## Using the PXI<sup>™</sup>-8150B Series Controller in a PXI-1025 Chassis

The following steps describe how to set up your PXI-8150B series controller card in a PXI-1025 chassis.



**Note** Before getting started, you must have an external VGA monitor. If your PXI controller came with Windows NT, you must have access to a PC with Windows 98/95 installed to create a boot disk.

## Step 1. Set the LCD Display Resolution

Set the LCD display resolution on your controller to  $800 \times 600$  by removing a hardware jumper. Refer to Figure 1 to remove the jumper from location W17.

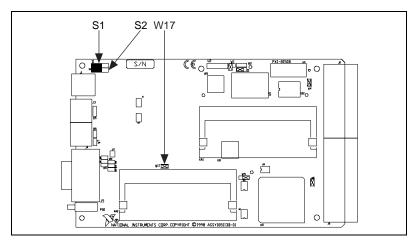


Figure 1. Switches and Jumper Used for PXI-1025 Setup on PXI-8150B Series CPU Board

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### Step 2. Switch Keyboard and Mouse Routing for Internal Connection

Slide the two switches (S1 and S2) away from the front panel of the controller. As the switches are shown in Figure 1, slide them to the right.

# Step 3. Update the Controller BIOS to Route the Video Signals to the LCD Display

This step includes four sub-steps: creating a boot disk, copying the BIOS update files to your newly created boot disk, setting the controller boot sequence to boot from the floppy drive, and setting the BIOS to enable the LCD signals.

#### Step 3a. Create a Boot Disk

You can use any PC with Windows 98/95 installed, or use your PXI-8150B Series controller with Windows 98 installed to create the boot disk. If you want to use your PXI controller, insert it into Slot 1 of your chassis and connect it to an external monitor to create the boot disk. If your PXI controller has Windows NT, you cannot use it to create the Windows 98/95 boot disk; you must use another PC.

- 1. Power on your PC or PXI system. If this is the first time you boot your PXI controller, follow the instructions on the screen to register your operating system and to register any installed software options.
- 2. Double-click the **My Computer** icon on your Windows desktop.
- 3. Right-click the **Floppy** (A:) icon.
- 4. Select **Format** from the pop-up menu.
- 5. Select Copy system files only.
- 6. Insert a floppy disk into your floppy drive and click the **Start** button. This creates your boot disk.

#### Step 3b. Copy BIOS Update Files to Boot Disk

Copy the entire contents of the floppy disk labeled *PXI-8150B Update Files for Use With a PXI-1020/1025 Chassis*, which is included with your controller, to the root directory of the boot disk.

#### Step 3c. Set the Controller Boot Sequence to Boot from the Floppy Drive

- 1. Insert your controller into Slot 1 of your PXI-1025 chassis and connect an external monitor to the VGA port.
- 2. Insert the boot disk into the floppy drive of your PXI controller.
- 3. Enter into the CMOS Setup Utility by turning on your PXI system and hitting the <Delete> key during boot-up.
- From the main CMOS Setup Utility screen, select BIOS FEATURES SETUP using the arrow keys and then hit <Enter>.
- 5. In the **BIOS FEATURES SETUP** screen, use the arrow keys to highlight the boot sequence entry and change it to A, C, SCSI by hitting the <Page Up> key.
- 6. Hit the <Esc> key once to return to the main CMOS Setup Utility Screen and then hit the <F10> key to save and exit. Reply to the prompt by typing Y to confirm saving the new CMOS settings.
- 7. Your controller will now boot from the floppy drive.

#### Step 3d. Set the Controller BIOS to Enable the LCD Signals

- 1. Follow the instructions on the screen to update the FLASH BIOS to enable the LCD function.
- 2. Power off the system.
- 3. Remove the floppy disk from the floppy drive.
- 4. Reboot the system with the external monitor still connected. If this is the first time you boot your PXI controller from the hard disk, follow the instructions on the screen to register your operating system and to register any installed software options.
- 5. Select **Start**»**Control Panel**»**Display** to set the display resolution to  $800 \times 600$ .
- 6. Shut down Windows and power off your PXI-1025 chassis.
- 7. Remove the VGA cable from the PXI controller.
- 8. Reboot the system and verify that your LCD is working.

