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## Specifications and Applications Information

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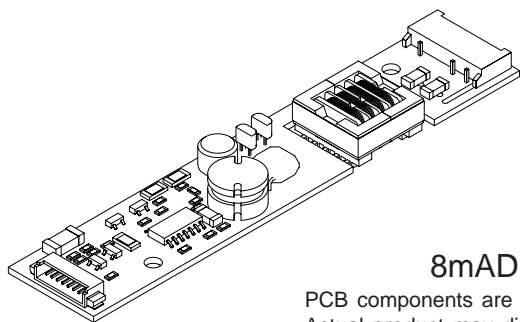
The ERG 8mAD3100 (8m Series) DC to AC inverter features onboard connectors and can be easily dimmed using an external analog control signal or external PWM generator.

Powered by a regulated +12 Volt DC source, the 8mAD3100 is designed to power the NEC NL10276BC30-24D display backlight.

### Product Features

- ✓ Small Package Size, less than 9mm in height.
- ✓ High Dimming Ratio
- ✓ High Efficiency
- ✓ Made in U.S.A.

This unit complements our 8m Series of DC to AC Inverters



8mAD Package

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### Connectors

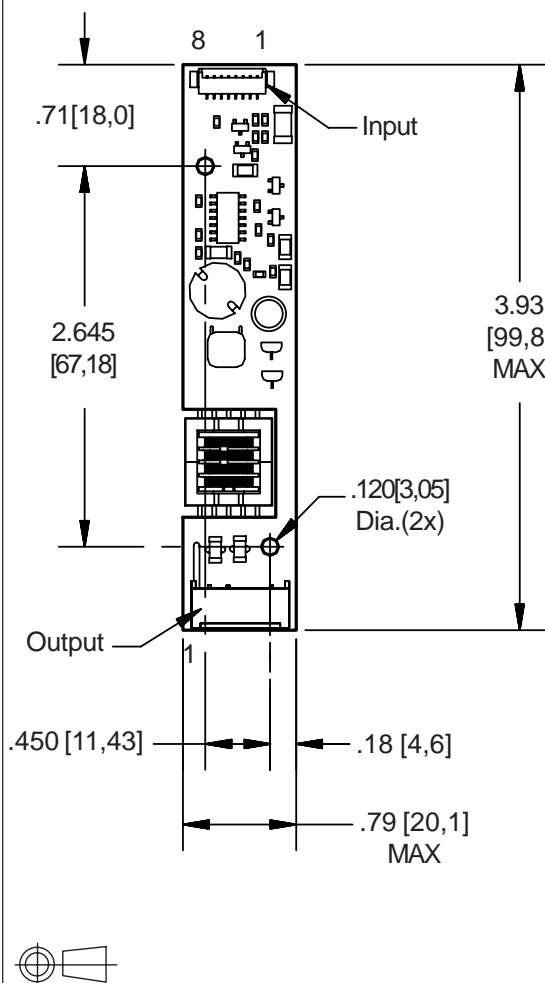
Input J1  
 Molex 532-61-0890

Output J2  
 JST SM04(4.0)B-BHS-1-TB

# 8mAD3100

Two Tube  
 DC to AC Inverter

### Package Configuration



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### Pin Descriptions

J1-1 Vin	J2-1 ACout
J1-2 Vin	J2-2 ACout
J1-3 GND	J2-3 N/C
J1-4 GND	J2-4 ACcommon
J1-5 Enable	
J1-6 Control	
J1-7 N/C	
J1-8 GND	



## Absolute Maximum Ratings (Note 1)

Rating	Symbol	Value	Units
Input Voltage	$V_{in}$	-0.3 to +13.2	Vdc
Disable	$V_{Enable}$	-0.3 to +0.3	Vdc
Operating Temperature	$T_a$	-0 to +70	°C
Storage Temperature	$T_s$	-40 to +80	°C

## Recommended Operating Conditions

Rating	Symbol	Value	Units
Input Voltage	$V_{in}$	+10.8 to 12.6	Vdc
Operating Temperature <small>(Note 2)</small>	$T_a$	0 to +50	°C

## Electrical Characteristics

Unless otherwise noted  $V_{in} = 12.00$  Volts dc and  $T_a = 25^\circ\text{C}$

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Input Current	$I_{in}$	-	.75	.86	$A_{DC}$
Input Ripple Current	$I_{rip}$	-	20	-	$\text{mA}_{pk-pk}$
Operating Frequency	$F_o$	44	49	54	KHz
Efficiency	$\eta$	-	80	-	%
Output Voltage	$V_{start}$	1500	-	-	V
Output Voltage <small>(Note 3)</small>	$V_{out}$	-	600	-	V
Output Current per output	$I_{out}$	-	6	-	$\text{mA}_{rms}$
<b>Enable (pin J1-5) <small>(Note 4)</small></b>					
Turn-off Threshold	$V_{thoff}$	0	-	1	V
Turn-On Threshold	$V_{thon}$	2.5	-	$V_{in}$	V
Impedance to $V_{in}$	$R_{Disable}$	44.6	47	49.4	kOhms

**(Note 1)** Reliable and predictable operation of the device is not guaranteed with applied stresses at or beyond those listed in "Absolute Maximum Ratings". Operation at these limits may reduce device reliability and is therefore not recommended. Please refer to "Recommended Operating Conditions" for reliable operation of the device.

