

# Model GXL Power Supply

INSTRUCTION MANUAL

## WARNING



#### SAFETY PRECAUTIONS READ BEFORE INSTALLING OR USING THE EQUIPMENT

This system has been designed to assure maximum operator safety. However, no design can completely protect against improper usage. For maximum safety and equipment protection, observe the following warnings at all times and read the instruction manual carefully before you attempt to operate the equipment.

- High voltage is present in the equipment. Disconnect plug before removing cover or servicing.
- Make sure equipment is properly grounded with a 3-prong plug. Before plugging in equipment, test outlet for proper earth grounding.
- Ultrasonic welders operate above normal audibility for most people. Ear protection is recommended.

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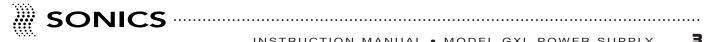


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# IMPORTANT SERVICE LITERATURE



**NOTE:** Please read carefully before operating the equipment, then forward to your service department.

The system supplied with this instruction manual is constructed of the finest material and the workmanship meets the highest manufacturing standards. It has been thoroughly tested and inspected before leaving the factory and when used in accordance with the procedures outlined in this manual, will provide you with many years of safe and dependable service.

#### MANUAL CHANGE INFORMATION

We continually strive to be at the forefront of the latest electronic developments by adding circuit and component improvements to our equipment as soon as they are developed and tested.

Sometimes, due to printing and shipping requirements, we cannot incorporate these changes immediately into printed manuals. Hence, your manual may contain new change information. Change information, if any, is located in the Appendix.

We reserve the right to make any changes in the design or construction of our equipment at any time, without incurring any obligation to make any change whatsoever in units previously delivered.

The technical data and schematics in the manual are for informational purposes only and may not reflect the current configuration being shipped from our factory. Upon formal request, complete and up-to-date information can be provided from the factory free of charge.

# UNPACKING AND INSPECTION



NOTE: We recommend keeping all carton(s) and packing material in case it might be necessary to move the equipment, or to ship it for repair.

Before unpacking the equipment, check the shipping carton for any visible damage. If you see any, be sure to follow the procedures described below under "Visible Loss or Damage." Otherwise, proceed to remove the equipment from the carton. Before storing any packing material, check it carefully for small parts. Then perform a visual inspection of the equipment to detect any evidence of damage which might have occurred during shipment. Check the following:

- 1. all components against the enclosed packing list,
- 2. all module plug-in units,
- 3. all wire plug-in connections.

The equipment was carefully packed and thoroughly inspected before leaving our factory. All units are tested and checked for problems prior to shipping. It is asked that when a problem does occur that all parts and components be inspected for damage (especially when the unit is not in working order when received). Responsibility for safe delivery was assumed by the carrier upon acceptance of the shipment. Claims for loss of damage sustained in transit must therefore be made upon the carrier, as follows:

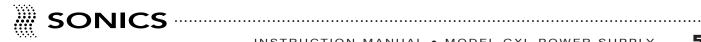
#### VISIBLE LOSS OR DAMAGE

Any external evidence of loss or damage must be noted on the freight bill or express receipt, and signed by the carrier's agent. Failure to adequately describe such external evidence of loss or damage may result in the carrier's refusal to honor a damage claim. The form required to file such a claim will be supplied by the carrier.

#### CONCEALED LOSS OR DAMAGE

Concealed loss or damage means loss or damage which does not become apparent until the merchandise has been unpacked. The contents might have been damaged in transit due to rough handling even though the container may not show external damage. When the damage is discovered upon unpacking, make a written request for inspection by the carrier's agent within 48 hours of the delivery date. Then file a claim with the carrier since such damage is the carrier's responsibility. The form required to file such a claim will be supplied by the carrier. Do not destroy packing materials, or move material from one location to another before the carrier makes their inspection.

If the system or any unit is damaged, notify Sonics. Sonics will arrange for repair or replacement of damaged equipment without waiting for the claim against the carrier to be settled, provided a new purchase order is issued to cover the repair or replacement costs. Should any damage, shortage or discrepancy exist, please notify us immediately.



# INTRODUCTION

The GXL power supply is an ultrasonic generator with automatic frequency tuning and a built-in Microprocessor that features time, energy and distance controls. The Microprocessor is programmed with a multi-function keypad and information is displayed on the back-lit liquid crystal display (LCD). This power supply can be used with a pneumatic press or actuator, or with a stand-alone converter. (Note: Distance controls are not available with a stand-alone converter.)

# OVERVIEW OF ULTRASONIC PLASTICS **ASSEMBLY**

#### WHAT IS ULTRASONICS?

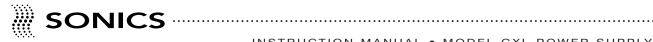
Ultrasonics refers to vibrational waves with a frequency above the human audible range which is usually above 18,000 cycles per second (Hz).

#### PRINCIPLE OF ULTRASONIC ASSEMBLY

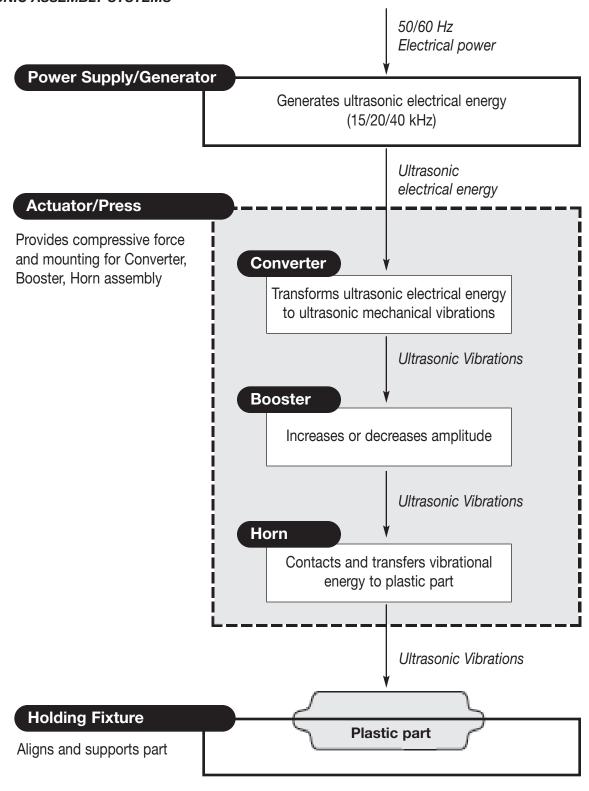
The basic principle of ultrasonic assembly involves conversion of high frequency electrical energy to high frequency mechanical energy in the form of reciprocating vertical motion which, when applied to a thermoplastic, generates frictional heat at the plastic/plastic or plastic/metal interface. In ultrasonic welding, this frictional heat melts the plastic, allowing the two surfaces to fuse together; in ultrasonic staking or insertion, the controlled flow of molten plastic is used to capture or lock another material in place (staking) or encapsulate a metal insert (insertion).

#### ULTRASONIC ASSEMBLY SYSTEMS

Sonics ultrasonic assembly systems are generally composed of the following major elements: a power supply, converter, booster, horn, pneumatic press and holding fixture, as detailed in the diagram on the next page. A review of this diagram will help you understand the basic elements involved in the assembly process and their relation to each other.



#### SONICS ULTRASONIC ASSEMBLY SYSTEMS



# GLOSSARY OF ULTRASONIC TERMS

**POWER SUPPLY/GENERATOR** - The solid state power supply converts standard 50/60 Hz electrical energy to 15,000 Hz, 20,000 Hz or 40,000 Hz (15/20/40 kHz) electrical energy.

ACTUATOR/WELDING PRESS - The pneumatic actuator provides compressive force and mounting for the converter, booster and horn assembly. The tabletop press consists of a base assembly, column and actuator (head).

**CONVERTER** - The converter changes the high frequency electrical energy supplied by the power supply to high frequency mechanical vibrations.

**BOOSTER** - Successful ultrasonic welding often depends on having the right amplitude at the horn face. Often it is not possible to design a horn which has both the necessary shape and required gain (ratios of input amplitude to output amplitude). In such cases, a booster is placed between the converter and the horn to either increase or decrease the amplitude of the horn. In addition to changing/maintaining the amplitude, the booster provides support and alignment in the welding system.

**HORN** - The horn is a tuned component of the system which comes in contact with the parts to be assembled. The horn 1) transfers the ultrasonic vibrations produced from the converter to the parts being welded, and 2) applies necessary force to the assembly while the material resolidifies.

**HOLDING FIXTURE** - The holding fixture or nest assures proper alignment and support of the parts being assembled.



# INSTALLATION



The line cord of the controller/power supply is equipped with a 3-prong, grounding plug. Do not, under any circumstances, remove the ground prong. The plug must be plugged into a mating 3-prong, grounding type outlet.



NOTE: If power supply is to be run continuously, air cooling of the converter and horn is required. Use clean, dry compressed air filtered down to 5 microns (supplied to converter fitting – see page 13).

#### **ELECTRICAL POWER REQUIREMENTS**

The power supply requires a fused, single-phase, standard 3-terminal grounding type receptacle capable of supplying the requisite voltage and current. Refer to the table below for power specification.

#### **POWER SPECIFICATIONS**

	Power Rating/		
Model	Frequency	115 vac	230 vac
GXL400-40	400w - 40 kHz	15 amps	10 amps
GXL800-40	800w - 40 kHz	15 amps	10 ampL
GXL1200-20	1200w - 20 kHz	15 amps	10 amps
GXL1700-20	1700w - 20 kHz	N/A	20 amps
GXL2200-20	2200w - 20 kHz	N/A	20 amps
GXL3500-20	3500w - 20 kHz	N/A	30 amps
GXL2200-15	2200w - 15 kHz	N/A	20 amps
GXL3500-15	3500w - 15 kHz	N/A	30 amps
GXL4500-15	4500w - 15 kHz	N/A	30 amps

#### SETTING UP

The power supply is a free-standing assembly. It should be installed in a clear, uncluttered location that is free from excessive dirt, dust, corrosive fumes, and temperature and humidity extremes. The selected installation site should be near the electrical power source and away from equipment that generates abnormally high electrical transients. Observe the following additional instructions when installing the equipment:

- Allow at least 6 inches (152.4mm) at the rear of the power supply for cable connections.
- b. Position the power supply so that the front panel controls are visible and readily accessible.
- c. The power supply is air cooled; allow sufficient space around the assembly to ensure adequate ventilation. If the power supply must be housed in a confined space, forced air cooling may be necessary to keep surrounding air within acceptable ambient temperature limits. Periodically check the ventilation grille and clean as necessary.



