several output options are standard. The electronics can be mounted on the flowcell section or up to 300 feet away. Cable connections can easily be accessed, even when the meter has been mounted to a wall. HART is standard on all meters. Local diagnostics can be done via magnetic contacts through the glass, or by using the USB connection and our PanaView™ software.



PanaView[™] for diagnostics

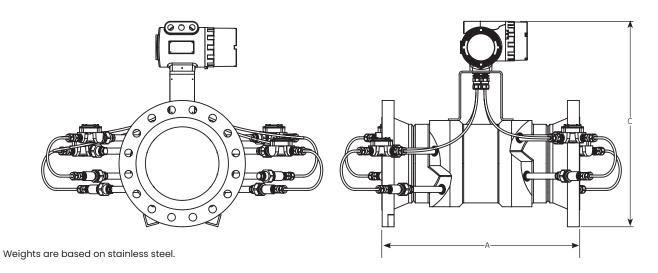
PanaView software facilitates communication between a PC and the Sentinel LNG flow meter. This software monitors the Sentinel flow meter to provide a secure and comprehensive check on the meter configuration with a full audit trail. It also allows live flow readings and tracking of flow diagnostics.



Example of PanaView display



Dimensions and weights



Dimensions and weights in English units					
Diameter	Flange	A (in)	C (in)	Weight (lb)	
	150#	20	23.49	150	
4	300#	20	23.99	178	
	600#	20	24.36	202	
	150#	22	25.76	211	
6	300#	24	26.51	268	
	600#	26	27.26	341	
	150#	26	27.59	271	
8	300#	28	28.34	346	
	600#	30	29.09	457	
	150#	28	29.84	371	
10	300#	30	30.59	492	
	600#	32	31.84	746	
	150#	30	32.59	483	
12	300#	32	33.34	688	
	600#	36	34.09	967	
	150#	36	34.09	798	
14	300#	38	35.09	1090	
	600#	40	35.46	1352	
	150#	38	36.84	989	
16	300#	40	37.84	1361	
	600#	42	38.59	1788	
	150#	38	37.84	1067	
18	300#	40	39.34	1542	
	600#	44	39.96	2097	
	150#	46	41.25	1438	
20	300#	48	42.75	2141	
	600#	50	43.50	2847	
	150#	48	44.59	2010	
24	300#	50	46.59	2976	
	600#	52	47.09	3985	

Dimensions and weights in metric units						
Diameter	Flange	A (mm)	C (mm)	Weight (kg)		
	150#	508	597	68		
4	300#	508	609	81		
	600#	508	619	92		
	150#	559	654	96		
6	300#	610	673	121		
	600#	660	692	155		
	150#	660	701	123		
8	300#	711	720	157		
	600#	762	739	207		
	150#	711	758	168		
10	300#	762	777	223		
	600#	813	809	339		
	150#	762	828	219		
12	300#	813	847	312		
	600#	914	866	438		
	150#	914	866	362		
14	300#	965	891	494		
	600#	1016	901	613		
	150#	965	936	463		
16	300#	1016	961	618		
	600#	1067	980	811		
	150#	965	961	484		
18	300#	1016	999	700		
	600#	1118	1015	951		
	150#	1168	1048	646		
20	300#	1219	1086	962		
	600#	1270	1105	1280		
	150#	1219	1133	912		
24	300#	1270	1183	1350		
	600#	1321	1196	1808		

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Specifications

Performance

Fluid types

Liquid hydrocarbons

Flow measurement

Correlation transit time mode

Accuracy

 $< \pm 0.25\%$ of measured volume for flow rates between 2 and 30 ft/s (0.5 and 10 m/s).

Repeatability

<±0.02%

Zero stability

< 0.007 ft/s (0.002 m/s)

Process temperature

-200° to +120°C (-328° to 248°F)

Ambient temperature

-40° to +60°C (-40° to 140°F)

Storage temperature

-40° to +80°C (-40° to +176°F)

Meter body

Path configuration

Four-path Robust Path Configuration™

Meter body materials

- · Stainless steel A182, Gr 304/304L
- Stainless steel A182, Gr 316/316L

Others on request.

Pipe sizes

• 4 in (100 mm) to 36 in (900 mm)

Others on request.

Flange ratings

- · 150 #
- 300 #

Others on request.

Pipe schedules

- 10S
- 40S
- STD

Others on request

PED compliance

PED Cat III, module H

Installation requirement

Meter must be installed with 20D straight piping upstream and 5D straight piping downstream. Inlet and outlet piping ID must meet meter ID.

Pressure, temperature and density connections must be located in the downstream piping. The 20D upstream piping must be free of any nozzles that could disturb the flow profile.

