

Heat Tracing Products

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- Self Regulating Freeze Protection
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- Self Regulating Hot Water Maintenance



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Heat tracing is used to counteract the heat lost from process equipment and piping through its insulation. A heat tracing system is a group of process equipment and piping which is heat traced and controlled in a logical and economical manner.

There are many reasons for making up the heat loss of a system. With any heat loss, there is a corresponding drop in temperature.

In many cases, a drop in temperature brings about unacceptable consequences. These consequences could be freezing of water in cooling water lines, steam or condensate return lines, compressed air lines, fire protection lines, storage tanks, valves, etc. A drop in temperature of process fluids could result in solution precipitation, unacceptable viscosity increase or solidification of the product in the lines.

Heat Tracing Products Applications

Electric Heat Tracing Products

Heating cable line includes cables suitable for most process maintenance, pipe and vessel freeze protection and roof and gut-ter de-icing applications.

Industrial Heating Cables are ideal for process maintenance applications. Maintenance temperatures up to 1100°F can be achieved in a variety of hazardous and corrosive environments. Industrial Cables include:

SRL — Self-Regulating, Low Temperature

SRP — Self-Regulating Process Maintenance

SRM/E — Self-Regulating, Medium Temperature Enhanced

CWM — Constant Wattage, Medium Temperature

MI — Mineral Insulation, High Temperature.

Commercial Application Cables are designed to meet specific needs of winterizing applications such as water line freeze protection and preventing ice damage to building structures. Commercial Cables include:

SRF — Self-Regulating Freeze Protection

SRF-RG — Self-Regulating Roof and Gutter Freeze Protection

HWM — Hot Water Maintenance Applications

Industrial Process Maintenance Applications

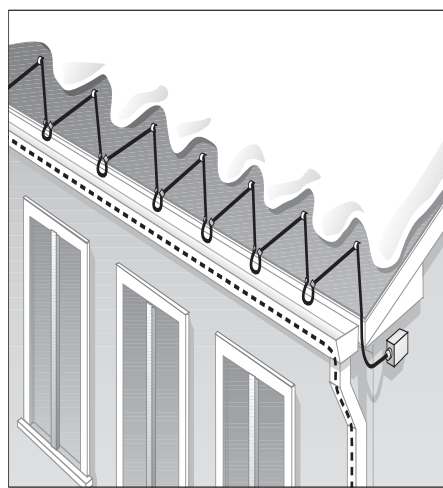
When industrial process piping and vessels must be maintained above the ambient air temperature, STS has the heating cable to fit the application. Cables range in the maximum maintenance temperature from 150°F for SRL to 1100°F for MI cables.

- Petroleum Refineries — Maintain petroleum and by-products at process temperature
- Waste Water Treatment Facilities — Prevent the precipitation of NaOH from solutions
- Food Processing Plants — Maintain viscosity of products in processes such as chocolate, oils and tallow
- Instrument Lines
- Storage Tanks
- Div. 1 and Div. 2 Hazardous Location Applications (Contact your Local Chromalox Sales office for Div. 1 applications)
- Freeze Protection of Steam Cleaned Lines
- Power Generating Plants — Trace steam condensate lines and other chemical additive lines
- Asphalt Lines

Commercial Applications

In a large number of regions in the world, buildings are susceptible to damage caused by water freezing. Primarily, this damage involves either the bursting of pipes or structural damage due to the weight of ice and snow building up on the roof. STS Commercial Application Cables are intended to prevent this damage.

- Cooling Tower Pipes
- Parking Garage Drain Lines
- Chiller Water Lines
- Exposed Pipe Traps
- Exposed Storm Water Pipes
- Sump Discharge Pipes and Equipment
- Wet Sprinkler Fire Systems, where approved by Local Codes
- Outdoor Sports Facilities and Stadiums
- Roof and Gutter De-icing
- Hot Water Maintenance



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Industrial & Commercial Grade Cables

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Industrial Cable Applications

Self-Regulating

SRL, SRP and SRM/E Self Regulating Heating Cables provide the most versatility in heat trace designs and applications. Constructed of a semiconductive heater matrix extruded between parallel buss wires, a self-regulating cable adjusts its output to independently respond to temperatures all along its length. As temperatures increase, the heater's resistance increases which lowers the output wattage. Conversely, as the temperature decreases, the resistance decreases and the cable produces more heat. The result — an energy efficient heating cable.