NOTE: Do not plug the power supply into an electrical outlet until all other connections have been made.

#### **ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS**

The standard cable supplied with a Sonics press is 10 feet. Optional extension cables are available up to 15 feet without modification.

When making the initial electrical connections, make sure the power is disconnected and follow these precautions.

- 1. Do not strain or kink the cables. When going around corners, allow as wide a bend as possible. Do not run the cables parallel to any power line within a distance of less than 1 foot (305 mm).
- 2. To prevent the possibility of an electrical shock, ensure that the power supply line cord is properly grounded. Also make sure that the voltage rating of the electrical power source matches the power supply requirement (refer to the "Power Specifications" table on preceding page).
- 3. Check with your electrician if you have any wiring questions.



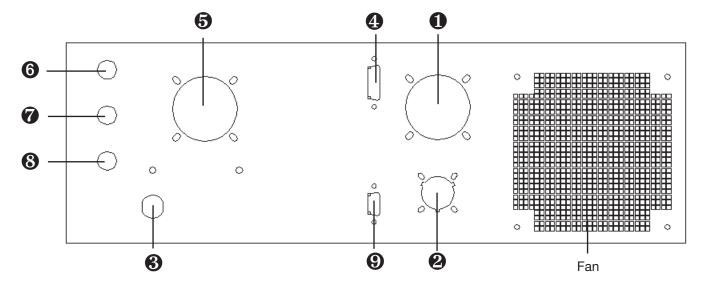
**NOTE:** Detailed wiring diagrams are supplied in the Appendix at the back of this manual.

# CABLE CONNECTIONS – For Models with 700 to 2200 Watts Power:

Located at the rear of the power supply are the cable connections as illustrated below. (The interconnecting cables will be supplied with your system.)

- 1 J1, a round, 12-pin RF cable that connects the welding press or converter to the power supply.
- **2** J2, an actuation cable that connects the power supply to a trigger source (press cable or external trigger source.) Refer to wiring diagrams in *Appendix*.
- **3** The power line cord that plugs into the appropriate electrical outlet.

Once these connections have been made, the power supply is ready for operation. If applicable, be sure to consult your welding press instruction manual to insure that all connections on the press side are correct, and





**NOTE:** To see a list of converters that can be connected to the power supply, see the table on the following page.

that the press is ready for operation.

Also located at the rear of the power supply are the following:

- 4 J3 Linear Encoder
- **5** J5 External I/O
- **6** Fuse (0.5 amp internal low voltage)
- Line fuse (based on requirements listed in "Power Specifications" table, page 9),
- **8** Line fuse (based on requirements listed in "Power Specifications" table, page 9),
- 9 J4 Serial Output





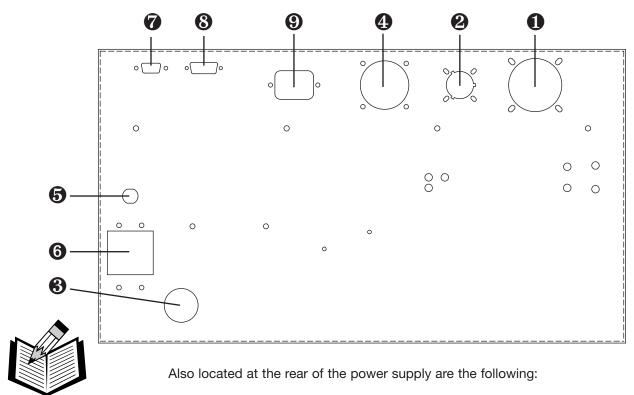
**NOTE:** Detailed wiring diagrams are supplied in the Appendix at the back of this manual.

# CABLE CONNECTIONS – For Models with 3000 or 4000 Watts Power:

Located at the rear of the power supply are the cable connections as illustrated below. (The interconnecting cables will be supplied with your system.)

- 1 J1, a round, 12-pin RF cable that connects the welding press or converter to the power supply.
- ② J2, an actuation cable that connects the power supply to a trigger source (press cable or external trigger source.) Refer to wiring diagrams in *Appendix*.
- **3** The power line cord that plugs into the appropriate electrical outlet.

Once these connections have been made, the power supply is ready for operation. If applicable, be sure to consult your welding press instruction manual to insure that all connections on the press side are correct, and that the press is ready for operation.



**NOTE:** To see a list of converters that can be connected to the power supply, see the table on the following page.

4 J5 External I/O

**5** Fuse (0.5 amp - internal low voltage)

6 Circuit breaker

J4 Serial Output

**8** J3 Linear Encoder

9 J6 on 15 kHz models only. Press motor connector.



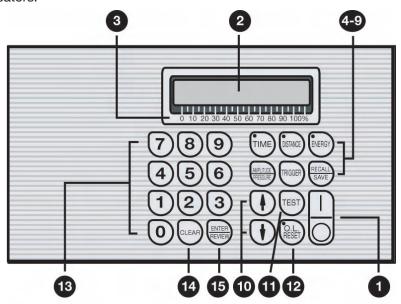
# **AVAILABLE CONVERTERS**

Item No.	Description		
CV00016	15 kHz with Button connector (O-ring mount)		
CV00161	15 kHz with Lemo connector (O-ring mount)		
CV00034	15 kHz with Button connector (O-ring mount) rated up to 4500 watts		
CV00341	15 kHz with Lemo connector (O-ring mount) rated up to 4500 watts		
CV00015	20 kHz with Button connector (O-ring mount)		
CVR0015	20 kHz with Button connector (rigid mount)		
CV00151	20 kHz with Lemo connector (O-ring mount)		
CVR0151	20 kHz with Lemo connector (rigid mount)		
CV00154	20 kHz with Lemo connector and fitting for air cooling (O-ring mount)		
CVR0154	20 kHz with Lemo connector and fitting for air cooling (rigid mount)		
CV00157	20 kHz with Button connector and fitting for air cooling (O-ring mount)		
CVR0157	20 kHz with Button connector and fitting for air cooling (rigid mount)		
CV00158	20 kHz Hand Gun with handles and cables (O-ring mount)		
CVR0158	20 kHz Hand Gun with handles and cables (rigid mount)		
CV00331	20 kHz with Fischer connector		
CV00334	20 kHz with Fischer connector and fitting for air cooling		
CVR0023	40 kHz with Button connector (rigid mount)		
CVR0231	40 kHz with Lemo connector (rigid mount)		
CVR0233	40 kHz with SHV connector side mounted (rigid mount)		
CVR0234	40 kHz with Lemo connector and fitting for air cooling (rigid mount)		

# OPERATING PROCEDURES

#### FRONT PANEL CONTROLS AND INDICATORS

Located on the front panel of the power supply are the following controls and indicators:



- 1. **ON/OFF** keys which turn the unit on and off.
- 2. LCD SCREEN which displays various settings, parameters and prompts as detailed in the following pages. In addition, during the weld process it displays a load meter indicator showing the power level of ultrasonics that is being delivered to the welding press (see #3 below).
- 3. **LOAD METER SCALE** from 0 to 100% which (in conjunction with vertical line indicators on LCD display) shows the running power (bar graph at bottom of display) and peak power (single vertical line at top of display) during the weld. Peak power is reported as %Pmax after the cycle (see page 17).
- 4. **TIME** key which allows selection and display of time settings and permits adjustment of time duration in .01 second increments (from 00.00 to 99.99 seconds) for five time parameters as follows:
  - a. Weld time
  - b. Hold Time
  - c. Delay time
  - d. Afterburst Time
  - e. Time Limit Low
  - f. Time Limit High

For a complete explanation of these parameters, refer to page 20.



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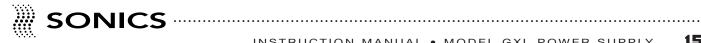
- DISTANCE key which allows selection and display of distance settings and permits adjustment of the following distance parameters in .001 inch increments (from 0.000 to 9.999 inches, or 0.000 to 253.975 millimeters):
  - a. Distance Incremental
  - b. Distance Absolute
  - c. Distance Limit Low
  - d. Distance Limit High
  - e. Pre-weld Limit Low
  - f. Pre-weld Limit High
  - g. Pre-Trigger Distance

For a complete explanation of these parameters, refer to page 21.

- 6. **ENERGY** key allows selection and display of the following energy settings and permits adjustment of the energy parameters a. through c. below in 1 joule increments (from 0 to 999,999 joules):
  - a. Energy Setting
  - b. Energy Limit Low
  - c. Energy Limit High
  - d. Calibration Pulse (on/off)

For a complete explanation of these parameters, refer to page 23.

- 7. AMPLITUDE/PRESSURE key which controls adjustment of the following amplitude and pressure settings of the system's high-frequency vibrations over the full operating range. (Major adjustments of amplitude can be made through the use of different boosters - consult your press manual for further information.)
  - a. Amplitude Setting
  - b. Amplitude Ramp (only on systems configured for more than 2200 watts)
  - c. Trigger Force (Press)
- 8. **TRIGGER** key which displays and permits selection of the trigger mode from the following options
  - a. Delay Timer
  - b Force/Pressure
  - c. Distance



- RECALL/SAVE key which allows up to 15 different jobs to be stored (saved) and recalled or changed upon demand.
- 10. **ARROW** keys (Up/Down) which allow scrolling through some menus and also serve as a toggle for displayed parameter options in some menus.
- 11. **TEST** key which can be used to test ultrasonic operation and displays idle losses of converter/booster/horn as a percentage of maximum power when key is depressed. Also functions as a frequency display.
- 12. **O.L. RESET** key which resets the power supply following an overload condition. Red LED in upper left corner indicates an overload condition exists.
- 13. **0-9 NUMERIC KEY PAD** which allows input of numeric data or numeric selection options by pressing the keys.
- 14. **CLEAR** key which cancels a prior parameter value when a new value is to be entered.
- 15. ENTER/REVIEW key which Enters data into the system as keyed in with the numerical keys and displayed on the LCD screen. In Review function, displays the alarm, mode and cycle information.

