

# User's Guide

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## iPORT/LAN 2™

### Ethernet to I<sup>2</sup>C Host Adapter ASCII Fast Mode

with *Circuit Sense*



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# Introduction

The MCC iPort/LAN 2™ (#MIIC-210), Ethernet to I<sup>2</sup>C Host Adapter with ASCII Fast Mode and *Circuit Sense*, allows a Windows PC, with an ethernet port or network access, to become an I<sup>2</sup>C Master or Slave device, transmitting or receiving I<sup>2</sup>C messages between the PC and one or more Direct (Crossover Cable Connected), Local (LAN Connected), or Remote (Internet Connected) I<sup>2</sup>C devices across an I<sup>2</sup>C Bus.

This user's guide describes the installation and operation of the iPort/LAN 2 host adapter, Virtual Communication Port (VCP) driver, iPort Utility Pack Software for Windows, and includes the Programmer's Reference for creating custom applications.

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# Part 1

**iPORT/LAN 2™**

Ethernet  
to  
I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Host Adapter  
with  
*Circuit Sense™*

## User's Guide

Model: MIIC-210

# 1 Overview

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*Circuit Sense*, our new I<sup>2</sup>C Bus voltage sensing technology, allows the iPort/LAN 2 to work with the latest I<sup>2</sup>C Bus devices at voltages as low as 0.5 volts.



## iPort/LAN 2 Product Features:

- Access Direct, Local (LAN) or Remote (Internet) I<sup>2</sup>C devices from your PC.
- High Performance Processor Increases Throughput (2x to 200x).
- External Power Jack or I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Powered (5VDC).
- Built-in ESD, Over-voltage, and Reverse-voltage Protection.
- Switch Controlled Properties:
  - I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Power Source or Voltage Sense (5v@100ma Source or 0.5v to 5v Voltage Sense).
  - I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Pull-Ups (1.8K ohm, Enable or Disable).
- Software Controlled Properties:
  - I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Master Clock Rates: 23KHz, 86KHz, 100KHz Std, 400KHz Fast.
  - I<sup>2</sup>C Bus General Call Enable.
  - I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Time-Out (0-32K ms).
  - I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Interrupt Signal Control (Assert, Release, Monitor).
  - Host Communication Flow Control (XON/XOFF or RTS/CTS).
  - User Terminal Interface Echo/Prompt (Enable or Disable).
  - User Data Format (HEX or ASCII-HEX).
- Supported I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Activities:
  - Master and Slave Functions.
  - Transmit, Receive, and TxRx Data Functions.
  - Multi-Master Arbitration Loss Detection.
  - I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Error Detection.
  - Clock-Stretch Detection/Processing.
  - Bus Time-Out Detection.
  - Interrupt Signal Generation and Detection.
  - 7-bit Slave Address Generation and Detection.
  - Up to 32K data bytes in a single message.
  - SMBus™ Packet Error Detection.
  - eXtended Commands for 2-Wire “I<sup>2</sup>C-Like” Low-level SCL/SDA Signal Control.
- Software Support:
  - Free Application Software (Master, Slave, and EEPROM Programmer).
  - Free Software Development Tools (MS.NET and LabVIEW Libraries).
- Compatible with existing iPort/AI, iPort/AFM, iPort/USB, and i2cStick applications.
- US-FCC and EUR-CE EMC Compliant.
- RoHS/Lead Free Compliant.

## iPort/LAN 2 Package

The iPort/LAN 2 package include the following items:

- iPort/LAN 2, Ethernet to I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Host Adapter.
- I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Mini Clip-lead Cable (5-wire, 1ft.)
- Ethernet Interface Cable (Standard, 3 ft.).
- Global 5VDC Power Supply.
- iPort/LAN 2 Quick Start Guide.
- iPort/LAN 2 Travel Case.
- Online Items\*:
  - iPort/LAN 2 Datasheet.
  - iPort/LAN 2 User's Guide (this document).
  - iPort/LAN 2 Virtual ComPort Driver.
  - iPort/LAN 2 Utility Pack Software.
  - Application Software
  - Software Development Tools

(\* [www.mcc-us.com/iPortLAN-2](http://www.mcc-us.com/iPortLAN-2))



## 1.1 iPort/LAN 2 Ethernet to I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Host Adapter

The iPort/LAN 2 host adapter is an Ethernet-based device that plugs into a Direct, Local (LAN), or Remote (Internet) network and generates I<sup>2</sup>C Bus signals.

## 1.2 iPort/LAN 2 Virtual Communications Port (VCP)

The iPort/LAN 2 uses a Virtual Communications Port (VCP) driver to create a virtual serial port within a Windows-based PC. To the Windows PC, the VCP looks just like a legacy serial communications port (COMn), allowing standard serial communication programming methods to communicate with the iPort/LAN 2. No special network programming is required. The iPort/LAN 2 VCP is available to the host computer whenever the iPort/LAN is attached to an accessible network.

## 1.3 iPort Utility Pack Software

The iPort Utility Pack Software package includes the iPort Message Center and Message Manager applications to help you easily send and receive I<sup>2</sup>C Bus messages.

## 1.4 iPort/LAN 2 Programmer's Resources

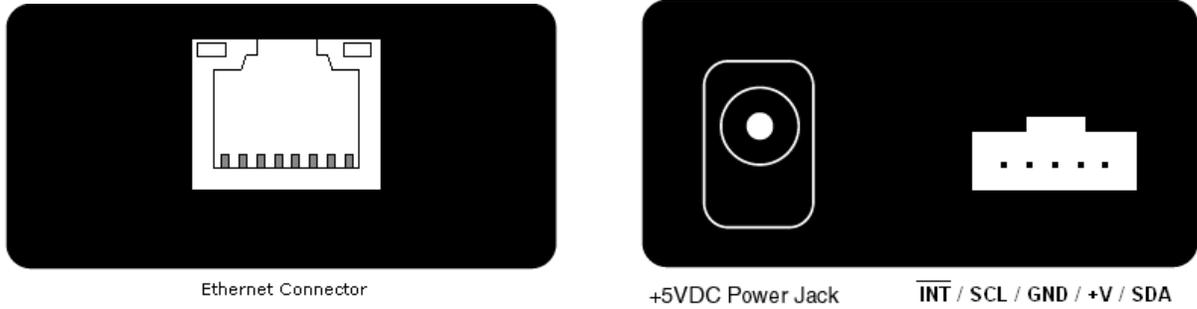
Our MS.NET Class Library and LabVIEW VI Library provide the tools to quickly create custom I<sup>2</sup>C Bus applications. The iPort/LAN 2 Programmer's Reference section of the iPort/LAN 2 User's Guide provides a low-level programmer's guide to creating custom I<sup>2</sup>C Bus applications.

## 1.5 System Requirements

- a. A host computer with Direct, Local, or Remote Ethernet network access.
- b. Windows XP (x86/x64) or above.

## 2 Interconnects

The iPort/LAN 2 includes interconnections:



### 2.1 Ethernet Connector

The Ethernet connector provides connection from the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter to a Direct, Local, or Remote host computer, with Link Detection (Yellow, Left) and Network Activity (Green, Right) status LEDs.

In a typical setup, a PC uses a standard Ethernet cable, or WiFi, to connect to an Ethernet hub, switch, or access point. From that point, a local network, or the Internet, completes the link to the iPort/LAN 2 adapter. A Direct-connect setup uses a crossover Ethernet cable to connect the iPort/LAN 2 directly to the Ethernet port on a host computer.

#### 2.1.1 Virtual Communications Port (VCP)

The iPort/LAN 2 provides a Virtual Communications Port (VCP) interface via a software driver installed on the host computer. Once the driver is installed, Windows will automatically create a new ComPort (COMn) on the host computer. The VCP hides the complexities of a network physical interface, and provide access to local or remote iPort/LAN 2 devices.

Application programs running on the host computer communicate with the iPort/LAN 2 via the standard Windows Communications Application Program Interface (API). See section 5, Virtual ComPort, for additional VCP driver information.

Communication signals included in the VCP interface include:

- TX - Transmit Data from the Host Computer to the iPort/LAN 2.
- RX - Receive Data from the iPort/LAN 2 to the Host Computer.
- RTS - Request to Send from the Host Computer to iPort/LAN 2.
- CTS - Clear to Send from the iPort/LAN 2 to the Host Computer.

## 2.2 +5VDC Power Jack

The iPort/LAN 2 adapter requires 300ma of REGULATED +5 volt power. This power can be supplied in one of two ways:

- Power via the +5VDC power jack (2.5mm, Center Positive).

If the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus adapter is powered via its +5VDC power jack, and the Mode switch is in Source position, up to 100ma of +5VDC power is available to external circuits via the +V wire in the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus connector.

- Power via the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus interface connector (+V Pin).

If 300ma of REGULATED +5V power is available in the target system, and the Mode switch is in Source position, the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus adapter can be powered via the +V pin in the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus connector.

See the “Hardware Setup” section for additional details.

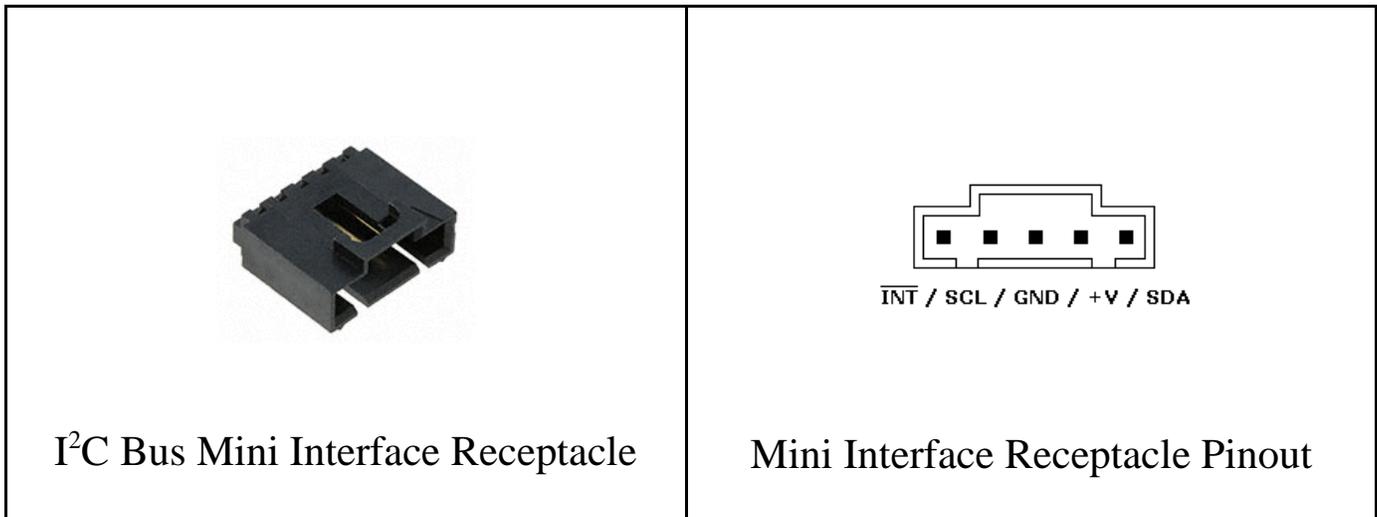
## 2.3 I<sup>2</sup>C Mini Interface Connector

The iPort/LAN 2 I<sup>2</sup>C Bus host adapter includes a five wire (1x5) 2.54 mm (.100"), positive locking, shrouded header receptacle connector (see Appendix A) for interfacing to an external I<sup>2</sup>C Bus. Lines provided include:

- I<sup>2</sup>C Clock (SCL)
- I<sup>2</sup>C Data (SDA)
- I<sup>2</sup>C /INTerrupt
- Ground
- +V

Minimum wiring for I<sup>2</sup>C Bus communications include I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Clock, Data, and Ground.

NOTE: See the Hardware Configuration section below for additional information on configuring the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Interface.



An I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Clip Lead Cable (White=SCL, Red=+5VDC, Green=SDA, Black=Ground, Gray=\_INT) is provided to connect the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter to an external I<sup>2</sup>C Bus. I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Interface Cables and modular receptacle connectors are available (see Appendix A). Since there is no standard I<sup>2</sup>C Bus connector, you may want to add a modular receptacle connector to your target system, or cut off one end of an Interface cable and add a connector compatible with your target system.

#### 2.4 Interrupt (/INT) Signal Connector

The Interrupt (/INT) signal is an extra pin found on some I<sup>2</sup>C devices. The /INT signal allows a slave-only device to attract the attention of a bus master device by lowering the /INT signal to a logical low voltage level.

The iPort/LAN 2 provides an open-drain /INT signal which can be connected to a corresponding pin on a master or slave device. The /INT signal allows the iPort/LAN 2 to participate in interrupt signaling between master or slave devices.

An interrupt output (/INT=low) is generated upon receiving an iNterrupt Assert command from the host computer. The interrupt signal is released (/INT = high) when the iPort/LAN 2 is addressed as an I<sup>2</sup>C Bus slave device, or an iNterrupt Release command is received from the host computer.

Interrupt monitoring is enabled upon receiving an Enable /INT Monitor command from the host computer. Interrupt monitoring causes the iPort/LAN 2 to monitor the

/INT signal level, and send a notification to the host computer when the /INT signal changes state.

### 3 Hardware Configuration

#### 3.1 Circuit Sense

The iPort/LAN 2 includes MCC's *Circuit Sense* technology. Circuit Sense allows the I<sup>2</sup>C interface +V pin to operate in two modes, Power Source Mode and Voltage Sense Mode. Mode selection is controlled by the MODE slide switch on the side of the unit enclosure.

**Power Source Mode** - The +V pin can supply power (5v @ 100 mA) Vcc to an external I<sup>2</sup>C Bus system. In Power Source Mode, the voltage of the iPort/LAN 2 SCL, SDA, and /INT internal pull-ups, if enabled, and Voltage Sense circuit (0.3Vcc LOW<sub>MAX</sub>, 0.7Vcc High<sub>MIN</sub>) is connected to the adapter's +5v power supply. (Use of the +V pin in Power Source Mode is user optional).

Power Source Mode is similar to the standard mode of operation on earlier versions of MCC I<sup>2</sup>C Bus host adapters.

**Voltage Sense Mode** - The +V pin is connected to the external I<sup>2</sup>C Bus system pull-up supply voltage (0.5v to 5v) Vcc, and automatically adjusts iPort/LAN 2 SCL, SDA, and /INT Voltage Sense circuit levels to match (0.3Vcc LOW<sub>MAX</sub>, 0.7Vcc High<sub>MIN</sub>). In Voltage Sense Mode, the voltage of the iPort/LAN 2 SCL, SDA, and /INT internal pull-ups, if enabled, is equal to the external voltage (Vcc) applied to the +V wire. (Use of the +V wire in Voltage Sense Mode is REQUIRED).

