

# QuantumCVManager User Manual

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## Introduction

The purpose of the QuantumCVManager application is to make it easy to program your Quantum locomotive's Configuration Variables. Both Service Mode Programming and Operations Mode Programming are supported.

You can also use QuantumCVManager to run your Quantum locomotives in Operations Mode. Test Cab popup windows are provided for this purpose. However, these Test Cabs are for testing purposes only, operating a limited number of locomotives to get immediate feedback on the effects of CV changes. Running many locomotives on a large layout is beyond the scope of QuantumCVManager.

QuantumCVManager supports multiple open documents. The number of documents that can be open at the same time is limited only by your PC system resources.

QuantumCVManager currently only works with a limited number of DCC Controllers: the Quantum Programmer and the NCE Powerhouse. Support for additional DCC Controllers may be added at a future date.

QuantumCVManager is geared towards QSI equipped decoders. It provides only basic support for non QSI equipped decoders. It gives good support for most standard NMRA CV's, but it gives only generic support for other manufacturer's unique CV's.

QuantumCVManager is designed to be used with locomotives containing version 7 firmware. With locomotives containing version 6 or earlier firmware, you can use it nearly seamlessly for standard NMRA CV's. You can also use it for QSI's unique CV's, but there are limitations, including:

- There are additional CV51 CV's in version 7.
- There are additional CV52 Individual Volumes in version 7.
- Version 7 supports CV55 Feature Configuration and version 6 does not.
- Many of the CV53 Feature ID's, especially those for lights, are different for version 7.
- There are additional CV56 CV's in version 7.

Consult the version 3.0 DCC Reference Manual for information about the CV's that are supported by version 6 and earlier firmware. This manual is available at http://qsisolutions.com/pdf/q-dccman30.pdf

Consult the version 4.0.2 DCC Reference Manual for information about the CV's that are supported by version 7 firmware. This manual is available at http://qsisolutions.com/pdf/q\_dcc\_man\_402.pdf

# Installing QuantumCVManager

Get the install file for the latest version of QuantumCVManager from the QSI Solutions website at: http://www.qsisolutions.com/products/q-programmer.html

Double click on the install file name.

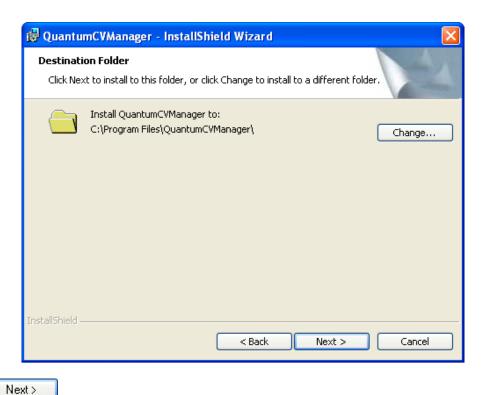
The install screen will appear.



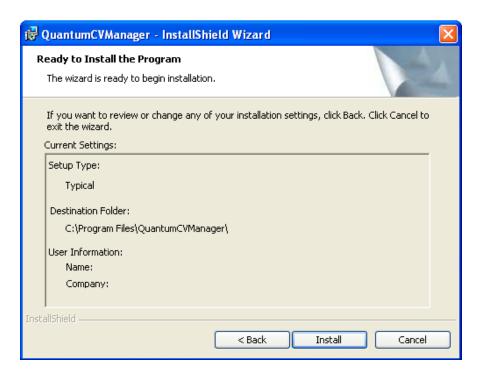
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Click OI accept the terms in the license agreement and then click Next>



Click Next>



Click Install



QuantumCVManager is now installed.

Click

# Starting QuantumCVManager

You can start QuantumCVManager by double clicking the QuantumCVManager shortcut on the desktop. In this case, QuantumCVManager's document window space is initially empty. You must create a new document using the "File | New..." command or open an existing QCV file using the "File | Open..." command.

You can also start QuantumCVManager by dragging a QCV file name onto the QuantumCVManager desktop shortcut. (Note: the desktop shortcut created by the InstallShield Wizard may not allow you to do this. You may have to create your own desktop shortcut by clicking the right mouse button on the QuantumCVManager.exe file name and selecting "Create Shortcut".)

You can also start QuantumCVManager by double clicking on a QCV file name. The QCV file is opened and displayed in a document window.

Because QuantumCVManager acquires the connection to the Command Station, only one instance of QuantumCVManager can run at a time.

#### McAfee Warning:

If you have MacAfee software installed, this warning may be displayed the first time you run QuantumCVManager.



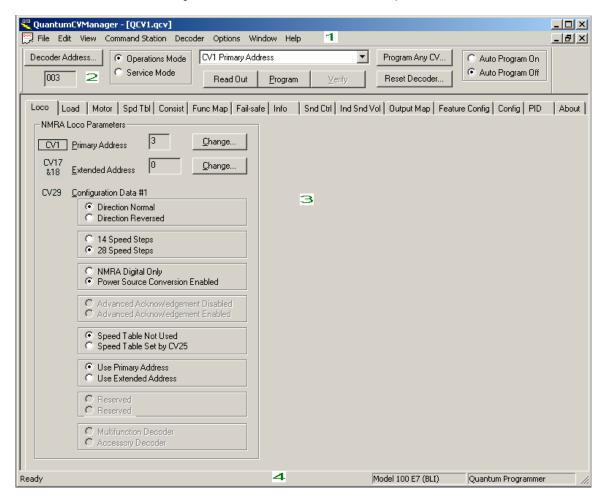
If this message appears, click . Allow this change and . Remember this action



You will only have to do this once.

# QuantumCVManager Window

This is what the QuantumCVManager window looks like when a document is open.



At the top of the window is the menu bar 1.

Below the menu bar is the control bar  ${\bf 2}$ .

Beneath the control bar is the document window  $\boldsymbol{3}$ .

At the bottom is the status bar 4.

# Menu Bar

## File Menu

New	Create a new document.
Open	Open an existing document.
Close	Close the active document.
Save	Save the active document.
Save As	Save the active document with a new name.
Reload	Reload the disk copy of the active document, discarding all changes made since the
	last save.
Print	Print the active document.
Print Preview	Preview the printed document.
Print Setup	Change the printer and printer options.
Page Setup	Specify the printed page layout

## Edit Menu

Exit

Reset to Defaults	Reset the active document's contents to factory defaults.
Mark Decoder Value	Mark "Decoder Value Unknown" for the active CV, all CV's in the active page, or all
Unknown	CV's in the document.

End the QuantumCVManager session.

## View Menu

Programmer...

Show [Hide] Test Cab	Show or hide the Test Cab attached to the active document.
Show [Hide] Test Cab #1	Show or hide the Test Cab #1.
Show [Hide] Test Cab #2	Show or hide the Test Cab #2.
Show [Hide] Test Cab #3	Show or hide the Test Cab #3.
Show [Hide] Test Cab #4	Show or hide the Test Cab #4.
Show [Hide] Control Bar	Show or hide the control bar.
Show [Hide] Status Bar	Show or hide the status bar.

## Command Station Menu

Command Station Mend	
Operations Mode	Select Operations Mode.
Service Mode	Select Service Mode.
Enable Main Track	In Operations Mode, turn on track power.
Disable Main Track	In Operations Mode, turn off track power.
Select Command Station	Select between NCE Powerhouse and Quantum Programmer.
Command Station Options	Select Comm Port and Baud Rate for NCE Powerhouse. Select USB driver to be
-	used with Quantum Programmer.
Diagnostics	Quantum Decoder Diagnostic Tests
About Quantum	Display Quantum Programmer firmware version number and copyright.

## **Decoder Menu**

<name active="" cv="" of=""></name>	Select CV range to be active CV.
<name active="" of="" page=""></name>	Select CV range to be active page.
Selected Pages	Select CV range from list of pages.
All CV's	Select CV range to be all CV's.

