

Application Note 1080HD Handlebar Control

1000+ combinations for heavy-duty applications

BACKGROUND

Honeywell Sensing and Control currently offers completely custom right and left hand controls for small vehicles and will continue to do so for those customers who desire it. However, a number of recent trends have prompted us to develop a platform approach to designing customized handlebar controls:

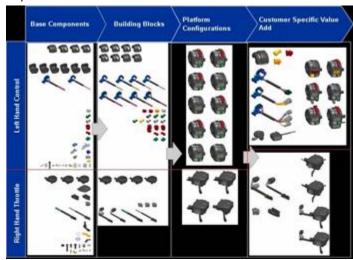
- Customers appear to be maintaining production volumes, but face strong pressure on final product pricing
- Speed to market requirements shorten design cycles
- · Aesthetically differentiated handlebar designs by model
- · Requirements for compact, high functional density designs that are easily customizable
- Shift from North American manufacturers of ATVs and smaller electrical vehicles to the AP region
- · Honeywell small vehicle products still offered in Asia Pacific, North America and Europe

SOLUTION

A platform approach for handlebar control products allows us to produce over 1000 variations of this component, and in a much shorter timeframe than a completely custom approach.

Additionally, to meet customer demand for aesthetic differentiation, we have developed three patent-pending designs that can be applied to the control platform. This is enabled by our small form factor that accommodates 3-7 functions in common housings. The platform (shown below)

consists of base components that can be combined with building blocks and 4-10 different platform configurations. We can then add other customer-specific functions to create a customized right or left-hand control in a cost-efficient, SAE-J68 qualified control to meet global off-road vehicle requirements.



With little up-front investment for the OEM, our platform approach makes it easy to efficiently help our customers facing short product design cycles.

Table 1. 1080HD Handlebar Controls used in off-and-on road vehicle applications



Features and Benefits

- Common components and inserted tooling to reduce OEM tooling investment, minimize procurement complexity, and improve manufacturability
- Platform approach with common components configurable for multiple applications
- Option for runaway prevention switch inclusion enhances safety features
- Small form factor with compact, high functional density design
- Patent-pending designs enable customers to develop aesthetically differentiated controls
- Broad applicability designed to meet most North American off-road and European on-road requirements
- Standard circuitry and components to shorten product development time

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