



# PowerCommand® 2.2 control system



## Control system description

The PowerCommand control system is a microprocessor-based generator set monitoring, metering and control system designed to meet the demands of today's engine driven generator sets. The integration of all control functions into a single control system provides enhanced reliability and performance, compared to conventional generator set control systems. These control systems have been designed and tested to meet the harsh environment in which gensets are typically applied.

## Features

- 128 x 128 pixels graphic LED backlight LCD.
- Multiple language support.
- AmpSentry™ Protective Relay - True alternator overcurrent protection.
- Real time clock for fault and event time stamping.
- Exerciser clock and time of day start/stop.
- Digital voltage regulation. Three phase full wave FET type regulator compatible with either shunt or PMG systems.
- Generator set monitoring and protection.
- 12 and 24 VDC battery operation.
- Modbus® interface for interconnecting to customer equipment.
- Warranty and service. Backed by a comprehensive warranty and worldwide distributor service network.
- Certifications - Suitable for use on generator sets that are designed, manufactured, tested and certified to relevant UL, NFPA, ISO, IEC, Mil Std., CE, UKCA, and CSA standards.

# PowerCommand digital genset control PCC 2300



## Description

The PowerCommand generator set control is suitable for use on a wide range of generator sets in non-paralleling applications. The PowerCommand control is compatible with shunt or PMG excitation style. It is suitable for use with reconnectable or non-reconnectable generators, and it can be configured for any frequency, voltage and power connection from 120-600 VAC Line-to-Line.

Power for this control system is derived from the generator set starting batteries. The control functions over a voltage range from 8 VDC to 30 VDC.

## Features

- 12 and 24 VDC battery operation.
- Digital voltage regulation - Three phase full wave FET type regulator compatible with either shunt or PMG systems. Sensing is three phase.
- Full authority engine communications (where applicable) - Provides communication and control with the Engine Control Module (ECM).
- AmpSentry protection - for true alternator overcurrent protection.
- Common harnessing - with higher feature Cummins controls. Allows for easy field upgrades.
- Generator set monitoring - Monitors status of all critical engine and alternator functions.
- Digital genset metering (AC and DC).
- Genset battery monitoring system to sense and warn against a weak battery condition.
- Configurable for single or three phase AC metering.
- Engine starting - Includes relay drivers for starter, Fuel Shut Off (FSO), glow plug/spark ignition power and switch B+ applications.
- Generator set protection – Protects engine and alternator.

- Real time clock for fault and event time stamping.
- Exerciser clock and time of day start/stop.
- Advanced serviceability - using InPower™, a PCbased software service tool.
- Environmental protection - The control system is designed for reliable operation in harsh environments. The main control board is a fully encapsulated module that is protected from the elements.
- Modbus interface for interconnecting to customer equipment.
- Configurable inputs and outputs - Four discrete inputs and four dry contact relay outputs.
- Warranty and service - Backed by a comprehensive warranty and worldwide distributor service network.
- Certifications - Suitable for use on generator sets that are designed, manufactured, tested and certified to relevant UL, NFPA, ISO, IEC, Mil Std., CE, UKCA, and CSA standards.

## Base control functions

### HMI capability

Operator adjustments - The HMI includes provisions for many set up and adjustment functions.

Generator set hardware data - Access to the control and software part number, generator set rating in kVA and generator set model number is provided from the HMI or InPower.

Data logs - Includes engine run time, controller on time, number of start attempts, total kilowatt hours, and load profile. (Control logs data indicating the operating hours at percent of rated kW load, in 5% increments. The data is presented on the operation panel based on total operating hours on the generator.)

Fault history - Provides a record of the most recent fault conditions with control date and time stamp. Up to 32 events are stored in the control non-volatile memory.

### Alternator data

- Voltage (single or three phase Line-to-Line and Line-to-Neutral)
- Current (single or three phase)
- kW, kVar, power factor, kVA (three phase and total)
- Frequency

### Engine data

- Starting battery voltage
- Engine speed
- Engine temperature
- Engine oil pressure
- Engine oil temperature
- Intake manifold temperature
- Comprehensive Full Authority Engine (FAE) data (where applicable)

Service adjustments - The HMI includes provisions for adjustment and calibration of generator set control functions. Adjustments are protected by a password.

