## **Supplier Scouting Opportunity Synopsis 2023-055**

Item to be scouted: All-Metal Mass Flo Meter

**Item description:** An all-metal mass flow meter (MFM) designed to measure the flow of gases in a wide variety of applications. The meters are available with Full Scales from 10 standard cubic centimeter per minute (sccm) to 20 standard liters per minute (slm), providing fast, repeatable flow metering to as low as 0.1 sccm.

**NAICS code:** 334513

**Technical Information** 

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**Supplier Information** 

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Type of supplier being sought: Manufacturer

Reason for scouting submission: Sole Source Foreign Manufacture

Summary of technical specifications and performance requirements

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Describe the manufacturing processes (elaborate to provide as much detail as possible): Electronic and mechanical assembly. Manufacturing processes are not provided in specification documentation for meter.

### Provide dimensions / size / tolerances / performance specifications for the

**item:** Full Scale Range (N2 equivalent): 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500, 1000, 2000, 5000, 10000, 20000 sccm; Maximum Inlet Pressure 500 psig; Normal Operating Pressure Differential (with atmospheric pressure at the Male-Female-Male (MFM) outlet) 10 to 20000 sccm: 10 Torr; Measurement Range 1% to 100% of Full Scale; Accuracy

(analog) (including non-linearity, hysteresis, and non-repeatability referenced to 760 mmHg and 0°C)  $\pm 1.0\%$  of Full Scale; Repeatability  $\pm 0.2\%$  of Full Scale; Resolution 0.1% of Full Scale; Temperature Coefficients Zero <0.05% of Full Scale/°C & Span <0.08% of Reading/°C; Warm-up Time (to within 0.2% of Full Scale of steady state performance) <2 min; Pressure Coefficient <0.02% of Reading/psi; Normal Operating Temperature Range 0°C to 50°C; Input Voltage Required Max. at start-up (first 2 sec)  $\pm 15$  VDC ( $\pm 5\%$ ) @ 150 mA & Typical at steady state  $\pm 15$  VDC ( $\pm 5\%$ ) @ 50 mA; Output Signal 0 to 5 VDC into >10K  $\Omega$ ; Output Impedance <1  $\Omega$ ; Connector Types Analog 9-pin or 15-pin Type "D" (The 15-pin Type "D" connector is electronically compatible with other MKS flow controllers. Consult Applications Engineering for details.);

## List required materials needed to make the product, including materials of product components:

All metal, 316L stainless steel for more demanding clean applications.

Additional materials not provided in specification documentation for meter.

Are there applicable certification requirements?: No Are there applicable regulations?: No Are there any other standards, requirements, etc.?: No

### **Business Information**

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**Volume and pricing** 

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**Estimated potential business volume:** One-time purchase of quantity 12 meters.

Estimated target price / unit cost information (if unavailable explain): \$13,872.00 total.

## **Delivery requirements**

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When is it needed by?: Delivery by 14 weeks after date of award.

**Describe packaging requirements:** Requirements not specified by program office.

Where will this item be shipped?: 325 Broadway, Boulder, CO 80305

#### **Additional comments**

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**Is there other information you would like to include?:** Other brands have been sent to the program office for technical evaluation. They are currently being evaluated. Brands are Bronkhorst brand mass flow; Brooks brand GF100 Series; Brooks brand SLAMf Series, and Max brand precision flow meters listed on their website (e.g. piston, gear, helical, water and aqueous chemical meters).

## **Additional Information**

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Photos or diagrams of the item

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Check if you uploaded file(s) to Box.com: Yes

Agree (click to read agreement): Yes

# 179C

# All-Metal Mass Flo® Meter

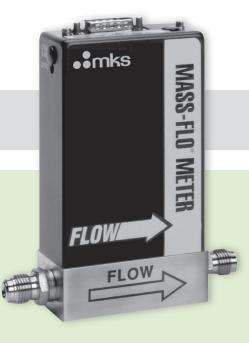


The 179C is an all-metal mass flow meter (MFM) designed to measure the flow of gases in a wide variety of applications. The 179 Mass Flo® meters are available with Full Scales from 10 sccm to 20 slm, providing fast, repeatable flow metering to as low as 0.1 sccm.