Self-regulating cables are flexible, can be cut-to-length in the field and can be overlapped without fear of burnout in areas where complex piping and equipment require additional heat trace cable.

Low (SRL) Process (SRP) and medium (SRM/E) temperature self-regulating heating cable for use on 120 and 208 to 277V. Equipped with a ground braid and optional TPR or FEP jacket, self-regulating cables are third party tested and approved for use in harsh corrosive and hazardous applications.

Constant Wattage

CWM Constant Wattage Heating Cables are ideally suited for applications where a particular watt density is required at all times. The heater element consists of a nichrome wire wrapped around parallel, insulated buss wires. At specific intervals, a short section of insulation is removed from alternating buss wires to create connection nodes for the nichrome wire. The result is a network of parallel resistors along the entire length of constant wattage cable.

Constant wattage cables are flexible, can be cut-to-length in the field, and are manufactured for use on voltages from 120 to 480V. Although not suited for overlapping, its constant output makes it an ideal choice for higher temperature applications where higher watt densities are required. Equipped with a ground braid and optional FEP jacket, Chromalox constant wattage cables are third party tested and approved for use in harsh, corrosive and hazardous areas. Contact your Local Chromalox Sales office for hazardous area designs.

Mineral Insulated

Chromalox MI Mineral Insulated Heating Cables are the most rugged heating cable in Chromalox's product line. Constructed of a solid series resistor element embedded in highly compacted mineral insulation, MI cables are built to handle high temperature, high wattage applications. The series resistor and mineral insulation are encased in a metallic jacket of Alloy 825 for high temperature or corrosive applications.

Mineral insulated cables are factory assembled and tested, ensuring the highest quality product. Since the units consist of a series resistor, virtually any wattage/voltage/length cable configuration can be produced within the cable's physical operating limits. Chromalox mineral insulated cables are available for use up to 600V and are tested and approved for use in corrosive and hazardous areas. Optional accessories include pulling eyes and reverse glands. Other special features are also available.

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Industrial & Commercial Grade Cables (*cont'd.*)

Commercial Cable Applications Self-Regulating Freeze Protection

SRF Self Regulating Freeze Protection Heating Cable is a self-regulating cable designed for the freeze protection of water lines. The self-regulating matrix allows for overlapping and easy field installation. SRF also lowers its output and energy consumption as the temperature increases thus lowering energy costs. The 16 AWG buss wires provide for long circuits which reduce the number of accessories required.

A braided and braided with overjacket construction is available. Braided cable should be used on dry pipes and dry locations. The overjacket construction is suitable for wet locations where occasional exposure to moisture is expected.

SRF heating cable is not for use in hazardous locations. Consult the Industrial Cable Products in this section for cables suitable for hazardous locations.

Self-Regulating Hot Water Maintenance

HWM Cable is specifically designed for hot water temperature maintenance applications. HWM features a self regulating matrix that varies its output to accommodate changes in ambient or pipe temperature. This cable is designed to make up heat losses through the piping insulation and maintain consistent pipe temperatures for sink, shower, dishwashing, laundry, and kitchen service applications. HWM will maintain temperatures between 90°F and 140°F for these applications with service voltages between 120 and 277 volts. Circuit lengths up to 500 feet are available. HWM cable and accessories provide a low cost alternative to expensive recirculation systems for domestic hot water temperature maintenance applications.

Self-Regulating Roof & Gutter De-Icing

SRF-RG Heating Cable is specifically designed for roof and gutter de-icing applications. SRF-RG features a self-regulating matrix that reduces output as snow melt requirements decrease or when warm weather is present.

The braided and overjacketed construction provides reliable moisture protection. The 16 AWG buss wires allow ample circuit lengths and rugged design. Accessories are available for mounting to roofs and gutters.

Heat Tracing Products

Application & Selection Guidelines

General Product Summary

This section is designed to assist you in determining the appropriate cable for use in your application.

Step 1 — Collect Required Application Data and Determine Heat Loss

Step 2 — Choose the cable that best meets your specific application parameters based on the summary. Consideration of application temperature, exposure temperature, application requirements and environmental ratings should be made.

