

Comba Battery Backup Unit

CPBBUV2-48xxx-UL

Quick Installation Guide

Version: 1.1

THIS INSTALLATION GUIDE IS FOR FIRMWARE VERSION V8501 ONLY.

IMPORTANT! READ BELOW

UPON SYSTEM INSTALL, ONCE THE SYSTEM IS FULLY CONNECTED AND ALL BREAKERS ARE TURNED ON, PRESS AND HOLD THE BATTERY "RESET" BUTTON FOR 30-60 SECONDS UNTIL POWER UP. IF BATTERY STATUS ON WEBOMT SOFTWARE SHOWS "<u>CUT OFF</u>" CHECK THE BATTERY VOLTAGE. IF THE BATTERY MEASURES OVER 46V, RESET CUT OFF STATUS IN MANAGEMENT TAB OF WEBOMT. IF BATTERIES MEASURE LESS THAN 46V, CONTACT COMBA TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR HELP.

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LiFePO4 battery explanation and benefits

• Lightweight, Powerhouse

Lithium Iron Phosphate (LiFePO4) batteries typically weigh up to half as much and provide up to 50% more energy than traditional lead acid batteries.

- Lifespan performance and maintenance
 Lead Acid: 3-4 years / LiFePO4: 7-10 years for battery storage application
 Lead Acid: will not completely discharge under high temperature / LiFePO4: 100% discharge
 Lead Acid: manual inspection for battery health / LiFePO4: checking parameters by remote login
- Ultra-Long Life

LiFePO4 batteries cycle 5,000 times or more, and higher rates of discharge minimally affect cycle life. Lead-acid batteries typically deliver only 300-500 cycles, as higher levels of discharge greatly reduce cycle life.

• Green Battery Material

Lead-Acid batteries contain Lead, Sulfuric Acid, Lead Sulfate and Lead Alloys which are all carcinogenic and toxic to blood, blood vessel and the nervous system.

LiFePO4 batteries do not contain any toxic or heavy metals and are not hazardous to the environment during manufacturing and consumption.





System Diagram:



Item	Description	Item	Description	ltem	Description
1	Charger	7	AC Input	13	Charger Communication
2	Battery Output Breaker	8	EPO Connection	14	24V DC Output
3	Relay for EPO Control	9	48V DC Loads	15	12V DC Output
4	AC Input Breaker	10	Dry Contact Outputs	16	OMT Port
5	Surge Arrestor	11	Annunciator Communication	17	LAN Port
6	110V AC Outlets	12	Battery Communication	18	External Alarm Inputs



Battery Backup Shipping Contents:

The BBU is shipped with the following. Please check accessories to ensure all are included:

- 1. Qty. (1) BBU Chassis
- 2. Qty. (1) 100AH or 60AH LiFePO₄ Battery
- 3. Qty. (4) Liquid Tight Connectors
- 4. Qty. (1) Ground Wire
- 5. Qty. (1) Accessory Kit (Includes 2 Keys, Factory QC Report, and Concrete Mounting Bolts. Note some additional accessories may be included that are relevant only to Lead Acid Battery Installs these can be discarded)

Note: For Remote Annunciator, See Remote Annunciator Quick Install Guide.

Before Starting

Before beginning installation, check the battery and chassis for any shipping damage. If there are any signs of damage to the battery chassis, damaged connections, or other deformities, contact Comba technical support for assistance. Note that the batteries may be shipped with an electrical grease on the battery terminals to prevent corrosion and oxidation.

After installing the chassis and before following the rest of the procedure, ensure the chassis is properly grounded using the provided ground wire or an equivalent. The unit must be grounded per local or national electric code.

