# **Eletta Flow Monitor**



Installation and Operations Manual

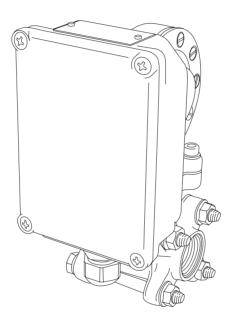
Models V1 and V15



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### **General Information**

#### 1.1 Description

The Eletta Flow Monitor is used to control and measure flow of liquids and gases in pipes from size 15 mm to 500 mm (larger pipes as an option). They have been manufactured for over 50 years and are well known for its reliability. They are used where operational safety demands, efficient supervision and rugged installation is needed, all over the world. Eletta Flow AB in Sweden is certified according to ISO9001 since 1996, ISO14000 since 2002 and the PE-Directive 97/23/EG (Pressure Equipment Directive).

The Eletta Flow Monitor is based on the proven and dependable differential pressure principle, using interchangeable orifice plates for different measuring ranges. The Flow Monitors are working with two different differential pressure ranges, i.e. 50-200 mbar for the V1 and 22-550 mbar for the V15, depending on the desired and ordered flow range. The same goes for our models; A2 and A5, S2 and S25 and R2 and R5. Due to the working principle of the instrument, it is of utmost importance that the installation instructions (chapter 2.3) are followed carefully in order to get the proper function of the instrument.

The Eletta Flow Monitor models V1 and V15 will give you a repeatable switch point of < 2% if installed in the right way. (See chapter 1.2 "Specifications", for complete information)

The Instrument consists of two parts mainly i.e. the Pipe Section and the Control Unit. The Pipe Section is the part that is to be mounted in the process pipe and the Control Unit is mounted directly (standard) or remote on/to the Pipe Section. The Control Unit contains the micro switch (SPDT) and the electrical connection terminal block. It also contains the mechanical adjusting dial where you change the setting of the flow alarm tripping point.

The Pipe Sections are available in different process connections with the following standards;

**Threaded connections** in BSP or NPT from 15 mm ( $^{1}/_{2}$ ") to 40 mm ( $^{1}/_{2}$ ") depending on the chosen material of construction.

**Flanged (wafer)** connection from DN15 /PN16 (ANSI 1/2"/150 lbs) to DN 500/PN16 (ANSI 20"/150lbs) depending on the chosen material of construction. The DIN-standard flanged units are colored *blue*, the ANSI-standard units are colored *green* (>50 mm < 200 mm) for easy recognition in the field.

The Control Units V1 and V15 are equipped with one, freely adjustable over the whole ordered flow range, micro switch, which can be set for low/high flow alarm.

#### 1.2 Specifications

The *only* difference between the V1 and V15 is the turn down of the flow range i.e. the V1 has a **1:2** turn down (for example; 50-100 l/min) and the V15 has a turn down of **1:5** (for example; 40-200 l/min).

**Repetability:** <+/-2% of actual pre-set tripping flow value.

It is recommended that you always chose the Flow Range of the Flow Monitor so that the normal flow is in the middle of the Monitor Flow Range. Make sure that the expected alarm set points is within the chosen flow range.

For example: If you have a flow of 110 l/min maximum and the normal Flow is at 90 l/min, choose the Eletta Flow Monitor V1 with a Flow Range of 60–120 l/min.

**Pressure:** Max:16 bar, (232 PSI), higher test pressure as an option.

Min: A line pressure of appr. 0.7 - 1.0 bar is required for proper operation.

**Temperature: Control Unit** 

-20°C to 90°C, standard

-20°C to 120°C (12°F to 248°F), ambient

The lower temperature limit is not applicable when the Flow Monitor is equipped with soft parts in FPM, which has a minimum temperature of -5°C (23°F).

Higher **process** temperature possible with remote installation of Control Unit (*separate mounting*, *see section 2.4*).

#### **Pipe Section:**

The pipe sections (GL all sizes and FA  $\geq$ 40 mm  $\leq$ 100 mm) are equipped with spacers holding the orifice plate made of Polyamide plastic (PA) material and they can handle liquid/gas temperature up to 150°C (302°F). For higher process temperature, we recommend to use the stainless steel pipesection, which has no spacers. See spacers p. 9.

#### **Process**

**connection:** DN15 – 40 ( $^{1}/_{2}$ " –  $^{1}/_{2}$ ") for GL-models

DN15 – 25 ( $^{1}/^{2}$ " – 1") for GSS -models DN15 – 400 ( $^{1}/^{2}$ " – 16") for FA-models DN15 – 500 ( $^{1}/^{2}$ " – 20") for FSS-models

Control Unit: IP43 (NEMA 3 R), standard

IP65 (NEMA 4), optional

Aluminum alloy, alodine and epoxy polyester coated 1 off cable gland of nickel-plated brass included.

#### **Optional Local Indication:**

There is no local readout of the flow or flow set value in the V-series Flow Monitor. However, there is an "Indication window" which can be mounted in the cover of the Control Unit and this can be ordered as an option. This feature indicates roughly how the is which makes it easy to check if there is a flow or not. The "Indication window" is not to be used as an accurate measurement indication of the flow. If you need an accurate and direct reading Flow Monitor, we recommend the S-series Flow Monitor with a large and easy visible 135 mm (5,3") diameter dial. The V-series can be upgraded in the field to an S-series with local indication. Please contact Eletta Flow for advise.

#### Alarm indication:

On the V-series there is no visible micro switch indication to indicate if the switch is on or off. This feature can be ordered as an option as LED-indication on the side of the Control Unit.

