

# INSTRUCTIONS

for  
INSTALLATION  
OPERATION and MAINTENANCE

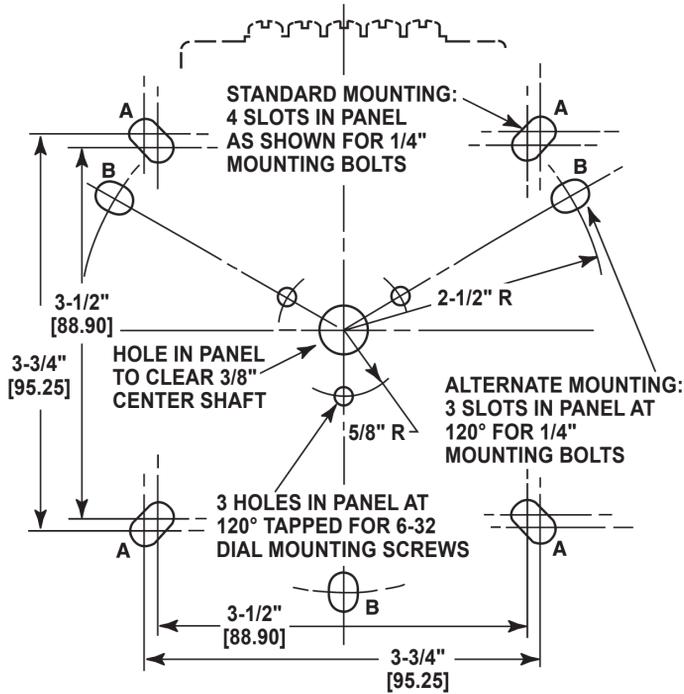
## POWERSTAT®

VARIABLE TRANSFORMERS  
WITH POWERKOTE® COILS  
116CU-40 / 116C / 117C / 216C and 217C Series

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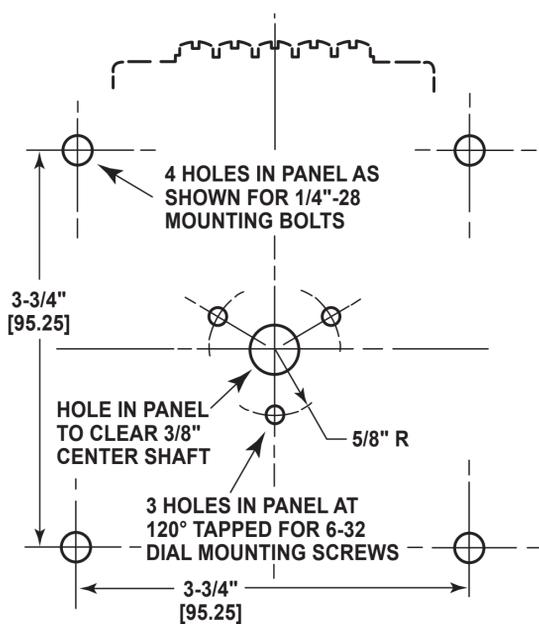
### MOUNTING TEMPLATE NO. 1

NOTE: All dimensions are in inches [millimeters]



### MOUNTING TEMPLATE NO. 2

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#### INSPECTION

A POWERSTAT Variable Transformer is a precision product packed with care. When unpacking, examine carefully for any shipping damage. Inspect the brush contact with particular care. The "Damage and Shortage" Instructions packed with the unit outline the proper procedure to follow if any parts are damaged or missing.

#### INSTALLATION

NOTE- The unit should be protected from any dust or debris that may be encountered while drilling holes, installing wiring, etc. during installation.

#### MANUALLY OPERATED ASSEMBLIES

POWERSTAT Variable Transformer types within this Series have two sets of mounting holes to facilitate installation in new or existing layouts. Use the set that is most convenient for the application. All models are designed so that the same unit can be either bench or back-of-panel mounted as desired. The units as shipped are arranged for bench mounting. To change to back-of-panel mounting, proceed as outlined.

#### SINGLE UNITS

Models 3PN116C, 3PN117C, 3PN216C and 3PN217C have a cord and plug input and a receptacle output, and are usually used as a portable source of variable a-c voltage. If desired they may be mounted in the same manner as other manually operated single units.

