VIVISUN 5000™

Electro-optical display system. The day-night all weather lighting solution.
VIVISUN 5000... the complete system solution.

- NDI • Ready to use • Immediate integration
The NVIS-Sunlight Readable Electro-Optical Display System

Aerospace Optics has long been regarded as the technical leader for NVIS/ SUNLIGHT READABLE pushbutton switches. These high quality, mil-spec approved pushbutton switches have set new standards for performance in ground, shipboard and airborne military systems.

The concept
The VIVISUN SERIES 5000 Electro-Optical Display System is a completely new concept in man/machine interfacing. It is the first Electro-Optical Display to offer a system solution that is NVIS compatible, SUNLIGHT READABLE and ready to interface directly with your host computer. The system offers multifunction capabilities and virtually unlimited alphanumeric and graphics capabilities. The uniqueness of the concept is that different legends can be displayed at different times on a single interactive Electro-Optical display. This allows the host computer to offer selections to the operator who in turn can initiate action by directly actuating the Electro-Optical display. This provides an effective two-way communication link between the operator and the host computer.

A complete system
The VIVISUN 5000 is a complete ready-to-use Electro-Optical Display System consisting of four Programmable Multifunction Pushbuttons (PMP), one Refresh Processor Unit (RPU) and four cables which connect each PMP to the RPU.

The PMP display contains a dot matrix of 560 LED pixels with drive electronics, a solid state Hall effect switch and a mechanism to provide positive tactile feedback when the PMP is depressed. The Hall effect switch signals the RPU that the PMP has been actuated. The operator receives information from the host computer by the various legends presented on the PMP display which are generated by system software. The operator initiates host computer action by depressing the PMP displaying the legend representing his selection.

The RPU contains the refresh and processing electronics necessary to function as an intelligent interface between the PMP and the host computer. It receives coded messages from the host computer and converts these messages to specific dot patterns which are displayed as legends on the PMP. When a PMP display is actuated, the RPU sends a coded message to the host computer identifying which PMP was actuated. The RPU also independently handles routine "housekeeping" functions such as self-testing, display refresh, luminance and blinking control so the host computer can concentrate on priority functions. The RPU's small size can be easily accommodated into rack mounted designs or separately mounted for severe vibration environments.

NVIS-Sunlight Readable
The VIVISUN 5000 is both NVIS compatible and SUNLIGHT READABLE per MIL-L-85762A. Compatibility with these lighting extremes is accomplished through a special 1000:1 trimming ratio which provides luminance for readability in 10,000 footcandles and the extreme low level lighting for NVIS compatibility. This unequalled lighting flexibility qualifies the VIVISUN 5000 as the lighting solution for any military application.

Rugged reliability
The VIVISUN 5000 has design features to insure high reliability in any application. The PMP displays are designed with solid state LED's and hermetically sealed hybrid electronics for long, reliable service. The PMP switching element is a hermetically sealed Hall effect switch with no mechanical contacts to break or wear out. The RPU components are hermetically sealed to assure reliability and long life.

The VIVISUN 5000 reliability has a calculated Mean-Time-To-Failure (MTTF) per MIL-HDBK-217E. The Electro-Optical Display System is designed to meet the rugged environmental requirements of virtually any military ground, shipboard or airborne system design.

Interactive communications
The VIVISUN 5000 provides interactive communications between the operator and the host computer. The host computer presents information to the operator by sending messages which appear as legends on the PMP displays. The operator can send a reply to the host computer by actuating the PMP displaying the desired action. The actuation signals the host computer to perform the appropriate action. New information is then presented to the operator who once again can send a reply by actuating the PMP displaying his selection. This provides the operator with interactive control over the host computer.

Reduces the number of controls
As a fully interactive Electro-Optical Display System, the VIVISUN 5000 can significantly reduce the number of dedicated controls required to interface with your system. Since each PMP can perform multiple functions, a separate switch or indicator is no longer required for each system function. Large banks of switches can be eliminated through the use of a small matrix of VIVISUN 5000 PMPs. This enables you to design control consoles that are more compact and efficient while increasing your system's capabilities.

Simplifies complex panel design
Because the VIVISUN 5000 can reduce the number of components required, your control panels can be designed much smaller in size with less complexity. This results in an increase in panel space utility and an overall reduction in weight.
Maximize your computer's capabilities

The use of dedicated manual controls will not allow you to take full advantage of your computer's maximum capabilities. The task is not only to "keep the operator in the loop" but to integrate technology into the loop that keeps the operator as it's central element. Through the use of multifunction displays the VIVISUN 5000 handles the tremendous information load being supplied to the operator and allows the operator to access the maximum capabilities of the host computer.

User friendly

The VIVISUN 5000 is a complete system that is immediately ready to work for you in your application. Just provide power and serial data input/output from your personal computer which can act as a host computer. This is all that is needed to display legends and receive messages.