The 179C is a direct form-fit-function replacement for the most common analog MFMs on the market today. The standard 3-inch footprint enables the 179C to drop directly into the same space without modifying existing gas lines. Electrical connectors are the same Type "D" connectors, with similar pin-outs, signals, and functions as their industry counterparts. The 179C is compatible with mass flow controller (MFC) power supply and display electronics from MKS or other manufacturers.

## **Product Features**

- Full Scale flow ranges from 10 sccm to 20 slm for precise, repeatable flow measurement and control
- Percent of Full Scale accuracy for analog configurations
- Rigorous design and testing includes MTBF analysis and STRIFE testing to ensure long-term performance
- One year warranty ensures quality and customer satisfaction



## **Key Benefits**

- Patented¹ sensor design provides exceptional zero stability
- All metal, 316L stainless steel for more demanding clean applications

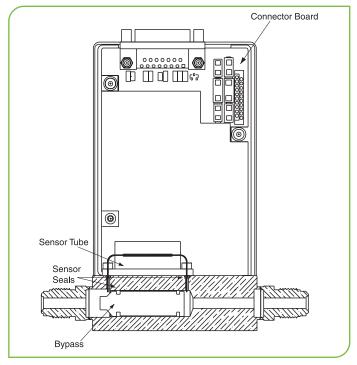
<sup>1</sup>U.S. Patent No. 5461913. Foreign Patents Pending.

The 179C employs the latest design thermal sensor for mass flow measurement, in a compact industry-standard package. The all-metal 179C is constructed of 316L stainless steel finished to <32 microinches Ra (max.). The 179C is machined without the use of hydrocarbon based lubricants and cleaned using a proprietary process (MKS Spec. #115029), for the more demanding clean applications. Security against accidental damage is provided by a proof pressure of 1000 psig, and a burst pressure rating of 1500 psig.

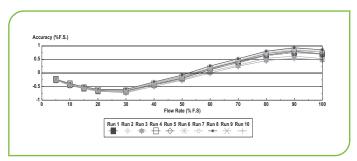
Power required for the 179C is minimal: the nominal ±15 VDC unit consumes only 50 mA during operation (150 mA at initial turn-on). Fast warm-up (<2 minutes) makes the 179C ideal for production applications where MFM replacement often results in expensive downtime.

Performance and reliability have been designed into the 179C, and ensured through rigorous MTBF analysis and extensive STRIFE testing, which includes humidity soak and temperature cycling. The 179C MFM also complies with European CE Mark requirements. Zero and span drift are minimal with MKS' new patented sensor, as shown by the graph on bottom right.

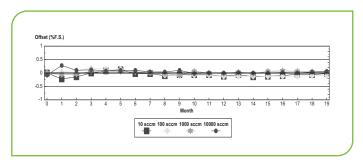
Size, compatibility, cleanliness, reliability, and low cost make the 179C MFM the ideal choice for the more demanding flow measurement applications.



Cross Section Diagram − A cross section diagram of a 179C Mass-Flo® Meter



Flow Accuracy and Repeatability — The above graph shows the typical flow accuracy and repeatability of the 179C MFM. The instrument was measured using the MKS Instruments Califlow® Primary Standard Flow Calibrator.



Zero and Span Stability — The above graph shows the excellent zero and span stability of the 179C MFM. The instrument was powered on and randomly tested for zero and span drift over a 300 day period. The total zero drift was less than 10mV while the maximim span drift was less than 32mV.



