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PB-100

**Polling Bridge and
Phone Line Interface**

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Multi-Purposed PC to Phone Line Bridge with Application Software



The **PB-100** is used to provide status polling of Viking **1600A** Series Emergency Phones or remote programming of **AES-2000** Entry Systems. The **PB-100** can connect to an unused serial port on your PC or use the included RS-232 to USB converter cable to connected to a USB port. Downloadable

software is available with these two applications along with software for programming other Viking products.

When used to poll **1600A** Series Emergency Phones, the application software allows the user to set up a list of phones to call along with a scheduled time for calling. Through the **PB-100**, each phone can be called, its ID code verified and it's mic and speaker tested. When finished, the application software logs the time of the call and the results.

When programming an **AES-2000**, the application software allows the user to manage multiple units with resident's phone numbers and access codes. By using a standard telephone connected to the **PB-100**, the recording of each tenant's name can be done. The software also supports delayed uploading the downloaded statistics.

Note: The PB-100 utilizes an internal modem for programming. This requires an analog phone line or VoIP line with a high quality network connection and non-compressing codec. See Page 3.

Features

- Compatible with Windows XP and up
- USB to RS-232 cable provided
- Audio out jack for monitoring

Applications

Software Provided For:

- **1600A Series** Emergency Phone Polling
- Remote programming of **AES-2000 and AES-2005** Accessible Entry Systems (**DOD 202, 204**)
- Hotel / Motel Wake Up Calling

Specifications

Power: 120V AC/12V DC 500mA, UL listed adapter provided

Dimensions: 5" x 5" x 1.5" (127mm x 127mm x 25mm)

Weight: 3 lbs. (1.36 kg)

Environmental: 32°F to 90°F (0°C to 32°C) with 5% to 95% non-condensing humidity

PC Interface: 9-pin RS-232 or USB port (cable included)

Software/Hardware Requirements:

- IBM Compatible personal computer with an available serial port
- Windows: XP and up

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Warranty

IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH A VIKING PRODUCT, PLEASE CONTACT: VIKING TECHNICAL SUPPORT AT (715) 386-8666

Our Technical Support Department is available for assistance Monday through Friday 8am - 5pm central time. So that we can give you better service, before you call please:

1. Know the model number, the serial number and what software version you have (see serial label).
2. Have your Technical Practice in front of you.
3. It is best if you are on site.

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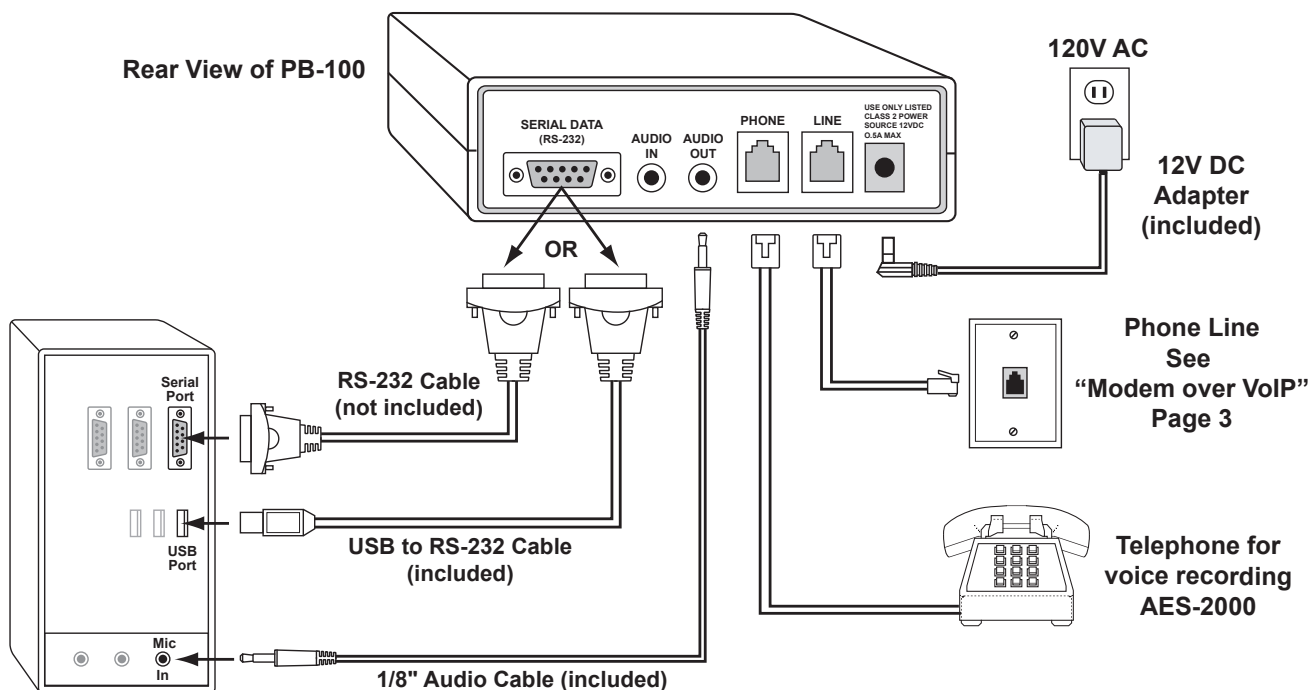
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Hardware Installation

The **PB-100** comes complete with a telco cord, USB to RS-232 converter cable, audio cables and a 12V DC power adapter.

