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## INTRODUCTION

This chapter contains general information that will be useful to know before using the EQCO-SDI-30-7502 HD-SDI Repeater. Items discussed in this chapter include:

- [Document Layout](#)
- [Recommended Reading](#)
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- [The Microchip Web Site](#)
- [Development Systems Customer Change Notification Service](#)
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## DOCUMENT LAYOUT

This document describes how to use the EQCO-SDI-30-7502 HD-SDI Repeater. This document includes the following chapters:

- **Chapter 1. “Product Overview”** provides a brief overview of the EQCO-SDI-30-7502, highlighting its features and uses.
- **Appendix A. “Specifications”** provides technical and performance specifications for the EQCO-SDI-30-7502.

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## RECOMMENDED READING

The following document is recommended as a supplemental reference resource.

- **AN1837 – “EqcoLogic HD-SDI Repeater Reference Design” (DS00001837)**

Consult this document for detailed information on the HD-SDI Repeater. Reference information found in this document includes:

- Basic principles of operation
- Printed circuit board design
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### Revision A (October 2014)

- Initial release of this document.

### Revision B (December 2014)

The following is the list of modifications:

1. Updated “**Recommended Reading**” with AN1837.
2. Removed Conventions Used in this Guide from the Preface.
3. Minor typographical changes.

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## Chapter 1. Product Overview

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### 1.1 INTRODUCTION

The repeater contains three critical components to correct and then retransmit the HD-SDI signal:

- Adaptive Equalizer to return the signal to its original amplitude and modulation
- Reclocker to resynchronize the signal and bring it back to its original condition
- Cable Driver to retransmit the signal with its original characteristics restored

Furthermore, the repeater design allows for unique benefits:

- Power can be transmitted from the recorder side to the camera over the coax cable.
- Up to five repeaters may be powered from the coax cable; if one or two repeaters are used, the power may also be adequate to power the camera on the remote end.
- Five or more repeaters can be connected if power is added in the middle of the link.
- A control signal (RS485) can be transmitted from the recorder (DVR) side to the camera over the coax cable.
- Simultaneous video signal transmission, camera control and power over a single cable allows full re-use of legacy coax infrastructure.

### 1.2 REQUIREMENTS

- 75Ω coaxial cable with 75Ω BNC connectors on each end (maximum length based on cable type – see specifications).
- HD-SDI camera or source (with or without power over coax capability).
- HD-SDI DVR or capture source (with or without power over coax capability).
- 24V DC power supply (not provided).
- 12V DC power supplies can be used if only two repeaters are used and there is no need to power the camera over the coax (not provided).

## 1.3 SETUP

Each repeater supports a link of up to 200m with a data rate of 1.485 Gbps and 130m at 2.97 Gbps (depending on cable quality). Longer lengths can be supported with lower-speed cameras; e.g., 720m for SDI cameras. Up to five repeater units can be daisy-chained together, all powered over the coax cable by power injected to the first repeater.

Follow these steps:

1. Connect the 24V DC or 12V DC power supply (for the DVR side) and the RS485 in/out cables to the plug connector.
2. Plug the plug connector into the repeater (on the camera side or DVR side).
3. When using multiple repeaters and the RS485 uplink, connect the RS485 Out cable to the camera (or breakout board) at the camera side.
4. When using multiple repeaters and the RS485 uplink, connect the RS485 In cable to the DVR (or breakout board) at the DVR side.
5. Connect the 75Ω coaxial cable to the 75Ω BNC connector on the repeater.
6. If powering a camera or remote source over the coax, draw power from the VCC and GND pins of the plug connector at the camera side.

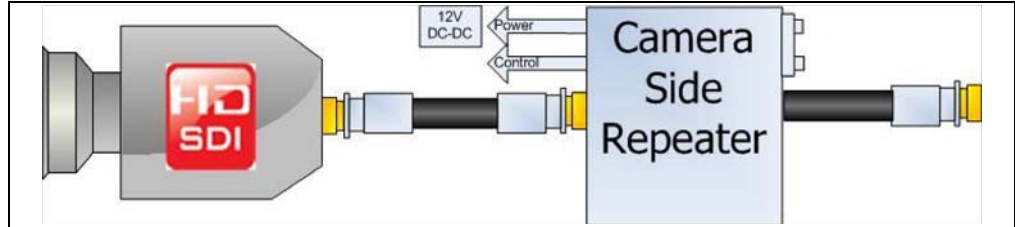
**Note 1:** If used, repeaters 2-5 are powered via the first repeater.