#### 3.2 Pull-up Resistors

I<sup>2</sup>C Bus systems are based on open-collector technology requiring pull-up devices on each signal wire. These pull-up devices usually take the form of pull-up resistors connected to bus power.

The I<sup>2</sup>C adapter includes a PULL-UP slide switch used to enable or disable internal I<sup>2</sup>C Bus 1.8K ohm pull-up resistors attached to the SCL, SDA, and /INT lines. Every I<sup>2</sup>C Bus system must have at least one pull-up on the signal lines. Use this switch to configure the pull-up resistors for your system.

### 3.3 Connecting to a Low-Voltage Target System

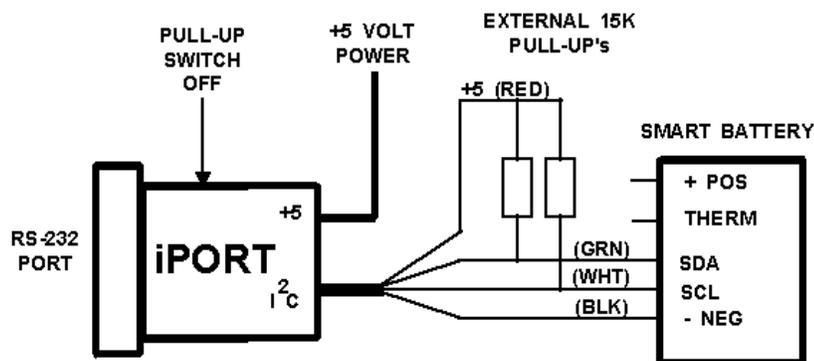
If you are connecting the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter to a low-voltage (<5v) target system, you should follow these steps BEFORE applying power:

- Using the adapter MODE slide switch, put the adapter in Sense Mode.
- If your target system does NOT supply I<sup>2</sup>C Bus pull-ups, use the adapter PULLUPS slide switch to enable the adapter's internal 1.8K ohm pull-ups.
- Connect the I<sup>2</sup>C connector +V wire to the target system I<sup>2</sup>C Bus power. The I<sup>2</sup>C adapter will be powered from its own +5V power supply, and adapters pull-ups, if enabled, and Voltage Sense circuit will be powered by the target system's low-voltage power supply.

### 3.4 Connecting to an SMBus Target System

If you are connecting the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter to a SMBus target system, you should follow these steps BEFORE applying power:

- Shut off the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter's internal pull-ups (See Pull-up Resistor section).
- Use external SMBus rated (approximately 15k ohms) pull-up resistors. These pull-ups may already be present in the target system.



- Visit our I<sup>2</sup>C versus SMBus FAQ page ([www.mcc-us.com/I2CSMBusFAQ.htm](http://www.mcc-us.com/I2CSMBusFAQ.htm)).
- See the SMBus Specification for additional details.

**Special Note for SMBus Users:** MCC's I<sup>2</sup>C adapters are designed to be I<sup>2</sup>C Bus compatible, not SMBus compatible. Some features of the SMBus protocol not supported include time-outs, device reset, and Packet Error Check byte processing. The non-supported SMBus features may, or may not, permit the use of the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter in your SMBus application. Consult the MCC FAQ web page and SMBus Specification for details.

## 4 ESD (Electrostatic Discharge) Precautions

Electrostatic discharge is defined as the transfer of charge between bodies at different electrical potentials. Electrostatic discharge can change the electrical characteristics of a semiconductor device, degrading or destroying it. Electrostatic discharge also may upset the normal operation of an electronic system, causing equipment malfunction or failure.

When connecting the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter to a host computer and a target system, extreme care must be taken to avoid electrostatic discharge. Failure to follow ESD protection procedures when using the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter could damage the host computer, I<sup>2</sup>C adapter, or the target system, and void product warranty coverage.

### 4.1 Host Computer Grounding

Case 1 - Desktop and Single-board Computers. The chassis on a desktop or single-board host computer must be connected to earth ground to comply with safety regulations. If the computer chassis is NOT connected to earth ground for some reason (i.e., use of a two-prong power mains plug), the host computer power supply ground will float to some unknown voltage potential.

Case 2 - Laptop Computers. Laptop computers present special ESD problems. Most laptop computers use an external double-insulated mains power supply which is NOT connected to the mains earth ground. This means that the laptop chassis is floating at some unknown voltage potential.

In either case, upon connection to the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter and the target system, the host computer will discharge energy through its serial port to the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter, and on to the target system. This discharge could damage the host computer, I<sup>2</sup>C adapter, and the target system.

### 4.2 Grounding Solutions

To avoid damage to the host computer, I<sup>2</sup>C adapter, or target system, follow these instructions:

- Wear an earth grounded wrist strap, or discharge any static charge build-up, when handling the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter or any target system devices.
- Ensure that both the host computer and target system are connected to a common earth ground point.

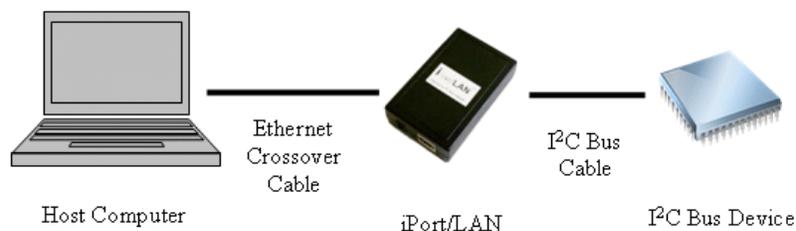
- Make sure that all interconnections are made BEFORE applying power to the host computer, I<sup>2</sup>C adapter, and target system.
- If you are using a laptop computer or host computer that is NOT connected to mains earth ground, make a hard-wired connection from the host computer (i.e., port connector shell) and the target system ground connector to a common earth ground point.
- Avoid plugging and unplugging system components while the host computer or target system is powered.
- Ensure that any devices connected to the target system are properly grounded to the common earth ground point.
- If unsure how to properly ground system components, seek electrical expert help.

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## 5 Virtual ComPort

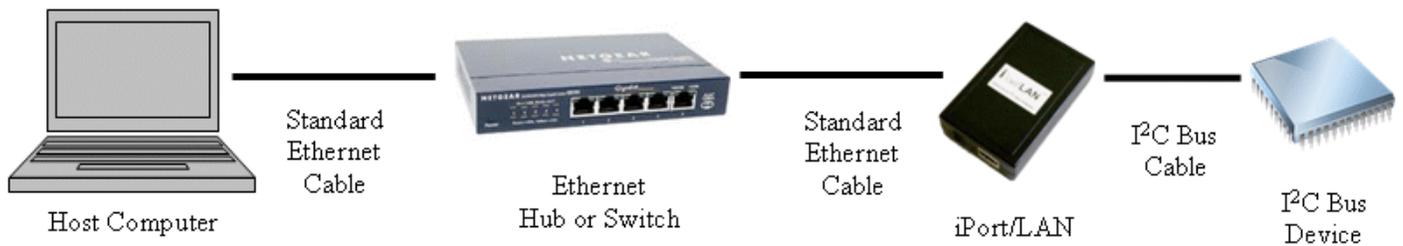
Communication between a host computer and the iPort/LAN 2 is based upon a Virtual ComPort (VCP) driver installed on the host computer, and a network connection between the host computer and the iPort/LAN 2. The VCP driver associates a host computer ComPort number with the network address of the iPort/LAN 2. Once the VCP driver is installed, the host computer uses the Virtual ComPort to communicate with the iPort/LAN 2.

A host computer can establish communication with an iPort/LAN 2 three different ways, Direct Connect, Local Connect, or Remote Connect.



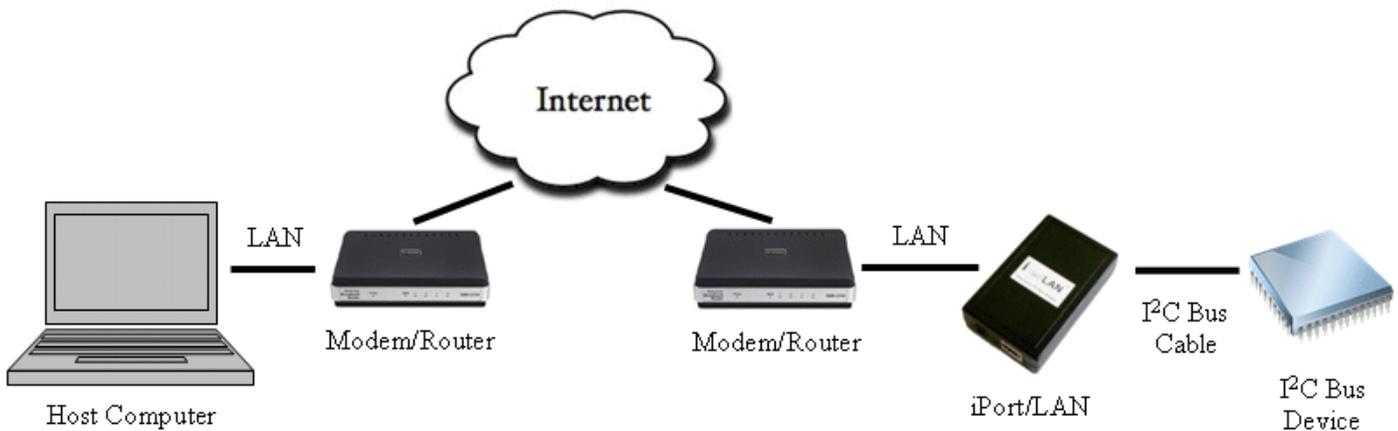
Direct Connect

Direct Connect provides a direct connection between the host computer and the iPort/LAN 2. A Virtual ComPort (VCP) driver is installed on the host computer, and an Ethernet Crossover Cable is used to connect the iPort/LAN 2 to a wired Ethernet Port on the host computer. During VCP driver installation on the host computer, the iPort/LAN 2 is assigned a Static IP address and a ComPort number.



### Local Connect

Local Connect provides a local connection between the host computer and the iPort/LAN 2 over a Local Area Network (LAN). A Virtual ComPort (VCP) driver is installed on the host computer, and a Standard Ethernet Cable is used to connect the iPort/LAN 2 to the local network. During VCP driver installation on the host computer, the iPort/LAN 2 is assigned a local Static or Dynamic IP address and a ComPort number.



### Remote Connect

Remote Connect provides a remote connection between the host computer and the iPort/LAN 2 over the Internet. A Virtual ComPort (VCP) driver is installed on the host computer, and a Standard Ethernet Cable is used to connect the iPort/LAN 2 to its local network. The iPort/LAN 2 is assigned a local Static or Dynamic IP address on its local network. During VCP driver installation on the host computer, the iPort/LAN 2 is assigned the public IP address of the iPort/LAN 2 local Modem/Router and a ComPort number. A Port-Forwarding rule, added to the iPort/LAN 2 local Modem/Router, directs inbound Internet traffic from the host computer to the local IP address assigned to the iPort/LAN 2.

Additional information is available in the iPort/LAN Network Configuration Guide:

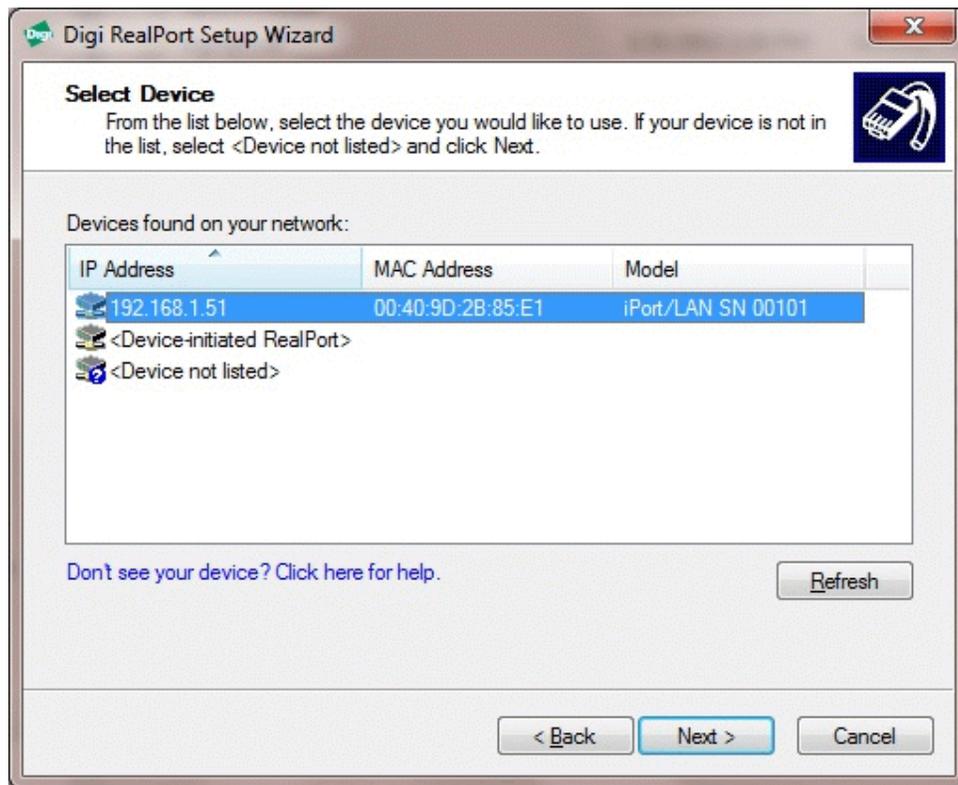
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## VCP Driver Installation

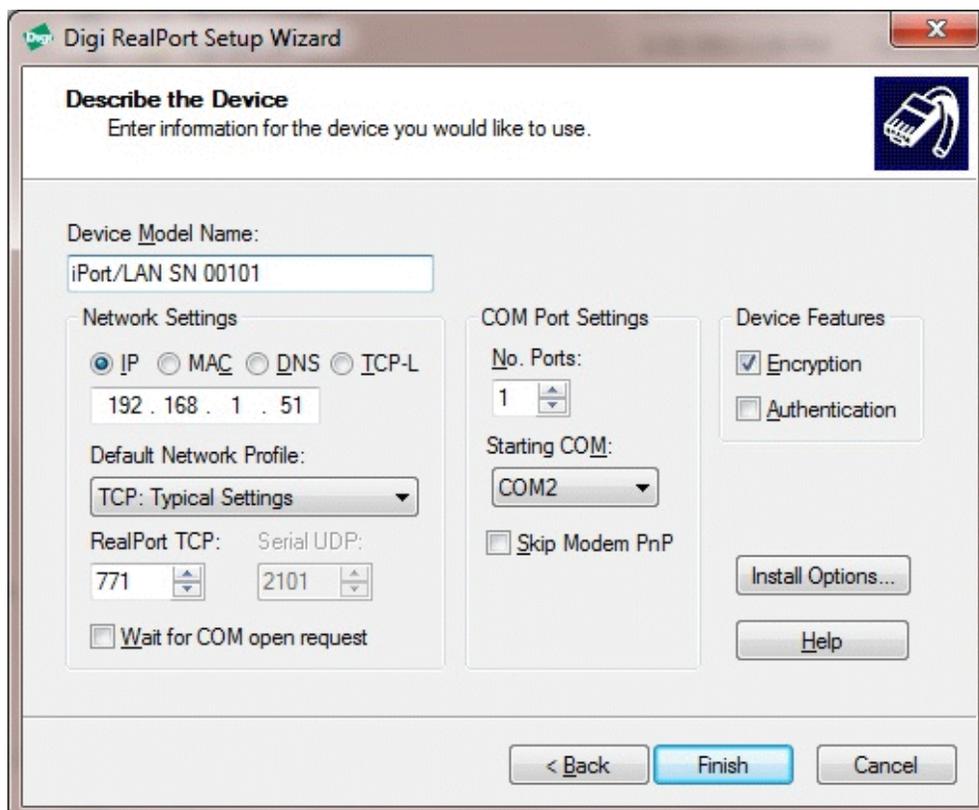
Plug the iPort/LAN 2 into your network and apply power, install the iPort Utility Pack (available on CD or online) on the host computer, and select the iPort/LAN 2 driver installer feature.