**(Note 2)** Reliable operation above 50°C is possible if airflow is provided.

**(Note 3)** When powering a load simulating the referenced display

**(Note 4)** The inverter is always enabled with an internal pullup resistor tied to the enable pin. A ground on the enable input will turn the inverter off.

### Application Notes:

- 1) The minimum distance from high voltage areas of the inverter to any conductive material should be .12 inches per kilovolt of starting voltage.
- 2) Mounting hardware should be non-conductive.
- 3) Open framed inverters should not be used in applications at altitudes over 10,000 feet.
- 4) Contact ERG for possible exceptions.



## Onboard PWM

Unless otherwise noted  $V_{in} = 12.00$  Volts DC ,  $T_a = 25$  °C and unit has been running for 5 minutes.

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Frequency	$f_{pwm}$	-	160	-	Hz
Control Input Bias Current	$I_{cbias}$	-	-	10	$\mu A$

## Pin Descriptions

**Vin** Input voltage to the inverter.

**GND** Inverter ground.

**Control** Analog voltage input to the onboard pulse width modulator. Increasing this voltage increases the off time of the onboard PWM resulting in decreased brightness. The inverter is full on when this voltage is near inverter ground.

**Enable** Inverter Enable. The inverter is always enabled with an internal pullup resistor tied to the enable pin. Pull this pin low to disable inverter operation. The onboard PWM is always utilized.

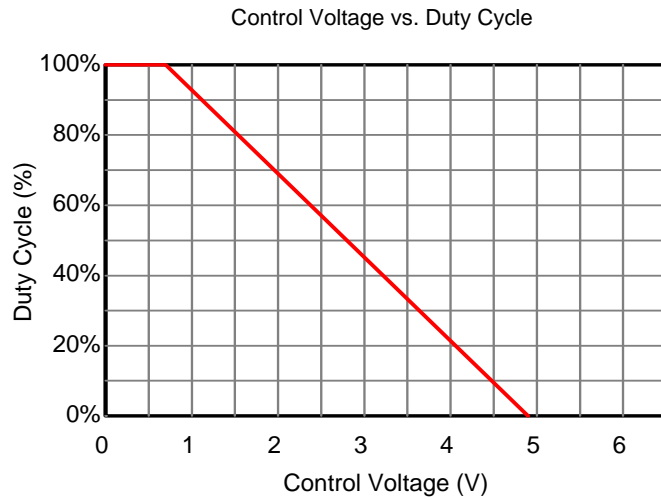
## Application information

The 8mAD series of inverters is designed to power two cold cathode fluorescent tubes each with four watts. An external analog control interfaces with an onboard pulse width modulator to provide dimming control. The 8mAD inverter can reliably dim to less than 5% duty cycle.

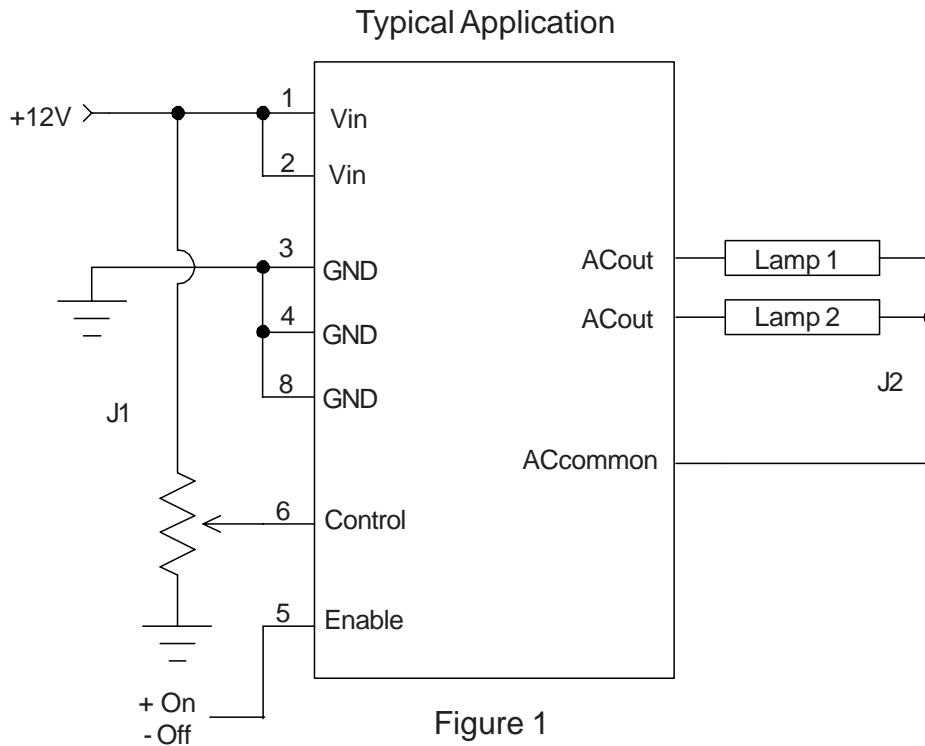
External shutdown of the inverter is accomplished using the Enable pin. Pulling this pin low (below  $V_{thoff}$ ) disables the inverter.

If analog voltage dimming is required, the analog voltage is applied to the Control pin. Figure 1 shows how to connect the inverter for onboard PWM operation. Graph 1 shows the relationship of PWM duty cycle to input control voltage.

If an external PWM is used, simply connect the Enable pin to the PWM source and connect the Control pin to inverter ground. If the onboard PWM is used, connect the analog voltage to the Control pin.



Graph 1



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