Program	Program CV's in range.
Read Out	Operations Mode: Read out value of active CV.
Retrieve	Service Mode: Retrieve all CV's range.
Verify	Service Mode: verify all CV's in range.

Decoder Address	Specify the working Decoder Address.

Program Any CV	Explicitly access any CV.
Reset Decoder to Defaults	Reset QSI equipped locomotive to factory defaults.
About Decoder	Retrieve, or have read out, the decoder model number, firmware version number, and firmware build date.

Select a CV range with first four items. Act upon this range with the next three items.

## **Options Menu**

Auto Program On	Enable Auto Programming.
Auto Program Off	Disable Auto Programming.

Enable All CV's	In Operations Mode, turn on track power.
Enable Only Support CV's	In Operations Mode, turn off track power.

Read Out CV Number = Value	In Operations Mode, read out CV number, Primary Index, and Secondary Index as
	well as CV value.
Read Out Value Only	In Operations Mode, read out CV value only.

If "Auto Program On" is selected, when you change a CV in the document, the CV is automatically programmed in the locomotive.

If "Enable All CV's "is selected, all possible CV's are available for programming, regardless of whether or not a CV is supported in the locomotive.

If "Read Out CV Number = Value" is selected, the CV number, Primary Index, and Secondary Index are read out as well as the CV value. For example, if CV55.70.1 had a value of "2", the locomotive would announce "C V 5 5 point 7 0 point 1 equals 2". If "Read Out Value Only" were selected, the locomotive would announce "2".

## Window Menu

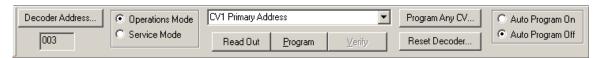
Cascade	Arrange windows so they overlap.
Tile Horizontally	Arrange windows as non-overlapping tiles.
Tile Vertically	Arrange windows as non-overlapping tiles.
Arrange Icons	Arrange icons at the bottom of the window.

# Help Menu

About QuantumCVManager... Display program information, version number and copyright.

## **Control Bar**

The Control Bar provides shortcuts for several of the main menu commands.



The "Decoder Address..." button is a shortcut for the Decoder menu "Decoder Address..." command. The working decoder address is shown in the box beneath the "Decoder Address..." button.

The "Operations Mode" and "Service Mode" buttons are shortcuts for the first 2 items in the Command Station menu.

The list box in the center of the control bar is a shortcut for the first 4 items in the Decoder menu. The 3 buttons below the list box are shortcuts for the next 3 items in the Decoder menu.

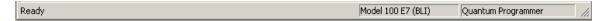
The "Program Any CV..." and "Reset Decoder..." buttons are shortcuts for the Decoder menu items "Program Any CV..." and "Reset Decoder to Defaults...".

The "Auto Program On" and "Auto Program Off" buttons are shortcuts for the first 2 items in the Options menu.

To hide the control bar click on the View menu "Hide Control Bar" command.

# **Status Bar**

The Status Bar displays useful information about the state of QuantumCVManager.



The left portion is for help messages.

The middle portion displays the model number and descriptive model name associated with the active document.

The right portion displays which Command Station has been selected. In the example shown, the Quantum Programmer has been selected.

To hide the status bar click on the View menu "Hide Status Bar" command.

# The Document Window

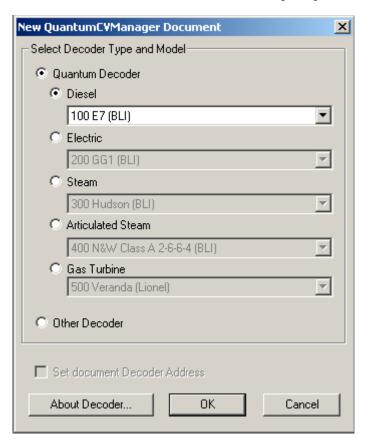
The document window consists of several tabbed pages which organize CV's into meaningful categories.

Loco	Standard NMRA CV's: the Primary Address (CV1), Extended Address (CV17-18), and Configuration Data (CV29).
Load	Standard NMRA Load CV's: Acceleration Rate (CV3), Deceleration Rate (CV4), Acceleration
Load	Adjustment (CV23), and Deceleration Adjustment (CV24).
Motor	Standard NMRA Motor CV's: Vstart (CV2), Vhigh (CV5), Vmid (CV6), Total PWM Period
	(CV9), EMF Feedback Cutout (CV10), Speed Table Select (CV25), Kick Start (CV65),
	Forward Trim (CV66), and Reverse Trim (CV95).
Spd Tbl	Standard NMRA speed table CV's 67-94.
Consist	Standard NMRA Consist CV's: Consist Address (CV19), and Consist Functions (CV21 and
	CV22),
Func Map	Standard NMRA Function Mapping CV's 33-46.
Fail-safe	Standard NMRA Fail-safe CV's: Packet Time-Out (CV11), Power Source Conversion
	(CV12), Alt Mode Status (CV13 and CV14).
Info	Standard NMRA Information CV's: Mfg Version No. (CV7), Mfg ID (CV8), Error Information
	(CV30), User ID (CV105 and CV106).
Snd Ctrl	QSI unique CV51.PI CV's for Sound Control.
Ind Snd Vol	QSI unique CV52.PI CV's for individual sound volumes.
Output Map	QSI unique CV53.PI.SI CV's for Output mappings.
Feature Config	QSI unique CV55.PI.SI CV's. This page itself consists of several tabbed pages, each page
	corresponding to one feature or a few associated features.
Bell	Bell (CV55.3.SI) configuration.
HL/RL	Headlight (CV55.70.SI) and Reverse Light (CV55.73.SI) configuration.
Mars	Mars Light (CV55.76.SI) and Rear Mars Light (CV55.80.SI) configuration.
Ditch	Ditch Lights (CV55.84.SI) configuration.
Number Board	Front Number Board Lights (CV55.100.SI) and Rear Number Board Lights (CV55.102.SI)
	configuration.
Marker	Front Marker Lights (CV55.104.SI) and Rear Marker Lights (CV55.106.SI) configuration.
Step	Front Step Lights (CV55.112.SI) and Rear Step Lights (CV55.114.SI) configuration.
Cab	Front Cab Lights (CV55.116.SI) and Rear Cab Lights (CV55.118.SI) configuration.
Multiple Lights	Multiple Automatic Lights #1 (CV55.136.SI), Multiple Automatic Lights #2 (CV55.137.SI),
	and Multiple Automatic Lights #3 (CV55.138.SI) configuration.
Status	Status Report (CV55.178.SI) configuration.
Config	QSI unique CV56.PI.SI CV's.
PID	QSI unique CV56.PI.SI CV's for motor PID parameters.
About	Contains information about the QSI equipped locomotive: Decoder Model, Soundset
	Number, Firmware Version Number and Firmware Build Date.

Grayed CV's indicate CV's which are not supported by that model of locomotive. You can enable these CV's in a document by selecting "Enable All CV's" in the Options menu.

# **Creating a New Document**

Click on the File menu "New..." command. The following dialog box will be displayed:

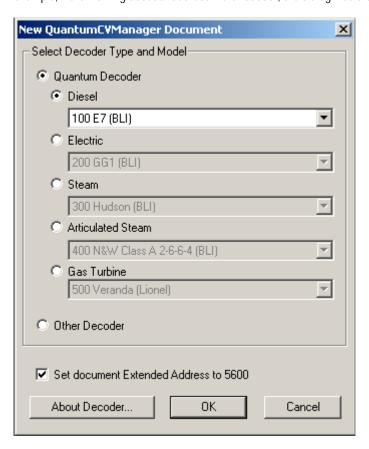


If your locomotive is QSI equipped, select "Quantum Decoder" and select the class of locomotive, "Diesel", "Electric", "Steam", "Articulated Steam", or "Gas Turbine". Then select your locomotive's model from the list for that class.