**2:** Camera control is one-way only, from the DVR to the camera.

## 1.4 CONNECTION DIAGRAM

Extend HD-SDI links up to 1 km with power over cable and camera control link over a single coax cable.

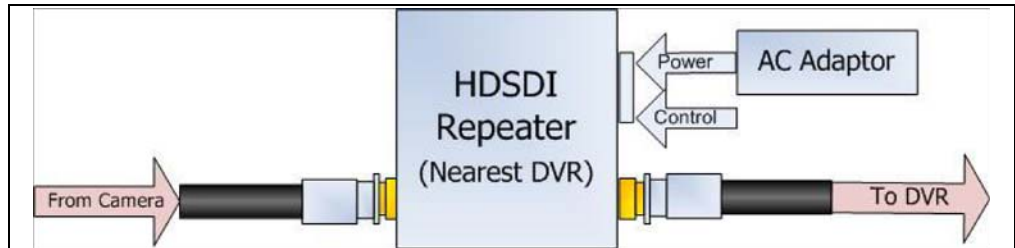
**FIGURE 1-1: CAMERA SIDE HD-SDI REPEATER WITH POWER AND CONTROL OUTPUTS**



**FIGURE 1-2: IN-LINE HD-SDI REPEATER (UP TO FIVE REPEATERS BEFORE ADDITIONAL POWER IS REQUIRED)**



**FIGURE 1-3: DVR SIDE REPEATER INCLUDING LINK POWER AND CONTROL CHANNEL**



The characteristic impedances of the coaxial cables and connectors must all match. The EQCO-SDI-30-7502 Repeater must have  $75\Omega (\pm 3\Omega)$  impedance. [Figure 1-4](#) shows the difference between a  $50\Omega$  connector versus a  $75\Omega$  connector. A  $75\Omega$  coaxial cable with  $75\Omega$  connectors must be used.

**FIGURE 1-4: DIFFERENCE BETWEEN  $50\Omega$  VS.  $75\Omega$  CONNECTORS**



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## 1.5 CABLE CONNECTION

When using the repeater at the DVR side, the 24V DC or 12V DC power supply can be connected to the plug connector. The cable used for the RS485 input signal should be connected to the RS485 pins of the plug connector. Make sure that all the cables are connected in the right order, as shown in Figure 1-5. Insert the plug connector into the repeater box at the DVR side.

When using the repeater at the camera side, the camera can be powered (when no more than two repeaters are used) by connecting the power to the VCC and GND of the plug connector. Connect the RS485 output pins to the right pins of the Mini-Combicon plug connector as illustrated in Figure 1-6. Make sure that all the cables are connected in the right order. Insert the plug connector into the repeater box at the camera side.

**Note:** The camera can be powered if only two repeaters are used in-line. It is necessary to power the first repeater with 24V. Using more than two repeaters will not allow sufficient power supply for powering the camera. In this case, external power must be supplied to the camera.

