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FCC 47 CFR Part 90.219 Class A UHF Signal Booster Test Report

APPLICANT	Radio Solutions, Inc.
FCC ID	2AHVPSB400M3A
MODEL NUMBER	SB400M3
PRODUCT DESCRIPTION	UHF Industrial Booster - Class A
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SIGNATURE PAGE

Timco Engineering, Inc. attests that:

☒	The EUT tested herein **fulfills** all approval requirements and/or the customer requirements as identified in this test report.
☐	The EUT tested herein **does not fulfill** all approval requirements and/or the customer requirements as identified in this test report.

This report relates only to the Equipment Under Test (EUT) sample(s) tested.

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To the best of my knowledge and belief, this device has been tested in accordance with the standards identified in this test report, and these tests were performed using the measurement procedures described in this report.

All instrumentation and accessories used to test products for compliance to the indicated standards are calibrated regularly in accordance with ISO 17025 requirements.

I attest that measurements were made at:

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Date 07/22/2020

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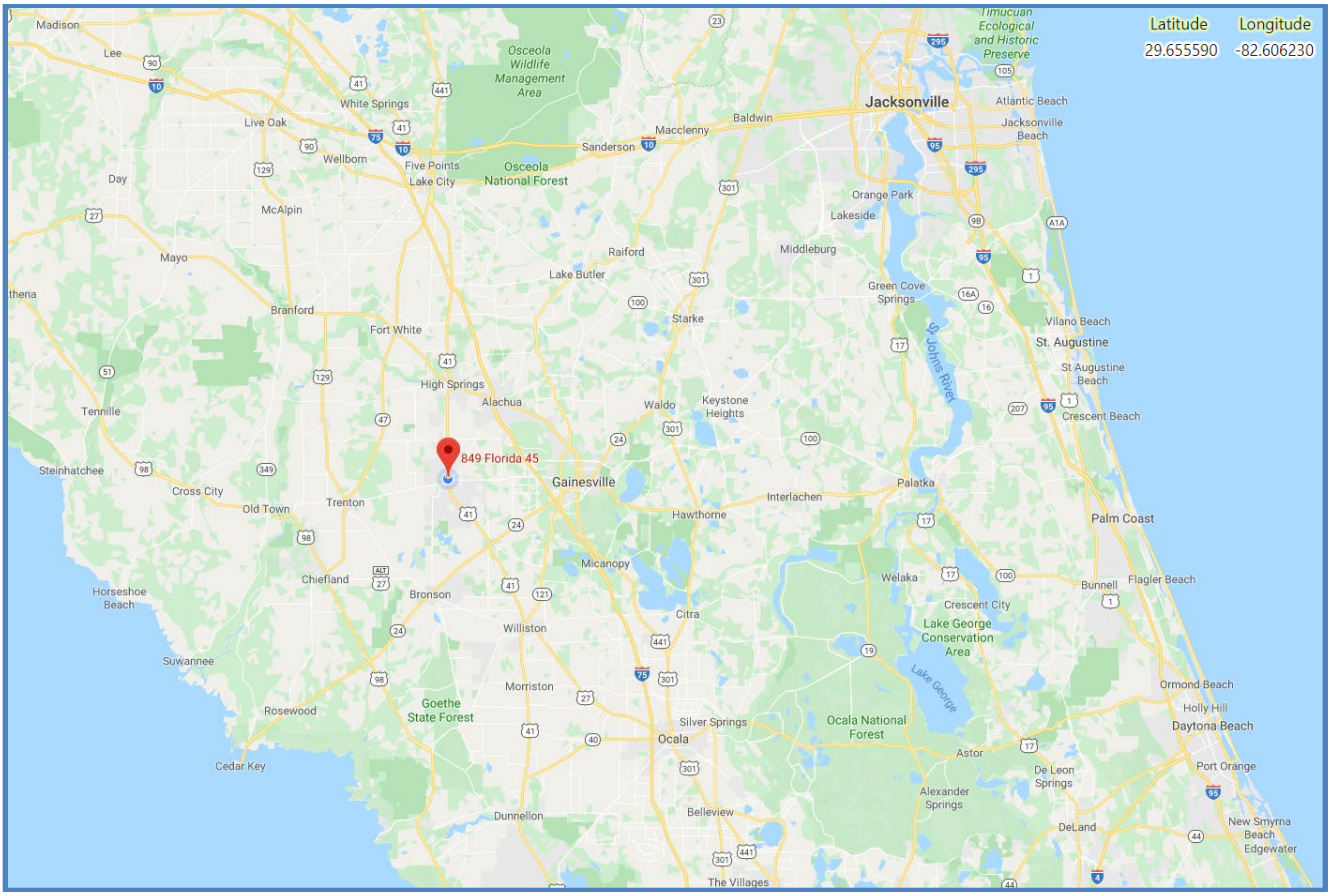

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Vietnam	U.S. CABs Recognized by Vietnam MIC Under MRA

TEST INFORMATION

Report Version	Description	Issue Date
Rev1	Initial Issue	07/22/2020
Rev2	Added Input Signals to IVO testing	08/12/2020
Rev3		
Rev4		
Rev5		
Rev6		

Test Conditions	Temperature during testing: 26ºC, Humidity during testing: 50%
Test Exercise	The EUT was operated in accordance with the service manual using software supplied by the manufacturer.
Applicable Standards	ANSI/TIA 603-E, March 2016 ANSI C63.26, December 11, 2015 FCC CFR 47 Part 2, December 5, 2020 FCC CFR 47 Part 90, November 25, 2020
Test Facility	Timco Engineering Inc. at 849 NW State Road 45 Newberry, FL 32669 USA

The present document shall be constructed per the guidelines found in KDB 484596 D01 "Referencing Test Data" v01, due to the re-use of test data.

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EUT INFORMATION

EUT Description	UHF Industrial Booster - Class A		
Model Number	SB400M3		
Modified for Testing	☐		
Modification			
Antenna Connector	☐ UHF	☐ BNC	☒ N
	☐ TNC	☐ SMA	☐ Other
EUT Power Source	☐ AC Power (110-120 V)	☒ DC Power (28 V)	☐ DC Battery (7.4 V)
Test Item	☐ Engineering Prototype	☒ Pre-Production	☐ Post-Production
Type of Equipment	☒ Fixed	☐ Mobile	☐ Portable

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90.7 DEFINITIONS

(a) *Definitions.* The definitions in this paragraph apply only to the rules in this section.

Class A signal booster. A signal booster designed to retransmit signals on one or more specific channels. A signal booster is deemed to be a Class A signal booster if none of its passbands exceed 75 kHz.

Class B signal booster. A signal booster designed to retransmit any signals within a wide frequency band. A signal booster is deemed to be a Class B signal booster if it has a passband that exceeds 75 kHz.

Coverage area of a PLMRS station. All locations within the normal reliable operating range (service contour) of a PLMRS station.

Deploy a signal booster. Install and/or initially adjust a signal booster.

Distributed Antenna System (DAS). A network of spatially separated antenna nodes connected to a common source via a transport medium that provides wireless service within a geographic area or structure.

Operate a signal booster. Maintain operational control over, and responsibility for the proper functioning of, a signal booster.

Signal booster. A device or system that automatically receives, amplifies, and retransmits signals from wireless stations into and out of building interiors, tunnels, shielded outdoor areas and other locations where these signals would otherwise be too weak for reliable communications. Signal booster systems may contain both Class A and Class B signal boosters as components.

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KDB 935210 EQUIPMENT CLASSES

C.1 Applicable equipment classes

Equipment classes to be used for signal booster device applications are shown in Table C.1.[14] An applicant or agent or test lab should submit a KDB inquiry providing device details to get FCC guidance in case equipment class and/or allowed composite-application conditions are unclear for any specific device.

