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## UPStart Quickstart Guide: How to Create Your Own UPB Network



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## The following are step by step instructions for using the UPStart software.

### **Download UPStart**

1. Download the latest version of UPStart: Open your Internet browser program and enter <u>http://www.simply-automated.com/products/sa\_upstart.htm</u> into the Internet address field. The following window will open if you are using Windows XP and Internet Explorer. If you are using an older version of Windows you will need to have Win Zip or a similar program on your computer. A Win Zip download is available: <u>http://www.download.com/3000-2250-10003164.html</u>.



- 2. Select, "Save".
- 3. A window opens that allows you to select where to save the zip file. It can be saved to a folder used for downloads or the desktop. Make note of where you are saving it in case you want to find it later.
- 4. Once the download is complete the Download Complete window allows you to "Open" the file.



5. A Windows Explorer window opens listing a single file. Double click on the executable file: UPB44Setup.exe. The 44 indicates the current version of UPStart as of this writing and is subject to change as UPStart evolves. As long as you have a program that opens "Zip" files on your computer the following window will appear:



- 6. Click on Run to start the UPStart installation.
- 7. Select the defaults that appear in the installation screens. Advanced users can put the files where they would like them. The defaults install the UPStart program under Program Files in a folder named UPB.
- 8. Once the installation is completed click on Finished. Close the zip file window. UPStart has been installed in the Program Files folder.

### **Connecting the Computer Interface Module**

- 1. If you have not connected the Computer Interface Module (CIM), Model: UMC-DB9-W, to your computer, do it now.
  - a. Plug the CIM into a receptacle near your computer.
  - b. Using the serial cable that came with the CIM plug the appropriate end into the CIM and the other into the serial port on your computer. Skip to c. if you have a serial port on your computer. If you do not have a serial port you can use a USB to serial adapter.
    - i. The following is a list of USB to serial adapters that have been tested with the CIM and UPStart

ELK ELKUSB232 – Sold by Home Controls

- SIIG JU-CB1S12
- IO Gear USB-2930 IO GEAR GUC232A
- Belkin F5U109-CU
- Cables Unlimited USB-2920
- BAFO Technologies BF-810
- PCMCIA Card Quatech SSP-100
- Keyspan USA-19HS
- ii. Follow the installation directions that came with your USB adapter.
- iii. Even though you are using your USB port on your computer you must select the non USB Powerline Interface module in UPStart. To do that

you need to know the com port that your USB to serial adapter captured.

1. Go to Start  $\rightarrow$  Control Panel  $\rightarrow$  System  $\rightarrow$  Hardware  $\rightarrow$  Device Manager  $\rightarrow$  Ports



- 2. Click on the "+" sign to drop down the ports connected to your computer.
- 3. Your USB adapter should be listed here with the com port it has been assigned by Windows. Make note of the com port.
- c. Connect the CIM to the USB adapter only after the USB port has been recognized by Windows.
- d. Open UPStart See next section.

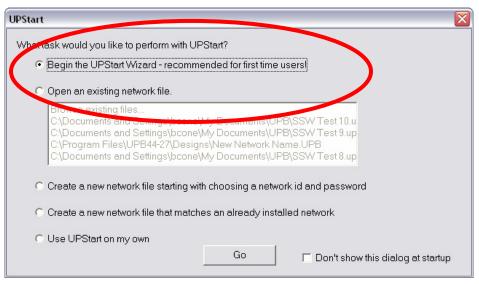
### **Getting Started with UPStart**

There are two sections to this discussion. The first section includes instructions for creating a new network. It introduces the UPStart Wizard, a step by step method of creating a new UPB network. The third section is for advanced users; who will learn how to create a UPB network without using the Wizard.

### The UPStart Wizard

This introductory Wizard provides a step by step method of creating a UPB network with installed devices. In a nutshell the steps are: Add Devices, Create Links, Add Links to Devices and Save the File. Once devices and the Computer Interface Module are installed, Open UPStart.

### Select: Begin the UPStart Wizard



Click Go – the Introduction window appears.

UPStart Wizard: Introduction
UPStart Wizard Introduction
The UPStart Wizard takes you though creating a UPB network and configuring your UPB devices.
In addition to describing what actions you need to perform, each step of the wizard also explains a bit about UPB devices and terminology. We recommend that you take a few minutes and review the text in each step.
Before starting you should have all your devices installed and powered up. Refer to the documentation that comes with each device for installation instructions.
The wizard takes about 20 minutes to complete. Press Next to begin.
1/8 < Back > Next Finish Cancel

1. Read the introduction... It is a good idea to read all the verbiage on the presented windows in this wizard. Reading and understanding will help working the UPStart beyond the Wizard. Click Next only after reading *and* understanding the explanation offered.

2. The first step is to create a network.

UPStart Wizard: Network
First we create a network
A UPB Network contains a number of devices all programmed with a network name, network id, and network password. These parameters make it possible to control the devices in your home and not worry about controlling devices on other networks or someone else controlling your devices.
Each UPB device on the network also has a device id. This makes it possible to control a single device rather then all of them.
Choose a Network name that you would like to program into all your devices, a good choice is your address (limit to 16 characters), and then press the Create Network button. The UPStart Wizard chooses a network id and password for you that is guaranteed not to conflict with any detectable networks.
After the network is created, press Next to continue.
Network Name: My UPB Network Create Network
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- a. Enter the desired Network Name (16 characters). Typically it will be the address of an installation.
- b. Click on "Create Network" button.
  - i. Upstart assigns a Network ID and Password. The Network ID will be briefly shown. The Password is randomly set. Both can be changed later.
- c. Click Next to continue.

3. Adding devices is the next step.

UPStart Wizard: Device Add			×
Add Devices			
To add a new device, first place the device into setup	Room Name	Device Name	
mode. If you don't know how to do that, press the Help button.	<b>_</b>	<b>_</b>	Add
Once the device is in setup mode, enter a room name	<b>_</b>	<b>_</b>	Add
and a device name. You can choose names from the	<b>_</b>	<b>_</b>	Add
drop down lists or type in new names. When ready, press the Add button. This causes UPStart to read the	<b>_</b>		Add
device's memory, then to add it to your network and program it with the room and device names you	-	-	Add
entered.	-	-	Add
If you have more than 12 devices to add don't worry! UPStart can add 250 devices on each network. At the end of this Wizard you are given information on how to learn to add more devices and how to perform additional configuration.	<b>_</b>		Add
	<b>_</b>		Add
	<b>_</b>	<b>_</b>	Add
		<b>_</b>	Add
Help			Add
	,		Add
	,	,	
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- a. Read the screen, it really is good, essential information.
- b. Select the first device to add.
  - i. Enter Room Name (16 characters).
  - ii. Enter Device Name (16 characters).
  - iii. Put device in set up mode.
    - For all plug-in and wired-in devices press the recessed button with a non-conductive tool such as a toothpick or a golf tee (also known as a UPB device configuration tool) 5 times consecutively. The LED should begin to flash green.
    - 2. On the US11-30 or US2-40 wall switches press any button or rocker 5 times consecutively. The LED should begin to flash green.
    - 3. Devices will stay in Setup mode for 5 minutes or until the button or rocker is pressed 2 times consecutively.
    - 4. Time between button pushes must be less than <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of a second.
- c. This wizard allows installation of 12 devices. Continue until the desired devices or 12, which ever comes first, are added.
- d. Click Next.