If your locomotive is not QSI equipped, select "Other Decoder".

Click on "OK" to create a new document.

In Ops Mode you can have the new document's Loco address automatically set to the working Decoder Address. For example, if the working decoder address were "05600", the dialog would show



If you leave the "Set document Extended Address to 5600" box checked, then when the new document is created, CV17-18 will automatically be set to "5600" and CV29 bit 5 will automatically be set to "1".

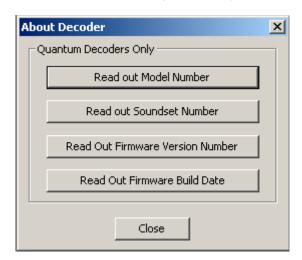
If the working Decoder Address were "025", then the check box will read "**Set document Primary Address to 25**". In that case, when the new document is created, CV1 will automatically be set to "25".

If you want the new document to have CV1 = "3", CV17-18 = "0", and CV29 to have CV29 bit 5 set to "0", then uncheck this box.

This box is disabled if the working Decoder Address is "003".

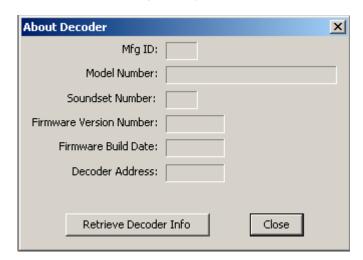
If you don't know your decoder's type and model, click on "About Decoder...".

In Operations Mode, this dialog box is displayed:



If your locomotive is QSI equipped, pressing the "Read out" buttons will cause your locomotive to speak out the Model Number, Soundset Number, Firmware Version Number, and Firmware Build Date. The decoder must respond to the working Decoder Address shown at the left end of the main window Control Bar.

In Service Mode, this dialog is displayed:



Press the "Retrieve Decoder Info" button to have the blanks filled in by information retrieved from your locomotive.

When you close this dialog box, if your locomotive is QSI equipped and its model number is known by QuantumCVManager, the appropriate model number is selected in the "New QuantumCVManager Document" dialog box.

When you close this dialog box, the check box at the bottom of the "New QuantumCVManager Document" dialog box is updated with the retrieved Decoder Address. The new document will be initialized to the retrieved Decoder Address unless you uncheck the box. The box is disabled if the retrieved Decoder Address is short address 3.

# **Changing Document CV Values**

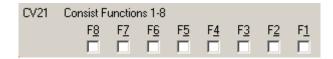
QuantumCVManager makes it easy to change CV values. You don't have to type in the CV number and in most cases you don't have to type in the CV value. Instead you manipulate the following types of graphical controls.

#### Slider



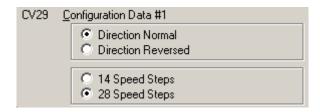
Move the slider thumb to the right to increase the CV value, to the left to decrease the CV value. The decimal value of the CV is displayed in the box to the left of the slider.

#### Check Box



Check boxes are used for CV's where each bit independently controls a setting. Each check box represents one bit. Click the left mouse button to check or uncheck a box. A checked box indicates the bit is "1". An unchecked box indicates the bit is "0".

#### Radio Button



In a few cases a pair of radio buttons is used to represent a single bit. If the first button in a pair is selected the bit is "0". If the second button in a pair is selected, the bit is "1".

#### List Box



The current selection is shown. Click on the down arrow button to display the other possible selections.

# "Change..." Button



In a few cases, you must click on a "Change..." button. A dialog box is displayed which requires you to type in the new CV value.

# **Changed CV Color Codes**

The color of the CV number text, usually to the left of the CV value, indicates whether the decoder value of the CV is known and, if it is known, whether it is different.

Red text indicates the value is different from the known decoder value.

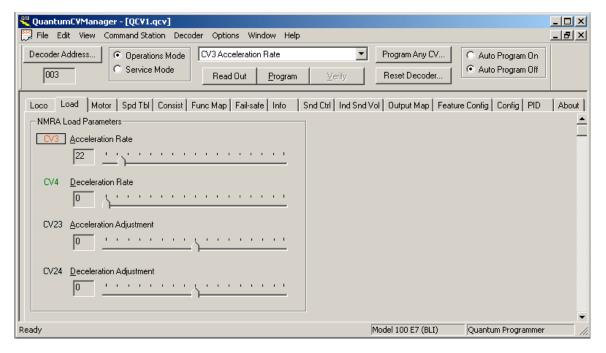
Green text indicates the value is identical to the known decoder value.

Black text indicates the decoder value is not known.

In Operations Mode, the decoder's value of a CV is known only when the CV is programmed to the decoder.

In Service Mode, the decoder's value of a CV is known when the CV value is programmed to the decoder, or the CV value is retrieved from the decoder, or the CV value is verified, i.e. compared to the decoder's value.

Use the "Mark Decoder Value Unknown" command in the "Edit" menu to reset the state of a CV or group of CV's to "Decoder Value Unknown".

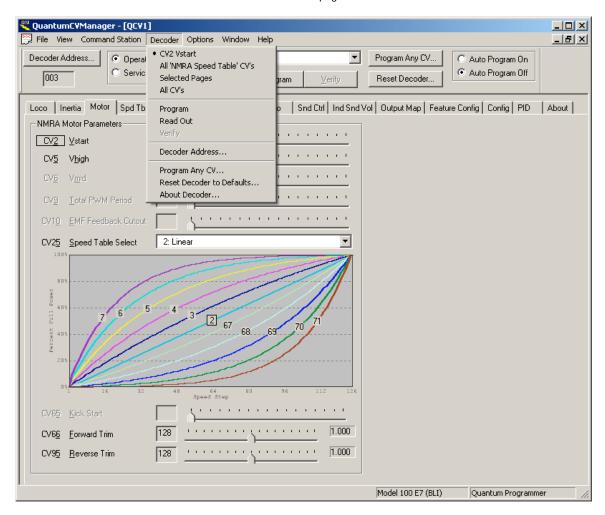


In the above Operations Mode example, the value of CV3 is different from the value last programmed to the decoder. The value of CV4 is identical to the last programmed value. The decoder values of CV23 and CV24 are not known since these CV's have not been programmed.

# Programming CV's

You can program your locomotive's CV's one CV at a time, one page of CV's at a time, several pages of CV's at a time, or all CV's at once.

You select one of these ranges from the first four items of the Decoder menu. The first menu item is the name of the active CV and the second menu item is the name of the active page.



In the above example, CV2 is the active CV. If you click on "Program", your locomotive's CV2 will be programmed with the document's CV2 value.

If you select "All 'NMRA Motor' CV's" and then click on "Program", your locomotive's CV2, CV5, CV25, CV66, and CV95 will be programmed with the document's values for these CV's. (The grayed CV's are not programmed.)

If you select "Selected Pages" and then click on "Program", a dialog box is displayed where you can select which pages you want to program your locomotive with.

If you select "All CV's", all of the locomotive's CV's will be programmed with the document's values.

The list box in the center of the control bar is a shortcut for the first four items in the Decoder menu. The three buttons under the list box are shortcuts for the next three commands in the Decoder menu.

An even faster shortcut is to use the right mouse button. If you move the cursor over the rectangle highlighting the text "CV2" and click the right mouse button, you will see a popup menu with the command "Program CV2". If you move the cursor over the "NMRA Motor Parameters" text and click the right mouse button, you will see a popup menu with the command "Program All 'NMRA Motor' CV's". See the section on "Right Mouse Button" for more information.