The iPort/LAN 2 uses the Digi RealPort Virtual ComPort Driver. The Setup Wizard runs at the completion of the iPort Utility Pack installation. Use the Setup Wizard to add the iPort/LAN 2 Virtual ComPort to the host computer. After the iPort Utility Pack is installed, the iPort/LAN 2 VCP driver installer can also be run from the Windows Start menu.

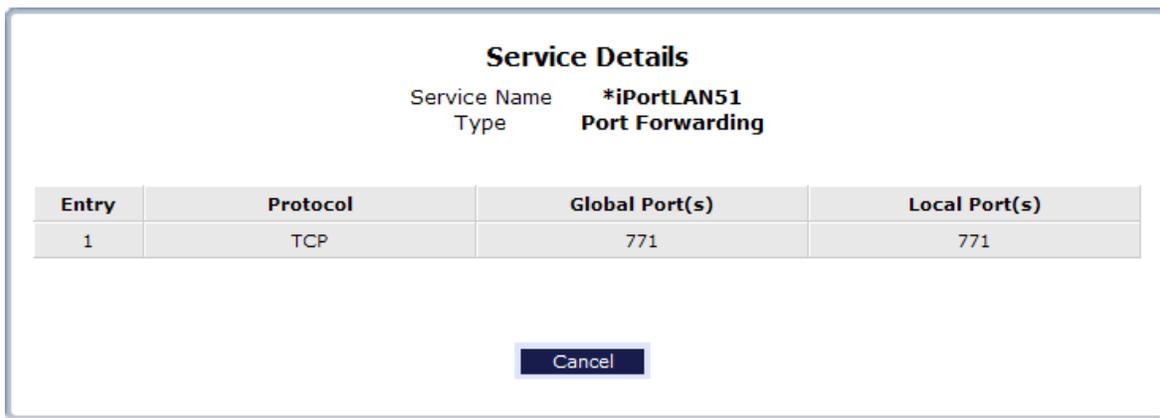


The Setup Wizard scans your network for connected iPort/LAN 2 devices. For Direct or Local connected devices, select the found device and click Next. For Remote connected devices, select “Device Not Listed”, and click Next.



For Direct or Local connected devices, the Setup Wizard provides default setting for the iPort/LAN 2 Device Name, IP Address, ComPort Number, and TCP Port Number. Default settings can be accepted as is, or modified as required by your local network administrator.

For Remote connected devices, the iPort/LAN 2 should be assigned the public IP address of its local Modem/Router. This information should be available from the remote site network administrator. A Port-Forwarding rule should be added to the iPort/LAN 2 local Modem/Router to direct inbound Internet traffic from the host computer to the local IP address assigned to the iPort/LAN 2.



See the Digi RealPort Setup Wizard Help, or the Digi RealPort Advanced Setup Guide (included in the iPort Utility Pack Documents), for information on RealPort VCP setup and configuration.

In addition to during initial iPort Utility Pack installation, the iPort/LAN 2 VCP driver can be installed, modified, or removed at any time by clicking Start, Programs, iPort Utility Pack, Drivers, Install(Uninstall), iPortLAN Driver Install(Uninstall).

Additional device driver setup and configuration is available in Windows *Device Manager* under *Multi-Port Serial Adapters* or *Port (COM & LPT)*.

Once the VCP driver is installed, the host computer can communicate with the iPort/LAN 2 via a standard ComPort Application Program Interface (API), terminal emulation software, MCC’s MS.NET Class Library interface, or MCC’s LabVIEW Virtual Instrument (VI) Library interface.

## 6 Hardware Set-Up

This section provides information on connecting the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter to your host computer and I<sup>2</sup>C Bus target system.

### 1. Ethernet Connection

After completing the Driver Installation instructions above, Windows will automatically install the VCP driver at system power-up and assign the selected communications port number (COMn).

You can find the ComPort number assigned to the iPort/LAN 2 by running the iPort Utility Pack Message Center or Message Manager software, and selecting the iPort/LAN device. You can also use Windows Device Manager (Start | Settings | Control Panel | System | Device Manager | Ports (COM & LPT)) to find or reassign the ComPort number assigned to the iPort/LAN 2.

### 2. I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Connection

Connect the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus mini clip-lead cable to the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter and your I<sup>2</sup>C device. MCC also offers an I<sup>2</sup>C mini interface cables that are compatible with our adapters. You may not need to, or want to, connect the +V wire to your target system. Refer to the "+5VDC Power Jack" and "Hardware Configuration" sections for details on pull-up resistors and connecting the optional +V wire.

### 3. +5VDC Power Connection

Connect the external power supply to the iPort/LAN 2 power jack. The external power supply powers the iPort/LAN 2, and supplies optional power to the target system via the I<sup>2</sup>C connector. See "+5VDC Power Jack" section for additional details.

If you have any questions on I<sup>2</sup>C adapter setup and configuration, please visit our FAQ page (<http://www.mcc-us.com/faq.htm>), or contact our technical support team ([support@mcc-us.com](mailto:support@mcc-us.com)).

# Part 2

# iPort Utility Pack for Windows

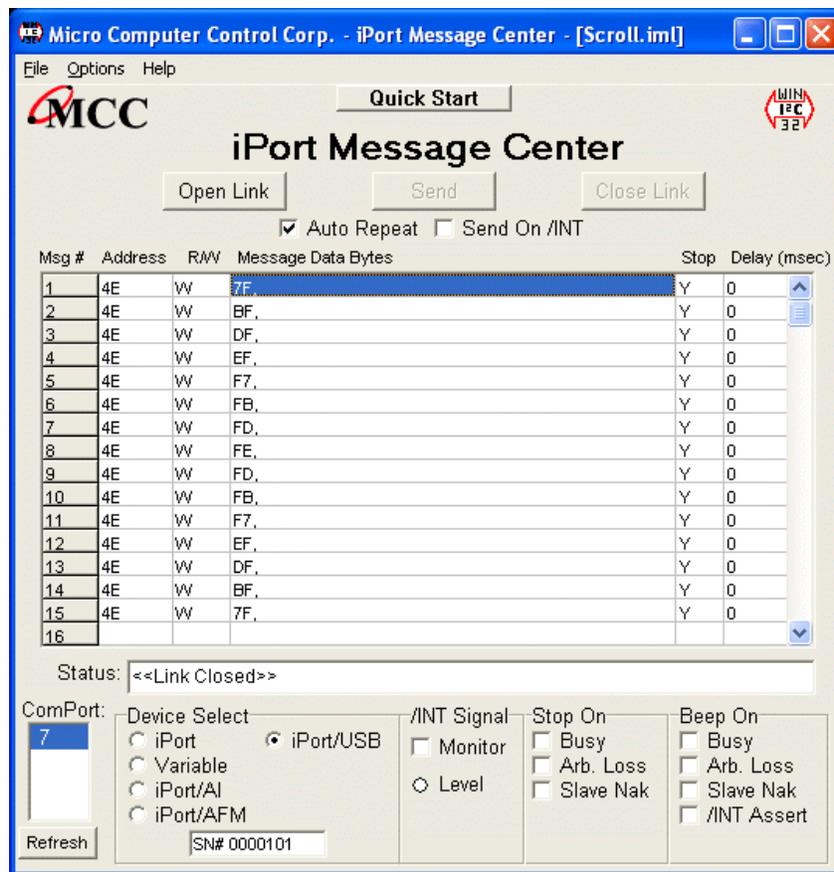
# 1 iPort Utility Pack for Windows

The iPort Utility Pack for Windows is your express lane to I<sup>2</sup>C Bus communications. The Utility Pack includes two (2) Windows-based applications (Message Center and Message Manager) that will help you get started sending and receiving I<sup>2</sup>C Bus messages quickly and easily.

## 1.1 iPort Message Center

The iPort Message Center, our most popular application, operates with all versions of our I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Host Adapters. With the Message Center, you can create, save, and automatically execute scripts of I<sup>2</sup>C Bus messages. I<sup>2</sup>C Bus message activity includes:

- Master Transmit
- Master Receive

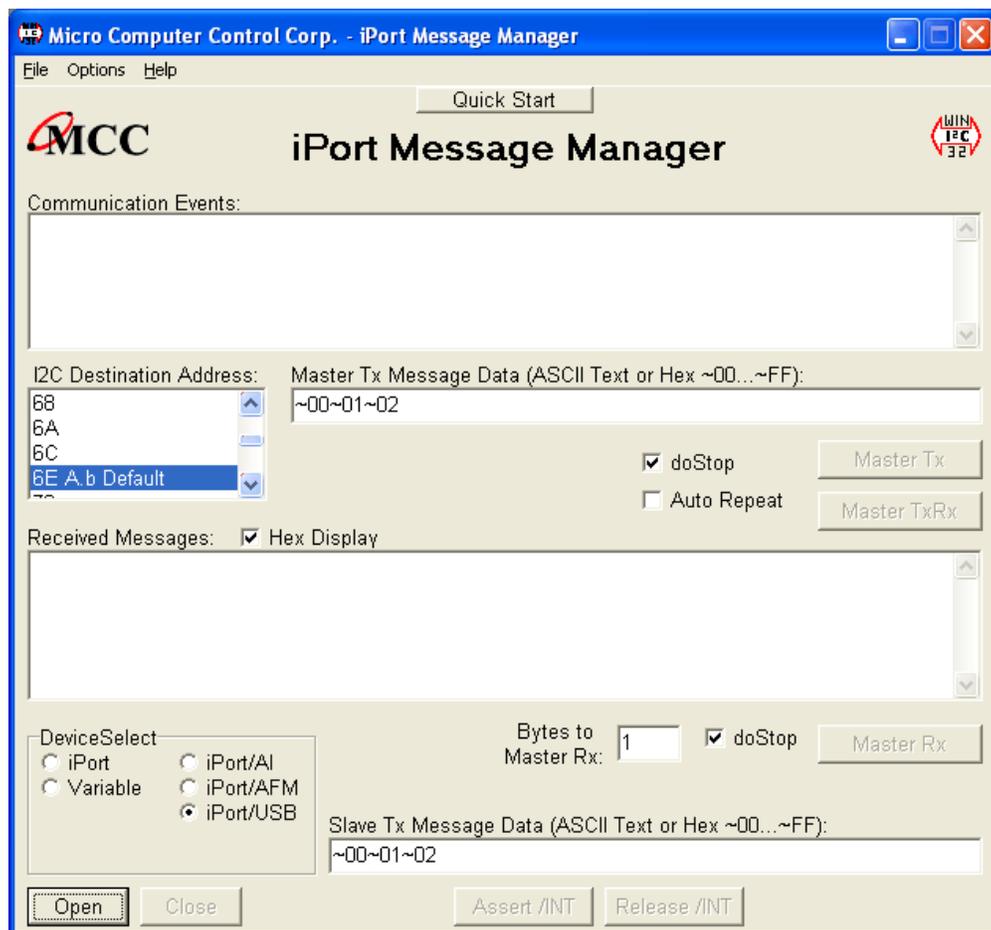


Main Screen (Typical)

## 1.2 iPort Message Manager

The iPort Message Manager operates with all versions of our I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Host Adapters. Using the Message Manager, you can perform all four (4) modes of I<sup>2</sup>C Bus message activity, including:

- Master Transmit
- Master Receive
- Slave Transmit
- Slave Receive



Main Screen (Typical)

## 2 System Requirements

- MCC I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Host Adapter.
- Windows XP OS or higher.
- 1 free RS-232 Serial Port, USB port, or Ethernet port.

## 3 iPort Utility Pack Installation

The iPort Utility Pack is not mandatory, but can be very useful when communicating with I<sup>2</sup>C Bus devices.

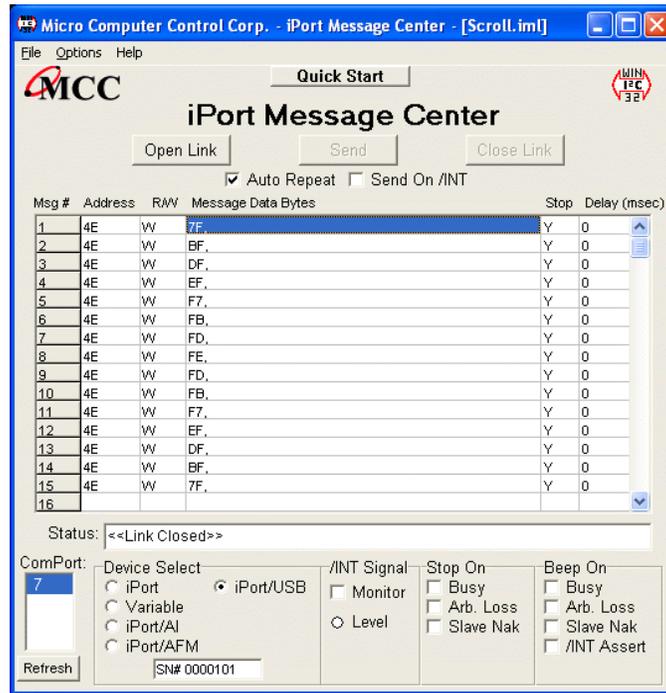
### 3.1 Installing from the Web

Visit MCC's web site ([www.mcc-us.com](http://www.mcc-us.com)), and click on the Upgrades/Updates link.