Step 3 — Select Heating Cable Wattage Rating

Step 4 — Determine Total Cable Required

Step 5 — Determine Circuits and Circuit Protection

Step 6 — Select Appropriate Accessories

Step 1 — Collect Required Application Data & Determine Heat Loss

Application data required can be split into two categories. The first is the heat loss data. This includes:

- Maintenance Temperature
- Minimum Ambient Temperature
- Pipe Size
- Insulation Type (or K factor)
- Insulation Thickness
- Indoor/Outdoor Installation
- Maximum Expected Wind Speed
- Required Safety Factor.

Refer to the Technical section of this catalog, "Determining Heat Energy Requirements — Pipe & Tank Tracing" for details on

performing heat loss calculations. For Commercial Freeze Protection, please see Cable Selection Tables in this section.

The second category of data required is the application and environmental conditions. This includes:

- Maximum Exposure Temperature (Power Off Condition)
- Circuit Length Considerations
- Available Voltage
- Hazardous Area Requirements
- Type of Pipe (Plastic or Metal)
- Chemical Exposure
- Fire Resistance.

Step 2 — Select the Cable

Choose the cable that best fits your specific application parameters and wattage requirements.

Heat Tracing Product Features

Features	Industrial					Commercial		
	SRL	SRP	SRM/E	CWM	Alloy 825 MI	SRF	SRF-RG	HWM
Max. Maintenance Temp. (°F)	150	225	302	320	900	100	50	225
Max. Exposure Temp. (°F) Power Off	185	275	420	400	1,100	185	185	275
Max. W/Ft.	10	15	20	12	50	8	12	15
Max. Circuit Length (Ft.)	95 - 660	55-750	150 - 600	225 - 900	330 - 1,000+	180 - 660	135 - 540	500 - 800
Buss Wire Size	16	16	14	12	N/A	16	16	16
Voltages	120, 208-277	120, 208-270	120, 208-277	120, 208-277, 480	Up to 600	120, 208-277	120, 208-277	120, 208-270
Hazardous Ratings	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Usable on Plastic Pipe	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cut-to-Length in Field	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Field Splicable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Can be Overlapped	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Output Varies with Temp.	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Varies Output Along Length	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Design of System	Simple	Simple	Simple	Simple	Involved	Simple	Simple	Simple
Installation of System	Easiest	Easiest	Easiest	Simple	Involved	Easiest	Easiest	Easiest
Fire Resistance	Fair	Fair	Fair	Fair	Excellent	Fair	Fair	Fair
Chemical Resistance	See Corrosion Guide, next page							
Size (Max. In.)	.435 x .185	.335 x .160	0.5 x 0.2	.435 x .235	0.4	.435 x .185	.435 x .185	.335 x .160
Accessories	DL/EL/U	D/UL	DL/U	DL/EL/U		DL/EL/U	RG Access.	DL/U
Monitor Wire Available	Yes	Yes	Contact Factory	Contact Factory	No	No	No	Yes
Applications	FL,PL	FL,FH, PL,PH	FL,FH, PL,PH	FL,FH, PL,PH	FL,FH, PL,PH	FL	RG	HWM
FL = Freeze Protection FH = Freeze Protection, High Exposure Temperature PL = Process Maintenance, Low Temperature PH = Process Maintenance, High Temperature RG = Roof and Gutter De-icing HWM = Hot Water Maintenance								

Heating Cable

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Application & Selection Guidelines *(cont'd.)*

Agency Approvals

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*Class I, Division I, Groups B,C & D - UL, CSA, FM - Contact your Local Chromalox Sales office for design assistance.

Corrosion Guide to Select Proper Cable Construction

Exposure To	Industrial							Commercial		
	SRL	SRM/E	SRP	HSRL	HSRM	CWM	Alloy 825 MI	SRF	SRF-RG	HWM
Moisture	C, CR, CT	C, CT	C, CT	CT	CT	C, CT	Yes	C, CR	Yes	C, CT
Aqueous Solutions of Inorganic Compounds	CR, CT	CT	CT	CT	CT	CT	No	No	No	CT
Liquids Organic Chemicals	CT	CT	CT	CT	CT	CT	Yes	No	No	CT
Acids or Bases	CT	CT	CT	CT	CT	CT	No	No	No	CT

Note — This is a recommendation guide. Chromalox cannot warrant any Electric Heat Trace against failure by sheath degradation if such failure is the result of operating conditions beyond the control of the heater manufacturer. It is the responsibility of the purchaser to make the ultimate choice of sheath material based on knowledge of the chemical composition of the corrosive solution, character of materials entering the solution, and controls which maintains the process.