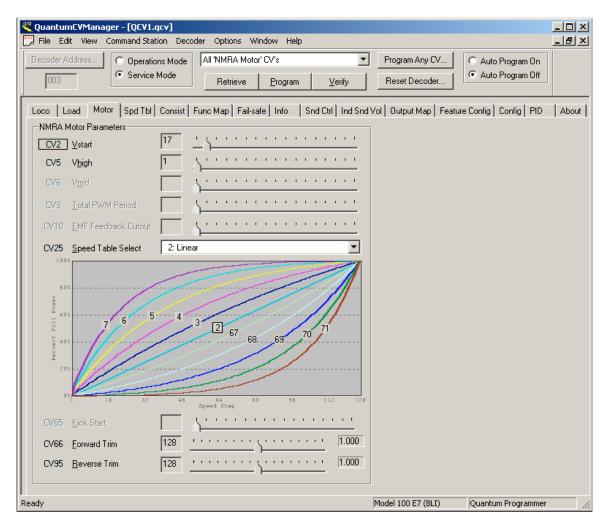
In Ops Mode, if "Auto Program On" is selected, a change to any CV is automatically programmed in the locomotive. If "Auto Program On" is enabled, the active CV number is highlighted with a red rectangle. Otherwise, the active CV number is highlighted with a black rectangle.

Note: when you program a locomotive's CV, you will not hear the locomotive acknowledge the new CV value verbally. QuantumCVManager turns off Programming Verbal Acknowledgement by setting CV62 to "0".

# Retrieving CV's in Service Mode

In Service Mode, you can command QuantumCVManager to retrieve the values of your locomotive's CV's. The locomotive's values replace the document values.

You can retrieve CV's one CV at a time, one page of CV's at a time, several pages of CV's at a time, or all CV's at once.



In the above example, if you click on the "Retrieve" button, the locomotive's values for CV2, CV5, CV25, CV66, and CV95 will be retrieved from the locomotive and be displayed in the various boxes.

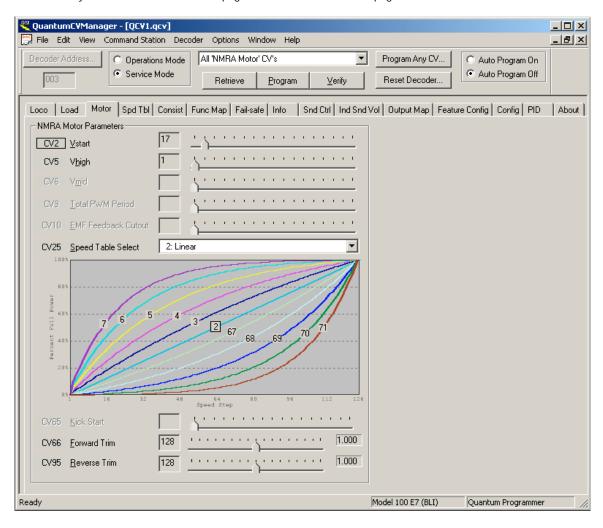
A fast shortcut is to use the right mouse button. If you move the cursor over the rectangle highlighting the text "CV2" and click the right mouse button, you will see a popup menu with the command "Retrieve CV2".

If you move the cursor over the "NMRA Motor Parameters" text and click the right mouse button, you will see a popup menu with the command "Retrieve All 'NMRA Motor' CV's". See the section on "Right Mouse Button" for more information.

# Verifying CV's in Service Mode

In Service Mode, you can command QuantumCVManager to compare the values of the document's CV's with those of your locomotive. If the document's value differs from the locomotive's you are given the choice to replace the document's value with the locomotive's or vice versa.

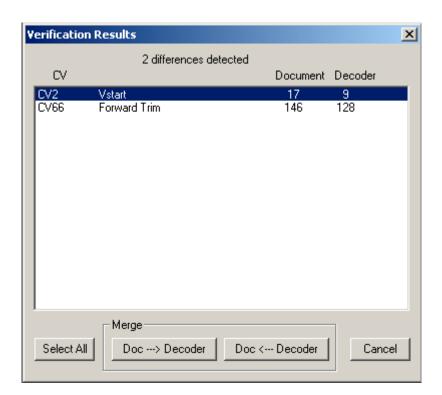
You can verify CV's one CV at a time, one page of CV's at a time, several pages of CV's at a time, or all CV's at once.



In the above example, if you click on the "Verify" button, the locomotive's values for CV2, CV5, CV25, CV66, and CV95 will be retrieved from the locomotive and compared with the document's values. Any differences will be noted in a Verification Results dialog as shown below.

A fast shortcut is to use the right mouse button. If you move the cursor over the rectangle highlighting the text "CV2" and click the right mouse button, you will see a popup menu with the command "Verify CV2".

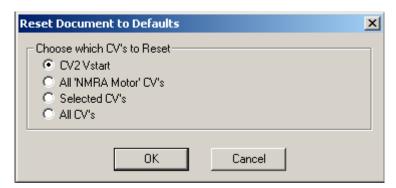
If you move the cursor over the "NMRA Motor Parameters" text and click the right mouse button, you will see a popup menu with the command "Verify All 'NMRA Motor' CV's". See the section on "Right Mouse Button" for more information.



In this example, the locomotive has different values for CV2 and CV66. Select one or more of the differences. You can change the locomotive's value(s) to the document's value(s) by clicking on "Doc Decoder". You can change the document's value(s) to the locomotive's value(s) by clicking on "Doc Decoder".

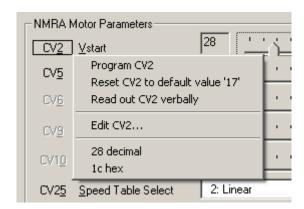
# **Reset Document to Defaults**

To reset a document's CV's to default values, click on the Edit menu "Reset to Defaults..." command. The following dialog box will be displayed.



The first range choice is the name of the active CV. The second range choice is the name of the active page. Select the range of CV's you want to reset and click on "OK".

A fast shortcut is to use the right mouse button. If you move the cursor over the rectangle highlighting the text "CV2" and click the right mouse button, if the CV2 value is not the default value, you will see a popup menu with the command "Reset CV2 to default value <value>".

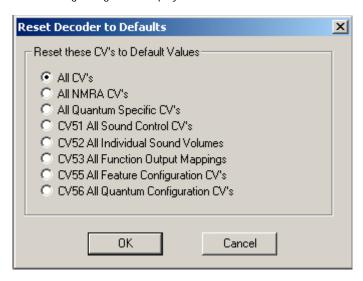


If you move the cursor over the "NMRA Motor Parameters" text and click the right mouse button, if any of the CV values on this page has a non-default value, you will see a popup menu with the command "Reset all 'NMRA Motor' CV's to default values". See the section on "Right Mouse Button" for more information.

# Reset Decoder to Defaults

To reset a QSI equipped locomotive's CV's to factory default values, press the control bar "Reset Decoder..." button. This is a shortcut for the Decoder menu "Reset Decoder to Defaults..." command.

The following dialog box is displayed:

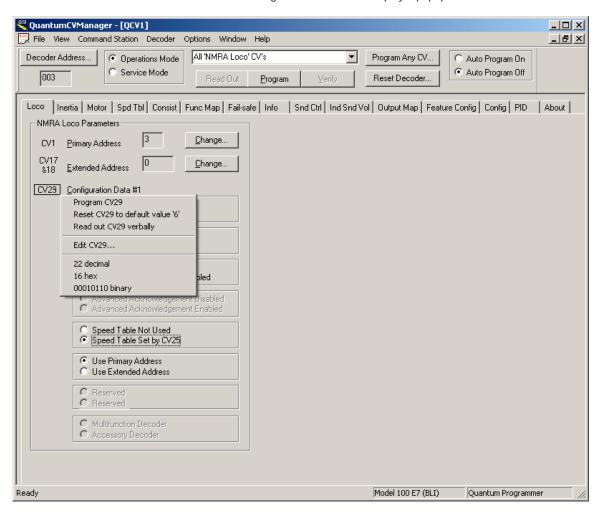


Select the range of CV's you want to have reset, and click the "OK" button.

