



INSTALLATION & CONFIGURATION MANUAL

SDMET-901, SDMET-902, SDMET-904 Single, Dual, Quad Input Digital Modulators



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SAFETY PRECAUTIONS



The presence of this symbol is to alert the installer and user to the presence of uninsulated dangerous voltages within the product's enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to produce a risk of electric shock.

TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS DEVICE TO RAIN OR MOISTURE. DO NOT OPEN THE UNIT. REFER SERVICING TO QUALIFIED PERSONNEL ONLY.

- ❖ DO NOT apply power to the unit until all connections have been made, all components have been installed and all wiring has been properly terminated.
- ❖ DO NOT terminate, change or uninstall any wiring without first disconnecting the unit's power adapter from the device.
- ❖ This device is supplied with the appropriately rated 12VDC power supply with the center pin positive. The use of any other power supply could cause damage and invalidate the manufacturer's warranty.
- ❖ DO NOT connect the power supply to the device if the power cord is damaged.
- ❖ DO NOT cut the power cord.
- ❖ DO NOT plug the power supply into an AC outlet until all cables and connections to the device have been properly connected.
- ❖ The device should be installed in an environment consistent with its operating temperature specifications. Placement next to heating devices and ducts is to be avoided as doing so may cause damage. The device should not be placed in areas of high humidity.
- ❖ DO NOT cover any of the device's ventilation openings.
- ❖ DO NOT cover or obstruct the device's fan or fan openings.
- ❖ If the device has been in a cold environment allow it to warm to room temperature for at least 2 hours before connecting to an AC outlet.

PACKAGE CONTENTS

This package contains:

- ❖ One SDMET-901, SDMET-902, or SDMET-904 Digital Modulator
- ❖ One power cable
- ❖ One pair of mounting brackets
- ❖ Four adhesive pads
- ❖ One installation and configuration manual

Inspect the package before starting installation to ensure there is no damage and all supplied contents are present. Contact your distributor or dealer should the device be damaged or package contents are incomplete.

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

THOR DIGITAL'S Digital modulators convert Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB) standard definition video and audio signals to DVB-T. The SDMET-901, SDMET-902, and SDMET-904 provide respectively single, dual and quad inputs. All units feature programmable channel and network names. Adjustable RF output (Normal, Inverted, and C.W.), adjustable logic channel numbering (LCN) and adjustable attenuation are standard features. The unit's front-mounted LCD display and controls allow for easy configuration and adjustments.

The SDMET-901, SDMET-902, and SDMET-904 are perfect for multi-video distribution solutions in the commercial and institutional market (hotels, motels, sports bars, restaurants, hospitals, casinos, business and university campuses, etc.) as well as home entertainment systems.

SPECIFICATIONS

Specifications are subject to change without prior notice

INPUT	SDMET-901	SDMET-902	SDMET-904
Video Input	CVBS	CVBS	CVBS
Video Input Level	0.7 – 1.4V (pp)	0.7 – 1.4V (pp)	0.7 – 1.4V (pp)
Video Mode	PAL / NTSC	PAL / NTSC	PAL / NTSC
Audio Input	Stereo	Stereo	Stereo
Audio Input Level	0.4 – 4.8V (pp)	0.4 – 4.8V (pp)	0.4 – 4.8V (pp)
Input Connectors	RCA	RCA	RCA
Input Impedance	75 Ω	75 Ω	75 Ω
OUTPUT			
Frequency Range	177.5-816.5 MHz	177.5-816.5 MHz	177.5-816.5 MHz
Output Level	85 dBuV	85 dBuV	85 dBuV
Output Impedance	75 Ω	75 Ω	75 Ω
Channel Bandwidth	6,7,8 MHz	6,7,8 MHz	6,7,8 MHz
Channel Level Adjustment	20 dB	20 dB	20 dB
MER	30 dB typical	30 dB typical	30 dB typical
Connector Type	“F” female	“F” female	“F” female
MODULATION			
Video Resolution	PAL 720x576 @25fps NTSC 720X480 @30fps	PAL 720x576 @25fps NTSC 720X480 @30fps	PAL 720x576 @25fps NTSC 720X480 @30fps
Video Compression	MPEG MP @ML	MPEG MP @ML	MPEG MP @ML
Audio Compression	MPEG1 Layer II	MPEG1 Layer II	MPEG1 Layer II
LCN	Yes	Yes	Yes
Carrier (OFDM)	2K/8K	2K/8K	2K/8K
Constellations	16/32/64/128/256 QAM	64/128/256 QAM	64 QAM
GENERAL			
Power Supply	12 VDC @3A	12 VDC @3A	12 VDC @3A
Consumption	1100mA	1300mA	1700mA
Language	English	English	English
Dimensions	300mm x 200mm x 47mm	300mm x 200mm x 47mm	300mm x 200mm x 47mm
Weight	1.66kg	1.72kg	1.86kg

