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User's Manual

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General Safety Instructions

Always follow these basic safety precautions when using the system:

- 1. Read carefully and understand all instructions.
- 2. Follow all warnings and instructions marked on the product.
- 3. DO NOT block or cover ventilation slots and openings.
- 4. DO NOT place the product in a closed enclosure or cabinet unless proper ventilation is provided.
- 5. Never spill liquid on the product or drop objects into the ventilation slots and openings. Doing so my result in serious damage to the components.
- 6. Repair or service must be performed by a factory authorized repair facility.
- 7. DO NOT staple or otherwise attach the power supply cord to building surface.
- 8. DO NOT use the product near or in wet or damp places, such as wet basements.
- 9. DO NOT use extension cord. Install within 6 feet of a grounded outlet receptacle.
- 10. DO NOT install during lightning storm.
- 11. Never touch un-insulated wires or terminals unless the unit is disconnected from both power and the rest of the phone system.
- 12. Use Caution when installing or modifying configuration switches or control lines.
- 13. The unit must be securely attached to a wall board, rack or table mounted.



Regulations:

FCC (Part 15) Radio Frequency Interference

The M2 generates and uses radio frequency energy and if not installed and used in strict accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, may cause interference to radio and television reception. Unit complies with the limits for Class A devices in accordance with the specifications in Subpart J of Part 15 of the FCC Rules. This testing is designed to provide reasonable protection against such interference. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the unit off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

-Reorient the radio or TV receiving antenna.

-Relocate the unit with respect to the radio or TV receiver or vice-versa.

-Plug the unit into a different outlet so that it and the radio or TV receiver are on different branch circuits

-If necessary, the user should consult the dealer or an experienced radio/television technician for additional suggestions.

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Shipping Container Contents

The following items should be found in the container of Digital Audio Record/Play System

- M2 System
- Installation and User Guide
- Set of four rubber feet

Optional Accessories:

- M2-PS 12VDC 1.0 amp power pack
- M2-SW, Composer software
- PCMCIA FLASH memory
- M2-RM-x M2 rack mount packaging. 1U package contains power supply and houses up to 3 M2 modules. Must be ordered as a system, not field upgradable.

1. OVERVIEW

1.1. Features and Capabilities

The Mackenzie M2 system is the most flexible series of high fidelity, multi-channel solid state digital audio playback systems available to the industry. The M2 is backed by Mackenzie's years of system design experience.

The M2 retrieves MPEG audio data from non-volatile PCMCIA FLASH memory, eliminating the need for battery backup, and delivers superb full bandwidth sound quality.

Model #	Description
M2.1	Single Balanced Stereo audio channel, 10 message
	input selections, RS232, wall mount package
M2.1+1	Dual Balanced Stereo audio channels, 10 message
	input selections each, RS232, wall mount package
M2.2	Single Balanced Stereo audio channel, 20 message
	input selections, RS232, wall mount package
M2-RM-x	M2 rack mount packaging. 1U package contains power
	supply and houses up to 3 M2 modules. Must be
	ordered as a system, not field upgradable.

The M2 is offered in the following configurations:

Messages are stored on PCMCIA FLASH memory cards(sold separately). Messages are randomly and instantly accessible. Dynamic Message Length (DML) technology has been incorporated in the M2 allowing each of the messages to be of different duration. DML also provides for replacement messages to be a different length than the original, maximizing memory efficiency and compatibility with future applications.

Messages are stored in MPEG I, Layer II format. Composer software allows a Windows computer to create entire programs with .WAV files then converts them to MPEG. The MPEG files then may be copied to the a PCMCIA drive on the computer or downloaded directly to the M2 over the RS232 port

Message playback is controlled by simple contact closures or by RS232 commands. Audio outputs are balanced and level is controlled via potentiometers. Form C relay connections are provided to indicate that the M2 is playing.

The M2 offers several different playback modes to accommodate different applications. Play/repeat, Play once per closure, Play while active, and Retrigger allow the user to customize input logic. Message repetition and delay between messages are user selectable as well.

The M2's small size, industrial construction and the absence of moving parts makes it ideal for automatic unattended operation, especially in harsh environmental or mobile conditions.

