

#### Sump and Sewage Pump Manufacturers Association

Since 1956, we are a North American trade organization of sump, effluent, and sewage pump manufacturers and their suppliers.

#### Working together to:

train wastewater and plumbing professionals, and
 create product performance and safety standards.

SSPMA members collaborate with each other and government regulators to educate consumers and professionals on the latest products, their application, proper sizing techniques, safe installation and use, and good maintenance practices.



#### SSPMA MEMBERS

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### BASIC ELECTRICAL THEORY RELATING TO ONSITE SEPTIC CONTROLS

### WHY USE A CONTROL PANEL?

- CONVENIENCE OF ALARM AND CONTROL IN ONE PACKAGE
- CONTROL OF LARGER HORSEPOWER PUMPS (CONTACTOR CONTROL)
- ALLOWS MANUAL OPERATION OF THE PUMP
- PUMP MONITORING
- CONTROL OF 3 PHASE PUMPS
- DUPLEX OPERATIONS
- CONTROL OF PUMPS REQUIRING EXTERNAL START COMPONENTS
- INTRINSICALLY SAFE APPLICATIONS
- TIMED DOSE APPLICATIONS

#### SAFETY FIRST

- ALWAYS TURN OFF POWER WHEN WORKING INSIDE A CONTROL PANEL
- VOLTAGE ALWAYS FOLLOWS THE PATH OF LEAST RESISTANCE
- IT TAKES LESS THAN 1/2 AMP OF CURRENT TO STOP YOUR HEART

- TO KILL POWER TO THE ENTIRE CONTROL PANEL YOU MUST TURN OFF THE CIRCUIT BREAKER FEEDING THE CONTROL PANEL - LOCATED OUTSIDE AND SEPARATE FROM THE CONTROL PANEL.
- TURNING OFF THE CIRCUIT BREAKERS INSIDE THE CONTROL PANEL ONLY KILLS POWER TO THE COMPONENTS DOWN STREAM OF THE BREAKERS. EVERYTHING BEFORE THE CIRCUIT BREAKERS IS STILL LIVE.

#### **TERMINOLOGY & DEFINITIONS**

**VOLTS** - The practical meter-kilogram-second unit of electrical potential difference and electromotive force equal to the difference of potential between two points in a conducting wire carrying a constant current of one ampere when the power dissipated between these two points is equal to one watt and equivalent to the potential difference across a resistance of one ohm when one ampere is flowing through it

THINK OF VOLTAGE AS THE PRESSURE BEING PRODUCED BY THE PUMP, THINK OF THIS AS H.P.

#### **TERMINOLOGY & DEFINITIONS**

AMPERE (AMPS) - The practical meterkilogram-second unit of electric current that is equivalent to a flow of one coulomb per second or to the steady current produced by one volt applied across a resistance of one ohm

THINK OF CURRENT (AMPS) AS THE FLOW RATE, HOW FAST THE WATER FLOWS THROUGH THE PIPES. THINK OF THIS AS GAL/MIN

#### **TERMINOLOGY & DEFINITIONS**

**OHM** - The practical meter-kilogramsecond unit of electric resistance equal to the resistance of a circuit in which a potential difference of one volt produces a current of one ampere

THINK OF OHMS AS THE RESISTANCE THAT ACTS ON THE WATER. THE MORE RESTRICTIONS THE HIGHER THE RESISTANCE. THINK OF THIS AS TDH (TOTAL DYNAMIC HEAD)

## COMPONENTS

#### **MOTOR CONTACTORS**







Full Voltage Contactors and Starters - NEMA Rated 10 MILLION CYCLE RATING IEC Style Contactors and Overloads

15 MILLION CYCLE RATING DEFINITE PURPOSE CONTACTORS

2.5 MILLION CYCLE RATING  A MOTOR CONTACTOR IS AN ELECTRICALLY CONTROLLED SWITCH USED FOR SWITCHING AN ELECTRICAL POWER CIRCUIT, SIMILAR TO A RELAY EXCEPT WITH A HIGHER CURRENT RATING.

