P350-T010101 Tag User's Manual

PulsON 350 Active Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) Tracking System

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1. Introduction

The P350-T010101 Tag, hereafter referred to as the P350 Tag, is the transmitter for the P350 Ultra Wideband Active RFID Tracking System. It is small in size, durable, and with its long battery life, requires minimal maintenance. It has been certified by U.S. FCC to comply with Part 15 of the FCC Rules subject to the conditions listed under the Regulatory Notice on Page 2 of this manual. Figure 1-1 shows the tag's FCC identification (ID) number with a sticker denoting its unique device ID. Figure 1-2 demonstrates the small size of the tag device.



Figure 1-1 P350 Tag FCC ID



Figure 1-2 P350 Tag

2. Overview

Background

Tag tracking is accomplished by analyzing time-differences-of-arrival (TDOAs) of tag transmissions. When a tag transmits a packet, readers that successfully receive the packet will send out information concerning the tag packet, including a precise timestamp. The difference in the timestamp between readers gives the TDOA for that reader pair/tag combination. At least three readers must hear a tag in order to determine a valid position for that tag.

<u>P350 Tag</u>

Within the P350 Ultra Wideband Active RFID Tracking System, the P350 Tag is used both to calibrate the tracking system readers and to track assets within the system.

When used as a calibration tag, the tag's unique id and position are input to the system. During the calibration process, the tag remains stationary at this location, transmitting ultra wideband (UWB) RF packets. As the readers "hear" and report time-of-arrival (TOA) data, a solution is determined and calibrated. The system must be calibrated before tag tracking can commence.

When used to track assets, the tag is mounted on that asset, and through transmitted RF packets, sends its unique device ID and status. As the system readers hear the tag, the tag position is determined and the position is added to its internal database. Note that the tracking system automatically discovers new tags and adds those newly discovered tags to that database.

3. Specifications

The P350 Tag specifications are listed below. These specifications are for the tag circuit board and are independent of housing.

Function:	Transmits RF packets
Battery Life:	4 Years at 1 Hz Packet Rate
Packet Rate:	1 Hz
Range:	75' typical line of sight
Dimensions:	1.1" W x 1.2" D x 0.4" T
Weight:	0.4 oz (11.8g)
RF Emissions:	FCC 15.250 compliant

4. Beam Orientation Recommendations

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P350-T010101

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