#### KEYING IN PARAMETERS

To make numeric entries into a cursor location that is displayed on a screen menu, use the numeric keypad. When the desired entry is displayed on the LCD screen, use the ENTER key to register the new value. Entries are made left to right.

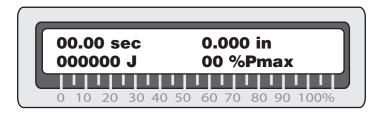
The CLEAR key will clear an existing value to 0, displayed as a series of dashes, and relocate the cursor to the extreme left-hand entry position ready to accept entries again. As soon as a desired value is keyed in and displayed, pressing the ENTER key makes the system accept that entry. If a number value is not "Entered," then it will not be accepted by the system and the parameter value will return to its former setting (before any numerical values were changed).

#### OPERATIONAL FEATURES

- Adjustable Afterburst Timer to separate parts from horn.
- Adjustable tolerance limits in energy (Ws), time (sec) and/or distance (inches or millimeters) with visual alarms.
- Information displays including: number of assemblies, number of rejects, and number of cycles.
- Fault displays.
- Keypad security.
- Self-diagnostic input test.
- Storage capabilities of up to 15 jobs.
- Deactivation of Calibration Pulse (i.e., when utilizing vacuum horns).
- By-distance trigger
- RS-232 Printer monitor interface permits connection to a printer or computer.
- External job selection when the keyboard is "locked."

#### STARTING UP THE POWER SUPPLY

Press the ON/OFF key to turn the power supply on. The LCD screen will briefly display "Start Sequence" and show wattage and frequency information. Then the LCD screen will show the following "ready" display:



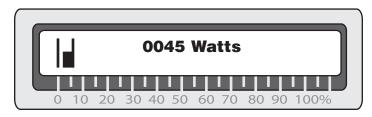
This display shows the last weld information – weld time, energy, distance and power. (After power down and subsequent power up, values are cleared to zero.)

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#### INITIAL OPERATION

After the power supply is turned on (as described on previous page), follow these steps:

- 1. Make sure that all necessary preparations have been made with regard to the ultrasonic system and tooling, and that the items to be welded are in position.
- Press and hold the **TEST** button. While depressing the **TEST** button, check the LCD display. Make sure the bar graph indicator on the LCD display (a series of vertical lines that register to the 0 to 100% load meter scale see example below) does not exceed 20%.



During the testing process, keep in mind that the ultrasonics are only activated as long as the TEST button is depressed – once you release the TEST button, ultrasonics is terminated.

A bar graph indicator reading of above 20%, signals that there may be a problem with the stack. Check your assembly and re-test.

3. The power supply is now ready for operation.

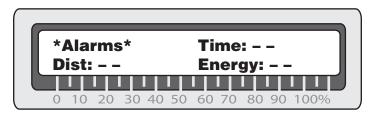
#### Frequency Display

The TEST key can also be used to display the running ultrasonic frequency. Refer to page 23 for more information.

#### READY SCREENS

In addition to the start-up ready screen (shown on page 17), there are 2 other "ready" screens. The system must be displaying one of the 3 ready screens in order for welding to commence. Welding cannot be initiated from any other display. The other 2 ready screens are as follows:

#### Alarm Screen



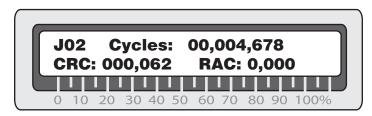


NOTE: The TEST and Load Meter check should always be done for all cold start-ups, and for any start-up after the system has been idle for 20 minutes or more.



The Alarm screen displays information about the alarm(s) that have been triggered by the system encountering parameters outside of the specified tolerance limits. The screen will indicate whether alarms occurred in Time, Distance or Energy. If there are no alarms, dashes will display. If there are alarms, an L (for Low limit, indicating that the low limit was violated) and/or an H (for High limit, indicating that the high limit was violated) will display by the applicable mode (time, distance or energy). When a new cycle begins, the system will automatically clear the current alarm.

#### Counter Screen



The Counter screen displays information about the job number, the number of cycles run to date, the customer resettable counter (CRC) and the resettable alarm counter (RAC). The 2 resettable counters can be reset whenever desired by pressing the Clear key when the counter screen is displayed. (The keypad must be unlocked.)

# RELATIONSHIP OF TIME, DISTANCE AND ENERGY SETTINGS

Parameters can be set in the time, distance and/or energy menus. The settings in all of these menus should be taken into account when you are setting up a job since they do not function independently of each other and a parameter in one menu can impact the effect of a parameter in another menu.

For example, if you specify a weld time of 2 seconds, an energy setting of 2,000 joules, and clear any previous distance settings (so that only dashes appear in the distance menu settings), the weld cycle will be terminated by whichever of the 2 settings (Weld Time or Energy Setting) is reached first – that is, either when ultrasonics have been applied for 2 seconds or when energy equivalent to 2,000 joules has been delivered to the parts being assembled. If 2 seconds is reached before 2,000 joules have been delivered, the weld cycle will terminate regardless of the amount of energy delivered, and vice versa.

The start-up ready screen which shows the last weld information will show a flashing "sec" or "J" to indicate which setting was achieved first and thereby terminated the weld cycle. In the example above, if the weld time of 2 seconds is reached before 2000 joules have been delivered, the ready screen



will display "02.00 sec," with the "sec" flashing, along with whatever energy was delivered. The peak power delivered (%Pmax) will be displayed as a percent of the supply rating.

The ability to specify Time, Energy and Distance affords maximum control of the weld process. However, when entering your specifications in the various menus described below, keep in mind that the settings from previous use remain in effect until you make a change and use the Enter key to register a new value. This means that if you want to achieve a weld time of 2 seconds, for example, you will need to ensure that other entries in the Energy or Distance menus will allow a 2-second weld before an Energy or Distance setting is reached (and ultrasonics are terminated).

#### TIME SETTINGS

There are five time parameters, or timers, that can be set. They are accessed by pressing the Time key which allows specification of the following time parameters. The first menu display will show the following:

**Weld Time** – sets the duration of time for which ultrasonic vibrations are applied to the parts. A time value must be entered in order to weld.

Press the Time key again (and successively after each menu display) to advance to these next screen displays:

**Hold Time** – sets the duration of time for which pressure is maintained to ensure proper bonding of the parts, after the actual weld time and with ultrasonics off. (This allows the weld to cool.)

**Delay Time** – sets the duration of time allotted for pressure to build up after the parts have been contacted and before the application of ultrasonic vibrations to the horn. ("Delay Timer" must be selected as the trigger mode – see page 25 – and a value equal to or greater than 0 must be set.)

**Afterburst Time** – sets the duration of time for another application of ultrasonic vibrations to the horn (for "shake-off") to ensure that the parts being assembled do not adhere to the horn.

**Time Limit Low** – sets the low time alarm examination point (as a tolerance limit). A time alarm will be triggered if the actual weld time is less than this value. By specifying values for this limit and the Time Limit High, a weld time "window" is created that defines a "good weld." (If no alarms are triggered – the weld cycle occurred within the designated time limits.)

*Time Limit High* – sets the high time alarm examination point. A time alarm will be triggered if the actual weld time is greater than this value.

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NOTE: If no time is set, an error message ("Set Weld Timer") will display prompting a parameter entry.

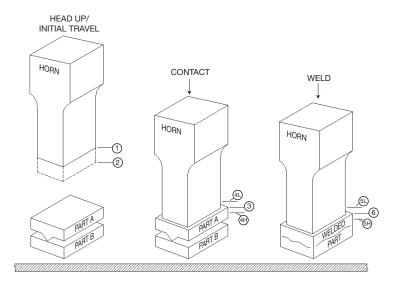


NOTE: A review of the Basic Weld Cycle Time Line on page 52 gives additional information on how the weld cycle and settings operate.



#### DISTANCE SETTINGS

There are 7 distance parameters that can be specified. To better understand the distance parameters and corresponding terms used, please see the diagram below and note the following definitions.



- ① **Home Position:** when the converter head assembly is in the full up position, not in contact with the parts to be welded. The home (head up) position is equivalent to the linear encoder 0 position and is used as the distance reference for the absolute distance set point.
- ② Pre-trigger Position: when the system begins to travel and crosses the Pre-trigger position, ultrasonics will be turned ON (this will be prior to making contact with the parts to be welded).
- ③ Contact Position: the position at which the horn has contacted the top of the parts to be welded and pressure is applied. If the parts and system are in position and engaged properly, the contact point will be found within the "pre-weld window" (see below). The contact point is also used to reference the incremental distance set point.
- Pre-weld Window: The pre-weld window is defined by two settings, the Pre-Weld Limit Low (4L) and the Pre-Weld Limit High (4H). (See the parameter list that follows for additional information.) If the window has been defined and programmed, the contact point would ideally occur somewhere in between these two settings. (Remember that increasing distance settings corresponds to downward travel and the "0.000" position corresponds to the horn position all the way "up.") The purpose of the pre-weld window is to prevent the system from welding fixtures in case no parts have been loaded, if the parts are not engaged properly or

if too many parts have been installed. If the pre-weld window is violated, the system will abort the cycle.

- ⑤ Post-Weld Window: If the parts are found within the pre-weld window, the weld portion of the cycle will begin. Note the "squiggle" line representing that the parts are now welded together. The weld has been completed by achieving one of the control set points time, distance or energy. The Hold time has completed and the mechanical assembly is just about to retract away from the parts. The final weld distance will be captured and compared against the Post-Weld Window settings in the same manor as the pre-weld in item 4 above. However, since it's too late (weld is already completed) to abort the cycle if this check fails and the window limits have been violated, a potentially "bad" part will be indicated by digital output and a blinking alarm LED.
- **Final Welded Position:** the final distance (after weld and hold times). This distance will be reported to the display after the cycle is complete. It will also be sent to the print line and will be used for qualification against the post-weld window (item 5). The final distance reported will always be equal to or greater than the specified distance set point because the air cylinder will not stop instantaneously.