 A CONTACTOR IS CONTROLLED BY A CIRCUIT WHICH HAS A MUCH LOWER POWER LEVEL THAN THE SWITCHED CIRCUIT



 A MOTOR CONTACTOR COIL IS CONNECTED MECHANICALLY TO THE SWITCHING CONTACTS, BUT SEPARATE ELECTRICALLY



NORMALLY OPEN (NO) AND
 NORMALLY CLOSED (NC) REFER TO
 THE CONTACT POSITION IN AN
 UNENERGIZED STATE



**CIRCUIT BREAKER** - The National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA) defines a circuit breaker as a device designed to open and close a circuit, by non-automatic means, and to open the circuit automatically on a predetermined overcurrent without injury to itself when properly applied within its rating.

WHAT THIS MEANS TO US - A CIRCUIT BREAKER PROTECTS THE ASSOCIATED WIRING DURING A CATASTROPHIC MOTOR FAILURE DUE TO:

- GROUND FAULT
- THERMAL OVERLOAD
- SHORT CIRCUIT

#### **CIRCUIT BREAKERS**



THERMAL-MAGNETIC MOLDED CASE





THERMAL-MAGNETIC MOLDED CASE (MINIATURE) INSTANTANEOUS TRIP/MAGNETIC ONLY/MCP



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#### **CIRCUIT BOARDS**





#### MICROPROCESSOR BASED

#### ANALOG/RELAY LOGIC

## 3 CIRCUITS

• PUMP CIRCUIT

CONTROL CIRCUIT

ALARM CIRCUIT

- THE PUMP CIRCUIT PROVIDES POWER TO THE PUMP.
- THE CONTROL CIRCUIT POWERS THE MOTOR CONTACTOR COIL, ETM'S, CC'S, PUMP RUN LIGHTS.
- THE ALARM CIRCUIT POWERS THE HORN & BEACON, AND CAN BE COMBINED WITH THE CONTROL CIRCUIT, BUT SHOULD ALWAYS BE SEPARATE ELECTRICALLY FROM THE PUMP CIRCUIT.



## READING SCHEMATICS - 101

### **READING A SCHEMATIC**

READING A SCHEMATIC IS LIKE READING A ROAD MAP

- FIND YOUR STARTING POINT AND DESTINATION, THEN FOLLOW THE MAP.
- USE YOUR METER TO CHECK CIRCUITS ALONG THE
  WAY
- IT'S OKAY TO ASK FOR DIRECTIONS IF YOU GET LOST

### COMMON SCHEMATIC SYMBOLS



? DENOTES THE NUMBER OF ITEM







#### SIMPLE LATCHING CIRCUIT



IN THIS EXAMPLE THE PUMP WILL NOT RUN IN HAND OR AUTO, CONTACTOR <u>DOES NOT</u> PULL IN. PUMP DOES RUN WHEN CONTACTOR IS PUSHED IN MANUALLY.

STEP 1: PLACE HOA SWITCH TO "OFF", CHECK INCOMING VOLTAGE FOR CONTROL ALARM CIRCUIT

STEP 2: CHECK FUSES AND CIRCUIT BREAKERS

STEP 3: PLACE HOA SWITCH TO "HAND"

STEP 4: CHECK VOLTAGE AT MOTOR CONTACTOR COIL



IN THIS EXAMPLE OUR PUMP WILL NOT RUN IN HAND OR AUTO, CONTACTOR <u>DOES</u> PULL IN.

WHAT IS OUR FIRST STEP?

A: CHECK POWER AT THE PUMP CONNECTION. IS IT THERE? YES – PUMP NEEDS TO BE CHECKED. NO-WORK YOUR WAY BACKWARDS & GO TO THE NEXT STOP.

CHECK POWER AT MOTOR CONTACTOR CONTACTS.

CHECK POWER AT CIRCUIT BREAKER.

CHECK INCOMING PUMP POWER.









## QUESTIONS?

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# This concludes the education portion of this session

Pumps bearing the "SSPMA-Certified" seal have been tested by the member manufacturer in accordance with SSPMA Industry Standards.



The Standards are designed to provide accurate performance data for sump, effluent and sewage pumping equipment, to assist in their proper application and selection.