Cable Connections:

- 1. Turn off AC Input Breaker and Battery Output Breaker
 - AC Input Breaker disconnects the AC supply to the Charger
 - Battery Output Breaker disconnects the Battery from the Load/Charger





2. (Optional) Install EPO switch

- If you wish to install an EPO switch: Note that the EPO connections have a preinstalled wire that shorts the EPO+ and EPO-. Remove the preinstalled wire and connect the EPO switch; then turn the EPO switch to its "Closed" position (Normal Status) and continue to the next step
- DO NOT Set the EPO switch to "Open" (Cut Off Status)
- The EPO switch can be installed at a remote location; note that the voltage-drop caused by the wiring must be <14V
- The EPO function is triggered from a relay and this relay is energized by the battery or the charger; if the battery is over-discharged, then the EPO function may not work properly
- If you do not wish to use an EPO switch, then continue to the next step directly (do not remove the preinstalled shorting wire)





3. (Optional) Install Remote Annunciator: See Annunciator Quick Install Guide.

4. Wire dry contact alarms and external alarms

Definitions:

Dry Contact Alarm: This is a standard Form-C Relay provided that will change state upon alarm. These will be connected to the fire alarm control panel (or your own provided relay).

External Alarm Input: This is a way for the BBU to receive dry contact alarms from other units – in most applications, this will be defined as below. Only connect dry contact outputs from the BDA/other units to these external alarm inputs – connecting anything else may result in damage to the unit.

- EXT ALM 1: Signal Booster Fail
- EXT ALM 2: Donor Antenna Malfunction

Dry contact alarms default configurations:

- ALM 1: AC Fail
- ALM 2: Battery Low
- ALM 3: Charger Fail
- ALM 4: EXT ALM 1
- ALM 5: EXT ALM 2
- ALM 6: EXT ALM 3
- ALM 7: EXT ALM 4

If connecting the BBU directly to a fire alarm control panel, use these dry contacts with the proper NO or NC alarm to connect. You may place an EOL resistor here, which should be provided by the fire alarm contractor.



If you need to define different alarms, it can be done using the WEBOMT tool.

Note that the BBU dry contact alarms provide both Normally Open and Normally Closed configurations; refer to the picture above for wiring.

Alarms from external devices (BDA, AMS, etc.) can be tied into BBU EXT ALMs so they can be annunciated using the LEDs from the BBU front panel. In order to match the order of the BBU Annunciator LEDs:

- EXT ALM 1 shall tie to Signal Booster Fail (from BDA)
- EXT ALM 2 shall tie to Antenna Malfunction (Normally from BDA)
- EXT ALM 3 shall tie to System Component Failure (Normally from BDA or AMS)
- EXT ALM 4 not defined



By default, the EXT ALMs work with Normally Open dry contact alarm wiring; the dry contact alarm type (Normally Open or Normally Closed) can be configured using the WEBOMT tool. The two wires from dry contact alarms can be tied to EXT ALMs positive and negative termination block – the polarity does not matter.

5. Connect the Battery

Install the battery into the chassis, picking up by the handles and sliding the battery to the back of the chassis. The battery weighs about 120 pounds – please handle with caution.



After the battery is installed, connect the communication cable first. Note: The communication cable is how the LiFePO₄ Battery Management System (BMS) communications with the BBU MCU.

- Connect the wire labeled **RS485-A** on the MCU to **Terminal A** on the battery.
- Connect the wire labeled **RS485-B** on the MCU to **Terminal B** on the battery.





The battery communication cable is the middle connection on the bottom of the MCU board.



Upon receipt of the unit, these wires are zip tied to the chassis. Carefully cut the zip tie and connect the wire labeled RS485-A to Terminal A, and RS485-B to Terminal B

Next, connect the red battery cable to the positive terminal on the battery, and the black battery cable to the negative terminal on the battery. Replace the plastic cover when complete.



6. Install wires for load

- BBU provides 3 sets of terminations for loads
- All 3 loads share the same power being supplied by the charger or batteries
- Note: All Comba BDAs, MUs, RUs, and other -48V products come with a power cable.





7. Install AC input wires

Primary Lead / Earthing Lead: min. 14 AWG (cable is not included). Note: This must be done by a qualified electrician in your local jurisdiction.



8. Turning on the system.

Turn on both the AC and DC breakers at the top of the unit:



Turn on the breaker on the battery:





Momentarily press the RESET button located on top of the battery. Once the first SOC LED is illuminated, release the RESET button.