#### 4. Create Links.

UPStart Wizard: Links	$\mathbf{X}$
Links tie the whole network together	
What is a Link? Simply put, a Link is just a number from 1 to 250. What it does is more important than what it is. Associated with any UPB device that receives commands (like a switch or module) is what is called a Receive Components Table. Each entry in the Receive Components Table contains a level and, if the device is dimmable, how fast it turns on or off. Devices that transmit, like keypads or the buttons and rockers on some switch faceplates, can transmit a Link when the rocker is tapped or the button pressed. When a device receives a Link and if the Link is found in its Receive Component Table, it responds according to the settings in the table. Devices can be programmed to turn on at any available level, even 0% which turns the device off. This Wizard helps you program a transmitter to send a Link, programs one or more devices to respond to that Link, and has them all controlled by one click of a button or tap of a rocker. In the next steps of the Wizard you will do exactly that.	Link Names: Morning Dinner Time Late Night Fan Lamp All On All Off RLM UMI
Wizard you are given information on how to learn to add more Links and how to perform additional configuration. Click Next to continue.	UFR UMA Bulb
5/8 <u>&lt; B</u> ack <u>&gt; N</u> ext	Finish Cancel

- a. Read introduction to Links, this is very essential to understand. A Link is synonymous to Scene. A Link can control one or many devices.
- b. Enter Link names (16 characters, again). Typically the names describe the function of the Link. They can also describe control of a device such as a Lamp Module (UML), Appliance Module (UMA) that is often only controlled by a Link or a Direct command from a control system.
- c. Click Next when all Link names are added.

- 5. Add Links to Devices.
  - a. Transmit Links.
    - i. Click on the button on the screen that represents a button or rocker on the installed faceplate.
    - ii. Select a Link from the drop down list.
    - iii. Click Next and continue.

UPStart Wizard: Transmit	
Unit 007 - New Room Name	- New US24
Morning Dinner Time	As described in the Links step, components of some devices transmit - like rockers and buttons - and when they do, they send a Link. You can choose which components of the device transmit which Links.
	Not everything needs to transmit a Link! It is common for the rocker on a switch to just control the local load without transmitting anything. But that rocker could, in addition to controlling the local load, transmit a Link. In this way the rocker can also control other devices. Typically this function is reserved for devices with multiple rockers or buttons rather than a single rocker switch.           Which devices responds to a Link and their response are covered in other steps. For now just make transmit assignments. To make an assignment click one of the buttons in the box to the left and then choose which Link it transmits.
Late Night All Off	When complete, press Next to configure the next device. Note With this type of device, typically the 1st rocker or button is used to control the attached load and not to transmit a link. Other rockers and buttons do transmit links.
Rocker 1 controls	•
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#### b. Receive Links

- i. Select devices that respond to the selected Link.
- ii. Set Level and Rate where appropriate.
- iii. Click Next to continue.

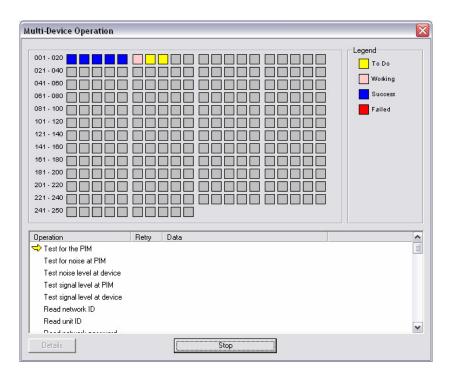
UPStart Wizard: Receive	×				
What devices respond to the Bulb Link?					
In previous steps you created some Links and sel devices that respond to the Link named above.	lected which devices transmit those Links. In this step you choose the				
Link. It's all up to your needs. For example, your r	e devices may only respond to a single Link and some to more than one network could be configured so that one button on a switch controls a lamp Two Links would be needed, one Link transmitted by one button and the				
There is one Wizard step for each Link. Move a device that responds to the Link from the left-hand list to the right-hand list. When you do that you can select the level and, if the device is dimmable, the fade rate. Use the Test button to send a command to the device so you can see what the level looks like.					
When you have made all your assignments, press	When you have made all your assignments, press Next to go on to the next Link.				
Unit 001 - New Room Name - New BLM Unit 002 - New Room Name - New UMI (channel 1) Unit 002 - New Room Name - New UML Unit 003 - New Room Name - New UML Unit 005 - Media room - New UFR Unit 006 - New Room Name - New UMA Unit 007 - New Room Name - New US24	> Unit 004 - New Room Name - New UML				
Unit 004 · New Room Name · New UML	· · · · · · · ·				
Fade Rate Default					
20/23	< <u>Back</u> Finish Cancel				

The UPStart Wizard has now added up to 12 devices, created up to 12 Links and is now ready to program the devices with the Links.

6. Click on "Program Network".

UPStart Wizard: Program				
Time to program all the devices with your changes				
In this step all the configuration information you have specified in the previous steps is written to the devices. This makes the network operate as you planned.				
All you need to do is press the Program button and wait for completion. When done, press Next to move to the Testing step.				
Program Network				
21/23 < Back > Next Finish Cancel				

7. The following window appears, titled: "Multi-Device Operation". All the devices that have been added first appear as a Yellow box. The box turns Pink when being programmed, which takes nearly 30 seconds per device. A Blue box represents a successfully programmed device. A Red box indicates a device that was not successfully programmed. There may be a problem communicating with that device at this point. Once the UPStart Wizard is complete, right-click on the device icon and select: Program. If that is not successful further troubleshooting may be required. Refer to Troubleshooting and Technical Talk in the "*Create your own UPB Network*" guide.



- 8. The Multi-Device Operation window will disappear when programming is complete. The "Program" window is present and >Next is no longer grayed out.
- 9. Click Next.

#### 10. Test Links.

a. Click Activate to turn a Link on and Deactivate to turn a Link off. If it is not working as envisioned changes can be made by clicking Back or finishing the Wizard and performing edits by other methods available in UPStart.

UPStart Wizard: Test				
Does it all works as you expect ?				
Your network is now fully programmed. But does it work the way you	Morning	Activate	Deactivate	
want? Getting everything configured is not easy. You may decide that you want some Links to behave differently.	Dinner Time	Activate	Deactivate	
In this step there are some features to help you with your testing. Press	Late Night	Activate	Deactivate	
the Activate button next to each Link and that Link is transmitted. You	Fan	Activate	Deactivate	
can see which devices respond. The Deactivate button turns all off devices that respond to that Link. At the bottom of this step is a UPB	Lamp	Activate	Deactivate	
message display. Whenever some device transmits you can see what it	All On	Activate	Deactivate	
transmitted. This helps you test that devices you configured to transmit are sending the Links you expect.	All Off	Activate	Deactivate	
	RLM	Activate	Deactivate	
If you need to make changes to your network, all you need do is to use the Back button to move to a previous step, make changes, and then	UMI 1	Activate	Deactivate	
move forward to the Program step, press the Program button, and then	UFR	Activate	Deactivate	
test again.	UMI 2	Activate	Deactivate	
When all are working as you expect, press the Next button to move on.	Bulb	Activate	Deactivate	
Entry R Cmd Info Component Dest Compo	nent			
22/23	]	Finish	Cancel	

#### 11. DONE!

PStart	t Wizard: Done	
Done	!	
Your n	etwork is now fully installed, configured, and tested. Congratulations!	
changi	ere is so much more that you can do. UPStart offers other methods for adding more devices and more Links, for ing every available configuration in all available device types. There are also additional testing features to help you tra any configuration issues you might have.	:k
	est way to learn about these features is to review both the "UPStart User Guide" and the "Create your own UPB rk using UPStart". These are available for download from the web site of your UPB manufacturer.	
After y	ou complete the wizard, select from the UPStart menu Help - Technical Support and follow the web Link.	
Thank	s for taking the time to get started with UPB - the most configurable automation devices available.	
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#### 12. Save UPB file.

Save As			? 🗙
Save in: 🗀	Designs	- + 1	* 💷 *
File <u>n</u> ame:	New Network Name.UPB		<u>S</u> ave
Save as <u>t</u> ype:	UPB Files (*.upb)	•	Cancel

- a. Save as address or home owners or other unique name.
  - i. Default directory is c:/Program Files/UPB/Designs.