#### Distance Menu Parameters

To view and/or enter Distance parameters, press the Distance key to enter the distance settings menu. The first menu display will show the following:

**Distance Inc(remental)** – The incremental set point is referenced from the top of the parts after the ultrasonic horn has made contact and the pressure switch has closed. The incremental set point distance is added to the contact position distance to achieve the final travel distance – the point at which ultrasonics should be stopped. For example, with only the distance incremental option set, the ultrasonic weld cycle would turn on at the contact point and run until the incremental set point is reached.

Press the Distance key again (and successively after each menu) to advance to these next screen displays:

**Distance Abs(olute)** – the absolute distance set point is always referenced to the home position of the system, and the exact position of the parts does not come into play. The absolute set point determines the total travel distance of the horn. Ultrasonics will stop when the programmed absolute distance set point has been reached.

**Distance Limit Low** – sets the minimum weld distance permitted for an assembly (presumably the minimum weld distance to be traveled to produce a "good weld"). The weld distance is monitored at the completion of the weld

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NOTE: There cannot be an incremental set point at the same time as an absolute set point. They are mutually exclusive – when one is encountered, the other will be shut off automatically.





**NOTE:** The distance limit low/high is entered as an absolute number if the absolute distance set point has been programmed. If the incremental set point is programmed, the distance limit low/high must be entered as an incremental number. If neither absolute nor incremental set point is programmed, the limit window may still be used. The default is absolute mode and the entries must be absolute (referenced from the top).



NOTE: The Pretrigger distance should not be confused with the Trigger key that is used to select the actual Trigger Mode, BUT, in order to use a Pre-trigger distance setting, the Trigger Mode must be set for DISTANCE or the system will not execute the Pretrigger process.

cycle and examined against a post-weld window (as explained in item 5 above), the lower limit of which is defined by this value. If the final travel distance is less than this entry, a distance low alarm will be indicated on the Alarm Screen display and by a flashing LED on the distance key.

Distance Limit High - sets the maximum weld distance permitted for an assembly (presumably the maximum weld distance to be traveled to produce a "good weld"). The weld distance is monitored at the completion of the weld cycle and examined against a post-weld window (as explained in item 6 above), the higher limit of which is defined by this value. If the final travel distance is greater than this entry, a distance high alarm will be indicated on the Alarm Screen display and by a flashing LED on the distance key.

Pre-weld Limit Low - sets the minimum position during pre-weld travel where the parts should be found. The pre-weld distance is monitored against an allowable pre-weld window (as explained in item 5 above), the lower limit of which is defined by this value. If contact occurs before this specified position is reached, the system will retract and display a "Check Pre-weld Limit" message.

Pre-weld Limit High – sets the maximum position at which the parts should be found. Distance is monitored against an allowable pre-weld window (as explained in item 5 above), the higher limit of which is defined by this value. If contact occurs beyond this specified position, the system will retract and display a "Check Pre-weld Limit" message.

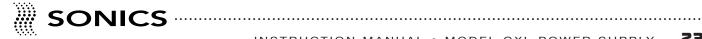
Pre-Trigger Distance - The Pre-trigger distance is the distance that the horn must travel before the ultrasonics are turned on. The Pre-trigger distance must be set and the trigger selection must be "Distance." If the Pretrigger distance is "cleared" or set to 0, then Pre-trigger occurs from the Home Position. (Should the Pre-trigger distance be set further than the distance to the parts, the system will wait indefinitely to achieve the Pretrigger. The Clear key can always be used to abort a cycle.)

Use the Pre-Trigger Distance feature only when pre-triggering is required. Pre-triggering during normal welding operations may result in surface marking.

#### **ENERGY SETTINGS**

There are 4 energy parameters that can be specified. These are accessed by pressing the Energy key, which allows specification of the following parameters. The first menu display will show the following:

**Energy Setting** – sets the amount of energy in joules to be delivered to the parts being assembled.



Press the Energy key again (and successively after each menu display) to advance to these next screen displays.

**Energy Limit Low** – sets the low energy alarm examination point (as a process control tolerance limit). An energy alarm will be triggered if the actual weld energy is less than this value. By specifying values for this limit and the Energy Limit High, a weld energy "window" can be created in which a "good weld" can occur. (If no alarms are triggered – the weld cycle occurred within the designated energy limits.)

**Energy Limit High** – sets the high energy alarm examination point (see Limit Low above). An energy alarm will be triggered if the actual weld energy is greater than this value.

**Energy Cal(ibration) Pulse** – The system calibrates itself prior to each weld cycle. The use of the calibration (cal) pulse enables the machine to automatically monitor the idle losses in the converter/booster/horn assembly just as the horn begins its descent to the part. The system subtracts the energy necessary to vibrate the horn in air from the total energy programmed to weld a part. The cal pulse may be activated during all modes of operation. Occasionally, it may be necessary to turn the cal pulse off. For example, in order to place a part into the horn prior to welding (i.e., vacuum horns), the cal pulse can be turned off as described below.

The display will read either "ENERGY CAL PULSE ON" or "ENERGY CAL PULSE OFF." Press either the Up or Down arrow key (which will act as a toggle) and the cal pulse display will show either "on" or "off." When the desired setting is shown, press the Enter key to enter your selection.

#### AMPLITUDE/PRESSURE

Fine adjustments of the following amplitude and pressure settings can be made by using the Amplitude/Pressure key. All settings range from 20% (minimum) to 100% (maximum).

**Amplitude Ramp** – (only on systems configured for more than 2200 watts) Used primarily for 15 kHz systems to ensure a slow start-up when welding with big horns.

**Trigger Force (Press)** – this setting can be used to specify the pressure that needs to be reached to trigger the ultrasonics when "Force/Pressure" has been selected as the Trigger mode.

**Amplitude Setting** – this setting is used to specify the vibrational amplitude.



NOTE: Major adjustments of amplitude and pressure are made on the press through the use of boosters and pressure controls.



#### **TRIGGER**

Selection of the trigger mode is achieved by pressing the Trigger Key and then using the Up/Down arrow keys as a toggle to select one of the following modes to act as the trigger to start ultrasonics.

**Delay Timer** – selecting this mode means that the ultrasonics will be triggered when the Delay Time specified in the Time menu is reached.

**Force/Pressure** – selecting this mode means that the ultrasonics will be triggered when the Trigger Force (Pressure) specified in the Amplitude/ Pressure menu is achieved.

**Distance** – selecting this mode means that the ultrasonics will be triggered when the Pre-Trigger Distance specified in the Distance menu has been traveled.

#### Effect of Trigger Selection

The measurement of the precise contact point (the position at which the horn first contacts the parts), and subsequent Distance Incremental set point may be affected by the trigger scenario. A better distance reference is produced the longer the system is allowed to stop moving and come to rest. Using a Delay Timer trigger will yield the best measurement of the reference contact point. Using a Force/Pressure trigger will yield a better reference distance measurement than the Distance trigger. The scenarios described below illustrate how incremental distance measurement can be affected.

With Trigger Mode set for Distance – If the Pre-Trigger distance setting is less than the travel distance to the parts, then the ultrasonics will already be on when the horn contacts the parts. Since ultrasonics are on, the reference distance measurement is taken immediately (if the system is welding by incremental distance setpoint) and this is not ideal for reference capture.

With Trigger Mode set for Delay Timer – If the system has been programmed with a delay time value greater than 0.00, the system has more time to stop moving and the reference point measurement will be even better. That's why the incremental weld measurement consistency should improve.

A review of the Basic Weld Cycle Time Line on page 52 gives additional information on the start/stop/measurement process.

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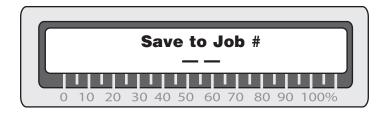
# ADDITIONAL FEATURES AND FUNCTIONS

#### JOB STORAGE

Up to 15 different jobs may be stored and recalled or changed upon demand. Typical job parameters stored include Time, Energy, Force Trigger Setting, Time and Energy Limits, Amplitude, and Cal Pulse ON/OFF.

#### Save

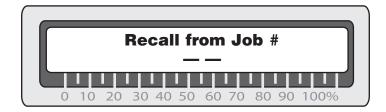
To use the job storage feature, press the Recall/Save key. If the "recall" option is displayed on the screen press the button again. The Save display appears as follow:



Saved jobs will be numbered 01 through 15. To save a job, use the numerical keys to enter in the desired job number (01 - 15). Once the job number is keyed in, press the ENTER key. All the parameters for that job will be saved under the job number keyed in. The system will return to the ready screen.

#### Recall

To recall a job that has been saved, press the Recall/Save key. If the "save" option is displayed on the screen press the button again. The Recall display appears as follow:



Recalled jobs are numbered 01 through 15. To recall a job, use the numerical keys to enter in the desired job number (01 - 15). Once the job number is keyed in, the settings for that job will be displayed on the various parameter menus.

The System will recall a "blank" job if there is no job saved under a number corresponding to the numerical key pressed.

#### FREQUENCY DISPLAY

The TEST key can also be used to display the running frequency. When the press head is in the UP position, press and hold the TEST key for 3 seconds. The information on the display will change from the power display (watts) to a frequency counter display (Hz). After this switch, the power is captured (no longer updated) and the frequency display will update every second. This information can help diagnose problems with the horn and/or stack assembly.

#### OVERLOAD PROTECTION

The overload protection circuit will terminate ultrasonics when the system is operated under adverse conditions, i.e., improper tuning, excessive power supply loading, loose or failed horn or booster, thereby protecting the power supply and other system components. When an overload condition exists, a repetitive beep will sound and the O. L. RESET button will illuminate and remain lit until the button is pressed (regardless of whether the condition is corrected or not). If a repeated overload condition exists, resolve the problem before a failure of the power supply occurs.

If an overload condition exists, refer to the actuator instruction manual which may recommend one of the following possible solutions:

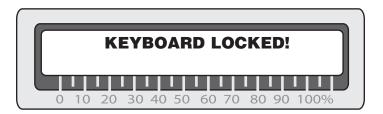
- decrease horn force
- decrease amplitude (change booster or decrease output control)
- decrease downspeed
- check for loose or broken studs.
- check the coupling surfaces between horn/booster and booster/converter
- check for cracked horn or booster
- check to see if the load meter exceeds 100% during weld process (if so, a higher powered unit is needed)

If you cannot remedy the situation, contact Sonics' Service Department at 1-800-745-1105.