Table C.1 – Form-731 Equipment Classes for Licensed-Service Signal Booster and Related Equipment Types

B2W	Part 20 Wideband Consumer Booster (CMRS 22/24/27/90-S)
B2P	Part 20 Provider-Specific Consumer Booster (CMRS 22/24/27/90-S)
B2I	Part 20 Industrial Booster (CMRS 22/24/27/90-S)
B9A	Part 90 Class A Industrial Booster (PLMRS, PSRS, non-cellular SMR)
B9B	Part 90 Class B Industrial Booster (PLMRS, PSRS, non-cellular SMR)
BOS	Other signal boosters (not subject to Sections 20.21, 90.219; also for some frequencies not listed in Table D.1 and Table D.2 of this document)
AMP	Amplifier (i.e., ERFPA)
PCB	PCS Licensed Transmitter (new grants for booster devices use Bxx equipment classes)
TNB	Licensed Non-Broadcast Station Transmitter (new grants for booster devices use Bxx equipment classes)
NOTE 1–For background, since the early 2000s FCC OET policy was that the equipment class AMP is used for basic unidirectional-path signal amplifier devices, and equipment classes PCB or TNB for all other signal booster and related device types. NOTE 2–In the above, 90-S refers to Part 90 Subpart S, i.e., ESMR per Sections 90.209(b)(7), 90.614(b), (c).	

[14] The EAS Form-731 equipment class is a three character code which is used by FCC to define a type of equipment and the radio service in which it is used; (https://apps.fcc.gov/oetcf/eas/reports/EquipmentRulesList.cfm).
In many cases the rule part and type of operation intended (i.e. portable, mobile, base station, handheld, etc) can be determined from the equipment class.
The equipment class also generally determines the required exhibit types in a Form-731 application [§§ 2.1033(c), 2.911(c)] (https://apps.fcc.gov/oetcf/eas/misc/EasFaq.cfm).

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KDB 935210 TEST METHODOLOGIES

☐ a) For ERFPA
   1) In one enclosure
      i) Equipment Class – AMP
      ii) List AMP in frequency tolerance field of Form 731
      iii) List emission designators without necessary bandwidth (e.g., F3E, F1D)
   2) In two enclosures – Does not exist (if it does, use same entries as for one enclosure)
   3) Testing of ERFPA devices should generally apply the guidance and procedures of KDB Publications 935210 D05 and 971168 [R25].

☒ b) For Booster
   1) In one enclosure
      i) Equipment Class – BOS, B2I, B9A, or B9B
      ii) List AMP in frequency tolerance field of Form 731
      iii) List emission designators without necessary bandwidth (e.g., F3E, F1D)
      iv) List in Form-731 description or comments field the word "booster"
   2) In two enclosures (host/remote)
      i) Two separate FCC IDs/applications
      ii) Equipment Class – BOS, B2I, B9A, or B9B
      iii) List AMP in frequency tolerance field of Form 731
      iv) List emission designators without necessary bandwidth (e.g., F3E, F1D)
      v) List in comments field the words "Part of booster system used with FCC ID: xxxyyy." (Where xxxyyy is FCC ID of other device(s) in system).

☐ c) For Repeater
   1) In one enclosure
      i) Equipment Class – BOS, B2I, B9A, or B9B
      ii) List AMP in frequency tolerance field of Form 731 if device contains no frequency translation; otherwise, measure frequency tolerance and list.
      iii) List in comments field the word "repeater"
   2) In two enclosures (host/remote)
      i) Two separate FCC IDs/applications
      ii) Equipment Class – BOS, B2I, B9A, or B9B
      iii) List AMP in frequency tolerance field of Form 731 if device contains no frequency translation; otherwise, measure frequency tolerance and list.
      iv) List in comments field the words "Part of repeater system used with FCC ID: xxxyyy." (Where xxxyyy is FCC ID of other device(s) in system).

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2.1033 APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

§2.1033 Application for certification.

(c) Applications for equipment other than that operating under parts 15, 11 and 18 of this chapter shall be accompanied by a technical report containing the following information:

Application Requirement	Requirement	Information
2.1033(c)(1)	The full name and mailing address of the applicant for certification	Radio Solutions, Inc. 55 Accord Park Drive Norwell MA 2061
2.1033(c)(2)	FCC Identifier	2AHVPSB400M3A
2.1033(c)(4) 2.1033(c)(13)	Type(s) of Emission & description of Digital Modulation Techniques	☒
2.1033(c)(5)	Frequency Range	406.1 – 512 MHz
2.1033(c)(6),(7)	Range of operating power or specific operating power levels, and Maximum Power Rating.	5W
2.1033(c)(6)	Description of means to vary power	n/a
2.1033(c)(8)	The DC voltage & current at the final amplifier for normal operation	28 VDC * 3A = 84 W
2.1033(c)(14)	Test Results satisfying 2.1046 – 2.1057	☒
2.1033(c)(21)	Contain > 1 Drawing or Photograph of each test setup applicable to the device	☒

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90.203, 90.217 EXEMPTION FROM REQUIREMENTS

§90.217 Exemption from technical standards.

Except as noted herein, transmitters used at stations licensed below 800 MHz on any frequency listed in subparts B and C of this part or licensed on a business category channel above 800 MHz which have an output power not exceeding 120 milliwatts are exempt from the technical requirements set out in this subpart, but must instead comply with the following:

(a) For equipment designed to operate with a 25 kHz channel bandwidth, the sum of the bandwidth occupied by the emitted signal plus the bandwidth required for frequency stability shall be adjusted so that any emission appearing on a frequency 40 kHz or more removed from the assigned frequency is attenuated at least 30 dB below the unmodulated carrier.

(b) For equipment designed to operate with a 12.5 kHz channel bandwidth, the sum of the bandwidth occupied by the emitted signal plus the bandwidth required for frequency stability shall be adjusted so that any emission appearing on a frequency 25 kHz or more removed from the assigned frequency is attenuated at least 30 dB below the unmodulated carrier.

(c) For equipment designed to operate with a 6.25 kHz channel bandwidth, the sum of the bandwidth occupied by the emitted signal plus the bandwidth required for frequency stability shall be adjusted so that any emission appearing on a frequency 12.5 kHz or more removed from the assigned frequency is attenuated at least 30 dB below the unmodulated carrier.

(d) Transmitters may be operated in the continuous carrier transmit mode.

(e) Transmitters used for wireless microphone operations and operating on frequencies allocated for Federal use must comply with the requirements of §90.265(b).

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2.1033 MODULATION CHARACTERISTICS

Requirements: 2.1033(c)(4), 2.1033(c)(13)

Referencing: 2.202(g)

Analog Signals

Emission Designator	Description	Modulation Type	M (modulation Freq., kHz)	R (rate, baud)	D (deviation, kHz)	K (numeric constant)	S (symbols)	Bandwidth Calculation	Necessary Bandwidth
11K2F3E	Narrowband Analog FM Voice	FM	3.0	-	2.5	1.0	-	Bn = 2M + 2DK	11.00
16K0F3E	Wideband Analog FM Voice	FM	3.0	-	5.0	1.0	-		16.00

Digital Signals

Emission Designator	Description	Modulation Type	M (modulation Freq., kHz)	R (rate, baud)	D (deviation, kHz)	K (numeric constant)	S (symbols)	Bandwidth Calculation	Bn (necessary bandwidth, kHz)
8K10F1E	P25 Phase I C4FM Voice	4FSK	-	9600	1.8	0.916	4	$Bn = (R/\log_2 S) + 2DK$	8.10
8K10F1D	P25 Phase I C4FM Data	4FSK	-	9600	1.8	0.916	4		8.10
8K10F1W	P25 Phase II H-CPM Voice/Data	4FSK	-	9600	1.8	0.916	4		8.10

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Introduction (KDB 484596 Section 3 a)

In order to re-use data from the testing of previously certified equipment known as FCC ID 2AHVPSB400M3B, this document attests that the present filing for FCC ID 2AHVPSB400M3A is electrically identical to, and is equipped with identical software/firmware as the previous FCC ID 2AHVPSB400M3A by the same manufacturer.

The need to re-file identical equipment under a new FCC ID is due to the need to file using a different FCC Equipment Class for Industrial Booster devices with a different Class of passband width.

Explain the Differences (KDB 484596 Section 3 b)

Previous filing FCC ID 2AHVPSB400M3B was tested using a software filter setting that allowed passband channel widths above 75 kHz, however the present filing for FCC ID 2AHVPSB400M3A has been re-tested using a software filter setting limiting channel width to below 75 kHz, redefining it as a Class A device.

This necessitates a change in FCC 47 CFR Part 90 Equipment Class from B9B to B9A, which necessitates a new FCC ID and new Grant of Certification, though no change (electrical, software, or otherwise) has been made to the equipment in question.

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Spot Check Verification Data (KDB 484596 Section 3 c)

This has been merged together with the section, below.

