

## MODEL DV30K DATA VAN LIGHTNING PROTECTION UNIT

Well stimulation requires multiple pump trucks which pump fluid into the producing zone at relative high pressures and rates in order to fracture the formation and allow more oil & gas to run into the well head. Because of the pressures involved, considerable data is sent from each pumping unit to the Data Van via serial communications cables. The length of these communication cables is typically 300 feet or more. Therefore, when lightning strikes in the area, the current in the lightning produces a very strong magnetic field. This magnetic field causes a high voltage spike to occur in each cable. With no protection, these spikes are transferred directly into the connected electronics in the data van causing extensive damage.

The Model DV30K protects the data van by using overvoltage sensing circuitry with typical turn on time of one pico second to provide a path for these high voltage spikes to ground. Both power and signals then have 30,000 volts isolation so that spikes are not transferred into the data van. So the data van equipment continues to operate as expected with no interruptions. While this is perhaps the best possible protection you can get for this application, keep in mind that it is for close lightning strikes. If you are so unfortunate to receive a direct hit with lightning, there is nothing that will provide complete protection.

## SERIAL DATA FROM MULTIPLE FRAC PUMP UNITS CIRCUIT PROTECTION AND ISOLATION

A similar unit, FP30K, containing only one or two channels is available for the Frac Pump unit.

Both the DV30K and the FP30K units are custom designed to customers specific equipment and provide the correct connectors and signals for proper operation.