



STARBUCK-MINI



NOW WITH 2.5kW POWER

STARBUCK-MINI is a modular, scalable PCDU providing reliable power control for small satellite missions. Supporting solar arrays up to 2.5 kW using advanced MPPT technology. STARBUCK-MINI PCDU maximizes efficiency and adapts to your mission's needs.

With up to 15 modules per unit, STARBUCK-MINI offers tailored performance in a compact, dependable architecture.

The STARBUCK-MINI platform offers a wide range of stackable distribution modules, designed like interchangeable building blocks. These modules can be swapped in and out to easily configure custom variations for customer requirements.

- STARBUCK-MINI is designed for high reliability and radiation tolerance.
- Supports long duration missions: 5–7 years in LEO, qualified to 20 kRAD.
- Internal redundancies provide single point failure tolerance, and Starbuck Mini is a perfect match for redundant critical payloads.

System Functions



Power Control

- Communication via CAN bus or RS422 (redundant links for telecommand & telemetry)
- Discrete pulse-command signals for controller switchover & restart
- Triple voting of separation switches for reliable launch vehicle separation detection



Battery & Solar Array Management

- Undervoltage Lockout (UVLO) with telecommand override
- End of Charge Voltage (EoCV) adjustable by telecommand
- Configurable charge current regulation (up to 60A) with telemetry
- Interfaces for battery, solar thermistors
- MPPT or S3R (DET) solar regulation



Power Distribution

- Provides LCL protected switches up to class 20
- 28V primary bus, with options for 5V and 12V secondary buses
- Support for electric propulsion with dedicated high power outputs at 28V and 50V
- Telemetry monitoring of voltage and current per channel











Heritage & Flight Legacy

The design heritage of STARBUCK-MINI dates back to 2015 when our first SmallSat power distribution system was launched via Sweden's MATS satellite. The STARBUCK-MINI has flown on several missions since then including:

- The Intuitive Machines lunar lander missions: The STARBUCK-MINI powered the landers.
- The ESA Arctic Weather Satellite (AWS): the STARBUCK-MINI powered climate monitoring in Sun Synchronous Orbit.

Extensive qualification campaigns and successful missions have brought STARBUCK-MINI to TRL 9, ensuring confidence for future spacecraft applications.



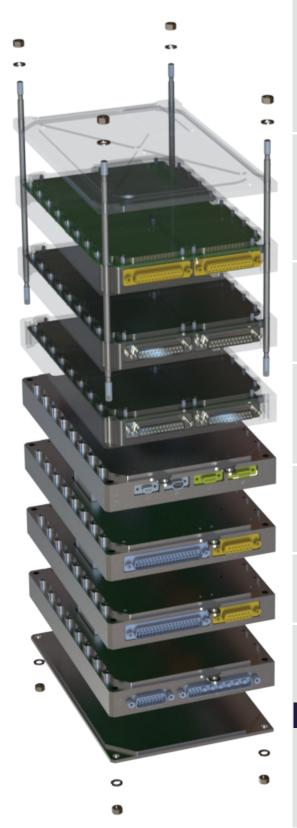






EM: 6 months, FM: 10 months

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS



Distribution Modules				
PPD (Primary Power Distribution)	 Unregulated 28V bus outputs Up to 20 outputs per module Retriggerable LCLs for auto startup and reset after trips & startup on separation Arm-Fire Interlock: hardware-based 2-step process + optional firmware interlock Configurable LCL class (ECSS-E-ST-20-20C compliant) 			
SPD (Secondary Power Distribution)	 Galvanically isolated, 5V and 12V regulated outputs Two independent converters per module (20W continuous, 30W peak each) 12 LCLs per module (6 per converter) Retriggerable and configurable LCL protection 			
EPP1 Module	 Designed for electric propulsion requiring regulated above battery level Provides 600W at 50V Two modules can be combined for 1.2 kW output 			
EPP2 Module	 Two LCL-protected outputs providing unregulated 28V 600W continuous power per output Handles large current transients via output capacitor bank 			
AMI (Actuator & Magnetorquer Interface)	 6 HDRM outputs (current or voltage mode) 6 magnetorquer drivers split into two redundant groups 8 analogue (0-5V) + 8 thermistor inputs 			
TMC (Thermal Monitoring & Control)	 31 heater outputs (1A each) across 8 HLCLs 25 thermistor input channels 			
MCC-X (Motor Control Module)	 Integrated motor control directly within Starbuck-Mini Advanced drive functions for mission subsystems 			
Solar Array Power Regulation Modules				
MPPT	 500 W Solar Array power per module 4 independent maximum power point trackers with integrated power limitation and passivation Upto 5 modules per PCDU (2.5 kW from Solar Array) 			
S3R (Direct energy Transfer)	 900 W solar array power per module 9 seperate solar array channels with passivation 			

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General		
Design Life	5-7 years in LEO	
Primary Bus Voltage	22-34 V (8 cell lithium)	
Solar Power Regulation	MPPT or S3R	
Battery Charge Regulation	CC-CV	
Idle Power Consumption Range	10W Typically	
Operating Temperature	-30°C to +60°C	
Radiation Tolerance (TiD)	20 kRAD (qualified >30 kRAD,Si)	

Dimensions	
Height	147 mm
Depth	249 mm



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Mass	3.9 kg	11.8 kg
Width	142 mm	361 mm
Specifications	500 W Solar Array; 20 x 28V LCLs, 6 x 5V LCLs, 6 x 12V LCLs	2.5 kW Solar Array; 100 x 28V LCLs; 1.2 kW 50V output for electric propulsion
Status	Qualified and delivered	Qualified and delivered

Availability & Customisation

STARBUCK-MINI PCDUs are available as Flight Models (FM), EQM, EM, and DevKit. In-house environmental testing (including TVAC) is available. Custom modules and tailored configurations are available on request.

To make an enquiry, request a quotation or learn about AAC Clyde Space's other products and services, please contact:

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