Reference Section (KDB 484596 Section 3 d)

As required by KDB 484596, a matrix has been provided to disambiguate the source of data in the comparison of test results between FCC ID 2AHVPSB400M3B and FCC ID 2AHVPSB400M3A. All data identified as "identical" is being re-used from test report "2567-20_PT90 UHF Booster CLB TestReport" per KDB 484596.

Requirement	FCC ID 2AHVPSB400M3B	FCC ID 2AHVPSB400M3A
Modulation Characteristics	**Complies**	**Identical**
RF Power Output	**Complies**	**Identical**
Audio Frequency Response	**n/a**	**n/a**
Audio Low Pass Filter Response	**n/a**	**n/a**
Modulation Limiting	**n/a**	**n/a**
Occupied Bandwidth (99%)	**Complies**	**Identical**
Emission Masks	**Complies**	**Identical**
Conducted Spurious Emissions at Antenna Terminals	**Complies**	**Spot-Checked Class A Emission, Complies**
Radiated Field Strength of Spurious Emissions	**Complies**	**Spot-Checked Class A Emission, Complies**
Frequency Stability	**n/a**	**n/a**
Transient Frequency Response	**n/a**	**n/a**
Test Frequencies	**Complies**	**Identical**
Input Signals	**Complies**	**Identical**
AGC Threshold	**Complies**	**Identical**
Out-of-Band Rejection	**Complies**	**Spot-Checked Class A Emission, Complies**
Input vs. Output Signal Comparison	**Complies**	**Identical**
Amplifier Gain	**Complies**	**Identical**
Noise Figure	**Complies**	**Identical**
Intermodulation Product Spurious Emissions	**Complies**	**Identical**
Frequency Stability	**n/a**	**n/a**

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2.1041 MEASUREMENT PROCEDURE

§2.1041 Measurement procedure.

(a) For equipment operating under parts 15 and 18, the measurement procedures are specified in the rules governing the particular device for which certification is requested.

(b) For equipment operating in the authorized radio services, measurements are required as specified in §§2.1046, 2.1047, 2.1049, 2.1051, 2.1053, 2.1055 and 2.1057. The measurement procedures in ANSI C63.26-2015 (incorporated by reference, see §2.910) are acceptable for performing compliance measurements for equipment types covered by the measurement standard. See also §2.947 for acceptable measurement procedures.

2.1046 – 2.1055 TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

General Requirement (FCC PT 2)	Specific Requirement (FCC PT 90)	Requirement	Complies	N/A
2.1033		Modulation Characteristics	☒	☐
2.1046	90.205	RF Power Output	☒	☐
2.1047		Audio Frequency Response	☐	☒
2.1047		Audio Low Pass Filter Response	☐	☒
2.1047		Modulation Limiting	☐	☒
2.1049	90.209	Occupied Bandwidth (99%)	☒	☐
	90.210	Emission Masks	☒	☐
2.1051	90.210	Conducted Spurious Emissions at Antenna Terminals	☒	☐
2.1053	90.210	Radiated Field Strength of Spurious Emissions	☒	☐
2.1055	90.213	Frequency Stability	☐	☒
	90.214	Transient Frequency Response	☐	☒

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FCC 90.219 & KDB 935210 Technical Requirements

Applied Rule Part(s)	Requirement	Complies	N/A
KDB 935210 D02 APPENDIX D.3	Test Frequencies	(Reported Only)	
KDB 935210 s.4.1	Input Signals	(Reported Only)	
KDB 935210 s.4.2	AGC Threshold	(Reported Only)	
KDB 935210 s.4.3, FCC Pt. 90.219(a), FCC Pt. 90.219(d)(7)	Out-of-Band Rejection	☒	☐
KDB 935210 s.4.4, FCC Pt. 2.1049(c), FCC Pt. 90.219(e)(4)(ii), FCC Pt. 90.210(c)	Input vs. Output Signal Comparison	☒	☐
KDB 935210 s.4.5, FCC Pt. 90.219(e)(1), FCC Pt. 90.219(e)(4)(iii)	Amplifier Gain	☒	☐
KDB 935210 s.4.6, FCC Pt. 90.219(e)(2)	Noise Figure	☒	☐
KDB 935210 s.4.7.2 FCC Part 2.1051(a), FCC Pt. 90.219(d)(6)(i), FCC Pt. 90.219(e)(3)	Intermodulation Product Spurious Emissions	☒	☐
KDB 935210 s.4.8, FCC Part 2.1055(a)(1), FCC Part 2.1055(b), FCC Pt. 90.219(e)(4)(i)	Frequency Stability	☐	☒

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2.1057 FREQUENCY SPECTRUM TO BE INVESTIGATED

Requirements: 2.1057, ANSI C63.26 S 5.1.2

§2.1057 Frequency spectrum to be investigated.

(a) In all of the measurements set forth in §§2.1051 and 2.1053, the spectrum shall be investigated from the lowest radio frequency signal generated in the equipment, without going below 9 kHz, up to at least the frequency shown below:

(1) If the equipment operates below 10 GHz: to the tenth harmonic of the highest fundamental frequency or to 40 GHz, whichever is lower.

(2) If the equipment operates at or above 10 GHz and below 30 GHz: to the fifth harmonic of the highest fundamental frequency or to 100 GHz, whichever is lower.

(3) If the equipment operates at or above 30 GHz: to the fifth harmonic of the highest fundamental frequency or to 200 GHz, whichever is lower.

(b) Particular attention should be paid to harmonics and subharmonics of the carrier frequency as well as to those frequencies removed from the carrier by multiples of the oscillator frequency. Radiation at the frequencies of multiplier stages should also be checked.

(c) The amplitude of spurious emissions which are attenuated more than 20 dB below the permissible value need not be reported.

(d) Unless otherwise specified, measurements above 40 GHz shall be performed using a minimum resolution bandwidth of 1 MHz.

5.1.2 Number of fundamental frequencies to be tested in EUT transmit band

5.1.2.1 General requirement

Measurements of transmitters shall be performed and, if required, reported for each frequency band in which the EUT can be operated with the device transmitting at the number of frequencies in each band specified in Table 2.

Table 2—Number of frequencies to be tested

Frequency range over which EUT operates	Number of frequencies	Location in frequency range of operation
1 MHz or less	1	Middle
1 MHz to 10 MHz	2	1 near top and 1 near bottom
More than 10 MHz	3	1 near top, 1 near middle, and 1 near bottom

5.1.2.2 Test channels and test modes (streamlined test requirements)[25]

Measurement of all modes and all channels is not always necessary to demonstrate compliance. Regardless of the test reduction methods selected, a device must comply with all the applicable rule parts under all modes of operation. A detailed technical rationale must be provided as justification for the selection of a subset of operational modes as being representative of "worst case" conditions.

[25] Use of the procedures in 5.1.2.2 is subject to the discretion of the regulatory authority.

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KDB 935210 D02 APPENDIX D.3 TEST FREQUENCIES

Table D.3 – Various Part 90 PLMRS band allocations, rule parts/sections, and service types for Section 90.219 purposes (for info only – see rules for details, also KDB Publication 634817 [R14])

F_L (MHz)	–	F_L (MHz)	Rule(s)	Misc. Notes
406.1	–	420	90.265	
420	–	421	ULS presently shows no licensees for 420-420.9 MHz	
421	–	430	90	
430	–	450	Not available under 90 Subparts B, C land mobile service	
450	–	470	90 (selected bands)	
470	–	512	90	

The EUT will utilize the bands:

Operation	Band	Test Frequencies	Notes
PLMRS/PSRS	406.1 – 448 MHz	406.1125 MHz	Uplink
PLMRS/PSRS	448 – 466 MHz	450.0125 MHz	Uplink
PLMRS/PSRS	466 – 484.5 MHz	469.9875 MHz	Downlink
PLMRS/PSRS	484.5 - 512 MHz	512.9875 MHz	Downlink

Note: Each range was represented using equipment in which the internal amplifiers were tuned as stated above, in order to cover the entire UHF band. Upon deployment, the Uplink and Downlink frequencies will be assigned specifically to need and will not cover the entire band as was done here. Therefore, the testing performed in this document represents the worst-use case scenario.

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KDB 935210 S. 4.1 TEST SIGNALS

The procedures in this clause are specific to EUTs intended for operating in the Private Land Mobile Radio Services (PLMRS) and Public Safety Radio Services (PSRS)[5], which are governed under the provisions and requirements of the Part 90 rules (i.e., Section 90.219 applies).