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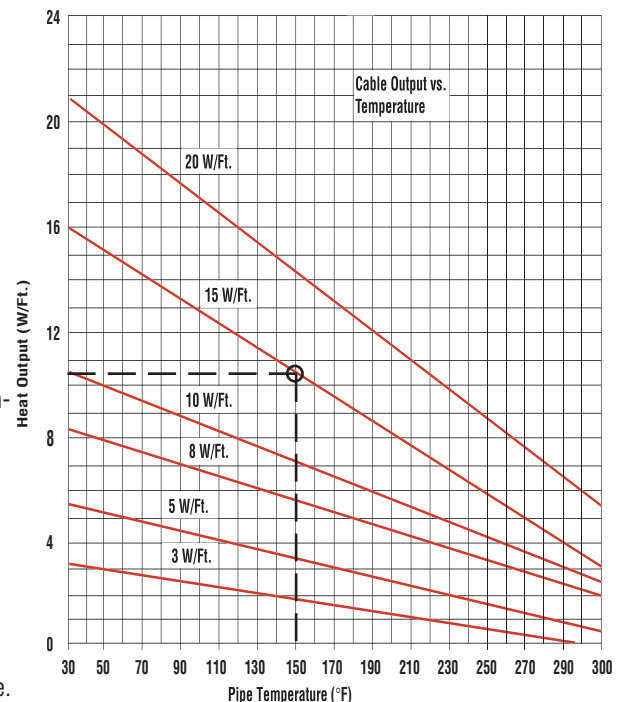
Required Jacket Material

Select the appropriate jacket configuration for the desired level of mechanical and corrosive chemical protection. The CR over-jacket option can be used when additional mechanical protection is desired. The CR over-jacket option is required when the cable can be exposed to aqueous inorganic chemicals. The CT over-jacket option is required when the cable can be exposed to organic chemicals or strong corrosives. Use Corrosion Guide above to determine the correct jacket material option for the cable type selected.

Step 3 — Select Heating Cable Wattage Rating

After calculating the heat loss in the pipe and adjusting for any application deviations, you may determine which cable rating to use. If you have selected a self-regulating cable you must adjust the output based on maintenance temperatures, using the Thermal Output Rating Graphs shown on the individual product pages, select the lowest cable rating that will provide the pipe maintenance temperature. **For Example:** A 15 W/Ft. SRM/E cable @ 150°F will output approximately 10 W/Ft. Multiple passes or runs of cable may be required to provide sufficient output per foot calculated in Step 1. This is accomplished with parallel runs of cable or spiraling. Contact your Local Chromalox Sales office.

Cable Output vs. Temperature



Step 4 — Determine Total Length of Cable Required

The total amount of heating cable is determined by adding the total footage of pipe to be traced and adding for allowances for the components such as flanges, valves, pipe supports; then, multiply by the total number of runs or Wrap Factor determined in Step 3.

(Total Feet of Traced Pipe + Cable Allowance for Components) x # of Runs = Total Cable Length

Step 5 — Determine Circuits & Circuit Protection

Circuit protection depends on the breaker size being used and the start-up temperature. The National Electric Code (NEC 1996) requires the use of ground fault protection breakers for heating cable. Refer to the specific data of the individual heat trace cable to determine maximum circuit lengths. To determine the number of circuits required for each pipe, divide the total cable length found in Step 4 by the maximum circuit length found in the individual cable data charts. Round up to the next higher number.

$$\text{Number of Circuits} = \frac{\text{Cable Length}}{\text{Maximum Circuit Length}}$$