Once the BBU boots up, you will be able to log in to complete the BBU commissioning process in about 2-3 minutes.

If the BBU does not turn on after following these steps, but you see "SOC" lights on the battery after holding the reset button, check the voltage of the battery. All batteries should be above 46V when installed. If the voltage of any battery is below 46V, contact Comba technical support for assistance.



Software Instructions:

The BBU should now be running; it will be configured to the default settings. To change the settings, or review product identification information, you can log into the unit using the optional WEB interface (WEBOMT). After logging in, the WEBOMT will provide the following information and options to you:

- Unit information: Serial Number, Firmware versions and upgrade etc.
- Unit status: alarms, charging status, temperature etc.
- Customize alarming

WEBOMT Login:

On the left-hand side of the MCU, use the OMT connection to plug in an Ethernet cable into the unit. Make sure you are on the bottom port – the top port labeled LAN is for remote connectivity and will be discussed later.



- Change your local Ethernet IPv4 address manually to 192.168.8.xxx/255.255.255.0 (DO NOT use 192.168.8.101).
- Navigate to 192.168.8.101 in the browser to login
 (Comba recommends using Chrome in Incognito Mode, or Firefox in private mode)
- Username: admin
- Password: admin



WEBOMT interface:

Overview:

ew en	
Ite	em Current Value
s System	n Status Normal
Output	Voltage 54.3V
Charging	g Current -0.1A
Battery	y Status Floating Charging
Battery	Voltage 54.3V
SOC(State	Of Charge) 100.0%
Time Of	fAC Lost N/A
Dischart	rge Time N/A
Load C	Current 0.2A
Overa	all ALM 🕒
AC Los	Ist ALM O
Charger	Fail ALM O
Battery L	Low ALM S
Over TE	EMP ALM O
Battery Over-E	Discharge ALM 9
Charger Com	nm. Fault ALM
Battery Com	m. Fault ALM 9
Battery Con	nection ALM O
Door Op	pen ALM 😑
Ext A	ALM1 O
Comm. Wire	e Fault ALM1 🕒
Ext A	ALM2
Comm. Wire	e Fault ALM2
Ext A	ALM3
Comm. Wire	e Fault ALM3 🕒
Ext A	ALM4 O
Comm. Wire	e Fault ALM4 🕒
AC	Fail
Batter	ry Low 🕒
Charg	jer Fail
Signal Bo	ooster Fail
Antenna N	Valfunction
System Con	mponent Fail
Not Cor	nfigured

- System Status:

- Normal: the charger is operating normally
- Fault: the charger is not operating normally
 - In this state, the batteries may not be charging or the charger may not be providing a consistent DC voltage to the load.
- Output Voltage:
 - o The voltage that the BBU provides to the loads
- Charging Current:
 - \circ $\;$ The current draw while the BBU is charging the batteries
- Battery Status:
 - Cycle charging: BBU is using high current while charging the battery Refer to Setting page: <Cycle Charge Voltage>
 - Float charging: BBU is using low current to periodically charge the battery Refer to Setting page: <Float Charge Voltage>
 - Discharging: NO AC supply; all loads are running on batteries



- Cut off: Battery voltage is lower than the Cut Off Threshold so it has been cut off from the system to ensure it can still be recharged.
 - Refer to Setting page: <Cut Off TH>
- No battery: Battery is not connected
- Battery Voltage:
 - The voltage of the battery
- SOC (State of Charge)
 - The remaining percentage of charge left in the battery as reported by the battery management system.
- Time of AC Lost
 - This keeps track of the time that passes when AC power is lost. This can be a tool for inspection showing that the AC has been lost for over 12 or 24 hours.
- Discharge Time
 - This is the expected time remaining based on the battery charge level and current loads connected. This will show up as "N/A" unless the system is running on battery.
- Load Current
 - \circ Displays the cumulative current draw from the load outputs that are connected to the BBU.
- Alarm Status:
 - Refer to Appendix Alarm section



