

RCU200 series 1 for 2 Redundancy Switch Units



RCU200 for use with;

L500 series Block DownConverters

IBU/ IBD series Block Converters

RCU200(Ka) for use with;

IBU(Ka)/ IBD(Ka) series Block Converters

RCU201 for use with;

F1201/ F1202 Fixed Frequency L-Band Converters

RCU202 for use with;

F1200 Fixed frequency L-Band Up & DownConverter

RCU203 for use with:

ILA series Line amplifiers

The RCU200 series 2+1 Redundancy switch units are designed to provide redundancy for dual-feed systems, maintaining maximum availability whilst allowing routine maintenance and repair work to be carried out on the standby unit without the normally associated down-time.

The RCU200 series maintains two converters/ amplifiers on-line whilst the other is held in hot standby, allowing the user to select the on-line unit in either chain. The redundancy unit can be controlled from the front panel (local mode) or by the RS232/ 485 link to a host computer (remote mode). In remote mode, the on-line unit can be selected and monitored whilst keeping switch-over automatic in case of failure. Ethernet options are available.

In AUTO mode, the unit monitors the converter/ amplifier alarm signals via the interface connecting cables and if a fault condition develops within either of the on-line units, the RCU200 series unit automatically switches traffic to the standby unit.

Factory alignment for the complete 2+1 system including Peak supplied high quality cables is recommended for this product to optimise Gain flatness and other parameters. If bought as a complete set of equipment, factory alignment is automatically undertaken.

Peak Features

Standard 5MHz to 18GHz operation

Keys removable for security in any position

Dual mains input & redundant power supplies fitted as standard

Remote RS232/485 remote control fitted as standard (Ethernet option available)

Dual switching arrangement (L-Band and RF) minimises insertion loss

Peak converter/ amplifier alarm interface cables provided as standard

Optional, high quality, matched cable sets to interface to the Peak converter/ Amplifier range



RCU200 series - Typical Specification

The following gives the performance of the RCU units in isolation;

IF, L-Band & RF Interfaces

Frequency 5MHz to 18GHz

Ka-band; to 31GHz Connections 50Ω, SMA (f)

Option 6a; 50Ω , N-Type (f) 'system input' 50Ω , N-Type (f) 'system output' 50Ω , K-Type (f) or 2.92mm (f)

Switch Element Parameters

Switching speed <15ms

Type Co-axial, latching

Main path 2 off Standby path 4 off

Frequency Dependent Parameters		Single Switch Insertion Loss (maximum)	Switch Return Loss (typical)	Switch Isolation (typical)
L-Band Section	L-band	0.15dB	23dB	80dB
RF Section	S-band	0.15dB	23dB	80dB
	C-band	0.2dB	21dB	70dB
	X-band	0.3dB	18dB	65dB
	Ku-band	0.35dB	16dB	60dB
	DBS-band	0.4dB	15dB	60dB
	Ka-band	0.75dB	13dB	50dB

Typical System Performance

The following gives the typical performance that can be expected from a factory aligned 1+1 system comprising Peak converters & using the high quality matched IF, L-Band & RF cable set (option 1);

Gain flatness ±0.5dB full band, ±0.25dB across any

40MHz in-band (C-band, with IBU600

converters)

Insertion loss 4dB (not including converter gain)

Switching speed <150ms (from fault to switch completion)

RCU200 Unit General

Mechanical

Width 19", standard rack mount

Height 1U (1.75")

Depth 420mm (16.5"), plus connectors

Weight 4.0kgs (8.8 lbs)
Construction Aluminium chassis

Environmental

Operating temp 0 to +50°C

EMC EN 55022 part B & EN 50082-1

Safety EN 60950

Power Supply (dual, redundant)

Connection IEC (dual feed cables provided)

Voltage 90-264VAC Frequency 47-63Hz Power 50 Watts max

Control System

Rem/ Loc switch 2 position key switch, selects remote or

local mode

Auto/ A/ B switch 3 position key switch, selects standby

converter to chain A or B manually, or

automatic mode

Remote control RS232/ 485 port (internally user settable)

Connector 15-way, D-type

Option 9; Ethernet; embedded web server & SNMP

network management support

Interface connector 15-way, D-type to redundant units

Options

- High quality, matched L-Band, RF & control cables to interface to the IBU/ IBD/ L500 series converter products, when mounted adjacent to the RCU200 unit.
- 1b) See option 1a above but includes DBS-Band SHF cables.
- 1c) See option 1a above but includes Ka-Band SHF cables.
- 1d) High quality, matched IF, L-Band & control cables to interface to the F1201/F1202 converter products, when mounted adjacent to the RCU201 unit.
- 1e) High quality, matched IF, L-Band & control cables to interface to the F1200 converter products, when mounted adjacent to the RCU202 unit.
- 1f) High quality, matched L-Band and control cables to interface to the ILA line amplifier products, when mounted adjacent to the RCU203 unit
- 2) Custom front panel overlay
- 6a) N-Type (f), 500hm 'system input' interfaces
- 6b) N-Type (f), 500hm 'system output' interfaces
- 9) Ethernet interface with embedded web server & SNMP
- 13) Transfer switching for off-line unit monitoring /test

Notes; the addition of options can modify the typical specification, for details please consult the factory

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Rear Panel