The Refresh Processor Unit (RPU) makes your job much easier. It acts as an interface between the host computer and the LED displays so no special display interface circuits are required. The RPU also includes memory capacity for performing routine "housekeeping" functions completely independent of the host computer.

The legends displayed on the Programmable Multifunction Pushbutton (PMP) are controlled by messages received from the host computer through the RPU. These messages are formed from a user friendly command structure which uses a coding system that is simple and easy to understand. You can actually create display legends on the PMP's by sending characters from the host's keyboard as you type. This can be an immense aid in your system software development. A VIVISUN 5000 software manual provides detailed information on the command structure, message coding, interface and software features.

Total legend flexibility

The ability to present any kind of legend is also a key element in an interactive control environment. The PMP displays are programmable and can display text, graphics, or any combination of text and graphics. Any visual pattern that can be drawn within the 560 pixel format can be displayed. Having flexibility like this means you can present legends in the best possible form for easy recognition.

Flicker free display

The RPU refreshes each PMP display over 400 times per second to avoid stroboscopic effects. At this rate, the human eye perceives a continuous image even if the display is moving relative to the operator. This eliminates the flicker often noticed with other electronic displays in moving vehicles such as aircraft, ships, tanks and trucks. Displays that are refreshed less than 400 times per second suffer greatly from this flickering problem and should not be used in moving vehicles.

Low touch temperature

Because of the low heat generation the touch temperature is much lower than most dedicated function pushbutton switches. This means that operator discomfort will not be a problem regardless of how often a switch is depressed.

Watertight and splashproof

The PMP is designed and tested to meet the watertight and splashproof requirements of MIL-STD-108. An integral rubber seal that is permanently attached internally and a rubber sealing gasket around the front bezel prevent water from leaking through the control panel.

Positive tactile feedback

Each PMP is equipped with a mechanism which provides a positive tactile feedback force when electrical actuation is achieved. This interactive feature assures the operator by feel, as well as by sight, that actuation has occurred.

Display face actuation

The PMP is designed so that the display face can be pushed to actuate the switching function. This helps the operator readily associate the display legends with the PMP actually being depressed. A pushbar is also provided on the lower part of the display face so the operator can actuate the pushbutton and still read the display when necessary.

The visual clutter caused by numerous panel controls can be greatly reduced by centralizing the VIVISUN 5000 into a small area. This reduces the operator's visual scanning area and enhances performance.

Reduces workload and stress

The VIVISUN 5000 can be programmed through the host computer to lead an operator through any sequence of events. The operator can be guided through a complete sequence of instructions or any combination of operations in a predetermined order. This can significantly reduce the stress associated with complex workloads. Bulky manuals and checkout procedures can be eliminated. An example, in an aircraft application, the VIVISUN 5000 can be programmed to take the pilot through each mode of flight in sequence beginning with the preflight instrument checklist and ending with engine shutdown procedures.

Reduces error and reaction time

The VIVISUN 5000 significantly decreases the likelihood of operator error or oversight. Using the appropriate legends, the host computer can call for correct responses before transmitting the next message. Priority functions can be programmed into the system so the operator can be guided quickly through any emergency situations thereby reducing reaction time. The operator cannot make an error because he is offered only the alternatives for the problem at hand excluding incorrect options.

Designed for computer based systems

The limiting factor in computer based panels has been the communication between the computer and the human operator. This communications process has been slow and difficult requiring extensive training. New technologies have forced the operator to go beyond traditional management of these control panels. For the computer to continue communications with the operator the controls must reflect changes occurring within the system. The VIVISUN 5000 provides the needed interactive controls to communicate with the host computer more effectively than dedicated manual controls.
Software controlled luminance

The PMP display luminance is software controlled by the RPU in 35 brightness levels. By sending the appropriate message code to the RPU, the host computer can select any one of 35 brightness levels for excellent display visibility in ambient from darkness (including NVIS) to direct sunlight. A dimming ratio of 1000:1 allows you to match the luminance of the VIVISUN 5000 to the multi-ambient conditions of your program.

Self-testing and reporting

The RPU can conduct a series of internal diagnostics tests and report the results back to the host computer. These tests verify the proper operation of all major circuitry within the microprocessor. The self-test is initiated at power up to identify any problems prior to the system start up. Self-test can also be performed at any other time as long as the system is operating.

Message validation

Each message received from the host computer is checked for errors and validated by the RPU before any action is taken. If the message is invalid, the RPU sends an acknowledgement message back to the host computer. If the message is declared invalid, the RPU will send a retry message back to the host computer. No action is taken that would destroy existing legend information on the PMP until a message has been validated. This insures message integrity and the possibility of presenting wrong legend information is eliminated.