1.2. General Specifications

Audio Quality

Sample Rate: Dynamic Range: Frequency Resp.: THD:

Audio Output

Type: Mode: Connection: Level: Adjust:

Audio Memory Type: 20Hz - 20kHz <0.01% at 1kHz Balanced, analog

48kHz

90dB

Stereo or dual mono* Pluggable euro terminals +4dB max., 150 ohm Potentiometer

Dos format PCMCIA FLASH

Power

Input Voltage: Connection: 12VDC @ 1 amp 2 pin euro terminal

Audio Data Formats

Compressed: MPEG Data Rates(mono): MPEG 1, Layer II

7kHz = 32k bits per sec. 15kHz = 64k bits per sec. 20kHz = 128k bits per sec.

Individual message start,

9600 baud(115.2K optional),

No parity, 8 bits, 1 stop bit

Control I/O

Control Inputs:

RS232:

Relay Outputs: Interface:

Mechanical

Wall Mount/Table top - 5.7"W x 12" L x 2.4" H Rack mount(optional) - 1U Chassis - aluminum extrusion, painted

stop

Playing

Euro terminals





1.3. Hardware Configurations

1.3.1. M2.1

Single Balanced Stereo audio channel, 10 message input selections, RS232, wall mount/table top package.

Left channel balanced audio output Right channel balanced audio output Relay(Form C) Stop contact Start contacts 1 - 10 Input Common Power Connection Audio Level Adjustments, L/R Playing LED Configuration Switches RS232 Connection



1.3.2. M2.1+1

Dual Balanced Stereo audio channels, 10 message input selections each, RS232, wall mount/table top package.

Interfaces of M2.1 PLUS, **Channel 2(CH2):** Left channel balanced audio output Right channel balanced audio output Relay(Form C) Stop contact Start contacts 1 - 10 Input Common CH2 Audio Level Adjustments, L/R Channel 2 Playing LED



1.3.3. M2.2

Single Balanced Stereo audio channel, 20 message input selections, RS232, wall/table top mount package.

Interfaces of M2.1 PLUS, Second Stop contact Start contacts 11 - 20 Second Input Common



2. Installation & Configuration

This section provides complete instructions for mounting the M2 High Fidelity Multi-Channel Digital Audio Player on a Wall or Table. It also illustrates all interface requirements to auxiliary equipment, including inputs and outputs. Configuration switch settings are provided.

2.1. Installation Steps

These are the general steps for installation.

- 1. Find a space on the wall or table. For table top applications, install included rubber feet. Allow approximately 6 inches in front of, and 6 inches in back of the unit for user access to memory and wiring.
- 2. Mount the unit to the selected place with its wiring at least 18" away from power supply or other equipment that generates electrical noise.
- 3. If you are using the optional power supply, make sure there is a standard electrical outlet available.
- 4. Connect audio outputs.
- 5. Connect control inputs and outputs.
- 6. Set DIP switches to the desired operation.
- 7. Verify memory is installed. If the unit was programmed in the factory, the memory will already be installed in the unit. If you plan to create your own messages, the memory will be shipped separately. Refer to Section 7 for additional information on checking memory.
- 8. Connect and apply power.
- 9. Test unit operation.

2.2. Configuration and Features(M2.1, M2.1+1, M2.2)

This section documents the features and functions common to all versions of the M2.

2.2.1. Power

2 terminal pluggable connector.

- + 12 VDC at 1 amp
- Ground

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2.2.2. Audio Out

Two, 3 terminal pluggable connectors.

- L Left audio output, inverting
- $L \downarrow$ Left audio output ground
- L + Left audio output, non-inverting
- R Right audio output, inverting
- R ↓ Right audio output ground
- R + Right audio output, non-inverting

M2 supports balanced audio output. If unbalanced(single ended) is desired, use audio output non-inverting and audio output ground.



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POWER

12 VDC

2.2.3. Audio Level Adjust

Two potentiometer to adjust playback level of the left and right channels individually. Range is continuous from -infinity to +4dBm.

2.2.4. Relay

Playing relay is a Form C contact closure. This contact is activated for the length of the playing message and is released when the message ends or is stopped. The playing relay is capable of handling 1A at 24VDC or 0.25A at 110VAC, non-inductive load.

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12 position pluggable terminal strip. Use for remote control start of message playback and stopping messages.