#### BENCH OR WALL MOUNTING

- Using Drilling Template No. 1, locate and drill the desired set of mounting holes (four holes marked "A" or three holes marked "B").
- On open construction models ("U" types), loosen the shaft setscrews in the insulator of the radiator and slide the shaft through so it projects from the other end of the assembly. Tighten the setscrews.
- Place the unit in position and insert and fasten 1/4"-28 mounting screws.
- For "U" types, provide a support for the dial. Mount the dial to the support. Attach the knob with its pointer set correctly with respect to the brush location and the dial indications.
- In addition, on enclosed terminal ("T") types, remove the terminal cover and required conduit hole caps. Attach conduit or cable and dress the leads. Make the necessary connections to the terminal cover.

#### BACK-OF-PANEL MOUNTING

- Using Drilling Template No.1, locate and drill the desired set of mounting holes (four holes marked "A" or three holes marked "B"), the three dial mounting screw holes, and the center shaft hole. Three dial screw holes must be tapped to accommodate the 6-32 screws supplied. Maximum panel thickness is 5/8" for open ("U" type) models.
- On enclosed models, remove the knob, loosen the shaft setscrews in the insulator of the radiator and slide the shaft through so it projects from the other end of the assembly. Tighten the setscrews. Maximum panel thickness for enclosed models is 5/16".

- Mount the dial on the front of the panel. Place the POWERSTAT Variable Transformer in the position behind the panel and insert and tighten 1/4" mounting screws.
- Attach the knob with the pointer set correctly with respect to the brush location and dial indications.

#### GANGED ASSEMBLIES

##### BENCH OR WALL MOUNTING

###### A. On Standoffs

- Using Drilling Template No. 2, locate and drill the four mounting holes.
- Remove the knob and dial, loosen the shaft setscrews in the insulator of each radiator and adjust the shaft so it projects from the radiator end of the assembly. Turn all of the radiators fully counterclockwise and tighten the shaft setscrews. Check to see that all brushes are in alignment.
- Place the unit in position and insert and fasten 1/4"-28 mounting bolts into the standoffs. Maximum bolt length is the panel thickness plus 3/8".
- Provide a support for the dial. Mount the dial to the support. Attach the knob with its pointer set correctly with respect to the brush location and the dial indications.

###### B. On Side Brackets

- Using Drilling Template No. 3, locate and drill the proper set of mounting holes.
- Insert two 1/4" mounting screws at one end of the assembly and screw down part way.
- Place the unit in position. Insert the other 1/4" screws and tighten all screws.

##### BACK-OF-PANEL MOUNTING

- Using Drilling Template No. 2, locate and drill the four mounting screw holes, the three dial mounting screw holes and the center shaft hole. The dial screw holes must be tapped to accommodate the 6-32 screws supplied. Maximum panel thickness is 3/4".
- Secure the dial in place. Place the assembly in position behind the panel and insert and tighten 1/4"-28 mounting screws. Mounting screw length should be the panel thickness plus 3/8".
- Provide a support in the form of a bench or cradle for the assembly.
- Attach the knob with the pointer set correctly with respect to the brush location and the dial indications.

#### MOTOR-DRIVEN ASSEMBLIES

Motor-driven POWERSTAT Variable Transformer types within this Series, both single units and ganged assemblies, may be bench or wall mounted in the same manner as manually operated ganged assemblies. Three-gang assemblies, however, have three side brackets requiring six bolts.

#### MAINTENANCE

With ordinary care, a POWERSTAT Variable Transformer should require no servicing except possible replacement of the brush assembly. The brush should be inspected periodically and replaced if arcing takes place or if it is badly worn. Because the brush must be of a special material, replace only with a Superior Electric brush assembly. The assembly is designed to assure perfect contact of the brush to the commutator regardless of brush position and length of time in use. Take care to avoid scraping, scratching or marring the commutator surface. Follow these steps to install a new brush assembly:

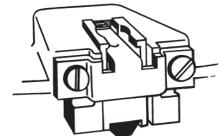


FIGURE A  
BRUSH ASSEMBLY

- Unfasten the two brush anchor screws, remove and discard the old brush assembly.
- Insert the new brush assembly. Be sure that the tang on the back of the brush assembly goes under the overhang at the rear of the radiator slot. Replace and tighten the brush anchor screws.
- Raise the brush and place a piece of sandpaper (grit #400 or finer) between the brush and the commutator with the abrasive side against the brush.
- While holding the sandpaper in place (flat), rotate the brush through a short arc about four times. Remove the sandpaper and blow out any remaining carbon particles.
- Rotate the brush over the full range several times to check for smooth travel and to be sure the brush fits flat to the commutator over the full range.