Note: in Service Mode, using the NCE Powerhouse, reset "All CV's" may not work correctly because the NCE shuts off the track power too soon for all of the CV's to be reset. You may have to do several reset operations, each operation a reset of a smaller range of CV's.

# **Right Mouse Button**

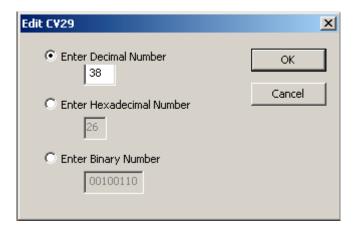
Move the cursor over a CV's text label and click the right mouse button to display a popup menu.



Several commands are displayed which are shortcuts to menu bar or control bar commands.

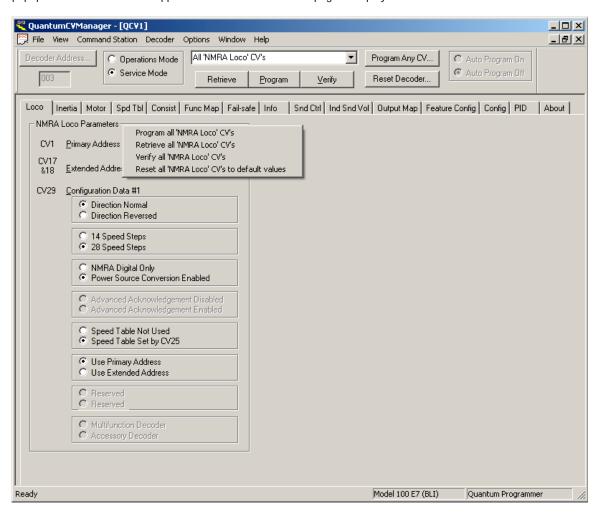
At the bottom of the menu, the CV value is displayed as a decimal and hexadecimal number. For bit oriented CV's it is also displayed as a binary number.

For most CV's an additional "Edit CV..." command is displayed. If you click on this command, the following dialog box is displayed:



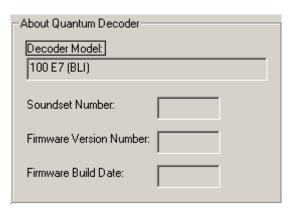
Here you can type in a CV value as a decimal, hexadecimal, or binary number.

If you move the cursor to the top of the page over the text description of the page and press the right mouse button, a popup menu with commands applicable to all the CV's on that page is displayed.



# **About Quantum Decoder**

The "About" tabbed page contains information about your QSI equipped locomotive. This information is very useful when reporting problems to QSI about your locomotive's misbehavior.



In Ops Mode, you can have the locomotive speak out these numbers. Move the cursor over the label for an item and press the right mouse button. A popup menu will display the command "Verbally read out ...". Move the cursor to this command and press the left mouse button. You can also use the control bar "Read Out" button.

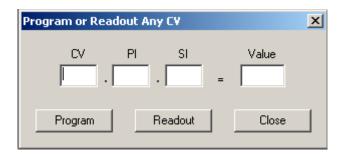
In Service Mode, these numbers can be retrieved from the locomotive to be displayed in the boxes. Move the cursor over the label for an item and press the right mouse button. A popup menu will display the command "Retrieve ...". Move the cursor to this command and press the left mouse button. You can also use the control bar "Retrieve" button.

# **Program Any CV**

The "Program Any CV" dialog provides a way to program a CV which is not part of a Quantum CV Manager document.

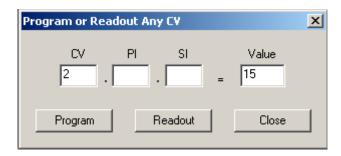
To explicitly program any CV click on the control bar "**Program Any CV**..." button. This is a shortcut for the Decoder menu "Program Any CV..." command.

The following dialog is displayed:

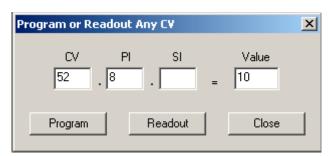


Type in the CV number, optional Primary Index (PI), optional Secondary Index (SI) and CV Value. All numbers must be decimal. Then press "Program".

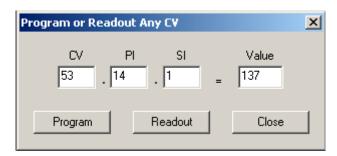
Here is an example of how you would program a standard NMRA CV which does not require a Primary or Secondary Index. Just leave the PI and SI entries blank.



Here is an example of how you would program a CV using a Primary Index. Leave the SI entry blank.

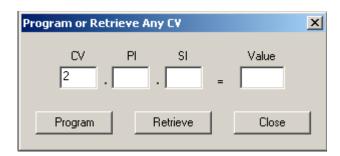


Here is an example of how you would program a CV using both a Primary Index and a Secondary Index.



In Operations Mode, QSI equipped locomotives can speak out the value of any CV. To hear what the current value of a CV is, press the "Read out" button instead of the "Program" button. In the above example, pressing "Read out" would cause a QSI equipped locomotive to speak out its current value of CV53.14.1.

In Service Mode, the "Read out" button is replaced with the "Retrieve" button. Pressing this button causes the locomotive's current value of the specified CV to be retrieved from the locomotive and displayed in the "Value" box.



In the above example, pressing "Retrieve" would display the locomotive's current CV2 value in the "Value" box.

QuantumCVManager uses the "PI" and "SI" entries to program CV49 and CV50. Thus, using PI and SI with non QSI equipped locomotives won't work.

# **Decoder Address**

The working Decoder Address is displayed at the left end of the control bar. The working address is used in Operations Mode to specify the decoder you want to program.

Short addresses are displayed as 3 digit numbers padded with leading zeros if necessary. For example, "003" means short address 3.

Long addresses are displayed as 5 digit numbers padded with leading zeros if necessary. For example, "00003" means long address 3.

To change the working Decoder Address, press the control bar "Decoder Address..." button just above the box displaying the working Decoder Address. This button is a shortcut for the Decoder menu "Decoder Address..." command.

The following dialog box is displayed:



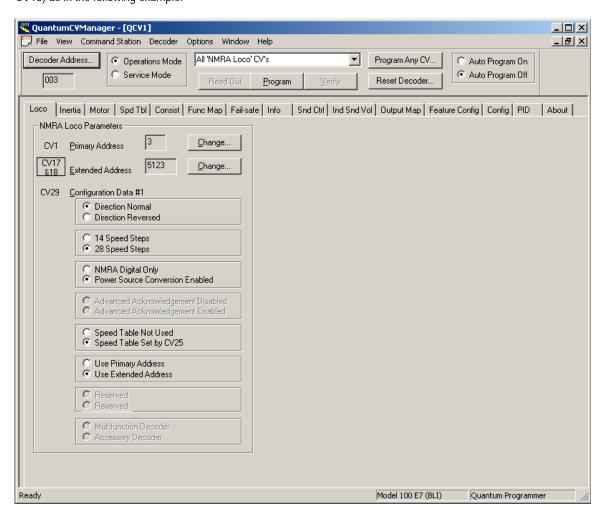
Type in the decoder address and select "Short Address" or "Long Address".

Valid short addresses are 1...127.

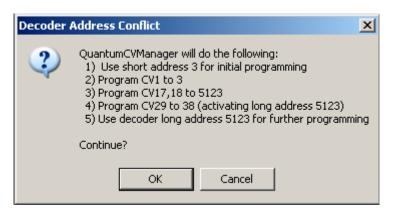
Valid long addresses are 0...10239.