Normally Open

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- Start 1 Connect to common for message 1 playback
- Start 2 Connect to common for message 2 playback
- Start 3 Connect to common for message 3 playback
- Start 4 Connect to common for message 4 playback
- Start 5 Connect to common for message 5 playback
- Start 6 Connect to common for message 6 playback
- Start 7 Connect to common for message 7 playback
- Start 8 Connect to common for message 8 playback
- Start 9 Connect to common for message 9 playback
- Start 10 Connect to common for message 10 playback
- Com Connecting any input to common activates the function

2.2.6. Playing LED

Green LED which indicates the playing and boot status of the M2.

- Off M2 is not playing or no power supplied to the unit
- On M2 is playing
- Blink M2 is executing internal boot procedure





RELAY

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PLAYING

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2.7. Config Switches					
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Play Mode Defines playback r message sequenc sequences are cor message material, plays and delay be	node of es. Message nprised of number of etween plays		5 6 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Standard operation - described Section 2.2.8 Play one sequence per closure described in Section 2.2.8 Play while active - described ir Section 2.2.8 Re-trigger - described in Sectio 2.2.8	l in 9 - 1 Dn
<u>Play Next</u> Enabling next mes 10(Remote Contro 10) to initiate playt message sequenc	sage allows Si I connector, St back of next va e. First input a	tart tart lid fter	7	Disable Enable	

- 8
- Unlock message memory
- Lock message memory

Memory Protect

power on will play message 1. All operation modes are supported and other start inputs are disabled.

Allows user to lock message memory

so that messages may not be

accidentally overwritten.

2.2.8. Play Mode:

Standard Operation: A momentary contact closure causes the device to play one sequence of the message corresponding to that input. A sequence being the number of plays selected by the dip switches and the selected delay time which separates them. If a contact is maintained active, the system will continuously play that message repeatedly until the input is released at which time the system will finish the current playback sequence and then stop.

If multiple inputs are held active the system will play one sequence of the first message and then cycle through any other active messages sequentially based on the order which they were input. The message corresponding to the lower input number will have priority should multiple inputs be activated at exactly the same time.

If a momentary contact closure is provided while a message is playing and it is released prior to the ending of the message play, it will be ignored.

The system will only queue messages in this mode when inputs are activated simultaneously. If all eight simultaneous inputs are momentarily provided to the system, the device will play all eight message sequences and then stop.

Play one sequence per closure: If an activation input is maintained, the system will only play the message sequence one time. The M2 will wait for the input to go inactive for a preset amount of time before it will recognize that input for subsequent message activation. Other play activation will be serviced normally even with another input held active indefinitely.

This mode supports message queuing. Message queuing allows the user to input multiple, momentary activation's to the M2, causing each of the messages to be played in the order they were received. The queue length will be 16 messages maximum, including the message which is playing. Any activation issued once the queue is filled will be ignored.

A stop command will stop the message which is currently playing, and when released, the next message in queue will begin playing.

If multiple inputs are held active and maintained, the system will play each of them and then stop.

Play while active: The M2 will be activated upon reception of a maintained input control signal. The message will continue to play for the duration which the control signal is held active. If the input signal is removed prior to the end of the message sequence, the system will immediately abort the playback sequence.

If the input is not removed during the delay time after the last message play in the sequence, another sequence will be initiated. If the input is removed prior to the end of the delay time the message will not be replayed.

If multiple inputs are maintained active while in this mode, the system will only play the lower numbered message and then repeat.

Re-Trigger: This mode allows playing messages to be interrupted by another incoming message, or another activation of the same message. If a message is currently playing and another message activation is received, the currently playing message will be stopped and the new message will be played.

A maintained message activation will only play the sequence one time and then stop. If multiple inputs are activated at exactly the same time, only the lower numbered message will be played.

2.2.9. RS-232 Hardware Configuration:

RS-232 serial interface for control and configuration of the M2. Port settings are 9600 baud, No Parity, 8 Bits, 1 Stop Bit. NOTE: 115.2k baud rate is a factory set option. This port is Rx Tx COM designed for communication with a local user or controller over a short reliable interface. No error detection scheme is implemented over this interface. All command characters and returned information are in ASCII format. When connected properly, the system prompt M2> will be returned.

Rx F	Receive

- Τх Transmit
- COM Ground

2.3. M2.1 Enhanced Configuration and Features:

The M2.1 is the base model of the M2 family. All configuration and features for this model are covered in Section 2.2.