#### REPLACEMENT BRUSH ASSEMBLIES

TYPE	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
116CU-40	065431-004	RB116C-40
116C / 117C	065431-001	RB116C/RB117C
216C / 217C	065431-002	RB216C/RB217C

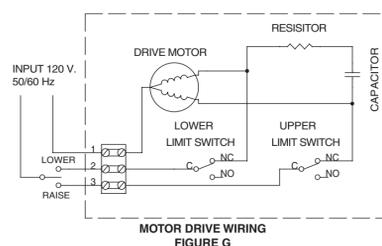
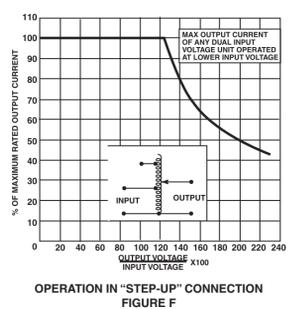
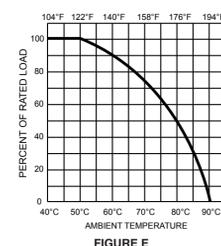
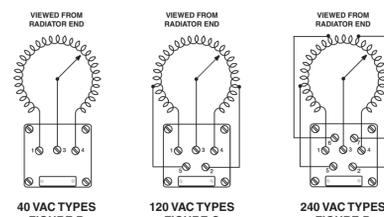
Whenever unusual mechanical or electrical difficulties are encountered in the operation or installation of your POWERSTAT Variable Transformer, consult Superior Electric.

#### CONNECTIONS AND RATINGS

##### Important connection notes. Please read carefully.

- CONNECTIONS AND RATINGS given in these instructions are those most commonly used. In addition, all ganged units may be connected so that the units operate electrically independent on a common shaft. When this is desired, connections and ratings for the individual models may be obtained from the RATINGS CHART and CONNECTION DIAGRAMS of the single unit.
- Coil to terminal connections for all POWERSTAT Variable Transformers included in these instructions are given in Figures B, C, and D.
- For ambient temperatures between -20°C and +50°C use current ratings given in the charts. Figure E shows the output current de-rating required above 50°C.
- The connection diagrams are labeled "L" for Line Connections, "B" for Boost Connections and "S" for Step-Up Connections.
- Clockwise (CW) and counterclockwise (CCW) rotation connections shown in the tables and diagrams are for motor driven units and units with the knob on the radiator end. For connections with the knob on the base end, use the shown CCW connection for CW operation, and shown CW connection for CCW operation.

- For the Step-Up Connections the tables show maximum output current rating for output voltages up to 125% of the input voltage, and maximum KVA at maximum output voltage. The output current must be reduced according to the curve in Figure F for output voltages greater than 125% of input voltage. Maximum KVA may be calculated using the rating curve in Figure F for voltages less than maximum.
- Motor drive wiring is shown in Figure G.
- Fuses are recommended on all units as shown (S) and are supplied on cord-and-plug 3PN116C (10 ampere), 3PN117C (15 ampere), 3PN216C (4 ampere) and 3PN217C (8 ampere) models. For all other models, see Figure H for recommended fuse ratings.
- COMMON shown in the connection diagrams is used as third leg in 3-phase open delta, or neutral in single-phase 3-wire and 3-phase 4-wire wye configurations. COMMON is not used in single-phase 2-wire or 3-phase 3-wire wye configurations. Jumper(s) provided in standard common position should be moved or removed as required.
- Cord-and-plug models 3PN116C and 3PN216C are wired in the Boost "B" Connection when shipped.



BASIC UNIT TYPE	RECOMMENDED FUSE (AMPERES)	
	CONSTANT CURRENT LOAD	CONSTANT IMPEDANCE LOAD
116CU-40	25	30
116C	10†	15
117C	15	15†
216C	4†	5
217C	5	8†