FIGURE 1-5: DVR SIDE

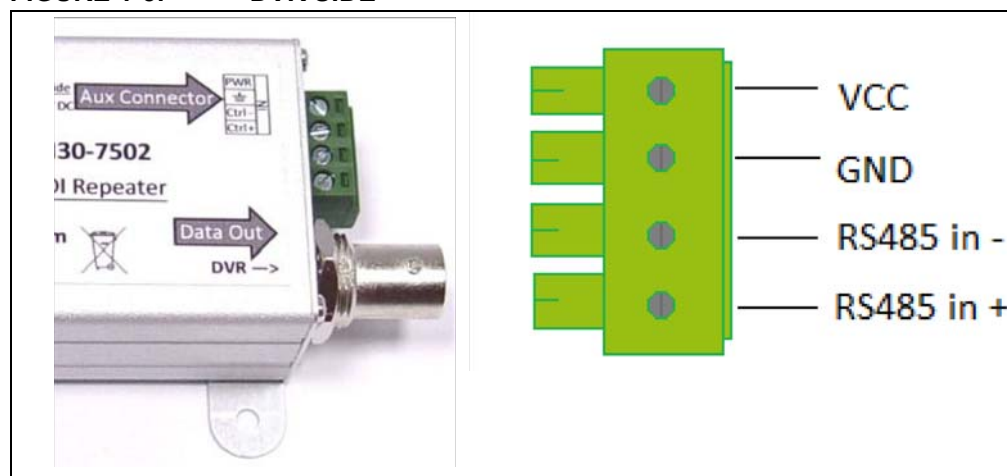
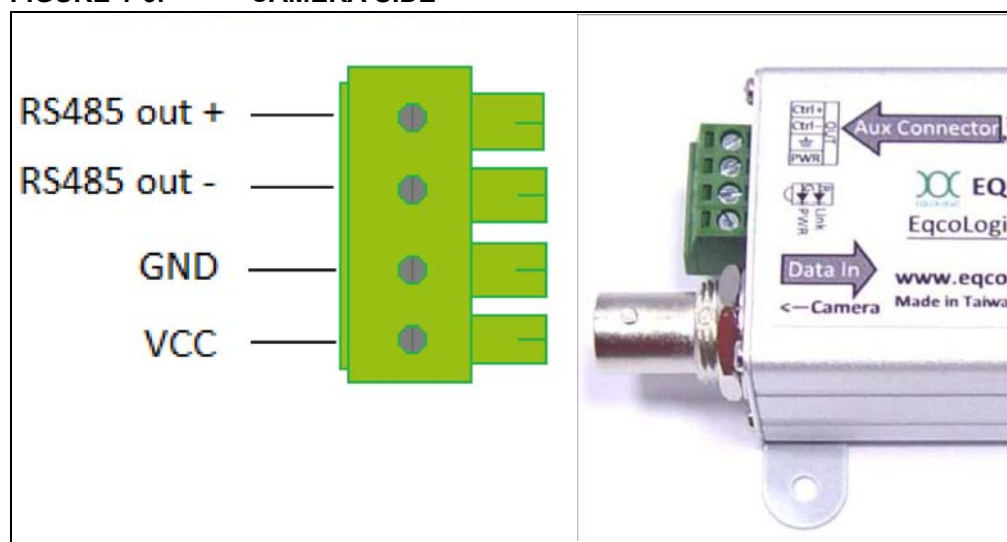


FIGURE 1-6: CAMERA SIDE



## Appendix A. Specifications

This appendix includes the following figures:

- [Table A-1: “Technical Specifications”](#)
- [Table A-2: “Performance Specifications”](#)

**TABLE A-1: TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

<b>HD-SDI Interface</b>	
Connectors	BNC True 75Ω
Cable Impedance	75Ω ± 3Ω
Data Throughput	270 Mbps, 1.485 Gbps, 2.97 Gbps
<b>Aux Interface</b>	
Connector (Head End)	Plug connector
Signaling	RS485 in, RS485 out, Gnd, +24V
<b>Power Supply Input (Head End Input)</b>	
Aux Power In	24V @ 720 mW, plus any concatenated repeaters
DC Feed via Coax	Min 9-24V DC, rated current 0.5-2A
<b>Power Supply Output (Camera Side Output)</b>	
Aux Power Out	VIN @ Head End-1V-Coax DC Drop (varies with cable type/length)
DC Feed via Coax	VIN @ Head End-1V-Coax DC per hop (varies with cable type/length)
DC Supply Current	Maximum 400 mA-30 mA per repeater
<b>Environmental</b>	
Operating Temperature	0°C to 50°C
Relative Humidity	Up to 85% non-condensing
Storage Temperature	-20°C to 70°C

**TABLE A-2: PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATIONS**

Performance by Coax Type <sup>(1)</sup>	Max Coax Length for Error Free Operation @ 1.485 Gbps	Max Coax Length for Error Free Operation @ 2.97 Gbps	Cable/Power Budget <sup>(1)</sup>	
			Max # Repeaters (total length)	DC Power after 2 Repeaters
RG6 Sample 1 (16 dB/100m) (Belden 1694A)	220m/720 ft	120m/390 ft	5 (1 km)	6w
RG6 Sample 2 (16 dB/100m) (Carol Brand)	220m/720 ft	120m/390 ft	3 (600m)	1.8w
5C-HFBT Sample (16 dB/100m) (Amphenol)	220m/720 ft	120m/390 ft	5 (1 km)	6w
RG59 Sample (23 dB/100m)	153m/502 ft	83m/272 ft	5 (700m)	6.5w
3C-2V Sample 1 (41 dB/100m) (Hangzhou Linan Tongda Cable Co., Ltd.)	85m/280 ft	47m/154 ft	5 (390m)	6.5w
RG11 Sample (10 dB/100m) (CommCCope F1160BVV)	350m/1150 ft	192m/630 ft	4 (1.3 km)	4w

1: At 1.485 Gbps

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