There are a variety of factors that play into a network’s performance and reliability. Buildings, foliage, RF interference and more can all impact data collection and transport. When collecting meter reading data, ensuring that you have the proper network coverage is mission-critical.

The Repeater 100 collects meter data from Itron electricity meters, gas and water endpoints and relays it to collectors within the network. Operating in the 900 MHz radio band, repeaters are used to extend the range of the network and add reliability and redundancy to the communication path between endpoints and collectors. This makes the ChoiceConnect network much more cost-effective by reducing the number of required collectors and associated backhaul expenses.

Repeaters can be installed on towers, buildings, poles or other structures. Once installed, repeaters automatically discover and connect to collectors and endpoints within range. The Repeater 100 also provides two-way communication capabilities with 2-way enabled endpoints, allowing for on-demand reads throughout the network.

The Repeater 100 helps to:

- Expand network coverage in hard-to-read areas due to topography or other signal disturbances
- Expand network coverage without additional backhaul costs
- Low power requirements enable cost effective solar deployment
- Enable auto-discovery of endpoints beneath the repeater footprint. Collectors discover repeaters in a similar process
- Forward positive outage notification (PON) and positive restoration notification (PRN) messages for timely and accurate power outage detection
- Facilitate a cost-effective and flexible fixed network solution
- Provide multi-channel frequency hopping that:
  - Scans for endpoint transmissions
  - Decodes and validates packets
  - Filters packets—reduces transmissions of recent and frequently heard meters
  - Retransmits packets on a new channel away from endpoint channels
- Status message delivery to collectors for network troubleshooting
- Offer increased reading redundancy at a lower cost
Specifications

Functional
- Power source
  - Single-phase 120-240V AC auto-ranging
  - Optional solar power configuration
- Power consumption
  - 5 Watts typical
- Operating and storage temperatures
  - -40°C to +60°C (-40°F to +140°F)*
- Operating humidity
  - 5 to 95% non-condensing relative humidity
- Product identification
  - Numeric and bar-coded repeater module serial number
- FCC compliance
  - Part 15 certified
- ANSI compliance
  - C12.1 standards

Operational
- Receive/transmit frequency range
  - 904-924 MHz
- Data integrity
  - Verified in every message

Dimensions
- Height
  - 6.3" (16 cm) without antenna
- Width
  - 11.6" (29.5 cm)
- Depth
  - 3.9" (9.9 cm)
- Weight
  - 6.31 lbs with battery

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