Specifications				
Full Scale Range (N <sub>2</sub> equivalent)	10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500, 1000, 2000, 5000, 10000, 20000 sccm			
Maximum Inlet Pressure	500 psig			
Normal Operating Pressure Differential (with atmospheric pressure at the MFM outlet)	10 to 20000 sccm: 10 Torr			
Measurement Range	1% to 100% of Full Scale			
Accuracy (analog) (including non-linearity, hysteresis, and non-repeatability referenced to 760 mmHg and 0°C)	±1.0% of Full Scale			
Repeatability	±0.2% of Full Scale			
Resolution	0.1% of Full Scale			
Temperature Coefficients Zero Span	<ul><li>&lt;0.05% of Full Scale/°C</li><li>&lt;0.08% of Reading/°C</li></ul>			
Warm-up Time (to within 0.2% of Full Scale of steady state performance)	<2 min			
Pressure Coefficient	<0.02% of Reading/psi			
Normal Operating Temperature Range	0°C to 50°C			
Input Voltage Required Max. at start-up (first 2 sec) Typical at steady state	• ±15 VDC (±5%) @ 150 mA • ±15 VDC (±5%) @ 50 mA			
Output Signal	0 to 5 VDC into >10K $\Omega$			
Output Impedance	<1 Ω			
Connector Types Analog	9-pin or 15-pin Type "D" (The 15-pin Type "D" connector is electronically compatible with other MKS flow controllers. Consult Applications Engineering for details.)			
Wetted Materials Standard Optional	316L S.S.     VCO® fittings (consult factory)			
Leak Integrity External (scc/sec He)	<1 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>			
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Fittings (compatible with)	Swagelok® 4 VCR®, Swagelok® 4 VCO®, 1/4" Swagelok®			



Ordering Code Example: 179C00412CR3BM	Code	Configuration
Model		
179C Mass Flo Meter	179C	179C
Gas To Be Calibrated For: (SEMI Gas Code) See table for additional options		
Helium Argon Hydrogen Nitrogen Oxygen	001 004 007 013 015	004
Flow Rate To Be Calibrated For SCCM (Maximum 20000 SCCM N <sub>2</sub> Equivalent)		
10 20 50 100 200 500 1000 2000 5000 10000 20000	11C 21C 51C 12C 22C 52C 13C 23C 53C 54C 14C 24C	12C
Fittings (compatible with)		
Swagelok 4 VCR male Swagelok 4 VCO male 1/4" Swagelok	R G S	R
Valve		
No Valve	3	3
Connector		
Analog 9 pin "D" Analog 15 pin "D"	А В	В
Seal Materials		
Metal Viton (VCO only) Buna-N (VCO only) Neoprene (VCO only) Kalrez (VCO only)	M V B N K	М
Neoprene (VCO only) Kalrez (VCO only)	N	IVI

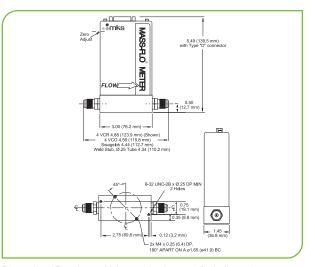
## Optional Accessories

946 Multi-channel power supply/readout/set point control

## Cabling

CB147-12-10 to connect 179C 9-pin Type "D" to 946 and cables 100016744/45/46 to connect 179C 15-pin Type "D" to 946 and cables

SEMI Gas Code	Name	Symbol	Maximum FS, sccm	Flow Rate
001	Helium	He	30,000	34C
004	Argon	Ar	30,000	34C
007	Hydrogen	H <sub>2</sub>	20,000	24C
008	Air		20,000	24C
013	Nitrogen	N <sub>2</sub>	20,000	24C
015	Oxygen	O <sub>2</sub>	20,000	24C
019	Chlorine	Cl <sub>2</sub>	10,000	14C
025	Carbon Dioxide	CO <sub>2</sub>	10,000	14C
028	Methane	CH <sub>4</sub>	10,000	14C
029	Ammonia	NH <sub>3</sub>	10,000	14C
039	Silane	SiH <sub>4</sub>	10,000	14C
042	Acetylene	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	10,000	14C
110	Sulfur HexaFluoride	SF <sub>6</sub>	5,000	53C



Dimensional Drawing — Unless otherwise specified, dimensions are nominal values in inches (millimeters referenced).



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