1. Under Application Software, click the iPort Utility Pack for Windows link.
2. Click to download the .ZIP file.
3. Unzip the downloaded file, storing the files in a temporary folder.
4. Click on "Setup.exe."
5. Follow the instructions on screen.

## 4 iPort Message Center

The iPort Message Center supports I<sup>2</sup>C Master Transmit and Master Receive activities for all MCC I<sup>2</sup>C Bus host adapters. With this program you can create, save, and execute scripts of I<sup>2</sup>C Master messages.



Main Screen (Typical)

The iPort Message Center allows a PC to become an I<sup>2</sup>C Master transmitter or receiving device, sending I<sup>2</sup>C messages between the PC and one or more I<sup>2</sup>C devices across an I<sup>2</sup>C Bus.

The iPort Message Center is designed to be a simple application for experimenting with I<sup>2</sup>C messages. It provides methods to:

1. Enter/Edit a list of I<sup>2</sup>C Master Transmit or Receive Messages.
2. Save and/or Load a list of I<sup>2</sup>C Master messages to/from disk.
3. Transmit the current list of I<sup>2</sup>C Master messages, with the option to auto-repeat upon completion, send on INT signal assertion (with INT signal supported adapters only), and beep or stop on special I<sup>2</sup>C Bus events.
4. Use command line arguments to automatically load, send, and save I<sup>2</sup>C messages from a batch file or another program.

Each I<sup>2</sup>C message can transfer up to 32 bytes of 8-bit data, with Repeated Start and Time Delay options.

## 4.1 Message Center Operations

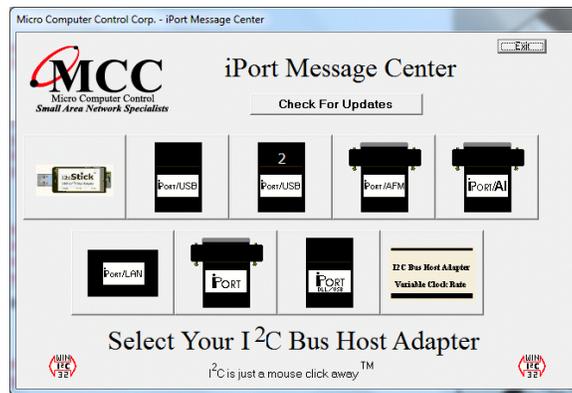
Communicating with another device on the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus is easy. Just install the software as described in Section 3, then follow these simple steps:

### 4.1.1 Starting the Message Center

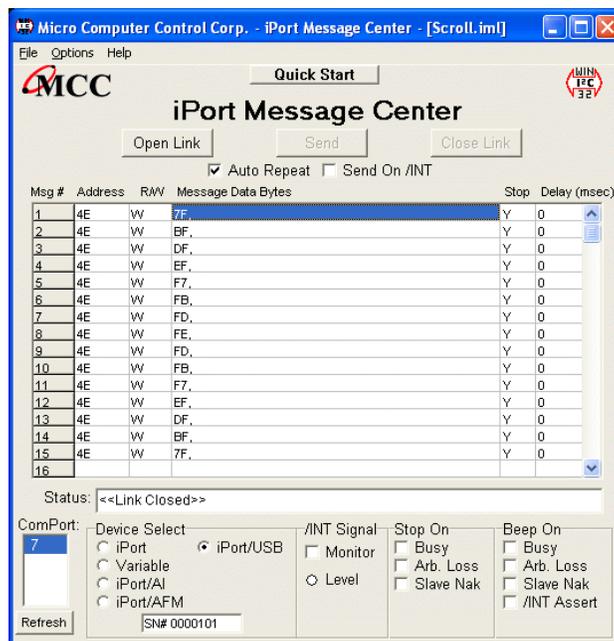
Click, Start | Programs | iPort Utility Pack | iPort Message Center

### 4.1.2 Selecting the Adapter

Select the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter you are using by clicking the corresponding adapter image (see Opening Screen), or the Device Select checkbox (see Main Application Screen).



Opening Screen (Typical)



Main Screen (Typical)

### 4.1.3 Select the Communications Port

Use the “ComPort:” control to select the communication port connected to the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter. If a USB or Ethernet based device is selected, the serial number for the adapter is displayed. In addition to legacy (RS-232), USB, and Ethernet based Virtual Communication Ports, Message Center supports USB and network connected local or remote RS-232 ports via the Windows Com driver.

### 4.1.4 Options Menu

Use the Options menu to override default Baud Rate and I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Clock rate settings. Default settings and options are adapter dependant.

### 4.1.5 Establish Adapter Communications Link

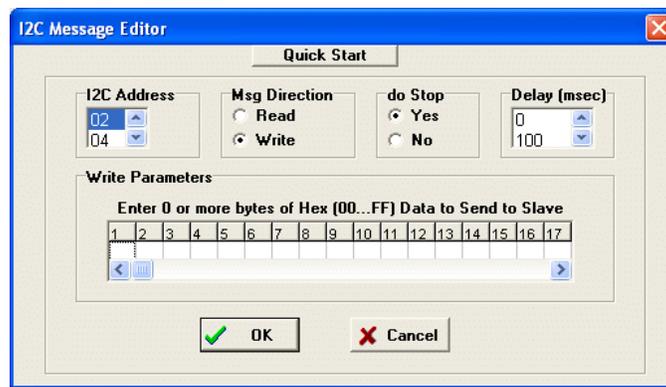
Establish the communications link to the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter by clicking the Open Link button.

The Message Center sets the adapter’s own I<sup>2</sup>C Slave address to 0xFE. Once the link has opened successfully, you are an active I<sup>2</sup>C node. I<sup>2</sup>C messages entered into the message spreadsheet can be transmitted upon request. If the link open is not successful, follow the on-screen directions. Make sure the communications port is working, is enabled in the Windows Device Manager, and is not being used by other software.

### 4.1.6 Entering or Editing I<sup>2</sup>C Messages

I<sup>2</sup>C messages can be entered with the Message Editor, or a previously recorded message list can be loaded from the File menu.

To enter or edit a message, open the “I<sup>2</sup>C Message Editor” screen by double clicking on a message row in the spreadsheet.



Use the I<sup>2</sup>C Message Editor to:

### 1. Set I<sup>2</sup>C Address.

The I<sup>2</sup>C Address is the I<sup>2</sup>C slave address of the slave device being addressed on the bus. All slave addresses are displayed as even numbers (00...FE), representing the 7 most significant bits of the 8-bit slave address transmitted on the bus (aaaa aaa0).

The I<sup>2</sup>C adapter automatically supplies the 8<sup>th</sup>, least significant, Read/Write bit when it sends the slave address across the bus. For master write operations, the Read/Write bit is always transmitted as a logical 0 (aaaa aaa0). For master read operations, the Read/Write bit is always transmitted as a logical 1 (aaaa aaa1).

Use the I<sup>2</sup>C Address control to set the slave address of the slave device you want to address on the bus.

### 2. Set Message Read/Write Direction.

As a bus master device, the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter can write data to, or read data from, any device on the bus. Use the Msg Direction control to specify if the current message is a master write, or master read, operation. Upon making your selection, additional Write or Read parameters appear.

### 3. Specify Repeated Start Messages.

I<sup>2</sup>C Bus communications support an operation called Repeated Start. In this operation, a message is sent across the bus beginning with a Start Condition, but without a Stop Condition at the end of the message. The next message sent

across the bus begins with a Start Condition, in this case a Repeated Start.

An I<sup>2</sup>C Bus master, that successfully sends a message on the bus, owns the bus until that master sends a message with a terminating Stop Condition. The Repeated Start operation allows the bus master to retain control of the bus while sending one or more messages on the bus. This prevents other bus masters, in a multi-master system, from accessing the bus and interfering with message sequences.

The Message Center supports Repeated Starts with the doStop control. Sending an I<sup>2</sup>C message with doStop enabled will cause the message to be terminated with a Stop Condition. Sending an I<sup>2</sup>C message with doStop disabled will cause the message to end without a Stop Condition, allowing the next message to be sent with a Repeated Start.

#### 4. Set Time Delay.

Message Center supports time delays after the completion of a message. Time delays can be used to synchronize or sequence bus messages with the activity of external devices.

#### 5. Specify Write Data or Read Byte Count.

Enter the hexadecimal data you want to write to a slave receiver device, or the number of data bytes to read from a slave transmitter. Message Center supports up to 32 bytes of 8-bit data per message.

NOTE: The data you send may have special meaning to the receiving slave device, but to the Message Center, and the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter, message data has no special meaning. Consult your slave device's data sheet for details.

Click OK to accept the message and enter it into the spreadsheet.

Master Write messages display the message data in the spreadsheet. Master Read messages display 0xFF placeholders in the spreadsheet. Upon execution, actual data received from a slave transmitter replaces the placeholders in the message spreadsheet.

Repeat above steps for additional messages. The Message Center supports up to 32,000 messages in a list.

### 4.1.7 Inserting and Deleting Messages

You can insert a new message between existing messages by clicking once on a message below where you want to insert, then press the “Insert” key on your keyboard. The Message Editor also remembers the last message displayed, so double clicking on a blank spreadsheet row will allow you to copy a message. Delete a message by single clicking on the message row and pressing the “Delete” key on your keyboard.

### 4.1.8 Saving or Loading Message Lists

Message Center I<sup>2</sup>C message lists can be saved to, or loaded from, a disk file. To save the current message list, click File|Save on the menu bar. To open an existing message list, click File|Open List on the menu bar.

Message lists are maintained in ASCII text files (\*.IML) that can be edited manually or created with a customer-developed program. See message list files for details.

### 4.1.9 Send the Message List

An I<sup>2</sup>C message list can be sent manually, or automatically in response to an INT signal assertion (with INT signal supported adapters only). To send the list manually, click the Send button on the main application screen. To send the list in response to an INT signal assertion (low), enable the “/INT Signal Monitoring” checkbox, and check the “Send on /INT” checkbox. The list will be sent each time the INT signal is asserted.

The Message Center also supports the repeated sending of a message list. If the Auto Repeat checkbox is checked, a message list will automatically repeat upon completion.

### 4.1.10 Special Event Handling

The Message Center supports the early termination of a message list, and beep on special events. See the “Stop On” and “Beep On” controls on the main application screen of available options.

#### 4.1.11 Slave Not Acknowledging

If you get a “Slave Not Acknowledging” message in the Status window, this could indicate you have the wrong address in the I<sup>2</sup>C Destination Address, or the device is not answering to its address. Some slave devices temporarily stop acknowledging their address. Consult the slave device’s data sheet for details.

## 4.2 Command Line Arguments

The Message Center can be controlled via command line arguments. This feature allows the Message Center to be accessed from a batch file or another program.

<b>Message Center Command Line Arguments</b>	
<b>Command</b>	<b>Description</b>
iPort, iPort/AI, iPort/AFM, Variable, iPort/USB, iPort/LAN, i2cStick, iPortDLL/USB	Specify I <sup>2</sup> C adapter type.*
COM1...COM99	Specify RS-232 communication port.
BAUD19200, BAUD57600, BAUD115200	Set RS-232 Baud Rate.*
CLOCK12.5K, CLOCK23K, CLOCK86K, CLOCK100K, CLOCK400K, VCLOCK	Set I <sup>2</sup> C Bus Clock Rate.*
Monitor/INT	Enable /INT Signal Monitor.*
StopOnBusy	Stop sending on I <sup>2</sup> C adapter busy.
StopOnArbLoss	Stop sending on I <sup>2</sup> C Bus Arbitration Loss.
StopOnNak	Stop on Slave Negative Acknowledgment.
BeepOnBusy	Beep on I <sup>2</sup> C adapter busy.
BeepOnArbLoss	Beep on I <sup>2</sup> C Bus arbitration loss.
BeepOnNak	Beep on Slave Negative Acknowledgment.
BeepOn/INT	Beep on /INT signal assert (low).*
AutoLoad	Load I <sup>2</sup> C message list file.
AutoSave	Save I <sup>2</sup> C message list file.
AutoOpen	Open link to I <sup>2</sup> C adapter.
AutoSend	Send I <sup>2</sup> C message list.
AutoExit	Exit after sending message list.

\* Adapter specific commands. See command details below.

Command Line Syntax: `msgctr.exe AdapterType argument-list`

Example: `msgctr.exe iPort/AFM adctest01.iml AutoOpen AutoSend AutoExit`

## 4.2.1 Set Adapter Type

<i>Argument</i>	<i>Description</i>
iPort	iPort (#MIIC-201)
iPortDLL/USB	iPort DLL/USB (#MIIC-201D/U)
Variable	Variable Clock (#MIIC-201-V)
iPort/AI	iPort/AI (#MIIC-202)
iPort/AFM	iPort/AFM (#MIIC-203)
iPort/USB	iPort/USB (#MIIC-204)
iPort/LAN	iPort/LAN (#MIIC-205), iPort/LAN 2 (#MIIC-210)
i2cStick	i2cStick (#MIIC-207)

The Adapter Type argument should be the first argument in the argument list as it controls the availability of other arguments. If the Adapter Type is not specified, the startup adapter selection screen will be presented.

## 4.2.2 Set RS-232 Communication Port

1<sup>st</sup> Available ComPort (Default)  
COM1...COM99

Set the RS-232 communications port attached to the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter.

## 4.2.3 Set RS-232 Baud Rate

BAUD19200 (Default\*)  
BAUD57600 (iPort/AFM, iPort/USB, iPort/LAN, i2cStick\* ONLY)  
BAUD115200 (iPort/AFM, iPort/USB, iPort/LAN, i2cStick\* ONLY)

Set the RS-232 Baud Rate. \*i2cStick internally re-maps to 115.2K baud.

## 4.2.4 Set I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Clock Rate

CLOCK12.5K (iPort ONLY)  
CLOCK23K (iPort/AFM, iPort/USB, iPort/LAN, i2cStick ONLY)  
CLOCK86K (iPort/AFM, iPort/USB, iPort/LAN, i2cStick ONLY)  
CLOCK100K (iPort, iPort/AI, /AFM, /USB, /LAN, i2cStick, Default)  
CLOCK400K (iPort/AFM, iPort/USB, iPort/LAN, i2cStick ONLY)  
VCLOCK=nnnHz (Variable ONLY. nnn=451...57787)

Set the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Clock Rate to the specified value. The default rate for the Variable Clock adapter is 451Hz. The Variable Clock adapter does not support all rates within the specified range. The Message Center will adjust the specified rate to the nearest available supported rate.