2.4. M2.1+1 Enhanced Configuration and Features:

The M2.1+1 offers all the configuration and features of the base system with the addition of a second independent balanced stereo audio output and associated start contacts. Controls for channel 1 are denoted by CH1.

2.4.1. CH 2, Audio Out:

Two, three terminal pluggable connectors.

- L -Left audio output, inverting
- L↑ Left audio output ground
- L + Left audio output, non-inverting
- R -Right audio output, inverting
- R∱ Right audio output ground
- R + Right audio output, non-inverting

M2 supports balanced audio output. If unbalanced(single ended) is desired, use audio output noninverting and audio output ground.

2.4.2. CH 2, Audio Level Adjust:

Two potentiometer to adjust playback level of the left and right channels individually. Range is continuous from -infinity to +4dBm.







2.4.3. CH 2, Relay:

Playing relay is a Form C contact closure. This contact is activated for the length of the playing message and is released when the message ends or is stopped. The playing relay is capable of handling 1A at 24VDC or 0.25A at 110VAC, non-inductive load.

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Normall Closed



12 position pluggable terminal strip. Use for remote control start of message playback and stopping messages.

Normall Open

- Stop Connect to common to stop message playback
- Start 1 Connect to common for message 1 playback
- Start 2 Connect to common for message 2 playback
- Start 3 Connect to common for message 3 playback
- Start 4 Connect to common for message 4 playback
- Start 5 Connect to common for message 5 playback
- Start 6 Connect to common for message 6 playback
- Start 7 Connect to common for message 7 playback
- Start 8 Connect to common for message 8 playback
- Start 9 Connect to common for message 9 playback
- Start 10 Connect to common for message 10 playback
- Com Connecting any input to common activates the function

2.4.5. CH 2, Playing LED

Green LED which indicates the playing and boot status of the M2.

- Off M2 is not playing or no power supplied to the unit
- On M2 is playing
- Blink M2 is executing boot procedure







2.5. M2.2 Enhanced Configuration and Features:

The M2.2 offers all the configuration and features of the base system with 10 additional start inputs. Contacts 11 - 20 are located above 1 - 10.

2.5.1. Remote Control, 11 - 20:

12 position pluggable terminal strip. Use for remote control start of message playback and stopping messages.

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Stop	Connect to common to stop message playback
Start 11	Connect to common for message 11 playback
Start 12	Connect to common for message 12 playback
Start 13	Connect to common for message 13 playback
Start 14	Connect to common for message 14 playback
Start 15	Connect to common for message 15 playback
Start 16	Connect to common for message 16 playback
Start 17	Connect to common for message 17 playback
Start 18	Connect to common for message 18 playback
Start 19	Connect to common for message 19 playback
Start 20	Connect to common for message 20 playback
Com	Connecting any input to common activates the function

The Stop and Common inputs are parallel to the corresponding inputs on the 1 - 10 connector.

3. RS-232 Commands:

At the M2> prompt various commands may be issued to control record, playback and other functions of the M2. Each command and associated string must be followed by control, line feed or <CR><LF>.

CMD	Options	Description
BLD		Build message file index
DIR		Directory of Message Priority.
LST		This Commands Listing.
PLY	[<1-255>,<1/2/A>,<1-254>,<1-60>]	Play Message, Channel, Repeat, Delay.
PRI	[<1-255>,<1>Enable/<0>Disable/ <s>Scan>]</s>	Set message priority
RST		Warm Reset System
SHP		Init Configs & Erase Messages.
STP	[<1 or 2 or A>]	Stop message playback on selected channel
STS	[<0>Off/<1>On]	Display Play Status Messages.
SYS		Display System Information.
DDIR		Displays a file directory listing
DDEL	[<"filename">]	Deletes file from directory.
DDLD	[<msgnumber>]</msgnumber>	Initiates YMODEM session to download file to
		the selected message location.
DULD	[<"filename">]	Initiates YMODEM session to upload the
		selected file.
DGDT		Get date and time from the M2
DSDT	[<"datetime">]	Set date and time of the M2. Format is
		"mmddyyyyhhmmss" for month, day, year,
		hours, min., sec.

Command List

BLD - (same function as PRI S). Build message file index. Required to activate files that are copied to the memory card outside of the Composer process.