To add more devices see the <u>Add Devices</u> section (page 18). To add or change Links see the <u>Changing and Adding Links</u> section (page 21). To edit a device double click on the device icon to open the Edit Device window. See the "Getting Started with Upstart" guide for more details.

### **Beyond the Wizard**

The next method is a step by step guide to creating a UPB network from installed devices without the help of the UPStart Wizard. This section is for Advanced Users or those who wish to become Advanced Users.

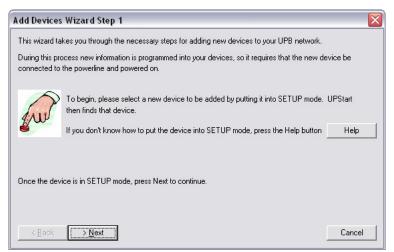
- 1. Open UPStart.
  - a. In Windows XP click on Start  $\rightarrow$  All Programs  $\rightarrow$  UPB  $\rightarrow$  UPStart.
- 2. The opening window will offer the following selections.
  - a. Begin the UPStart Wizard.
  - b. Open an existing network file.
  - c. Create a new network file starting with choosing a network ID and password.
  - d. Create a new network file that matches an already installed network.
  - e. Use UPStart on my own.
- 3. The best selection to add newly installed devices is: b. Create a new network file starting with choosing a network ID and password.
  - a. UPStart creates a UPB network file. As the devices are added the information is stored in the devices and in the UPStart file.
- 4. Once selected the following screen appears.

and password makes you keypads, this tool can acc	tarts with identifying the parameters for your UPB network. The network name, id, r UPB network unique. Once these settings are programmed into your switches and cess any of them without manual action on your part. The values you choose should ry defaults which are shown here - so you should change them.
Network Name:	Network1
Network ID:	1
Network Password:	0000
Anv time vou decide to ch	ange these settings vou can do so using the Network - Properties menu selection
	ies and keypads installed and the Powerline Interface connected to your computer,
1100	cate those devices and add them to your design.

5. Enter the desired Network Name (16 Characters), Network ID (1 to 250) and Network Password (4 characters from 0-9 and A-F), then click "OK".

#### Add Devices

- 1. Click on the Add Device Icon + or go to Device  $\rightarrow$  Add...
  - a. The Add Devices Wizard will open.



- 2. To put a device into set up mode:
  - a. For all plug-in devices press the recessed button with a non-conductive tool such as a toothpick or a golf tee (also known as a UPB device configuration tool) 5 times consecutively. The LED should begin to flash green.
  - b. On the US11-30 or US2-40 wall switches press any button or rocker 5 times consecutively. The LED should begin to flash green.
  - c. Devices will stay in Setup mode for 5 minutes or until the button or rocker is pressed 2 times consecutively.
- 3. Once the LED is flashing click on ">Next". UPStart will read the device.

ommand Steps			
Operation	Retry	Data	~
Read configuration 3		FF	
Read configuration 4		FF	
Read configuration 5		FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF F0 09 FF 83 84 1F	
Read configuration 6		F1 66 88 33 44 F1 55 77 22 44 F1 66 88 33 44 F1	
Read configuration 7		55 77 22 44 01 66 88 33 44 01 55 77 22 44 0A 66	
Read configuration 8		88 33 44 0A 55 77 22 44 FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF	
Read configuration 9		22 00 FF 22 64 FF 23 00 05 23 64 05 24 FF FF 21	
Read configuration 10		FF FF 20 FF FF 22 00 00 22 64 00 22 00 01 22 64	
Read configuration 11		01 22 00 08 22 64 08 25 1E FF 00 00 00 FF FF FF	
Read configuration 12		FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF	=
✓ Validate configuration		ОК	
			-
This operation completed succe	essfully. Pre	ess OK to continue.	
Details		[	ry again

- 4. Click on "OK" when this is complete.
  - a. If device is unable to be read it is likely that the device is on the "other" phase with respect to the UMC-DB9-W (CIM) location. It may be moved to another location on the same phase as the CIM (possibly the same circuit breaker), installed on a power strip plugged in to the same receptacle as the CIM or into the "always on" receptacle of the CIM. You may need a Phase

Coupler (Model ZPC-B or ZPC-W) to allow communication between the two phases of 120 Vac that is standard in most residential buildings.

Add Devices Wizard Step 2
UPStart has successfully found your new US2-40 Series Dimming Switch
Select a room name and device name from ones you have previously used or type in new ones. In the next step UPStart updates the device with the information selected here.
Hint: Choose names that help you identify it. For example: Living Room - Light by TV, or Ron's Office - Keypad
Room Name Device Name Unit Id New Room Name New US2-40 1
Erase existing configuration
This device has different hardware options such as an installed face plate or the presence or absence of a remote switch. Chose the current configuration of this device. This can be changed later if you make a change like installing a different face plate.
< Back     > №ext       Cancel

- 5. Once the device is read and before it is added to the UPB Network it needs a Room Name, Device Name, Unit ID and the Device Type.
  - a. Room Name is self explanatory (16 characters).
  - b. Device Name is often the location in the room or the device being controlled (16 characters).
  - c. Unit IDs are assigned sequentially.
    - i. Some installers may have a plan for numbering rooms and can set the Unit ID to any number desired from 1-250.
  - d. The Device Type The Next button will be enabled after making a selection.
    - i. Switches This is the faceplate, single rocker, dual half height, etc.
    - ii. Wired-in devices Can be controlled by USR (Dedicated Remote Switch) and have Transmit capability when so connected.
    - iii. Plug-In devices No selection.
  - e. Erase existing configuration will erase all factory added Links (\*\*This is not recommended for the US2-40\*\*... see detail <u>US2-40</u> page 40).
- 6. After clicking on ">Next" UPStart writes and verifies the entries. Click OK when complete.
  - a. If unable to complete this step it may be necessary to put device into Factory Reset mode and start again.
    - Factory Reset is accomplished by "tapping" (pressing until audible/tactile click is heard/felt and releasing) the button or rocker 10 times from set up mode. The LED will change color but continue blinking. One or two taps will put the device into run mode. Put the device back into set up mode to re-attempt adding the device (another 5 tap from run mode).

ii.

7. The following window will appear. If all devices are added select "Done", if not "Add more devices".

Add Devices	Wizard Step 3	X
UPStart has su	ccessfully added this new device to your network	
Manufacturer:	Simply Automated, Inc.	
Product:	US2-40 Series Dimming Switch	
Network:	Jamble	
Name:	Unit 001 - New Room Name - New US2-40	
•	re devices to add, press "Add more devices". ded all your devices, press "Done".	
	Add more devices	

8. Continue until all installed devices are added to the UPStart file.

### **Changing and adding Links**

To view the Links that have been created in your devices:

- 1. Click on Network  $\rightarrow$  Link Names...
  - a. The buttons correspond to the buttons on the table top controller and the US2-40.

Link 241 is an internal Link that is used for Local Load control for the US2-40. Detail discussion is in section PEP Kit Device Details - <u>US2-40</u> page 37.

Default Links loaded into UPB devices allow production testing they may be removed, edited or used as they are.

- b. Clicking on any Link name in the top section of the window will reveal the devices that have the Link installed in the bottom window.
  - i. Blue triangles (arrows pointing right) indicate transmitting devices
  - ii. Purple triangles indicate receiving devices.
  - iii. Orange footballs are LED indicators on transmitters, they are receiving devices.