#### 4.2.5 Enable /INT Signal Monitor

Monitor/INT (on INT supported adapters only. Default=OFF)

Enable /INT signal monitoring.

#### 4.2.6 Stop On Busy

StopOnBusy (Default=OFF)

Stop sending I<sup>2</sup>C messages if the adapter returns a "Busy" response to the host computer.

#### 4.2.7 Stop On Arbitration Loss

StopOnArbLoss (Default=OFF)

Stop sending I<sup>2</sup>C messages if the adapter returns a "Bus Arbitration Loss" response to the host computer. Bus Arbitration Loss occurs when another I<sup>2</sup>C Bus master wins arbitration while the adapter is attempting to become a bus master.

#### 4.2.8 Stop On Slave Negative Acknowledgment

StopOnNak (Default=OFF)

Stop sending I<sup>2</sup>C messages if the adapter returns a "Slave Not Acknowledging" response to the host computer. Slave Not Acknowledging occurs when the adapter is attempting to become a bus master and no slave device acknowledges the transmitted slave address.

#### 4.2.9 Beep On Busy

BeepOnBusy (Default=OFF)

Generate a host computer beep if the adapter returns a "Busy" response to the host

computer.

#### 4.2.10 Beep On Arbitration Loss

BeepOnArbLoss (Default=OFF)

Generate a host computer beep if the adapter returns a "Bus Arbitration Loss" response to the host computer. Bus Arbitration Loss occurs when another I<sup>2</sup>C Bus master wins arbitration while the adapter is attempting to become a bus master.

#### 4.2.11 Beep On Slave Negative Acknowledgment

BeepOnNak (Default=OFF)

Generate a host computer beep if the adapter returns a "Slave Not Acknowledging" response to the host computer. Slave Not Acknowledging occurs when the adapter is attempting to become a bus master and no slave device acknowledges the transmitted slave address.

#### 4.2.12 Beep On /INT Assert

BeepOn/INT (on INT supported adapters only. Default=OFF)

Generate a host computer beep if the adapter returns an "/INT Signal Assert" response to the host computer. /INT Signal Assert occurs if /INT Signal Monitoring is enabled and a high to low transition is detected on the adapter /INT signal connector.

#### 4.2.13 Load I<sup>2</sup>C Message List File

AutoLoad=filename

AutoLoad="file name"

filename.iml

"file name.iml"

Automatically open file with extension .IML and load messages into Message Center spreadsheet.

#### 4.2.14 Saved I<sup>2</sup>C Message List File

AutoSave=filename  
AutoSave="file name"

Automatically save message list to the specified file upon executing AutoExit. Use to save message data read from a slave transmitter device.

#### 4.2.15 Auto Open

AutoOpen    Auto Open Link to I<sup>2</sup>C Adapter

Open link to the adapter.

#### 4.2.16 Auto Send

AutoSend    Auto Send I<sup>2</sup>C Message List

Send I<sup>2</sup>C messages loaded with the AutoLoad command.

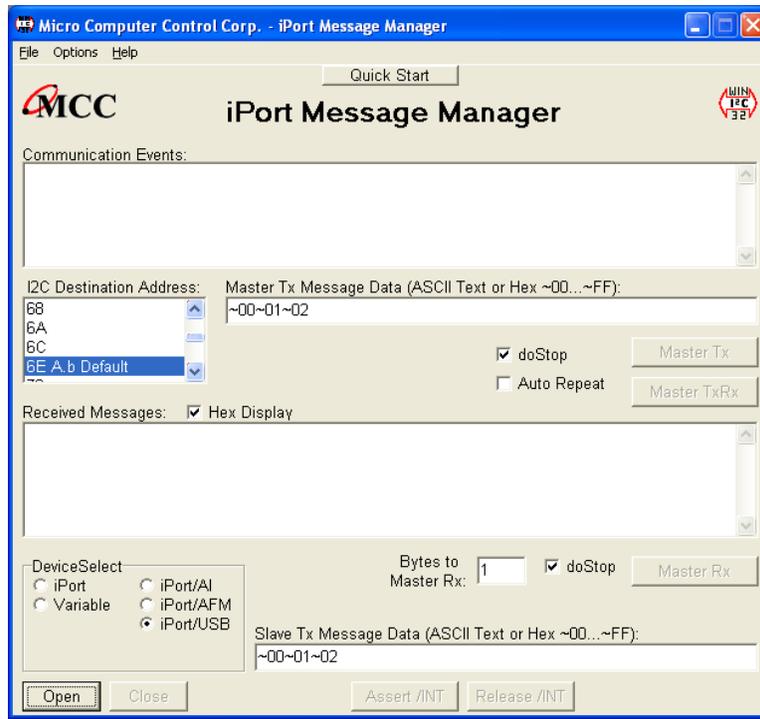
#### 4.2.17 Auto Exit

AutoExit    Auto exit after sending the message list.

Message Center will auto exit after sending the last message in the I<sup>2</sup>C message list.

## 5 iPort Message Manager

The iPort Message Manager supports I<sup>2</sup>C Master and Slave, Transmit and Receive activities for all MCC I<sup>2</sup>C Bus host adapters, allowing a PC to become an I<sup>2</sup>C Master or Slave device, transmitting or receiving I<sup>2</sup>C messages between the PC and one or more I<sup>2</sup>C devices across an I<sup>2</sup>C Bus.



Main Screen (Typical)

The Message Manager is designed to be a simple application for experimenting with I<sup>2</sup>C messages. Message Manager provides methods to:

1. Set the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter's own I<sup>2</sup>C Slave address, General Call Enable, and other operating parameters.
2. Master Transmit ASCII text or Hex (00...FF) data to a specified I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Receiver device.
3. Master Receive data from a specified I<sup>2</sup>C Slave device.
4. Perform Master Read after Write operations.
5. Slave Transmit data to a requesting I<sup>2</sup>C Master device.
6. Display Master or Slave Receive data in hexadecimal or ASCII.
7. Display I<sup>2</sup>C Bus communication events.
8. Assert or release the INT signal (on supported adapters only).

## 5.1 Message Manager Operations

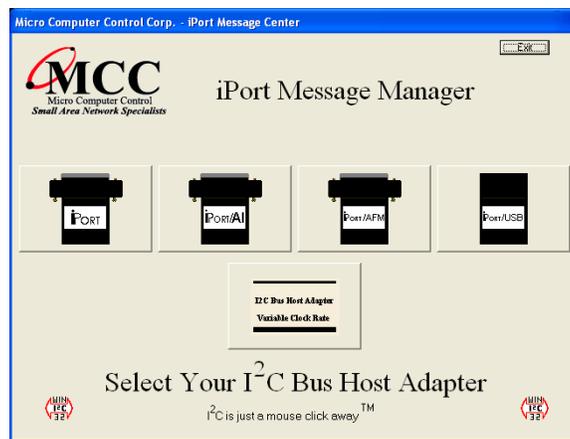
Communicating with another device on the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus is easy. Just install the software as described in Section 3, then follow these simple steps:

### 5.1.1 Starting the Message Manager

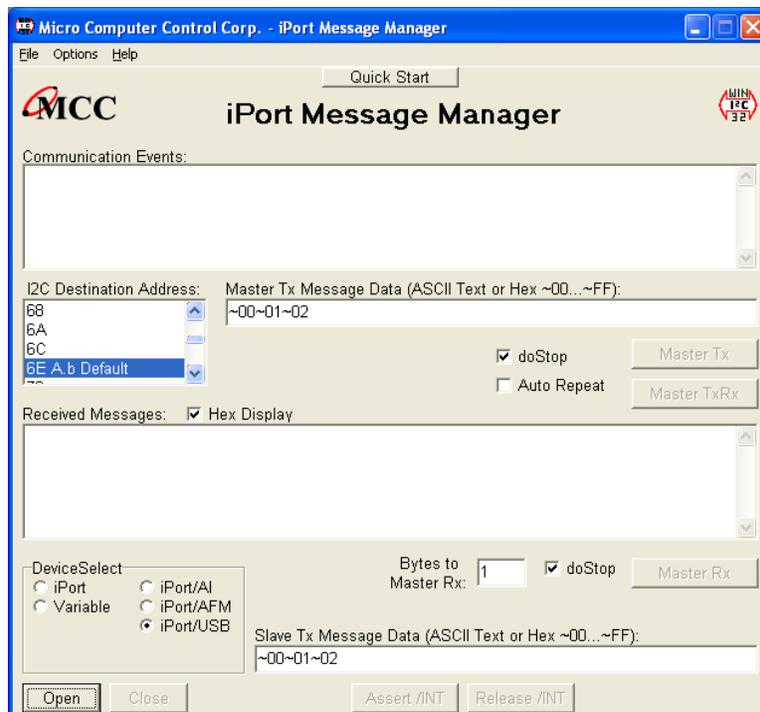
Click, Start | Programs | iPort Utility Pack | iPort Message Manager

### 5.1.2 Select the Adapter

Select the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter you are using by clicking the corresponding adapter image (see Opening Screen), or the Device Select checkbox (see Main Screen).



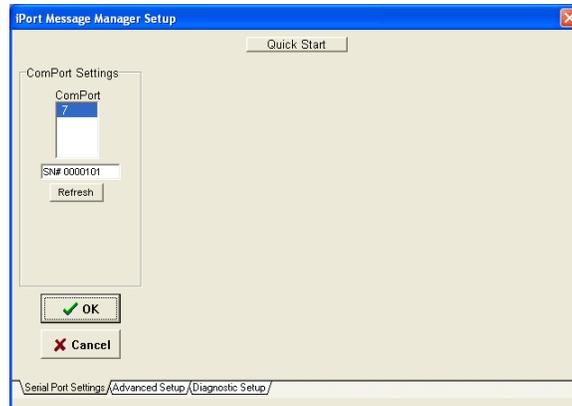
Opening Screen (Typical)



Main Screen (Typical)

### 5.1.3 Establish Adapter Communications Link

On the main screen, click the Open button to view the Set Up Screen. Three levels of setup options are available, Basic, Advanced, and Diagnostic. Only Basic setup is required.



Basic Set Up Screen

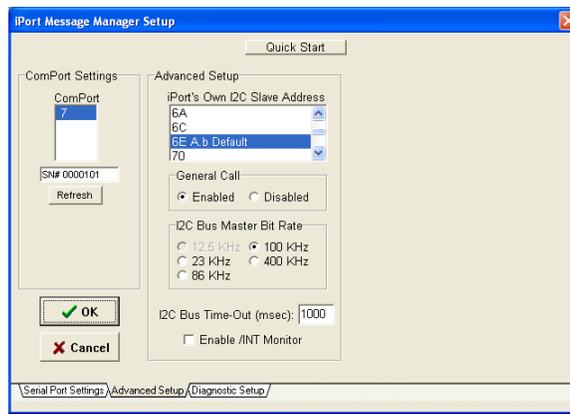
#### 5.1.3.1 Basic Setup

Use the “ComPort” control to select the communication port connected to the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter. If a USB or Ethernet based device is selected, the serial number for the adapter is displayed. In addition to legacy (RS-232), USB, and Ethernet based Virtual Communication Ports, Message Center supports USB and network connected local or remote RS-232 ports via the Windows Com driver.

Select from the list of available baud rates. Then click OK.

After a few moments, the Communication Events window on the Main Application screen should report “I<sup>2</sup>C Open Successful.”

If open is not successful, follow the on-screen instructions. Make sure the communications port is working, is enabled in the Windows Device Manager, and is not being used by other software. Additional communication port open information is available in the log file. See Diagnostic Setup options.



Advanced Set Up Screen

### 5.1.3.2 Advanced Setup

On the Advanced Setup screen you can set the following parameters:

#### Adapter's Own I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Address

Select the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter's own slave address. The adapter will acknowledge messages sent to this slave address. The default address is 0x6E.

#### General Call Enable

General Call Enable allows the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter to respond as a slave receiver to the I<sup>2</sup>C General Call Address (0x00). General Call is used by a master to broadcast an I<sup>2</sup>C message to multiple devices. The default value is enabled.

#### I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Master Bit Rate

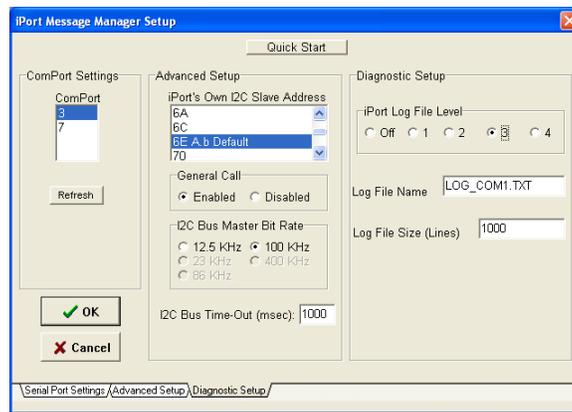
Select I<sup>2</sup>C Bus speed during master operations. 100kHz is standard mode. 400kHz is fast mode. Available rates are I<sup>2</sup>C adapter dependant.

#### I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Time-Out

Specify how long the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter will wait before reporting an I<sup>2</sup>C Bus inter-byte time-out (0 = no time-out, 1 to 32767 milliseconds, iPort/AI fixed at 1 second).

#### Enable INT Signal Monitor (on supported adapters)

Enables monitoring of the INT signal state. INT state changes are reported in the main screen Communications Events window.



## Diagnostic Set Up Screen

### 5.1.3.3 Diagnostic Setup (on supported adapters)

On the Diagnostic Set-up screen you can set the following parameters:

#### Log File Level

A log file is available for troubleshooting communication problems between the host computer and the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter. The log file is an ASCII text file viewable with any text editor. Select logging level. Level 1 provides minimum information. Level 4 provides maximum information.

#### Log File Name

Specify a log file name. Unless a path is specified, the log file will be created in the current working directory.

#### Log File Size

Specify log file length in lines. The log file overwrites earlier entries upon reaching the specified number on lines.

## 5.1.4 Sending I<sup>2</sup>C Messages

### 5.1.4.1 Master Operations

#### 5.1.4.1.1 Specifying the Destination Address

The Destination Address is the I<sup>2</sup>C slave address of the slave device being addressed on the bus. All slave addresses are displayed as even numbers (00...FE), representing the 7 most significant bits of the 8-bit slave address transmitted on the bus (aaaa aaa0).

The I<sup>2</sup>C adapter automatically supplies the 8<sup>th</sup>, least significant, Read/Write bit when it sends the slave address across the bus. For master write operations, the Read/Write bit is always transmitted as a logical 0 (aaaa aaa0). For master read operations, the Read/Write bit is always transmitted as a logical 1 (aaaa aaa1).