Table 1 depicts signal types associated with PLMRS operations, which are to be considered as test signals to be used in performing compliance testing on PLMRS amplifiers, repeaters, and industrial boosters. Not all of the procedures in this clause will require using each of the signals listed in Table 1, because for many EUTs a CW tone can adequately model the narrowband signals typically encountered within these services. For EUTs supporting digitally modulated signals, the intended operating signal types should be tested (e.g., P25 Phase 1, P25 Phase 2, TETRA, etc.), especially for PSRS devices. Devices intended for use in 700 MHz Public Safety Broadband spectrum shall be tested using a representative band-limited AWGN signal (99 % OBW of 4.1 MHz) or the applicable signal type (e.g., LTE).

Table 1—Test signals for PLMRS devices

Emission Designator	Modulation	Occupied Bandwidth	Channel Bandwidth	Audio Frequency
16K0F3E	FM	16 kHz	25 kHz	1 kHz
11K3F3E	FM	11.3 kHz	12.5 kHz	1 kHz
4K00F1E	FM	4 kHz	6.25 kHz	1 kHz
N/A	CW	N/A	N/A	N/A

[5] As explained in § 90.16, Public Safety Radio Services is part of the Public Safety Radio Pool, also known as the Public Safety Pool.

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KDB 935210 S. 4.2 AGC LEVEL

Testing at and above the AGC threshold will be required.[6] The AGC threshold shall be determined by applying the procedure of 3.2, but with the signal generator configured to produce a test signal defined in Table 1, a CW input signal, or a digitally modulated signal, consistent with the discussion about signal types in 4.1.

3.2 Measuring AGC threshold level

The AGC threshold is to be determined as follows.[3]

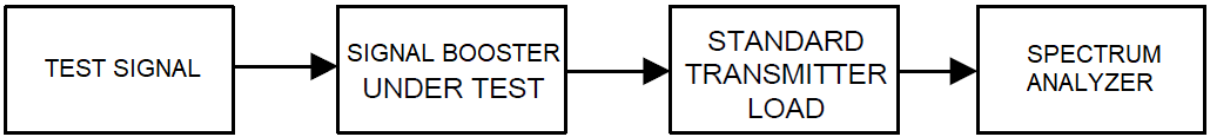
In the case of fiber-optic distribution systems, the RF input port of the equipment under test (EUT) refers to the RF input of the supporting equipment RF to optical convertor; see also descriptions and diagrams for typical DAS booster systems in KDB Publication 935210 D02 [R7].

Devices intended to be directly connected to an RF source (donor port) only need to be evaluated for any over-the-air transmit paths.

a) Connect a signal generator to the input of the EUT.
b) Connect a spectrum analyzer or power meter to the output of the EUT using appropriate attenuation as necessary.
c) The signal generator should initially be configured to produce either of the required test signals (i.e., broadband or narrowband).
d) Set the signal generator frequency to the center frequency of the EUT operating band.
e) While monitoring the output power of the EUT, measured using the methods of 3.5.3 or 3.5.4, increase the input level until a 1 dB increase in the input signal power no longer causes a 1 dB increase in the output signal power.
f) Record this level as the AGC threshold level.
g) Repeat the procedure with the remaining test signal.

[6] See footnote 1 about the terms and concepts AGC, ALC, OLC.

Test Setup Block Diagram: KDB 935210 s.3.2



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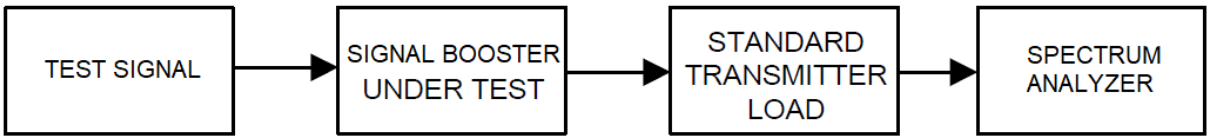
KDB 935210 S. 4.3 OUT OF BAND REJECTION

A signal booster shall reject amplification of other signals outside of its passband. Adjust the internal gain control of the EUT to the maximum gain for which equipment certification is sought.

a) Connect a signal generator to the input of the EUT.
b) Configure a swept CW signal with the following parameters:
   1) Frequency range = ± 250 % of the manufacturer's specified pass band.
   2) The CW amplitude shall be 3 dB below the AGC threshold (see 4.2), and shall not activate the AGC threshold throughout the test.
   3) Dwell time = approximately 10 ms.
   4) Frequency step = 50 kHz.
c) Connect a spectrum analyzer to the output of the EUT using appropriate attenuation.
d) Set the RBW of the spectrum analyzer to between 1 % and 5 % of the manufacturer's rated passband, and VBW = 3 × RBW.
e) Set the detector to Peak and the trace to Max-Hold.
f) After the trace is completely filled, place a marker at the peak amplitude, which is designated as f_0, and with two additional markers (use the marker-delta method) at the 20 dB bandwidth (i.e., at the points where the level has fallen by 20 dB).
g) Capture the frequency response plot for inclusion in the test report.

Test Setup Block Diagram: KDB 935210 s.4.3



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2.1046 RF POWER OUTPUT

§2.1046 Measurements required: RF power output.

☒ (a) For transmitters other than single sideband, independent sideband and controlled carrier radiotelephone, power output shall be measured at the RF output terminals when the transmitter is adjusted in accordance with the tune-up procedure to give the values of current and voltage on the circuit elements specified in §2.1033(c)(8). The electrical characteristics of the radio frequency load attached to the output terminals when this test is made shall be stated.

☐ (b) For single sideband, independent sideband, and single channel, controlled carrier radiotelephone transmitters the procedure specified in paragraph (a) of this section shall be employed and, in addition, the transmitter shall be modulated during the test as follows. In all tests, the input level of the modulating signal shall be such as to develop rated peak envelope power or carrier power, as appropriate, for the transmitter.

☐ (1) Single sideband transmitters in the A3A or A3J emission modes—by two tones at frequencies of 400 Hz and 1800 Hz (for 3.0 kHz authorized bandwidth), or 500 Hz and 2100 Hz (3.5 kHz authorized bandwidth), or 500 Hz and 2400 Hz (for 4.0 kHz authorized bandwidth), applied simultaneously, the input levels of the tones so adjusted that the two principal frequency components of the radio frequency signal produced are equal in magnitude.

☐ (2) Single sideband transmitters in the A3H emission mode—by one tone at a frequency of 1500 Hz (for 3.0 kHz authorized bandwidth), or 1700 Hz (for 3.5 kHz authorized bandwidth), or 1900 Hz (for 4.0 kHz authorized bandwidth), the level of which is adjusted to produce a radio frequency signal component equal in magnitude to the magnitude of the carrier in this mode.

☐ (3) As an alternative to paragraphs (b) (1) and (2) of this section other tones besides those specified may be used as modulating frequencies, upon a sufficient showing of need. However, any tones so chosen must not be harmonically related, the third and fifth order intermodulation products which occur must fall within the −25 dB step of the emission bandwidth limitation curve, the seventh and ninth order intermodulation product must fall within the 35 dB step of the referenced curve and the eleventh and all higher order products must fall beyond the −35 dB step of the referenced curve.

☐ (4) Independent sideband transmitters having two channels by 1700 Hz tones applied simultaneously in both channels, the input levels of the tones so adjusted that the two principal frequency components of the radio frequency signal produced are equal in magnitude.

☐ (5) Independent sideband transmitters having more than two channels by an appropriate signal or signals applied to all channels simultaneously. The input signal or signals shall simulate the input signals specified by the manufacturer for normal operation.

☐ (6) Single-channel controlled-carrier transmitters in the A3 emission mode—by a 2500 Hz tone.

☐ (c) For measurements conducted pursuant to paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, all calculations and methods used by the applicant for determining carrier power or peak envelope power, as appropriate, on the basis of measured power in the radio frequency load attached to the transmitter output terminals shall be shown. Under the test conditions specified, no components of the emission spectrum shall exceed the limits specified in the applicable rule parts as necessary for meeting occupied bandwidth or emission limitations.

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90.219 RF POWER OUTPUT

§90.219 Use of signal boosters.

(d) *Deployment rules.* Deployment of signal boosters must be carried out in accordance with the rules in this paragraph.

(1) Signal boosters may be used to improve coverage in weak signal areas only.