(S				
vailable.	Link Names			Test
Id	Name		In Use	Activate Link 241
1	Button 1		Yes	
2	Button 2		Yes	Deactivate Link 241
3	Button 3		Yes	Deactivate Link 241
4	Button 4		Yes	
5	Button 5		Yes	
6	Button 6		Yes	
7	Button 7		Yes	
8	Button 8		Yes	
241	Link241		Yes	
100.00				Edit Link 241
Devic	used by:	Component		Delete Link 241
	nit 005 - PEP Kit - Wall Switch	Preset 16		
	nit 005 - PEP Kit - Wall Switch	Rocker 1 Bottom		
	A ODE DED VAL MALLE CLARK	Dealer 1 Tee		
- Un	nit 005 - PEP Kit - Wall Switch	Rocker 1 Top		
- Un	iit 003 - PEP Nit - Wali Switch	поскенттор		
<b>v</b> un	iit 000 - FEF Nit - Wall Switch	поскенттор		
<b>v</b> un	iit UUS - PEP Nit - Wali Switch	поскенттор		
<b>v</b> un	iit UUS - PEP Nit - Wall Switch	поскенттор		
	iit UUS - PEP Nit - Wall Switch	Close		

- 2. Links may be added from this screen by clicking on "New".
  - a. UPStart will default to the next available Link ID, #9 in this case.
  - b. Links may be tested by Activating or Deactivating.
  - c. Rename allows the text "Name" to be edited.
  - d. Remove unused any Link that has "No" in the "In Use" column may be removed from the list.
  - e. Edit Link Opens the Dialog Link Editor.
  - f. Delete Link Removes and reprograms devices.
- 3. The same table may be opened from the Receive Component and Transmit Component tabs of the Edit Device window for any device.

### Link Editing

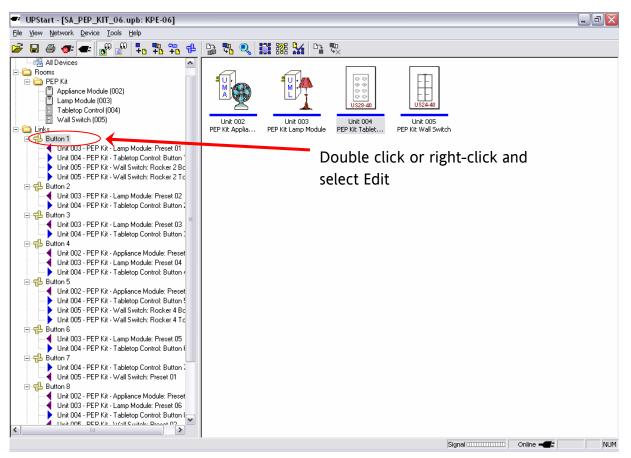
There are several ways to edit the Links:

- 1. Visual Link Editor.
- 2. Dialog Link Editor.
- 3. Edit Device Window.

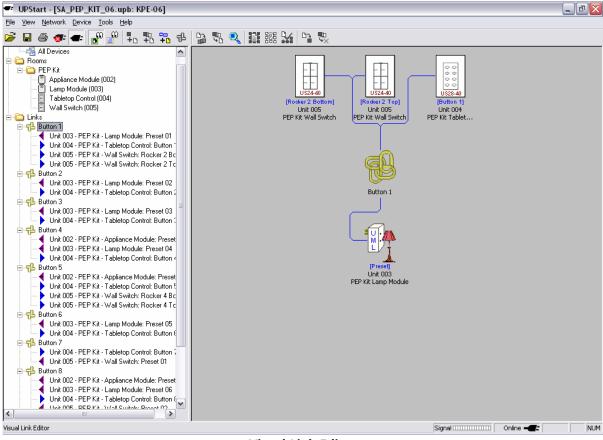
### Visual Link Editor

The Visual Link Editor is enabled by going to Tools  $\rightarrow$  Options  $\rightarrow$  and clicking on the check box at the bottom of the UPStart Operation tab.

1. Open the Visual Link Editor.



- a. Double click on the Link name in the folder Design Pane (left pane).
- b. The Display Pane (right pane) changes to the Visual Link Editor.



**Visual Link Editor** 

- 2. Adding a device to the Link is a matter of clicking on the device in the Design Pane (left side) and drag and drop on the Display Pane (right side).
  - a. A dialog box pops up.

Link Edit: Add Component (Unit 005 - PEF	? Kit - Wall Switch)	$\mathbf{X}$
Transmit Components       O Button       Rocker       Rocker       Input	Component Setup Level 0%  Fade Rate Snap!  Activate Deactivate	
Receive Components	0K Cancel	

- b. If the device is transmitting the Link click on the Rocker or Button radio button in the Transmit Components area.
  - 1. Select available position on device.
  - 2. Click on the Component Setup button (Link Activator).
  - 3. A window appears with the descriptions of the modes.

Link Edit: Add Component (Unit 005 - PEP	P Kit - Wall Switch)
Transmit Components C Button Rocker Rocker 2 Top Input	Component Setup Link Activator Rocker 2 Top
Receive Components     Preset Channel 1     C Indicator	
	OK Cancel

4. Select the desired Mode. Click OK.

- c. If the device is receiving the Link click on the Receive Components radio button, select the desired dim Level and the Fade Rate.
- 3. Continue adding devices and setting their response until all desired devices are added to the Link.
- 4. Right click in the open gray space in the Display screen, a dialog box pops up. Click on Program to program the added devices.

ulti-Device Operation         001 - 020         021 - 040         041 - 060         061 - 080         081 - 100         101 - 120         121 - 140         141 - 160         181 - 200         201 - 220         201 - 220         221 - 240         241 - 250		Legend To Do Working Success Failed
Operation	Retry Data	<b>^</b>
Vite configuration 10	OK	
<ul> <li>Verify configuration 10</li> <li>Write configuration 11</li> </ul>	0K 0K	
Verify configuration 11	OK	
Verify configuration 12	OK	
Verify configuration 12	ОК	-
🗸 Exit write mode	οκ	
Details	OK	

5. Click OK when programming complete.

### **Dialog Link Editor**

- 1. Click on Network  $\rightarrow$  Link Names...
- 2. Click on the desired Link in the top window of the Links screen.
- 3. Click Edit Link X (where X is the Link ID of the selected Link).

d Controller
Controller

- 4. Controllers are transmitting devices, Presets and Indicators are receiving devices.
- 5. Add Controller:
  - a. Click on Add Controller button.
  - b. Select the desired device from the selection window by clicking on the device name and button position then click OK. This device will have the Link added to its Transmit Component table when programming is completed.
  - c. Click on the button with the Mode name (Link Activator for instance in the screen shot above the Mode names are: Custom Button, Top Super Rocker and Bottom Super Rocker).
  - d. A window appears with the descriptions of the modes. Select the desired mode. It can be changed later.
- 6. Add Preset
  - a. Presets are devices that have the Link in their Receive Component table.
  - b. Click on Add Preset
  - c. Select the Level and Fade Rate. Test is optional.

- 7. Indicators.
  - a. Buttons that have LEDs are referred to as indicators. They are Receiving Components also. A device with LED indicators should have the LED responding to the same Link.
  - b. If you have buttons that interact, the Groups and function (Turn Off) can be set so the LED follows the function. LEDs for other buttons can turn on or off or do nothing when a button is pressed. An example: There is a room of lights that are set for 3 dimming levels. A separate Link is set for each desired dimming level. A separate button is assigned to each Link, 1, 2 & 3. If all buttons are in the same group and set to Turn Off then when any of the three buttons are pressed the LED on that button will illuminate and the button that was previously illuminated will extinguish.
- 8. Click on "Program All needed to establish this Link" to program the Link into each selected device.
- 9. Click on OK.

#### **Edit Device Window**

Double clicking on any device icon opens the Device Edit screen for that device. The Links and settings for the PEP Kit are now viewable. The device depicted is the US2-40 mounted with a quad rocker faceplate.

The tabs are: ID, Receive Components, Transmit Components, Options, Advanced, Test and Communications Test.