INSTALLATION



System Installer must adhere to Article 820-40 of the NEC that provides guidelines for proper grounding and specifies that the cable ground shall be connected to the grounding system of the building, as close to the point of cable entry as possible.

UNPACKING and INSPECTION

Each unit is shipped factory tested. Ensure all items are removed from the container prior to discarding any packing material.

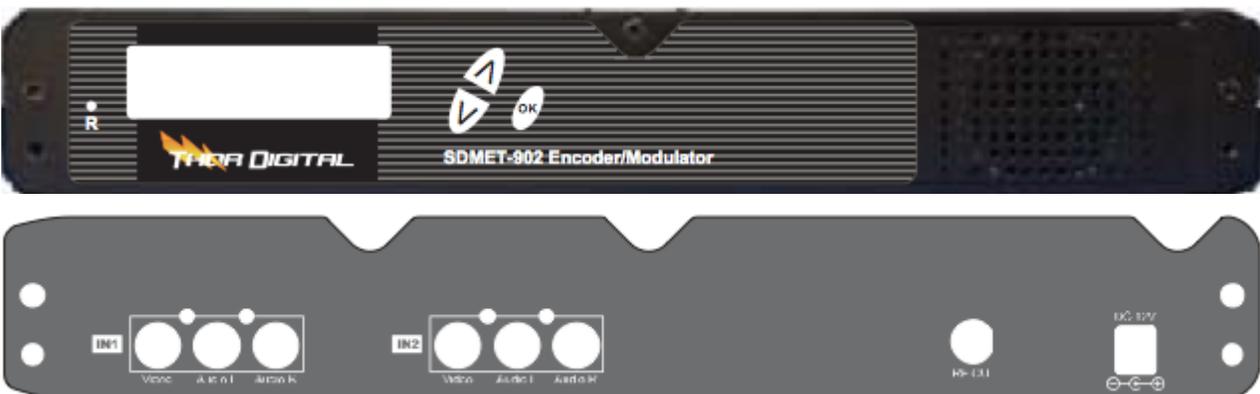
Thoroughly inspect the unit for shipping damage with particular attention to connectors and controls. If there is any sign of damage to the unit or damaged or loose connectors contact your distributor immediately. Do not put the equipment into service if there is any indication of defect or damage.