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Settings:

	Item	Current Value	Config Value
	Battery Type	LiFePO4 Battery	
	Battery Connection Test Swicth	OFF	
19 C	Low Voltage TH	51.0V	
	Cut Off TH	46.0V	
	Battery Connection Detection	Once per day	
	Date/Time	08/24/21 05:46:15	
	Panel NO.	0	
	Buzzer Notification	OFF	

- Battery Type: Default = LiFePO4 Battery
 - LiFePO4 is the only current option here. This sets charging parameters based on the battery type.
- Battery Connection Test Switch
 - This is for factory or troubleshooting use leave set to OFF unless otherwise instructed by Comba Technical Support.
- Low Voltage TH: Default = 51.0V
 - This is the voltage threshold at which the low battery alarm will be triggered. The default voltage is selected as an approximately 30% capacity remaining value.
- Cut Off TH: Default = 46V
 - Battery supply to the loads will be cut off if the battery voltage is lower than the desired threshold; the charger will try to charge the batteries when AC is restored, but it is not guaranteed that the batteries can be charged if the batteries are overdischarged to the point of being damaged.
- **Battery Connection Detection:** The system will check at the specified interval to verify that the battery is connected.
 - Off: Does not check
 - Once per Day: Checks once every 24 hours
 - **Smart**: Checks every 3 minutes when the door is open. Does not check when the door is closed.
- Date/Time:
 - Click into this field and then modify upon initial commissioning for the unit to be set to local time.
- **Panel NO:** See remote annunciator quick install guide.
- Buzzer Notification: Default = OFF
 - Set the alarm buzzer to ON or OFF with this setting. Set to OFF, the buzzer will not be audible with alarms. Set to ON, the buzzer will sound with any dry contact alarm trigger, and will silence with alarm clear or for 24 hours by manually silencing with the silence switch.



Alarm Setting:

	llam	Status		lame	
	Dry Contact AI M1		A	C Fail	🕉 Modify
	Dry Contact ALM2		Batt	tery Low	Modify
	Dry Contact ALM3		Cha	irger Fail	🔆 Modify
	Dry Contact ALM4	•	Signal E	Booster Fail	🔅 Modify
	Dry Contact ALM5	•	Antenna	Malfunction	🔅 Modify
	Dry Contact ALM6	•	System C	omponent Fail	🔅 Modify
	Dry Contact ALM7	•	Not C	Configured	🔅 Modify
Eve	vt Alarm Status	Name	EOL R	Alarm Time	
Ex	Tyt AI M1	EXT ALARM1	Not Config	Normally Open	🐉 Modifi
Ex	Ext ALM2	EXT ALARM2	Not Config	Normally Open	🗘 Modify
Ex	ixt ALM3	EXT ALARM3	Not Config	Normally Open	- Modify
Ex	xt ALM4	EXT ALARM4	Not Config	Normally Open	Modify
	Iter	n	Current Va	lue	Config Value
	AC Los	t ALM	•		
	Charger F	ail ALM	9		
	Battery L	ow ALM	•		
	Over TEM	1P ALM	9		
	Battery Over-D	scharge ALM	•		
	Charger Comr	n. Fault ALM	9		
	Battery Comn	n. Fault ALM	0		
	Battery Conn	ection ALM	•		
	Door Op	en ALM	•		
	Comm. Wire	Fault ALM1	•		
	Comm. Wire	Fault ALM2			
	Comm. Wire	Fault ALM3	•		
	Comm. wire	Fault ALM4			
		Here.		Current Value	
		item			

- Dry Contact Alarm Settings Table

- Users can define an alarm or a set of alarms (to trigger a single alarm when any one of the alarms in the "set" triggers) to trigger dry contact alarms through 1-7
- Modifying the Dry Contact Alarms will result in a pop-up menu to enable which alarms trigger the dry contact and the ability to rename the alarm. See image below.