If you want the document Primary or Extended address set to the new working Decoder Address, leave the checkbox checked as shown.

The working Decoder Address may be different from the Primary Address (CV1) and the Extended Address (CV17 and CV18) as in the following example:

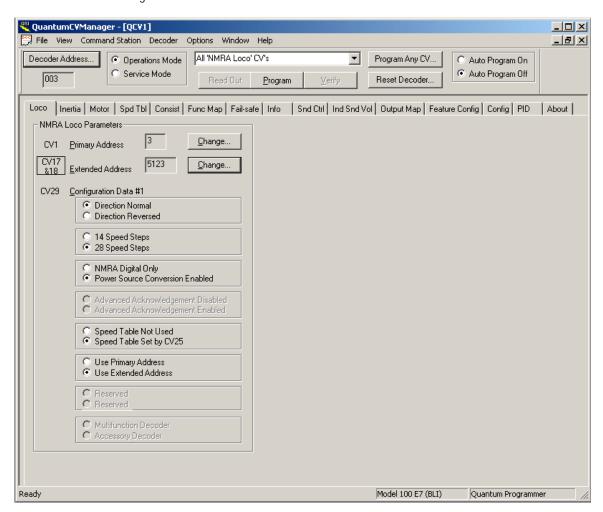


When you program the NMRA Loco Parameters CV's in Operations Mode, this dialog box is displayed:



QuantumCVManager detects the conflict between the working Decoder Address and the about to be programmed locomotive Extended Address. It proposes to use the working short address of "3" to program CV17, CV18, and CV29 and then change the working Decoder Address to Long Address "5123".

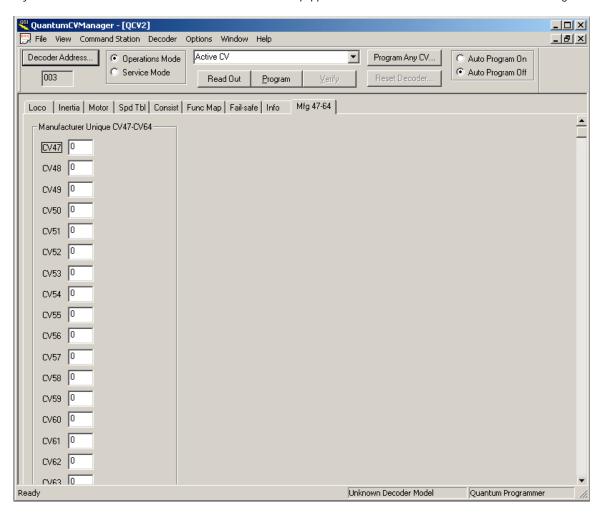
This is the result of clicking on "OK":



Here the working Decoder Address has been automatically changed to "05123" to match the locomotive's new CV17, CV18, and CV29 values.

# Non QSI Equipped Locomotives

If you create a document for a locomotive that is not QSI equipped, then the document window is somewhat changed:



The main difference is in the Manufacturer Unique CV's 47-64. A single tabbed page is provided. You can either type CV values into the edit box to the right of each CV text label or you can use the right mouse button to display a popup menu with the "Edit CV..." command. Auto Program does not apply to CV's 49-64 for non QSI decoders.

In the Motor tabbed page, the CV25 list box is replaced with an Edit Box. Auto Program does not apply to changes to CV25.

A few commands are disabled. These include

Decoder Menu:

Reset Decoder to Defaults...

### **Test Cabs**

In Operations Mode, Test Cabs can be used to operate a locomotive.

There are two types of Test Cabs: attached and unattached.

A Test Cab is attached to each document and is displayed when the document is created or opened. An attached Test Cab follows changes made to its document.

Unattached Test Cabs do not follow changes made to a document. There are 4 unattached Test Cabs, numbered 1, 2, 3 and 4.

To show Test Cab #1, click on the View menu item "Show Test Cab #1". To hide the Test Cab #1 either close it by clicking on the "X" button in the upper right corner, or click on the View menu item "Hide Test Cab #1".

If a Test Cab is visible and you switch to Service Mode, the Test Cab will be hidden until you return to Operations Mode.



#### Loco

At the top of the Test Cab, you select the address of the locomotive you wish to operate from the list provided. The default address is short address 3.

Test Cabs attached to a document follow changes made to the working Decoder Address which is displayed at the left end of the control bar.

For unattached Test Cabs, the Test Cab loco address is independent from the QuantumCVManager working Decoder Address.

Short addresses are displayed as 3 digit numbers, padded with leading zeros if necessary. For example, "003" means short address 3.

Long addresses are displayed as 5 digit numbers, padded with leading zeros if necessary. For example, "00003" means long address 3.

You can add additional addresses to the list by pressing "Add..." causing a dialog box to appear where you can enter the new address.

You can remove unwanted addresses from the list by selecting the address you want to remove and pressing "Del".

#### Speed

To increase your locomotive's speed, move the throttle slide bar to the right. The speed step minus 1 is shown in the box to the immediate right of "Speed". You can select between 14, 28 and 128 speed steps from the list box.

Press one of the four buttons just below the throttle slide bar to decrease or increase the speed by the shown fixed amount.

Switch direction by clicking on the "Forward" or "Reverse" buttons.

"Emergency Stop" brings your locomotive to an immediate stop.

### **Function Keys**

F0...F12 are supported.

When a function key state is 1 (ON), the button is highlighted with red.

FL is the same as F0.

The "Bell" button is an alternative to "F1". Bell and F1 provide the same functionality. When either Bell or F1 is pressed ON, the bell plays. When either is pressed again to OFF, the bell stops playing.

The "Horn" button is an alternative to F2. "Horn" and "F2" provide the same functionality, but work differently. When the Horn button is held down, the horn plays. When you release the Horn button, the horn stops. When you press F2, the function key turns ON and horn plays, and continues to play when you release the F2 button. You must press F2 again to turn the horn oOFF.

When you move the cursor over a Function Key of a Test Cab attached to a document, a balloon help message is displayed describing the feature controlled by that function key. The feature is determined from CV33 thru CV46 settings and CV53 settings. If CV33-46 specifies more than one output, only the lowest numbered output is used.

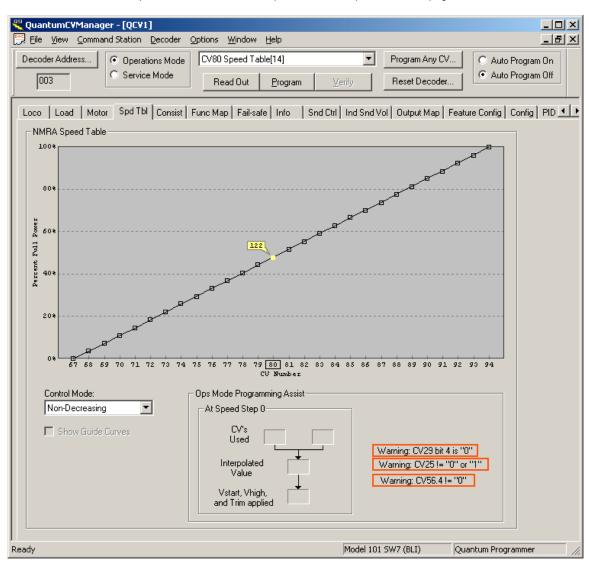
### Disable Main Track

This is a quick way to turn off power to the main track. It is a shortcut for the "Command Station | Disable Main Track" menu item.

Power to the main track is turned on automatically when you press any function key or move the throttle.

# **User Defined Speed Table**

The NMRA User Defined Speed Table, CVs 64-97, is specified in the "Spd Tbl" tabbed page.