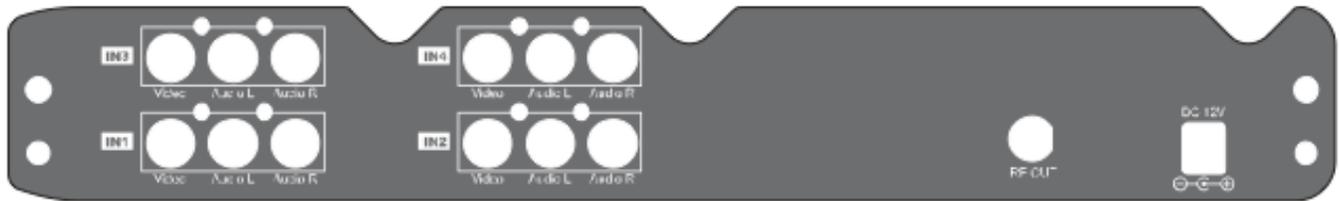
PRODUCT PICTURES and DIAGRAMS

SDMET-901



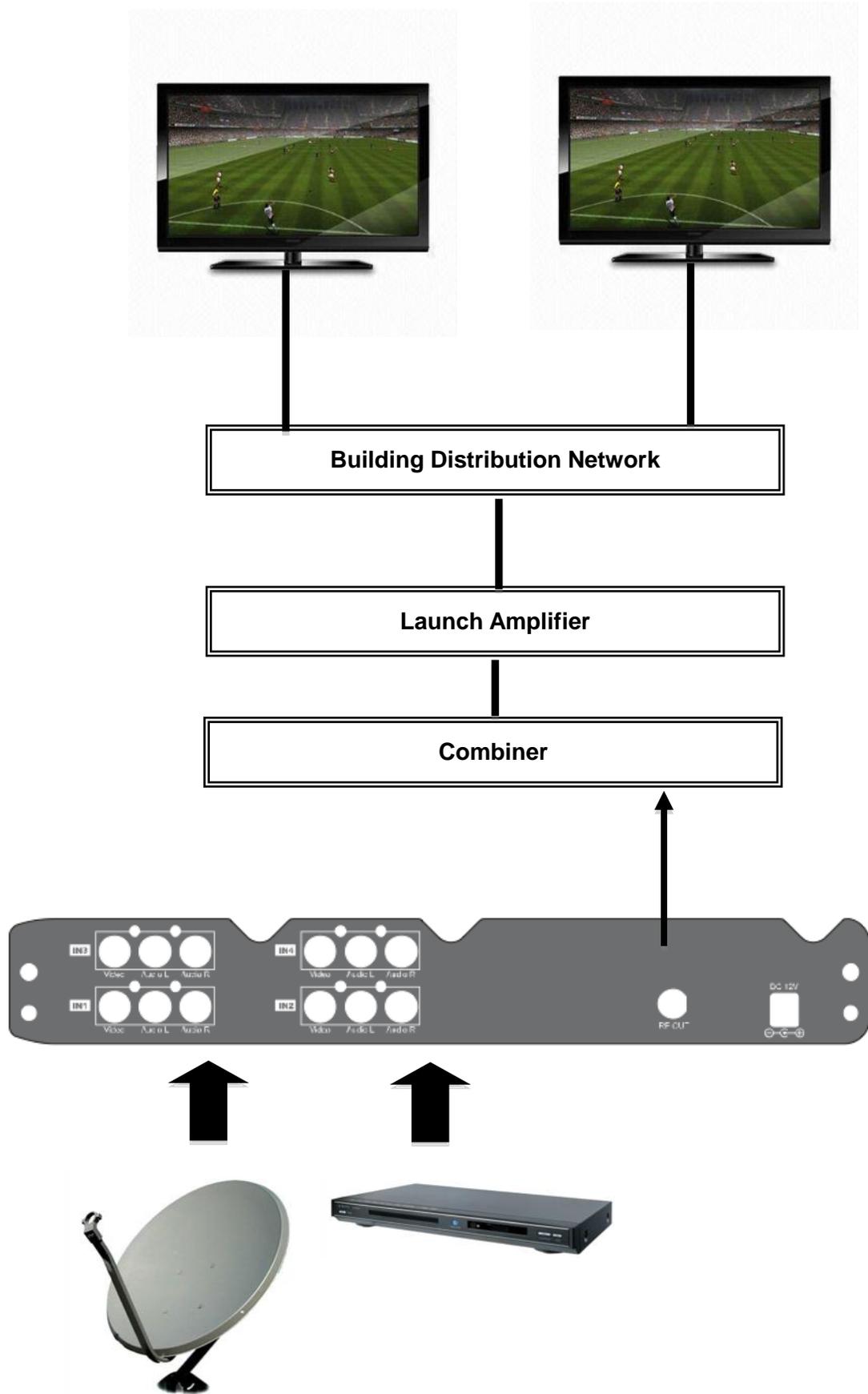
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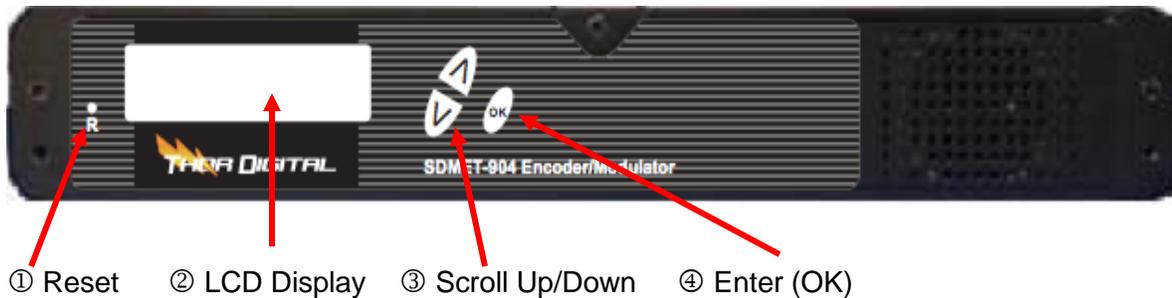