1. Click on Transmit Component tab.

Edit Device: Unit 007 - New Room Name - New US24						
ID Receive Components Transmit Components Options Advanced Test Communications Test						
	Link Name	Mode	Single-Tap	Double-Tap	Hold	Release
RT 01	Morning	Top Super Rocker	Activate	Snap On 📃 💌	Fade Up 📃 💌	Fade Stop 💌
RB 01	Morning	Bottom Super Rocker	Deactivate 💌	Snap Off 📃 💌	Fade Down 🖉	Fade Stop 💌
RT 02	Late Night	▼ Top Super Rocker	Activate	Snap On 📃 💌	Fade Up 🖉 💌	Fade Stop 🔽
RB 02	Late Night	Bottom Super Rocker	Deactivate 💌	Snap Off 📃 💌	Fade Down 🖉	Fade Stop 💌
RT 03	Dinner Time	▼ Top Super Rocker	Activate	Snap On 📃 💌	Fade Up 📃 💌	Fade Stop 💌
RB 03	Dinner Time	▼ Bottom Super Rocker	Deactivate 💌	Snap Off 📃 💌	Fade Down 💌	Fade Stop 💌
RT 04	All On	Top Super Rocker	Activate	Snap On 💌	Fade Up 🖉 💌	Fade Stop 💌
RB 04	All Off	➡ Bottom Super Rocker	Deactivate 💌	Snap Off 📃 💌	Fade Down 💌	Fade Stop 🖃
Ωο	en Link Name Table		De	vice type: US24-401	Half Height Quad R	adkar.
				. ,		
			Read Device	Program D	evice	DK Cancel

- 2. The Links installed into the PEP Kit may be changed to provide the functionality desired.
  - a. If you are changing the faceplate make that change in the lower right corner of this window Device Type.
    - 1. Changing the Device Type will change all the settings.
  - b. Click on the pull down for the selected rocker or button. Select the desired Link.
  - c. Select the desired Mode.
  - d. Click on "OK" and "Yes. Go ahead", to program the changes if there are no other desired changes. Program Device may also be used, the Edit Device window will remain open.
- 3. Click on the Receive Components tab.
  - a. Click on any position that is labeled, "Unused".
  - b. Select the desired Link.
  - c. Set the desired Level.
  - d. Set the desired Fade Rate.
- 4. Options and Advanced features vary by device. Generally the Options tab allows:
  - a. The color of the LED to be changed.

- b. A status message sent when the rocker or button is pressed.
- c. Setting the default fade rate.
- d. Enabling/Disabling the dimming (disable for fluorescent lighting).
- e. Adjust features unique to the selected device.
  - 1. Lamp Module Lamp switch trigger.
    - a) Allows manual control of lamp from lamp switch.
  - 2. US2-40 Transmit enables, local load control should not transmit.
- 5. Test allows control of local load from UPStart.
- 6. Communications Test UPB communications are tested between device and Computer Interface Module (CIM... sometimes called a PIM for Powerline Interface Module.
- 7. ID tab Enables view of Network ID, Password, Firmware Version and other fascinating information. Allows editing of Network Name, Room Name, Device Name and Device ID.
- 8. When all changes are complete click on Program Device or OK followed by Yes. Go ahead.

### Saving a UPB Configuration File

As with any software programs you may want to save your configuration file occasionally as you continue working. Save the file by clicking on the disk icon or selecting: File... Save or Save As...

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File <u>n</u> ame:	New Network Name.UPB				<u>S</u> ave
Save as <u>t</u> ype:	UPB Files (*.upb)		•		Cancel

Once the configuration is complete and all edits have been completed remember to do a final "Save" to ensure all updates are included. If you lose the file it can be recreated from the installed devices. (File... New file from network...). We recommend keeping a copy with the house and on the computer used for installations or a company resource. Creating a new file from the installed network can take 2 or more minutes per device.

### Commands

UPB Commands are sent when a device has been configured to transmit a Link. There are commands that are fixed to each defined Mode. The Custom Button or Custom Rocker Modes allow the user to select the commands that are sent when a rocker or button is pressed.

**Activate** – The response to the Activate command is dictated by the Receive Component table of the device(s) receiving the Link. The light Level and Fade Rate may be unique to each device. Light Level can be set from 100% down to 0%. 0% would appear to be off; however, if you Fade Up a Link even the devices set for 0% will brighten. Devices can be turned off by setting the light Level to 0%. A good rule of thumb would be to not allow Fade UP from a Link that has devices that are set to 0%. The best option is to create another Link that sets the next desired light Level.

**Deactivate** – The response to the Deactivate command is to turn off.

**Goto On** – Level goes to 100% at the default Fade Rate.

Goto Off – Level goes to 0% at the default Fade Rate.

**Snap On** – Level goes to 100% with zero Fade Rate.

**Snap Off** – Level goes to 0% with zero Fade Rate.

Quick On – Level goes to 100% at 0.8 seconds.

Quick Off – Level goes to 0% at 0.8 seconds.

Slow On – Level goes to 100% in 30 seconds.

**Slow Off** – Level goes to 0% in 30 seconds.

Fade Up – Level increases to 100% in 6.6 seconds or until Fade Stop.

Fade Down – Level decreases to 0% in 6.6 seconds or until Fade Stop.

Null or Status – Transmits UPB command that does nothing.

No Command – No UPB command sent.

Panic – Blinks the load or Linked module.

### **Button/Rocker Modes**

The Mode describes the function of the button or rocker. Each defined Mode includes a setting for Single-Tap, Double-Tap, Hold and Release. A UPB command can be transmitted with each of the above actions. For instance, Top Super Rocker is defined as:

Single-Tap	Double-Tap	Hold	Release
Activate	Snap On	Fade Up	Fade Stop

Top Super Rocker and Bottom Super rocker are recommended for load control rockers. Link Activator and Link Deactivator are recommended for rockers that are controlling Links. It is not recommended to "fade" or "dim" a Link.

The multi-button faceplates have their own Mode, Super Multi-Button and Multi-Button. Super Multi-Button is recommended for load control buttons, Multi-Button for buttons that are controlling Links. It is not recommended to "fade" or "dim" a Link. Why? A Link might include devices that are set to 0%. If that Link is Faded Up even the devices that are off (0%) will Fade Up.

Swi	tch Rocker Ed	itor 🛛 🛛 🔀
Se	lect from one of th	e following rocker behaviors:
C	Link Activator	Tapping or holding the rocker activates the Link
C	On Button	Single tapping the rocker activates the Link. Double tapping snaps the link devices to ON (100%) $\sim$
C	Off Button	Single tapping the rocker activates the Link. Double tapping snaps the link devices to OFF (0%) $$
C	Bright Button	Holding the rocker brightens the Link devices
C	Dim Button	Holding the rocker dims the Link devices
C	Top Rocker	Single tapping the rocker fades the Link devices to ON (100%). Double tapping snaps the link devices ON. Holding the rocker brightens the devices.
C	Bottom Rocker	Single tapping the rocker fades the Link devices to OFF (0%). Double tapping snaps the link devices to OFF. Holding the rocker dims the devices.
C	Panic Button	Single tapping the rocker makes the Link devices blink. Double tapping stops them blinking.
C	Status Button	Used mainly by Wall Switches to transmit their light levels upon presses of their rocker switch. Single tapping, double tapping or releasing the rocker transmits a Status Report.
C	Indicators On	Used mainly by the top rocker of Wall Switches to make LED indicators turn on. Single tapping, double tapping or releasing the button commands the Link's feedback-type devices (like LEDs) to turn on.
C	Indicators Off	Used mainly by the bottom rocker of Wall Switches to make LED indicators turn off. Single tapping, double tapping, or releasing the button commands the Link's feedback-type devices (like LEDs) to turn off
۰	Top Super Rocker	Single tapping the rocker Activates the link. Double tapping snaps the link devices DN. Holding the rocker brightens the devices.
C	Bottom Super Rocker	Single tapping the rocker deactivates the link. Double tapping snaps the link devices to OFF. Holding the rocker dims the devices.
C	Null Button	Rocker sends no commands
C	Link Deactivator	Tapping or holding the button deactivates the Link
C	Custom	This mode allows selecting the single-tap, double-tap, hold, and release actions
		OK Cancel

There is a Custom Button and Custom Rocker available to provide a desired function not included in the Mode selection. Modes can be added if they are frequently used.

