FieldQ™ Pneumatic Actuators And Controls
Fully Integrated Proven Hardware And Design
“With FieldQ, Emerson is your single source for a fully integrated actuator and accessories”

“Direct mounting enables 15% savings in labor, materials and time”

“20% reduction in installation and commissioning time”

“Small foot print allows flexibility for retro fit into existing pipe runs”

FieldQ™: The Fully Integrated Solution

FieldQ provides a new way of looking at valve automation. It combines a field-proven rack and pinion pneumatic actuator with the necessary controls in an integrated modular package. Gone are the non-integrated accessories from multiple vendors, mounting brackets, cumbersome external cabling and tubing. Instead, the FieldQ solution offers true ‘plug and play’ capability from the industry’s most recognized single source – Emerson Process Management.

FieldQ is available in torque outputs ranging from 354 in-lbs to 14,160 in-lbs (40 Nm to 1600 Nm) and in spring-return or double-acting configurations. It has integrated modules that control On / Off operation.

Dual Travel Stops
FieldQ provides dual travel stops as standard. The travel stops can be adjusted in the open and / or closed position. (See page 4)

Control Modules
The modules include Fully Integrated Base, Smart and Bus operated modules. (See page 5)

Pneumatic Module
The patented diaphragm poppet design provides the necessary air flow and volume to open and close the actuator quickly. A breather function protects the spring chamber by moving the exhausted supply air out of the central air chamber to the spring chambers. This protects the actuator internal components especially in corrosive or harsh environments. The pneumatic module can be equipped with optional speed controls and / or exhaust silencers. (See page 4).

Intelligent Position Tracking
The IPT technology™ allows the integration of controls and feedback into a single product. (See page 4)
Conventional actuator and control packages create a stacked profile, normally with a monitor or positioner on top and mounting bracket below the actuator, coupling it to the valve. With the FieldQ’s integrated controls and insert system, overall height is minimized and replaced with a low profile modular design. The compactness of the FieldQ package is highly conducive to retrofit and tight piping applications.

Adding value to valve automation

**Pinion**
Hard anodized, heavy duty aluminium alloy balanced pinion has three-part design, reducing pressure forces and maintenance, even in high cycle applications.

**Limit Stop Cam**
The large diameter, high tensile steel cam ensures accurate, lasting stroke adjustment.

**Body**
The hard anodized actuator body, along with the control modules, are protected from corrosive environments with a protective finish that has passed a 1,000 hour-salt spray test per ASTM B117.

**Spring Package**
The encapsulated package, with corrosion-protected springs, can be easily-disassembled with a standard Allen wrench for conversion of double-acting to spring-return configuration on sizes 40 through 350. (See page 4)

**Piston**
The precision-machined rack is chromatized for optimal performance. It has a three point guiding system and O-rings for air-tight sealing.

**Housing Guide Band**
Nylatron® guide band provides wear protection between housing and piston for extended service life.

**End Cap**
Flat design on double-acting models reduces overall length, and a visible indication of double acting versus spring return.

**Centering Plate**
Provided in accordance with DIN3337 with a variety of inserts available. Provides a low cost and versatile direct mounting to your valve.
Reliable, Predictable and Maintainable

Multiple Spring Design
The FieldQ encapsulated spring design provides superior field safety. When removed, the springs remain as part of the assembly. Conversion from double-acting to spring-return configurations is both simple and safe.

FieldQ utilizes three embedded springs, an inner, middle and outer spring allowing for six different spring torques. The design also allows equal force to each piston, extending service life.

Poppet Valve and Closed Loop Breather
The FieldQ pneumatic module has a poppet valve instead of the traditional spool valve. The benefits include self cleaning seals. Minimal seal wear requires less power to activate than a conventional solenoid and allows the use of a unique closed loop exhaust that provides superior corrosion protection on the closing stroke of spring-return designs.

Intelligent Position Tracking (IPT)
The FieldQ fully enclosed IPT linear feedback system uses a mechanical position glide rod, linked to a contact less Giant Magnetic Resistance (GMR) sensor, providing accurate and repeatable position indication. The feature requires fewer parts, adds greater performance and costs less than conventional designs.

Dual Travel Stops
FieldQ offers dual travel stops for open and close. Mounted on the top of the actuator housing, the travel stops make adjustments easy and accurate. The internal steel limit cam reduces wear on the travel stops and itself helping to ensure the accuracy of the stops. Spring-return units can be field modified from fail close to fail open simply by removing the stops, rotating the pistons 180° and reinstalling the stops.
Reducing life cycle costs

Types Of Control Modules
FieldQ offers three types of control modules:

1. Fully Integrated Base module for use in conventional wiring applications.
2. Smart On / Off control for easy setup and when simple diagnostics are required.
3. Bus On / Off control for those applications requiring 2 wire control and feedback and / or advanced diagnostics.

This approach allows FieldQ to address a wide range of control with easy to use plug-n-play modules.

Diagnostics
FieldQ is a core component of PlantWeb® digital architecture and is capable of providing a variety of bus protocols, including FOUNDATION Fieldbus™, DeviceNet, and AS-i. FieldQ predictive diagnostics provide accurate and timely information help predict when the final control element and / or its components requires maintenance or even replacement.

Continuous position tracking in the Foundation Fieldbus module allows measurement of:
- Travel times
  - Stuck valve
  - Wear or friction problems
  - Lost air supply
- Time in position
  - Indicates need for a valve test
- Cycle counters
  - Control module
  - Pneumatic module
  - Actuator
  - Valve
- Inter-card Communications
  - Indication of electronics
  - Checks sensors and ability to communicate

Auto-Initialization
All Smart and Bus modules are provided with an auto-initialization feature that allows setting of the fully open and fully closed valve positions with the push of a button. This feature also performs some internal diagnostics while initializing the position switches.

Scalability
FieldQ control modules provide a wide range of functions, from simple on-off control to the latest bus control and diagnostics. With the modular plug and play design, you can change control module functionality as requirements dictate while maintaining the same actuator, pneumatic module, wiring, piping and mounting, enforcing the fully integrated concept.
Applications, Approvals and Electrical Certifications

FieldQ actuators are suitable for use in SIL3 applications where a periodic partial stroke test is performed. Where the testing is not required, FieldQ actuators are suitable in SIL2 applications.

Approvals – Actuator
- FieldQ carries the CE mark, meaning it is produced under European Directives that include PED, ATEX, Machine, LVD and EMC directives.

Hazardous Area Approvals - Control Modules
- ATEX
- FM
- CSA
- IEC

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