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Introduction

This guide is for system administrators and installers of the Ross Video NRG-FR1, NRG-FR1-LCP, NRG-FR2, and NRG-FR2-LCP routers.

This guide contains the following chapters that cover the installation of your router:

- **“Introduction”** summarizes the guide and provides important terms, and conventions.
- **“Getting Started”** provides an overview for creating a routing system using the NRG routers, and general information to keep in mind before installing and configuring your NRG.
- **“Hardware Overview”** provides a basic introduction to the NRG front and back panels.
- **“Physical Installation”** provides instructions for connecting the NRG to a network, and how to power on the router.
- **“Video Reference”** provides instructions for connecting a video reference signal to the NRG.
- **“Cabling the SDI Inputs”** outlines the SDI input cabling for each NRG.
- **“Cabling the SDI Outputs”** outlines the SDI output cabling for each NRG.
- **“Cabling for the NRG-MV”** outlines the Multiviewer Head cabling designations when an NRG-MV license is enabled on the router.
- **“Cabling the DisplayPort”** outlines the DisplayPort output cabling for each NRG.
- **“Connecting to Ross Devices”** provides workflow examples with other Ross devices.
- **“Technical Specifications”** provides the specifications, such as dimensions and power consumption, for each NRG router.
- **“Software Licenses”** provides third-party software license information for your NRG.
- **“Glossary”** briefly defines the terms used throughout this guide.

If you have questions pertaining to installation of this Ross Video product, contact us at the numbers listed in **“Contacting Technical Support”**. Our technical staff is always available for consultation, training, or service.

Related Publications

It is recommended to consult the following Ross documentation before installing your NRG router:

- ***DashBoard User Guide***, Ross Part Number: 8351DR-004
- ***NRG-FR1 and NRG-FR1-LCP Quick Start Guide***, Ross Part Number: 2200DR-401
- ***NRG-FR2 and NRG-FR2-LCP Quick Start Guide***, Ross Part Number: 2200DR-402
- ***NRG User Guide***, Ross Part Number: 2200DR-404
- ***Ultracore BCS User Guide***, Ross Part Number: 2201DR-106
- ***Ultrix and Ultracore Database Guide***, Ross Part Number: 2201DR-109

★ The user documentation is available for download from our website.

Documentation Conventions

Special text formats are used in this guide to identify parts of the user interface, text that a user must enter, or a sequence of menus and sub-menus that must be followed to reach a particular command.

Interface Elements

Bold text is used to identify a user interface element such as a dialog box, menu item, or button. For example:

In the **Save Layout** dialog, click **OK**.

User Entered Text

Courier text is used to identify text that a user must enter. For example:

In the **Language** box, enter **English**.

Referenced Guides

Italic text is used to identify the titles of referenced guides, manuals, or documents. For example:

For more information, refer to the ***NRG User Guide***.

Menu Sequences

Menu arrows are used in procedures to identify a sequence of menu items that you must follow. For example, if a step reads "**File** > **Save**," you would click the **File** menu and then click **Save**.

Important Instructions

Star icons are used to identify important instructions or features. For example:

- ★ When the NRG router cannot connect to the network, a **Message** dialog box opens to report the connection problem.

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At Ross Video, we take pride in the quality of our products, but if problems occur, help is as close as the nearest telephone.

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Getting Started

A routing system requires careful planning. This can include allocating common connector numbers across several router levels or partitions within the routing system to ensure that source and destination equipment switch on just one switch command.

General Overview

Figure 1 provides a simplified example and may differ from what your facility requires.

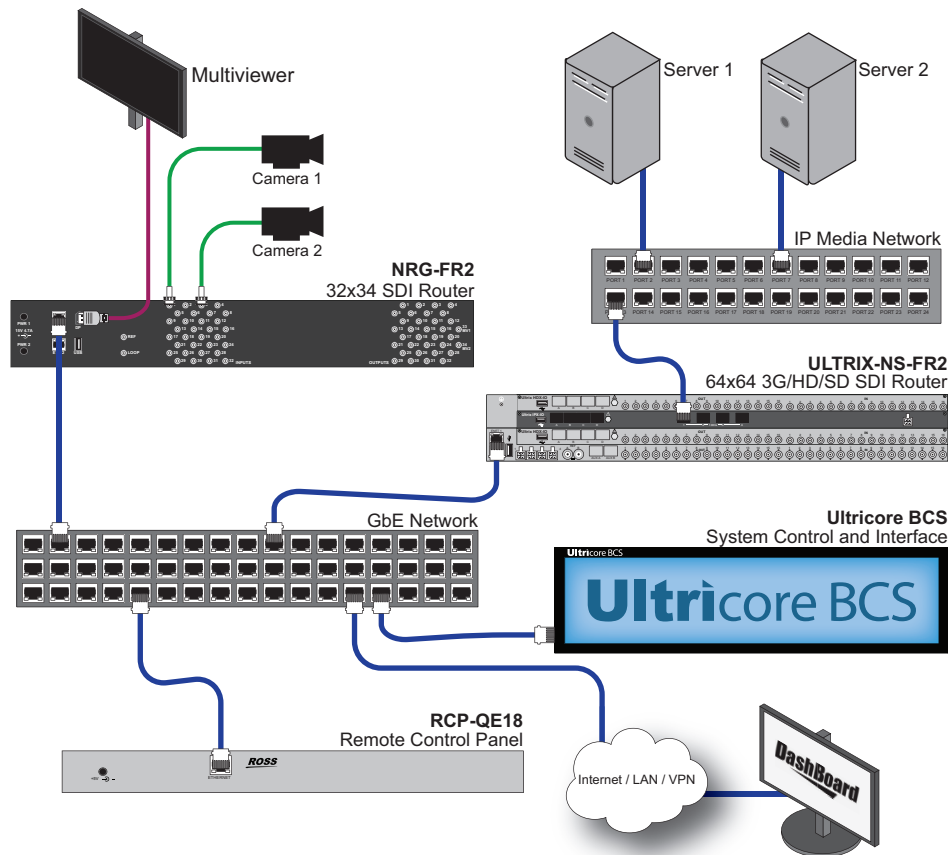


Figure 1 Example of a Simple Routing System

Signal Distribution

A broadcast router is a device that switches signals generated by broadcast equipment from a nominated input to a nominated output. An input is a physical socket on a router, a source is a virtual grouping of inputs tied together under a label. The inputs may be routed to any number of outputs providing signal distribution.

Routing Layers or Levels

Each physical router (or signal type) may be thought of as a layer or level of the routing system (e.g. a video level, an audio level). The NRG may operate as a stand alone router or participate in a multi-level system.

Interface and Connectivity

Keep in mind that the NRG router uses ethernet protocols to communicate to other devices in your routing system. An NRG routing system may use distributed control across the Internet, a LAN, or a VPN. Use your DashBoard client to set up each router via the router interfaces or using the options available for each device in your system.

- ★ Ensure that you are using the latest version of the DashBoard client software. The DashBoard software and user manual are available from the Ross Video website.

For More Information on...

- configuring the NRG router in DashBoard, refer to the ***NRG User Guide***.

Remote Control Panels

Remote control panels (e.g. RCP-QE, RCP-ME) provide a physical switching surface to control the router switching. Each panel uses data derived from the NRG database to display text on LCDs and assign functions to the buttons.

When the system is powered up, the router restores its crosspoint status. The remote control panel requests the status of the router and displays the current status for the selected destination.

Local Control Panels (LCP)

The NRG-FR1-LCP and NRG-FR2-LCP each include physical buttons on the front panel. The front panel buttons are programmable back-lit buttons. The number of buttons depends on the router type. The NRG-FR1-LCP provides 8 function, 16 source, and 16 destination buttons. The NRG-FR2-LCP provides 16 function, 32 source, and 32 destination buttons.

For More Information on...

- the front panel features, refer to “**Front Panel Overview**”.
- the default button assignments, refer to the ***NRG User Guide***.

Topology

When installing devices in a network topology, consider the physical placement of the devices in the network and how the communications (data) will flow within that network. Consideration must also be given to the distances between devices, physical interconnections, transmission rates, and signal types that you are installing.