# KEYPAD SECURITY

The keypad can be "locked," so that no new parameters or commands can be entered via the keyboard, thereby preventing unauthorized cancellation or adjustment.

To activate the security feature, press and hold the numeral 7 key on power up. When the keypad is secured in this manner, any attempt to change or enter parameters will result in the following message being displayed on the LCD screen:



To return to normal operation and unlock the keypad, power down and repeat the lock procedure – press and hold the numerical key 7 on power up.

NOTE: for external job recall, the keyboard must be locked.

# PRINT LINE OUTPUT



**NOTE:** The Print Line option default is "OFF." Switch 5 determines OFF/ON (see page 52).



NOTE: Use of a printer causes the cycle to be extended by approximately 100 ms.

At the end of every weld cycle, the power supply sends an ASCII print line which includes the data for weld time, distance, energy, maximum power and alarm status. This line can be directed to a printer, a PLC ASCII card or a computer running any terminal program that will present the information. (The hyperterminal program is included with any PC under the Accessories/Communications directory. Note that the communication channel is not bi-directional at this time; it is an output print line only.)

The transmission settings are fixed at: 19200 bits per second, 8 data bits, parity = None, 1 stop bit and flow control = None. The cabling and connector arrangement is set to use a standard 9-pin Null Modem cable, the same RS232 cable that would be used to connect two PC computers together.

The order of the data is the same for each line and the length of the line does not change with the values of the data. Line length could be important if a receiving device is attempting to parse the data for other uses. It means that the data items are always in the same place and therefore much easier to remove from the print line.

The end of each print line contains two non-printable characters, a carriage return followed by a line feed character. These characters are standard RS232 control characters to position the cursor location to the beginning of the next line on the screen or print page.

## Sample Print line:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
005647	00.48 sec	0.025 in	000130 J	045 %Pmax	Alarms T: D: E:	J06	
005648	00.47 sec	0.025 in	000130 J	045 %Pmax	Alarms T: D: E:	J06	
005649	00.45 sec	0.025 in	000130 J	045 %Pmax	Alarms T: D: E:	J06	
005650	00.48 sec	0.025 in	000130 J	045 %Pmax	Alarms T: D: E:	J06	
005651	00.47 sec	0.025 in	000130 J	045 %Pmax	Alarms T: D: E:	J06	
005652	00.45 sec	0.025 in	000130 J	045 %Pmax	Alarms T: D: E:	J06	
005653	00.48 sec	0.025 in	000130 J	045 %Pmax	Alarms T: D: E:	J06	
005654	00.47 sec	0.025 in	000130 J	045 %Pmax	Alarms T: D: E:	J06	
005655	00.45 sec	0.025 in	000130 J	045 %Pmax	Alarms T: D: E:	J06	
005656	00.49 sec	0.025 in	000130 J	045 %Pmax	Alarms T: D: E:	J06	
005657	00.46 sec	0.025 in	000130 J	045 %Pmax	Alarms T: D: E:	J06	
005658	00.46 sec	0.025 in	000130 J	045 %Pmax	Alarms T: D: E:	J06	
005659	00.47 sec	0.025 in	000130 J	045 %Pmax	Alarms T: D: E:	J06	

From left to right, the data items show the following information: (for more detailed information on these items and the print output, refer to the Appendix)

- **Position 1** = Customer Resettable Counter (CRC)
- Position 2 = Actual weld time
- **Position 3** = Distance data (applicable for Model GXL only)
- **Position 4** = Energy data (applicable for Models GXL or GXE only)
- **Position 5** = Maximum percent power number
- **Position 6** = Any alarm violations for time (T), distance (D) or energy (E)
- **Position 7** = The last job number saved or recalled from job storage memory
- **Position 8** = Used to indicate a weld cycle termination due to an external cause

# AUTOMATION INTERFACE & I/O CONTROLS

As listed below, there are several interface signals available for operating the power supply via external digital control lines. These lines are used to initiate a weld cycle and to monitor the operation (see External I/O Connection drawing E-3164 in the Appendix).

- 1. Impulse Input the impulse input signal is used to initiate a weld cycle by external contact to ground. The contact must be closed for a minimum of 50 milliseconds for the welder to recognize the command. Once initiated, the weld cycle will proceed and the contact should be released. The contact must be released before the end of the weld cycle; the system will wait for the impulse contact to open before returning to the ready screens for data presentation. The impulse input is expecting a dry contact closure between J2 pin J and K (see Impulse Actuation Cable drawing E-2703 in the Appendix).
- 2. Ready Output when the system is ready to run a cycle, the ready signal will be true. Any automation system should monitor this signal prior to initiating a weld cycle with the impulse input. The ready signal will be set false when a weld cycle begins. It will return true at the end of the weld after the data has been written to the selected ready screen, the print line has been sent (if ON) and the alarm signals have been examined and set.
  - In practice, automation controls should verify that the ultrasonic press is up and out of the way before loading the next "parts-to-be-welded" into the fixture and initiating another weld cycle. The ultrasonic system does not require the press to return "Home" before the next cycle can begin, so welding could possibly be initiated before the next parts-to-be-welded are in the ready position.
- 3. Good Part / Bad Part Outputs There are two outputs that indicate the status of the last weld cycle. Both of these status signals are set false at the beginning of a weld cycle when the ready signal is set false (to indicate that a cycle is underway). One of these signals will be set true based on examination of the alarm settings at the end of the cycle. If any alarm examination points (process limits) have been violated, the Bad Part Output will be set true. If there are no alarm violations or no limits have been set, the Good Part signal will be set true.

The Good Part / Bad Part signals are meant to provide an external controller with the information necessary to handle the previously welded part in the automation environment. If the part is "good" then send it to the Good part location, if it's "bad" then recycle or remove it for further examination.

The Good Part / Bad Part outputs will be valid prior to the ready signal returning to true at the end of a cycle. The system should use the ready



- signal to qualify these outputs, if ready is true, then the Good Part / Bad Part outputs are valid.
- 4. DO4 There is one extra digital output that is reserved for future application.
- 5. DI1, DI2, DI3 and DI4 Four digital input signals are used for setting an external job selection when the keyboard is "Locked." 15 sets of weld control parameters may be stored in the controller's battery RAM area. (see page 26, Job Storage). They may be recalled into the working job area by setting a binary address code with these digital inputs (see table 1 below). Valid jobs must exist and have been previously stored via the keyboard entries. All valid jobs must have a non-zero weld time entry. If a job does not contain a non-zero time entry, a weld cycle cannot be initiated.

The keyboard must be locked (see page 28) and the system must be at a Ready screen for the job address inputs to be active. The inputs are ignored if these conditions are not set. The keyboard must be locked so that job or data changes cannot be requested from two different sources – the keypad and remote address lines – at the same time. Only one source of job change is allowed: the keyboard (if not locked) or the digital inputs (when the keyboard is locked).

The job address lines may be changed anytime but must be held stable for a minimum of 50 ms prior to initiating a weld cycle with the impulse input command contact. When a job change has been recognized, the system will momentarily indicate Not Ready for a maximum of 30 ms while the job settings are recalled from battery backed RAM and the system internals are reset for a new cycle. The impulse command should be delayed until the Ready signal returns from the job recall operation if external job setting is used.

For the quickest possible cycle time, the next job address may be set after the present weld cycle begins as indicated by the ready signal (false). This does not affect the present weld cycle as it is already underway and the settings cannot be changed during the present cycle. They are locked once a cycle has started. If the job address has been changed during the present weld to reflect the desired job for the next weld cycle, the recall operation will happen at the end of the weld cycle before the final Ready indication.

Once Ready is true, the job has already been changed and the system is Ready to initiate the next cycle. This method extends the weld cycle by 30 ms which are needed to recall the job settings for the next cycle. Depending on weld times and stroke distance settings, up to 80 cycles per minute may be achieved including job changes between each weld (print line must be OFF to achieve this cycle rate).



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#### EXTERNAL JOB ADDRESS LINES

0= OFF or open line 1= ON or contact closed

DI1	DI2	DI3	DI4	JOB#
0	0	0	0	No job change
1	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	0	2
1	1	0	0	3
0	0	1	0	4
1	0	1	0	5
0	1	1	0	6
1	1	1	0	7
0	0	0	1	8
1	0	0	1	9
0	1	0	1	10
1	1	0	1	11
0	0	1	1	12
1	0	1	1	13
0	1	1	1	14
1	1	1	1	15

Note that job Code 0 (0, 0, 0, 0) is not a valid job code and does not cause a job recall operation. Ex: If the last job recalled was Job 10 and the inputs are set to code 0, then Job 10 still dictates the active job settings.

The digital inputs (DI1, DI2, DI3, DI4) and the digital outputs (DO1, DO2, DO3, DO4) are set for "Sourcing" as shipped from the factory. They can be changed to "Sinking" by moving two optical isolator chips (U28/U44 for inputs; U43/U42 for outputs) on the internal microprocessor controller if desired. They are completely isolated and floating from the internal power levels and they are not required to be set the same. The inputs and outputs are set as a group so all 4 signals will be the same configuration. You may set one for "Source" and the other for "Sink" if required by the application interface. This can eliminate relay logic conversions to save parts and panel space for some PLC input/output cards. The chips are both optical isolator chips (PS2501-4 quad optical isolators; digikey part# PS2501-4-ND, as of this printing) available from most electronic distributors. The isolators are rated for 30 VDC, 100 ma max – do not connect AC voltage levels!

For more detailed information and to view applicable drawings, refer to Appendix.

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## MAINTENANCE

#### **GENERAL**

- 1. Always make sure the power supply has adequate ventilation by keeping sufficient space around the assembly.
- 2. Periodically check the ventilation grilles and clean as necessary.

#### REPAIRS / SERVICE

If problems are encountered, contact our Service Department at 1-800-745-1105.

It is suggested that a system in need of repair be sent back to the factory with a written description pertaining to the nature of the problem.