On the main screen, use the I<sup>2</sup>C Destination Address list control to set the slave address of the slave device you want to address on the bus.

#### 5.1.4.1.2 Repeated Start Messages

I<sup>2</sup>C Bus communications support an operation called Repeated Start. In this operation, a message is sent across the bus beginning with a Start Condition, but without a Stop Condition at the end of the message. The next message sent across the bus begins with a Start Condition, in this case a Repeated Start.

An I<sup>2</sup>C Bus master, that successfully sends a message on the bus, owns the bus until that master sends a message with a terminating Stop Condition. The Repeated Start operation allows the bus master to retain control of the bus while sending one or more messages on the bus. This prevents other bus masters, in a multi-master system, from accessing the bus and interfering with message sequences.

The Message Manager supports Repeated Starts with the doStop checkbox. Sending an I<sup>2</sup>C message with doStop checked will cause the message to be terminated with a Stop Condition. Sending an I<sup>2</sup>C message with doStop unchecked will cause the message to end without a Stop Condition, allowing the next message to be sent with a Repeated Start.

### 5.1.4.1.3 Auto Repeat

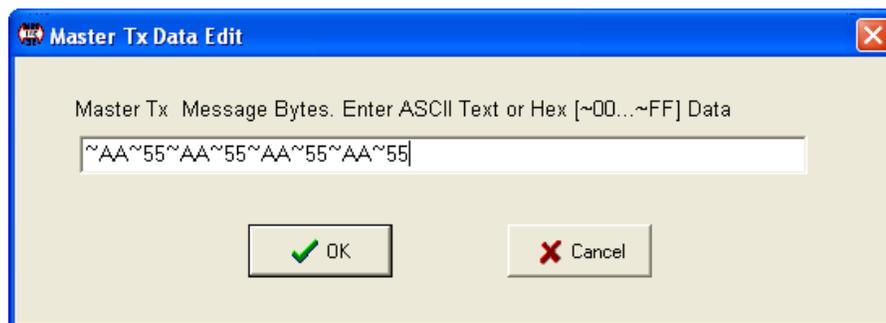
The situation often arises, where you would like to automatically repeat a master message operation.

The Message Manager supports auto-repeat with the Auto Repeat checkbox. You can automatically repeat a master operation by checking the Auto Repeat control before clicking the Master Tx, Master Rx, or Master TxRx buttons. The master operation repeats until the Auto Repeat control is unchecked.

### 5.1.4.1.4 Master Transmitting Data

#### Specifying Master Tx Message Bytes

Master Tx Message Bytes is the ASCII or Hexadecimal data you want to transmit to a slave receiver device. With the Message Manager, entering master transmit data is easy. On the main application screen, click on the Master Tx Message Bytes box to open the data editor.



In the data editor, enter one or more ASCII text characters or hexadecimal data bytes. Each hexadecimal byte is entered as two ASCII-Hex characters (00 to FF) preceded by a tilde (~) character. ASCII text and hex data can be intermixed, as long as each hex byte is preceded by a tilde.

For example, to enter hex data bytes 0x00, 0x01, and 0x02, enter the characters ~00~01~02 into the text box.

Each iPort Message Manager I<sup>2</sup>C message can include up to 80 bytes of 8-bit ASCII binary data.

**NOTE:** The data you send may have special meaning to the receiving slave device, but to the Message Manager, and the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter, message data has no special meaning. Consult your slave device's data sheet for details.

Click OK to accept the data.

## Sending Master Transmit Messages

Click the Master Tx button to write the specified Master Tx Data Bytes to the selected destination slave device. If Auto Repeat is checked, the message will automatically repeat upon completion.

The Communications Events window on the main screen should report “Master Tx Complete.” If this message does not appear, check the slave device address, connections, and power.

If you get a “Slave Not Acknowledging” message in the Communications Events window, this could mean you have the wrong address in the I<sup>2</sup>C Destination Address, or the device is not answering to its address. Consult your slave device’s data sheet for details.

### 5.1.4.1.5 Master Receive Data

#### Specifying Data to Read

On the lower part of the main screen, set the Bytes to MasterRx edit box to the number of bytes you want to read. For example: Set this to 1 to read a single byte. Click on the MasterRx button to read the data from the selected slave device.

Data received from the slave is displayed in the Received Messages text box on the main screen. The Communications Events window should report “Master Rx Transfer Complete.” If this message does not appear, check the slave device address, connections, and power.

If you get a “Slave Not Acknowledging” message in the Communications Events window, this could mean you have the wrong address in the I<sup>2</sup>C Destination Address, or the device is not answering to its address. Consult your slave device’s data sheet for details.

## Negative Acknowledge Last Byte

On supported adapters, the doNak checkbox gives you the option to acknowledge, or negatively acknowledge, the last byte read from a slave device. Some Slave Transmitter Devices require a negative acknowledgment on the final byte read from the slave device. I<sup>2</sup>C adapters not supporting this option automatically negatively acknowledge the last byte read.

### 5.1.4.1.6 Master Transmit and Receive

The Master TxRx button sends a master write message with no Stop Condition, immediately followed by a Repeated Start master read message with Stop.

### 5.1.4.2 Slave Operations

In addition to performing I<sup>2</sup>C Bus master operations, the Message Manager can also perform I<sup>2</sup>C bus slave transmit and receive operations.

#### 5.1.4.2.1 Slave Transmit Data

Slave transmit data is entered in the Slave Tx Message Bytes text box control on the main screen. Data in this text box is automatically sent to a requesting master upon receiving a slave transmit request.

Like Master Transmit data, Slave Transmit data is entered with the data editor. To enter data to be transmitted, click on the Slave Tx Message Bytes text box to open the data editor. See “Specifying Master Tx Message Bytes” section for data entry details.

#### 5.1.4.2.2 Slave Receive Data

Data bytes received from a Master Transmitter are automatically displayed in the main application screen Received Message window. Received data is displayed in ASCII printable, or hexadecimal (~00 to ~FF) formats. Use the Hex-Display checkbox to force ASCII printable data to display in hexadecimal format .

## 6 Uninstalling Software Components

Software components include the iPort Utility Pack for Windows, and for USB-

based and LAN-based adapters, the Virtual Communications Port (VCP) Device Driver. The following instructions can be used to remove either or both software components from your computer.

## 6.1 Uninstalling iPort Utility Pack for Windows

To uninstall the iPort Utility Pack for Windows software, use the Windows Control Panel “Programs and Features” (formerly “Add or Remove Programs”) utility. Note that uninstalling the iPort Utility Pack for Windows software does not uninstall the device or driver software.

## 6.2 Uninstalling VCP Device Driver

The USB VCP Device Driver can be uninstalled using Windows Device Manager (Start | Settings | Control Panel | System | Device Manager | Ports (COM & LPT)).

The Ethernet VCP Device Driver can be uninstalled from the iPort/LAN Driver Uninstaller short-cut on the iPort Utility Pack Start button menu.

# Part 3

## Programmer's Reference

### ASCII Command Interface Definitions

# Programmer's Quick Start

The following section provides a complete description of iPort/LAN 2 ASCII-text commands and responses. Although the information presented can be useful, MCC recommends using our MS.NET Class Library or LabVIEW VI Library for custom application development.

Creating a custom iPort/LAN 2 program is easier if you know what to expect. Follow these steps to manually control the iPort/LAN 2 from your computer's keyboard and screen using a terminal emulation application.

- 1 Install the iPort/LAN 2 as directed in the "Hardware Set-Up" section of this User's Guide.
- 2 Use a terminal emulator program, like Windows' Hyperterminal, to start communicating with the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter. Remember to select the correct Com Port (COM1, COM2,...) and set the communication parameters to 19200 Baud, 8 Data Bits, No Parity, and 1 Stop Bit.
- 3 Enter **//[CR]** to get an iPort/LAN 2 Status Report. Note: All iPort/LAN 2 commands are terminated with a Carriage Return ([CR]) character. On most terminal emulators, press the Enter key.
- 4 Enter **/F0[CR]** (XON/XOFF) or **/F1[CR]** (RTS/CTS) to set iPort/LAN's communications Flow Control to match your terminal.
- 5 Enter **/Ixx[CR]** (xx = 02...FE even) to set iPort/LAN's Own I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Address.
- 6 Enter **/O[CR]** to Open the iPort/LAN Connection. The iPort/LAN 2 does not need to be connected to an I<sup>2</sup>C Bus to open a connection.
- 7 Enter **/Dxx[CR]** (xx = 00...FE even) to select a Destination I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Address
- 8 Enter **/Ttext[CR]** (text = ASCII or Hex-Equivalent ~00...~FF) to Master Transmit a message to the current Destination I<sup>2</sup>C Slave device
- 9 Enter **/Rn[CR]** (n = 0...32767) to Master Read a message from the current Destination I<sup>2</sup>C Slave device.

## iPort/LAN 2 ASCII Command Interface

Note: [CR] = Carriage Return Code or Enter Key.  
Syntax: [Select], (Optional), xx = [00..FE], n = [0..32767]

Command	Description
Ctrl/R, Ctrl/R, Ctrl/R	<b>iPort/LAN Reset</b> This command resets the iPort/LAN to its default state.
//[CR]	<b>Status Display</b> Display iPort/LAN status information.
/B[0 1 2][CR]	<b>Serial Communication Baud Rate Control</b> Set the serial communication baud rate (0 = 19.2, 1 = 57.6, 2 = 115.2 Baud)
/C[CR]	<b>Close I<sup>2</sup>C Connection</b> Disconnect from the I <sup>2</sup> C Bus.
/Dxx[CR]	<b>Set Destination I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Address</b> Set the destination I <sup>2</sup> C Slave Address for subsequent Master Transmit or Receive operations.
/E[0 1][CR]	<b>Echo/Prompt Control [0 = Off, 1 = On]</b> Enable/Disable data entry echo and prompts.
/F[0 1][CR]	<b>Flow Control [0 = XON/XOFF, 1 = RTS/CTS]</b> Select serial communication handshaking protocol.
/G[0 1][CR]	<b>I<sup>2</sup>C General Call Control [0 = Disabled, 1 = Enabled]</b> Enables/Disables iPort/LAN response to I <sup>2</sup> C Bus General Call (00) messages.
/H[0 1][CR]	<b>Hex Only Display Control [0 = Disabled, 1 = Enabled]</b> Controls display format of received message data.
/Ixx[CR]	<b>Set iPort/LAN's Own I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Address</b> Sets iPort/LAN's own I <sup>2</sup> C Slave Address. iPort/LAN will respond to I <sup>2</sup> C Bus messages sent to this address.
/K[0 1 2 3][CR]	<b>I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Clock Rate Control</b> Set I <sup>2</sup> C Bus Clock Rate Control (0=23, 1=86, 2=100, 3=400 KHz)
/M[CR]	<b>Command Menu Display</b> Displays iPort/LAN's Command Menu
/N([0 1 A R])[CR]	<b>iNterrupt Signal Monitor/Control/Status</b> Sets Monitor/Control/Status of INT line. [0 = Disable, 1 = Enable, A = Assert, R = Release, CR=Status]
/O[CR]	<b>Open I<sup>2</sup>C Connection</b> Activates iPort/LAN as an I <sup>2</sup> C device attached to the bus.
/(*)Rnnnn[CR]	<b>Master Read Message</b> Read the specified number of data bytes from the current Destination I <sup>2</sup> C Slave device. * = No Stop for Repeated Start.

/Stext[CR]	<b>Slave Transmit Message</b> Write the specified data bytes to a requesting I <sup>2</sup> C Master Receiver device.
/(*)Ttext[CR]	<b>Master Transmit Message</b> Master Transmit the specified data bytes to the current Destination I <sup>2</sup> C Slave device. * = No Stop for Repeated Start.
/Un[CR]	<b>I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Time-oUt</b> Set I2C Bus Time-oUt in msec (0=Disable)
/V[CR]	<b>Display Firmware Version</b> (Major XX.XX Minor)
/X[CR]	<b>eXtended Commands</b> (See Prompt or User's Guide)
/(*)Y[CR]	<b>Display Tx bYte Count</b> Display number of data bytes last sent to slave device (Requires iPort/AFM Firmware v2.0+, iPort/AI 2, iPort/AFM 2, iPort/USB, i2cStick, iPort/USB 2, iPort/LAN 2). *= Also display last received Ack bit received from slave device (Requires iPort/AI 2, iPort/AFM 2, i2cStick, iPort/USB 2, iPort/LAN 2).

## Synchronous Interface Events

Synchronous Events are those iPort/LAN 2 interface activities initiated by the Host computer.

### iPort/LAN 2 Reset

Reset iPort/LAN 2 to its default state.

The reset command consists of three (3) sequential Ctrl/R characters. Ctrl/R is the character code Decimal 18 and Hexadecimal 0x12. When using a terminal emulator program, you can generate a Ctrl/R by holding down the Ctrl key and pressing the R key.

Note: It is recommended that the Host computer turn off all serial port flow control before sending this command to override any flow control from the I<sup>2</sup>C adapter that could block the transmission. Flow control should be enabled once the response is received.

Command: Ctrl/R,Ctrl/R,Ctrl/R 'iPort Reset  
Response: \* 'iPort/LAN 2 Ready  
Default Setting: None

## Status Display

Display iPort/LAN 2 status.

Command: `//[CR] 'Status Display`

Response:

iPort/LAN 2 I<sup>2</sup>C Host Adapter w/ASCII Fast Mode Interface Vxx.xx  
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Serial Communications Baud Rate (19.2kHz)

Destination I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Address (xxH)

Echo/Prompt (Disabled)

Flow Control (XON/XOFF)

Hex Only Display (Enabled)

I<sup>2</sup>C Connection (Closed)

General Call (Enabled)

iPort's own Slave Address (xxH)

I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Clock Rate (100kHz)

iNterrupt Signal (Released)

I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Time-oUt (10000 msec)

## Serial Communications Baud Rate

This command sets the serial communications baud rate.  
(0=19.2k, 1=57.6k, 2= 115.2k)

Command: `/B[0|1|2][CR] 'Set Serial Com Baud Rate`

Response 1: `/BC0[CR] 'Baud Change Complete`

Response 2: `/BC1[CR] 'Baud Change Complete`

Response 3: `/BC2[CR] 'Baud Change Complete`

Response 3: `/I89[CR] 'Invalid Command Argument`

Default Setting: `/B0[CR]`

## Close I<sup>2</sup>C Connection

Disconnect iPort/LAN 2 from the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus.

Command: `/C[CR] 'Close I2C Connection`

Response: `/CCC[CR] 'Close Connection Complete`

Default Setting: 'Closed

## Set Destination I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Address

Set the destination I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Address (Hex 0,2...FE) for all subsequent Master Transmit or Receive operations.