Step 1.	Using the telco cord, connect a phone line to the rear panel jack labeled "LINE". If the PB-100 is to be used to make AES-2000 audio recordings. A standard phone can be plugged into the "PHONE" jack.
Step 2.	Connect one end of a 9 pin serial cable (not included) into the jack labeled "SERIAL DATA" and the other end into an open serial port of the PC. If a serial port or serial cable is not available, use the included RS-232 to USB cable to connect to a USB port. Do not plug in the USB TO RS-232 Cable until the USB driver is installed. See the Software and Installation section.
Step 3.	If audio is to be used through the PB-100 , connect the "Audio In" or "Mic In" of the sound card to the "AUDIO OUT" port of the PB-100 .
Step 4.	Plug the 12V DC power adapter (included) into the rear panel power jack.



A. Modem over VoIP

If you are replacing an analog PSTN (Public Switched Telephone Network) or POTS (Plain Old Telephone Service) line with VoIP service, be aware that the following Viking models utilize internal modems for programming: **AES-2000**, **AES-2005**, **PB-100** and **CTG-2**.

The problem is that the codecs used by VoIP ATA's (Analogue Terminal Adapter) are designed to compress voice, not the analog signals sent and received by modems. A second problem is if a non-compressing codec is used, the transmission will be very sensitive to network QoS (Quality of Service), i.e. packet loss, jitter, and latency will be issues. To successfully use data modems over a VoIP connection you will need a minimum of:

- A non-compressing codec such as ITU G.711
- A high quality network connection

Software and Installation

A. USB to RS-232 Converter Cable Driver Installation

Before plugging the RS-232 Converter Cable into your PC, a USB Software Driver must be installed. Locate the CD ROM that was supplied with the **PB-100** and insert it into your PC's CD ROM drive. Follow the instructions on the screen. Once the driver is installed, the USB to RS-232 Cable can be plugged into an unused USB port on your PC.

B. Downloadable Software (go to www.VikingElectronics.com / products / PB-100)

The **PB-100** hardware can runs several different applications. The following is a brief description of the programs.

1. 1600A Series Polling Software

This software will automatically test the functionality of **1600A Series** emergency telephones on a repeating schedule. It can use up to (10) **PB-100**'s at once to dial each phone and test it for ID codes and microphone/speaker function, keeping a time-stamped log of all results. The software can also be used to automatically program units in the field.

2. AES-2000 Programming Software

The **AES-2000** Accessible Entry System can be programmed remotely using the **PB-100** and the **AES-2000** Programming Software. Both data and audio can be uploaded to the **AES-2000** including names, phone numbers, audio queues and other required programming variables. For more information, see **DOD 202**.

3. Smart Terminal Diagnostic Software

Smart Terminal is diagnostic program that allows the user to send and receive data directly to a COM port of your PC. ASCII, Hex and Decimal data can be entered, decoded and sent out the selected ports. Two separate display areas allow the user to view data coming in on either port. This utility is useful for troubleshooting the connection between the **PB-100** and your PC. If an "H" followed by Enter is received by the **PB-100**, it will send back a "K" and a carriage return. Do this to assure you have the correct com port configured for the **PB-100**.

4. Wake Up Caller Software

This software allows a small hotel or motel to use the **PB-100** to make scheduled wake up calls to any phone number. Set up alarms to repeat on certain days, announce the time and play a message.

C. System Requirements

1. Hardware Requirements

- IBM Compatible personal computer with: Windows XP and up
- **PB-100** hardware
- Available RS-232 serial port or USB port
- Male sub-D 9 pin cable or USB to RS-232 converter cable (provided with **PB-100** hardware)
- Windows compatible sound card
- 5MB minimum free hard drive space for each installation
- 8MB of free physical RAM for each **Viking** application running

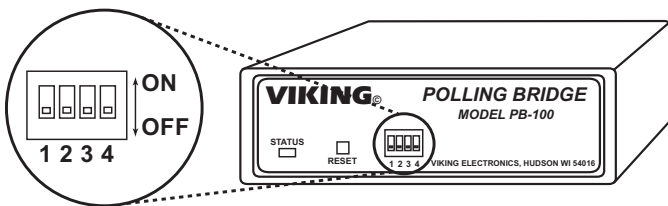
D. Installing Software

Step 1.	Go to www.VikingElectronics.com
Step 2.	Enter PB-100 in the search box at the top of the page
Step 3.	Under Products and News click on the PB-100 product
Step 4.	On the PB-100 product page scroll down to downloads section
Step 5.	Click on the desired application
Step 6.	Once loaded onto your PC, click on the installation
Step 7.	Follow the directions on the screen.

E. Un-Installing Software

Step 1.	Go to "Control Panel", then select "Add/Remove Programs".
Step 2.	Select the Viking software you want to remove.
Step 3.	Click "Remove".

Programming



Switch	ON/OFF	Description
1	OFF	1600A Series Polling mode enabled
1	ON	1600A Series Polling mode disabled
2	OFF	AES-2000 programming disabled
2	ON	AES-2000 programming enabled
3	OFF	1600A Series mic/speaker test disabled
3	ON	1600A Series mic/speaker test enabled
4	OFF	Audio attenuation disabled
4	ON	Audio attenuation enabled

A. 1600A Series Polling

For polling **1600A Series** products, set Dip switches 1 and 3 to ON, 2 and 4 to OFF.

B. AES-2000 Programming

Using the **PB-100** is the only way to program the **AES-2000**. The **PB-100** provides the modem for data transmission as well as a phone connection for recording the audio directory. Dip Switches 1 and 2 must be in the ON position 3 and 4 OFF. On some phone lines, there may be excessive noise and the **AES-2000** may have trouble receiving the data from the **PB-100**. If this happens, set Dip Switch 4 to the ON position to attenuate the unwanted noise.

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