User-friendly software

The command structure is designed to be user friendly and easy for programming. Messages are formed by using standard ASCII character codes. The use of these familiar codes makes message coding easy to learn and easy to use.

High quality design

At Aerospace Optics we are committed to the manufacturing of high quality products. Our quality system is AS9100 certified, our test lab is DSCC approved and we are a qualified products supplier for illuminated pushbutton switches listed on the MIL-PRF-22885 QPL.

Our modern facilities include a complete clean room and hybrid microcircuit manufacturing area where hybrid components are assembled under the guidelines of MIL-STD-883. Our design engineering and manufacturing operations are enhanced with Computer Aided Design (CAD) and Computer Aided Manufacturing (CAM) capabilities. Aerospace Optics has over 35 years of experience in producing cockpit controls and illuminated products for aerospace crewstations. With this extensive experience we are accustomed to developing new, state-of-the-art concepts. The VIVISUN 5000 means that tomorrow’s interactive Electro-Optical Display System is available today.

Typical applications

The interactive control capabilities of the VIVISUN 5000 can greatly benefit applications where multiple controls are needed. The VIVISUN 5000 allows operators to control even the most sophisticated computerized systems without the need for large and complex control panels.

Modern computer technology has enabled complex systems to be smaller, lighter and more efficient. Computers at the heart of the system can handle even the most complicated tasks and the interactive control capabilities of the VIVISUN 5000 help improve the communications between the operator and the host computer. This will increase system effectiveness while reducing operator workload and control panel complexity.

Applications that can benefit from the use of interactive control arise in many areas, including the aerospace industry, shipboard applications, armor applications and other military systems.

Applications in the aerospace industry for fixed wing and helicopter systems include:

- Checklists
- Fault management systems
- Cockpit controls
- Flight system controls
- Navigation controls
- Weapons management
- Landing gear controls
- Advance cockpit development
- MFD support
- FLIR systems
- Automatic test equipment

Shipboard applications include:

- Steering controls
- ICOLS
- Engine controls
- Communications systems
- Radar systems
- Damage control systems
- Pump control room
- Arresting gear control
- Catapult systems
- Pri-Fly Control
- AFFF systems
- ASW systems

Armor and other military applications include:

- Battlefield management systems
- Secure communications systems
- Target acquisition systems
- Fire control systems
- C3I systems
- ECM systems
- IFF systems
- ELINT systems
- BITE systems
- Threat simulators
- EW simulators
- IRCM systems
- Vehicle maintenance systems
Man machine interface

Computers have become the central point of control for almost every modern system. But with computers have come problems communicating with human operators. The VIVISUN 5000 is designed to enable computers to effectively communicate with human operators. This communication is the key to interactive control that leads to maximum system efficiency.

The first illustration in Figure A shows how a legend is presented to the operator. A coded message containing the legend information is transmitted from the host computer to the RPU via an RS-422 or RS-232C serial data link. This coded message is highly structured and contains parity information. Parity gives the RPU the ability to check the message for validity. Once the message has been validated the RPU transmits an acknowledgement message back to the host computer. A further action is taken that would destroy any existing legends until a valid message is received. This "handshaking" assures the host computer that the legend information is always true and correct. Once a message is validated the RPU converts the message into a dot pattern and turns on the appropriate pixels in the selected PMP which then displays the legend information to the operator. The RPU then awaits either an operator response or a new message from the host computer.

The second illustration in Figure A shows how an operator can send a reply back to the host computer. The operator selects the PMP displaying the legend of his choice and actuates the PMP. The PMP notifies the operator position. The selection of a display technology for your application is important. Factors that should be considered during the selection process include backlighting requirements, dielectric breakdown, environmental effects upon the display, and viewing angle.

LED technology offers many advantages including long life, low power consumption, low heat generation and high display clarity. Since LEDs are light emitters, they do not rely upon external illumination to make the display readable. LEDs operate at night without backlighting. The display color will also remain the same, day or night.

LEDs operate on low voltages. Low operating voltages reduce the possibility of dielectric breakdown. Dielectric breakdown can be a serious reliability problem in high voltage flat panel displays and backlighting. Failure in high voltage power supplies are also eliminated with LED displays.

LED displays can be operated in high and low temperature applications. Display technologies that rely upon an electrochemical reaction may suffer permanent degradation from exposure to high temperature and ultraviolet radiation from sunlight. LEDs are not permanently degraded by either high temperature or ultraviolet radiation. Also, at low operating temperatures, LEDs operate instantly and require no warm-up time.

LED displays have an inherently wide viewing angle. The viewing angle is completely independent of duty cycle, refresh rate and ambient temperature. The viewing angle of the LED is also symmetrical, providing the same viewing angle regardless of operator position.