- ★ The NRG family communicates via a standard IT ethernet communications network (1GbE). For installations comprising a managed switch, ensure TCP ports 15909 are not blocked for inter-device communications.

Hardware Overview

This chapter presents information on the NRG front and back panels.

Front Panel Overview

There are four router models in the NRG family: NRG-FR1, NRG-FR1-LCP, NRG-FR2, and NRG-FR2-LCP. All routers fit into the standard 19" rack.

★ The physical buttons do not display a text label. **Figure 3** and **Figure 5** show the default function assignments as a reference only.



Figure 2 Front Panel — NRG-FR1

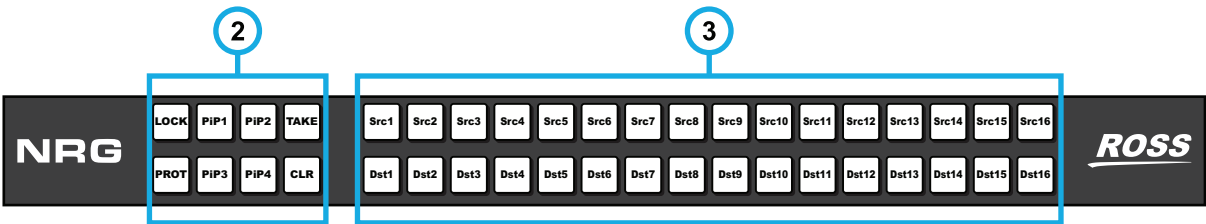


Figure 3 Front Panel — NRG-FR1-LCP



Figure 4 Front Panel — NRG-FR2

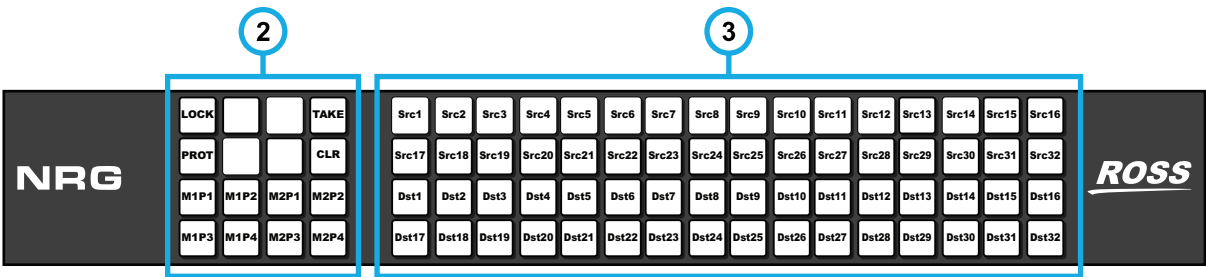


Figure 5 Front Panel — NRG-FR2-LCP

1) STATUS LED

2) Function Buttons

3) Sources and Destinations Buttons

1. STATUS LED

The NRG-FR1 and NRG-FR2 routers indicate their status by a pulsating LED.

Table 1 STATUS LED Behavior

LED Color	Description
Solid Blue	System is operating correctly with no errors
Blinking White	Walkabout locate identification feature
Solid Red	An error condition occurred. Consult the NRG User Guide for details on the alarming features.

2. Function Buttons

The NRG-FR1-LCP (**Figure 6**) and NRG-FR2-LCP (**Figure 7**) include programmable buttons that are assigned default functions from the factory. You can choose to keep the default assignments, or reassign to other functions as required. Refer to the **NRG User Guide** for details on configuring these buttons.

- ★ The physical buttons do not display a text label. **Figure 6** and **Figure 7** show the default function assignments as a reference only. The default PiP and M#P# functions shown below are fully licensed with NRG-MV.

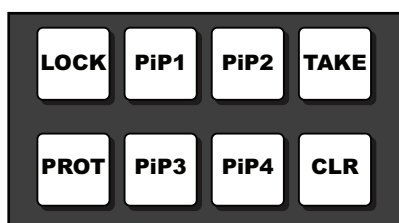


Figure 6 NRG-FR1-LCP — Function Buttons

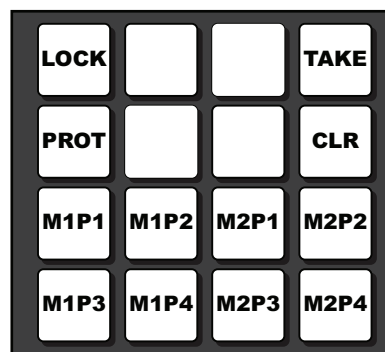


Figure 7 NRG-FR2-LCP — Function Buttons

3. Sources and Destinations Buttons

The NRG-FR1-LCP and NRG-FR2-LCP provide buttons allocated to the sources (Src) and destinations (Dst) in your routing system.

- › **NRG-FR1-LCP** — by default, the 16 buttons in the top row are assigned as sources and the 16 buttons in the bottom row are assigned as destinations. (**Figure 8**)
- › **NRG-FR2-LCP** — by default, the top two rows are assigned as sources and the bottom two row of buttons are assigned as destinations. (**Figure 9**)

- ★ The physical buttons do not display a text label. **Figure 8** and **Figure 9** show the default function assignments as a reference only.



Figure 8 NRG-FR1-LCP — Src and Dst Buttons

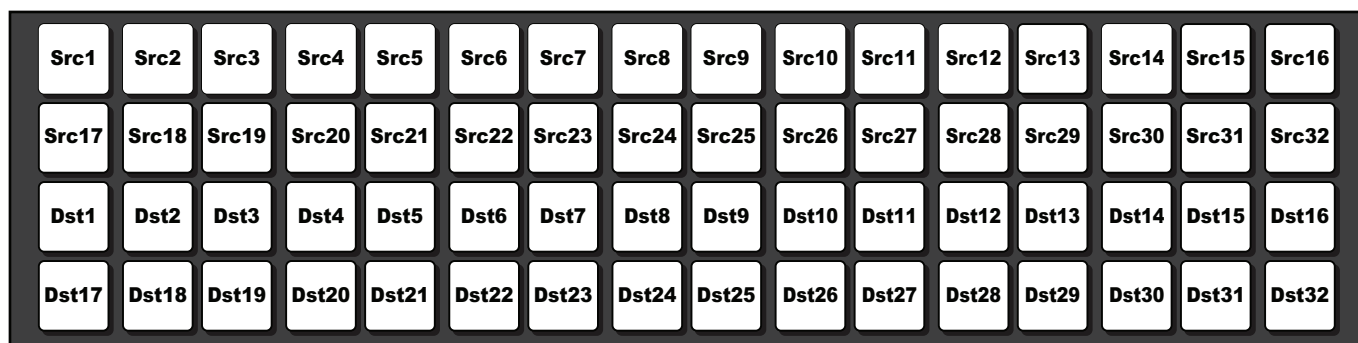


Figure 9 NRG-FR2-LCP — Src and Dst Buttons

Back Panel Overview

The back panel provides a support structure for connecting input or output signals, and two looping reference connections. Note that the number of connections depends on the router model.