Always contact the factory for return authorization before shipping any instrument. Include date of purchase, model number, and serial number. For units not covered by the warranty, a purchase order should be forwarded to avoid unnecessary delay. Care should be exercised to provide adequate packing to insure against possible damage in shipment. The system should be sent with all transportation charges prepaid and return method of shipment indicated.



**NOTE:** If packing unit for return shipment, DO NOT use styrofoam "peanuts."

## WARRANTY

Sonics & Materials, Inc., hereinafter referred to as "Sonics", warrants its products for a period of one year from the date of original shipment against defects in materials and workmanship under normal installation, use and maintenance as described in the operating instructions which accompany such equipment. During the warranty period, Sonics will, at its option, as the exclusive remedy, either repair or replace without charge for material and labor, the part(s) which prove upon our examination to be defective, provided the defective unit is returned to us properly packed with all transportation charges F.O.B. Sonics dock, Newtown, CT. Warranty period on equipment rentals that are converted to purchase are deemed to have commenced on the date of original rental equipment shipment.

Ultrasonic plastics welding horns constructed of titanium or aluminum are guaranteed against defects for a period of one year from date of shipment. Sonics will repair or replace a cracked or defective horn once without charge, if failure occurs within the warranty period.

Ultrasonic plastics welding horns constructed of steel are guaranteed against defects for a period of ninety days from date of shipment. Sonics will repair or replace a cracked or defective steel horn once at a charge of 50% of the original purchase price, if failure occurs within the warranty period.

Ultrasonic metal welding horns constructed of titanium or steel are guaranteed against defects for a period of one year from date of shipment. Sonics will repair or replace a cracked or defective horn once without charge, if failure occurs within the warranty period.

Sonics warrants its ultrasonic converters for a period of one year from date of shipment with a one-time replacement if a converter proves to be non-repairable.

When customer site service is required, all travel, living and related expenses will be billed at cost. In-warranty service labor time (including travel time) at the customers facility is provided Monday through Friday (excluding holidays) from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. Any in-warranty service time requested outside of these days and hours will be billed at 150% of Sonics current rate per hour for such site service work.

#### LIMITATION OF WARRANTY

This warranty does not apply to items subject to normal wear and tear or, to equipment or tooling which has been subject to unauthorized repair, misuse, abuse, negligence or accident. Misuse includes operation of equipment with tooling that is not qualified for the equipment or tooling not properly installed on the equipment.

Equipment which, in our judgment, shows evidence of having been used in violation of operating instructions, or which has had the serial number altered or removed, will be ineligible for service under this warranty.

For components and parts not manufactured by Sonics but included in Sonics manufactured equipment, this warranty shall be limited to the warranty as given to Sonics by said original component or part manufacturer.

Ultrasonic horns supplied by Sonics are manufactured to exacting specifications and are tuned to vibrate at a specific frequency. Using an out-of-tune horn will cause damage to the equipment and may result in warranty nullification. Sonics assumes no responsibility for converters, horns or fixtures not supplied by Sonics or for consequential damages resulting from their usage.

Ultrasonic converters showing signs of excessive heat or contamination, such as but not limited to, oils and moisture, are not covered by this warranty.

Warranty does not apply to ultrasonic horns quoted as prototype, experimental or of unusual design which, in our judgment are more likely to fail in use.

Warranty does not apply to re-sharpening of ultrasonic blade type cutting or slitting horns.

Warranty does not apply to knurl pattern wear on ultrasonic plastics and metal welding horns and tips.

Warranty does not apply to ultrasonic horn or tip face wear when used with plastics that are molded with fillers, such as but not limited to, glass or talc.

This warranty does not apply to ultrasonic plastics welding equipment, horns or fixtures where metal-to-metal tooling contact time is in excess of 250 milliseconds.

This warranty does not apply to used or re-built equipment.

This warranty is non-transferable.

Data supplied in Sonics instruction manuals has been verified and validated and is believed adequate for the intended use of the equipment. If the equipment or procedures are used for purposes other than those specified herein, confirmation of their validity and suitability should be obtained in writing from Sonics. Otherwise Sonics does not guarantee results and assumes no obligation or liability.

This warranty is in lieu of any other warranties, either express, implied, or statutory. Sonics neither assumes nor authorizes any person to assume for it any other obligation or liability in connection with the sale of its products. Sonics hereby disclaims any warranty or merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose. No person or company is authorized to change, modify, or amend the terms of this warranty in any manner or fashion whatsoever. Under no circumstances shall Sonics be liable to the purchaser or to any other person for any incidental or consequential damages or loss of profit or product resulting from any malfunction or failure of this Sonics product.



## APPENDIX



**NOTE:** Refer to page 29 for additional Print Line Output.

## PRINT LINE OUTPUT DATA ITEMS

Item 1: Using the first line of the sample listing above, item 1 is the "Customer Resettable Counter" (CRC). It is located at position 1 through position 6 so the value of 005647 indicates that the last cycle was weld number 5647 since the last time it was reset to 0 (see page 19).

005647 00.48 sec 0.025 in 000130 J 045 %Pmax Alarms T:-- D:-- E:-- J06 -----

Item 2: The second item sent is the actual weld time from the last cycle the time that the ultrasonic generator was running. So 00.48 means that the generator was ON for .48 seconds. If the weld cycle finished its programmed weld time, then the following "sec" would have been transmitted as upper case letters or "SEC." The "sec" is lower case so the weld cycle was terminated through some other parameter. The time data is located at positions 8 through 12 and includes the "." at position 10. The "sec" label is located at position 14 through position 16. Space characters are located at positions 7, 13 and 17.

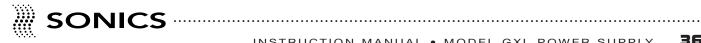
005647 **00.48 sec** 0.025 in 000130 J 045 %Pmax Alarms T:-- D:-- E:-- J06 -----

Item 3: Next is the distance data and it may be presented in Metric or English units (the label) which will change the location of the decimal character. In the sample, it is sent as 0.025 in. If the system were set for Metric units, the line would be 00.63 mm. Again the "in" or "mm" would be transmitted as upper case letters ("IN" or "MM") if the weld cycle had been terminated because the system reached the distance setpoint. The distance data is located at positions 18 through 22 and includes the "." at position 19 (if English) or position 20 (if Metric). Another space character is at position 23. The "in"/"mm" label is located at positions 24 and 25 with a space at 26.

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Item 4: Energy data is located at positions 27 through 32. The energy number is the total Joules (watt-seconds) delivered to the load during the last weld cycle. The following label "J" is an upper case letter (position 34) that means this cycle was terminated because the energy setpoint was achieved terminating the weld. If the cycle had not been terminated by energy control, the label would have been a lower case character "j." Space characters are located at positions 33 and 35.

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Item 5: The maximum percent power number is next in line at positions 36 through 38 with a space at 39. This number is the maximum percent of power developed during the last weld cycle. The label "%Pmax" does not change case as the control items can for time, distance and energy. It is not a control parameter, just a label for text readability.

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*Item 6:* Any alarm violations for time, distance or energy will be sent in the following positions as L or H in place of the "--" shown in the sample line. The dashes are used to hold the place when there are no alarm items so the "T:-- D:-- E:--" reading indicates that there were no alarms during the last weld cycle. The low alarm, high alarm order is always the same for time, distance and energy (examples: T:L- T:-H or T:LH ). Time alarms are at positions 57 and 58; distance at positions 62 and 63; and energy at positions 67 and 68. Note that it is possible for a weld cycle to have both high and low alarms at the same time depending on the alarm settings (see pages 17-23). High and Low alarms are set and examined independently.

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Item 7: The next item represents the last job number that was saved or recalled from the job storage memory. There are 15 jobs numbered 1 through 15 so this item is transmitted as 01 through 15 or "--" if job data has not been set (first power up). The "J" label is used for readability of the job data number. When an automation system is using the remote job change option between weld cycles, the print line can be used as verification of the recalled job for the last weld cycle. The job data number is located at position 71 through 72.

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Item 8: The last printable item on the line is a comment position used to indicate that a weld cycle was terminated by one of several external causes. Dashes in these positions will be the normal output when the weld cycle is controlled by weld parameter settings. Four external conditions may be indicated at the end of the line in positions 74 through 78: "Xstop" indicates an external stop signal was received (the cutoff command), "MnClr" when the cycle is stopped because the operator pressed the Clear key during the weld; "Ovrld" if the system aborts due to ultrasonic overload; and "CkLim" if the cycle has aborted because the preweld limits failed to find the parts at the proper position. CkLim will only apply when the distance control is ON (system was purchased with the distance encoder option - Model GXL).

**Speed Consideration:** If ultimate speed is more important to an application or the system is not using the print line output, it may be turned off with a switch on the internal processor board behind the front panel. Switch 5 is normally set OFF, to prevent the system from sending the print line (the factory default setting). Turn switch 5 ON to have the print line transmitted after each cycle. The system will respond to the automation start command (impulse) more quickly with the print line OFF because the message line will not be compiled or transmitted in this case.

## **AUTOMATION INTERFACE & I/O CONTROLS**

## SOURCE/SINK INPUTS AND OUTPUTS

Vendor terminology and specifications can be confusing as the reference is easily misinterpreted. Does the vendor send a "Sourcing" signal or do they mean that an input is ready to receive (or sink) current from an external source? Some PLC vendors seem to contradict others and the applications engineer ends up with a bank of relays or pull up/down resistors to switch the signal type.

When the optical IC is placed into socket U42, the G series outputs (Ready, Good Part, Bad Part, and the Spare DO) are configured as "Sourcing." The isolated transistor collectors must be connected to an external loop supply (all 4 collectors are connected together; signal name +VDC Source (Input); pin 18 on I/O Connector J3; cable wire - orn/red). Some PLC's provide a DC supply for this purpose, some applications will require a separate supply.

When the G series output is true or ON, current from the loop supply is conducted through the output transistor and limiting 100 ohm resistor to the PLC input card which returns to the loop supply. The PLC input will be ON if the current is flowing and OFF if the G series output is false or OFF.

Inputs (DI1-DI4) also set for "Source" as factory default.

See schematic drawing on page 45 for more detail.