Functions include:

- Engine speed governor adjustments
- Voltage regulation adjustments
- Cycle cranking
- Configurable fault set up
- Configurable output set up
- Meter calibration
- Display language and units of measurement

## Engine control

SAE-J1939 CAN interface to full authority ECMs (where applicable). Provides data swapping between genset and engine controller for control, metering and diagnostics.

12 VDC/24 VDC battery operations - PowerCommand will operate either on 12 VDC or 24 VDC batteries.

Temperature dependent governing dynamics (with electronic governing) - modifies the engine governing control parameters as a function of engine temperature. This allows the engine to be more responsive when warm and more stable when operating at lower temperature levels.

Isochronous governing - (where applicable) Capable of controlling engine speed within +/-0.25% for any steady state load from no load to full load. Frequency drift will not exceed +/-0.5% for a 33 °C (60 °F) change in ambient temperature over an 8 hour period.

Drrop electronic speed governing - Control can be adjusted to droop from 0 to 10% from no load to full load.

Remote start mode - It accepts a ground signal from remote devices to automatically start the generator set and immediately accelerate to rated speed and voltage. The remote start signal will also wake up the control from sleep mode. The control can incorporate a time delay start and stop.

Remote and local emergency stop - The control accepts a ground signal from a local (genset mounted) or remote (facility mounted) emergency stop switch to cause the generator set to immediately shut down. The generator set is prevented from running or cranking with the switch engaged. If in sleep mode, activation of either emergency stop switch will wake up the control.

Sleep mode - The control includes a configurable low current draw state to minimize starting battery current draw when the genset is not operating. The control can also be configured to go into a low current state while in auto for prime applications or applications without a battery charger.

Engine starting - The control system supports automatic engine starting. Primary and backup start disconnects are achieved by one of two methods: magnetic pickup or main alternator output frequency. The control also supports configurable glow plug control when applicable.

Cycle cranking - Is configurable for the number of starting cycles (1 to 7) and duration of crank and rest periods. Control includes starter protection algorithms to prevent the operator from specifying a starting sequence that might be damaging.

Time delay start and stop (cooldown) - Configurable for time delay of 0-300 seconds prior to starting after receiving a remote start signal and for time delay of 0-600 seconds prior to shut down after signal to stop in normal operation modes. Default for both time delay periods is 0 seconds.

## Alternator control

The control includes an integrated three phase line-to-line sensing voltage regulation system that is compatible with shunt or PMG excitation systems. The voltage regulation system is a three phase full wave rectified and has an FET output for good motor starting capability. Major system features include:

Digital output voltage regulation - Capable of regulating output voltage to within +/-1.0% for any loads between no load and full load. Voltage drift will not exceed +/-1.5% for a 40 °C (104 °F) change in temperature in an eight hour period. On engine starting or sudden load acceptance, voltage is controlled to a maximum of 5% overshoot over nominal level. The automatic voltage regulator feature can be disabled to allow the use of an external voltage regulator.

Droop voltage regulation - Control can be adjusted to droop from 0-10% from no load to full load.

Torque-matched V/Hz overload control - The voltage roll-off set point and rate of decay (i.e. the slope of the V/Hz curve) is adjustable in the control.

Fault current regulation - PowerCommand will regulate the output current on any phase to a maximum of three times rated current under fault conditions for both single phase and three phase faults. In conjunction with a permanent magnet generator, it will provide three times rated current on all phases for motor starting and short circuit coordination purpose.

## Protective functions

On operation of a protective function the control will indicate a fault by illuminating the appropriate status LED on the HMI, as well as display the fault code and fault description on the LCD. The nature of the fault and time of occurrence are logged in the control. The service manual and InPower service tool provide service keys and procedures based on the service codes provided. Protective functions include:

### Battle short mode

When enabled and the battle short switch is active, the control will allow some shutdown faults to be bypassed. If a bypassed shutdown fault occurs, the fault code and description will still be annunciated, but the genset will not shutdown. This will be followed by a *fail to shutdown* fault. Emergency stop shutdowns and others that are critical for proper operation are not bypassed. Please refer to the Control Application Guide or Manual for list of these faults.