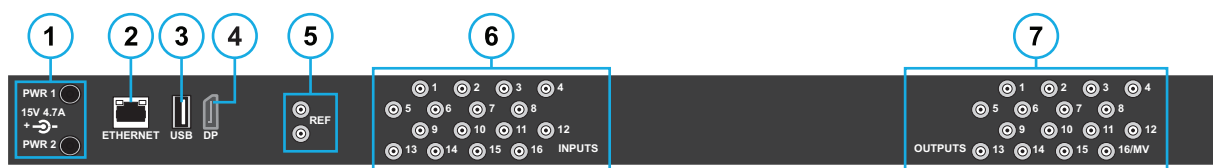


Figure 10 Back Panel — NRG-FR1 and NRG-FR1-LCP

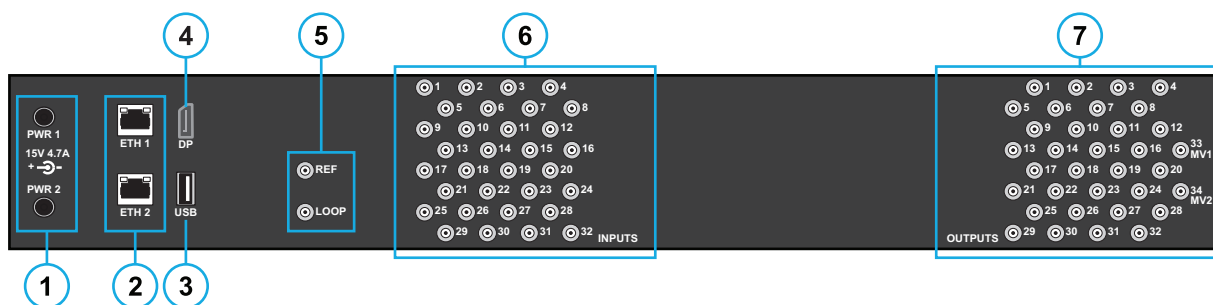


Figure 11 Back Panel — NRG-FR2 and NRG-FR2-LCP

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|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 1) PWR Connections | 4) DisplayPort (DP) | 7) SDI OUTPUTS HD-BNCs |
| 2) ETH Port(s) | 5) Video REF Ports | |
| 3) USB Port | 6) SDI INPUTS HD-BNCs | |

1. PWR Connections

There are two power supply connectors (PWR) located on the back of each NRG router numbered 1-2 starting from the top connector. Each connector requires a 15VDC connection to an external power supply.



Caution — The NRG router automatically powers on when power is applied.

Each NRG router ships with one power supply. An option is available to order a second power supply for redundancy.

2. ETH Port(s)

Each ETH port is an RJ45 connector used to connect the router to an external GbE Gigabit ethernet. Each port has its RJ45 connector wired as a Network Interface Card (NIC).

On the NRG-FR2 and NRG-FR2-LCP, connect ETH1 as the primary ethernet connection to bridge the external ethernet network to the local communications bus for monitoring and control of the router. Only connect ETH2 when a redundant connection is required. At least one ethernet connection is required to bridge the external ethernet network to the local communications bus for monitoring and control of the router.



Notice — *The ETH ports do not provide Power-over-Ethernet (PoE).*

3. USB Port

The USB 2.0 port is used only for IP address recovery or as directed by Ross Technical Support.

4. DisplayPort (DP)

The NRG router includes one standard port that provides a DisplayPort v1.2a output. This port is used to monitor a Multiviewer output (with an NRG-MV license), or a 1080p video source.

★ Audio support is not implemented on the DP port.

5. Video REF Ports

Two looping HD-BNC inputs are provided to accept reference signals supporting the following reference types: analog black, tri-level sync, and AES/DARs.

6. SDI INPUTS HD-BNCs

The number of input (source) HD-BNCs depends on the router model you are using.

- › The NRG-FR1 and NRG-FR1-LCP each provide 16 SDI inputs via HD-BNCs.
- › The NRG-FR2 and NRG-FR2-LCP each provide 32 SDI inputs via HD-BNCs.

7. SDI OUTPUTS HD-BNCs

The number of output (destination) HD-BNCs depends on the router model you are using.

- › The NRG-FR1 and NRG-FR1-LCP each provide 16 SDI outputs via HD-BNCs.
- › The NRG-FR2 and NRG-FR2-LCP each provide 34 SDI outputs via HD-BNCs.

★ When the NRG-MV licensed feature is enabled, BNC 16 on the NRG-FR1 and NRG-FR1-LCP can be assigned to the Multiviewer Head. The NRG-FR2 and NRG-FR2-LCP support up to two Multiviewer Heads (requires two licenses). If one license is enabled, BNC 33 can be assigned to Multiviewer Head 1. When two licenses are enabled, BNC 33 and BNC 34 can be assigned to Head 1 and Head 2 respectively. Refer to the **NRG User Guide** for details on the NRG-MV licenses.

Physical Installation

If you have questions pertaining to the installation of your NRG router, contact us at the numbers listed in “**Contacting Technical Support**”.

Before You Begin



Caution — *The NRG router utilizes side-to-side airflow management (right to left looking at the front of the chassis). It is a requirement that the sides of the mounted NRG router are not obscured.*

These installation guidelines assume the following:

- The relevant Ross equipment is installed into a ventilated rack frame. The relative humidity in the environment of the equipment should be <70% (non-condensing). The ambient temperature of the air entering the front panel should not exceed 40°C (104°F), and should not fall below 0°C (32°F). It is recommended to leave a 1RU gap between each chassis.
- Ensure that adequate space exists in front, behind, and on both sides of the router for airflow exhaust.
- Ensure that adequate space exists on both sides of the router and side access is not blocked from the rear.
- If a Ross openGear frame is included in the installation, it is recommended that the NRG router be installed directly above the openGear frame.
- The install location of the router should be accessible, dry, and dust-free.
- The socket/outlet should be installed near the equipment and be easily accessible.
- The routing system is well planned and designed. Consideration must be given to inputs and outputs across multiple router levels and typical operating scenarios for breakaways.
- Valid IP addresses are assigned to the equipment.
- ★ Ross Video recommends that the equipment is installed to any relevant standards and approvals by qualified and experienced personnel.

Static Discharge

Throughout this chapter, please heed the following cautionary note:



ESD Susceptibility — *Static discharge can cause serious damage to sensitive semiconductor devices. Avoid handling circuit boards in high static environments such as carpeted areas and when synthetic fiber clothing is worn. Always exercise proper grounding precautions when working on circuit boards and related equipment.*

Unpacking

Unpack each NRG you received from the shipping container and ensure that all items are included. If any items are missing or damaged, contact your sales representative or Ross Video directly.

Mounting Requirements

The NRG router is designed for installation into a standard 19" equipment rack. It has integrated rack ears, allowing it to be screwed in using standard screws and cage nuts.

The NRG mounts in the rack frame by means of four rack screws fastened through the front and back mounting ears. This should normally be sufficient to carry the load, including the weight of accompanying cables.

Under some conditions, the ambient air temperature inside rack-mount cabinets can be greater than the ambient temperatures within a room. For safe long term reliability, ensure the ambient air temperatures at the router right-side intake are within the router's specified operating temperature range. Adequate ventilation within a rack frame must also be maintained.

For More Information on...

- installation and mounting your NRG, refer to the **NRG Quick Start Guide** for your router.
- the technical specifications for the NRG router, refer to **"Technical Specifications"**.

Connecting the NRG Router to a Network

The NRG is connected directly to your network so that it can exchange data and communicate with other devices in your router system and the computer running the DashBoard client. After a physical connection is established, DashBoard is used to configure the network settings for the NRG. The exact steps for connecting your NRG to your facility network depend on the network requirements of your facility.

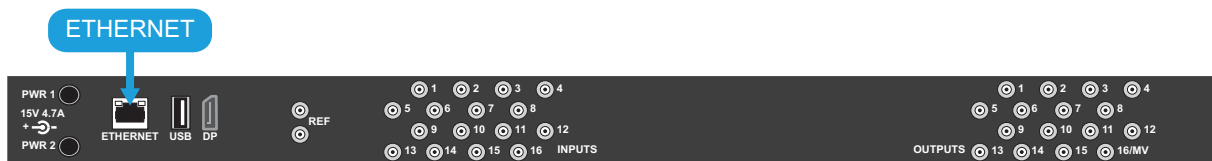
Keep the following in mind:

- ★ Contact your IT department before connecting to your facility network to ensure that there are no conflicts. They will provide you with an appropriate value for the IP address, subnet mask, and gateway for your NRG.
- ★ If difficulties or problems are experienced when connecting the NRG to a network hub, or with assigning IP addresses, contact your network administrator.

To establish a physical connection to the network for the NRG-FR1 or NRG-FR1-LCP

- ★ A 1GbE connection is required.