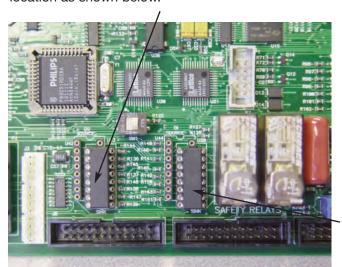
#### SOURCE/SINK DIGITAL I/O CONFIGURATION

The digital inputs and outputs are configured by moving two IC's on the control circuit board located directly behind the front panel. Be sure that the power is OFF and then remove the top cover. The components may be moved using a small screwdriver to pry the IC's from the socket strips. Select the "Source" or "Sink" location and reinstall the components. They are not required to be set the same – one may be "Source" and the other "Sink" to best match the required interface signals.



The optical isolator for the Digital Outputs (DO) is shown in the default "Source" configuration.

The outputs may be switched to "Sink" by moving this IC to the alternate location as shown below.



The digital inputs may be reconfigured in the same manner.
They are also set for "Source" as the factory default as shown above.

Digital Inputs shown configured for "Sink."

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#### SINKING OUTPUT TO PLC INPUT DIAGRAM

When the optical IC is placed into socket U43, the G series outputs are configured as "Sinking." The isolated transistor emitters must be connected to the return line of the loop supply (all 4 emitters are connected together; signal name Voltage Sink Return (output); pin 19 on I/O Connector J3; cable wire – blu/red).

When the G series output is true or ON, current from the loop supply is conducted through the PLC input card, the G series output transistor and 100 ohm limiting resistor to the loop supply return line.

See schematic drawing on page 46 for more detail.

#### PLC OUTPUT TO SINKING INPUT DIAGRAM

When the optical IC for input configuration is placed into socket U28, the G series inputs (DI1, DI2, DI3, DI4) are configured to receive a "Sinking" input, a pull down transistor or relay contact to the loop return. The anodes of the input LEDs must be connected to a user supplied loop supply; +30 VDC max (all 4 LED anodes are connected together; signal name +VDC Sink-Input; pin 12 on I/O Connector J3; cable wire – black/white).

When the PLC output is true or ON, current from the loop supply is conducted through the G series opto LED and 2.4 kohm limiting resistor to the PLC output card which returns to the loop supply. If the PLC output is ON (conducting), the current is returned to the loop return line and the input is true or ON. If the PLC output is OFF the G series input is false or OFF.

See schematic drawing on page 47 for more detail.

#### PLC OUTPUT TO SOURCING INPUT DIAGRAM

When the optical IC for input configuration is placed into socket U44, the G series inputs are configured to receive a "Sourcing" input, a high side transistor or relay contact to the positive loop supply. The cathode side of the input LEDs must be connected to the return line of the loop supply (all 4 cathodes are connected together; signal name Voltage Source Return – input; pin 13 on I/O Connector J3; cable wire – red/white).

When the PLC output is true or ON, current from the loop supply is conducted through the PLC output element to the G series input opto LED and limiting 2.4 kohm resistor to the return of the loop supply. If the PLC output is ON (conducting) the G series input is true or ON. If the PLC output is OFF the G series input is false or OFF.

See schematic drawing on page 48 for more detail.



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#### TWO ISOLATED LOOP SUPPLIES

Two isolated non-regulated 24 VDC supplies (50 ma max) are available on the digital I/O connector and may be used for the I/O loop power. These are low level supplies and cannot be used to power relay inputs or outputs! They should be used for LED indicators or transistor type input cards if the PLC does not provide low level DC power for this purpose.

The first supply is available on connector J3 pin 1 (+24 VDC isolated supply #1; cable wire – black) and J3 pin 2 (+24 VDC isolated supply return #1; cable wire – white). The second supply is on J3 pin 3 (+24 VDC isolated supply #2; cable wire – red) and J3 pin 4 (+24 VDC isolated supply return #2; cable wire – green).

See schematic drawing on page 49 for more detail.

#### I/O TIMING DIAGRAM - AUTOMATION CONTROLS

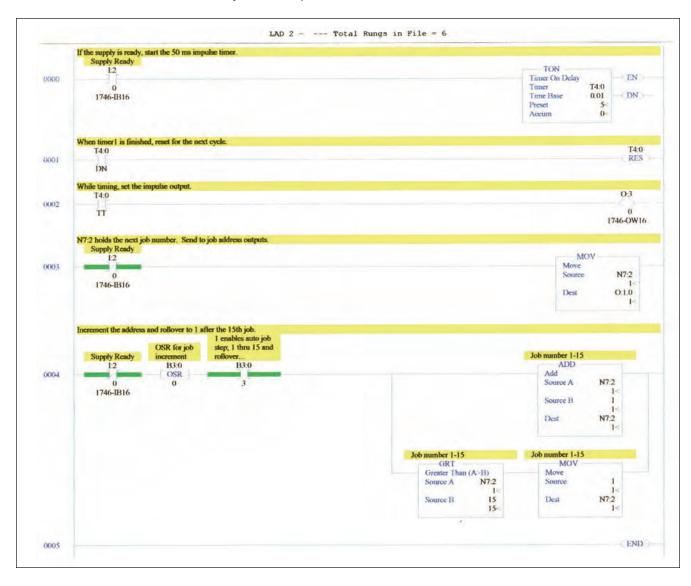
The cycle begins with the impulse contact to start a cycle (note that the impulse signal is not part of the configurable inputs and outputs for compatibility with existing product lines). If the system is using external job selection, the job address lines must be stable 50 ms prior to the impulse contact and remain stable until the cycle is underway as indicated by Ready going low (false). The Good Part/Bad Part lines are also cleared as the cycle begins.

When the weld cycle is complete, the Good or Bad part signal is set prior to the system returning to the ready condition. The impulse (and Palm Button signals) must all be released to complete a cycle and return the Ready Signal.

See schematic drawing on page 50 for more detail.

## PLC SAMPLE CODE

The following ladder file is a simple demonstration routine to roll the external job selection from job 1 through 15 then restart at job 1 again. This routine will switch jobs as fast as possible because the next job code is generated and set during the previous weld cycle. The job is ready before the previous cycle is completed.



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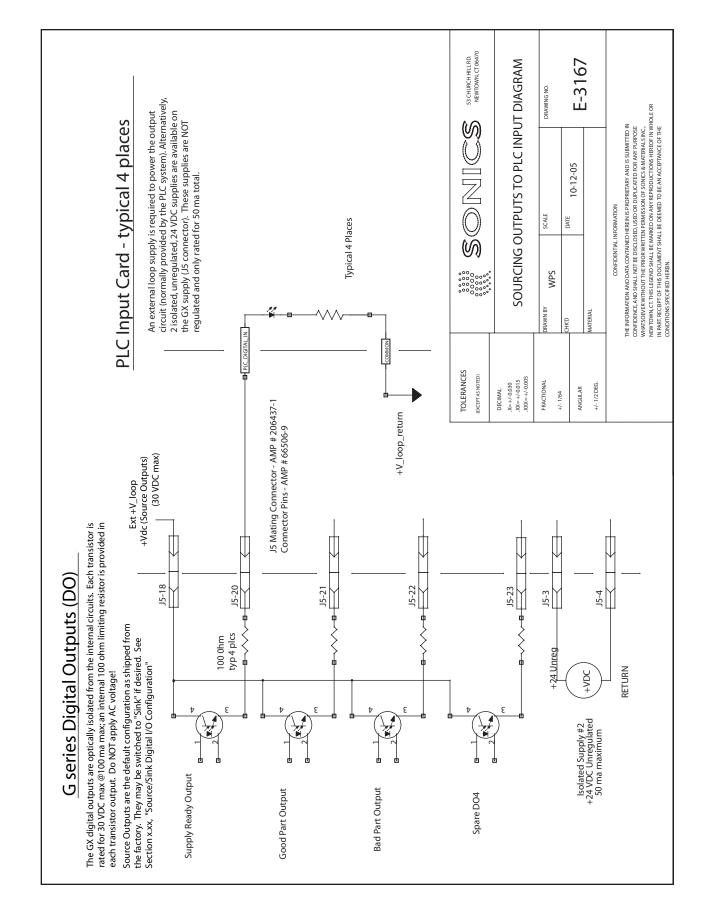
When the ultrasonic supply is READY a timer is started to generate the 50 ms impulse command in rung 0. When the timer is finished it will be reset by rung 0001 so it will be ready to go as soon as the cycle is completed and ready returns true.

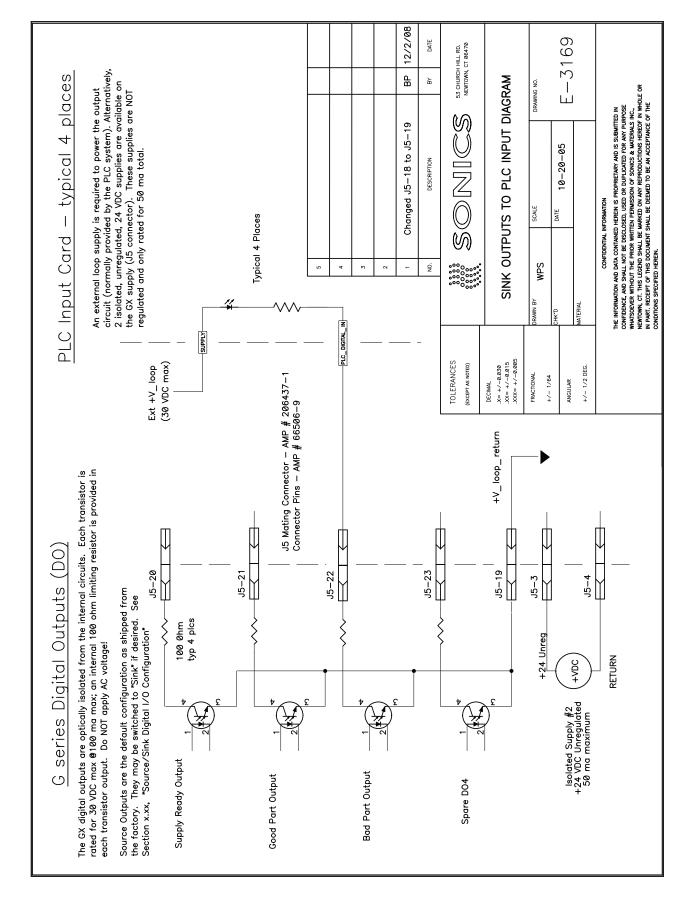
While the timer is timing, output 0:3/0 is set causing the ultrasonic system to begin a new cycle. This is the 50 ms impulse signal (rung 0002).