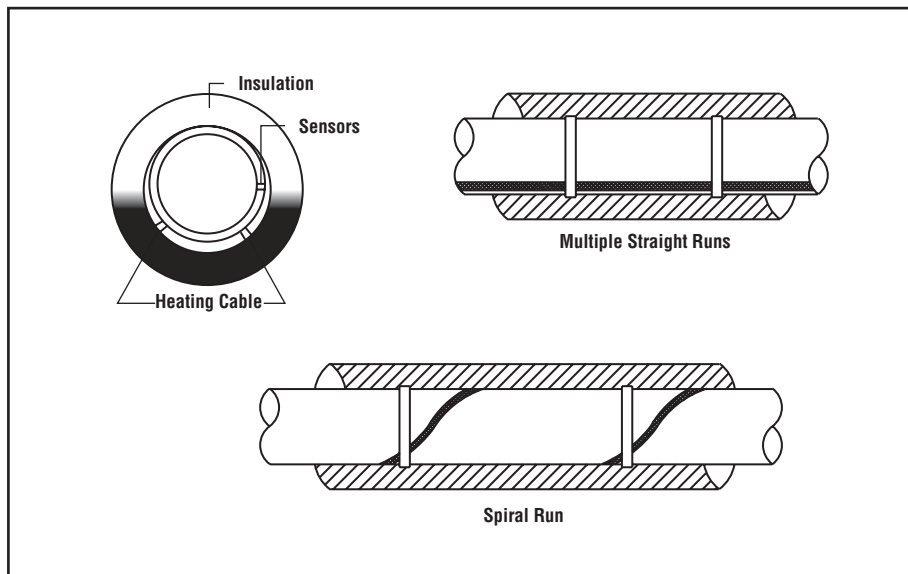
Pipe Component Cable Allowance Estimation

Component	Cable Allowance Factor (Ft.)	x	# Components	Total Additional Cable
Flange Pair	1.5	x		
Pipe Support	2.0	x		
Butterfly Valve	2.5	x		
Ball Valve	2.7	x		
Globe Valve	4.0	x		
Gate Valve	5.0	x		
Example: Pipe: 150 feet Valves: 1 globe valve Pipe Supports: 2 Flanges: 2 Total Cable Length = $[150 + (1 \times 4) + (2 \times 2) + (2 \times 1.5)] \times 2 \text{ runs}$ = 161 feet x 2 runs = 322 feet				

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Design of Multiple Runs when Heat Requirements Exceed Cable Output Ratings



Step 6 — Select Controls & General Application Accessories

Chromalox provides a wide range of termination accessory and control options for your heat tracing systems needs.

Accessory options range from ordinary area under the insulation kits in our EL series all the way through connections and terminations for Division 1 hazardous areas in our HL series. The accessories carry a full complement of third party approvals from UL, Factory Mutual, Canadian Standards, ATEX and IECex.

Controls range from Thermostats for both ambient air and pipe/tank sensing applications to WeatherTrace power distribution and controls panels through our IntelliTrace line of distribution, monitoring and control panels. Whether your project is a few lines of freeze protection or a few hundred lines of process piping we have the right control option for your needs.

Accessory Descriptions

U Series

- Designed for Ordinary and Hazardous Area use in Industrial applications
- Integrated design allows for quick cable termination
- Line carries worldwide approvals including ATEX and IECex
- Reduced parts count results in fast installation times
- Line includes:
 - Power Connection
 - Multi Entry Connection (for splice, tee or multiple power to 3 cables)
 - Above Insulation End Seal
 - Below Insulation End Seal
 - Lighted End Seal
 - Ambient Thermostat
 - Line Sensing Thermostat
- Thermostats also serve as power connection for cable - eliminating need for extra power connection box.

DL Series

- Designed for Ordinary and Hazardous Area use in Industrial Applications
- Integrated design allows for fast installation
- Box design allows easy access for field wiring, maintenance and trouble shooting
- CSA, Factory Mutual and UL approved for ordinary and Hazardous area use (Div. 2)
- Line Includes
 - Power Connection
 - Splice and Tee (connect up to 3 cables)
 - Below Insulation End Seal
 - Lighted End Seal (ordinary area use only)
 - Ambient Thermostat
 - Line Sensing Thermostat
- Thermostats also serve as power connection for cable - eliminating need for extra power connection box.