(2) Signal boosters must not be used to extend PLMRS stations' normal operating range.

(3)(i) Except as set forth in paragraph (d)(3)(ii) of this section, signal boosters must be deployed such that the radiated power of each retransmitted channel, on the forward link and on the reverse link, does not exceed 5 Watts effective radiated power (ERP).

Note: All ERP limitations placed upon 421-430 MHz, 450-470 MHz, and 470-512 MHz are to be determined during licensing using the installation antenna. Compliance with the ERP limits cannot be determined at the time of testing.

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RF POWER OUTPUT

5.2 RF output power measurement procedures

This subclause provides guidance for performing the power measurements necessary to demonstrate compliance to the RF output power limits imposed by regulatory authorities on transmitters. In addition, these procedures can also be utilized to collect the data necessary to demonstrate compliance to regulatory limits placed on unwanted (out-of-band and spurious) emissions.

Test Procedure: ANSI C63.26 S 5.2.3.3

5.2.3.3 Measurement of peak power in a narrowband signal with a spectrum/signal analyzer or EMI receiver

This procedure can be used to measure the peak power in either a CW-like or noise-like narrowband RF signal. The measurement instrument must have a RBW that is greater than or equal to the OBW of the signal to be measured and a VBW $\geq 3 \times$ RBW.

a) Set the RBW $\geq$ OBW.

b) Set VBW $\geq 3 \times$ RBW.

c) Set span $\geq 2 \times$ OBW.

d) Sweep time $\geq 10 \times$ (number of points in sweep) $\times$ (transmission symbol period).

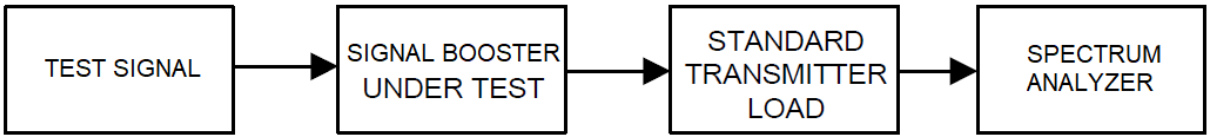
e) Detector = peak.

f) Trace mode = max hold.

g) Allow trace to fully stabilize.

h) Use the peak marker function to determine the peak amplitude level.

Test Setup Block Diagram:



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KDB 935210 S. 4.5 RF POWER OUTPUT AND GAIN

The following guidance is provided for performing measurements of mean input power and output power of a PLMRS and/or PSRS amplifier repeater, or industrial booster, to facilitate computing the gain of the device.

Adjust the internal gain control of the EUT to the maximum gain for which the equipment certification is being sought. Any EUT attenuation settings shall be set to their minimum value.

Input power levels (uplink and downlink) should be set to maximum input ratings, while confirming that the device is not capable of operating in saturation (non-linear mode) at the rated input levels, including during the performance of the input/output power measurements.

4.5.2 Measuring input and output power levels for determining amplifier/booster gain

Apply the same guidance as in 3.5.2 to measure the maximum input and output power levels necessary for computing the mean EUT gain, but with the following modifications:

a) Configure the signal generator for CW operation, instead of AWGN,
b) Select the spectrum analyzer positive peak detector, instead of the power averaging (rms) detector,
c) Activate the max hold function, instead of the trace averaging function,
d) Use in conjunction with the guidance in 4.5.3.

4.5.3 Power measurement Method 1: using a spectrum or signal analyzer

a) Set the frequency span to at least 1 MHz.
b) Set RBW = 100 kHz.
c) Set VBW $\geq 3 \times$ RBW.
d) Set the detector to PEAK, and trace mode to MAX HOLD.
e) Place a marker on the peak of the signal, and record the value as the maximum power.
f) Repeat step e) but with the EUT in place.
g) EUT gain may be calculated as described in 4.5.5.

4.5.5 Calculating amplifier, repeater, or industrial booster gain

NOTE–Sections 90.219 and 2.1033(c) do not require gain test data; inclusion of industrial booster gain test data in test reports submitted for FCC equipment authorization is optional.

After the input and output power levels have been measured as described in the preceding subclauses, the gain of the EUT can be determined from:

$$\text{Gain (dB)} = \text{output power (dBm)} - \text{input power (dBm)}.$$

Report the gain for each authorized operating frequency band, and each test signal stimulus.

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KDB 935210 S. 4.6 NOISE FIGURE

Section 90.219(e)(2) limits the noise figure of a signal booster to ≤ 9 dB in either direction. The following discussion provides guidance for demonstrating compliance with this requirement.

Several widely recognized methods for performing noise figure measurements are available. Some require the use of specialized equipment, such as a noise figure analyzer and/or an excess noise ratio (ENR) calibrated noise source, while others involve the use of conventional measurement instrumentation such as a spectrum analyzer. Methods that require use of a noise figure analyzer are generally accepted as producing the most accurate results, and are considered to be the reference method within this document, while others are considered to be acceptable alternative methods. Consult the relevant instrumentation application notes for detailed guidance regarding the selection and application of an appropriate methodology for performing noise figure measurements. Note also that noise figure measurements require that any AGC circuitry be disabled over the duration of the measurement.

Requirements: FCC PT 90.219(e)(2)

(e) *Device Specifications.* In addition to the general rules for equipment certification in §90.203(a)(2) and part 2, subpart J of this chapter, a signal booster must also meet the rules in this paragraph.

(2) The noise figure of a signal booster must not exceed 9 dB in either direction.

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NOISE FIGURE

Test Procedure: "Noise Figure Measurement Accuracy: The Y-Factor Method" (by Keysight Technologies)

Note: EUT's AGC method(s) and/or squelch function should be disabled for this test.

Step 1.

$$ENR_{dB} = 10 \log_{10} \frac{(T_S^{ON} - T_S^{OFF})}{T_0}$$

ENR of a noise source is always referenced to $T_S^{OFF} = T_0 = 290$ K.

Step 2.

$$Y_2 = \frac{N_2^{ON}}{N_2^{OFF}} = \frac{(T_S^{ON} + T_2)}{(T_S^{OFF} + T_2)} \qquad T_2 = \frac{(T_S^{ON} + Y_2 T_S^{OFF})}{(Y_2 - 1)}$$

Step 3.

$$Y_{12} = \frac{N_{12}^{ON}}{N_{12}^{OFF}} \qquad T_{12} = \frac{(T_S^{ON} - Y_{12} T_S^{OFF})}{(Y_{12} - 1)}$$

T_S^{OFF} is the physical temperature of the noise source, and T_S^{ON} is computed from the noise source ENR_{dB} using equation (2-11).

Step 4.

$$G_1 = \frac{(N_{12}^{ON} - N_{12}^{OFF})}{(N_2^{ON} - N_2^{OFF})}$$

Step 5.

$$G_1 = 10 \log_{10} G_1 \text{ [dB]}$$

Step 6.

$$T_1 = T_{12} - \frac{T_2}{G_1}$$

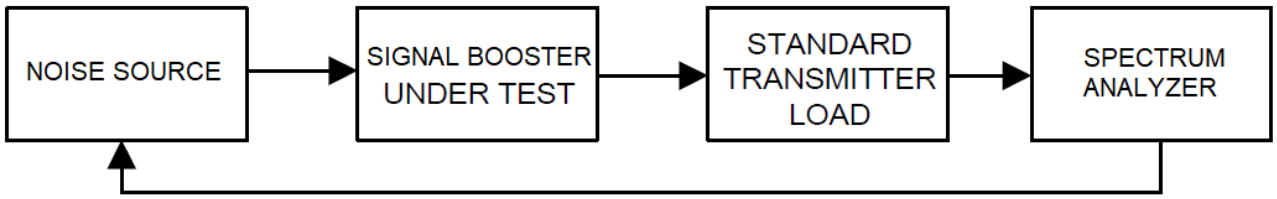
Step 7.

$$F = 1 + \frac{T_e}{T_0}$$

Step 8.

$$NF = 10 \log_{10} F \text{ [dB]}$$

Test Setup Block Diagram:



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2.1049 OCCUPIED BANDWIDTH

§2.1049 Measurements required: Occupied bandwidth.

The occupied bandwidth, that is the frequency bandwidth such that, below its lower and above its upper frequency limits, the mean powers radiated are each equal to 0.5 percent of the total mean power radiated by a given emission shall be measured under the following conditions as applicable:

☐ (a) Radiotelegraph transmitters for manual operation when keyed at 16 dots per second.

