Conoflow's GC32 Commandaire Positioner

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GC32 Commandaire Positioner Description

- Like the GC31, the Conoflow GC32 Commandaire Positioner is a single acting air pressure and movement control for piston or diaphragm actuators.
- This positioner uses an air signal to proportionately move an actuator's piston or diaphragm position.
- This positioner mounts on the end of the actuator, and drives the piston or diaphragm downward and moves the actuator stem out with a <u>decreasing</u> control signal. The GC31 moves the actuator stem out with an increasing control signal.
 - A cushion load regulator or reversing relay is required to drive the piston or diaphragm back, towards the positioner if there is no actuator spring return.
 - This pressure retracts the actuator stem when the positioner no longer commands the piston to extend the stem.
- A range spring beneath the positioner, inside the actuator cylinder, connects to the actuator piston or diaphragm to provide the position feedback for the positioner's internal controls.
 - This range spring is required for the positioner to control actuator position.

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The Supply (Supply) and Instrument (INST) pressure port are on opposite ends.

The controlled outlet pressure is routed to the central housing, where it pressurizes the top of the piston through a flange and gasket connection on the end of the piston actuator.



GC32 Commandaire Positioner – Internal Operation

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"Zero" adjustment to balance loads on bellcrank, and yoke position

Instrument air signal ported into the chamber and pushes the diaphragm and yoke, <u>but</u> <u>differently than the</u> <u>GC31.</u>

> Range Spring extension stiffness is calibrated during assembly to the actuator, by active coil adjustment, providing the rate needed for actuator stroke vs instrument air signal range.

Yoke

 Flexure mounted bellcrank tied to the Range Spring pushes against pin on yoke to offset instrument air pushing diaphragm and yoke.

Supply air pressure ported to main poppet valve.

Main poppet valve pushes supply air to outlet port (and central housing), pushing piston down when instrument air pushes yoke to right and main valve opens, extending the actuator.

Relief valve opens when force on yoke from instrument air is less than the extension spring load on the bellcrank, and yoke moves to the left. This lets the actuator retract.

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pressure increases.



GC32 Commandaire Positioner – Piping / Hook Up



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If air pressure is disrupted, the air in the pressure vessel will continue to supply the cushion load regulator to retract the stem.

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