

# **Bulk Flow Detection**

PROCESS MONITORING SYSTEMS FOR SOLIDS

**Product Information** 



# **FEATURES:**

- Absolutely insensitive against material deposits
- For any line diameter
- With adapter, usable up to 220 °C and 20 bar
- With ceramic mounting, usable up to 1.000 °C
- Usable in dust Ex-zones
- Detection through all non-conductive walls
- Can also be supplied as compact device with integrated electronics
- Detection of material clogging and material standstill



# **TECHNOLOGY**

# **USING / FUNCTION**

The FlowJam S detects all kinds of bulk solid flows with regard to material movement. The FlowJam S distinguishes between the following switching conditions:

- · material flow
- material jam/standstill resp. empty pipe

The system works contactless by using microwaves, whereby the material movement is detected by means of the Doppler's principle.

The FlowJam S is definitely a very reliable device, because the use of its microwaves guarantees a penetration of material build-up on the sensor, and therewith a proof detection of material flow behind it. Hence it's also possible to detect through non-metallic box walls, casings or conduits.

Even at difficult conditions like high process temperatures or pressures as well as Ex-version for hazardous areas the FlowJam S can be used by means of a process-adapter (see page 4).

# **APPLICATION EXAMPLES**

#### Monitoring of raw meal cyclones in cement plants

The FlowJam S monitors the cyclone through special ceramic fittings, used for high temperature isolation, in order to prevent jams inside the cyclone.

- Temperature inside the cyclone: 880 °C
- Mass flow rate: approx. 50 t/h



### Monitoring of screw-conveyors in gypsum plants

The FlowJam S is installed in the discharge part of the screw to monitor the continuity of the material flow. As soon as the material flow gets interrupted, the FlowJam S signals it by switching the relays, so that the operator can react appropriately.



### Monitoring of coal injection in steel plants

Coal as fuel is injected via several lances in the blast furnace. It's very important for a constant quality of the burning process that the even fuel distribution around the blast furnace is guaranteed. It is for this reason that every lance is monitored by the FlowJam S, so that every jam can be detected instantly, by which the process can be stopped automatically and the concerned lances freed by injecting of nitrogen.





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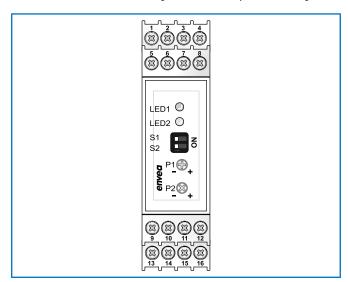
# **INSTALLATION**

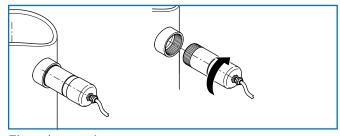
The installation of the FlowJam S sensor is easily made by the following ways:

- screwing it into a G 1½-inch-srew neck
- by means of a DN 40 flange
- by means of a pipe clip or an other mounting

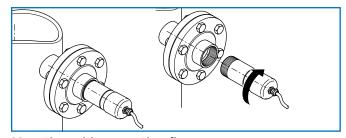
# Commissioning

Operating elements for the commissioning are located in the accessible transmitter. It's possible to adjust both the switch sensibility and the response delay.

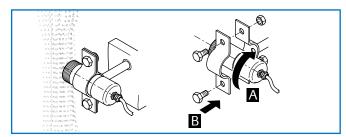




Thread mounting



Mounting with separating flange



Mounting with pipe clamp

# **TECHNICAL DATA**

| Sensor                                |  |  |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Voltage                               | 12 V DC powered by transmitter   |  |  |
| Power consumption                     | Approx. 1.5 W  |  |  |
| Housing material                      | Stainless steel 1.4571   |  |  |
| Protection type                       | IP 65  |  |  |
| Using in Ex-zones                     | Outside pipe: Cat. 3G/D<br>Inside pipe: Cat. 1/3 G and Cat. 1/3 D<br>(only with process adapter) |  |  |
| Process temperature                   | -20 +80 °C<br>-20 +220 °C (with process adapter)<br>Max. 1000 °C (with ceramic flange)           |  |  |
| Ambient temperature                   | -20 +60 °C   |  |  |
| Working pressure                      | Max. 20 bar (with process adapter)   |  |  |
| Detection range                       | 0 2 m (dependent on application)   |  |  |
| Required material speed for detection | Min. 0.1 m/s   |  |  |
| Measuring frequency                   | K-Band 24.125 GHz; ±100 MHz  |  |  |
| Transmitting power                    | Max. 5 mW  |  |  |
| Dimension FlowJam S                   | Housing: L 103 mm / Ø 52 mm<br>Thread: L 30 mm / Ø G 1½"   |  |  |
| Dimension FlowJam S Ex                | Housing: L 147 mm / Ø 60 mm<br>Thread: L 15 mm / Ø G 1½"   |  |  |
| Cable gland                           | M16 (Ø 5-10 mm)  |  |  |
| Weight FlowJam S                      | Approx. 560 g  |  |  |
| Weight FlowJam S Ex                   | Approx. 850 g  |  |  |