☐ (b) Other keyed transmitters—when keyed at the maximum machine speed.

☐ (c) Radiotelephone transmitters equipped with a device to limit modulation or peak envelope power shall be modulated as follows. For single sideband and independent sideband transmitters, the input level of the modulating signal shall be 10 dB greater than that necessary to produce rated peak envelope power.

☐ (1) Other than single sideband or independent sideband transmitters—when modulated by a 2500 Hz tone at an input level 16 dB greater than that necessary to produce 50 percent modulation. The input level shall be established at the frequency of maximum response of the audio modulating circuit.

☐ (2) Single sideband transmitters in A3A or A3J emission modes—when modulated by two tones at frequencies of 400 Hz and 1800 Hz (for 3.0 kHz authorized bandwidth), or 500 Hz and 2100 Hz (for 3.5 kHz authorized bandwidth), or 500 Hz and 2400 Hz (for 4.0 kHz authorized bandwidth), applied simultaneously. The input levels of the tones shall be so adjusted that the two principal frequency components of the radio frequency signal produced are equal in magnitude.

☐ (3) Single sideband transmitters in the A3H emission mode—when modulated by one tone at a frequency of 1500 Hz (for 3.0 kHz authorized bandwidth), or 1700 Hz (for 3.5 kHz authorized bandwidth), or 1900 Hz (for 4.0 kHz authorized bandwidth), the level of which is adjusted to produce a radio frequency signal component equal in magnitude to the magnitude of the carrier in this mode.

☐ (4) As an alternative to paragraphs (c) (2) and (3) of this section, other tones besides those specified may be used as modulating frequencies, upon a sufficient showing of need. However, any tones so chosen must not be harmonically related, the third and fifth order intermodulation products which occur must fall within the −25 dB step of the emission bandwidth limitation curve, the seventh and ninth order products must fall within the −35 dB step of the referenced curve and the eleventh and all higher order products must fall beyond the −35 dB step of the referenced curve.

☐ (5) Independent sideband transmitters having two channels—when modulated by 1700 Hz tones applied simultaneously to both channels. The input levels of the tones shall be so adjusted that the two principal frequency components of the radio frequency signal produced are equal in magnitude.

☐ (d) Radiotelephone transmitters without a device to limit modulation or peak envelope power shall be modulated as follows. For single sideband and independent sideband transmitters, the input level of the modulating signal should be that necessary to produce rated peak envelope power.

☐ (1) Other than single sideband or independent sideband transmitters—when modulated by a 2500 Hz tone of sufficient level to produce at least 85 percent modulation. If 85 percent modulation is unattainable, the highest percentage modulation shall be used.

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☐ (f) Transmitters for which peak frequency deviation (D) is determined in accordance with §2.202(f), and in which the modulating baseband comprises more than 3 independent speech channels—when modulated by a test signal determined in accordance with the following:

(1) A modulation reference level is established for the characteristic baseband frequency. (Modulation reference level is defined as the average power level of a sinusoidal test signal delivered to the modulator input which provides the specified value of per-channel deviation.)

(2) Modulation reference level being established, the total rms deviation of the transmitter is measured when a test signal consisting of a band of random noise extending from below 20 kHz to the highest frequency in the baseband, is applied to the modulator input through any preemphasis networks used in normal service. The average power level of the test signal shall exceed the modulation reference level by the number of decibels determined using the appropriate formula in the following table:

Number of message circuits that modulate the transmitter	**Number of dB by which the average power (P_{avg}) level test signal shall exceed the modulation reference level**	**Limits of P_{avg} (dBm0)**
More than 3, but less than 12	To be specified by the equipment manufacturer subject to FCC approval	
At least 12, but less than 60	$X + 2 \log_{10} N_c$	X: −2 to + 2.6
At least 60, but less than 240	$X + 4 \log_{10} N_c$	X: −5.6 to −1.0
240 or more	$X + 10 \log_{10} N_c$	X: −19.6 to −15.0

Where X represents the average power in a message circuit in dBm0; N_c is the number of circuits in the multiplexed message load. P_{avg} shall be selected by the transmitter manufacturer and included with the technical data submitted with the application for type acceptance. (See §2.202(e) in this chapter.)

☐ (g) Transmitters in which the modulating baseband comprises not more than three independent channels—when modulated by the full complement of signals for which the transmitter is rated. The level of modulation for each channel should be set to that prescribed in rule parts applicable to the services for which the transmitter is intended. If specific modulation levels are not set forth in the rules, the tests should provide the manufacturer's maximum rated condition.

☒ (h) Transmitters employing digital modulation techniques—when modulated by an input signal such that its amplitude and symbol rate represent the maximum rated conditions under which the equipment will be operated. The signal shall be applied through any filter networks, pseudo-random generators or other devices required in normal service. Additionally, the occupied bandwidth shall be shown for operation with any devices used for modifying the spectrum when such devices are optional at the discretion of the user.

☐ (i) Transmitters designed for other types of modulation—when modulated by an appropriate signal of sufficient amplitude to be representative of the type of service in which used. A description of the input signal should be supplied.

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90.209 OCCUPIED BANDWIDTH

§90.209 Bandwidth limitations.

(a) Each authorization issued to a station licensed under this part will show an emission designator representing the class of emission authorized. The designator will be prefixed by a specified necessary bandwidth. This number does not necessarily indicate the bandwidth occupied by the emission at any instant. In those cases where §2.202 of this chapter does not provide a formula for the computation of necessary bandwidth, the occupied bandwidth, as defined in part 2 of this chapter, may be used in lieu of the necessary bandwidth.

(b) The maximum authorized single channel bandwidth of emission corresponding to the type of emission specified in §90.207 is as follows:

(1) For A1A or A1B emissions, the maximum authorized bandwidth is 0.25 kHz. The maximum authorized bandwidth for type A3E emission is 8 kHz.

(3) For all other types of emissions, the maximum authorized bandwidth shall not be more than that normally authorized for voice operations.

(4) Where a frequency is assigned exclusively to a single licensee, more than a single emission may be used within the authorized bandwidth. In such cases, the frequency stability requirements of §90.213 must be met for each emission.

(5) Unless specified elsewhere, channel spacings and bandwidths that will be authorized in the following frequency bands are given in the following table.

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Standard Channel Spacing/Bandwidth

Applies to EUT	Frequency band (MHz)	Channel spacing (kHz)	Authorized bandwidth (kHz)
☒	406-512 [2]	16.25	[1 3 6] 20 / 11.25 / 6
☐	90.265(a)	fixed	11.25

[1]For stations authorized on or after August 18, 1995.

[2]Bandwidths for radiolocation stations in the 420-450 MHz band and for stations operating in bands subject to this footnote will be reviewed and authorized on a case-by-case basis.

[3]Operations using equipment designed to operate with a 25 kHz channel bandwidth will be authorized a 20 kHz bandwidth. Operations using equipment designed to operate with a 12.5 kHz channel bandwidth will be authorized a 11.25 kHz bandwidth. Operations using equipment designed to operate with a 6.25 kHz channel bandwidth will be authorized a 6 kHz bandwidth. All stations must operate on channels with a bandwidth of 12.5 kHz or less beginning January 1, 2013, unless the operations meet the efficiency standard of §90.203(j)(3).

[6]Operations using equipment designed to operate with a 25 kilohertz channel bandwidth may be authorized up to a 20 kilohertz bandwidth unless the equipment meets the Adjacent Channel Power limits of §90.221 in which case operations may be authorized up to a 22 kilohertz bandwidth. Operations using equipment designed to operate with a 12.5 kilohertz channel bandwidth may be authorized up to an 11.25 kilohertz bandwidth.

(6)(i) Beginning January 1, 2011, no new applications for the 150-174 MHz and/or 421-512 MHz bands will be acceptable for filing if the applicant utilizes channels with an authorized bandwidth exceeding 11.25 kHz, unless specified elsewhere or the operations meet the efficiency standards of §90.203(j)(3).

(ii) Beginning January 1, 2011, no modification applications for stations in the 150-174 MHz and/or 421-512 MHz bands that increase the station's authorized interference contour, will be acceptable for filing if the applicant utilizes channels with an authorized bandwidth exceeding 11.25 kHz, unless specified elsewhere or the operations meet the efficiency standards of §90.203(j)(3). See §90.187(b)(2)(iii) and (iv) for interference contour designations and calculations. Applications submitted pursuant to this paragraph must comply with frequency coordination requirements of §90.175.