Loop networking capabilities

In order to reduce the number of serial ports required by the host computer each RPU is equipped with loop networking capabilities. Instead of requiring one serial port for each RPU, the loop networking feature allows up to four RPUs to be connected to one serial port. This means that up to 16 PMPs and 4 RPUs can be handled by one serial port instead of only 4 PMPs and one RPU. Each of the four RPUs within a network has its own unique address code. Figure B shows the serial data line interconnections and the RPU address codes used to communicate with up to 4 RPUs and 16 PMP displays from one host computer serial port.
Global commands are designed to be applicable only to one RPU or PMP within the network while specific commands affect all RPUs and PMPs. The command set is flexible and efficient. The RPU is designed to make legend generation easy. Software command structure of the host computer. The PMP identification code is coded for RPU Address 3. RPU Address 0 then transmits an actuation message containing the RPU controlling it is notified. The RPU allows legends to be presented simultaneously. For example, text legends can be displayed and later updated with an underscore or surrounded by a box. The RPU allows legends to be presented on the PMP display in more than one mode simultaneously. For example, text legends can be displayed and later updated with an underscore or surrounded by a box.

Software features

The software command structure of the RPU is designed to make legend generation flexible and efficient. The command set is divided into two groups, Global and Specific. Global commands affect all RPUs and PMPs within the network while specific commands apply only to one RPU or PMP.

Each RPU is jumper configured with a unique address code from Address 0 to Address 3 prior to network installation. Legend commands sent from the host computer are coded with address information showing the destination RPU and PMP display. Messages not addressed for a particular RPU are ignored and simply retransmitted down the loop to the next RPU. As an example of this process, the host computer would transmit a message to the network for RPU Address 3. This message first arrives at RPU Address 0. RPU Address 0 would compare the message address with its jumper setting and find that the message is coded for RPU Address 3. RPU Address 0 then ignores the message and retransmits the entire message to RPU Address 1. This compare and retransmission process occurs again from RPU Address 1 to RPU Address 2 and from RPU Address 2 to RPU Address 3. When RPU Address 3 checks the message, it finds that the message address corresponds to its jumper address setting. RPU Address 3 now not only echoes the command back to the host computer, but checks the message for validity, sends an acknowledgement to the host computer and executes the command. All other RPUs and PMPs within the network remain unchanged.

When one of the 16 PMP displays is actuated the RPU controlling it is notified. The RPU then transmits an actuation message containing the PMP identification code to the host computer. The PMP identification code is determined by the RPU address code and the PMP connector to which it is connected. The PMPs have no individual coding and any PMP can be connected to any RPU.

Human factors

Human factors are important considerations in system design. Human factors most often affecting programmable switch design include the display size, display resolution, character height, refresh rate, fingerprints and tactile feedback. Software features and attributes are important to provide flexibility in legend presentation.

It is important that the overall programmable display size be large enough to be seen and actuated easily. Text characters and graphics patterns must be large enough to be visible at a typical viewing distance of 28-30 inches. Extremely small characters may be difficult to read at this distance and should be avoided. To provide good operability, the PMP has an overall size of 1x1.5 inches. The display resolution is optimized at 40 pixels per inch yielding a minimum character height in the 5x7 text format of 0.162 inch.

Displays that require periodic refresh must be refreshed at a rate in excess of 400 frames per second. This will prevent stroboscopic “flickering” of the display during the vibration often encountered in aircraft and vehicular applications. The RPU in the VIVISUN 5000 refreshes each PMP in excess of 400 frames per second, high enough to eliminate stroboscopic effects.

Since the face of a programmable display is designed to be touched during actuation, it must be resistant to scratches and fingerprints. Antireflection coating and optical filters may be unsuitable for programmable display applications due to scratching and the serious performance degradation caused by fingerprints. The face of each VIVISUN 5000 interactive PMP display is treated with a unique process that resists scratches and fingerprints.

The actuating surface of a programmable display must provide a positive tactile feedback for operator acknowledgement when actuated. It must also provide a degree of protection against accidental actuations. The tactile feedback should remove any need for the operator to visually read the display to determine whether or not it was actuated. The VIVISUN 5000 PMP provides both a positive tactile feel and integral actuation barriers. The sides and top of the PMP display form a raised area forming an actuation barrier. This helps prevent multiple actuation should the operator’s finger slip off of the PMP face during actuation.

The PMP has a push face design with a pushbar on the lower part of the display face. Depressing the pushbar results in an actuation force of 1-3 pounds. Using the pushbar enables the operator to view the display during actuation when required. Depressing the center of the display face results in an actuation pressure of 2-6 pounds. This extra pressure in conjunction with the integral actuation barriers reduces the possibility of an accidental actuation should a PMP be unintentionally bumped.

