Constellation Series LEO/MEO Tracking Antenna (Deployable & Fixed)

Type 0.5 X/Y Pedestal

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Overview/Situation

Comtech's Constellation Series antenna for LEO/MEO satellite tracking is the ideal solution for users seeking an affordable, small, lightweight, and highly precise full-motion antenna system.

Customer Benefits

Using the simple and elegant X/Y pedestal geometry with a 20-year heritage, this low maintenance antenna eliminates the keyhole at zenith, cable wrap, and backlash. It has a mature, highly capable Monitoring and Control software package. It supports reflector sizes ranging from 0.9-meter to 2.4-meter and is now in production to support a variety of commercial and military customers. It comes in Deployable and Fixed-Site configurations, and it supports UHF, L, S, X, C, Ku, Ka, Q, V, and multiple bands.

Solution Details

- Dish size 0.9-meters to 2.4-meters
- Lightweight: 168 kg (Includes: Reflector, Feed and mounting bracketry, Gearbox, Post Mount, Electrical Cabinet (post mounted)
- Range of motion from zenith ±90 (Reaches 0 elevation)
- Highly capable and mature Monitoring and Control Software
- Same design heritage as Comtech's Type 1, Type 2 & Type 3 pedestals
- Weatherized Electronics Enclosure
- Hermetically sealed aluminum housing
- Upper and lower axis are identical and interchangeable
- Rapid Installation
- Low Maintenance
- Lightweight Carbon Fiber Reflector

Deployable Configuration Solution Details

- Collapsible Tripod Frame
- X/Y Motor Assembly can be disassembled
- Snap together Carbon Fiber Reflector
- Clinometer automatically configures upper and lowers axis based on installed orientation
- Integrated mounting points behind reflector for RF and electrical components
- Capable of tool-less installation
- Weight Trays available
- Transit cases for rapid transportation

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Mechanical	
Point Accuracy	<0.1º
Position Step Resolution	0.0004°
Acceleration	5°/sec2
Velocity	5 ^o /sec typical – higher available upon request (note X/Y configuration only requires a fraction of the velocity that would be required with a typical El/Az configuration)
Axis Configuration	X over Y geometry
Axis Travel	Full hemispheric coverage
Horizon Limits	0°
RF	
Frequency Ranges	UHF, L, S, X, C, Ku, Ka, Q, and V bands
Polarization	Left Hand and/or Right Hand Circular Polarization
Feed Configurations	Multi-band prime focus and/or Cassegrain configuration
Autotrack feed options	RSSI software tracking
Control System	
Monitor & Control	Full Linux based, includes satellite scheduler and TLE propagator.
Interface	1Gig Ethernet (TCP/IP) (fiber optic interface can be provided), includes SMNP and XML modules
Power	100/240Vac, 1phase, 15~30A
Environmental (without Radome)	
Wind Speed	45 to 60 mph Operational ^[1] (72-96 km/hr) 100 -150 mph wind Survivable (note with antenna in stow position and proper ballast loads and pedestal anchoring.)
Temperature	-40°F – + 158°F (-40°C - +70°C) ^[2]
Humidity	100% Relative Humidity
Driving rain	Up to 10cm/hr (4 in/hr)

[1] Depends on pedestal/reflector combination

[2] Optional measures (heaters, radomes, HVACS) can be taken to improve operational environmental limits

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