#### Micro

**switch spec:** Contact surfaces are silver plated as standard.

Hystereses: 10%

Voltage: max. 460 VAC Current: max.15 A

Inductive load: 0,02A @ 230 VAC

0,03A @ 125 VDC

1A @ 30 VDC

Type: SPDT

For intrinsically safe (IS) applications, we recommend to order micro switches with gold plated contact surface, which are better suited for the voltage and current limitations in the Exregulations.

Note: There is no ATEX or other Ex-approval available at the time of printing this maunal.

Material;

Pipe Section

and Diaphragm

**Housing:** 

Type GL; SM 2862 (B.S CZ132) de-zincificated – copper

allov.

Type GSS; seaworthy stainless steel SS 2564 (ASTM B 677).

Type FA; <DN50 (ANSI 2"); copper alloy

>DN50 (ANSI 2"); cast iron, epoxy polyestercoated

Type FSS; stainless steel SS 2343 (316).

Material

diaphragm:

• Textile reinforced Hydrated Nitrile rubber (HNBR), standard on all models except stainless steel.

• Textile reinforced EPDM rubber, optional for all models.

• Textile reinforced Fluorinated rubber, FPM, standard in stainless steel models, optional for others.

Material, O-rings

and sealings: Follows the Diaphragm materials.

Spacer:

(FA and GL): The spacer holds the orifice plate inside the pipe section and for all GL-models and for FA-models ≥40 and ≤100. They are made of Polyamide plastic (PA) as a standard. Max. liquid/gas temperature is 120°C (248°F). For other sizes stainless steel SS 2343 (316).

Intrinsically

Safe (Ex i):

The V-series Flow Monitor are *not approved* for Ex-hazardous

areas.

**Explosion** 

Proof:

The V-series Flow Monitor are *not approved* for Ex-hazardous

areas.

CE-

approvals:

The Eletta Flow Monitors conforms with the EU directive for low voltage no: 72/23/EEC (EN 60 204-1, Part 1.) and Electromagnetic compatibility according to the directive 89/336/-EEC (EN 50081-1 and 50082-2). Complies with applicable parts in PE-Directive 97/23/EG. We refer to the certificates issued, which will be sent to you upon request.

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#### Installation

#### 2.1 Unpacking

We appreciate that you have decided to purchase our Products and we would like to ask you to begin the installation by checking your delivery against the Packing List. Please make sure to check the box for external damages before opening. If you find external damages, which have also led to damages to the Flow Monitor inside, you should contact the forwarder/shipper to claim replacement (or the cost of replacement). Check the Monitors' identification tag against your purchase order to make sure you have got the right articles with the right specifications.

All Monitors are individually packed in plastic bags and put into the box either two by two or individually in each box. The plastic bag is to prevent foreign particles to get inside the Pipe Section, which could prevent proper function of the Flow Monitor after the installation.

The box is made out of recycled environmental friendly material and we kindly ask you to deal with the waste material in a way that will have as little impact to the environmental as possible.

#### 2.2 Procedures before Installation

Note!!! Before any installation or maintenance work, disconnect all electrical power!

Please check that you are going to mount the Monitor at the lowest point in the piping system if you are measuring liquids and at the highest point if you are measuring gases. Also check if the planned flow direction in the sytem matches the one indicated on the Monitor. There is a red flow direction arrow on the outside of the pipe section (not the Stainless Steel-models which have a marking engraved on the side). If you find this to mismatch, we refer to section 3.3 "Change of Flow Direction", to adjust the internal flow director in order to match the desired flow direction. Change of the flow direction on our Stainless Steel Pipe Sections (FSS/GSS) is **not** possible in the field without ordering a new Pipe Section and we kindly ask you to contact your local representative or Eletta Flow AB, Sweden for help.

Check that the pipe section has the right threads or the right flange standard to match your piping or counter flange. If you are using the separate/remote execution i.e. Pipe Section and Control Unit installed in different locations,

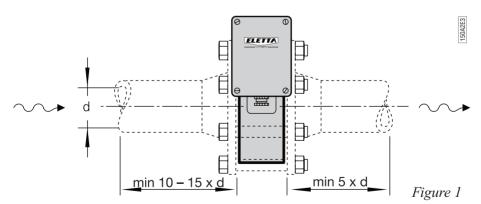
please check the plastic hoses for any damages or holes that can prevent proper function. The plastic hoses should not be used in temperatures over 90°C/-16 bar (194 °F/232 PSI). If your application temperature exceeds this temperature/pressure, we recommend to use copper or stainless steel tubing, depending on the compatibility to the measured gas or liquid (see section 2.4)

#### 2.3 Installation of the Pipe Section

# Note!!! Before starting to install the Pipe Section, please make sure that the piping is not under pressure from flow of liquid/gas!

The pipe section can be installed in any desired direction, vertically or horizontally and the direction arrow on the pipe section denote the direction of the flow. It is very important that the pipe section is mounted with the correct direction, as the function of the Flow Monitor otherwise will be prevented. The piping shall be rigid and free from vibrations and hoses connected directly into the Monitors should be avoided as much as possible. If you have weak piping we advise you to use the M6 mounting holes (only on GL-series) on the backside of the pipe section, to fasten the pipe section to a wall or a rigid bracket. The straight runs before and after the Monitor should not be to short, in order to avoid disturbances, which can cause the Monitor to show incorrect values. We recommend giving at least 10-15 diameters upstream and 5 diameters downstream. (*Please see Fig. 1*)

#### **Installation of Pipe Section**



The reasons for this procedure is to achieve a stable flow profile inside the pipe and by doing so, get a true reading. Please be aware of the fact that it is practically impossible to predict when the flow is stable after disturbances in the piping, so this must serve as a guideline only.

The straight runs must be free from valves, bends or in/decreasing diameters. Any of these disturbances must be placed **before** and preferably **after** you start counting the straight runs.