Command: /Dxx[CR] 'Set Destination I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Address  
Response 1: \* 'iPort/LAN 2 Ready  
Response 2: /I89[CR] 'Invalid Command Argument  
Default Setting: 00

## Echo/Prompt Control

This command enables or disables data entry echo and prompts used as feedback to manual operations from a computer terminal.

Command: /E[0|1][CR] 'Echo/Prompt Control [0 = Off, 1 = On]  
Response: \* 'iPort/LAN Ready  
Default Setting: Off

## Serial Communications Flow Control

Select the serial communication handshaking protocol to be used in communicating with the Host computer.

iPort/LAN implements either XON/XOFF (by default) or RTS/CTS flow control protocols. Flow control is used by the iPort/LAN to limit character flow to and from the Host computer to avoid overflowing internal communication buffers and lost data.

The XON/XOFF protocol inserts characters directly into the ASCII data stream. XON (Hexadecimal 0x11) is used to enable the flow of data. XOFF (Hexadecimal 0x13) is used to stop the flow of data.

The RTS/CTS protocol uses two additional wires in the cable connecting communicating devices. The RTS wire is an output signal. It indicates that the device generating the signal has buffer space available, and can receive data. The CTS wire is an input signal. It indicates that the other device has buffer space available, and can receive more data.

In general, XON/XOFF requires a minimal three-wire connection, Ground, Transmit Data, and Receive Data. This protocol does insert control characters into the stream of data, and may not be appropriate for all Host systems. If supported, these control characters are normally automatically stripped out of the data stream by Host communication driver software, and are not visible at the application program level.

The RTS/CTS protocol requires a serial port, cabling, and Host communication driver software that supports the additional control signals.

Command: /F[0|1][CR] Flow Control [0 = XON/XOFF, 1 = RTS/CTS]  
Response: \* 'iPort/LAN 2 Ready  
Default Setting: XON/XOFF

### **I<sup>2</sup>C General Call Control**

Enables or disables iPort/LAN 2 response to I<sup>2</sup>C Bus General Call (Address x00) messages.

Command: /G[0|1][CR] I<sup>2</sup>C General Call [0 = Disabled, 1 = Enabled]  
Response: \* 'iPort/LAN 2 Ready  
Default Setting: Enabled

### **Hex Only Display Control**

Controls Hex Only (~00...~FF) output of Master or Slave received data.

When enabled, all received I<sup>2</sup>C message data bytes are displayed in Hex (~00...~FF) format. When disabled, received I<sup>2</sup>C message data bytes representing ASCII printable characters (x20...x7F) are displayed as their ASCII printable character. Non-ASCII printable data bytes are always displayed in Hex (~00...~FF) form.

Command: /H[0|1][CR] 'Hex Only Display [0 = Disabled, 1 = Enabled]  
Response: \* 'iPort/LAN 2 Ready  
Default Setting: Enabled

## Set iPort/LAN's Own I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Address

Sets iPort/LAN 2's own I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Address (Hex 2..FE). Subsequent I<sup>2</sup>C messages to this address will cause iPort/LAN 2 to become an active Slave device on the bus.

Command: /Ixx[CR] 'Set iPort/LAN 2's Own I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Address  
Response 1: \* 'iPort/LAN 2 Ready  
Response 2: /I89[CR] 'Invalid Command Argument  
Default Setting: 6E

## I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Clock Rate Control

Set the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus master clock rate. (0=23, 1=86, 2=100, 3=400 KHz)

Command: /K[0|1|2|3][CR] 'Set iPort/LAN 2's Clock Rate  
Response 1: \* 'iPort/LAN 2 Ready  
Default Setting: /K2[CR]

The iPort/LAN 2 I<sup>2</sup>C Bus master clock rate is controlled by the frequency of the oscillator used in the adapter. The oscillator frequency has been selected to give accurate RS-232 baud rates, as the RS-232 baud rate must exactly match the rate used by the host computer. Actual master I<sup>2</sup>C clock rates are close to, but not faster than, the stated rates. Slave I<sup>2</sup>C clock rates are driven by the external master device, with possible clock-stretching as required to store or retrieve message data.

## Command Menu Display

Display iPort/LAN 2's command menu.

Command: /M[CR] 'Command Menu Display  
Response:  
iPort/LAN 2 Command Menu Syntax: [Select], (Optional), xx=[00..FE], n=[1..32767]

// Status Display  
/B[0|1|2] RS-232 Baud Rate Control (0=19.2, 1=57.6, 2=115.2KHz)  
/C Close I2C Connection  
/Dxx Set Destination I2C Slave Address  
/E[0|1] Echo/Prompt Control (0=Disable, 1=Enable)  
/F[0|1] Flow Control (0=XON/XOFF, 1=RTS/CTS)  
/G[0|1] General Call Control (0=Disable, 1=Enable)

/H[0|1] Hex Only Display Control (0=Disable, 1=Enable)  
 /Ixx Set iPort/LAN 2's Own I2C Slave Address  
 /K[0|1|2|3] I2C Bus Clock Rate Control (0=23, 1=86, 2=100, 3=400 KHz)  
 /M Menu Display  
 /N([0|1|A|R]) iNterrupt Signal Monitor/Control/Status  
 (0=Disable, 1=Enable / A=Assert, R=Release / <CR>=Status)  
 /O Open I2C Connection  
 /(\*)Rn Master Rx Message \*=No Stop  
 /S(text) Slave Tx Message  
 /(\*)T(text) Master Tx Message \*=No Stop  
 /Un Set I2C Bus Time-out in msec 0=Disable)  
 /V Display Firmware Version (Major XX.XX Minor)  
 /X[...]... Extended Cmds (See Prompt or User's Guide)  
 /(\*)Y Display Tx bYte Count \*with Last Rx Ack Bit

## Interrupt Signal Control/Status

The INT signal allows the iPort/LAN 2 to participate in INT master and/or slave communications.

Control

Command: /N0[CR] Disable Monitor  
 /N1[CR] Enable Monitor  
 /NA[CR] Assert INT Signal  
 /NR[CR] Release INT Signal

Status

Command: /N[CR] Status  
 Response: /NSA INT Asserted  
 /NSR INT Released

Response: \* 'iPort/LAN 2 Ready  
 Default Setting: /N0, /NR

## Open I<sup>2</sup>C Connection

Activates iPort/LAN 2 as an active device on the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus.

Command: /O[CR] 'Open I<sup>2</sup>C Connection  
 Response: /OCC[CR] 'Open Connection Complete  
 Default Setting: Closed

## Master Read Message

This command causes iPort/LAN 2 to read the specified number of data bytes from the currently selected Destination I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Address with or without generating an I<sup>2</sup>C Stop condition after the last byte is received.

Enter Byte Count (Decimal 0...32767) then Press Enter, or ESCape to Cancel. A Byte Count of Zero (0) represents a Variable Length message, where the first byte read from the I<sup>2</sup>C Slave device indicates the number of additional trailing bytes that are available to read. The iPort/LAN 2 automatically reads the first byte, then the additional bytes as specified by the first byte. All message bytes including the Length byte are returned to the Host computer.

The received text is a representation of the data bytes within the Master Receive message. The format of this data is controlled by the current setting of the Hex Only Display Control.

If the slave device acknowledges its I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Address, the specified number of bytes are read. The iPort/LAN 2 acknowledges all bytes read except the last. If not disabled, the message is then terminated with an I<sup>2</sup>C Stop condition.

Sending Master Receive messages with No Stop allows the Master to retain exclusive control of the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus until it finally sends a Stop. During this time, the Master can send additional (Repeated Start) Master Transmit or Master Receive messages to the same or other I<sup>2</sup>C Slave devices.

Command: /(*)Rnnnn[CR]	'Master Read Message (* = No Stop)
Response 1: /MRCtext[CR]	'Master Read Complete
Response 2: /SNA[CR]	'Slave Not Acknowledging
Response 3: /I81[CR]	'iPort/LAN 2 is Busy, Command Ignored
Response 4: /I83[CR]	' I <sup>2</sup> C Arbitration Loss Detected
Response 5: /I88[CR]	'iPort Connection Not Open
Response 6: /I89[CR]	'Invalid Command Argument
Default Setting:	None

## Slave Transmit Message

This command should be issued to iPort/LAN 2 in response to a Slave Transmit Request (/STR). This command causes iPort/LAN 2 to write the specified data bytes

to the requesting I<sup>2</sup>C Master Receiver device.

Enter Message Bytes (1 or more Printable ASCII or Hex-equivalent ~00..~FF), then Press Enter, or ESCape to Cancel.

Note 1: Upon receiving a Slave Transmit request from a Master Receiver device on the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus, the iPort/LAN 2 outputs a Slave Transmit Request to its Host device, and initiates an I<sup>2</sup>C Clock Stretch (SCL Low) until a Slave Transmit command is received from the Host computer. While clock stretching, no other messages can be transmitted on the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus.

Note 2: The tilde (~) character and the Carriage Return (CR) characters are used as special marker characters within all iPort/LAN 2 transmitted text messages. These characters may not be used within the text of a message, but must be replaced by the following "Hex equivalent" characters:

Tilde replaced by "~7E"

Carriage Return replaced by "~0D"

iPort/LAN automatically translates "Hex equivalent" characters to their single-byte value for transmission across the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus.

All entered data bytes are transmitted to the requesting Master Receiver device. Slave Transmit stops upon receiving the first negative acknowledgment (Nack) from the Master Receiver.

Command: /Stext[CR]	'Slave Transmit Message
Response 1: /STC[CR]	'Slave Transmit Complete
Response 2: /I88[CR]	'iPort Connection Not Open
Response 3: /I8A[CR]	'Slave Transmit Request Not Active, Cmd Ignored
Default Setting:	None

Examples:

/Sabcd1234[CR]	'ASCII Printable characters "abcd1234"
/S~00~01~02[CR]	'Binary data bytes 00, 01,02
/Sab~7Ecd[CR]	'Tilde embedded in ASCII Printable characters
/S12~0D24[CR]	'Carriage Return embedded in ASCII Printable characters

## Master Transmit Message

Write the specified data bytes to the currently selected Destination I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Address with or without generating an I<sup>2</sup>C Stop condition after the last byte is transmitted.

Enter Message Bytes (0 or more Printable ASCII or Hex-equivalent ~00..~FF), then Press Enter, ESCape to Cancel.

Note: The tilde (~) character and the Carriage Return (CR) characters are used as special marker characters within all iPort/LAN 2 transmitted text messages. These characters may not be used within the text of a message, but must be replaced by the following "Hex-equivalent" characters:

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Carriage Return replaced by "~0D"

iPort/LAN automatically translates "Hex equivalent" characters to their single-byte value for transmission across the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus.

All entered data bytes are transmitted to the Destination I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Receiver device. Master Transmit stops upon receiving the first negative acknowledgment (Nack) from the Slave Receiver. If not disabled, the message is then terminated with an I<sup>2</sup>C Stop condition.

Sending Master Transmit messages with No Stop allows the Master to retain exclusive control of the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus until it finally sends a Stop. During this time, the Master can send additional (Repeated Start) Master Transmit or Master Receive messages to the same or other I<sup>2</sup>C Slave devices.

Command: /(*)Ttext[CR]	'Master Transmit Message (* = No Stop)
Response 1: /MTC[CR]	'Master Transmit Complete
Response 2: /SNA[CR]	'Slave Not Acknowledging
Response 3: /I81[CR]	'iPort/LAN 2 is Busy, Command Ignored
Response 4: /I83[CR]	' I <sup>2</sup> C Arbitration Loss Detected
Response 5: /I88[CR]	'iPort Connection Not Open
Default Setting:	None

Examples:

/Tabcd1234[CR]	‘ASCII Printable characters "abcd1234"’
/T~00~01~02[CR]	‘Binary data bytes 00, 01,02’
/*T~00~01~02[CR]	‘Binary data bytes 00, 01,02 with No Stop’
/Tab~7Ecd[CR]	‘Tilde embedded in ASCII Printable characters’
/T12~0D24[CR]	‘Carriage Return embedded in ASCII Printable characters’

## Set I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Time-out in msec

Set bus time-out in milliseconds.

The iPort/LAN 2 reports a bus time-out if no inter-byte bus activity for the specified time occurs within an I<sup>2</sup>C Bus message.

Command: /Unnnnn[CR] I<sup>2</sup>C Bus time-out (nnnn = 0 (disable)...32000 msec)  
 Response: \* iPort/LAN 2 Ready  
 Default Setting: 10000 msec (10 seconds)

## Display Firmware Version

Display firmware version

Command: /V[CR] Firmware Version  
 Response: /VCCXX.XX[CR] (Major XX.XX Minor)

## eXtended Commands

The eXtended commands are used to generate "out-of-spec" signaling. eXtended commands cannot use the adapter’s I<sup>2</sup>C hardware to control the SCL and SDA lines, as the I<sup>2</sup>C hardware only generates I<sup>2</sup>C compatible signals. The eXtended commands use firmware to "bit-bang" the SCL and SDA lines. This firmware cannot operate as fast as the hardware, and it can be interrupted at any time by adapter internal interrupts. The eXtended commands run directly off the command characters as they are received on the serial link. Speed of execution of eXtended commands is controlled by the serial link communication rate, the execution speed of the firmware, delays caused by execution interruptions that may occur while a command is executing, and I<sup>2</sup>C Bus clock-stretching by external slave devices.

The following commands manipulate the I<sup>2</sup>C Clock (SCL) and data (SDA) lines.