The RPU has many software features that provide flexibility in legend presentation. Text and graphics patterns may be displayed together on the same display face. This gives the designer the ability to present text legends and later update these legends with graphics attributes such as an underscore or surrounding box. This enables the operator to know at a glance when a legend representing a system feature is selected or available. For prompting and warning, the RPU provides a blinking attribute.
TECHNIQUES FOR USE

The full potential of the powerful VIVISUN 5000 will not be realized if it is used to simply replace a single, dedicated function switch. To use its full capabilities, careful planning needs to be performed early in the design process. The VIVISUN 5000 can then be part of a totally integrated system. To plan and organize the control of a system, a flow chart can be used to illustrate the control flow. This enables you to visualize the control flow easily without the need to program the host computer.

Control planning can be divided into three simple steps:
1. IDENTIFY system functions controlled by the VIVISUN 5000.
2. GROUP these functions into related control groups.
3. ORGANIZE the control groups to form a control scheme.

When a control system is planned properly, the control flow will be straightforward and easy to understand.

An applications example

The following applications example illustrates how only one VIVISUN 5000 system could be used to control all major systems on an advanced aircraft. Each row of the chart shows the legend information displayed on each of the four PMP displays as it is presented to the pilot. Solid blue lines originating from a PMP display indicate actuation of that PMP display. Dotted lines originating from a PMP display indicate that the legend information changed as the result of actuation of another PMP display. Arrows are used to indicate the direction of the control flow.

The example shown incorporates both multi-legend and multi-function modes of operation. PMP displays are used to display system status, perform interactive checklists and directly control system functions.

When the pilot first activates the host computer, the legend information in row 1 is displayed. The legends indicate that the battery, fuel and breathing oxygen levels are within system limits and that the engine can now be started. The pilot would then actuate the "ENGINE START" display and once the engine was started, the system would perform an automatic test of all engine, hydraulics and power systems. Since all systems are within safe limits, the pilot actuates the "CHECK LIST" display causing the checklist in row 3 to be presented. The pilot acknowledges each requested check by actuating the appropriate PMP display. When actuated, each display face would go blank until the entire checklist is complete. In this example, only wing ice, flaps position, and brakes are included within the checklist. System status is also shown during the checklist operation, the result of continuous system diagnostics. If any fault were to occur, legends would appear indicating the type of fault and suggested remedies. In this example, all systems are "OK". Once complete, the "FLIGHT MENU" legend is displayed, shown on row 5.

The "FLIGHT MENU" is the origin for all electronic warfare, weapons, system control and diagnostics functions. By actuating the "EW MENU" display in row 5, the pilot can select active jamming, passive radar warning receivers, and defensive chaff shown in row 6. Whenever a system is activated, the "ARMED" legend appears. When activated, legends are designed to "toggle" between armed and unarmed states for simplicity. When the pilot returns by actuating the "FLIGHT MENU" display in row 7, arrowhead symbols are used to show that at least one of the menu's selections are armed. This lets the pilot know at a glance that he has made a selection within the menu. The same control scheme is used for weapons in rows 9 and 10 after the "WEAPON MENU" display is actuated in row 8. In a real application, the host computer would be programmed to recognize the attached weapons and provide all necessary launch sequence and targeting instructions to the pilot.

Actuating the "SYSTEM CHECK" display in row 11 causes a manual systems diagnostics of major systems to be shown in row 12. This can be performed at any time to confirm status of the engine, hydraulics and power systems. In row 13, the pilot actuates the "SYSTEM MENU" display. In this menu, the pilot can stop and start the aircraft engine as well as manually switch between main and backup hydraulics and power. In row 15, the pilot has actuated the "FLIGHT MENU" display to return to the flight menu shown in row 16. Note that all electronic warfare and weapon systems are now unarmed. To prevent accidental weapons release, the host computer disarmed these systems automatically when the engine was stopped in row 14. This feature, although only an example, can be used to increase safety by using the host computer to prevent unsafe operating modes.
**SPECIFICATIONS**

**MECHANICAL FEATURES:**

**PROGRAMMABLE MULTIFUNCTION PUSHBUTTON (PMP):**

**Packaging Dimensions:** The PMP display construction, physical dimensions and configuration conform to Figure 1.

**Low Weight:** 75 grams typical including mounting sleeve and heat sink.

**Length:** Overall length is 3.25” including the heat sink.

**Mounting Depth:** The depth behind a 0.06” panel is 2.76” including the heat sink.

**Housing Material and Finish:** Plastic, black matte finish.

**Heat Sink Material and Finish:** Aluminum, black anodized.

**Pushbutton Action:** Momentary.

**Mechanical Life:** 250,000 cycles.

**Operating Characteristics:**

- Actuation travel: 0.040” 0.010”
- Actuation force: 1 to 3 pounds depressing the pushbar.
- 2 to 6 pounds depressing the display screen

**Strength of Actuator:** 18.7 pounds static load.

**Tactile Feedback:** A positive tactile feedback force is provided when electrical actuation is achieved.

**Mounting Sleeve:** A mounting sleeve is provided with two captive slot head mounting screws installed.

**Mounting Plate Thickness:** Corrosion resistant steel.

**Mounting Cutout Dimensions:** See Figure 2.

**Mounting:** The PMP display is mounted by removing the mounting sleeve, inserting the PMP display through the mounting plate cutout then replacing the sleeve and tightening the captive screws from the back.