### Menu Items

### Device (or Right Click on Device Icon)

**Verify** – Confirms that the programming in the device and in the UPStart file match. The end of the Verify process has two outcomes: the device and file match or they do not. If they do not the window below is presented. The choice is to make the device match the file or make the file match the device. Making the device match the file programs the device. Making the file match the device changes the UPStart file.

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Туре	US2-40 Series Dimming	Minor diff	
Room Name	PEP Kit		
Device Name	Tabletop Control		Comm good
Item Button 8 singl. Button 8 dou Button 8 hold	ifferences between what File No Command / No No Command / No No Command / No No Command / No	Device Activate / Deactivate Snap On / Snap Off Fade Up / Fade Do	n the device memory
	Make device match file	Make	ile match device
		ОК	

**Install/Replace** – Used to replace a device by writing the file information to a device. This can be used as a "Clone" file. If you have a configuration frequently used you can Install/Replace it into another device or use the Copy Configuration.

**Copy Configuration** – Copies the configuration from a device with the same model number.

**Add Multiple** – Allows several devices to be added at once. This is usually good for adding all devices in a room. Once the devices are added they still need to be given a room name and device name. The multiple add wizard directs the user to take action at the appropriate time and must be followed step by step to operate properly.

### Tools

### Options

Options 🛛 🕅
UPStart Operation Log Timeout and Retry Extra Features
When UPStart begins it can reload the last network file you had open. If you have one file that you always open this can make working on your network easier. Reopen last file loaded when UPStart begins
Each time UPStart loads a file it can immediately perform a network verify and ask you to resolve any differences between the device memory and the configuration file. Always perform verify at startup
Each time UPStart writes to a device memory, the configuration file can be saved. This helps ensure that your file matches your hardware.
✓ Auto save on device write
Each time the network file is saved, UPStart can export the network. The export is written to the same file used for the last export, so this option will not take effect until after the first export. Select from the menu File - Export. Auto export on file save
Display the unit number and the device name and room name in dialog titles and icon labels.
The Command Steps dialog always remains on the screen if an error happens. If the action completes without error the dialog can be automatically closed.
Auto close operation popup on success
You can edit Links using the Visual Editor which works by drag-and-drop or the dialog based editor 🔽 Use the Visual Link Editor
OK Cancel

The Options window has 4 tabs: UPStart Operation, Log, Timeout and Retry and Extra Features. The Visual Link Editor is turned on at the bottom of the UPStart Operation tab.

Timeout and retry is useful in an application of frequent transmissions.

Extra Features are not typically used by homeowners, dealers or installers.

### Log Viewer

Logging is helpful if there is any troubleshooting required. UPStart needs to be running in order to log communications. The Log Viewer keeps track of all UPB communications and translates the UPB commands to enable a user to determine whether a device is communicating, transmitting or receiving. For instance, if a device is not responding to a Link the log can be reviewed to see if the Link was sent or the intended command was sent. If a Null command is sent when an Activate was intended there will be no response from a receiving device. The transmitter's Transmit Component table can be opened and reviewed. It is easy to select the unintended command.

Enable the Log Viewer:

- 1. Click on the check box.
- Click on the Current log file Browse button.

- a. Accept the default or rename and relocate the file.
  - i. The default location is: Program Files/Logs
- b. Save.
- 3. Click on the Historical log file Browse button.
  - a. Accept the default or rename and relocate the file.
    - i. The default location is: Program Files/Logs.
- 4. Options: Show all component affected by the message should be checked if it is desired to view the devices that are receiving the command.

Options 🛛
UPStart Operation Log Timeout and Retry Extra Features
Does UPStart log?
Enable UPB reception logging. Every reception, the date, time, message, and its effects are logged.
Where are the log files stored and how many entries are kept?
There are two log files maintained by UPStart. The entries in the current log file are viewed by the UPStart builtin log viewer. The historical log file is used to gather data over time and can be loaded into database or spreadsheet programs.
Each time UPStart starts, it moves the contents of your current log file into the historical log file. To make sure that the historical log file doesn't get too big you can limit its size. If you don't need to maintain a historical log file, just leave the path for it blank.
Current log file C:\Documents and Settings\bcone\My Documents\UPB\UPB loggin Browse
Historical log file C:\Documents and Settings\bcone\My Documents\UPB\UPBHistory Browse
Retain 1000 📩 historical log entries.
Options
As each message reception is logged, all of the transmit components that could have sent the message and all the receive components effected by the message can be logged. This can create many log entries. Or only one log entry - regardless of numbers of transmit and receive components - can be made.
OK Cancel

Entry	Date 🔺	B	Net	Cmd	Info	Source	Name	Component	Dest	Name		Component	
Send	2/27/2006 9:30:44 AM	1/1	100	Null		Unit 255			Unit 000				
Send	2/27/2006 9:30:47 AM	1/1	100	Null		Unit 255			Unit 000				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:35:41 AM	2/2	100	Activate		Unit 004	Unit 004	Button 1	Link 001	Unit 003 - I	PEP Kit	Preset 01	
Reve	2/27/2006 9:35:43 AM	2/2	100	Activate		Unit 004	Unit 004	Button 2	Link 002	Unit 003 - I	PEP Kit	Preset 02	
Reve	2/27/2006 9:35:45 AM	2/2	100	Activate		Unit 004	Unit 004	Button 3	Link 003	Unit 003 -	PEP Kit	Preset 03	
Reve	2/27/2006 9:35:47 AM	1/2	100	Activate		Unit 004	Unit 004	Button 4	Link 004	Unit 002 -	PEP Kit	Preset 01	
Reve	2/27/2006 9:35:47 AM	2/2	100	Activate		Unit 004	Unit 004	Button 4	Link 004	Unit 003 - I	PEP Kit	Preset 04	
Reve	2/27/2006 9:35:48 AM	2/2	100	Activate		Unit 004	Unit 004	Button 5	Link 005	Unit 002 -	PEP Kit	Preset 02	
Reve	2/27/2006 9:35:50 AM	2/2	100	Blink	At default rate	Unit 004	Unit 004	Button 6	Link 006	Unit 003 -	PEP Kit	Preset 05	
Reve	2/27/2006 9:35:52 AM	2/2	100	Activate		Unit 004	Unit 004	Button 7	Link 007	Unit 005 - I	PEP Kit	Preset 01	
Reve	2/27/2006 9:35:53 AM	1/2	100	Activate		Unit 004	Unit 004	Button 8	Link 008	Unit 002 -	PEP Kit	Preset 03	
Reve	2/27/2006 9:35:53 AM	1/2	100	Activate		Unit 004	Unit 004	Button 8	Link 008	Unit 003 -	PEP Kit	Preset 06	
Reve	2/27/2006 9:35:53 AM	2/2	100	Activate		Unit 004	Unit 004	Button 8	Link 008	Unit 005 - I	PEP Kit	Preset 02	
Reve	2/27/2006 9:35:55 AM	1/2	100	Deactivate		Unit 004	Unit 004	Button 8	Link 008	Unit 002 -	PEP Kit	Preset 03	
Reve	2/27/2006 9:35:55 AM	1/2	100	Deactivate		Unit 004	Unit 004	Button 8	Link 008	Unit 003 - I	PEP Kit	Preset 06	
Reve	2/27/2006 9:35:55 AM	2/2	100	Deactivate		Unit 004	Unit 004	Button 8	Link 008	Unit 005 - I	PEP Kit	Preset 02	
Reve	2/27/2006 9:35:58 AM	2/2	004	Deactivate		Unit 003			Link 241				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:00 AM	2/2	004	Activate		Unit 003			Link 011				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:02 AM	2/2	004	Deactivate		Unit 003			Link 010				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:03 AM	2/2	004	Deactivate		Unit 003			Link 011				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:05 AM	2/2	004	Activate		Unit 003			Link 005				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:07 AM	2/2	004	Activate		Unit 003			Link 004				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:08 AM	2/2	004	Activate		Unit 003			Link 003				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:10 AM	2/2	004	Activate		Unit 003			Link 002				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:11 AM	2/2	004	Activate		Unit 003			Link 001				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:13 AM	2/2	004	Deactivate		Unit 003			Link 001				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:15 AM	2/2	255	Deactivate		Unit 008			Link 008				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:16 AM	2/2	255	Deactivate		Unit 008			Link 007				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:18 AM	2/2	255	Blink	At default rate	Unit 008			Link 006				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:19 AM	2/2	255	Activate		Unit 008			Link 005				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:21 AM	2/2	255	Blink	At default rate	Unit 008			Link 006				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:22 AM	2/2	255	Activate		Unit 008			Link 002				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:24 AM	2/2	255	Activate		Unit 008			Link 003				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:26 AM	2/2	255	Activate		Unit 008			Link 002				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:27 AM	2/2	255	Deactivate		Unit 008			Link 005				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:29 AM	2/2	255	Activate		Unit 008			Link 002				
Reve	2/27/2006 9:36:32 AM	2/2	004	Activate		Unit 003			Link 001				
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Example of Log output