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EL Series

- Designed for use in ordinary areas for both commercial and industrial applications
- Low profile designs allow for ease of insulation around connections
- Kits include standard electrical terminations and heat shrink products familiar to most installers
- Low parts count allows fast termination of cables
- Third Party Approvals through UL, Factory Mutual and CSA.
- Line Includes
 - Junction Box
 - Pipe Stand off with sealing grommets and cable boots
 - Heat shrink splice and tee kits
 - Heat Shrink end caps

HL Series

- Specifically designed for use in Division 1 hazardous areas
- Corrosion Resistant housing made of high strength cast aluminum
- Reduced parts count for fast installation
- Small profiles for ease of insulation
- Line Includes
 - Power Connection
 - Splice Kit
 - Tee Kit
 - End Seal Kit
 - Add on Signal lights for End Seal and Power Connection

Controls Descriptions

DL Controls

The DL Series temperature controls are available in four models to handle a broad range of applications. Models include two ambient sensing and two line sensing thermostats. These high quality models combine On/Off temperature control and cable power connection in one affordable, convenient easy to install package. The line includes two 22 amp capable models for Ordinary Area installations and two 11 amp capable hermetically sealed models for Division 2 hazardous area applications. Products carry UL, Factory Mutual and CSA approvals.

EL Controls

The EL controls line contains ambient and line sensing controllers for use in Division 1 and Division 2 areas. All products switch 22 amps and come in NEMA 4x and NEMA 7 rated enclosures. Two models are available in dual output form. All capillaries are nontoxic oil filled available in 8 and 10 foot lengths. Products carry UL, Factory Mutual and CSA approvals.

WeatherTrace Control and Distribution Panels

The FPAS, FPASM, FPLS, and FPLSM series panels offer power distribution, ground fault protection, individual circuit alarming, with options for both line sensing and ambient sensing control. Line sensing is accomplished in conjunction with U SERIES, DL SERIES or EL SERIES thermostats. Ambient sensing can be accomplished with thermostats or optional Chromalox solid state 1604 series temperature controllers. The panels are housed in NEMA 4 enclosures for indoor/outdoor applications. NEMA 4X 304 stainless steel enclosures may be selected as an option for more harsh environments. The standard models are available in 12, 18, 20, 30 and 42 position panel boards with 100 and 225 amp bus ratings in single and three phase configurations. Branch circuit breakers are available in 20, 25, 30 and 40 amp single pole and two pole configurations with 30mA ground-fault equipment protection. Options for Z-purge systems for hazardous area installation are available. Sentinel monitoring system is available for alarm indication when a circuit loses power. Common alarm available for interface to building management systems. Panels are built in a UL 508 certified manufacturing plant and carry UL and cUL approvals.

IntelliTrace Control, Monitoring and Distribution Panels

The HTLS series panels are microprocessor based temperature control and monitoring units for both freeze protection and process temperature control applications. These units are housed in NEMA 4X enclosures and are available in single, dual, three and four loop controllers. Panels are designed for ordinary or hazardous area locations. Controllers are programmable for on/off or PID control and contain features such as process temp display, high and low temperature alarms, current alarm, and sensor failure indication. Each loop switches 30 amps rated at 40°C with solid state relay or optional two pole contactor. Controller handles universal thermocouple sensor inputs or 100 ohm platinum RTD. Panels are built in a UL508 certified manufacturing plant and carry UL and cUL approvals.

The HTLS and HTAS 8, 12, 24 loop panels are micro-processor based control/monitoring and power management / distribution panels for ordinary and hazardous area freeze protection and process maintenance applications. The system provides alarms for high and low temperature, continuity, ground fault leakage, and sensor faults. Each system contains a color touch screen operator interface that provides simple programming with no keyboards or cryptic labels. The panel displays loop status, alarm conditions and graphics on process temperature, set points, and currents. Built in power distribution reduces material, labor, installation and maintenance costs. The load management feature eliminates the need for expensive ground fault breakers, limits in rush current and systematically interrogates all circuits for continuity, ground leakage, sensor faults, and temperature alarms. Circuits switch 30 amps, and are on/off controlled with standard two pole contactors. Sensor inputs are 100 ohm platinum RTD and communications are accomplished by RS-485 modbus. The panels are built in a UL508 certified manufacturing plant and carry UL and cUL approvals.