



# ENERGY CONTROLS

## British Waterways approve 'MAINSTALK' Automatic Meter Reading system.



British Waterways Marinas Ltd. currently operates 15 marinas throughout the country providing over 2300 berths for all types of craft. From each location BWML offer a comprehensive range of services to their berth owners through the installation of versatile multi-service bollards. British Waterways have many years experience within the marine leisure industry and their aim is to provide excellent customer service backed up by a consistent approach to quality.

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Energy Controls is the exclusive UK Distributor for AMPY Metering Ltd; the world's leading manufacturer of electricity meters and metering systems. We specialise in providing the latest sub-metering solutions for small to medium sized applications within the Public and Private sector. All Energy Controls' metering products are designed and manufactured to the highest possible standards for the Regional Electricity Companies and are certified & approved by Ofgem (The Office of Gas & Electricity Markets).

in this respect. After carefully considering BWML's objectives Energy Controls recommended the installation of the latest **Automatic Meter Reading** system called 'MAINSTALK'.

### Quality Standards

The 'MAINSTALK' Automatic Meter Reading system has been developed to the highest standard in order to meet today's demanding requirements of the Electricity Supply industry. The meter is approved by Ofgem to current EU regulations and has an accuracy certification life of 10 years; these were two very important factors for BWML to consider when selecting their choice of metering.



*'MAINSTALK' AMR system because it was a tried & tested product with a successful history of high level installations. BWML is committed to supplying quality products throughout our network of marinas; in respect of metering we were also seeking assurances that the electricity could be resold to our customers through a meter that was unquestionably accurate".*

### Energy Conservation

Being energy conscious BWML were keen to find a method of reselling electricity to their consumers that would encourage careful & considerate energy consumption whilst establishing a fair and transparent charging regime; BWML therefore approached Energy Controls for advice

Rod Grant, Marina Manager at Sawley made the point:- ***"We were aware that there are a number of meter suppliers in the marketplace offering similar products. However, we chose Energy Controls and their***

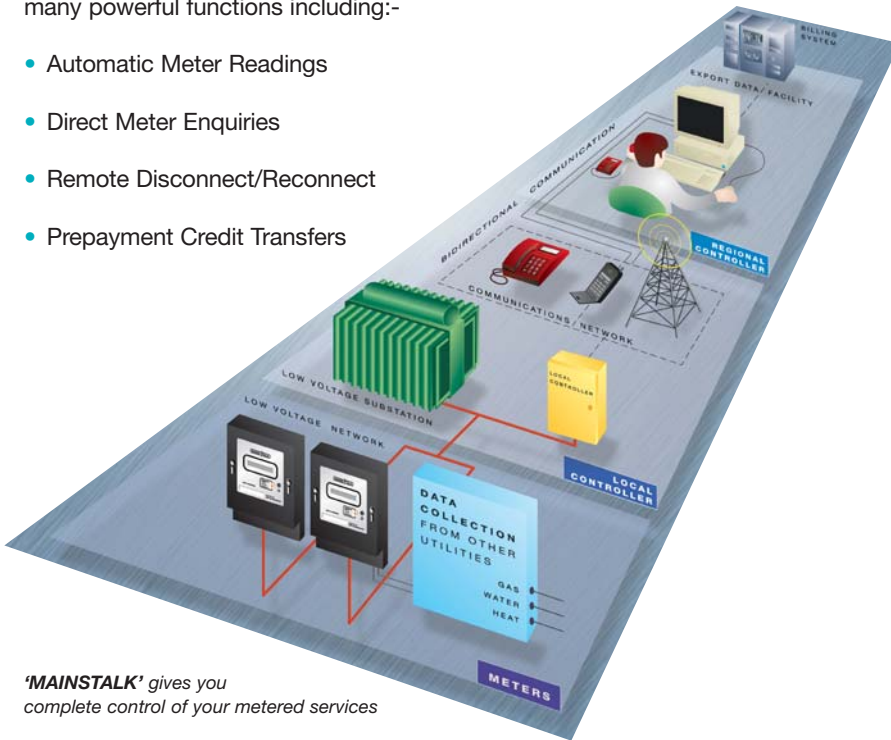
## Simple Installation

The 'MAINSTALK' system uses your existing electricity cables for transmitting & receiving digital data; **installation is therefore identical to that of conventional meters.** For this reason the 'MAINSTALK' meter can be easily fitted in place of your current metering without the need for expensive additional wiring.

## Complete Control

Once installed the 'MAINSTALK' software gives you immediate access to many powerful functions including:-

- Automatic Meter Readings
- Direct Meter Enquiries
- Remote Disconnect/Reconnect
- Prepayment Credit Transfers



'MAINSTALK' gives you complete control of your metered services

## Pay-As-You-Go or Quarterly Billing

The 'MainsTalk' meter can be alternated remotely from the PC between **credit** mode for billing purposes or **pre-payment** mode for customers who prefer a "pay-as-you-go" routine. In credit mode, bills are automatically calculated and printed using billing dates selected by the operator. Alternatively, token-less credit purchases can be transferred from the PC direct to the meter for pre-payment customers. The meter is also equipped with a push-button **Emergency Credit** facility the value of which can be determined remotely from the software.



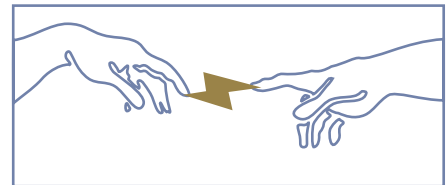
## Quality Partnerships

Rod Grant added, "Our trading partners include many of the countries leading marine suppliers and manufacturers. We also value our relationships with smaller businesses providing specialist products and services. We have therefore developed a 'Preferred Supplier' list of companies who have demonstrated that they can offer a consistent high level of quality products and service; we were happy to award this accreditation to Energy Controls. Combined with our own knowledge BWML now have a wealth of experience to share with our customers".

- Further information on British Waterways Marinas Ltd. can be found on their website at [www.bwml.co.uk](http://www.bwml.co.uk)
- For more information on Energy Controls' range of metering products including 'MainsTalk' AMR please visit our website at:- [www.econtrols.co.uk](http://www.econtrols.co.uk)

## Metering of Other Services

The 'MAINSTALK' meter can also be specified with **additional inputs** for receiving data from other metered utilities such as **Water** and **Gas** meters via a simple cable connection. The pulsed input readings provided by the additional meters are registered on the 'MAINSTALK' meter and transmitted back to the PC during the daily routine of automatic data collection.



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