Syntax; BLD

Example; BLD<CR><LF> Builds message file index.

DIR - The configuration of each memory location will be displayed to the user when this command is issued. The display will show each of the 256 available message locations with either a number preceded by a "M", a number preceded by a "D" or "XXXX".

Example; DIR<CR><LF>

If a "M" precedes the number in the location, the message is valid and available for automatic playback. If "XXXX" is in the location, the message is currently blank, and the location is available. If a "D" is in front of the message number, a message exists, but it is disabled and not available for playback.

LST - This command lists the commands available to control the M2.

Syntax; LST

Example; LST<CR><LF> displays a list of commands, values and descriptions.

PLY - This command is to playback messages from the M2.

Syntax; PLY*msgnumber,channel,repeat,delay*

Where;

msgnumber is the message location to be played<1-255>. *channel* is the channel on which to play <1 or 2 or A>. Default is A for all available channels. *repeat* is the number of times to play the message<1-254>. Default is 1. *delay* is time to delay between repeats <1-60> seconds. Default is 1 second.

Example;

PLY6,1,10,5<CR><LF> will play message six, out channel 1, ten times with a five second pause between the repeats.

If no msgnumber is given, the system will play the next available message in memory. This defaults to message # 1 at power up. If no repeat is given, the system will play the message one time. If no pause is given, the system delays one second between subsequent message plays.

Repeat may not be entered without msgnumber being entered. Delay may not be entered without repeat being entered.

PRI - Messages can be enabled or disabled using this command. Normal conditions will warrant each message to have "1" priority meaning they are active. If a message is set for "0", then it is considered inactive and will not be played in the sequential mode or when a PLY command is issued relating to that message number.

Syntax; PRI*msgnumber,status*

Where; msgnumber is the message location<1-255> status is the priority, 1 for Enable, 0 for Disable, S for Scan.

Example; PRI5,0<CR><LF> will disable message 5.

Each message will default with a priority of 1 or enabled after it is recorded. Disabled messages are displayed with a D in front of the message number when the message directory is listed. Disabled messages cannot be played until they are enabled. Scan duplicates the function of the BLD command in that it scans the system and builds a message file index.

RST - This command causes a warm reset of the M2 system.

Example; RST<CR><LF>

SHP - This command allows the user to delete the entire contents of the memory and reset system settings to factory default. This command will erase the entire memory and reset all of the configurable settings to those specified in the Product Specification.

Example; SHP<CR><LF>

Because of the time required to erase FLASH memory, the system may take up to 10 seconds before becoming available to receive new commands.

STP - Stop message playback

Syntax; STP*channel*

Where;

channel is the channel, 1 or 2 or A(M2.1+1 only), that you want to stop. Entering no channel value or A(ALL) stops all channels from playing.

Example; STP1<CR><LF> will stop message playback on channel 1.

STS - This command toggles the display of RS-232 feedback from the M2 ON or OFF. With Status ON, the system will send a message to the RS-232 port indicting that the particular message has stopped. This status may be used to control other systems based on the mode of the M2.

Example; STS*value*<CR><LF> Where; value is 0 for off and 1 for on

SYS - This is a diagnostics feature for testing purposes only. Certain status information from the M2 unit will be output to the user when this command is entered.

Example; SYS<CR><LF>

DDIR - Displays a file directory listing of all files in the \DAVE directory of the FLASH card.

Example; DDIR<CR><LF>

DDEL - Deletes file from the \DAVE directory of the FLASH card.

Syntax; DDEL*filename*

Where;

filename is the name and extension of the file you wish to delete. **NOTE: MUST BE IN QUOTES**

Example; DDEL"1.mpg"<CR><LF> deletes 1.mpg from memory card.

DDLD - This command configures the M2 to receive a MPEG 1 Layer 2 file via YMODEM.

Syntax; DDLD*msgnumber*

Where;

msgnumber = 1 - 255 or if left blank, downloaded file will be place in the next empty memory location.

Example;

DDLD2<CR><LF> initiates download sequence for message 2. After command is executed, an YMODEM transfer of the file should also be initiated on the controller or computer.

DULD - This command configures the M2 to send a file via YMODEM to another controller or computer.