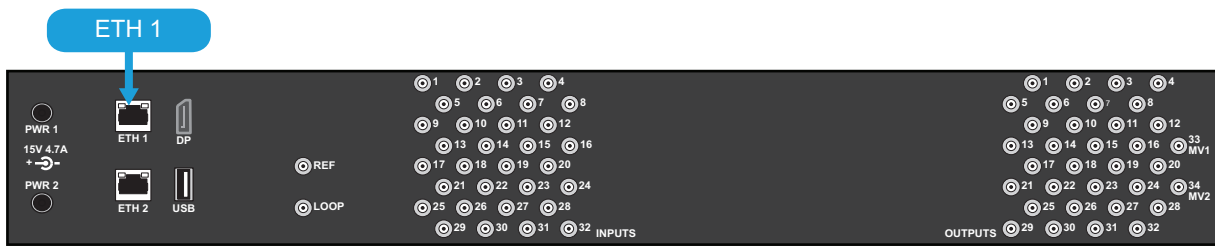
1. Connect one free end of a standard CAT 5/5e/6 ethernet cable to a free port of the network hub.
2. Connect the other end of the same cable to the **ETHERNET** port on the rear of the NRG router.



To establish a physical connection to the network for the NRG-FR2 or NRG-FR2-LCP

- ★ A 1GbE connection is required.

1. To connect the primary network connection for the router:
 - a. Connect one free end of a standard CAT 5/5e/6 Ethernet cable to a free port of the network hub.
 - b. Connect the other end of the same cable to the **ETH 1** port on the rear of the NRG router.



2. To connect the redundant network connection for the router:
 - a. Connect one free end of a second straight through CAT 5/5e/6 cable to a free port of the network hub.
 - b. Connect the other end of the same cable to the **ETH 2** port on the rear of the NRG router.



Powering on the NRG Router

The NRG ships with the required power supply. This power supply provides regulated +15V DC ($\pm 2\%$) @ up to 4.65A. The DC Power cord has a locking connector that securely fastens into a power supply DC jack on the NRG chassis.

There are two PWR sockets on the back of each NRG router. Either PWR socket may be used to power the frame. The second PWR socket allows full power redundancy.



Warning Hazardous Voltages — *The safe operation of this product requires that a protective earth connection be provided. This protective earth is provided by the ground conductor in the equipment's supply cord. To reduce the risk of electrical shock to operator and service personnel, this ground connector must be connected to an earthed ground.*



Warning — *In some countries it may be necessary to supply the correct mains supply cord. Use only certified cords for the country of use.*

Before You Begin

Keep in mind that:

- Each NRG router requires a minimum of one +15V DC, 4.65A PSU.
- For redundancy, an optional second PSU can be used.
- For redundancy, each power cord should be connected to a separate power source for protection against failure of the A/C power circuit. In the event of one power supply failure, the panel load is seamlessly transferred to the other connected redundant power supply.



Notice — *The NRG router automatically powers on when power is applied.*

To connect the primary power supply to the NRG



Warning — The power supply connector of the NRG power supply module must be fully inserted into the NRG PWR port and the locking collar fully secured before use. Failure to do so may damage the PSU port on the NRG chassis.



Caution — Ensure to connect the DC Power cord of the power supply to the PWR jack on the NRG before connecting the power supply to the power source.



Caution — Use of improper adapters may damage the NRG and will void the warranty.

1. Connect the male end of the supplied power cable into the NRG socket marked **PWR 1**.

To
Power
Source



Note: It is recommended that you always connect the Power Supply Unit to the NRG before connecting to Mains Power.

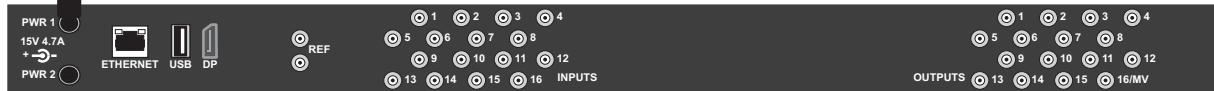


Figure 12 Connecting the Power Cable to an NRG-FR1 or NRG-FR1-LCP

To
Power
Source



Note: It is recommended that you always connect the Power Supply Unit to the NRG before connecting to Mains Power.

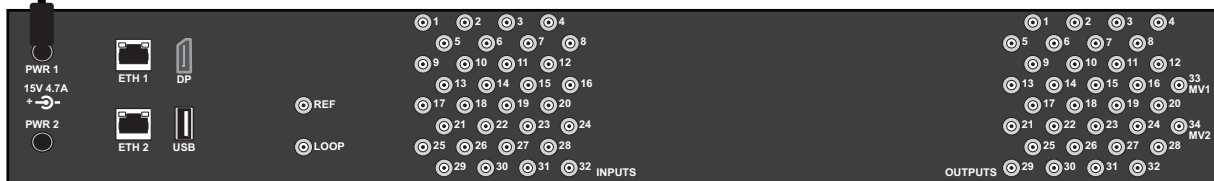


Figure 13 Connecting the Power Cable to an NRG-FR2 or NRG-FR2-LCP

2. Connect the supplied power cable into the power supply.
3. Connect the supplied power cable's three-prong male connector to Mains Power.

To connect a second power supply to the NRG

1. Connect the male end of the second supplied power cable into the NRG socket marked **PWR 2**.
2. Connect the supplied power cable into the second power supply.
3. Connect the supplied second power cable's three-prong male connector to Mains Power.

Video Reference

The NRG routers handle high-bandwidth, broadcast-quality, digital video and audio signals, and embedded audio signals. Digital video signals can be 12G, 6G, 3G, high definition, or standard definition. The NRG routers support SMPTE standards 259M, 292M, 296M, 372M, 424M, 425M (level A/B), 2081M, and 2082M.

Overview

All NRG routers accept a video reference signal. If connected, a video reference ensures that switching occurs in the default vertical interval across all router levels. The default switching pulse complies with **SMPTE RP168** as follows:

- line 6 for SD (PAL reference)
- line 10 for SD (NTSC reference)
- line 7 for HD (1080i)
- line 7 for HD (720p)
- line 7 for 3G (1080p)

Alternatively, you can set your own custom switching point to meet the requirements of your system. For example, if the default settings for the switching pulse occur within the data elements of your signal, you need to assign your own switching trigger.

If the reference signal is absent, the NRG router will generate a free-running switching pulse over 40ms. The status of the switching reference may be monitored in DashBoard, where one of three conditions may be reported: Local, PAL reference present or NTSC reference present.

- ★ If a reference is not connected to the NRG, the Multiviewer Head output on the **DP** port outputs 1080. 59.94Hz (NTSC) or 1080p 50Hz (PAL) by default. To connect the **DP** port to a 1080p 60Hz monitor, a reference must be first connected to the NRG.

For More Information on...

- setting a custom switching trigger, refer to the **NRG User Guide**.

Cabling for a Single NRG Router

Each NRG router accepts a single composite or tri-level sync signal to feed timing information to the routing system.

- ★ When only video referencing one router, the other BNC connector of the video reference loop needs to be terminated.

To connect the video reference source to a single NRG router

- Connect a 75ohm coaxial cable between the video reference signal output and a **REF** port on the back panel of the NRG router.
- ★ Use the second **REF** port as a loop when configuring the NRG router for a loop-through workflow.

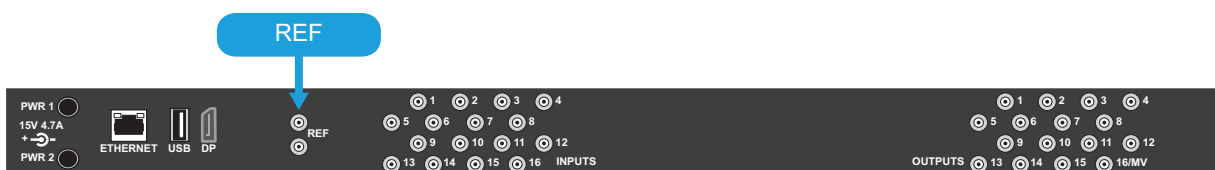


Figure 14 Video Reference Cabling — NRG-FR1, NRG-FR1-LCP

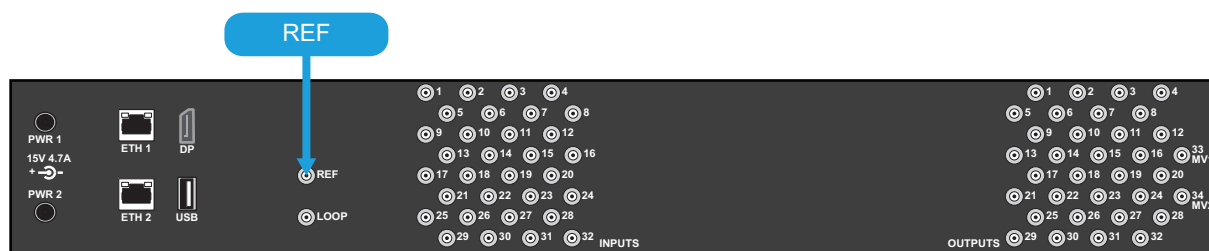


Figure 15 Video Reference Cabling — NRG-FR2, NRG-FR2-LCP

Reference Cabling for Multiple NRG Routers

The NRG router switches on frame boundaries. There are two 75ohm **REF** input BNCs on each NRG router arranged as a passive loop-through pair. Normally, a single Black Burst signal is looped through each of the routers which are located together and a 75ohm terminator is connected to the last BNC socket. An individual Black Burst signal should be wired to NRG routers which are more than a few meters apart.

