This describes how to install the batteries and start up the ML255 for the first time.

**Step 1** Install the batteries

Note: Ensure there is no power connected externally and that the battery DIP switches are in the OFF position.

Note: If batteries are already installed, begin with step 5.

1. Remove the battery holder from the ML255 converter by removing the two screws and lock washers holding it in place.
2. Place two double battery packs (part number AGM009) on the ML255 battery holder.
3. Secure the battery packs to the battery holder using tie wraps.
4. Re-install the battery holder into the converter using the previously removed screws and washers.
5. Plug the battery pack connectors into the B1 and B2 sockets on the main board.
6. Wait one minute.
7. Move battery DIP switch B1/B2 to ON. The converter will start to power up and the red CPU LED will turn on solid. It will then begin flashing after it completes booting. Powering up may take 2-3 minutes.

**Step 2** Set the time and date

Each time the ML255 is powered up, the time and date need to be set immediately after the system finishes initialization.

1. Allow the converter to complete its initialization sequence.
2. Press the Enter/Esc button to open the Quick Start menu. If the Quick Start menu is not enabled, skip step 3.
3. Navigate to the Main Menu using the Up/Down arrow key and press Enter.
4. Enter your level 2 access code (default is 000002) and press Enter.
5. Navigate to 9-Data logger with the Up/Down arrow key and press Enter/Esc.
6. Select the time and date and press Enter to edit.
7. Using the Right/Left arrow key to navigate and the Up/Down arrow key to change the data, enter the date and time. Press Enter/Esc to accept the date and time.
8. Long press the Enter/Esc key twice to return to the main display.