# **Nexus** <sup>®</sup> **1500+** New Generation High Performance Power Meter



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## Mechanical Installation

1. Slide the meter into the panel's cut-out. (See the diagram shown below. You can use either an octagonal or a rectangular cut-out.)

NOTE: You can also mount the meter vertically.



- 2. From the back of the panel, slide the 4 Mounting Brackets into the grooves on the top and bottom of the meter housing 2 fit on the top and 2 fit on the bottom.
- 3. Snap the Mounting Brackets into place.
- 4. Secure the meter to the panel with a lock washer and a #8 screw in each of the 4 mounting brackets.
- 5. Tighten the screws with a #2 Philips screwdriver. Do not over-tighten maximum torque is 3.5 Lb-In.



Electrical Installation (See the meter's Installation and Operation manual for additional wiring configurations.)





# Programming the Nexus® 1500+ Meter Using the USB Virtual Com Port

**NOTE:** For Operating systems earlier than Windows® 7 OS, you must install the driver before using the USB Virtual Com Port for the first time.

- 1. Insert the CD that came with your meter into your PC. Click the Nexus® Technical Documents button.
- 2. Click the USB Driver button. The driver is installed on your PC (you will see screens and messages during the process).
- 3. Click Start>Settings>Control Panel>System folder>Hardware tab>Device Manager button>Ports. Next to USB Serial port will be the number of the Com port it uses, e.g., COM3. Note this number.

### **Connecting your PC to the Meter**

1. Attach a USB cable from your PC's USB port to the meter's front panel USB port. See the figure below.



2. Windows® 7 and above operating systems install the USB driver and display the screen shown on the right. Make note of the Com port.

Driver Software Installation		X
Your device is ready to use		
USB Serial Converter USB Serial Port (COM3)	Ready to use Ready to use	
		Close



#### **Connecting to the Meter via Software**

- 1. Open Communicator EXT<sup>™</sup> software. (This software is on the enclosed CD.)
- 2. Click the **Connect** icon on the Tool Bar. You will see the Connect screen.

Connect	
Serial Port	C Network
Device Address	1
Baud Rate	115200 🗸
	Available Ports C All Ports
Port	СОМЗ
Protocol	Modbus RTU 🔹
Flow Control	None 🗸
Echo Mode	No Echo 🗸
Parity	None 💌
Connect	Cancel Help

- 3. Click Serial Port.
- 4. Select Baud rate of 115200.
- 5. Select the Port that is the USB Virtual Com port.
- 6. Click **Connect**. You will see the Device Status screen.
- 7. Click **OK**. You will see the Main Communicator EXT<sup>™</sup> software screen.

#### **Configuring the Meter via Software**

Click the **Profile** icon on the Tool Bar. You will see the Device Profile screen.

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**NOTE:** Instructions for a few basic settings are given in this Quick Start Guide. For more information, click **Help>Contents** from the Title Bar of the Communicator  $EXT^{TM}$  application's Main screen, to view the Communicator  $EXT^{TM}$  4.0 and MeterManager EXT Software User Manual.

#### **CT, PT Ratios and System Hookup**

From the Device Profile screen, double-click **General Settings>CT, PT Ratios and System Hookup**. The current settings are shown on the screen.

1.	Double-click one of the settings to open the CT and PT Ratios screen, shown b	pelow.

Device Profile: CT and PT Ratios								
CT Ratio			PT Ratio (Line to Neutral)					
	Primary Current	Secondary Current		Primary Voltage	Secondary Voltage			
IA, B, C	þ.00	5.00	V A, B, C	120.00	120.00			
IN	5.00	5.00	V AUX	120.00	120.00			
Hookup Wye Operational Frequency Range 45Hz to 69Hz								
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- 2. You can enter CT and PT Ratios and select Hookup from the pull-down menu. Click **Help** to view instructions for configuring these settings.
- 3. Click **OK** to close the screen. Click **Update Device** from the Device Profile screen to save your settings.

#### **Example CT Settings:**

200/5 Amps: set the Primary Current value as 200.00; set the Secondary Current value as 5.00.

## Example PT Settings:

14400/120 Volts: set the Primary Voltage value as 14400.00; set the Secondary Voltage as 120.00.



#### **Communication Settings**

1. From the **Device Profile** screen, double-click **General Settings>Communications.** The current settings for the meter's Ports are shown on the screen.

Device Profile: Communications Settings								
Optical Por	rt —	USB Seria	I Port	RS-485 Po	RS-485 Port 1		RS-485 Port 2	
Address	1	Address	1	Address	3	Address	4	
Baud Rate	57600 💌	Baud Rate	115200 💌	Baud Rate	57600 💌	Baud Rate	57600 💌	
Data Bits	8 👻	Data Bits	8 💌	Data Bits	8 🔻	Data Bits	8 💌	
Parity	None 💌	Parity	None 💌	Parity	None 🔻	Parity	None 💌	
Stop Bits	1 -	Stop Bits	1 💌	Stop Bits	1 🔹	Stop Bits	1 💌	
Tx Delay	Oms 🔻	Tx Delay	Oms 💌	Tx Delay	100ms 🔻	Tx Delay	100ms 💌	
Pro	Protocol Protocol		Protocol		Protocol			
Modbus RTU 💌 Modbus R		TU 🗾	Modbus R	Modbus RTU 💽		Modbus RTU 🔹		
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Subnet Ma	isk 2	:55 255 2	55 0					
Default Gateway 172 20 161 23								
-Optional N	etwork Card	Settings (Card	d 2) (MAC Add	ress 00-01-58	-00-5F-14)			
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- 2. Double-click one of the Port settings to open the Communications screen, shown above.
- 3. You can configure the settings for all four Communication Ports, as well as the two Network Cards. Click **Help** to view instructions for configuring these settings.
- 4. Click **OK** to close the screen. Click **Update Device** from the **Device Profile** screen to save your settings.

**NOTE:** You can also use the standard or optional Ethernet ports, the optional RS485 ports, or the ANSI optical port to connect to and configure the Nexus® 1500+ meter. See the meter's manual on the product CD, and the software manual (click Help>Contents from the Communicator EXT<sup>™</sup> application's Main screen).

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