The example log shows UPB commands from 3 networks: 4, 100 and 255. All commands sent through the UPStart will be from Unit 255.

### **Network Communications Test**

The Network Communications Test is found under: Tools $\rightarrow$  Network Comm Test. It is very useful for troubleshooting. The information includes the transmit and receive signal level measured at the device and at the CIM (PIM), the phase with respect to the location of the CIM (PIM), and any noise found on the line.

To run a Network Comm Test:

- 1. Click on the Run Communications Test button.
  - a. The file can be saved if you would like to view it in a 3<sup>rd</sup> party software package (Excel or WordPad), or are sending it to a Technical Support person. The file name includes a date and time stamp.
    - i. Click Save to save the text file or Cancel to proceed with the test.
  - b. The test can be run on one device or a group of selected devices.
    - i. Before opening the Network Comm Test click on the icon of the device to be tested.
    - ii. Click on the Test only the selected device check box in the lower right corner of the Network Comm Test window.
    - iii. To test a group of devices the Ctrl and Shift keys operate similarly to selecting text.
      - 1. Hold the Ctrl key and click on individual icons.

ID	Room	Name		Phase	Run	Test	Signal@PIM	Noise@PI	M Signal@Dev	Noise@Dev	Diag 1	Diag 2
002	PEP Kit	Appliance		s	1	1	80	0/0/0	78	0	0	0
003	PEP Kit	Lamp Mo		s	1	1	79	0/0/0	77	0	0	0
004 005	PEP Kit PEP Kit	Tabletop Wall Swit		s s	1	1	82 83	0/0/0 0/0/0	72 73	0 0	0	0
۲)		Ш	1									:
ID	Room	Name	Phase	Total Corre	ct To	otal Failu	re Avg Signa	al@PIM N	loise Ct@PIM	Avg Noise@	PIM	Avg Sig
002	PEP	Appliance Module	s	0001		00	0080		0000	0000		0078
003 004	PEP PEP	Lamp Module Tabletop Control	s s	0001 0001		100 100	0079 0082		10000 10000	0000 0000		0077 0072
005	PEP	Wall Switch	s	0001	00	000	0083	-	0000	0000		0073
				0004	00	100						
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#### 2. Hold the Shift key and select a sequence of icons.

Signal levels above 1 are detectable but marginal in operation. Signal levels at 9 or above will provide the reliability UPB promises as long as the signal to noise ratio is at least 2:1. That is the signal level is twice the noise level.

The Network Communications Test is helpful to find poorly performing devices, pinpoint noise generators or devices that impede UPB.

### **KPE-06** Device Details

#### Appliance Module, model: UMA-20-W

The Appliance Module only receives UPB messages; it cannot transmit a UPB message. It does communicate to UPStart when in Setup mode. The UMA can be included in 16 Links. A Link can turn the UML On or Off, there is no Level or Fade Rate. The only Option for the UMA is to set the LED color. The UMA is used for devices that should not be dimmed such as fans, motors, fluorescent lighting. It has an internal relay that will have a distinctive click when it changes state. It will have a quiet buzz when communicating UPB.

#### Lamp Module, model: UML-20-W

The Lamp Module only receives UPB messages; it cannot transmit a UPB message. It does communicate to UPStart when in Setup mode. The UML can be included in 16 Links. A Link can set the UML to any Level at a desired Fade Rate. Each Link may have different Levels and Fade Rates. The Options include the default Level and Fade Rate and the Lamp Switch Trigger. The Lamp Switch Trigger allows operation of the lamp with the local lamp switch. To use the Lamp Switch Trigger turn the lamp switch off and then on. The UML senses the current change and turns on without a UPB command. The lamp Level can be reported to a control system if the "Report lamp level after lamp switch trigger activation" box is checked on the Options tab of the Edit Device window in UPStart.

#### US2-40

The PEP Kit has 2 US2-40 switches. One is enclosed in the Tabletop Controller. The other is available for wiring into the wall or may be mounted with a plug and socket for demonstration. The US2-40 is a hybrid. It is the only switch currently on the market that can be a load controller, a Link (scene) controller or both. The US2-40 mounted in the pedestal housing is only a transmitter, sometimes referred to as a scene controller, often just controller. The other US2-40 can be set up anyway preferred. When mounted with a single rocker faceplate (ZS11) it can be a single load control. When the single rocker-4 button faceplate (ZS25) or the 8 button faceplate (ZS28O) is mounted the US2-40 can control a load and 4 or 7 Links, respectively.

The US2-40 is the only UPB device that can "hear" itself. To accomplish that the local load connected to the brown wire of the US2-40 is controlled by a Link. Link 241 is the default Link loaded at the factory and into the switch included in your kit. It can be any Link. The key is that the local load control Link must be in the Receive Component table, the Transmit Component table in the desired position for local load operation and the Transmit Enables box on the Options tab should not be checked. The local load control can be from any button or rocker on the US2-40 making it extremely versatile. In many applications they are used as load controls and room controllers. If you have a room, like a kitchen, that has multiple entries and a switch at each entry, the US2-40 can be used in each location to control separate loads but the rocker or button configuration of each switch can be the same. This makes it easier for the homeowner to learn the control pattern of the US2-40 can be included in any Link the US2-40 is transmitting. This was not possible with the US2-30 or any other UPB module that transmits and receives UPB.

These are the possibilities for local load control:

- Use the default Link 241. Put it in the Receive Component table, the Transmit Component table in the position desired for local load control and make sure the check box for Transmit Enables on the Options tab is not checked.
- Use any Link but implement it as above.
- Use a separate Link for each US2-40. Don't worry about the Options tab setting since each device will have a unique Link.
- Use a Link to turn on the US2-40 local load and another Link to turn off the US2-40 local load. Implement as it #1. This option allows the turn on rate to be different than the turn off rate. It is a nice effect. Most people like the light to turn on quickly and turn off slowly.

### **Factory Reset**

All devices may be put into factory reset settings by doing a 5 tap, 10 tap and 2 tap. The 5 tap puts the device in set up mode, the LED will flash green. The 10 tap enters factory resets into the EPROM; the LED will flash red or blue, depending on the device. The2 tap puts the device back into operating mode. The usual next step is to 5 tap and attempt a set up from factory reset.