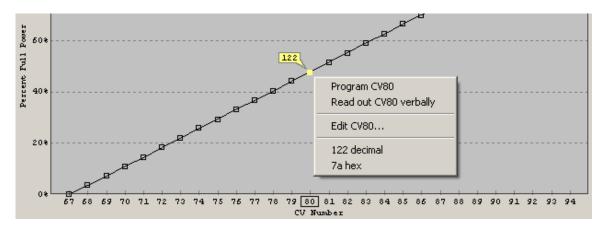
To change one of these CV values, move the cursor over the corresponding square drag box, press the left mouse button, and drag the box up to increase the CV value, or down to decrease the CV value.

The active CV drag box is highlighted in yellow or blue. The value of the active CV is displayed in yellow or blue at the upper left of its drag box. The active CV number at the bottom of the graph is outlined in black or red.

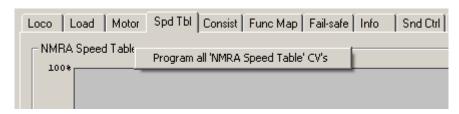
When the active CV drag box is yellow and the CV value is highlighted in yellow, the CV has the keyboard focus, and you can use the keypad to increase or decrease the CV value. The up arrow increases the CV value, and the down arrow decreases the CV value.

If "Auto Program On" is selected, the active CV number is outlined in red. Beware that when "Auto Program On" is selected, more than one CV may be programmed when you move the drag box for a CV, requiring several seconds to program the entire range of affected CV's. The range of CV's affected depends on the control mode (see below).

If you move the cursor over a CV drag box or a CV number at the bottom of the graph and press the right mouse button, a popup menu is displayed. For example,



If you move the cursor over the "NMRA Speed Table" text and press the right mouse button, a popup menu pertaining to all the Speed Table CV's is displayed.



#### **Control Modes**

Several Control Modes are provided. The default "Non-Decreasing" mode makes sure that each CV to the right of the active CV has a value equal to or greater than the value of the active CV, and each CV to the left of the active CV has a value equal to or less than the value of the active CV.

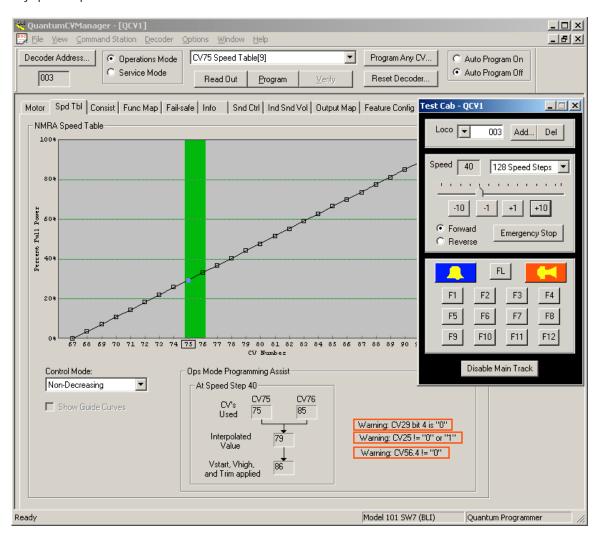
If you do not want this restriction enforced, select the "Unrestricted" control mode.

Several linear modes are provided. You can use 2, 3, 4, or 5 control points. Only the control points can be changed by dragging the CV drag box up or down. The values of the CVs between the control points are restricted to lie on a straight line between the two control points. CV 67 and CV97 are always two of the control points. For the 3, 4, or 5 control point modes, you can select which CV is a control point by dragging the dotted vertical line to the left or right.

Using the "Exponential" mode, you can drag any of the CV drag boxes up or down. The remaining CV values are also increased or decreased to lie on the exponential curve passing through the CV you just dragged. If the "Show Guide Curves" is checked, graphs of ten exponential curves are displayed. The guide curves correspond to the ten predefined speed curves that you can select in CV25.

## **Ops Mode Programming Assist**

QuantumCVManager makes it easy to match a Quantum equipped locomotive's speed profile to that of a "standard" locomotive. QuantumCVManager can show you what CV's to adjust to match the speed of the standard locomotive at any speed step.



Any changes to the attached Test Cab throttle are followed in the "Spd Tbl" page. QuantumCVManager determines that at speed step 40, CV75 and CV76 are used by the locomotive to determine the percentage of power to be applied to the motor. It shows the value of each CV and the interpolated value since speed step 40 corresponds to a point between CV75 and CV76 on the speed curve. The actual power applied to the motor after Vstart (CV2), Vhigh (CV5) and Forward or Reverse Trim (CV66 or CV95) are applied is shown.

You can verify that this is the power applied to the motor via the status report. If the PWM box is checked in CV55.178.0, pressing F10 on the Test Cab will cause the locomotive to speak out the PWM value being applied to the motor.

There are several things that can go wrong in this process. QuantumCVManager can detect the four main reasons and display warning messages as shown outlined in red in the above example:

Cab Address != Decoder Address CV29 bit 4 is "0" CV25 != '0' or "1" CV56.4 != "0" First, the Test Cab address does not match the working Decoder Address. If you program any CV's, the commands are addressed to locomotive "003". But the Test Cab #1 commands are addressed to locomotive "004". Change one or both addresses so that both sets of commands are addressed to the same locomotive.

Second, CV29 bit 4 must be "1" to enable speed tables to be used. Go to the "Loco" tabbed page and select "Speed Table Set by CV25". Remember to program CV29.

Third, CV25 must be "0" or "1". Go to the "Motor" tabbed page and select "0 User Defined Speed Table (CV67-CV94)". If "Auto Program On" is not selected, remember to program CV25.

Fourth, CV56.4 should be "0" for "Standard Throttle Control". Only in this throttle mode are you guaranteed that the PWM calculated from the speed table is the value actually applied to the motor. In the other throttle modes, even if speed tables are used, the actual PWM is determined from the PID control loop in order to match a certain speed. Go to the "Config" tabbed page and select "Standard Throttle Control" for CV56.4.

When you correct these conditions, the corresponding warnings disappear from the "Spd Tbl" page.

### **Command Station**

QuantumCVManager currently supports only two types of command stations:

NCE Powerhouse Quantum Programmer

Select the command station you want to use via the "Command Station | Select Command Station" menu item.

The command station currently in use is displayed in the lower right corner of the status bar.

The default command station is "Quantum Programmer".

Note: When you exit QuantumCVManager, power to the main track is not automatically turned off. Use the "Disable Main Track" command before you exit.

#### **NCE Powerhouse**

The NCE Powerhouse uses RS232. If this command station is selected, you can select the Comm Port and Baud Rate to be used via the "Command Station | Command Station Options | NCE Powerhouse Options..." menu item.

QuantumCVManager works with the NCE Powerhouse in both Operations Mode and Service Mode.

QSI equipped locomotives work well with the NCE Powerhouse in Operations Mode. For reliable Service Mode programming, a simple, inexpensive power booster may be required. This booster, PowerPak™ by DCC Specialties, can be purchased from Tony's Train Exchange®.

### **Quantum Programmer**

The Quantum Programmer uses USB. Two different USB drivers are supported: the standard SiLabs USB driver and the SiLabs Virtual Comm Port driver.

Use the "Command Station | Command Station Options | Quantum Programmer Options..." menu item to select the driver and to specify the Comm Port if the VCP driver is to be used.

QuantumCVManager works with the Quantum Programmer in both Operations Mode and Service Mode. Operations Mode support is limited. Currently only one locomotive can be controlled at a time. Possibly you could control more than one locomotive with the same address or a single advanced consist, but due to the limited power output of the Quantum Programmer, this is not advised.