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§90.265 Assignment and use of frequencies in the bands allocated for Federal use.

(a) The following center frequencies are available for assignment to fixed stations in the Public Safety Pool or the Industrial/Business Pool, subject to the provisions of this section:

HYDRO CHANNELS (MHZ)

169.4250	170.2625	171.1000	406.1250
169.4375	170.2750	171.1125	406.1750
169.4500	170.2875	171.1250	412.6625
169.4625	170.3000	171.8250	412.6750
169.4750	170.3125	171.8375	412.6875
169.4875	170.3250	171.8500	412.7125
169.5000	171.0250	171.8625	412.7250
169.5125	171.0375	171.8750	412.7375
169.5250	171.0500	171.8875	412.7625
170.2250	171.0625	171.9000	412.7750
170.2375	171.0750	171.9125	415.1250
170.2500	171.0875	171.9250	415.1750

(5) After May 27, 2005, for the 169-172 MHz band and January 1, 2008 for the 406-416 MHz band, channels for new operations are limited to an authorized bandwidth not to exceed 11.25 kHz. After those dates, existing systems with an authorized bandwidth of greater than 11.25 kHz (including those systems that expand existing operations) may continue to operate with a bandwidth greater than 11.25 kHz until January 1, 2013. Such operations are limited by paragraphs (a)(6) and (a)(7) of this section.

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Test Procedure: ANSI C63.26 S 5.4

5.4 Occupied bandwidth

The following procedures shall be used for measuring the OBW of the fundamental frequencies of certain transmitters, when required.

5.4.1 General OBW requirements

A spectrum analyzer or other instrument providing a spectral display is recommended for these measurements. The VBW shall be set to a value at least three times greater than the resolution/measurement bandwidth, to avoid the introduction of amplitude smoothing. Video filtering or averaging shall not be used when performing OBW tests.

The applicable regulatory requirements should be consulted to determine which measurement method should be employed. There can be a need to utilize more than one measurement method.

5.4.2 Typical modulation configurations

The OBW shall be measured using the modulation conditions specified in the applicable regulatory requirements.

Voice modulated devices will require the use of a signal/audio generator to produce the required modulation levels.

A modulation analyzer can also be required to measure the modulation characteristics at the output of the EUT to determine if the correct modulation stimulus has been applied.

Digitally modulated devices should be stimulated with a pseudo-random bit sequence.

The OBW shall be measured for all operating modes that will result in transmission in a different OBW (e.g., different channel bandwidth settings).

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OCCUPIED BANDWIDTH

5.4.4 Occupied bandwidth—Power bandwidth (99%) measurement procedure[30]

The OBW is the frequency bandwidth such that, below its lower and above its upper frequency limits, the mean powers are each equal to 0.5% of the total mean power of the given emission.

The following procedure shall be used for measuring (99%) power bandwidth:[31]

a) The spectrum analyzer center frequency is set to the nominal EUT channel center frequency. The frequency span for the spectrum analyzer shall be set wide enough to capture all modulation products including the emission skirts (typically a span of 1.5 × OBW is sufficient).

b) The nominal IF filter 3 dB bandwidth (RBW) shall be in the range of 1% to 5% of the anticipated OBW, and the VBW shall be set ≥ 3 × RBW.

c) Set the reference level of the instrument as required to prevent the signal amplitude from exceeding the maximum spectrum analyzer input mixer level for linear operation. See guidance provided in 4.2.3.

NOTE—Step a), step b), and step c) may require iteration to adjust within the specified tolerances.

d) Set the detection mode to peak, and the trace mode to max-hold.

e) If the instrument does not have a 99% OBW function, recover the trace data points and sum directly in linear power terms. Place the recovered amplitude data points, beginning at the lowest frequency, in a running sum until 0.5% of the total is reached. Record that frequency as the lower OBW frequency. Repeat the process until 99.5% of the total is reached and record that frequency as the upper OBW frequency. The 99% power OBW can be determined by computing the difference these two frequencies.

f) The OBW shall be reported and plot(s) of the measuring instrument display shall be provided with the test report. The frequency and amplitude axis and scale shall be clearly labeled. Tabular data can be reported in addition to the plot(s).

[30] Measurement method to satisfy 47 CFR 2.1049 and IC RSS-Gen [B60].
[31] See FCC/KDB-971168 D01 [B31].

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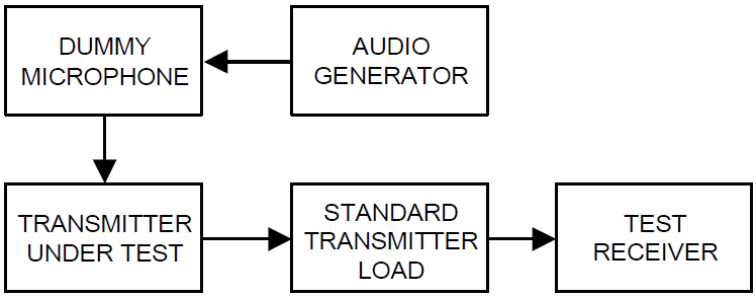

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KDB 935210 S. 4.4 INPUT VS OUTPUT COMPARISON

Compliance with the emission mask of the EUT output shall be measured for the public safety service signal types as specified in 4.1.

Refer to the applicable regulatory requirements (e.g., Section 90.210) for emission mask specifications.

a) Connect a signal generator to the input of the EUT.
b) Configure the signal generator to transmit the appropriate test signal associated with the public safety emission designation (see Table 1).
c) Configure the signal level to be just below the AGC threshold (see results from 4.2).
d) Connect a spectrum analyzer to the output of the EUT using appropriate attenuation as necessary.
e) Set the spectrum analyzer center frequency to the nominal EUT channel center frequency. The span range for the spectrum analyzer shall be between 2 × to 5 × the EBW (or OBW).
f) The nominal RBW shall be 300 Hz for 16K0F3E, and 100 Hz for all other emissions types.
g) Set the reference level of the spectrum analyzer to accommodate the maximum input amplitude level, i.e., the level at f_0 per 4.3.
h) Set spectrum analyzer detection mode to peak, and trace mode to max hold.
i) Allow the trace to fully stabilize.
j) Confirm that the signal is contained within the appropriate emissions mask.
k) Use the marker function to determine the maximum emission level and record the associated frequency.
l) Capture the emissions mask plot for inclusion in the test report (output signal spectra).
m) Measure the EUT input signal power (signal generator output signal) directly from the signal generator using power measurement guidance provided in KDB Publication 971168 [R8] (input signal spectra).
n) Compare the spectral plot of the output signal (determined in step k), to the input signal (determined in step l) to affirm they are similar (in passband and rolloff characteristic features and relative spectral locations).
o) Repeat steps d) to n) with the input signal amplitude set 3 dB above the AGC threshold.
p) Repeat steps b) to o) for all authorized operational bands and emissions types (see applicable regulatory specifications, e.g., Section 90.210).
q) Include all accumulated spectral plots depicting EUT input signal and EUT output signal in the test report, and note any observed dissimilarities.

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90.210 EMISSION MASKS

§90.210 Emission masks.

Except as indicated elsewhere in this part, transmitters used in the radio services governed by this part must comply with the emission masks outlined in this section. Unless otherwise stated, per paragraphs (d)(4), (e)(4), and (o) of this section, measurements of emission power can be expressed in either peak or average values provided that emission powers are expressed with the same parameters used to specify the unmodulated transmitter carrier power. For transmitters that do not produce a full power unmodulated carrier, reference to the unmodulated transmitter carrier power refers to the total power contained in the channel bandwidth. Unless indicated elsewhere in this part, the table in this section specifies the emission masks for equipment operating under this part.

Applies to EUT	Frequency band (MHz)	Mask for equipment with audio low pass filter	Mask for equipment without audio low pass filter
☒	421-512 [2 5]	B, D, or E	C, D, or E
☐	450 paging only	B	G
☒	All other bands	B	C

[1]Equipment using single sideband J3E emission must meet the requirements of Emission Mask A. Equipment using other emissions must meet the requirements of Emission Mask B or C, as applicable.