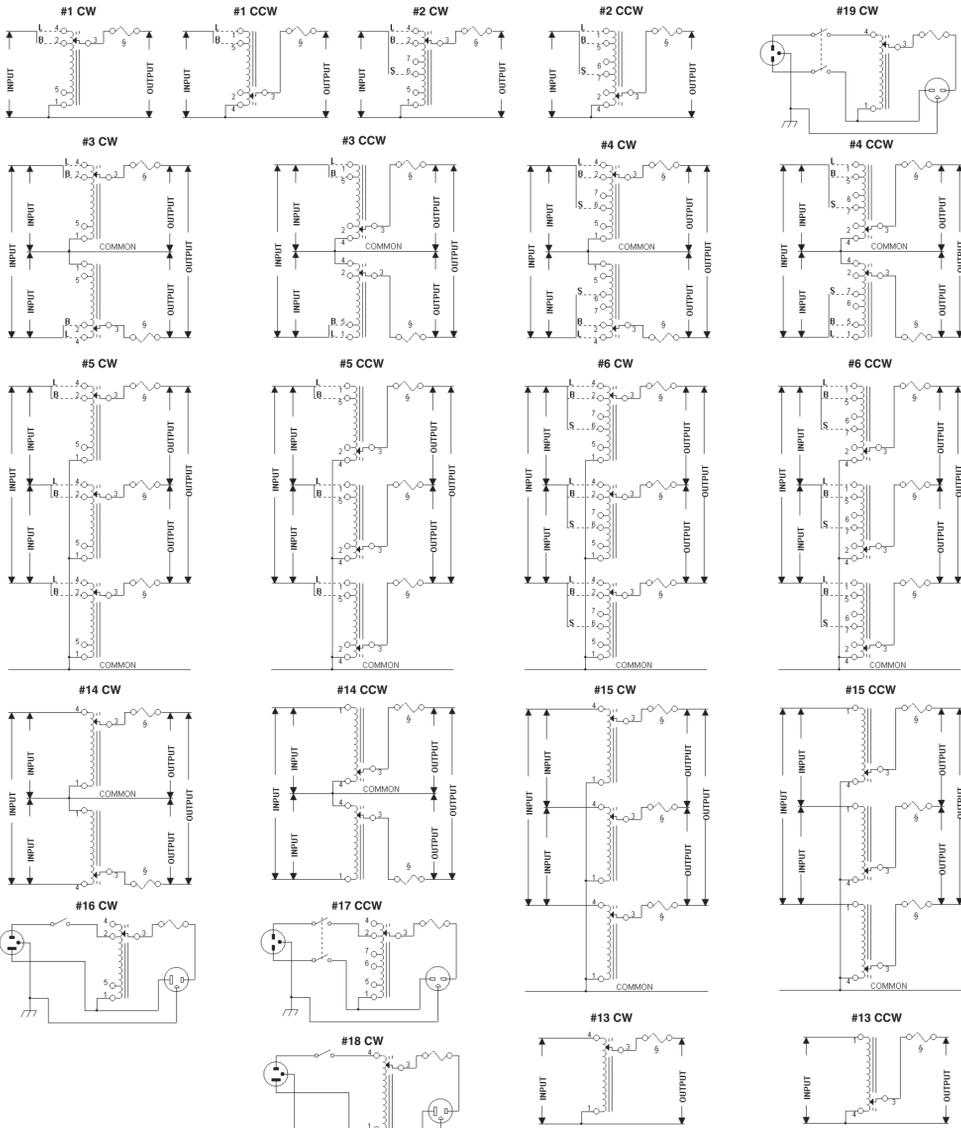
† Cord-and-Plug units supplied with these fuses

FIGURE H

Motor Driven Prefix shown below:		
Model Number Prefix	Operating Time for Full Travel (seconds)	
	60 Hz	50 Hz
7ME	7	8
15ME	15	18
30ME	30	36
60ME	60	72