Dry	Dry Contact ALM1								
	Alarms		Alarms		Alarms				
	AC Lost ALM		Ext ALM1		Comm. Wire Fault ALM1				
	Charger Fail ALM		Ext ALM2		Comm. Wire Fault ALM2				
	Over TEMP ALM		Ext ALM3		Comm. Wire Fault ALM3				
	Door Open ALM		Ext ALM4		Comm. Wire Fault ALM4				
	Battery Low ALM		Battery Over-Discharge ALM		Battery Connection ALM				
	Battery Comm. Fault ALM		Charger Comm. Fault ALM						

1	Alarm name/remark						
		Item	Current Value	Config Value			
		Dry Contact Remark1	AC Fail				

Ok Cancel

REFER TO THE APPENDIX FOR A DEFINITION OF ALL OF THESE ALARM CHOICES.



Ext Alarm	Status	Name	EOLR	Alarm Type	
Ext ALM1	9	EXT ALARM1	Not Config	Normally Open	🌺 Modify
Ext ALM2	9	EXT ALARM2	Not Config	Normally Open	🏠 Modify
Ext ALM3	9	EXT ALARM3	Not Config	Normally Open	🌺 Modify
Ext ALM4	9	EXT ALARM4	Not Config	Normally Open	🌺 Modify

- External Alarm setting page

- Users can detect an alarm from an external device (such as the dry contact alarms from BDA), so the external alarms will be triggered accordingly:
- Status: Current Status of the Alarm
- **Name**: User Configurable text field for the alarm name (Example: Rename EXT ALARM1 to "SIGNAL BOOSTER MALFUNCTION", etc.)
- **EOLR**: If it is required to monitor the cable integrity between the device providing a dry contact output and the BBU Ext Alarm Input, you can place an EOL Resistor at the dry contact and this will monitor for resistance, opens, and shorts. This will typically remain unused.
- Alarm Type: Configure this for your dry contact alarm, either normally open or normally closed. Default for Comba units is Normally Open.
- Alarm Enable/Disable page
 - Users can enable or disable the listed alarms
- Alarm Detect Duration
 - Users can define a time interval to specify the amount of delay before an alarm is triggered; each number set here indicates 10 seconds (e.g. 5 = 50s, 10 = 100s, etc.) the system will monitor the alarm status during this duration and then will trigger the alarm after the specified delay time.



Management:

		😣 Exit
Overview	Device Info Firmware Security Log Reset	
	Item	Current Value
∑ / Settings	Firmware Version	M66PSU9248EH10V8B01
Alarm Setting	Serial Num	AA2060084853
	Temperature	17°C
Management		Refresh
Panel		

- Get device S/N, temperature, Firmware version
- Upgrade firmware
 - After upgrading the firmware, the user must recheck all dry contact alarm settings to verify no changes to these have been made by the upgrade

ma	Device Info	Firmware Security	Log Reset			
Overview						
\cap		Dev Model	Firmware Version	Progress	File	
≥ / Settings ®		CP-BBU	M66PSU9248EH10V8B01	0%	Add File	
Alarm Setting						
Management			Upgrade			
Panel						

- Change Login Password



- Export alarms log

			🗙 Exit
	Device Info Firmware Security Log	Reset	
Settings		Export Log	
Alarm Setting		Export	
Management		Click button to export log file.	
Panel			



- Reset Functions
 - Device Reset: This will reboot the MCU on the unit.
 - Restore Default Setting: Reset to Factory Defaults
 - Clear Log: This will clear the alarm log of the unit.

								🔀 Exit
	Device Info	Firmware	Security	Log	Reset			
Settings			Device Reset		Restore Def	ault Setting	Clear Log]
I Alarm Setting			Reset		Re	set	Clear	
Management		Confirm to res	et device and alarms	ŝ.]
Panel								

Panel:

- This BBU firmware version supports Comba's Annunciator Panel. Please see the Remote Annunciator Quick Install Guide for more information.