Syntax; ULD*filename*

Where;

filename is the name and extension of the file you wish to upload. **NOTE: MUST BE IN QUOTES**

Example;

DULD"50.mpg"<CR><LF> initiates upload sequence for the file 50.mpg. After command is executed, a YMODEM transfer of the file should also be initiated on the controller or computer.

DGDT - Get the Date and Time from the M2.

Example; DGDG<CR><LF>

DSDT - Set the Date and Tem of the M2.

Syntax; DSDS*datetime*

Where;

datetime is entered in "mmddyyyyhhmmss" format, ie month, day, year, hours, min., sec. **NOTE: MUST BE IN QUOTES**

Example;

DSDT"01012000120000"<CR><LF> configures the M2 for 1/1/2000 12:00.00.

4. Playing - RS-232

RS-232 playback is achieved through the RS-232 connection located on the endplate of the M2 unit. Please reference Section 2.2 of this manual for additional information on available connection.

- Step 1 Verify the installed PCMCIA FLASH memory card has all the M2 configuration files as well as 1.MPG.
- Step 2 Make all desired power, audio out, configuration switch and I/O connections to the unit
- Step 3 Connect RS-232 interface of the M2 to a computer, terminal or controller with software supporting 9600 baud, No Parity, 8 Bits, 1 Stop Bit.
- Step 5 Power up system. M2 will sequence through boot procedure and present the M2> prompt when ready to accept commands
- Step 3 Input BLD then an carriage return and a line feed(<CR><LF>) to build the message file index.
- Step 4 Input PLY1 then a carriage return and a line feed(<CR><LF>) to initiate playback of 1.MPG. M2 will confirm request then return to the M2> prompt. Message LED will remain ON during playback.
- Step 5 Input STP then a carriage return and line feed(<CR><LF>) to stop playback and return to idle mode - or - allow message to play to end at which point, system will return to idle mode.

This process is valid for any message(1 - 255) that has a corresponding .MPG file on the memory card. M2 will report an error for a message request which does not have a corresponding .MPG file. Play relay contact will be active for the duration of play sequence.

5. Playing - Remote Contact

Remote Control playback is achieved through the remote control connections located on the endplate of the M2 unit. Please reference Section 2.2 of this manual for additional information on available connections. Playback of message will include selected repeat and delay parameters.

- Step 1 Verify the installed PCMCIA FLASH memory card has all the M2 configuration files as well as 1.MPG.
- Step 2 Make all desired power, audio out, configuration switch and I/O connections to the unit and power up. Unit will initiate self test and default to play mode.
- Step 3 Provide a momentary signal between Remote Control Start 1 input and the Common input. M2 should play message 1.MPG. Message LED will remain ON during playback.
- Step 4 Provide a momentary signal to the Remote Control Stop and the Common input to stop playback and return to idle mode - or - allow message to play to end at which point, system will return to idle mode.

This process is valid for any Start input which has a corresponding .MPG file on the memory card. M2 will ignore an input which does not have a corresponding .MPG file. Play relay contact will be active for the duration of play sequence. When playing multiple messages through queued messages or via maintained start activations, the system will drop the play relay for approximately 100mS between sequences.

6. Composer:

Composer software is a Windows 95/NT application which allows standard .WAV files to be converted to MPEG 1, Layer 2 files for playback on the M2.

6.1. Main Screen

The main screen provides the following functionality:

- Create / select / delete composers
- Browse the available disk drives, including mapped drives
- View the available WAV files in a folder
- Drag and drop WAV files into the Snippet section for compilation into an M2 memory.
- Delete / Add / Insert WAV files into the Snippet section.
- Compile the Composer, which creates the MPEG files for use on an M2 system.

The following pictorial shows show basic layout and location of controls on the user interface.



6.1.1. Encoding Functions:

There are two methods to encode a composer, Export Composer and Compile Composer. When ever either of these buttons are used, the system will encode all of the Snippets which have been added or changed since the last time the composer was encoded, and store the MPEG files in the CMACData folder. The Export Composer adds the ability to provide a target drive where the MPEG files will be copied to, after they are encoded. Typically, this will be used to point to the PC Card drive where the M2 Memory card would be burned.

If the User Double Left clicks a snippet in the snippet section, the Snippet properties screen will pop-up. This screen, shown below provides certain specifics about the source WAV file and allows the user to change the format and audio quality of the MPEG file being produced.