### Derate

The Derate function reduces output power of the genset in response to a fault condition. If a *derate* command occurs while operating on an isolated bus, the control will issue commands to reduce the load on the genset via contact closures or Modbus.

## Configurable alarm and status inputs

The control accepts up to four alarm or status inputs (configurable contact closed to ground or open) to indicate a configurable (customer-specified) condition. The control is programmable for warning, shutdown or status indication and for labelling the input.

## Emergency stop

Annunciated whenever either emergency stop signal is received from external switch.

## Full authority electronic engine protection

Engine fault detection is handled inside the engine ECM. Fault information is communicated via the SAE-J1939 data link for annunciation in the HMI.

## General engine protection

Low and high battery voltage warning - Indicates status of battery charging system (failure) by continuously monitoring battery voltage.

Weak battery warning - The control system will test the battery each time the generator set is signalled to start and indicate a warning if the battery indicates impending failure.

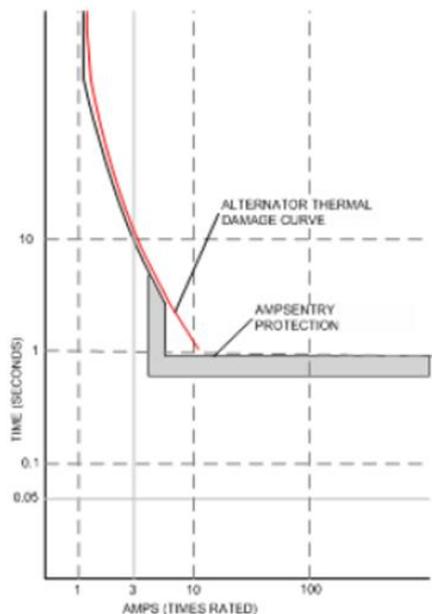
Fail to start (overcrank) shutdown - The control system will indicate a fault if the generator set fails to start by the completion of the engine crank sequence.

Fail to crank shutdown - Control has signalled starter to crank engine but engine does not rotate.

Cranking lockout - The control will not allow the starter to attempt to engage or to crank the engine when the engine is rotating.

## Alternator protection

AmpSentry protective relay - A comprehensive monitoring and control system integral to the PowerCommand control system that guards the electrical integrity of the alternator and power system by providing protection against a wide array of fault conditions in the generator set or in the load. It also provides single and three phase fault current regulation so that downstream protective devices have the maximum current available to quickly clear fault conditions without subjecting the alternator to potentially catastrophic failure conditions. See document R1053 for a full size time over current curve.



High AC voltage shutdown (59) - Output voltage on any phase exceeds preset values. Time to trip is inversely proportional to amount above threshold. Values adjustable from 105-125% of nominal voltage, with time delay adjustable from 0.1-10 seconds. Default value is 110% for 10 seconds.

Low AC voltage shutdown (27) - Voltage on any phase has dropped below a preset value. Adjustable over a range of 50-95% of reference voltage, time delay 2-20 seconds. Default value is 85% for 10 seconds. Function tracks reference voltage. Control does not nuisance trip when voltage varies due to the control directing voltage to drop, such as during a V/Hz roll-off during synchronizing.

Under frequency shutdown (81 u) - Generator set output frequency cannot be maintained. Settings are adjustable from 2-10 Hz below reference governor set point, for a 5-20 second time delay. Default: 6 Hz, 10 seconds.

Under frequency protection is disabled when excitation is switched off, such as when engine is operating in idle speed mode.

Over frequency shutdown/warning (81 o) - Generator set is operating at a potentially damaging frequency level. Settings are adjustable from 2-10 Hz above nominal governor set point for a 1-20 second time delay. Default: 6 Hz, 20 seconds, disabled.

Overcurrent warning/shutdown - Thresholds and time delays are configurable. Implementation of the thermal damage curve with instantaneous trip level calculated based on current transformer ratio and application power rating.

Loss of sensing voltage shutdown - Shutdown of generator set will occur on loss of voltage sensing inputs to the control.

Field overload shutdown - Monitors field voltage to shutdown generator set when a field overload condition occurs.