If you are installing the threaded versions, GL and GSS-versions, please make sure that you are not using so called "tube fittings". We have often seen them to have a much smaller inside diameter than the pipe section, even though the size of the thread match. This can create a jet stream of the fluid or gas, which will cause the differential pressure to be to low and you, will not get a good or accurate reading.

The following inside diameters apply for the threaded Pipe Sections:

GL- and GSS 15 = 16 mm GL- and GSS 20 = 21 mm GL- and GSS 25 = 26 mm GL-40 = 41 mm

Make sure that the Control unit, if mounted directly on the pipe section, is placed on top of the pipe section and not under to prevent particles in the fluid to collect in the diaphragm housing. Please consider using a filter in the pipeline if you suspect the fluid to contain particles.

The flanged models, FA and FSS-versions, must be aligned with the counter flange and not placed in stress by tightening the bolts uneven. The flanged models come with a gasket and we recommend using this, as it is dimensioned to suit the installation. Please see to that the packing is properly aligned and not disturbing the flow. It is also of utmost importance that the connecting pipe and flange is of the same diameter (inside) and standard as the pipe section. A mismatch can cause an erratic or incorrect reading of the flow. If needed, please support the Flow Monitors with rigid brackets. There is no problem in attaching the brackets directly to the Flow Monitor (see above), but we recommend mounting them in the pipeline downstream and upstream to avoid unnecessary stress in the installation area.

# 2.4 Separate mounting of the Pipe Section and the Control Unit

Sometimes separate mounting of the Pipe Section and the Control Unit is requested due to vibrations, high temperature or lack of space. As the Eletta Flow Monitor is using the differential pressure caused by the orifice plate mounted in the pipeline and directs these two pressures via two individual ports up to the Control Unit, it is also possible to separate the Monitor into two

parts. The pressure is then lead through either plastic hoses or metallic tubing depending on the liquid, pressure and temperature. As a standard, we supply 2x1,75 meter (5.74 feet) of PA plastic, Ø 6 mm (0,23 inch) hoses capable of handling 90°C (194°F) and 16 bar (232 PSI), together with two specially made **adapters** to be mounted on the Pipe Section and Control Unit respectively. If your application requires metallic tubing (copper or stainless steel) it has to be provided locally. If you are measuring a chemical liquid or gas, check with the supplier which material you should use in your tubing. Please make sure to use only 6 mm tubing in order to suit the tube fittings included in the delivery.

There is no actual limitation in the length of the hoses or tubing, but we recommend placing the units as close as possible to each other, as this will help in troubleshooting and on-site calibration.

Note!!! The hoses/tubings must have the same length to avoid uneven pressure. If you mount valves (not included in delivery) in the pressure hoses/tubing, it will help you to easily shut them off and remove/exchange the Control Unit at full process pressure.

The Mounting of three-way/five-way standard valve (not included in delivery) will allow you to discharge any entrapped air/gas or condense and also provide the possibility to even out the pressure between the plus and minus leg for zero verification.

Please follow the above "Installation of the Pipe Section" after you have mounted the adapter on to the Pipe Section. As you will use hoses/tubing to lead the pressure up to the Control Unit, it is possible to mount the Pipe Section in any direction, vertically or horizontally and with the pressure ports pointing up, down or to the side *(pls. see to section 2.3)*.

#### Separate mounting of Pipe Section and Control Unit GL/FA

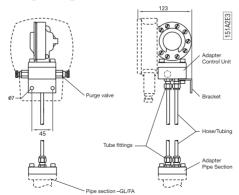


Figure 2

#### Separate mounting of Pipe Section – GSS/FSS

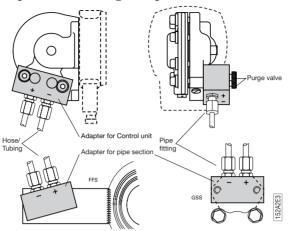


Figure 3

Find a suitable place for the Control Unit to be mounted. Use the supplied bracket to attach it to a wall, pipe or another steady and rigid support. To take advantage of the large and clear dial, the Control Unit should be clearly visible from a distance and easy accessible for maintenance if needed. Please plan this with respect to later mounted piping or other obstacles.

Install the hoses/tubing, commencing with the Pipe Section. Check that you have enough length to cover the distance between the Pipe Section and Control Unit. The Pipe Section adapter has a (+) and (-) marking engraved and the adapter on the Control Unit too. Please make sure to match (+) to (+) and (-) to (-) on the adapters. Press the hose/tube end into the coupling and tighten with care. Proceed to the Control Unit and repeat the above. When you fill up the system for the first time with liquid, please make sure that all entrapped air in the piping between the Pipe Section and Control Unit is removed. The air can otherwise, as it is a compressible media, cause faulty Flow readings.

#### 2.5 Installation and changing of the Control Unit

As all Eletta Flow Monitors are designed in sections to achieve a modular and versatile Flow Monitor, there is a possibility to upgrade/rebuild them and adding other features to your already installed Monitor, by changing the Control Unit or Pipe Section. If you, for example, would like to upgrade a V- or S-series with mechanical micro switches to an A-series including analog output, local front display with a bar graph and two independent adjustable relays or

the other way around, this is easily done. You simply order a Control Unit with the flow range you need, to get the right dial with the right multiplier or direct reading scale.

When you order, you will get the **Control Unit with the diaphragm housing included**. Make sure you order the right material in the diaphragm housing and the soft rubber parts (diaphragm, o-rings and diaphragm lever) and you will get the Control Unit already tested and calibrated and ready to fit onto the Pipe Section, without any on-site adjustments or calibration. All Eletta DP Flow Monitors are working with the same differential pressure within their specific range (*Pls. see section 1.1*).