★ When using a video reference with any of the NRG router components, users must remember to terminate the last video reference that is not looped with a 75ohm BNC terminator.

To cable multiple routers that will switch on with the same reference

1. Cable the first router as outlined in the previous section.
2. Connect the top **LOOP** connector on the back panel of the first router to the **REF** connector on the back panel of the second NRG router using a 75ohm coaxial cable.
3. Continue looping the **REF** connectors across the routers that you want referenced to this signal.
4. Ensure that the last NRG router in the video referencing loop has a 75ohm termination connected to its **LOOP** connector.

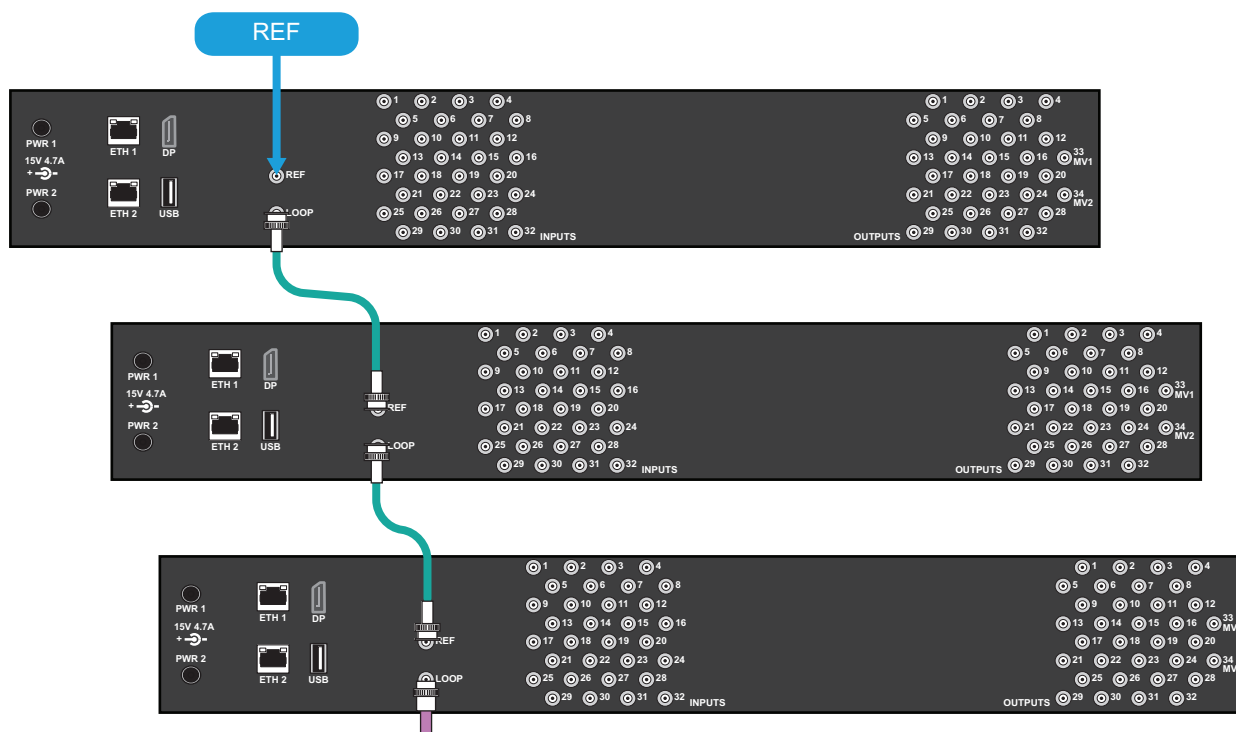


Figure 16 Connecting Multiple Routers for Simultaneous Switching — NRG-FR2, NRG-FR2-LCP

Cabling the SDI Inputs

This chapter outlines the SDI input cabling for each NRG router.

Overview

The NRG routers support high-bandwidth, broadcast-quality, digital video and audio signals, and embedded audio signals. Digital video signals can be 12G, 3G, high definition, or standard definition. The NRG routers support SMPTE standards 259M, 292M, 296M, 372M, 424M, 425M (level A/B), 2081M, and 2082M.

NRG-FR1 and NRG-FR1-LCP

Each NRG-FR1 and NRG-FR1-LCP provides 16 SDI inputs. The HD-BNCs are numbered starting with **INPUT 1** at the top left corner.

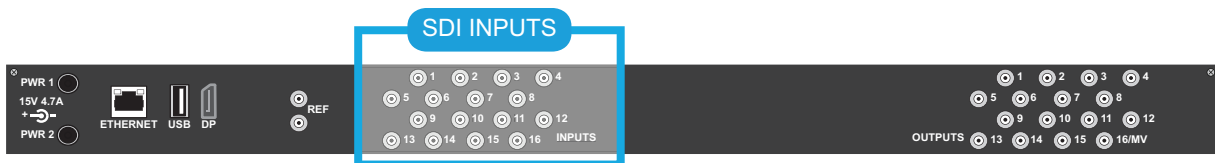


Figure 17 NRG-FR1, NRG-FR1-LCP — SDI Inputs

NRG-FR2 and NRG-FR2-LCP

Each NRG-FR2 and NRG-FR2-LCP provides 32 SDI inputs. The HD-BNCs are numbered starting with **INPUT 1** at the top left corner.

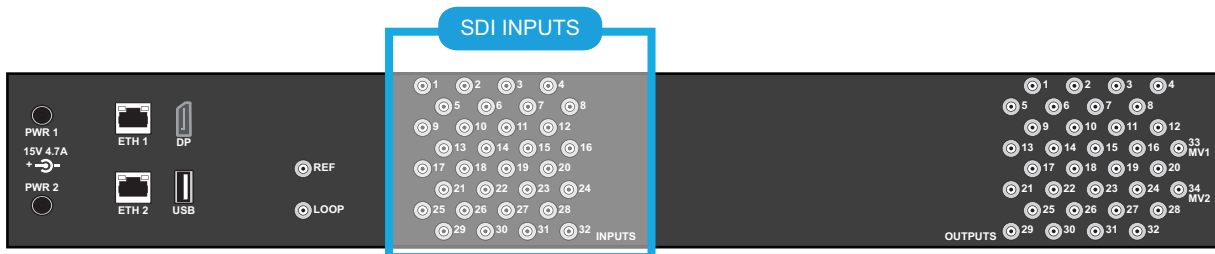


Figure 18 NRG-FR2, NRG-FR2-LCP — SDI Inputs

Connecting to the SDI Source Devices

The Source connections (**INPUTS**) on the NRG back panel are located on the left-hand side and are clearly defined with white text next to the HD-BNCs.



ESD Susceptibility — Anti-static precautions must be taken when fitting or removing all cables. Wear an earthed wrist wrap strap if possible, or place both hands on the metal rack frame before handling the cables.

To connect SDI source devices to the NRG router

1. Refer to **Figure 17** and **Figure 18** for the specific input designations for your router.
2. Connect the end of a 75ohm coaxial cable with HD-BNC connectors to an **INPUT** HD-BNC on the NRG back panel.
3. Connect the other end of the coaxial cable to the device that will supply the signal to that **INPUT** HD-BNC on the NRG router.

Cabling the SDI Outputs

This chapter outlines the SDI output cabling for each NRG router.