Command: /X[S|~xx|R|r|P|0|1|?|D|d|C|c|L|A| |"...], then Press Enter or ESCape  
Enter /X followed by zero or more sub-commands, the [CR]

Response: /XCC(see commands below)[CR]

High Level Sub-Commands:

S = Send Start

~xx = Send Byte (xx = 00...FF)(response = A or N)

R = Read Byte with Ack (response = ~xx)

r = Read Byte with Nak (response = ~xx)

P = Send Stop

Mid Level Sub-Commands:

0 = Send 0 Bit

1 = Send 1 Bit

? = Read Bit (response = 0 or 1)

Low Level Sub-Commands:

D = Set SDA High

d = Set SDA Low

C = Set SCL High

c = Set SCL Low

L = Read SCL (response = 0 or 1)

A = Read SDA (response = 0 or 1)

Miscellaneous Sub-Commands:

space = no action

"comment" = no action

Examples:

*Master transmit three bytes to slave address 0x4e using high level, mid level, and low level sub-commands.*

High Level Command: /X S ~4e ~01 ~02 ~03 P [CR]

High Level Response: /XCCAAAA[CR]

Mid Level Command: /X S 01001110 ? 00000001 ? 00000010 ? 00000011 ? P [CR]  
Mid Level Response: /XCC0000[CR]

Low Level Command: /X dc dCcDCcdCcdCcDCcDCcDCcdCc DCAc  
dCcdCcdCcdCcdCcdCcdCcDCc DCAcdCcdCcdCcdCcdCcdCcDCcdCc DCAc  
dCcdCcdCcdCcdCcdCcdCcDCc DCAc dCD[CR]

Low Level Response: /XCC0000[CR]

*Master read three bytes from slave address 0x4F. First two bytes are acknowledged by master.*

Command: /X S ~4f Rrr P [CR]

Response: /XCCA~xx~xx~xx[CR] '(xx = 00...FF)

*Master transmit a Write WCR command to a Xicor X9241 at slave address 0x50. WCR data is 0x00.*

Command: /X S ~50 ~a0 ~00 P [CR]

Response: /XCCAAA[CR]

*Master transmit a Write WCR command to a Xicor X9241 at slave address 0x50. WCR data is 0x3f.*

Command: /X S ~50 ~a0 ~3f P [CR]

Response: /XCCAAA[CR]

*Issue a Read WCR command to a Xicor X9241 at slave address 0x50.*

Command: /X S ~50 ~90 ~R P [CR]

Response: /XCCAA~xx[CR] '(xx = 00...FF)

*Issue an Increment Wiper command to a Xicor X9241 at slave address 0x50.*

Command: /X S ~50 ~20 1 P [CR]

Response: /XCCAA[CR]

*Issue a Decrement Wiper command to a Xicor X9241 at slave address 0x50.*

Command: /X S ~50 ~20 0 P [CR]

Response: /XCCAA[CR]

## Display Tx bYte Count

Returns the number of bytes received by the slave device in the last master transmit message, with an option to receive the state of the last received Acknowledgment bit.

Note: The byte count and last received acknowledgment bit state can be used for SMBus Packet Error Check (PEC) error detection. See SMBus v1.1+ specification for details.

Command: /(\*)Y[CR]                    'Tx bYte Count (\* = with last received Ack bit)

Response: /TBCn[CR]                'n =00000...32767

Response: /TBCn(A|N)[CR]        'n =00000...32767, A = ACK, N = NACK)

## **Asynchronous Interface Events**

Asynchronous Events are those iPort/LAN 2 interface activities initiated by the iPort/LAN 2 I<sup>2</sup>C Host Adapter in response to activities on the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus.

### **Slave Transmit Request**

This event is caused by the reception of an I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Slave Transmit message directed at the current iPort/LAN 2's own Slave address.

Prompt: /STR[CR]       'Slave Transmit Request

Command: /Stext[CR]   'Slave Transmit Text

The normal Host computer response is to send a Slave Transmit (/Stext[CR]) command.

Note: Upon receiving a Slave Transmit request from a Master Receiver device on the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus, iPort/LAN 2 outputs a Slave Transmit Request to its Host device, and initiates an I<sup>2</sup>C Clock Stretch (SCL Low) until a Slave Transmit Text command is received from the Host computer. While clock stretching, no other messages can be transmitted on the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus.

### **Slave Receive Complete**

This event is caused by the reception of an I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Slave Receive message directed at the current iPort/LAN 2's own Slave address.

The received text is a representation of the data bytes within the Slave Receive message. The format of this data is controlled by the current setting of the Hex Only Display Control.

Prompt: /SRCtext[CR]   'Slave Receive Complete

Command:               None Required

### **General Call Receive Complete**

This event is caused by the reception of an I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Slave Receive message directed at the I<sup>2</sup>C General Call Address (00), when iPort/LAN 2's General Call recognition is enabled.

The received text is a representation of the data bytes within the Slave Receive message. The format of this data is controlled by the current setting of the Hex Only Display Control.

Prompt: /GRCtext[CR] 'General Call Receive Complete  
Command: None Required

### **iPort/LAN Ready**

Prompt: \* 'iPort/LAN 2 Ready

Cause: iPort/LAN 2 is ready for the next Host command.

### **Slave Not Acknowledging**

Prompt: /SNA[CR] 'Slave Not Acknowledging

Cause: There is no response (I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Address Acknowledgment) during a Master Transmit or Receive operation from an I<sup>2</sup>C Slave device at the current Destination I<sup>2</sup>C Address.

### **iPort/LAN Busy**

Prompt: /I81[CR] 'iPort/LAN 2 Busy

Cause: The host computer attempted a Master operation while iPort/LAN 2 was busy. The host computer should wait for any previously issued command to complete, process any pending slave events, and retry the last command.

### **I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Arbitration Loss**

Prompt: /I83[CR] 'I<sup>2</sup>C Arbitration Loss Detected

Cause: iPort/LAN 2 lost I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Arbitration to another bus master device while Master Transmitting or Master Receiving an I<sup>2</sup>C message. Host should process any active slave events and repeat the last command.

### **I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Error Detected**

Prompt: /I84[CR] 'I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Error Detected

Cause: iPort/LAN 2 has detected an error condition on the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus. The host computer should retry the last command or issue an iPort/LAN 2 Reset command.

### **I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Time-out Detected**

Prompt: /I85[CR]      ‘I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Time-out Detected

Cause: iPort/LAN 2 issues this response when it detects a byte transfer delay greater than the specified I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Time-out period. No corrective action is taken by the iPort/LAN 2 regarding I<sup>2</sup>C Bus activity. No host computer response is required, but this event can be used to detect possible bus problems.

### **iPort/LAN 2 Connection Closed**

Prompt: /I88[CR]      ‘iPort/LAN 2 Connection is Closed.

Cause: The host computer is attempting to perform an I<sup>2</sup>C Bus message operation while the iPort/LAN 2 Connection is Closed. The host computer should issue an Open I<sup>2</sup>C Connection command before attempting to perform I<sup>2</sup>C Bus message operations.

### **Invalid Command Argument**

Prompt: /I89[CR]      ‘Invalid Command Argument Detected

Cause: This event normally indicates the value of a host command argument was out of range. The host should reissue command with correct arguments.

### **Slave Transmit Request Not Active**

Prompt: /I8A[CR]      ‘Slave Transmit Request Not Active

Cause: This event indicates the host attempted to issue a Slave Transmit Text command when no Slave Transmit Request was present.

### **Invalid iPort/LAN Command**

Prompt: /I8F[CR]      ‘Invalid iPort/LAN 2 Command

Cause: This event normally indicates that an invalid command was issued by the

host. The host should reissue the correct command.

## **iPort/LAN Receive Buffer Overflow**

Prompt: /I90[CR]      ‘iPort/LAN 2 Serial Receive Buffer Overflow

**Cause:** This event normally indicates that data sent to the iPort/LAN 2 via the serial port has been lost. Check the host computer’s Serial Port Flow Control (XON/XOFF, or Hardware) to make sure it matches current iPort/LAN Flow Control. Also, check if the host computer’s FIFO buffers in its 16550 UART are enabled. If so, reduce or disable Transmit Data Buffering. On Windows-based host computers, see the Device Manager, COM port, Advanced Settings. You may need to power down the host computer for any FIFO change to take effect.

## Example Code

The following examples are written in MS Visual Basic V3 for Windows using the serial communications control (MSCOMM.VBX). It can be used as a guide in implementing iPort/LAN 2 interface programs in other programming languages and operating environments.

Note: Sample code is also available online at: [www.mcc-us.com](http://www.mcc-us.com)

### iPort/LAN Reset

```
Comm1.Output = Chr$(18)      'Ctrl/R
Comm1.Output = Chr$(18)      'Ctrl/R
Comm1.Output = Chr$(18)      'Ctrl/R
```

### iPort/LAN Initialization

```
Comm1.Output = "/f0"        'Set iPort/LAN 2 XON/XOFF Flow Control
Comm1.Output = Chr$(13)
```

```
Comm1.Output = "/i70"       'Set iPort/LAN 2's Own Slave Address
Comm1.Output = Chr$(13)
```

```
Comm1.Output = "/d4e"       'Set Destination Slave Address
Comm1.Output = Chr$(13)
```

```
Comm1.Output = "/o"         'Open I2C Connection
Comm1.Output = Chr$(13)
```

### Master Transmit Message

```
Comm1.Output = "/T~00~01"  'Send Master Tx Command
Comm1.Output = Chr$(13)    'Terminate Command
```

### Master Receive Message

```
Comm1.Output = "/R10"      'Send Master Rx Command
Comm1.Output = Chr$(13)    'Terminate Command
```

## Communication Event Processing

Static Sub Comm1\_OnComm ()

Static LineBuf\$

While Comm1.InBufferCount

Msg\$ = Comm1.Input ' Get Comm input character

CharIn\$ = Msg\$

If Msg\$ = Chr\$(13) Then Msg\$ = "" ' Remove CR

If Msg\$ = Chr\$(10) Then Msg\$ = "" ' Remove LF

If Msg\$ = "\*" Then ' if iPort/LAN 2 Ready

Msg\$ = "\*\*\*\*" ' Substitute Token

CharIn\$ = Chr\$(13) ' Terminate Line

End If

LineBuf\$ = LineBuf\$ + Msg\$ 'Add new text to line buffer

If CharIn\$ = Chr\$(13) Then ' if Carriage Return detected  
iPortResp\$ = Left\$(LineBuf\$, 4) 'Isolate Response Code

' Test for iPort/LAN Synchronous Interface Events

If (StrComp(iPortResp\$, "/OCC") = 0) Then

' Open Connection Complete Processing

TextBox.Text = "/OCC Open Connection Complete"

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp\$, "/MTC") = 0) Then

' Master Transmit Complete Processing

TextBox.Text = "/MTC Master Tx Complete"

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp\$, "/MRC") = 0) Then

' Master Rx Complete Processing

TextBox.Text = LineBuf\$ 'Update Display

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp\$, "/STC") = 0) Then

' Slave Tx Complete Processing

TextBox.Text = "/STC Slave Tx Complete"

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp\$, "/CCC") = 0) Then

' Close Connection Complete Processing

TextBox.Text = "/CCC Close Connection Complete "

```

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp$, "/BC0") = 0) Then
    ' iPort/LAN Baud Change 0 {19.2K}
    TextBox.Text = "iPort/LAN Baud Change 0 {19.2K} "

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp$, "/BC1") = 0) Then
    ' iPort/LAN Baud Change 1 {57.6K}
    TextBox.Text = "iPort/LAN Baud Change 1 {57.6K} "

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp$, "/BC2") = 0) Then
    ' iPort/LAN Baud Change 2 {115.2K}
    TextBox.Text = "iPort/LAN Baud Change 0 {115.2K} "

' Test for iPort/LAN Asynchronous Interface Events

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp$, "/SRC") = 0) Then
    ' Slave Rx Complete Processing
    TextBox.Text = LineBuf$      'Update Display

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp$, "/GRC") = 0) Then
    ' General Call Rx Complete Processing
    TextBox.Text = LineBuf$      'Update Display

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp$, "/STR") = 0) Then
    ' Slave Tx Request Processing
    Comm1.Output = "/S~00~01" 'Send Slave Tx Msg
    Comm1.Output = Chr$(13)   'Terminate Command
    TextBox.Text = LineBuf$    'Update Display

' Test for iPort/LAN Response Messages

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp$, "*****") = 0) Then
    TextBox.Text = "* iPort/LAN 2 Ready" 'Update Display

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp$, "/SNA") = 0) Then
    TextBox.Text = "/SNA Slave Not Acknowledging"

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp$, "/I81") = 0) Then
    TextBox.Text = "/I81 iPort/LAN 2 Busy" 'Update Display

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp$, "/I83") = 0) Then

```

```

    TextBox.Text = "/I83 Arbitration Loss" 'Update Display

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp$, "/I84") = 0) Then
    TextBox.Text = "/I84 I2C Bus Error Detected"

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp$, "/I85") = 0) Then
    TextBox.Text = "/I85 I2C Bus Time-out Detected"

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp$, "/I88") = 0) Then
    TextBox.Text = "/I88 iPort/LAN Connection Closed"

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp$, "/I89") = 0) Then
    TextBox.Text = "/I89 Invalid Command Argument"

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp$, "/I8A") = 0) Then
    TextBox.Text = "/I8A Slave Tx Request Not Active"

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp$, "/I8F") = 0) Then
    TextBox.Text = "/I8F Invalid iPort/LAN Command"

ElseIf (StrComp(iPortResp$, "/I90") = 0) Then
    TextBox.Text = "/I90 iPort/LAN Rx Buffer Overflow"

Else
    TextBox.Text = LineBuf$ 'Other Update Display
End If
LineBuf$ = ""
End If
Wend
End Sub

```

## **iPort/LAN Revision Report**

This section defines revisions and changes made to the iPort/LAN 2 interface:

Revision: 1.00

### 1 Initial Release

## **Additional Information**

For additional information on the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus, please refer to the following:

“What is I<sup>2</sup>C?”

[www.mcc-us.com/I2CBusTechnicalOverview.pdf](http://www.mcc-us.com/I2CBusTechnicalOverview.pdf)

“Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)”

[www.mcc-us.com/faq.htm](http://www.mcc-us.com/faq.htm)

"The I<sup>2</sup>C and How to Use It"

[www.mcc-us.com/i2chowto.htm](http://www.mcc-us.com/i2chowto.htm)

"I2C-bus specification and user manual"

NXP Semiconductors N.V.

[www.nxp.com/documents/user\\_manual/UM10204.pdf](http://www.nxp.com/documents/user_manual/UM10204.pdf)

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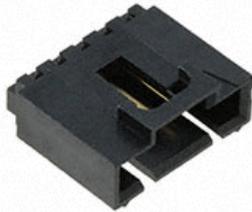
## Appendix A - I<sup>2</sup>C Connector Information

### I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Interface Connector and Plug Information

The iPort/LAN 2 uses the following 1x5 2.54 mm (.100") pitch, 0.64 mm (.025") square pin, header and plug assemblies for the I<sup>2</sup>C Bus interface.

#### I<sup>2</sup>C Header Receptacle

Molex C-Grid® SL™ 70553 Header



Molex Part # 70553-0004

#### I<sup>2</sup>C Plug Housing

Molex C-Grid® SL™ 70066 Crimp Housing



Molex Part # 50-57-9405

Molex C-Grid® SL™ 70058 Crimp Terminal



Molex Part # 16-02-0102

iPort/LAN 2 I<sup>2</sup>C cables are available online at [www.shop-mcc-us.com](http://www.shop-mcc-us.com)

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to which this declaration relates:

Complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions; (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Test Laboratory Information:

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Test Laboratory Information:

CASS Industries, Ltd.

Test Report Number: CI07272

Test Report Date: October 23, 2017

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