If you have a Pipe Section designated; -GL or GSS (-FSS), start with making sure that there is no pressure in the system, as these Pipe Sections do not have any internal shut-off valves for isolating them from process pressure. Turn the electric power supply off and then disconnect the cables from the micro switch electric terminal. If you have a Pipe Section designated; -FA you will find the included shut-off valves under the brass elbow, which connects the Control Unit to the Pipe Section.

Turn them counter-wise until you feel the end position and this shuts off the pressure up to the Control Unit and you can easily remove this. If you have a Pipe Section designated; **-FSS**, there is an option to buy this with a shut-off manifold, but it will not come as a standard.

On the -GL Pipe Section; loosen the four (4) hexagon screws that hold the diaphragm housing (do **not** remove the blue housing at any time) to the Pipe Section, and replace the two O-rings in the flow direction selector to the right material if necessary. *Install the new Control Unit and tighten the four (4) hexagon screws firmly again.* 

On the -GSS Pipe Section; loosen the two (2) hexagon screws that hold the diaphragm housing and replace the O-rings to the right material, if necessary. *Install the new Control Unit and tighten the two (2) screws firmly again.* 

On the -FA Pipe Section; shut off the two (2) included valves as per above and then untighten the four (4) screws which hold the diaphragm housing. Remove the housing and replace the O-rings to the right material, if necessary. Install the new Control Unit and tighten the four (4) screws firmly again. Do not forget to open the two (2) shut-off valves again, in order to get a proper function!

On the -FSS Pipe Section; If you have a Monitor that has a shut-off manifold, you can close the two (2) valves to get the diaphragm housing non-pressurized.

Otherwise, start with checking that there is no pressure in the pipe system and up to the diaphragm housing. Loosen the two screws that hold the diaphragm housing and replace the O-rings to the right material, if necessary. Install the new Control Unit and tighten the two (2) screws firmly again. If a shut-off manifold is installed; do not forget to open up the two (2) shutoff valves again, in order to get a proper function of the Flow Monitor.

Connect the electrical cables according to your new Control Unit's possibilities and for detailed information regarding wiring, please see section 2.7 "Electrical installation".

#### 2.6 Pressure Drop

The Eletta Flow Monitor is a differential pressure measuring device and therefore it creates a certain pressure drop when in function. There are two different types of Pressure Drop's involved, **actual pressure drop** and **permanent pressure drop**. Below we will explain the difference between these two: When the orifice plate mounted in the Eletta Flow Monitor reduces the flow area inside the pipe system, a pressure drop over the orifice is created. This is what we call **actual pressure drop**. Please refer to chapter 1.1 "Description" for actual pressure drop (differential pressure span).

The calculation of the flow is using this pressure drop to calculate the actual flow value (see calculation below). The actual pressure drop is a temporary pressure state and the Eletta Flow Monitors are working within this differential pressure created within the Flow range of the Monitor. When the flow has passed the Monitor, the pressure is then trying to get back to its original pressure and normally after 10 - 15 times the inner diameter of the pipe, the flow becomes linear and fully developed. This is a normalized flow but due to friction losses over our Flow Monitor, the pressure will not be able to reclaim all the energy (pressure). This is what we call permanent pressure drop.

The **permanent pressure drop** can be calculated approximately by  $\Delta \rho_{(ppd)} = \Delta \rho_{(apd)}(1-\beta^2)$ , where the symbols represent:

 $\Delta \rho(ppd)$  = permanent pressure drop

 $\Delta r(apd) = actural pressure drop foir a certain flow$ 

Please see below formula for calculating actual pressure drop.

 $\Delta \rho$  = differential pressure flow measurement and

 $\beta$  = **d/D** ratio (ratio between bore and inner diameter of the pipe).

This means that for the normal  $\beta$  range (0.2 - 0.7) a typical permanent pressure loss ranges from 0.96  $\Delta \rho$  and 0.51  $\Delta \rho$  can be expected.

#### Example:

For the Eletta Flow Monitor V1-GL15 with a flow range of 10 - 20 l/min, the following calculation can be used as an example;

bore = 10.20 mm

inner diameter = 16 mm

This gives  $\beta = 10.20/16.00$  which results in  $(1-\beta^2) = 0.594*\Delta\rho$ .

Actual pressure drop (differential pressure) at a flow of 15 l/min in the above example = 112,5 mbar (see calculation under fig. 4) Taken the above into consideration, at a flow of 15 l/min, the mentioned Flow Monitor will have an approximate **permanent pressure drop** of:

0.594 \* 112.5 mbar = 66.82 mbar

The Pressure loss curves in the graph (fig. 4) must serve as a guideline.

#### **Actual Pressure Drop Graph**

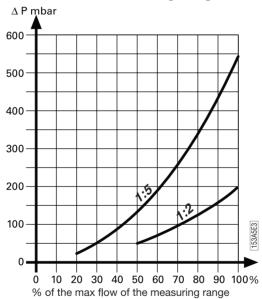


Figure 4

Please use the following formula to calculate Actual Pressure Drop in mbar: The following formula can be used to calculate the actual pressure drop at a given flow if you have other flow than the example below:

 $\Delta \rho_{(apd)} = (Q/Qmax)2 * 200$  for turn down ratio of 1:2 and

 $\Delta \rho$  =  $(Q/Q_{max})^2 * 550$  for turn down ratio of 1:5

2.7 Q = actual flow

**Q**max = maximum flow of the Flow Monitor (installed orifice plate)

 $\Delta \rho$  = actual pressure drop in mbar

Example: Eletta Flow Monitor type V1-GL15, flow range 10 - 20 l/min.

Use the formula

 $\Delta \rho(apd) = (Q/Q_{max})^2 \times 200$  which gives;  $\Delta \rho(apd) = (15/20)^2 = 112.5$  mbar

#### **Electrical Installation**

Note!!! An authorized professional person should make all electrical installations and before any circuit is connected/disconnected, make sure that all power is off!