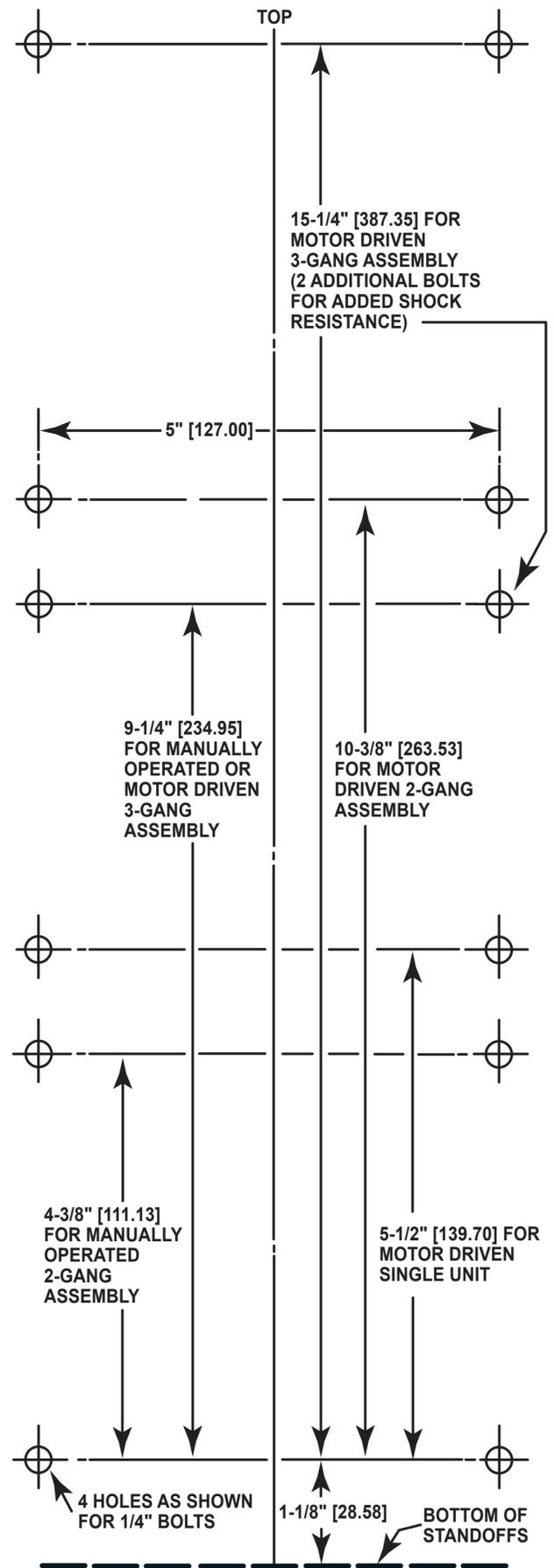
FIGURE I

### CONNECTION DIAGRAMS



### MOUNTING TEMPLATE NO. 3

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### RATINGS CHART

40 VOLT, SINGLE PHASE												
"LINE" CONNECTION				"BOOST" CONNECTION				"STEP-UP" CONNECTION				Model Numbers
Input Voltage:	Constant Current Load			Constant Impedance Load			Terminals & Rotation			Manually Operated	Motor Driven (See Fig. I)	Conn. Diag.
Output Voltage:	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
Freq. (Hz)	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
60	25	1.0	30	1.2	1.4	1.4	1-4	1-3	3-4	116CU-40	ME116CU-40	13
120 VOLT, SINGLE PHASE												
"LINE" CONNECTION				"BOOST" CONNECTION				"STEP-UP" CONNECTION				Model Numbers
Input Voltage:	Constant Current Load			Constant Impedance Load			Terminals & Rotation			Manually Operated	Motor Driven (See Fig. I)	Conn. Diag.
Output Voltage:	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
Freq. (Hz)	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
50/60	10	1.2	13	1.6	1.4	1.4	1-4	1-3	3-4	3PN16C	ME16CU	16
60	12	1.4	15	1.8	1.4	1.4	1-4	1-3	3-4	116CU	ME16CT	1
60	12	1.4	15	1.8	1.4	1.4	1-4	1-3	3-4	3PN17C	ME17CU	18
										117CU	ME17CT	13
240 VOLT, SINGLE PHASE												
"LINE" CONNECTION				"BOOST" CONNECTION				"STEP-UP" CONNECTION				Model Numbers
Input Voltage:	Constant Current Load			Constant Impedance Load			Terminals & Rotation			Manually Operated	Motor Driven (See Fig. I)	Conn. Diag.
Output Voltage:	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
Freq. (Hz)	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
50/60	3.5	0.84	5	1.2	1.4	1.4	1-4	1-3	3-4	3PN216C	ME216CU	17
60	5	1.2	7	1.7	1.4	1.4	1-4	1-3	3-4	216CU	ME216CT	2
60	5	1.2	7	1.7	1.4	1.4	1-4	1-3	3-4	3PN217C	ME217CU	19
50/60	10	2.4	13	3.1	4.4	4.4	3-3	3-3	1-1	217CU	ME217CT	13
60	12	2.9	15	3.6	4.4	4.4	3-3	3-3	1-1	116CU-2	ME16CU-2	3
60	12	2.9	15	3.6	4.4	4.4	3-3	3-3	1-1	117CU-2	ME17CU-2	14
480 VOLT, SINGLE PHASE												
"LINE" CONNECTION				"BOOST" CONNECTION				"STEP-UP" CONNECTION				Model Numbers
Input Voltage:	Constant Current Load			Constant Impedance Load			Terminals & Rotation			Manually Operated	Motor Driven (See Fig. I)	Conn. Diag.
Output Voltage:	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
Freq. (Hz)	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
50/60	3.5	1.7	5	2.4	4.4	4.4	3-3	3-3	1-1	216CU-2	ME216CU-2	4
60	5	2.4	7	3.4	4.4	4.4	3-3	3-3	1-1	217CU-2	ME217CU-2	14
600 VOLT, SINGLE PHASE												
"LINE" CONNECTION				"BOOST" CONNECTION				"STEP-UP" CONNECTION				Model Numbers
Input Voltage:	Constant Current Load			Constant Impedance Load			Terminals & Rotation			Manually Operated	Motor Driven (See Fig. I)	Conn. Diag.
Output Voltage:	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