Overview

The NRG routers support high-bandwidth, broadcast-quality, digital video and audio signals, and embedded audio signals. Digital video signals can be 12G, 3G, high definition, or standard definition. The NRG routers support SMPTE standards 259M, 292M, 296M, 372M, 424M, 425M (level A/B), 2081M, and 2082M.

NRG-FR1 and NRG-FR1-LCP

Each NRG-FR1 and NRG-FR1-LCP provides 16 SDI outputs. The HD-BNCs are numbered starting with **OUTPUT 1** at the top left corner.

- ★ If the NRG-MV licensed feature is enabled, OUT 16 is allocated to Multiviewer Head 1. Refer to “**Cabling for the NRG-MV**” for details.

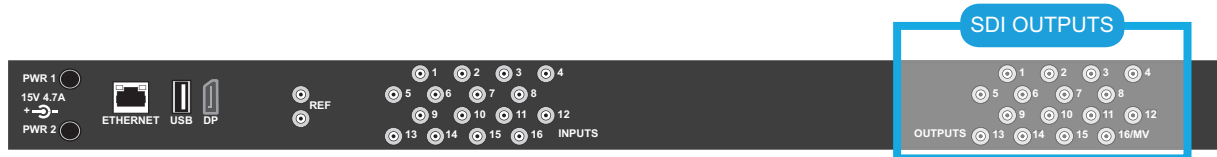


Figure 19 NRG-FR1, NRG-FR1-LCP — SDI Outputs

NRG-FR2 and NRG-FR2-LCP

Each NRG-FR2 and NRG-FR2-LCP provides 34 SDI outputs. The HD-BNCs are numbered starting with **OUTPUT 1** at the top left corner.

- ★ If one NRG-MV licensed feature is enabled, OUT 33 is allocated to Multiviewer Head 1. If two licenses are enabled, OUT 34 is allocated to Multiviewer Head 2. Refer to “**Cabling for the NRG-MV**” for details.



Figure 20 NRG-FR2, NRG-FR2-LCP — SDI Outputs

Connecting to the SDI Destination Devices

The destination connections (**OUTPUTS**) on the NRG back panel are located on the right-hand side and are clearly defined with white text next to the HD-BNCs.



ESD Susceptibility — Anti-static precautions must be taken when fitting or removing all cables. Wear an earthed wrist wrap strap if possible, or place both hands on the metal rack frame before handling the cables.

To connect SDI destination devices to the NRG router

1. Refer to the following sections to learn more about the specific output designations for your router.
2. Connect the end of a 75ohm coaxial cable with HD-BNC connectors to an **OUTPUT** HD-BNC on the back panel.
3. Connect the other end of the coaxial cable to the device that will ingest the signal from that **OUTPUT** HD-BNC on the router.

Cabling for the NRG-MV

This chapter outlines the NRG-MV BNC cabling designations for each NRG router.

★ if the DP port will output the Multiviewer Head, refer to “**Cabling the DisplayPort**”.

Overview

The number of Multiviewer Heads for your NRG router depends on the router model and the number of enabled NRG-MV licenses. **Table 2** lists the output BNCs on the back panel that can be assigned to a Multiviewer Heads based on the type of router.

★ The BNC outputs are available for SDI output routing when not assigned to Multiviewer Heads.

Table 2 Outputs Allocated for Multiviewer Heads

Model	Multiviewer Head 1	Multiviewer Head 2
NRG-FR1	OUT 16/MV	--
NRG-FR1-LCP	OUT 16/MV	--
NRG-FR2	OUT 33 MV1	OUT 34 MV2
NRG-FR2-LCP	OUT 33 MV1	OUT 34 MV2

Cabling Designations

This section outlines the NRG-MV Head cabling designations for each NRG router.

NRG-FR1 and NRG-FR1-LCP Cabling

Figure 21 illustrates the BNC allocated for Multiviewer Head 1 on the NRG-FR1 and NRG-FR1-LCP.

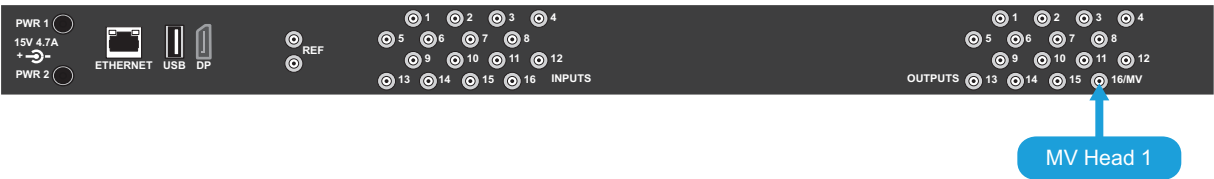


Figure 21 Example of NRG-MV Head 1 Mapping — NRG-FR1, NRG-FR1-LCP

NRG-FR2 and NRG-FR2-LCP Cabling

Figure 22 illustrates the BNCs allocated for NRG-MV Heads on the NRG-FR2 and NRG-FR2-LCP.



Figure 22 Example of NRG-MV Head 1 and 2 Mapping — NRG-FR2, NRG-FR2-LCP

Cabling the DisplayPort

This chapter outlines the DisplayPort output cabling for each NRG router.

Overview

Each NRG router includes a DisplayPort connection via a dedicated **DP** port (v1.2A). This offers flexibility for installations where an SDI input is not available or preferred by providing:

- the ability to drive a range of displays, from local monitors and Multiviewers to large-scale LED walls on sets and in stadiums;
- a solution for display processors that require a DisplayPort input;
- support for other AV-centric devices.

Before You Begin

Keep the following in mind:

- The DisplayPort (**DP**) port supports 1080p 50Hz, 1080p 59.94Hz, and 1080p 60Hz.
- If a reference is not connected to the NRG, the NRG-MV Head output on the **DP** port outputs 1080p 59.94Hz (NTSC) or 1080p 50Hz (PAL) by default.
- To connect the **DP** port to a 1080p 60Hz monitor, a 60Hz reference must be first connected to the NRG. Refer to “**Video Reference**” for cabling information. Some 60Hz monitors do not support 59.94Hz.
- The device connected to the **DP** port must support the same the resolution and frame rate of the selected signal as follows:
 - › **NRG-MV Head** — the resolution and frame rate of the reference signal.
 - › **SDI Passthrough** — the resolution and frame rate of the reference signal.

NRG-FR1 and NRG-FR1-LCP

Each NRG-FR1 and NRG-FR1-LCP provides one **DP** port. The **DP** port is a standard DisplayPort connection that supports hot-plug detection.

- ★ The cable must support DisplayPort v1.2A for full format functionality.

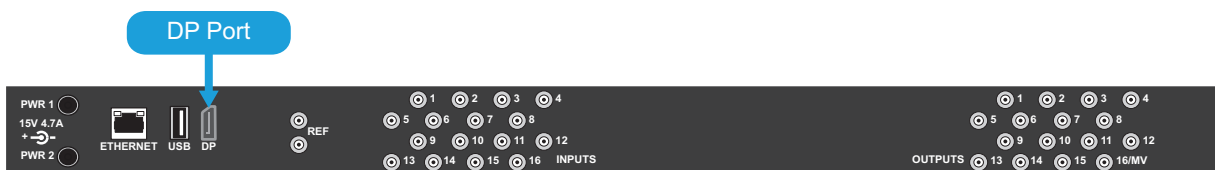


Figure 23 NRG-FR1, NRG-FR1-LCP — DP Port

NRG-FR2 and NRG-FR2-LCP

Each NRG-FR2 and NRG-FR2-LCP provides one **DP** port. The **DP** port is a standard DisplayPort connection that supports hot-plug detection.

- ★ The cable must support DisplayPort v1.2A for full format functionality.