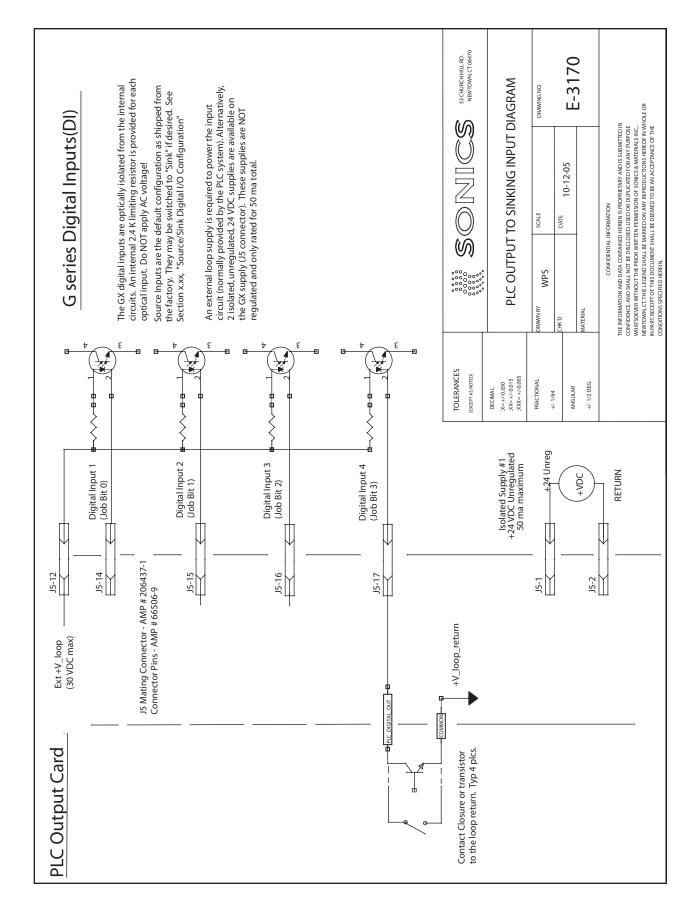
Once the new cycle has started, the ready signal will be false and the next job number is sent to the output at output O:1.0. So the address code for the next cycle is set and stable long before the present cycle is completed (rung 0003).

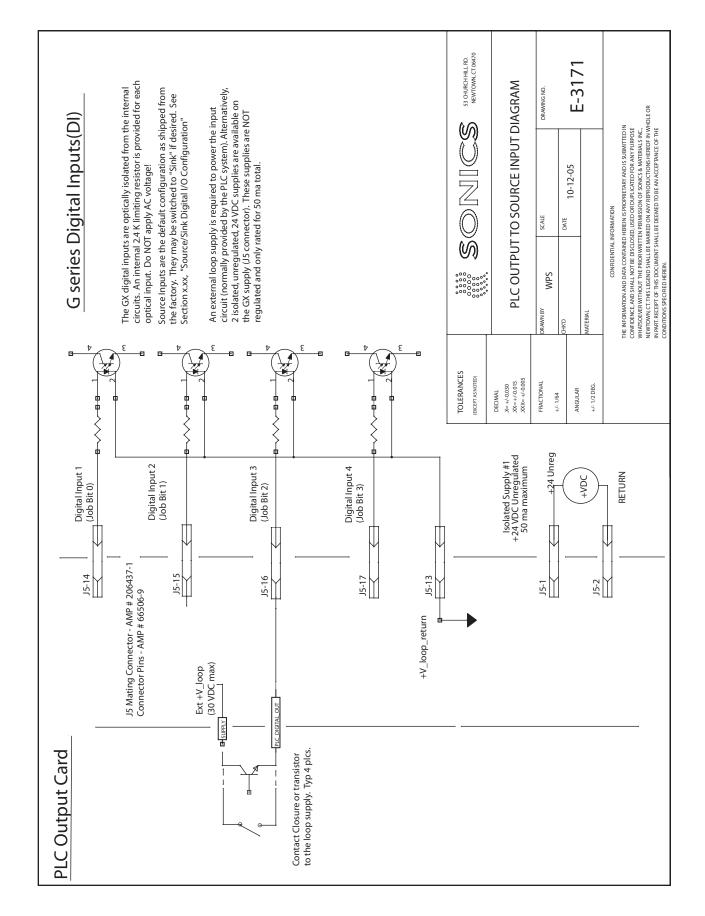
Rung 0004 generates the next job address code and updates the holding register, N7:2, with the next job number. If the number is greater than 15, it gets reset to 1 to start over.

This sample runs round and round as fast as possible limited by the application time settings, the ultrasonic press movement (gap to the fixture and parts) and travel distance. Over 80 weld cycles per minute are possible with very short weld times, higher pressures and shorter press stroke settings.



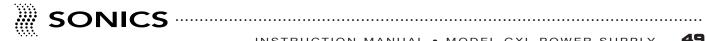


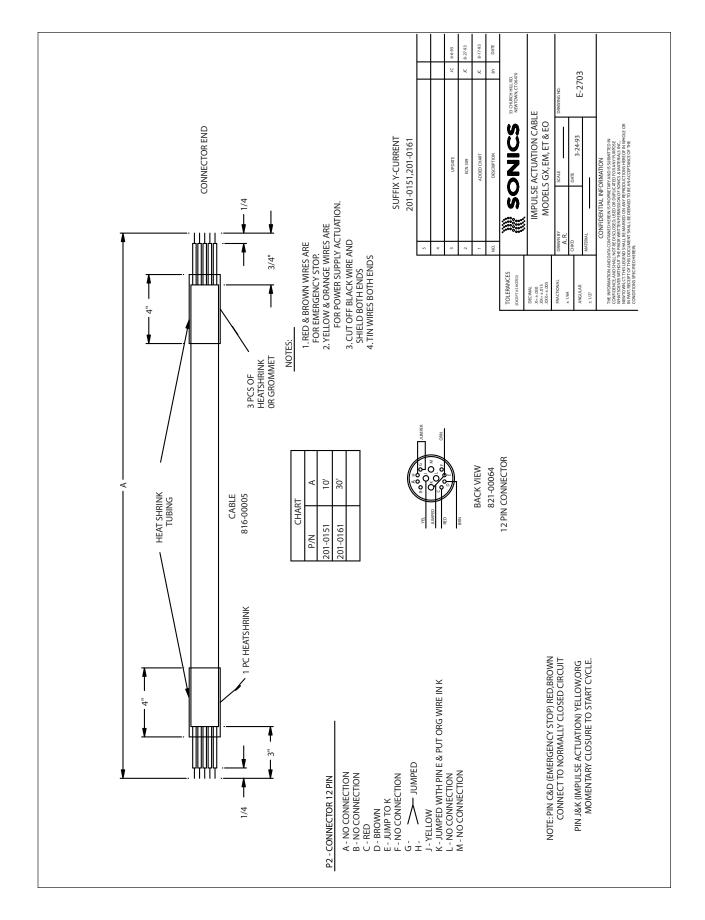


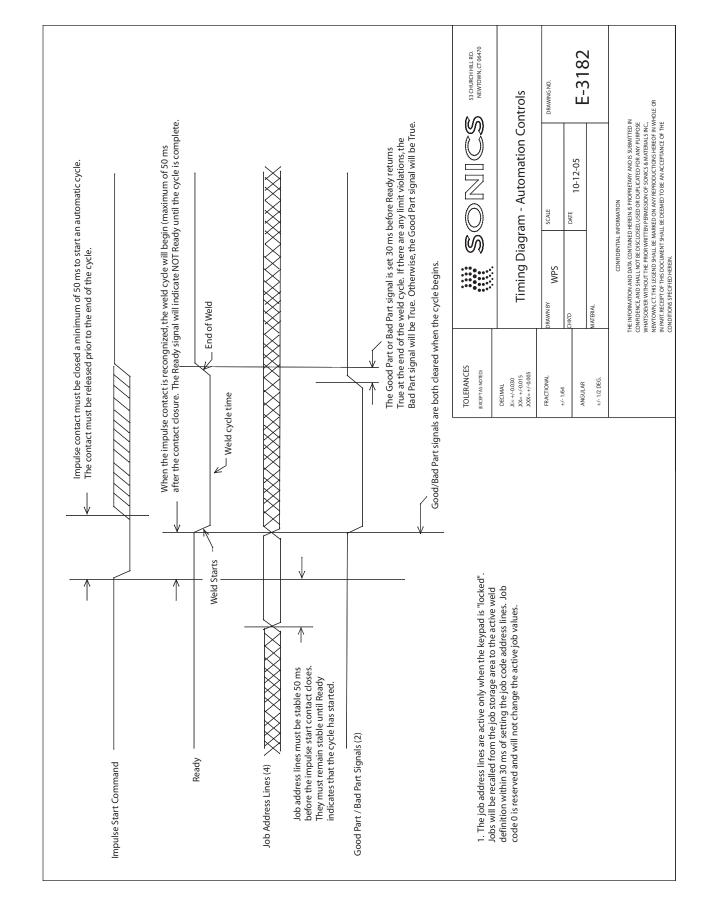




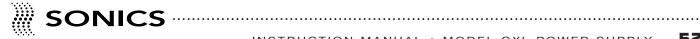
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# **GXL SWITCHES**

SWITCH	POS. OFF	POS. ON	DEFAULT
SW2-1	Program Flash (Production only)	Enable-WD (Always on)	ON
SW2-2	Cylinder Pot (Future option)	Optical Encoder	ON
SW2-3	Auto Start	Wait for 'ENTER'	ON
SW2-4	English	Metric	OFF
SW2-5	Print Line-OFF	Print Line-ON	OFF
SW2-6	Reserved For Future Expansion		
SW2-7	TXT Print Line	Future Option	OFF
SW2-8	Reserved For Future Expansion		