The Quantum Programmer was specifically designed to work with QSI equipped locomotives. Although it uses standard NMRA DCC protocols, very limited testing has been performed with other manufacturer's decoders. QSI makes no claims as to whether the Quantum Programmer can or cannot be used with other manufacturer's decoders. Use other manufacturer's decoders with Quantum Programmer at your own risk.

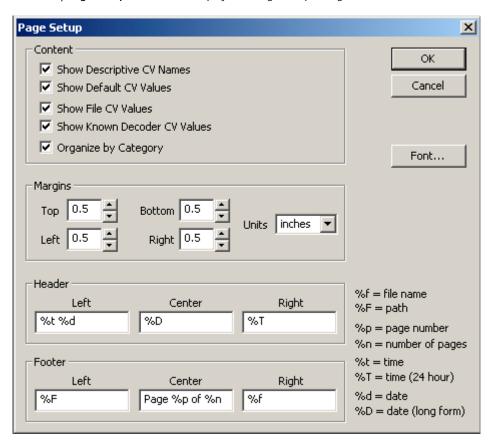
# **Printing**

Use the "File | Print..." command to print the active document.

Use the "File | Print Preview" command to display on the screen what the printed document will look like. Depending on the font used, the text on the preview screen image may not look exactly correct. This is due to the way the system approximates the printer font as it is rendered on the video screen.

Use the "File | Print Setup..." command to select the printer and choose among options the printer supports.

The "File | Page Setup..." command displays the Page Setup dialog.



The printed content always includes the CV number and the CV value. In the "Content" group, select which additional columns of information you want printed. Select also whether you want the CV's organized by category or printed out in order of CV number.

Use the "Font..." button to select from the available printer fonts.

In the "Margins" group, specify how far from each edge of the page the text should begin and end. You can use inches or centimeters.

In the "Header" and "Footer" groups, type in the text to be printed at the top and bottom of each page. You can type in special format fields which are filled in automatically as each page is printed. The available format fields are shown to the right of the Header and Footer groups in the dialog box above. Each format field starts with a '%'. You can mix format fields with regular text as shown the Center Footer box above. If you want the regular text to include a '%', type "%%".

Using the above Header specifications would result in a header looking something like this:

3:47 PM 05/22/07 Tuesday, May 22, 2007 15:47:24

Using the above Footer specifications would result in a footer looking something like this:

CNDacuments and Settings OwnerMy Documents QCV1.qc; Page 1 of 4 QCV1.qc;

## **QCV Files**

QuantumCVManager documents are saved as QCV files. These files are text files which are displayable by any text editor. Here is an example of a QCV file:

DecoderType=0 QuantumModel=100 CV1=3 CV2=28 CV3=0 CV4=0 CV5=1 CV6=0 CV7=0 CV8=113 CV9=0 CV10=0 CV11=1 CV12=0 CV13=0 CV14=0 CV15=0 CV16=0 CV17=212 CV18=3 CV19=0 CV20=0 CV21=0 CV22=0 CV23=0 CV24=0 CV25=2 CV26=0 CV27=0 CV28=0 CV29=38 CV30=0 CV31=0 CV32=0 CV33=3 CV34=3 CV35=4 CV36=8 CV37=16 CV38=4 CV39=8 CV40=16 CV41=32 CV42=64 CV43=16 CV44=32 CV45=64 CV46=128 CV47=0 CV48=0 CV51.0=109 CV51.1=0 CV51.2=1 CV52.0=11 CV52.8=11 CV52.10=11 CV52.13=11 CV52.14=11 CV52.15=11 CV52.16=11 CV52.19=11 CV52.21=11

CV52.22=11

CV52.24=11

CV52.28=11

CV52.34=11

CV52.37=11

CV52.40=11

CV53.1.0=136

CV53.1.1=136

CV53.2.0=136

CV53.2.1=136

CV53.3.0=3

CV53.3.1=3

CV53.4.0=1

CV53.4.1=1

CV53.5.0=211

CV53.5.1=211

CV53.6.0=8

CV53.6.1=8

CV53.7.0=5

CV53.7.1=5

CV53.8.0=65

CV53.8.1=144 CV53.9.0=216

CV53.9.1=9

CV53.10.0=64

CV53.10.1=64

CV53.11.0=179

CV53.11.1=145

CV53.12.0=178

CV53.12.1=178

CV53.13.0=137

CV53.13.1=137

CV53.14.0=138

CV53.14.1=138

CV55.3.0=2

CV55.3.1=1

CV55.70.0=1 CV55.70.1=86

CV55.70.10=192

CV55.73.0=1

CV55.73.1=101

CV55.73.10=192

CV55.76.0=1

CV55.76.1=3

CV55.76.2=1

CV55.76.3=1

CV55.76.4=1 CV55.76.10=32

CV55.80.0=1

CV55.80.1=1

CV55.80.2=1

CV55.80.3=3

CV55.80.4=1 CV55.80.10=192

CV55.84.0=1

CV55.84.1=6

CV55.84.2=0

CV55.84.3=0

CV55.84.4=0

CV55.84.5=5CV55.100.0=1

CV55.100.1=85

CV55.102.0=1

CV55.102.1=85

CV55.104.0=1 CV55.104.1=85

CV55.106.0=1

CV55.106.1=85

CV55.112.0=1

CV55.112.1=85 CV55.114.0=1

CV55.114.1=85

CV55.116.0=1

CV55.116.1=68

CV55.118.0=1

CV55.118.1=68

CV55.136.0=255

CV55.136.1=0

CV55.136.2=0

CV55.137.0=0

CV55.137.1=255

CV55.137.2=0

CV55.138.0=0

CV55.138.1=0

CV55.138.2=255

CV55.178.0=1

CV56.0=0

CV56.4=1

CV56.5=2

CV56.10=64

CV56.12=32

CV56.18.0=20

CV56.18.1=2

CV56.18.2=60

CV56.19.0=16

CV56.19.1=2

CV56.19.2=16

CV56.20.0=10

CV56.20.1=2 CV56.20.2=10

CV56.21.0=7

CV56.21.1=2

CV56.21.2=2

CV65=0

CV66=146

CV67=0

CV68=9 CV69=18

CV70=28

CV71=37

CV72=47

CV73=56

CV74=66

CV75=75

CV76=85 CV77=94

CV78=103

CV79=113

CV80=122

CV81=132

CV82=141

CV83=151 CV84=160

CV85=170

CV86=179

CV87=188

CV88=198

CV89=207

CV90=217

CV91=226 CV92=236

CV76=245

CV94=255

CV95=128

CV96=0

CV97=0 CV98=0

CV99=0

CV100=0

CV101=0

CV102=0

CV103=0 CV104=0 CV105=0 CV106=0

# **Trouble Shooting**

#### Reset All CV's does not work in Service Mode

In Service Mode, using the NCE Powerhouse, reset "All CV's" may not work correctly because the NCE shuts off the track power too soon for all of the CV's to be reset. You may have to do several reset operations, each operation a reset of a smaller range of CV's.

#### First Ops Mode Program or Read out does not work

In Ops Mode you may find you have to repeat the first request to program or read out a locomotive's CV. The first attempt merely turns the locomotive's sounds on but the program or read out request is discarded during Ops Mode initialization. On the second attempt, the locomotive programs the CV or speaks out the CV value. In general in Ops Mode make sure the locomotive is in Ops Mode, indicated by its making sounds, before attempting to program or read out a CV.

#### Retrieve, Verify or Read out does not work

You may find that you can apparently program a CV, but you cannot Retrieve, Verify or have the locomotive Read out the CV value. If that is the case, then probably that CV is not supported by the locomotive. For example, if you attempt to verify CV6, you will get a "NA" indication. If you attempt to read out CV6, the locomotive will announce only "C V 6". If CV6 were supported by the locomotive, and the value of CV6 were "128", for example, the locomotive would announce "C V 6 equals one two eight".

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