Before you connect any cables, please make sure that you have the right power supply which is within the specifications (see section 1.2 "Specifications").

All terminal block connections are to be made through the included cable gland PR 22,5/PG 16 and please note that you can have two alternative mountings of the cable gland depending on what side you want to enter with the cables.

It is not allowed to install the V-series Flow Monitor in an Ex-hazardous area. The terminal block connections are described in fig. 6. A grounding screw is to be found at the side of the terminal block.

# Wiring diagram 1 = C (common) 2 = NO (normally open) 3 = NC (normally closed)

The wiring diagram shows the switching function when the flow is zero or below the setpoint.

Figure 6

# **Operation**

#### 3.1 Principle of operation, DP-Flow Measurement

The Eletta Flow Monitor's function is based on the proven and dependable diferential pressure principal, using interchangeable sharp-edge orifice plates for different measuring ranges. This is perhaps the oldest and most widely used principle for flow metering, mainly because of its simplicity, its relatively low cost and high volume of research data available for predicting the Flow Monitors behavior. In the Pipe Section, a fixed area flow restriction (the orifice plate) causes a pressure drop, which varies with the flow rate. This pressure drop has a high and a low pressure, which is lead through two channels from each side of the orifice plate, to the Control Unit. By measure the pressure drop allows flow rate measurement by means of a mathematical formula.

A short form of the calculation can be described as  $\mathbf{Q} = \sqrt{\Delta \rho}$ .

In most Eletta Flow Monitors, the differential pressure is sensed and measured mechanically via a rubber diaphragm and linked to an outside of the process liquid/gas. This mechanism transforms into a movement, which acts mechanically on the pre-adjusted micro switch. All the Eletta Flow Monitors are tested and approved according to the European CE-mark regulations. (Pls. check www.eletta.com for copy of the certificate.)

#### 3.2 Change of Flow Range

The Eletta Flow Monitor features an orifice construction that does not require recalibration after replacement and can easily be rebuild in the field to change the flow range to another from the flow rate ordered. This is valid for all Pipe Sections **except the GSS/FSS-models** where you have to order a completely new Pipe Section.

If you need another flow range than ordered originally. The orifice plate inside the pipe section is the only part in the liquid/gas that has to be changed. You can order and change any flow range that suits your specific application, as long as the new flow rate falls within the total possible span for the actual Flow Monitor (see Flow Rate table in section 5.1).

In each case of rebuilding the flow Monitor in the field, we kindly ask you to consult Eletta or your local Distributor for advise of the right orifice plate before ordering.

First empty the piping system so it is un-pressurized and has no flow!

#### For threaded model -GL:

Untighten the bolts that hold the Pipe Section between the flanges in the piping (Do **not** remove the threaded parts from the piping). Remove only the number of bolts necessary to pull the Monitor from the piping, normally it takes only one bolt from the highest position, to get the Monitor out. Take out one of the spacers that holds the orifice plate. Change the orifice plate to the new ordered orifice plate and remember that you can install it in any direction. Reinstall the spacer that holds the orifice in place inside the Pipe Section. Install the Monitor in the piping system and tighten the bolts firmly to avoid leakage.

#### For threaded stainless steel model –GSS:

In this model there is no loose replaceable orifice plate and therefore it is necessary to change the complete orifice section with holder, to achieve a new flow range.

Please follow the above instructions for the –GL model for dismounting the whole orifice plate with holder. Remove the Control Unit from the old Pipe Section (orifice section) and install this to the new Pipe Section. Remount the Flow Monitor into the piping system and tighten the bolts firmly.

#### For flanged model -FA:

Follow the procedure above to loosen the pipe section from the counter flanges in the piping system, but note that the spacers ring is held in place with two screws, which have to be untightened before removal and reinstalled after.

#### For flanged stainless steel model -FSS:

In this model there is no loose replaceable orifice plate and therefore it is necessary to change the complete pipe unit to achieve a new flow range. Follow the procedure above to loosen the pipe section from the counter flanges in the piping system. Remove the Control Unit from the old Pipe Section (orifice section) and install this to the new Pipe Section. Remount the Flow Monitor into the piping system and tighten the bolts firmly.

Always check that no gaskets will interfere, by misaligning, with the flow when installing the pipe section.

When you change the orifice plate in order to get a new flow range, we recommend you to change the identification plate to a plate with the new range marked. This identification plate comes together with the orifice plate when you order an orifice plate separately. Please make sure that your output signals

in the receiving end PLC, display, computer etc., are matched for the new flow range. The micro switch might be necessary to adjust and we refer to the section 3.5 for complete instruction on how to do this.

#### 3.3 Change of Flow Direction

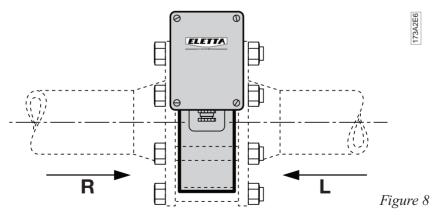
For GL-models, first empty the pipe system so that it is un-pressurized and has no flow!

#### For FA-models, use the shut-off valves, see section 2.5

At the time of ordering, you must specify in which direction the Flow Monitor shall be mounted i.e. from which side the flow is entering the Pipe Section (Pls. refer to fig. 8 below for alternatives). The flow direction selector is placed between the diaphragm housing and the Pipe Section and determines the direction. Please see page 29/30 "Exploded Drawing" item #18. There are two different selector alternatives to choose from, the "R" and the "L" selector and you use these for all dimensions. If, for some reason, the Flow Monitor is ordered with the wrong flow direction, it is possible to change this in the field. You then need a new flow direction selector, which can be ordered as a spare part, according to the right alternative i.e. left "L" or right "R".