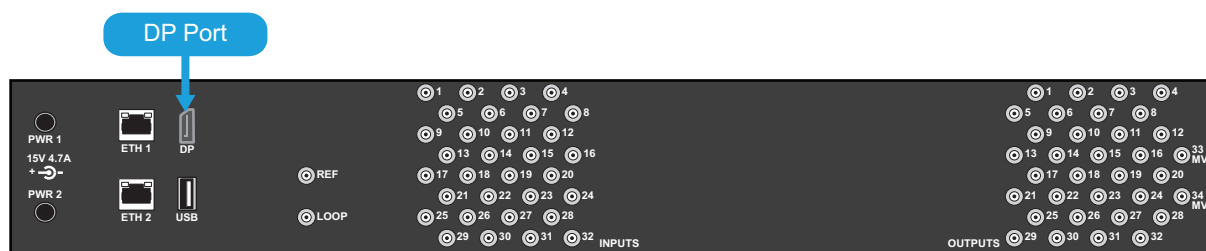


Figure 24 NRG-FR2, NRG-FR2-LCP — DP Port

Supported Video Formats

Ensure that you are using a supported video format. Using unsupported formats may result in undefined behavior. Keep the following in mind:

- **NRG-MV output** — all of the SDI formats listed in **Table 4** can be routed to a PiP within the Multiviewer Head, as long as the signals are transmitted via a single-link (1-cable). The use of physical dual-link (2-cable) and quad-link (4-cable) will only show a component if routed to the Multiviewer Head since the NRG does not support gearbox. When the Multiviewer Head is enabled, the video output format will follow the reference format.
- **DP pass-through** — will only support 1920x1080p (50/59.94/60Hz) Level A. Ensure that the external display monitor connected to the DP port supports 1920x1080p (50/59.94/60Hz) Level A.

Connecting to a Sink Device

A sink refers to a device or component that receives and processes signals or data from a source. For example, a monitor could act as the sink for video signals sent from the NRG router. The NRG router can be used with sinks that support DisplayPort v1.2A as an input.

To achieve optimal video performance:

- Use a DisplayPort cable that is compatible with your video configuration.
 - Ensure the cable supports DisplayPort v1.2A.
 - Ensure the cable is of an appropriate length to maintain signal integrity.
- ★ Using an incompatible or excessively long cable may result in reduced video quality or connectivity issues.

To connect a sink device to the NRG router

1. Refer to **Figure 23** and **Figure 24** for the specific **DP** port location on your NRG router.
2. Connect the end of a cable that supports DisplayPort v1.2A to the **DP** port on the back panel.
3. Connect the other end of the cable to the sink device that will ingest the signal from the **DP** port on the NRG router.

Connecting to Ross Devices

This chapter provides workflow examples with other Ross devices.

Connecting to an Ultracore BCS

Adding an Ultracore BCS allows for greater connectivity and router control. Ultracore BCS adds support for advanced features such as NMOS interoperability, tie-line management, and control system redundancy. The Ultracore BCS supports a set of third-party protocols that allow the Ultracore BCS to communicate with devices in your routing system including the NRG routers.

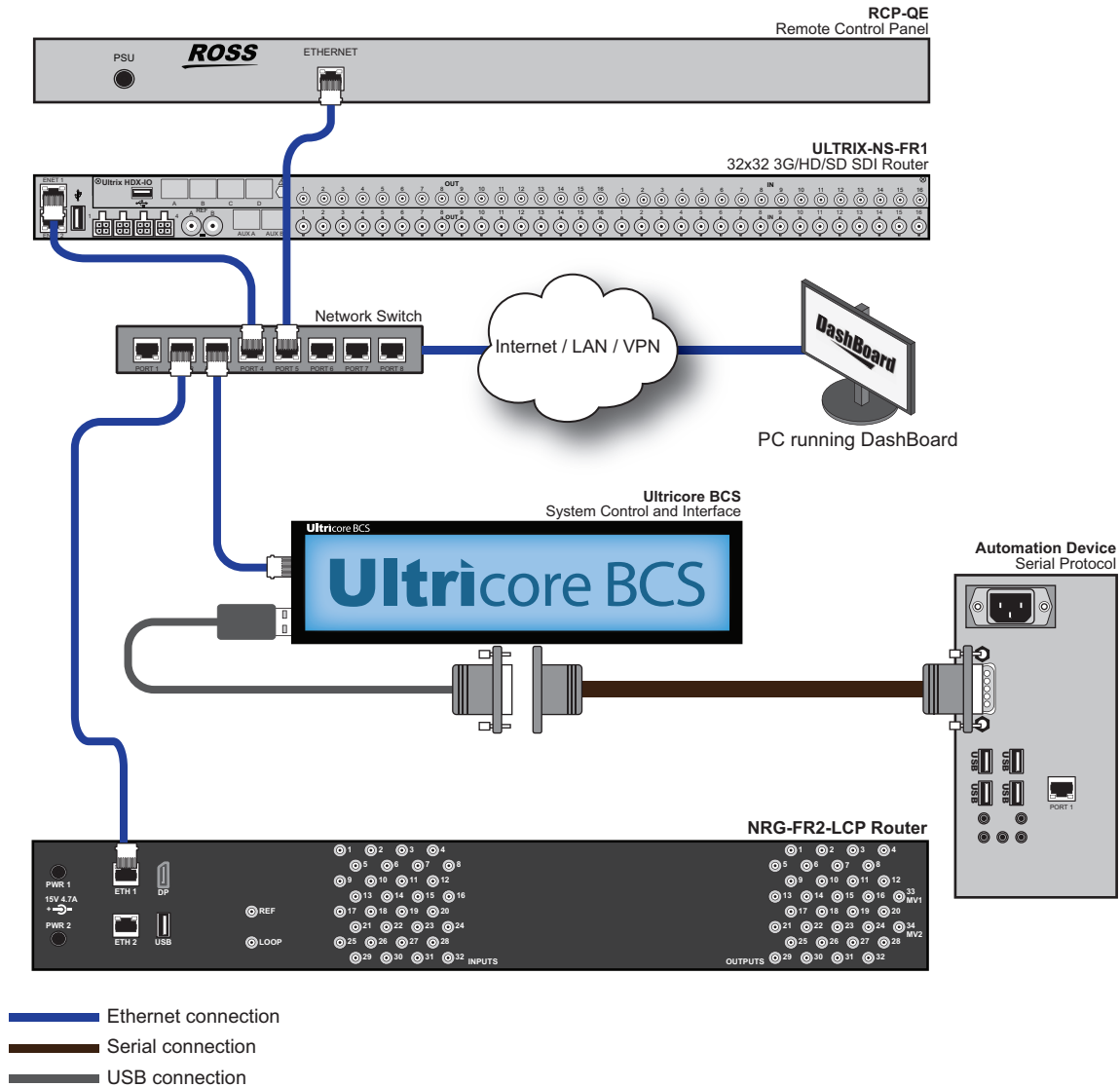


Figure 25 Example of a Simple Routing System with an NRG-FR2-LCP, ULTRIX-NS-FR1, and Ultracore BCS

Connections between an Ultracore BCS and your NRG router

1. Ensure the NRG is connected to the same network as your Ultracore BCS.
2. Create a connection point from the Ultracore BCS to the NRG in DashBoard. Refer to the **Ultracore BCS User Guide**.
3. Add the NRG to the Ultracore BCS database. Refer to the **Ultrix and Ultracore Database Guide**.

Connecting to a Ross NK Series Device

Ross NK Series devices, such as routers and remote control panels, communicate within the routing system via the Ross T-BUS interface. However, the NRG routers communicate only via an ethernet protocol via a network connection. If you wish to establish communications between an NRG router and a Ross NK series device, you have two options: establish an ethernet connection from the Ross NK Series device to your facility network via an NK-IPS or NK-NET device, or use an Ultracore CC to establish an NK native T-BUS connection.

★ The NK-NET requires any Ross NK router to supply phantom power for operation.

To establish communication between an Ross NK device and your NRG router

- Connect the NK device to the same ethernet network as your NRG router using an NK-NET or an NK-IPS, and then set up communications via the Ultracore CC interface in DashBoard.
- Connect the NK device via the T-BUS connections on an Ultracore CC and then set up communications via the Ultracore CC interface in DashBoard.

For More Information on...

- connecting your Ross NK Series device to your facility network, refer to its user documentation.
- connecting your Ultracore CC, refer to the ***Ultracore CC Quick Start Guide*** and ***Ultracore CC User Guide***.

Technical Specifications

This chapter provides technical information for NRG routers.

★ Specifications are subject to change without notice.