Electronics

Electronics enclosure material

Four-path Robust Path Configuration™

Dimensions

- Weight 25 lb (11.5 kg)
- Size (lxhxd): 13x11x9 in (33x27x23 cm)

Environmental protection

IP66

Power supply

- 100 to 240 VAC
- 12 to 32 VDC

Power consumption

< 20 watt

Display

High contrast 128 x 64 pixel graphical display with LED illumination

Outputs

- Two frequency/pulse outputs optically isolatedfrom DC
- · Two alarm relays
- One 4/20 mA output with HART

Inputs

Two 4/20 mA and one 100 ohm RTD input for density, pressure and temperature input (option). Three 4/20 mA inputs for density, pressure and temperature input (option).

Digital interfaces

- HART over 4/20 mA output
- PanaLink over RS232/485/USB
- Modbus over RS232/485 (option)



Hazardous area certifications

- USA/Canada: Class 1, Div 1, groups B, C, & D
- Europe: ATEX II 2 G, Ex de IIC (Ex d IIC as option)
- IEC Ex: Ex de IIC (Ex d IIC as option)

CE compliance

- 2004/108/EC EMC Directive
- 2006/95/EC LVD

Flow computer functionality

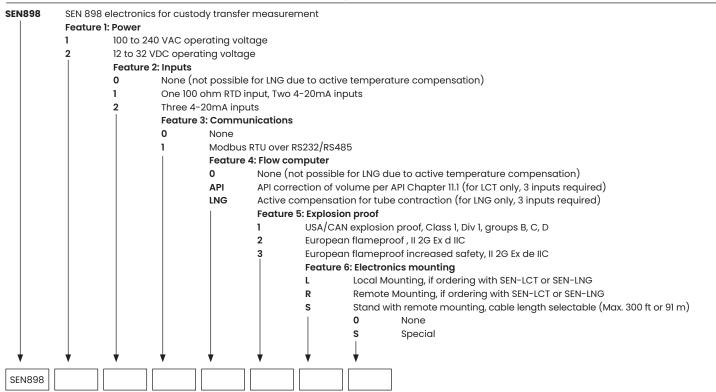
Integrated flow computer with full P and T volume corrections according to API 11.1

Flow ranges

		0.5 m/s	10 m/s	0.5 m/s	10 m/s	0.5 m/s	10 m/s
Nominal diameter		1.69 ft/s	33 ft/s	1.69 ft/s	33 ft/s	1.69 ft/s	33 ft/s
in	mm	(m³/h)	(m³/h)	(GРМ)	(GРМ)	(BBL/h)	(BBL/h)
4	100	15	280	66	1230	94	1760
6	150	33	630	145	2770	207	3960
8	200	58	1130	255	4980	364	7120
10	250	91	1800	400	7900	873	11300
12	300	131	2500	580	11000	825	15700
14	350	179	3500	790	15400	1130	22000
16	400	233	4500	1030	19800	1470	28300
18	450	296	5700	1300	25100	1860	35900
16	500	365	7000	1600	30800	2300	44000
24	600	525	10000	2310	44000	3300	63000

Typical flow rates for 0.5 m (19.6 in) per second and 10 m (393 in) per second are listed above. The Sentinel LNG is a full bore meter and the flow range is a function of the pipe and not the meter itself.

Sentinel electronics SEN898 ordering information





Sentinel LNG liquid custody transfer flow meter

SEN898	Sentinel	Liquid Cus	tody Trans	fer Flow M	leter			
	Feature	1: Diameter						
	4	4" flowspool with RF flanges acc to ASME B16.5 (See Flow Rates table for metric conversion)						
	6	6" flowspool with RF flanges acc to ASME B16.5						
	8	8" flowspool with RF flanges acc to ASME B16.5						
	10	10" flows	10" flowspool with RF flanges acc to ASME B16.5					
	12	12" flows	12" flowspool with RF flanges acc to ASME B16.5					
	14		14" flowspool with RF flanges acc to ASME B16.5					
	16			•	acc to ASME B16.5			
	18			•	acc to ASME B16.5			
	20		•	•	acc to ASME B16.5			
	24			•	acc to ASME B16.5			
	28		•	•	acc to ASME B16.47			
	30 32		•		acc to ASME B16.47			
	32 36		-	_	acc to ASME B16.47			
	1		2: Pressure	•	acc to ASME B16.47			
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		1		3: Materia	· ·			
			304		s steel, A182 Grade 304/304L			
			316		s steel, A182 Grade 316/316L			
				Feature	4: Schedule			
				10S	Schedule size 10S			
				40S	Schedule size 40S			
				STD	Schedule size STD			
				S	Special			
					Feature 5: Design criteria			
					A ASME B31.3			
					P ASME B31.3 with PED approval			
					Feature 6: Electronics mounting			
					S Remote mounting, cable length selectable (max 300 ft or 91 m)			
					Feature 7: Material certs O None			
					1 Material certs			
					2 Material certs with EN 10204 3.1 inspection certificate			
					Feature 8: NACE requirements			
					0 None			
					1 NACE MR0175			
					2 NACE MR0103			
					Feature 9: Special requirements			
					0 None			
					S Special			
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