Please note: Only available in the -GL and -FA models, for -GSS and -FSS models we refer to section 3.2 and 2.2.

#### Flow direction alternative



To change the selector, loosen the four hexagon screws, which hold the diaphragm housing to the Pipe Section. Remove the diaphragm housing and you will see the flow direction selector, which is held in place by two screws.

Remove the screws and change the selector. Make sure that the four o-rings are mounted correctly to avoid leakage. Mount the diaphragm housing to the Pipe Section and tighten the four hexagon screws firmly.

Please also remember to turn the red arrow mounted on the Pipe Section (-GL and -FA models), to align with the new flow direction.

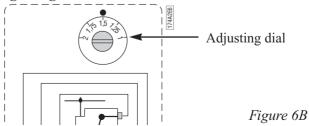
#### 3.4 Adjustment of switch point, V1 and V15

All the Eletta Flow Monitors are tested and calibrated according to the customers' orders before shipping. If the customer does not specify a desired switch point for the flow alarm, the V-series Monitor's micro switch is preset to trip at 50% (decreasing flow) of the ordered max flow value, for example a 10 - 20 l/min flow range would have the switch set to trip at 15 l/min, decreasing flow.

Please note!! We have calibrated each and every Flow Monitor in our flow rig and set the switches according to the Flow values we achieve in the rig under good conditions. We must stress that under actual field conditions, the flow profile can be different from the one in our flow rig depending on valves, hoses, bends or other obstructions and therefore the actual switching can be off from our preset values. There is a possibility to adjust the switch/alarm point in the field by adjusting the micro switches' position mechanically. To readjust, remove the cover and the adjusting dial is then visible at the top. The adjusting dials are marked the same as the scale in the front and this marking can be used to approximately find the right switch/alarm point for the actual application.

Put a screwdriver in the slot of the adjusting dial and gently turn the dial to the desired position. Your will find that you by doing this are moving the plate, where the micro switch is mounted, physically. If you have the possibility to check against a flow meter in the system, you will get the best on site adjustment of the switch point. Reinstall the cover and start up the process again. See fig 6. for instructions.

#### Adjusting of high/low flow alarm for V1/V15



# **Trouble shooting**

#### 4.1 Verification of flow

We would like to stress the fact that all the Eletta Flow Monitors are calibrated and adjusted individually on water in a specially purpose built calibrated flow rig in our workshop. This means that we have calibrated/adjusted the Monitors under reference conditions with enough straight runs before and after, always the same liquid, temperature, flows and pressure. If you find our Monitors to show another value compared to a reference meter on site, it can well be due to the fact that the reference meter has been calibrated under other reference conditions and that our Monitor have other conditions on site in the actual application, than we used under the calibration prior to shipping. We calibrate all our Monitors against flow and not pressure.

The meter is not giving an alarm:

- Is there any power supply connected?
- Is the Monitor mounted correctly with respect to the flow direction? Please check the arrow on the outside of the pipe section with the actual (true) flow direction for GL- and FA-models, check the flow direction selector inside the monitor. Lift the control unit and check the arrow on this part. Make sure that it is corresponding to the true flow.
- Is there any flow in the pipe? And is it enough to create the needed  $\Delta P$ ?
- Do you have the right orifice plate for the application? Check the stamped values on the orifice plate. (Pipe section model number and flow)
- If you are using compression couplings into the Monitor inlet, check that the inside diameter is enough to avoid the "nozzle" effect described above in section 2.3 and also check the table for the minimum correct inner diameter in the same section.

Under the above section 3.1 it is described how the Monitor creates the differential pressure. Eletta Flow Monitors work with two different  $\Delta P$ 's i.e. on the V1 units the  $\Delta P$  is always maximum 200 mbar and for the V15 units, the  $\Delta P$  is always maximum 550 mbar. This means that at maximum  $\Delta P$  the flow is always 100% in any Flow Monitor mounted on any pipe section. This makes it very easy to move one control unit from one pipe to another pipe section on another pipe in order to check the function. It does not matter what size/diameter the pipe section has, as we always work with the same  $\Delta P$  on every pipe size and corresponding Control Unit.

You can of course also verify the alarm point in the Eletta Flow Monitor versus another flow meter in the system or take the Monitor out and put in a flow test rig, if you have the possibility.

If the above is not the case there is a need to send the Monitor to the Distributor or directly to The Eletta Service department for control.

If you find process liquid/gas coming out of the Control Unit;

Most probably you will find a broken diaphragm lever, the small stainless steel shaft going through a rubber sealing and it is attached to the diaphragm in the end. If you have exposed the Monitor to excessive pressure (over 16 bar/232 PSI standard) or if the process liquid/gas is too aggressive to the rubber in the sealing, it can cause the sealing to break.

When this happens, it nearly always causes a broken circuit board and therefore you will need to replace the whole Control Unit as this is a from the manufacturer calibrated replacement part. Do not replace the diaphragm lever only, as it is in most cases impossible to re-calibrate the V-series Monitor in the field to the right settings.

Please check the identification plate/tag on the Monitor and write down the serial number, flow range and liquid before ordering a new Control Unit from your representative or us. You can then easily replace the broken Control Unit in minutes without any field calibration necessary (please section 2.5 for details on how to replace a Control Unit).

If you originally ordered a specially designed Flow Monitor i.e. if it does not follow our standard execution, it must be checked what kind of soft parts (diaphragm and seals) you have installed in the Flow Monitor. There are three different kinds of rubber to order (see section 1.2 for details) and we kindly ask you to provide us with the above information in order to help us ship you the right material.

#### 4.2 Electrical connections

Please always see to that you are using the right voltage and current (see Specification section 1.2) and that you have connected all the leads in a proper way (see section 2.7). If you remove the front dial on the Control Unit of the Monitors it is normally very easy to see, if a component is broken/burned.