HARDWARE INSTALLATION and CONNECTIONS

1. The unit can be rack mounted in a standard EIA 19" rack. Attach the rack mounts if the unit is to be installed in a rack.
2. Use a 75Ω coaxial cable with RCA connectors to connect the **video source** (e.g., CATV, DVD, VCR, Camera) to the unit's **yellow RCA VIDEO INPUT jack** (IN1...IN4 depending on the DIGITAL model). Repeat this step for each video source connection.
It is highly recommended that quality coaxial cable and connectors be used for all video source connections.
3. Use RCA cables to connect the **audio source** to the red / white **AUDIO L and AUDIO R INPUT jacks** (IN1...IN4 depending on the DIGITAL model). Use the red and white jacks for audio input or either one for a single input.
Repeat this step for each audio source connection.
Be sure the video and audio connections for each source are consistent with the unit's inputs (IN1...IN4 depending on the DIGITAL model).
It is highly recommended that quality cables and connectors be used for all audio source connections.
4. Use a quality 75Ω coaxial cable with "F" connectors from the unit's **RF OUT jack** to the **distribution system** (combiner or reverse splitter) or directly to a television.
5. Connect the included 12VDC 3A power supply to the unit's **DC 12V POWER** jack.
6. Connect the 12VDC 3A power supply to an appropriately rated AC power outlet.



MODULATOR SETUP AND CONFIGURATION



① Reset ② LCD Display ③ Scroll Up/Down ④ Enter (OK)

MODULATOR CONFIGURATION

Once the modulator is powered back up it will go through an internal booting process. When “**Running**” appears in the LCD Display the unit is ready for programming or operation.

- ❖ **Password** – Press the OK button to select a 4-digit password. Use the **Scroll Up/Down button to search and select individual numbers for the password**. Press the OK button for each number to set the password.

The default password is 0000.

- ❖ **Advanced Menu** – To access the Advanced Menu first enter the password by pressing the OK button. Once the correct password is entered press the OK button and the LCD Screen will display “Advanced Menu Output Channel”. The following configuration options are available under Advanced Menu:
 - **Output Channel** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to change the output channel. Channels 2 to 69 are available. Once the desired output channel is selected press the OK button to set the channel.
 - **Attenuation** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select Attenuation. Press the OK button to enter the Attenuation menu. Use the Scroll/Up down button to select the desired attenuation in 1dB increments from 0 to minus 20dB. Once the desired attenuation level is found press the OK button to set.
 - **Constellation** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select Constellation. Press the OK button to enter the Constellation menu. The modulator allows for either QAM256 or QAM64 for SDMET-901 and SDMET-902, and only QAM64 for SDMET-904. Select the desired Constellation then press the OK button to set.
 - **FEC** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select FEC. Press the OK button to enter the FEC menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the desired FEC values then press the OK button to set. Menu options are 3/4, 5/6, 7/8. The factory default is 3/4.
 - **GUARD INTERVAL** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select GUARD INTERVAL. Press the OK button to enter the GUARD INTERVAL menu. Menu options are 1/4, 1/8, 1/16, 1/32. The factory default is 1/16. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the desired GUARD INTERVAL and press the OK button to set.
 - **OFDM MODE** –Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select OFDM MODE. Press the OK button to enter the OFDM MODE menu. Menu options are 2K, 8K. The factory default is 2K. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the desired OFDM MODE and press the OK button to set.
 - **RF Output** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select RF Output. Press the OK button to enter the RF Output menu. Menu options are Normal, Inverted and C.W. The factory

default is Normal. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the desired RF Output and press the OK button to set.