**Heat Sink:** A heat sink is provided to minimize the display temperature and is designed so that the mounting hardware can be removed and installed without removing the heat sink.

**Sealing:** The PMP display is supplied with an integral rubber seal permanently attached internally and a rubber sealing gasket around the edges of the front bezel.

**Enclosure Design:** Dripproof, watertight and splashproof when the rubber sealing gasket is properly installed.

**Dripproof Sealing:** There is no leakage of water through the seals when subjected to the dripproof sealing test defined in MIL-PRF-22885, paragraph 4.7.20.3 and MIL-STD-108.

**Watertight Sealing:** There is no leakage of water through the seals when subjected to the watertight sealing test defined in MIL-PRF-22885, paragraph 4.7.20.2 and MIL-STD-108.

**Splashproof Sealing:** There is no leakage of water through the seals when subjected to the splashproof sealing test defined in MIL-PRF-22885, paragraph 4.7.20.1 and MIL-STD-108.

**REFRESH PROCESSOR UNIT (RPU):**

**Packaging Dimensions:** The RPU physical dimensions are as shown in Figure 3.

**Weight:** 88 grams typical excluding interconnecting cables.

**Mounting:** Mounting holes are provided on the RPU as shown in Figure 3.

**System Interface Connector:** The RPU system connector is a male 15 pin D-style subminiature connector in accordance with MIL-C-24308/24-38F.

**PMP Connector:** The RPU to PMP connectors are 8 pin AMP Mod IV.

**CABLES:**

**Dimensions:** The cable dimensions are as shown in Figure 4.

**Connector:** The cable connectors are 8 pin AMP Mod IV.

**Wire Insulation:** The wire insulation material is Teflon.

**Weight:** 23 grams typical.

**Connector Retention:** 5 pounds, per MIL-STD-202, method 211A, test condition A.
ELECTRICAL FEATURES:

PROGRAMMABLE MULTIFUNCTION PUSHBUTTON (PMP):
Display Supply Voltage: 5 VDC, 0.25 VDC.
Display Supply Current: 850 mA, maximum.
Display Drive Current: The average forward current of each LED at full brightness is 1.5 MA.
Display Power Dissipation: 1.20 watts typical with 25% of the LEDs energized at full brightness.
Hermetic Packaging: All hybrid display circuitry within the PMP is hermetically sealed in ceramic packaging.
Hall Effect Switch: Low power solid state switching device hermetically sealed in a ceramic package. It is designed to send a signal to the RPU that the PMP display has been depressed and is not designed to switch electrical loads.
Electrostatic Discharge (ESD): 15,000 volts measured between the front bezel and the mounting plate in accordance with RTCA/DO-160D, Section 25.
Optional ESD Bezel: An optional black anodized aluminum ESD bezel and conductive sealing gasket is available that will enhance ESD tolerance to 25,000 volts.
Insulation Resistance: 1000 Megohms minimum at 500 VDC.
Dielectric Withstanding Voltage: 500 VAC, 60 Hz.
Reliability: The minimum PMP Mean-Time-To-Failure (MTTF) as calculated per MIL-HDBK-217E, Notice 1 at a pixel loading of 25% is as follows:

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REFRESH PROCESSOR UNIT (RPU):
Communications Interface: The RPU communications interface meets the requirements of EIA RS-422.
RPU Supply Voltage: 5 VDC, 0.25 VDC. RPU supply voltages below 4.5 VDC result in an automatic RPU reset.
RPU Power Dissipation: 0.5 watts typical.
Hermetic Packaging: All integrated circuits on the RPU are hermetically sealed in ceramic packages. All crystals and electrolytic capacitors on the RPU are hermetically sealed in metal packages.
Connector Pinouts: The pinouts for the male 15 pin D-Style subminiature connector are identified in Figure 5.
Baud Rate: The asynchronous serial communications between the RPU and host computer is jumper selectable to 2400, 4800, 9600 or 19200 baud.
Baud Rate Selection: The baud rate is selectable according to jumper settings shown in Figure 6.
Serial Transmission Format: The asynchronous serial data transmissions between the RPU and the host computer are comprised of 1 start bit, 7 data bits, 1 odd parity bit and 1 stop bit.
Message Validation: Each message sent from the host computer to the RPU is tested for parity and syntax before being displayed.
Error Reporting: The result of the RPU message validation is reported back to the host computer.
RPU Capacity: Each RPU can drive up to four PMP displays.
Multiple RPUs: A loop networking feature allows up to four RPU boards to be connected together in a daisy chain so that only one host computer serial port is required to drive up to sixteen PMP displays.
RPU Address Coding: The RPU loop networking address codes are jumper selectable according to the jumper settings shown in Figure 7.
Self Testing: The RPU executes an internal diagnostic test designed to verify operation of internal microprocessor circuitry necessary for PMP support.
Actuation Transmits Code: Upon actuation of a PMP display, the Hall Effect switch signals the RPU which then transmits a unique serial character to the host computer identifying the PMP that was actuated.
Continuous Depression Confirmation: The host computer can poll the RPU to determine if any of the PMP displays are being continually depressed.
Display Refresh Rate: The RPU refreshes the PMP displays in excess of 400 times per second completely independent of the host computer.
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<td>180,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Airborne Inhabited</td>
<td>60 C</td>
<td>120,000</td>
</tr>
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VIVISUN 5000 System: A complete VIVISUN 5000 electro-optical display system is shown in Figure 8.
VISUAL FEATURES:

DISPLAY EMISSION CHARACTERISTICS:

Display Illumination: The VIVISUN 5000 display is illuminated by a matrix of Light Emitting Diodes (LEDs) for high reliability.

Chromaticity Coordinates: See Figure 9 for limits.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Color</th>
<th>x</th>
<th>y</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Green</td>
<td>.419</td>
<td>.578</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Average Display Luminance: 150 footlamberts minimum at 25°C.

Dimming Ratio: 1000 to 1 typical from approximately 0.15 footlamberts to 150 footlamberts at 25°C.

Luminance Control: The display luminance is adjusted by software control in 35 brightness levels from minimum luminance to maximum luminance.

LED Uniformity: The luminance of each LED within the display matrix is no less than 40% of the average luminance of all LEDs in the display.

Display Refresh Rate: The display is refreshed in excess of 400 times per second.

Viewing Angle: The display viewing angle is 45 degrees.

NVIS COMPATIBILITY:

NVIS Compatibility: The VIVISUN 5000 complies with the NVIS radiance requirements of MIL-L-85762A.

Type I Class A NVIS Radiance: Less than $1.7 \times 10^{-10}$ at a display luminance of 0.1 footlambert.

Type II Class B NVIS Radiance: Less than $1.6 \times 10^{-10}$ at a display luminance of 0.5 footlamberts per MIL-L-85762A.

Spectral Radiance: Figure 10 shows the normalized spectral radiance of the VIVISUN 5000 PMP, the relative photopic response and the relative spectral response of the Class A and Class B NVIS.

Display Uniformity: The average luminance of a VIVISUN 5000 display is within a 2:1 ratio of the average luminance of other VIVISUN 5000 displays.

SUNLIGHT READABILITY:

Display Appearance: The LEDs produce a high clarity display that is extremely readable in darkness as well as daylight.

Minimum Difference Luminance: When set to full brightness, the VIVISUN 5000 displays comply with the minimum difference luminance requirement of 100 footlamberts for alphanumeric displays per MIL-L-85762A.

Sunlight Readability: When set to full brightness the display is readable in 10,000 footcandles of diffuse illumination and meets the sunlight readability requirements of MIL-L-85762A for illuminated visual signals excluding reflected specular sunlight.

Contrast: Contrast is measured in accordance with the sunlight readability test procedures of MIL-S-38039 and the test setup shown in Figure 11. The minimum contrast values are:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Diffuse Ambient Illumination in Footcandles</th>
<th>Contrast On/Off $C_L$</th>
<th>Contrast On/Background $C_I$</th>
<th>Contrast Off/Background $C_{UL}$</th>
</tr>
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<tr>
<td>10,000</td>
<td>3.0</td>
<td>3.0</td>
<td>&lt; 0.1</td>
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</table>

where:

$L_1$ = Average background luminance including unlit LED pixels.

$L_2$ = Average luminance of activated LED pixels.

$L_3$ = Average luminance of deactivated LED pixels.

$C_L$ = On/Background contrast.

$C_I$ = On/Off contrast.

$C_{UL}$ = Off/Background contrast (< for alphanumeric displays per MIL-L-85762A).