Final Installation:

With battery installed and connected, the BBU inside will look similar to the image below:





Appendix - Alarms:

The following table shows the alarms that may be present in the WEBOMT software and what triggers them. The alarm configuration for required alarms (and LED lights) is configurable to include any of the following:

Alarms	Causes
Overall	Any of alarms trigger
AC Lost	Triggers when AC is lost and on system shutdown
Charger Fail	Triggers when the charger module fails (Output Voltage High, Output Voltage Low, Current High, Temperature High, Circuit Short Protection Mode)
Battery Low	Triggers when battery voltage is lower than the Low Voltage TH threshold.
Over TEMP	Triggers when the temperature of the BBU is higher than the threshold. Default value is 50C.
Battery Over-Discharge	Triggers when the charger fails to charge the battery
Charger Comm. Fault	Triggers when the charger communication cable (the white connector with red, white, and blue wires on the bottom of the Controller Module) is disconnected from the MCU
Battery Comm. Fault	Communication between the battery and the MCU board has been lost. This is the RS485A and RS485B wire.
Battery Connection	Triggers when batteries are not connected to the BBU
Door Open	The door has been opened.
Comm. Wire Fault	The EOL resistor is not detected between a dry contact output from an external device and the EXT Alarm input on the BBU MCU Board.



Dry Contact Alarm Setting and Alarm Simulation:

- AC Lost: (trigger Dry Contact Alarm 1 by default) Confirm Dry Contact Alarm setting:
 - WEBOMT Alarm Setting Page Dry Contact ALM1
 - o Check AC Lost ALM
 - Either way listed below will trigger the alarm:
 - Unplug AC input
 - o Switch off AC Input Breaker
- Battery Low: (trigger Dry Contact Alarm 2 by default) Confirm Dry Contact Alarm setting:
 - In WEBOMT Alarm Setting Page Dry Contact ALM2
 - Check Battery Low ALM
 - Check Battery Connection ALM
 - Either of the 2 methods listed below will trigger the alarm:
 - Recommended: Change the "Low Voltage TH" in the setting page to be higher than current battery voltage to immediately trigger the alarm for testing purpose (Ex. Change Low Voltage TH to 59V).
 - Alternative: Wait for the battery to drain for 70% of the discharge time (this may take 12-24 hours or more). For example, flip the AC breaker to OFF, then wait for "discharge time" to populate. This may show up as a number such as 1800 min. Come back in (1800*70%) minutes, or 1260 minutes and the alarm should be triggered. The battery is rated at a 5 hour discharge, so this value may be much higher than you expect for a 24 hour test.

- Charger Fail: (trigger Dry Contact Alarm 3 by default) Confirm Dry Contact Alarm setting:

- In WEBOMT Alarm Setting Page Dry Contact ALM3
- Check Charger Fail ALM
- Check AC Lost ALM (optional, refer to your local AHJ's requirement)
- o Check Comm. Fault ALM

Either way listed below will trigger the alarm:

- Recommended: Unplug the charger communication cable on Controller Module (the white connector with red, white, and blue wires on the bottom of the Controller Module). This should take 1-2 minutes to trigger.
- If external alarms are used for BDA/AMS alarming (trigger Dry Contact Alarm 4-7 by default)
 Refer to user manuals for BDA/AMS for alarm simulations



Appendix A – Firmware Version Control:

FW Version	Release Notes
M65PSU9248EH10V8401	1. Energized all Dry Contact alarms
(Latest Version)	2. Added Smart Function to Battery Detection Alarm
	3. Added option to turn Buzzer Notification OFF in webGUI
M65PSU9248EH10V8301	1. Fixed false AC Fail alarm bug
	2. Changed Buzzer: Switch ON: unmuted alarms, switch OFF: only
	gives notification
	3. Added battery communication alarm
	4. Fixed Alarm Log Clear bug
M65PSU9248EH10V8201	1. Added Factory Default Setting
	2. Added System Log
	3. Removed options for Lead-Acid Batteries
M65PSU9248EH10V8101	1. Initial Release



Appendix B – Typical Wiring Diagrams:

BBU to 700/800 MHz BDA (Typical Connections):



BBU to UHF BDA (Typical Connections):

