# **Quick Start Guide** MESR 9xx Modbus Gateway



#### **Check for All Required Hardware**

- Vlinx MESR9xx module
- This Quick Start Guide
- CD with Modbus Gateway Manager s/w and manuals
- Network Cable(s) (not included)
- Serial Cable(s) (not included)
- Power Supply (not included)

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## Install the Hardware

Connect a 10 to 48 VDC power supply (Sold separately). 4W for MESR90x, 6W for MESR92x





- Connect the top RJ45 connector to a network drop using a standard network cable (lower RJ45 is passthrough Ethernet on the model shown below).
- □ Connect the serial device(s):
  - RS-232 with DB9: straight-through for DCE device, null modem for DTE device.
  - RS-232/422/485 with terminal blocks: see Appendix D for pin outs.



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# LED Status

LED	STATUS	
Ready	Blinks if system is operating correctly, once per second normally or three times per second for configuration mode or when reset to factory defaults.	
Port 1/ Port 2	On indicates serial port open, blinks when data present (Port 2 present on 2 serial port units only).	
E1/E2	On indicates Ethernet has a link, blinks with data traffic (E2 present on 2 Ethernet port units only).	

# **Mode Switch**

	Hold in Mode switch for	Result
	0 to 2 seconds	Initiates a Hardware Reset
	2 to 10 seconds	Enters Console Mode
	Over 10 seconds	Reset to Factory Defaults

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#### **Install Modbus Gateway Software**

Insert the included CD and it should auto start.
Follow the prompts to install the Modbus Gateway software.
Note: Be sure you have administrative rights & disable firewalls in Windows XP

#### Setup the Modbus Gateway Software

- □ Open Vlinx Manager: click Start→Programs→B&B Electronics→Vlinx→Modbus Gateway Manager→Configuration Manager.
- The Device Discovery page opens.



- □ NOTE: If the device does not connect, cycle (unplugreplug) the power, then try again to connect.
- □ To configure via the network, select Network.
- □ If you know the IP address, select "*The device is at this address*," and type in the IP address.
- □ If not, select I don't know the IP address of the device.
- Click Connect.

Login

# **OR...Setup the Web Interface**

- Open a browser and type the IP address of the Modbus Gateway in the Address Bar.
- □ When the Modbus Gateway is found, the Login window appears.



# Click Login. Password is blank from factory, no password is necessary to operate the MESR unit.

The Configuration/General page appears.



# **Setup Network**

- I want DHCP is preselected to set up the network using dynamic IP addressing. The Modbus Gateway is set up at the factory to receive an IP assignment from a DHCP Server. If a DHCP Server is not available on your network, it will default to <u>169.254.102.39</u>.
- If a DHCP server is not available and the default address does not work on your PC, change your PC network settings to IP Address: 169.254.102.1, Subnet Mask: 255.255.0.0, Default Gateway: 169.254.102.100. If you are not able to use these settings in your installation, refer to page 17 of the user's manual for directions to change the Modbus Gateway's TCP/IP settings.

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#### Setup Modbus TCP

#### Modbus TCP Settings:

- □ Connect to Port identifies TCP port used in TCP client mode. Valid range is 1 to 65535.
- □ Response timeout is the maximum response time. Valid range is from 1 to 65535.

#### TCP Server Settings:

- □ Listen on port identifies TCP port in TCP server mode. Valid range is from 1 to 65535.
- Limit the number of connections...Controls the number of simultaneous TCP clients that can be connected.
- "...allow everyone," "...allow specific IP address" & "allow a range of IP addresses" are *Connection Filter Mode* options, controlling which TCP clients can connect.

#### Setup Port 1 Serial

- □ Change the **Description** of the serial port if needed.
- Set the Mode to RS-232, RS 422 (4 wire), RS 485 (2 wire) or RS 485 (4 wire).
- □ Set the **Baud Rate** to control the speed of the port. Valid speeds range between 75 and 230,400 bits per second.
- Set Data Bits to control the number of bits in each character. Only 8 bits is valid when the protocol of the device connected to the port is RTU.
- □ Stop Bits controls the number of bits for end of character.
- Parity controls the error checking mode, with options of No Parity, Odd, Even, Mark and Space.

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# **Setup Port 1 Modbus**

- Select the Attached as Master or Slave.
- Select the Modbus protocol to be used, either RTU or ASCII.
- As needed, check option boxes for "Enable Modbus broadcast, "Enable OBh Exception" and "Enable serial message buffering."
- □ Select from 0 to 5 Modbus Serial Retries.
- Enter Milliseconds Modbus Message Timeout, from 1 to 65535.
- □ Enter Milliseconds TX Delay, from 1 to 65535.
- □ Set up "Port 2 Modbus" the same, only if it has a Port 2.

# Setup Port 1 ID Remap

- Only use this screen if Modbus Slave IDs are to be remapped.
- On each line select a range of serial ports to remap. In the 1<sup>st</sup> box enter the first serial port of the range to remap From. Valid port IDs range from 1 to 255.
- $\Box$  2<sup>nd</sup> box enter the last serial port of the range to remap.
- $\Box$  3<sup>rd</sup> box enter starting ID of the range to remap **To**.
- □ The 4<sup>th</sup> box auto fills based on ranges entered in the first three columns.
- □ Set up "Port 2 Remap" the same, only if it has a Port 2.

# Setup Modbus ID Routing

- □ Only use this screen if Modbus Slave IDs are to be rerouted.
- On each line select the range of IDs to re-route. In the 1<sup>st</sup> box enter the starting ID. Valid IDs range from 1 to 255.
- □ 2<sup>nd</sup> box enter the last **ID** of the range to re-route.
- □ 3<sup>rd</sup> box enter the IP Address or Port that has slave devices attached.
- The 4<sup>th</sup> box shows the IP address of the slave device, if an IP address is chosen in the third box.

### **Setup Modbus Priority**

- Only use this screen if Modbus Priority is to be set.
- Enter up to five different priorities, based on Originating IP Address, Modbus ID, Modbus Function Code, or a combination of these.
- □ IP Address sets a static IP address for the Modbus gateway.
- □ Modbus ID has a valid range from 1 to 255.
- **Function Code** has a valid range from 1 to 99.

### Save and Logout

- □ If you have completed the configuration, click Save to save the configuration to the serial server.
- □ To Logout, click the Logout button.



### **To Test and Verify Operation**

- □ The primary check for correct operation is the device LEDs. See Section 3 this document for more information.
- □ For advanced information, see the Modbus Configuration Manager menu, at the top of Vlinx Manager screen.
- Select Diagnostic for a check of communications status with attached MESR9xx device, and then select the device for which the communications check is desired.
- □ A report of reply times and ping statistics is generated and can be saved.
- Select Monitor to review activity logs of attached MESR9xx devices, then select the device for which logged information is needed
- Logged information includes Time, Source & Destination, Type of event, Subscriber ID, Data collected, and Information the Vlinx Manager program has gathered since current login of the affected device.

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