Freq. (Hz)	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
60	3.5	2.1	5	3.0	4.4	4.4	3-3	3-3	1-1	216CU-2	ME216CU-2	4
120 VOLT, THREE PHASE OPEN DELTA												
"LINE" CONNECTION				"BOOST" CONNECTION				"STEP-UP" CONNECTION				Model Numbers
Input Voltage:	Constant Current Load			Constant Impedance Load			Terminals & Rotation			Manually Operated	Motor Driven (See Fig. I)	Conn. Diag.
Output Voltage:	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
Freq. (Hz)	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
50/60	10	2.1	13	2.7	4.14	4.14	3-13	3-13	1-1	116CU-2	ME16CU-2	3
60	12	2.5	15	3.1	4.14	4.14	3-13	3-13	1-1	117CU-2	ME17CU-2	14
240 VOLT, THREE PHASE OPEN DELTA												
"LINE" CONNECTION				"BOOST" CONNECTION				"STEP-UP" CONNECTION				Model Numbers
Input Voltage:	Constant Current Load			Constant Impedance Load			Terminals & Rotation			Manually Operated	Motor Driven (See Fig. I)	Conn. Diag.
Output Voltage:	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
Freq. (Hz)	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
50/60	3.5	1.5	5	2.1	4.14	4.14	3-13	3-13	1-1	216CU-2	ME216CU-2	4
60	5	2.1	7	2.9	4.14	4.14	3-13	3-13	1-1	217CU-2	ME217CU-2	14
240Y/138 VOLT, THREE PHASE WYE												
"LINE" CONNECTION				"BOOST" CONNECTION				"STEP-UP" CONNECTION				Model Numbers
Input Voltage:	Constant Current Load			Constant Impedance Load			Terminals & Rotation			Manually Operated	Motor Driven (See Fig. I)	Conn. Diag.
Output Voltage:	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
Freq. (Hz)	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
50/60	10	4.2	13	5.4	4.44	4.44	3-33	3-33	1-11	116CU-3	ME16CU-3	5
60	12	5.0	15	6.2	4.44	4.44	3-33	3-33	1-11	117CU-3	ME17CU-3	15
480Y/277 VOLT, THREE PHASE WYE												
"LINE" CONNECTION				"BOOST" CONNECTION				"STEP-UP" CONNECTION				Model Numbers
Input Voltage:	Constant Current Load			Constant Impedance Load			Terminals & Rotation			Manually Operated	Motor Driven (See Fig. I)	Conn. Diag.
Output Voltage:	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
Freq. (Hz)	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
60	3.5	3.4	5	4.2	4.44	4.44	3-33	3-33	1-11	216CU-3	ME216CU-3	6
60	5	4.2	7	5.8	4.44	4.44	3-33	3-33	1-11	217CU-3	ME217CU-3	15
600Y/346 VOLT, THREE PHASE WYE												
"LINE" CONNECTION				"BOOST" CONNECTION				"STEP-UP" CONNECTION				Model Numbers
Input Voltage:	Constant Current Load			Constant Impedance Load			Terminals & Rotation			Manually Operated	Motor Driven (See Fig. I)	Conn. Diag.
Output Voltage:	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
Freq. (Hz)	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Max. Amps	Max. KVA	Input CW	Output CW	Jumper CW			
60	3.5	3.6	5	5.2	4.44	4.44	3-33	3-33	1-11	216CU-3	ME216CU-3	6

Please read important connection notes on other side.