If so, please do not try to repair the circuit board yourself. Check the identification plate/tag and write down the serial number, flow range and liquid and order a new Unit from us. It is not possible to order only the circuit board as

the calibration of a new board must be done together with the Control Unit. We will ship you the complete Control Unit with diaphragm housing and you then can easily fit the new Control Unit to your existing Pipe Section with only four (4) screws, (please see section 2.5 for details).

#### 4.3 Spares

We are proud to say that our Flow Monitors are well known for their long lifetime and robust construction but inevitably, it is sometimes needed to order spare parts. We refer to section 6.1 where you can find an exploded drawing showing all replaceable components included in the Flow Monitor.

If you have installed the Eletta V-series Flow Monitor in a very critical application, we recommend you to have a complete identically precalibrated Control Unit on stock, as it will only take removal of four bolts to change this. The Pipe Section consists of no moving parts and all copper alloy/steel material and it is very rare with a break down of this part.

# **Tables**

## 5.1 Measuring Ranges

V1					
Dim. DN		lit/min			
1/2" DN 15	GL,GSS FA, FSS	0.4 - 0.8 0.6 - 1,2 1 - 2 1.6 - 3,2 2 - 4 2.4 - 4,8 3.2 - 6,4 4 - 8 6 - 12 8 - 16 10 - 20 12 - 24 16 - 32			
3/4" DN 20	GL,GSS FA, FSS	4 - 8 6 - 12 8 - 16 10 - 20 12 - 24 16 - 32 20 - 40			
1" DN 25	GL,GSS FA, FSS	8 - 16 10 - 20 12 - 24 16 - 32 24 - 48 36 - 72 40 - 80			
	FA, FSS	50 - 100			
1 1/4" DN 32	FA, FSS	20 - 40 28 - 56 40 - 80 60 - 120 80 - 160			
1 1/2" DN 40	GL, FA, FSS	20 - 40 28 - 56 40 - 80 60 - 120 80 - 160			
	FA, FSS	100 - 200 40 - 80			
2" DN 50	FA, FSS	60 - 120 80 - 160 120 - 240 160 - 320			
2 1/2" DN 65	FA, FSS	60 - 120 80 - 160 120 - 240 160 - 320 240 - 480 280 - 560			
3" DN 80	FA, FSS	120 - 240 160 - 320 240 - 480 320 - 640 400 - 800			
4" DN 100	FA, FSS	160 - 320 280 - 560 400 - 800 600 - 1200 700 - 1400			
5" DN 125	FA, FSS	400 - 800 600 - 1200 800 - 1600 1000 - 2000			
6" DN 150	FA, FSS	600 - 1200 800 - 1600 1200 - 2400 1400 - 2800 1500 - 3000			
8" DN 200	FA, FSS	800 - 1600 1200 - 2400 1600 - 3200 2400 - 4800 2500 - 5000			
10" DN 250	FA, FSS	1600 - 3200 2000 - 4000 3200 - 6400 4000 - 8000			

V15				
Dim. DN		lit/min		
1/2" DN 15	GL,GSS FA, FSS	0,4 - 2 1 - 5 2 - 10 4 - 20 6 - 30 8 - 40		
3/4" DN 20	GL, GSS FA, FSS	4 - 20 6 - 30 8 - 40 15 - 75		
1" DN 25	GL, GSS FA, FSS	6 - 30 12 - 60 16 - 80 24 - 120		
	FA, FSS	30 – 150		
1 1/4" DN 32	FA, FSS	8 - 40 20 - 100 40 - 200 50 - 250		
1 1/2" DN 40	GL, FA, FSS	8 - 40 20 - 100 40 - 200 60 - 300		
2" DN 50	FA, FSS	20 - 100 40 - 200 70 - 350 100 - 500		
2 1/2" DN 65	FA, FSS	20 - 100 50 - 250 100 - 500 160 - 800		
3" DN 80	FA, FSS	40 - 200 80 - 400 160 - 800 240 - 1200		
4" DN 100	FA, FSS	80 - 400 160 - 800 250 - 1250 400 - 2000		
5" DN 125	FA, FSS	100 - 500 200 - 1000 400 - 2000 600 - 3000		
6" DN 150	FA, FSS	200 - 1000 400 - 2000 600 - 3000 900 - 4500		
8" DN 200	FA, FSS	400 - 2000 600 - 3000 1000 - 5000 1500 - 7500		
10" DN 250	FA, FSS	600 - 3000 1000 - 5000 1600 - 8000 2400 - 12000		

It is possible to order a lower measuring range than indicated in the table above for each pipe size, but not a higer one.

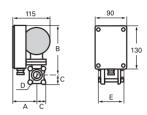
# **5.2** Weight and Dimensions

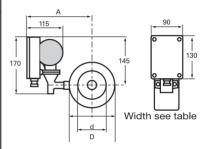
VGL						
Type	D	A mm	B mm	C mm	E mm	Weight kg*
-GL15 -GL20 -GL25 -GL40	R 1/2" R 3/4 R 1" R 1 1/2"	75 75 75 75 55	150 150 150 160	30 30 30 40	80 80 80 90	3,0 3,0 3,0 4,0