- **Brightness** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select Brightness. Press the OK button to enter the Brightness menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the desired Brightness value (0 to 255) and press the OK button to set. Factory default is 128
- **Contrast** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select Contrast. Press the OK button to enter the Contrast menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the desired Contrast value (0 to 255) and press the OK button to set. Factory default is 128.
- **Saturation** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select Saturation. Press the OK button to enter the Saturation menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the desired Saturation value (0 to 255) and press the OK button to set. Factory default is 128.
- **Sharpness** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select Sharpness. Press the OK button to enter the Sharpness menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the desired Sharpness value (0 to 255) and press the OK button to set. Factory default is 64.
- **Hue** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select Hue. Press the OK button to enter the Hue menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the desired Hue value (0 to 255) and press the OK button to set. Factory default is 128.
- **Device Address** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select Device Address. Press the OK button to enter the Device Address menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down to select the Desired Address ranging from 1 to 32 then press the OK button to set.
- **CELL ID** –Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select CELL ID. Press the OK button to enter the CELL ID menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the desired CELL ID ranging from 0 to 65535 then press the OK button to set. Factory default is 0.
- **Stream ID** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select Stream ID. Press the OK button to enter the Stream ID menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the desired Stream ID ranging from 0 to 65535 then press the OK button to set. Factory default is **4109**.
- **Network ID** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select Network ID. Press the OK button to enter the Network ID menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the desired Network ID ranging from 0 to 65535 then press the OK button to set. Factory default is **12289**.
- **ORG Network ID** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select ORG Network ID. Press the OK button to enter the ORG Network ID menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the desired ID ranging from 0 to 65535 then press the OK button to set. Factory default is **9018**.
- **Network Name** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select Network Name. Press the OK button to enter the Network Name menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the first character for the desired Network Name then press the OK button to set. Repeat the process for each character in the desired Network Name. A Network Name can consist up to 16 characters.
- **Default Configuration** – If you wish to set the modulator back to the factory default settings use the Scroll Up/Down button to reach Default Configuration then press the OK button. Caution: Once the OK button is pressed the unit will automatically reset to the factory default.
- **LCN Mode** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select LCN Mode. Press the OK button to enter the LCN Mode menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the desired LCN Mode: APN, EACEM, ITC, NorDig. The factory default is **ITC**. Press the OK button to set.

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- **1 Video Input** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select 1 Video Input. Press the OK button to enter the 1 Video Input menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the Video Input option: NTSC, PAL, ASI. The factory default is NTSC. Press the OK button to set. If the modulator has more than one video input scroll through the Advanced Menu for the additional video input menus.
 - **1 Program Num** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select 1 Program Num. Press the OK button to enter the 1 Program Num menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the desired 1 Program Num option ranging from 0 to 65535 then press the OK button to set. Factory default is **4173**. If the modulator has more than one video input scroll through the Advanced Menu for the additional Program Num menus.
 - **1 Channel Name** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select 1 Channel Name. Press the OK button to enter the 1 Channel Name menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down menu to select the first character of the desired Channel Name then press the OK button to set. Repeat the process until the Channel Name is completed. If the modulator has more than one video input scroll through the Advanced Menu for additional channel name menus.
 - **1 Provider Name** – Use Scroll Up/Down button to select 1 Provider Name. Press the OK button to enter the 1 Provider Name menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the first character of the desired 1 Provider Name then press the OK button to set. Repeat the process until the desired Provider Name is completed. If the modulator has more than one video input scroll through the Advanced Menu for additional Provider Name menus.
 - **1 LCN** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select 1 LCN. Press the OK button to enter the 1 LCN menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the desired LCN value then press the OK button to set. The 1 LCN value range is from 1 to 999. If the modulator has more than one video input scroll through the Advanced Menu for additional LCN menus.
 - **1 Aspect Ratio** – Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select 1 Aspect Ratio. Press the OK button to enter the 1 Aspect Ratio menu. Use the Scroll Up/Down button to select the desired Aspect Ratio option of 4:3 or 16:9 then press the OK button to set. Factory default is 4:3. If the modulator has more than one video input scroll through the Advanced Menu for additional Aspect Ratio menus.
- ❖ To **exit the Advanced Menu** use the Scroll Up/Down button to select Exit then press the OK button. Exit Exit Menu will appear on the LCD screen. Press the OK button twice to exit.
 - ❖ Once the settings are made and the modulator is programmed (a) remove power from the unit by disconnecting the power supply cable from the DC 12V jack, (b) wait 5 seconds and (c) reconnect the power cable to the unit's DC 12V jack. This will allow the modulator to capture the new settings.

DIGITAL MODULATOR NOTES

PRODUCT NOTES

ITEM	VALUE
PASSWORD	
SERIAL NUMBER	
INSTALLATION DATE	
PURCHASE DATE	
VIDEO 1 INPUT	
VIDEO 2 INPUT	
VIDEO 3 INPUT	
VIDEO 4 INPUT	