$E$ = 10,000 footcandle light source

$P$ = Photometer
DISPLAY IMAGING CHARACTERISTICS:

- **Pixel Array:** The 560 LED pixels are arranged in a dot matrix array of 16 rows by 35 columns.
- **Pixel Size:** The LED image elements are typically 0.012" by 0.012".
- **Pitch:** The centerline spacing of each imaging element is 0.025".
- **Resolution:** 40 lines per inch.
- **Active Display Area:** The active area size of the 560 pixel array is 0.387" by 0.862".
- **Character Capacity:**
  - Two rows of six characters in a 5x7 format.
  - One row of three characters in a 10x14 format.
- **Character Size:** See Figure 12.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Character Format</th>
<th>Size</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>5x7</td>
<td>0.162&quot; x 0.112&quot;</td>
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<tr>
<td>10x14</td>
<td>0.337&quot; x 0.237&quot;</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

SOFTWARE CONTROLLED LEGEND CAPABILITIES:

- **Character Styles:** The dot matrix patterns for the internally generated 5x7 and 10x14 formats are shown in Figure 13.
- **Character Positioning:** The internal software allows X and Y positioning of legends anywhere in the active display area.
- **Lines:** Horizontal and vertical lines can be displayed in any length and in any position in the active display area.
- **Graphics Patterns:** The LED pixels can be individually controlled so that any graphics pattern that can be drawn within the 560 pixel array can be displayed.
- **Blinking:** Legends can be controlled to start or stop blinking at a rate of 1.5 Hz.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS:

- **Temperature:**
  - Operating: −51˚C to +71˚C
  - Non-Operating: −55˚C to +85˚C
- **High Temperature:** In accordance with MIL-STD-810C, method 501.1, procedure I or procedure II, +71˚C maximum, operating.
- **Low Temperature:** In accordance with MIL-STD-810C, method 502.1, procedure I, −51˚C, operating.
- **Thermal Shock:** In accordance with MIL-STD-810C, method 503.1, procedure I, −55˚C to +85˚C.
- **Shock:** In accordance with MIL-STD-810C, method 516.2, procedure IV, 75 G, 6 ms.
- **Vibration:** In accordance with MIL-STD-810C, method 514.2, procedure I, curve H.
- **Relative Humidity:** In accordance with MIL-STD-810C, method 514.2, procedure I, 85% to 95% Relative Humidity for 10 days.
- **Fungus:** In accordance with MIL-STD-810C, method 508.2.
HOW TO ORDER
THE VIVISUN SERIES 5000 ELECTRO-OPTICAL DISPLAY SYSTEM

The VIVISUN 5000 components are specified by a 9 character part number which is comprised of (a) 4 digits to define the Aerospace Optics VIVISUN SERIES 5000 product line, (b) 1 character to define the component type and (c) 4 digits to define the specific component features.

To specify a VIVISUN SERIES 5000 component, determine the part numbers as follows:

**Step 1:** Begin the part number with 5000 to identify the product series.
**Step 2:** Select the desired component type from Table 1 and insert the appropriate designation into the fifth position of the 9 character part number.
**Step 3:** Select the desired component features from Table 2 and enter this code as the last four digits in the part number.

**Note:** Dashes are used to separate the product series number, the component type designation and the features code.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>TABLE 1</th>
<th>Component Types</th>
<th>R-Refresh Processor Unit (RPU)</th>
<th>P-Programmable Multifunction Pushbutton (PMP)</th>
<th>C-Cable</th>
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<tr>
<td>(a) Product Series</td>
<td>(b) Component Type</td>
<td>(c) Component Features</td>
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<tr>
<th>TABLE 2</th>
<th>Component Features</th>
<th>Refresh Processor Unit (RPU)</th>
<th>Feature</th>
<th>Component Ordering Code</th>
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<td>RS-232C</td>
<td>19200</td>
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<td>RS-422</td>
<td>19200</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Programmable Multifunction Pushbutton (PMP)</td>
<td>Green</td>
<td>5551</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cable Assembly</td>
<td>18 inches in length</td>
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**Listing of Part Numbers**

<table>
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<td>Refresh Processor Unit (RPU), RS-232C, factory preset to 19200 baud, Address 0</td>
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<td>Refresh Processor Unit (RPU), RS-422, factory preset to 19200 baud, Address 0</td>
<td>5000-R-5520</td>
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<tr>
<td>Programmable Multifunction Pushbutton (PMP), Green</td>
<td>5000-P-5551</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cable, for interconnecting PMP to RPU, standard type, 18 inches in length</td>
<td>5000-C-1118</td>
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A complete VIVISUN SERIES 5000 Electro-Optical Display system consists of one Refresh Processor Unit (RPU), four Programmable Multifunction Pushbuttons (PMP) and four Cables.

All RPU circuit boards are shipped factory preset to a baud rate of 19200 baud and loop network address 0. Other baud rates and network addresses are easily configured by changing the jumper settings.
**ORDERING OPTIONS:**

**Option 1**

How to order a complete VIVISUN SERIES 5000 Electro-Optical Display System with RS-232C interface:

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**Option 2**

How to order a complete VIVISUN SERIES 5000 Electro-Optical Display System with RS-422 interface:

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