Over load (kW) warning - Provides a warning indication when engine is operating at a load level over a set point. Adjustment range: 80-140% of application rated kW, 0-120 second delay. Defaults: 105%, 60 seconds.

Reverse power shutdown (32) - Adjustment range: 5-20% of standby kW rating, delay 1-15 seconds. Default: 10%, 3 seconds.

Reverse Var shutdown - Shutdown level is adjustable: 15-50% of rated Var output, delay 10-60 seconds. Default: 20%, 10 seconds.

Short circuit protection - Output current on any phase is more than 175% of rating and approaching the thermal damage point of the alternator. Control includes algorithms to protect alternator from repeated over current conditions over a short period of time.

## Field control interface

### Input signals to the PowerCommand control include:

- Coolant level (where applicable)
- Fuel level (where applicable)
- Remote emergency stop
- Remote fault reset
- Remote start
- Battleshort
- Rupture basin
- Start type signal
- Configurable inputs - Control includes (4) input signals from customer discrete devices that are configurable for warning, shutdown or status indication, as well as message displayed

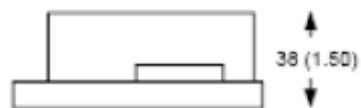
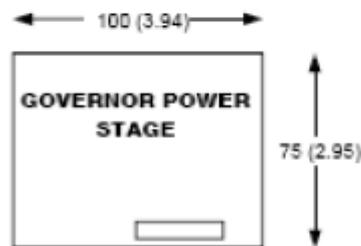
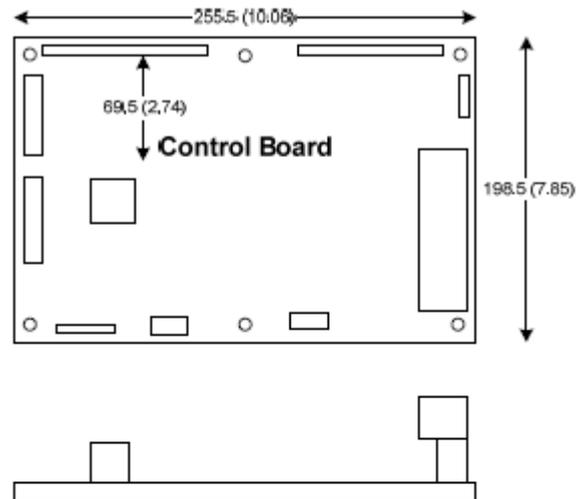
### Output signals from the PowerCommand control include:

- Load dump signal: Operates when the generator set is in an overload condition.
- Delayed off signal: Time delay based output which will continue to remain active after the control has removed the run command. Adjustment range: 0 – 120 seconds. Default: 0 seconds.
- Configurable relay outputs: Control includes (4) relay output contacts (3 A, 30 VDC). These outputs can be configured to activate on any control warning or shutdown fault as well as ready to load, not in auto, common alarm, common warning and common shutdown.
- Ready to load (generator set running) signal: Operates when the generator set has reached 90% of rated speed and voltage and latches until generator set is switched to off or idle mode.

### Communications connections include:

- PC tool interface: This RS-485 communication port allows the control to communicate with a personal computer running InPower software.
- Modbus RS-485 port: Allows the control to communicate with external devices such as PLCs using Modbus protocol.
- Note - An RS-232 or USB to RS-485 converter is required for communication between PC and control.
- Networking: This RS-485 communication port allows connection from the control to the other Cummins products.

## Mechanical drawings



# PowerCommand human machine interface HMI220



## Description

This control system includes an intuitive operator interface panel that allows for complete genset control as well as system metering, fault annunciation, configuration and diagnostics. The interface includes five generator set status LED lamps with both internationally accepted symbols and English text to comply with customers' needs. The interface also includes an LED backlit LCD display with tactile feel soft-switches for easy operation and screen navigation. It is configurable for units of measurement and has adjustable screen contrast and brightness.

The *run/off/auto* switch function is integrated into the interface panel.

All data on the control can be viewed by scrolling through screens with the navigation keys. The control displays the current active fault and a time-ordered history of the five previous faults.