### Other Simply Automated UPB Lighting Devices

#### US11-30

The US11-30 is most often used as a single load, single rocker switch. It can also be used as a transmitter with no load connected. The US11-30 is mounted with a single rocker faceplate. When configured as a single rocker it can also transmit a Link and control the local load but control of the local load alone is lost. The US11-30 can be included in 16 Links as a receiver. When receiving a Link the US11-30 can be set to any desired dim level and respond at various fade rates in the Receive Component tab of the Edit Device window in UPStart. The single and double tap can be configured under the Options tab to allow custom function. The US11-30 default settings include the Last on level. If the switch is set to a desired dim level by holding the top rocker and then turned off with a single tap the next time it is turned on it will go to the previous dimmed level. The US11-30 may be used with a USR in a 3-way, or more, application.

#### USR

The USR is the dedicated remote for use in 3-way (or more) applications. The USR must be wired to a US11-30 or a US2-40. It emulates the switch to which it is wired. It has no intelligence and cannot be configured with UPStart. It can be used to put the switch to which it is wired into set up mode or most other functions of the "Master" switch. The USR and the US11-30 match up function to function. The USR can be used with the US2-40. A US2-40 with a single rocker can be controlled by the USR with a single rocker. If the US2-40 has a multi-rocker or multi-button faceplate the USR will control the top two buttons on the left side of the US2-40 (buttons 1 & 2) via the Remote 1 connection (to white wire with brown stripe). Remote 2 controls the bottom two buttons on the left side of the US2-40 (buttons 3 & 4). The USR may be mounted with the ZS12 if operation via Remote 2 is used (wired to white wire with red stripe).

### **Troubleshooting and Technical Talk**

The User Guides that came with the devices in the PEP Kit have a troubleshooting section that could hold the answer to a key question. We also have FAQs on our web site (<u>http://www.simply-automated.com/products/faqs.htm</u>) that may be very helpful. The first line of support is your distributor, they can give you an answer or find the answer for your. As a last resort there is help Monday –Friday from 8-5 Pacific Time by dialing 800-630-9234 or send an email to: <u>upbhelp@simply-automated.com</u>.

UPB is a robust and reliable method of Power Line Communication (PLC). Before discussing problems that may be encountered the following needs to be understood.

- There have been thousands of UPB installations in the last 18 months.
- A small percentage of installations have experienced significant problems (0.1%).
- It is best to qualify a house before quoting.
- A properly designed and installed system should be extremely reliable.
- Simply Automated has provided a solution for every application issue presented to us.

UPB signals are transmitted between 4-40 kHz and start at about 25-40 Volts peak amplitude. Pulse Position Modulation is used to transmit intelligent data and commands on the 120 Vac household power line. The communication rate is 4800 baud. UPB is very robust but opportunities for problems exist. UPB is using the power lines in your house as a communications bus. UPB communications may not be able to travel between devices on the opposite phases in a house. This ability is dependent on the size of the house and the distance from the power transformer. Smaller houses that are close to the power transformer are the best case. Simply Automated has a device called a Phase Coupler, model ZPC, which creates a UPB bridge to shorten the distance UPB has to travel. One or more may be required depending on the size of a house, the distance to the power transformer and the number of devices installed. It is possible to determine the need for a phase coupler prior to installing every device. Pre-gualification can be done with the devices in the PEP Kit. Four devices are used, models: UMA, UML and UMC along with a computer with UPStart and the Tabletop Controller. Move the UMA and UML around the house. Use the Tabletop Controller to communicate and control the UMA and UML. Use UPStart to check the phase with respect to the UMC in each location. UPStart may also be used to run a Network Comm test after each move of the UMA and UML or check the Communications Tab of each device. If difficulties are experienced while demonstrating the products and there is not a phase coupler to install, try to put all

the devices on one phase. The Communications Test tab can tell you what phase a device is on, the Network Comm Test will also indicate phase. Phase is indicated as "Same" or "Other", both with respect to the location of the UMC.

There are two things that can affect UPB signals, noise and attenuation. UPB is a pulsed voltage signal. It will be affected by long wire lengths which can be represented as something called Impedance. Impedance is just as it sounds; it is an electrical quality that hinders the transmission of current and voltage. Using the water analogy, impedance is a rocky creek bed, or the narrowing of a pipe. Large impedances will diminish signals and reduce the amplitude of the UPB pulse. Impedance can be created by loose wire connections at the panel or at a device. Tighten all connections to the breakers in the electrical panel(s). Wire nuts that connect wired-in products to the house wiring need to be screwed on tightly, until the wire into the nut begins to twist. Other sources of impedance include devices that have large capacitance values. Uninterruptible Power Supplies (UPS) and projectors with metal halide bulbs are two examples. These devices may need a filter to block their attenuation effect, sometimes referred to as a UPB Black Hole effect. The Leviton Plug-In Noise Filter, Model 6288 works well for devices that are rated at 5 A or less. This filter was built to block noise in X10 systems. It does not do a great job blocking noise in the UPB frequencies but it does act as a choke to block the UPB Black Hole effect. The key factor in the filter is an inductor. If the plug in style is not applicable an inductor that is appropriately sized for the current going through it and around 0.3 mH would work. That type of inductor can be found in catalogs such as Digikey (www.digikey.com) or Newark (www.newark.com).

Known attenuation sources:

UPS (Uninterruptible Power Supplies) FiberPro 150 (projector with metal halide bulb) Dimmable compact fluorescent lighting

Noise can be an issue if the noise level is near the signal level. UPB can often work right through noise. To function reliably UPB needs a minimum 2:1 signal to noise ratio. It appears that asynchronous noise is much more damaging to UPB communication than synchronous noise at the same amplitude. Electronic low voltage ballasts often produce synchronous noise, non FCC47 CFR rated electronic ballasts for fluorescent lighting can produce asynchronous noise. Noise attenuates over distance just as UPB signals. Distance between a noise source and UPB devices can help the UPB devices that are struggling to work due to noise. One strategy to help fix noise issues was to reduce the gain of the UPB receive circuit to improve the signal to noise ratio. This is not a practical solution unless the ability to turn it on and off is built into UPB devices. Changing the internal components in the field is not practical. As of this writing Simply Automated is developing a 5 A and a 15 A filter in wired in and plug-in styles. They should be selling in

2006. These are designed to block noise in the UPB transmitting range that comes from offending devices.

Examples of known noise sources:

Dacor Cooktop - MET304

Non-FCC 47 CFR rated electronic ballast for fluorescent lighting Some electronic low voltage ballasts

Triac controlled dimmers that are dimmed very low, nearly off. Inverters – any inverting power supply that runs in the 4-40 kHz range Variable frequency drives – Often filters are available from VFD manufacturers

# Adapting the US2-40 to demonstrate UPB and UPStart without wiring it into the wall

If you would like to adapt the switch to allow plugging it in rather than installation in the wall, the following items are required: A polarized male plug, a polarized female plug connector, one foot of white wire (14 gauge) and at least one wire nut sized for 3 stranded wires. (Polarized plug and sockets will have one slot or prong that is larger than the other. This is intended for the neutral wire connection)

- 2. Assembly instructions:
  - a. The extra white wire is cut in half and the ends stripped to expose three-eights to one-half of an inch of bare wire.
  - b. Connect one end of one white wire to the larger prong on the male plug
  - c. Connect one end of the other white wire to the larger slot on the female plug connector.
  - d. Join the white wire from the plug, plug connector and the US2-40 with a wire nut. Tighten the wire nut until the three wires twist together. This insures a good connection between the wires.
  - e. The black wire is wired to the smaller prong on the male plug.
  - f. The bare ground wire from the US2-40 is wired to the ground prong on the male plug.

g. The brown wire is wired to the smaller prong on the female plug connector. The assembly should look like the figure below.