Physical Dimensions

Table 3 Technical Specifications — Physical Dimensions

Dimension	NRG-FR1	NRG-FR1-LCP	NRG-FR2	NRG-FR2-LCP
Width	18.90" (48cm)	18.90" (48cm)	18.90" (48cm)	18.90" (48cm)
Depth	3.15" (8.0cm)	3.15" (8.0cm)	3.15" (8.0cm)	3.15" (8.0cm)
Height	1.71" (4.34cm)	1.71" (4.34cm)	3.42" (8.69cm)	3.42" (8.69cm)
Weight (approx.)	4lbs (1.81kg)	4lbs (1.81kg)	5lbs (2.27kg)	5lbs (2.27kg)

Supported Video Formats

Table 4 Technical Specifications — Supported Formats

Resolution (lines)	Interlace / Progressive	Frame Rate (Hz)	SDI Routing	DP Pass-through Routing	DashBoard Status
SD					
525	I	59.94	✓		480i 59.94
625	I	50	✓		576i 50
HD					
720	P	60	✓		720p 60
720	P	59.94	✓		720p 59.94
720	P	50	✓		720p 50
1080	I	60	✓		1080i 60/1080PsF 30
1080	I	59.94	✓		1080i 59.94/1080PsF 29.97
1080	I	50	✓		1080i 50/1080PsF 25
1080	P	30	✓		1080p 30
1080	P	29.97	✓		1080p 29.97
1080	P	25	✓		1080p 25
1080	P	24	✓		1080p 24
1080	P	23.98	✓		1080p 23.98
1080	PSF	30	✓		1080i 60/1080PsF 30
1080	PSF	29.97	✓		1080i 59.94/1080PsF 29.97
1080	PSF	25	✓		1080i 50/1080PsF 25
1080	PSF	24	✓		1080PsF 24
1080	PSF	23.98	✓		1080PsF 23.98
3G					
720	P (dual stream)	60	✓		720B 60 DS

Table 4 Technical Specifications — Supported Formats (Continued)

Resolution (lines)	Interlace / Progressive	Frame Rate (Hz)	SDI Routing	DP Pass-through Routing	DashBoard Status
720	P (dual stream)	59.94	✓		720B 59.94 DS
720	P (dual stream)	50	✓		720B 50 DS
1080	I (dual stream)	60	✓		1080B 60 DS/DL
1080	I (dual stream)	59.94	✓		1080B 59.94 DS/DL
1080	I (dual stream)	50	✓		1080B 50 DS/DL
1080	P	60	✓	✓	1080p 60
1080	P	59.94	✓	✓	1080p 59.94
1080	P	50	✓	✓	1080p 50
1080	Level B	60	✓		1080B 60 DS/DL
1080	Level B	59.94	✓		1080B 59.94 DS/DL
1080	Level B	50	✓		1080B 50 DS/DL
6G					
2160	P	30	✓		2160p 30
2160	P	29.97	✓		2160p 29.97
2160	P	25	✓		2160p 25
2160	P	24	✓		2160p 24
2160	P	23.98	✓		2160p 23.98
12G (UHD)					
2160	P	60	✓		2160p 60
2160	P	59.94	✓		2160p 59.94
2160	P	50	✓		2160p 50

Power Specifications

The NRG is powered from up to two external power supplies. Each PWR port on the NRG back panel accepts 15VDC power.

Table 5 Technical Specifications — Power Supply Ratings

Item	Specifications
Output	15VDC @ 4.65A
Output Power	70W
Input	90-264VAC, 50/60Hz
Input Current	1.5A

Maximum Power Ratings

Table 6 outlines the maximum power ratings for each NRG router model.

Table 6 Technical Specifications — Maximum Power Ratings

Item	Specifications ^a
NRG-FR1	31.7W max., 2.11A, 15V
NRG-FR1-LCP	35.2W max., 2.35A, 15V
NRG-FR2	56.6W max., 3.77A, 15V
NRG-FR2-LCP	64.0W max., 4.27A, 15V

- a. For the latest power numbers for your configuration, refer to the Ross Configuration Tool on our website.

SDI Inputs

Table 7 Technical Specifications — SDI Inputs

Item	Specification
Standard Input	HD-BNC
Signal Type (SDI Formats)	12GBps 6GBps 3GBps 1.5GBps 270MBps
Impedance	75ohm
Max. Input Level	880mV
Return Loss	Per SMPTE 2082-1
Equalization (typical)	UHD: 65m (213ft) 3G: 175m (574ft) HD: 270m (886ft) SD: 400m (1312ft)

SDI Outputs

Table 8 Technical Specifications — SDI Outputs

Item	Specification
Standard Output	HD-BNC
Signal Type (SDI Formats)	12GBps 6GBps 3GBps 1.5GBps 270MBps
Impedance	75ohm
Amplitude	800mV +/-10%

Table 8 Technical Specifications — SDI Outputs (Continued)

Item	Specification
Rise and Fall Time	12GBps: <45ps 3GBps: < 135ps 1.5GBps: < 135ps 270MBps: <400ps
DC Offset	0.0V +/-0.5V
Jitter	<0.15UI up to 3G <0.20UI 3G and 12G typical (<0.30UI max.)
Return Loss	Per SMPTE 2082-1

Environmental

Table 9 Technical Specifications — Environmental

Item	Specifications
Max. Ambient Temperature Range	0°C to 40°C (32°F to 104°F)
Humidity, non-condensing	< 95%

Ethernet Port Connectors

Each NRG-FR1 and NRG-FR1-LCP router includes one ethernet port. The NRG-FR2 and NRG-FR2-LCP routers include two ethernet ports. Each ethernet port uses a standard single 8-pin, RJ45 connector to interface to an 802.3x ethernet network. While NRG supports 1000Mbps (1GbE), 100Mbps, or 10Mbps network interface speeds, a 1GbE network connection is required.

- ★ The NRG-FR2 and NRG-FR2-LCP ethernet ports are operated in a link aggregated or bonded configuration to provide failover functionality.
- ★ An 1GbE network connection is required.

Specifications

Table 10 Technical Specifications — Ethernet Ports

Item	Specifications
Standards Accommodated	1000BASE-T (GbE) network
Connector Type	RJ45

DisplayPort Connector

Table 11 Technical Specifications — DisplayPort

Item	Specifications
Connector Type	DisplayPort v1.2A

Software Licenses

This chapter provides third-party software license information for your NRG router. This product includes multiple software components which are individually licensed under one or more of the following licenses included in this chapter.

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zlib

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Glossary

The following terms are used throughout this guide:

Connection Point — setting to define a communication connection between an NRG and a device in the routing system.

Crosspoint — a switch within a matrix. For example, the connection of signal INPUT 1 to OUTPUT 1 requires one crosspoint.

Destination — a label applied to a router output (or group of outputs).

Device — a physical, virtual, or software application that may include multiple sources, destinations, senders, or receivers.

DP port — refers to the physical DisplayPort port on the back panel of each NRG router.

Hard Panel — a physical hardware panel of buttons that is used to control the routing system.

Head — An OUTPUT port on the NRG router that is assigned as a Multiviewer output when an NRG-MV license is enabled.

IP Address — a setting that defines the Internet protocol address of a device within a network.

Local Control Panel (LCP) — refers to the physical buttons located on the front panel of the NRG-FR1-LCP and NRG-FR2-LCP.

Logical (virtual) Label — a name for a group of routing system inputs or outputs.

Logical (virtual) Routing — the action of switching a group of otherwise unrelated signals via a common label (name).

Map — a table that defines the allocation of names (labels) to router input and output sockets.

Matrix — the part of the routing system that performs the actual signal switching tasks.

Picture in Picture (PIP) — a sub-picture in a Multiviewer output.

Remote Control Panel (RCP) — a physical hardware panel of buttons that is used to control the routing system.

Resource — a source or destination of a router configuration; an external device providing some conversion functionality for use within the routing control system.

Sink Device — a device or component that receives and processes signals or data from a source.

Soft Panel — a DashBoard interface that represents a panel of buttons that is used to control the routing system.

Source — a label applied to a router input (or group of inputs).

T-Bus — the Ross Video proprietary routing communication method via a defined physical interface.