Snippet music Properties
General
Compose: M2_Test Seqth: 4 Name: music
Type: Wav Sound Filename: music.wav Location: C:\CDDL96\audio_files\ Size: Media Secs: 19.97 Audio format : 48000 Hz, 16 bits, Stereo Encoding Quat: 128 kbps 💌 kbps Output Dptions: Mono 💌 Set Default
Snippet Text: Media Player
Save OK Cancel

The snippet can be played using the Media Player bar in the lower part of the dialog box. Descriptive information can be entered in the "Snippet Text" section.

After making any changes to the snippet properties, make sure to hit the "SAVE" button in the lower left hand side of the dialog box for the setting to take effect.

The "Set Default" pushbutton allows the user to set the default settings for the Encoding Quality and Output Format of the MPEG file to be produced. Every WAV file dragged into the snippet section will default to these settings. After making changes, make sure to save the settings for them to take effect.

Default Snippet P	roperties	×
Encoding Qua	: 128 kbps 💽 kbps	
Output Option	Mono 🔽	
Sav	: Reset Done	

6.1.2. Miscellaneous control functions:

The "Tools" drop down menu in the top, left hand portion of the screen provides the functions to control the screen format save mechanism settings and an "Other Settings" dialog. In the "Other Settings" section, two settings are provided: Low Priority Encoding and Make WAV File Copies.

Low Priority Encoding: The WAV to MPEG converter requires a large amount of processor power. If the user is trying to run multiple applications checking the low priority encoding box will increase the amount of time to encode the files, but will allow other applications to run quicker while the encoding is taking place.

Make WAV File Copies: When the user drags WAV files into the snippet section, the M2 Composer software uses the WAV file in the location specified to create an MPEG copy of the file for use with the M2. If the Source WAV file is moved, or deleted, the composer will not be able to re-encode that file. Checking this box causes the system to create a numbered copy of the WAV file in the CMACData folder for backup purposes.

Toward the top of the screen, above the WAV File and folder section, is a horizontal bar which contains particular information regarding the currently selected WAV file. This information is formatted from left to right with the following data:

- File name
- Size, in bytes
- Duration
- Format (mono or stereo)
- Bits per sample

At the bottom of the screen, below the Folder and Snippet sections, is a horizontal bar which contains particular information regarding the currently selected Snippet. This information is formatted from left to right with the following data:

- File name
- Encoding quality / bitrate
- Duration
- Format (mono or stereo)
- Sample rate, in kHz

Screen settings: The available area for each section of the display can be tailored to the user's preference. When the cursor is placed over the separating bar between each pane, the cursor will change shape allowing the user to left click the bar and drag it to what ever location is preferred.

7. Memory Card Removal/Installation:

The M2 utilizes removeable PCMCIA FLASH memory cards to store audio and configuration information. The image below illustrates how the card interfaces with the M2. The memory of the M2 is hot swappable and may be removed or installed without removing power from the system.



7.1. Removal

- 1. Unscrew the four mounting screws and remove the cover plate to expose the memory card.
- 2. Depress eject button located directly to the right of the card to unseat the memory.
- 3. Remove memory card from the M2.
- 4. Replace cover and secure with the four mounting screws.

7.2. Installation

- 1. Unscrew the four mounting screws and remove the cover plate to expose the memory card holder.
- 2. Align the side rails of the memory card so they glide into the black plastic guides of the memory card holder.
- 3. Push the card into the holder until the eject button located directly to the right of the card, extends beyond the front surface of the card.
- 5. Replace cover and secure with the four mounting screws.

7.3. Capacity, Data Rates and Part Numbers:

Size	Model No.	Approx. recording time(Minutes) Mono / Stereo or Dual Mono				
		Freq.	Freq. 7kHz 15kHz		20kHz	
		rops	32	04	120	
8Meg	MPC 8 FATA		32/16	16/8	8/4	
16Meg	MPC 16 FATA		66/33	33/16	16/8	
32Meg	MPC 32 FATA		133/66	66/33	33/16	
48Meg	MPC 48 FATA		200/100	100/50	50/25	
64Meg	MPC 64 FATA		266/133	133/66	66/33	
85Meg	MPC 85 FATA		354/177	177/88	88/44	
110Meg	MPC 110 FATA		458/229	229/114	114/57	