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Application Note Inverter Multi-Communications Configuration

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Revision history

Version	Date	Description
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Inverter multi-communications configuration overview

This Application Note describes how to configure a SetApp enabled inverter for any combination of LAN, Wi-Fi, and cellular.

If the inverter loses communication with SolarEdge servers, it automatically switches from the highest priority communication option to the next option available. For example, if the Wi-Fi network is unavailable the inverter automatically switches to cellular.

System requirements

- SetApp enabled inverter
- CPU firmware version 4.22 or higher
- Installed Ethernet cable when using the LAN connection
- Installed Wi-Fi antenna when using the Wi-Fi connection
- Installed cellular modem, active cellular subscription, and cellular antenna when using the cellular connection.

Device connection priority

By default, the inverter connects to SolarEdge servers by prioritizing the highest-ranking connection method. If the preferred option is unavailable, the inverter automatically switches to the next best available alternative. The following is a list of connection methods, ranked from highest to lowest priority:

- Ethernet/LAN connection
- Wi-Fi connection
- Cellular connection

When a higher-priority connection becomes available, the inverter switches back to it. For example, if the inverter is connected to cellular and the Wi-Fi network is restored, the inverter reverts back to the Wi-Fi connection.

To configure a SetApp enabled inverter for multiple communications:

1. In SetApp, go to the **Commissioning** screen, as displayed below.





2. Select Monitoring Communication.

The **Connection Type** screen is displayed.



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- 3. In Connection Type, uncheck Auto-Select.
- 4. If configuring a Wi-Fi connection, tap Wi-Fi.

The Monitoring Communication Wi-Fi screen is displayed.

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\$	Monitoring Communication Wi-Fi (Auto Selected)	
Status	Connected (S_OK)	i
Wi-Fi Network	SEDG-67230D4E-E5	•
IP	192.168.5.17	

Configure Wi-Fi	
Change Connection Type	

5. Tap Configure Wi-Fi

The available networks are displayed

6. Select a network.

7. In the **Password** field, type your password. Click **Join**.

The Monitoring Communication screen is displayed. The Wi-Fi setup is established when the Connected (S OK) status is displayed.

8. To change the type of connection, tap **Change Connection Type.**

Connection Type is displayed.

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	Connection Type	
Aut Sele	o The system will automatically cl the connection type for monitor communication.	hoose ing
Or choose a	different connection type.	
	Ethernet Dynamic IP (DHCP) With Static or Dynamic IP	
	Wi-Fi	
(((•	Using network name, WPS, Or SolarEdge Wireless gateway	
(A))	Cellular T-Mobile Using cellular modern with high or low bandwidth.	
	RS485-2 SolarEdge Leader Using RS485 connection to a SolarEdge Leader device.	
	Disconnect from device	PDF

9. To open a Cellular connection, tap **Cellular**.

The Monitoring Communication Cellular screen is displayed.



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	Monitoring Communication Cellular	
Status	Connected (S_OK)	(i)
Cellular Network	Extended Network Spr	

Configure Cellular	
Change Connection Type	

The inverter automatically detects and configures the cellular connection. This may take a few minutes. The Cellular connection is established when the **Connected (S_OK)** status is displayed.

10. To change the type of connection, tap **Change Connection Type**.

Connection Type is displayed.





11. To open an Ethernet connection, tap **Ethernet**.

The Monitoring Communication Ethernet screen is displayed.





Configure Ethernet	
Change Connection Type	

Most home networks are configured for a DHCP connection. The inverter automatically detects the LAN cable and configures the Ethernet connection. The Ethernet connection is established when the **Connected (S_OK)** status is displayed.

- 12. To reselect Auto Select, tap Change Connection Type.
- 13. Check Auto Select.



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IMPORTANT

The inverter's internet connection does not automatically switch to the highestpriority connection unless Auto Select is checked.

FAQ

Question 1: Will this work on older inverters?

Answer: Yes. As long as they are SetApp enabled inverters and you upgrade to the latest firmware.

Question 2: Do I have to install any additional hardware?

Answer: If you have not installed a LAN cable, Wi-Fi antenna, or cellular modem then you will need to install hardware to take advantage of these features. Most customers use a cellular connection so adding a Wi-Fi antenna is optimal.

Question 3: My financing partner requires proof that I have a cellular modem installed, but I want to install a Wi-Fi antenna to increase the robustness of my internet connection. What are my options?

Answer: SolarEdge has contacted several financing partners to inform them of this new feature. Once all the configuration steps are complete, take a screenshot from SolarEdge Go or SetApp showing all the active communication methods. To take a screenshot of active communications do the following:

1. From the Commissioning screen, select **Status**.





The Communication screen is displayed.



2. Take a screenshot of the active communications on the Communication screen.