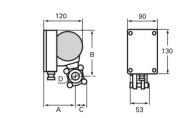
VFA					
Type	d mm	D mm	A mm	Width mm	Weight kg*
-FA15 -FA20 -FA25 -FA32 -FA40 -FA50 -FA65 -FA80 -FA100 -FA125 -FA200 -FA250 -FA200 -FA250 -FA300 -FA350 -FA350 -FA400	16 (1/2') 22 (3/4') 30 (1') 39 (1 1/4') 43 (1 1/2') 55 (2') 70 (2 1/2') 82 (3') 107 (4') 132 (5') 159 (6') 207 (8') 200 (10') 310 (12') 340 (14') 390 (16')	53 63 73 84 94 109 129 144 164 194 219 274 330 385 445 498	150 154 161 167 172 180 190 197 207 222 235 263 290 320 345 375	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 7	4,0 4,5 4,5 5,0 6,0 6,0 7,0 8,0 10,0 11,0 15,0 19,0 21,0 35,0 40,5

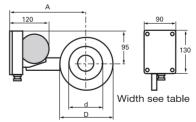
-FA300 -FA350 -FA400	310 (12") 340 (14") 390 (16")	385 445 498	320 345 375	70 70 70	21,0 35,0 40,5
VGSS					
Туре	D	A mm	B mm	C mm	Weight kg*

VFSS					
Туре	d mm	D mm	A mm	Width mm	Weight kg*
-FSS15 -FSS20 -FSS22 -FSS32 -FSS40 -FSS65 -FSS60 -FSS60 -FSS100 -FSS125 -FSS150 -FSS200 -FSS200 -FSS200 -FSS2300 -FSS3300	16 (1/2') 22 (3/4') 30 (1') 39 (1 1/2') 43 (1 1/2') 55 (2') 70 (2 1/2') 82 (3') 107 (4') 132 (5') 159 (6') 207 (8') 206 (10') 310 (12') 340 (14')	53 63 73 84 94 109 129 144 164 194 219 274 330 385 445	169 175 183 185 190 210 220 228 238 253 266 293 320 350 375	15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15	3,0 3,0 3,0 3,0 3,0 3,5 3,5 4,0 4,5 5,0 6,5 8,0 9,5





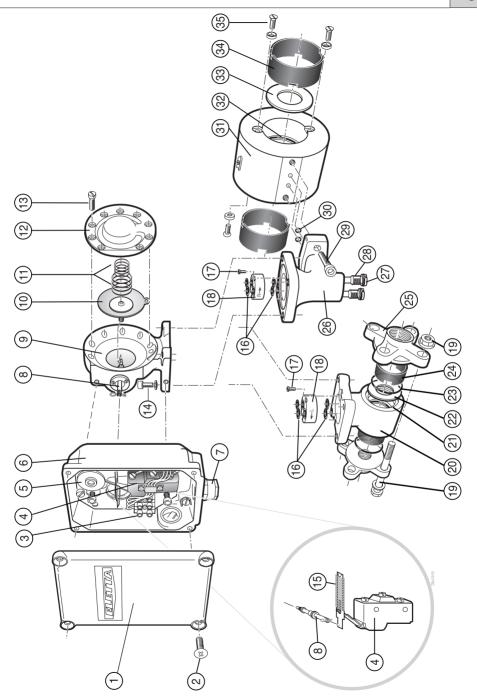




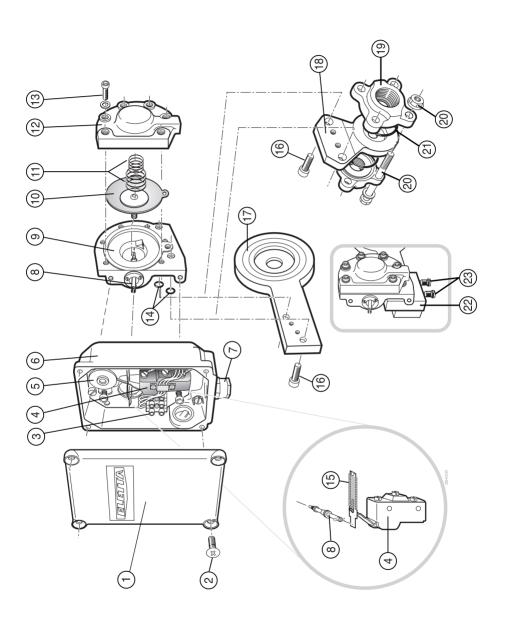
\*Approximate weight

6.1 V-GL/FA

Item	Description	Nos	Item	Description	Nos
1	Cover	1	19	Screw, washer, nut	4
2	Screw	4	20	Pipe body GL	1
3	Terminal block	1	21	O-ring	1
4	Microswitch	1	22	Orifice plate GL	1
5	Adjusting dial	1	23	O-ring	2
6	Casing	1	24	Spacer GL	2
7	Cable gland	1	25	Threaded flange GL	2
8	Lever	1	26	Connecting unit FA	1
9	Diaphragm housing	1	27	O-ring	2
10	Diaphragm	1	28	Shut-off valve	2
11	Diaphragm spring	1	29	Screw	2
12	Diaphragm cover	1	30	O-ring	2
13	Screw	9	31	Pipe body FA	1
14	Screw with washer	4	32	O-ring	1
15	Spring bar	1	33	Orifice plate FA	1
16	O-ring	4	34	Spacer FA	2
17	Screw	2	35	Screw and washer	4
18	Flow direction selector	1			



Item	Description	Nos	Item	Description	Nos
1	Cover	1	13	Screw with washer	6
2	Screw	4	14	O-ring	2
3	Terminal block	1	15	Spring bar	1
4	Microswitch	1	16	Screw	2
5	Adjusting dial	1	17	Orifice plate/Pipe unit FSS	1
6	Casing	1	18	Orifice plate/Pipe unit GSS	1
7	Cable gland	1	19	Threaded flange GSS	2
8	Lever	1	20	Screw, washer, nut	4
9	Diaphragm housing	1	21	O-ring	2
10	Diaphragm	1	22	Manifold for FSS (Option)	(1)
11	Diaphragm spring	1	23	Shut-off valve (Option)	(2)
12	Diaphragm cover	1			



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