## Features:

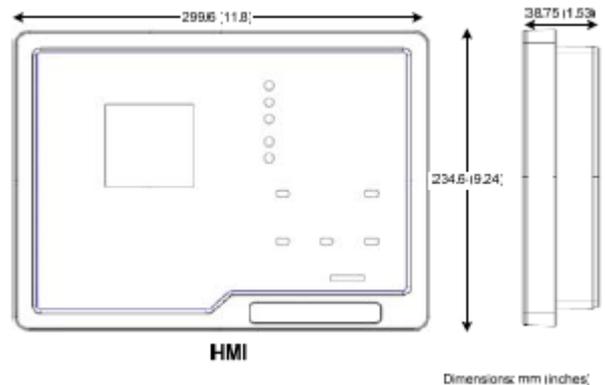
- LED indicating lamps
  - genset running
  - remote start
  - not in auto
  - shutdown
  - warning
  - auto manual and stop
- 128 x 128 pixels graphic LED backlight LCD.
- Two tactile feel membrane switches for LCD defined operation. The functions of these switches are defined dynamically on the LCD.
- Seven tactile feel membrane switches dedicated screen navigation buttons for up, down, left, right, ok, home and cancel.
- Six tactile feel membrane switches dedicated to control for auto, stop, manual, manual start, fault reset and lamp test/panel lamps.
- Two tactile feel membrane switches dedicated to control of circuit breaker (where applicable).
- Allows for complete genset control setup.
- Certifications: Suitable for use on generator sets that are designed, manufactured, tested and certified to relevant UL, NFPA, ISO, IEC, Mil Std., CE, UKCA, and CSA standards.

LCD languages supported: English, Spanish, French, German, Italian, Greek, Dutch, Portuguese, Finnish, Norwegian, Danish, Russian and Chinese Characters.

## Communications connections include:

- PC tool interface - This RS-485 communication port allows the HMI to communicate with a personal computer running InPower.
- This RS-485 communication port allows the HMI to communicate with the main control board.

## Mechanical drawing



## Software

InPower (beyond 6.0 version) is a PC-based software service tool that is designed to directly communicate to PowerCommand generator sets and transfer switches, to facilitate service and monitoring of these products.

## Environment

The control is designed for proper operation without recalibration in ambient temperatures from -40 °C to +70 °C (-40 °F to 158 °F) and for storage from -55 °C to +80 °C (-67 °F to 176 °F). Control will operate with humidity up to 95%, non-condensing.

The HMI is designed for proper operation in ambient temperatures from -20 °C to +70 °C (-4 °F to 158 °F) and for storage from -30 °C to +80 °C (-22 °F to 176 °F).

The control board is fully encapsulated to provide superior resistance to dust and moisture. Display panel has a single membrane surface, which is impervious to effects of dust, moisture, oil and exhaust fumes. This panel uses a sealed membrane to provide long reliable service life in harsh environments.

The control system is specifically designed and tested for resistance to RFI/EMI and to resist effects of vibration to provide a long reliable life when mounted on a generator set. The control includes transient voltage surge suppression to provide compliance to referenced standards.

## Certifications

PowerCommand meets or exceeds the requirements of the following codes and standards:

- NFPA 110 for level 1 and 2 systems.
- ISO 8528-4: 1993 compliance, controls and switchgear.
- CE marking: The CE marking is only valid when equipment is used in a fixed installation application. Material compliance declaration is available upon request.
- UKCA marking: The UKCA marking is only valid when equipment is used in a fixed installation application. Material compliance declaration is available upon request.
- EN 50081-1,2 residential/light industrial emissions or industrial emissions.
- EN 50082-1,2 residential/light industrial or industrial susceptibility.
- ISO 7637-2, level 2; DC supply surge voltage test.
- Mil Std 202C, Method 101 and ASTM B117: Salt fog test.
- UL 508 recognized or Listed and suitable for use on UL 2200 Listed generator sets.
- CSA C282-M1999 compliance
- CSA 22.2 No. 14 M91 industrial controls.
- PowerCommand control systems and generator sets are designed and manufactured in ISO 9001 certified facilities.

## Warranty

All components and subsystems are covered by an express limited one year warranty. Other optional and extended factory warranties and local distributor maintenance agreements are available.



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