#### Transmitter (DIN Rail)

| Power supply      | 24 V DC ± 10 %  |  |  |
|-------------------|---|--|--|
| Power consumption | Approx. 3.5 W   |  |  |
| Relay output      | Max. rated load: 250 V AC Max. peak current: 6 A Max. rated load 230 V AC: 250 VA Max. breaking capacity DC1: 3/110/220 V: 3/0.35/0.2 A Min. switching load: 500 mW (10 V/5 mA) |  |  |
| Fall-delay time   | 250 ms15 s (continuously adjustable)  |  |  |
| Weight            | Approx. 172 g   |  |  |
|                   |   |  |  |

# USE AS PRESSURE ADAPTER / TEMPERATURE ADAPTER

The FlowJam S sensor can be used at a pressure of 1 bar and process temperatures up to 80 °C.

For higher pressures (up to 20 bar) a pressure adapter made of POM, for higher temperatures a Tecapeek adapter (max. 220 °C) and a ceramic adapter (max. +1000 °C) are available.

A process adapter for applications in the food industry is also available.

### MOUNTING OF PRESSURE ADAPTER / TEMPERATURE ADAPTER

The mounting of the pressure adapter / temperature adapter is identical. It is screwed into a welded G 11/2 inch thread neck, provided by the customer.

Only the ceramic adapter is supplied as a flange and must be mounted separately. The housing of the FlowJam S is screwed into the internal thread of the adapter.

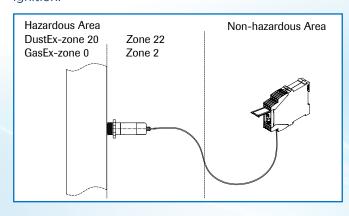
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|              | Pressure adapter                        | Temperature adapter                          | Food adapter                                      | High temperature adapter   |
|--------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Material     | Stainless steel 1.4571<br>POM diaphragm | Stainless steel 1.4571<br>Tecapeek diaphragm | Stainless steel 1.4571<br>Tecapeek GF30 diaphragm | Steel<br>Ceramic diaphragm |
| Temperature  | -20 +80 °C                              | Max. +220 °C                                 | Max. +220 °C                                      | Max. 1000 °C               |
| Pressure     | Max. 20 bar                             | Max. 20 bar                                  | Max. 20 bar                                       | Max. 40 bar                |
| Thread       | G 1½" on both sides                     | G 1½" on both sides                          | G 1½" on both sides                               | G 1½" on sensor side       |
| Wrench width | 55 mm                                   | 55 mm  | 55 mm   | 17 mm                      |

### **USE FOR SEPARATION OF EXPLOSION AREAS**

Both types of adapters can be used for the separation of explosion areas (dust).

According the European DIN EN 13463-1 devices of class II D have to be constructed that way, that under application conditions, it is impossible to create an ignition.



This can be achieved by a limited surface of the nonconductive part of the process adapter (diaphragm made out of POM or tecapeek).

The maximum allowed surface area of the non-conductive part according DIN EN 13463-1 is:

- Cat. 1: dust Ex-zone 20 (250 cm²)
- Cat. 2: dust Ex-zone 21 (500 cm²)
- Cat. 3: dust Ex-zone 22 (no limit)

With a non-conductive surface of the process adapter of 10.75 cm<sup>2</sup> the allowed limits are not being crossed.

Therefore with use of the process adapter in combination with FlowJam S Ex-sensor it can be measured from outside into all explosion areas, if there is at most a dustEx-zone 22 or gasEx-zone 2 outside of the conveying pipe or hopper.