[2]Equipment designed to operate with a 25 kHz channel bandwidth must meet the requirements of Emission Mask B or C, as applicable. Equipment designed to operate with a 12.5 kHz channel bandwidth must meet the requirements of Emission Mask D, and equipment designed to operate with a 6.25 kHz channel bandwidth must meet the requirements of Emission Mask E.

[3]Equipment used in this licensed to EA or non-EA systems shall comply with the emission mask provisions of §90.691 of this chapter.

[4]DSRCS Roadside Units equipment in the 5850-5925 MHz band is governed under subpart M of this part.

[5]Equipment designed to operate on 25 kilohertz bandwidth channels must meet the requirements of either Emission Mask B or G, whichever is applicable, while equipment designed to operate on 12.5 kilohertz bandwidth channels must meet the requirements of Emission Mask D. Equipment designed to operate on 25 kilohertz bandwidth channels may alternatively meet the Adjacent Channel Power limits of §90.221.

[6]Transmitters utilizing analog emissions that are equipped with an audio low-pass filter must meet Emission Mask B. All transmitters utilizing digital emissions and those transmitters using analog emissions without an audio low-pass filter must meet Emission Mask H.

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MASK B

(b) *Emission Mask B.* For transmitters that are equipped with an audio low-pass filter, the power of any emission must be attenuated below the unmodulated carrier power (P) as follows:

(1) On any frequency removed from the assigned frequency by more than 50 percent, but not more than 100 percent of the authorized bandwidth: At least 25 dB.

(2) On any frequency removed from the assigned frequency by more than 100 percent, but not more than 250 percent of the authorized bandwidth: At least 35 dB.

(3) On any frequency removed from the assigned frequency by more than 250 percent of the authorized bandwidth: At least 43 + 10 log (P) dB.

(n) *Other frequency bands.* Transmitters designed for operation under this part on frequencies other than listed in this section must meet the emission mask requirements of Emission Mask B. Equipment operating under this part on frequencies allocated to but shared with the Federal Government, must meet the applicable Federal Government technical standards.

MASK C

(c) *Emission Mask C.* For transmitters that are not equipped with an audio low-pass filter, the power of any emission must be attenuated below the unmodulated carrier output power (P) as follows:

(1) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth by a displacement frequency (f_d in kHz) of more than 5 kHz, but not more than 10 kHz: At least 83 log (f_d/5) dB;

(2) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth by a displacement frequency (f_d in kHz) of more than 10 kHz, but not more than 250 percent of the authorized bandwidth: At least 29 log (f_d^2/11) dB or 50 dB, whichever is the lesser attenuation;

(3) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth by more than 250 percent of the authorized bandwidth: At least 43 + 10 log (P) dB.

(4) In the 1427-1432 MHz band, licensees are encouraged to take all reasonable steps to ensure that unwanted emissions power does not exceed the following levels in the 1400-1427 MHz band:

(i) For stations of point-to-point systems in the fixed service: −45 dBW/27 MHz.

(ii) For stations in the mobile service: −60 dBW/27 MHz.

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MASK D

(d) *Emission Mask D—12.5 kHz channel bandwidth equipment.* For transmitters designed to operate with a 12.5 kHz channel bandwidth, any emission must be attenuated below the power (P) of the highest emission contained within the authorized bandwidth as follows:

(1) On any frequency from the center of the authorized bandwidth f_0 to 5.625 kHz removed from f_0: Zero dB.

(2) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth by a displacement frequency (f_d in kHz) of more than 5.625 kHz but no more than 12.5 kHz: At least 7.27(f_d−2.88 kHz) dB.

(3) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth by a displacement frequency (f_d in kHz) of more than 12.5 kHz: At least 50 + 10 log (P) dB or 70 dB, whichever is the lesser attenuation.

(4) The reference level for showing compliance with the emission mask shall be established using a resolution bandwidth sufficiently wide (usually two or three times the channel bandwidth) to capture the true peak emission of the equipment under test. In order to show compliance with the emission mask up to and including 50 kHz removed from the edge of the authorized bandwidth, adjust the resolution bandwidth to 100 Hz with the measuring instrument in a peak hold mode. A sufficient number of sweeps must be measured to insure that the emission profile is developed. If video filtering is used, its bandwidth must not be less than the instrument resolution bandwidth. For emissions beyond 50 kHz from the edge of the authorized bandwidth, see paragraph (o) of this section. If it can be shown that use of the above instrumentation settings do not accurately represent the true interference potential of the equipment under test, an alternate procedure may be used provided prior Commission approval is obtained.

MASK E

(e) *Emission Mask E—6.25 kHz or less channel bandwidth equipment.* For transmitters designed to operate with a 6.25 kHz or less bandwidth, any emission must be attenuated below the power (P) of the highest emission contained within the authorized bandwidth as follows:

(1) On any frequency from the center of the authorized bandwidth f_0 to 3.0 kHz removed from f_0: Zero dB.

(2) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth by a displacement frequency (f_d in kHz) of more than 3.0 kHz but no more than 4.6 kHz: At least 30 + 16.67(f_d−3 kHz) or 55 + 10 log (P) or 65 dB, whichever is the lesser attenuation.

(3) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth by more than 4.6 kHz: At least 55 + 10 log (P) or 65 dB, whichever is the lesser attenuation.

(4) The reference level for showing compliance with the emission mask shall be established using a resolution bandwidth sufficiently wide (usually two or three times the channel bandwidth) to capture the true peak emission of the equipment under test. In order to show compliance with the emission mask up to and including 50 kHz removed from the edge of the authorized bandwidth, adjust the resolution bandwidth to 100 Hz with the measuring instrument in a peak hold mode. A sufficient number of sweeps must be measured to insure that the emission profile is developed. If video filtering is used, its bandwidth must not be less than the instrument resolution bandwidth. For emissions beyond 50 kHz from the edge of the authorized bandwidth, see paragraph (o) of this section. If it can be shown that use of the above instrumentation settings do not accurately represent the true interference potential of the equipment under test, an alternate procedure may be used provided prior Commission approval is obtained.

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MASK G

(g) *Emission Mask G.* For transmitters that are not equipped with an audio low-pass filter, the power of any emission must be attenuated below the unmodulated carrier power (P) as follows:

(1) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth by a displacement frequency (f_d in kHz) of more than 10 kHz, but no more than 250 percent of the authorized bandwidth: At least 116 log (f_d/6.1) dB, or 50 + 10 log (P) dB, or 70 dB, whichever is the lesser attenuation;

(2) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth by more than 250 percent of the authorized bandwidth: At least 43 + 10 log (P) dB.

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Test Procedure:

(o) *Instrumentation.* The reference level for showing compliance with the emission mask shall be established, except as indicated in §§90.210 (d), (e), and (k), using standard engineering practices for the modulation characteristic used by the equipment under test. When measuring emissions in the 150-174 MHz and 421-512 MHz bands the following procedures will apply. A sufficient number of sweeps must be measured to insure that the emission profile is developed. If video filtering is used, its bandwidth must not be less than the instrument resolution bandwidth. For frequencies more than 50 kHz removed from the edge of the authorized bandwidth a resolution of at least 100 kHz must be used for frequencies below 1000 MHz. Above 1000 MHz the resolution bandwidth of the instrumentation must be at least 1 MHz. If it can be shown that use of the above instrumentation settings do not accurately represent the true interference potential of the equipment under test, then an alternate procedure may be used provided prior Commission approval is obtained.

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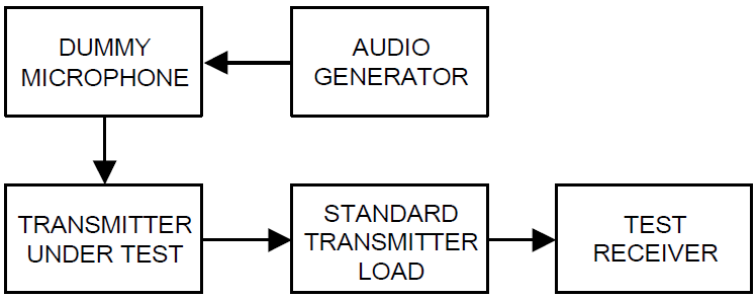

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2.1051 CONDUCTED SPURIOUS EMISSIONS AT ANTENNA TERMINALS

§2.1051 Measurements required: Spurious emissions at antenna terminals.

The radio frequency voltage or powers generated within the equipment and appearing on a spurious frequency shall be checked at the equipment output terminals when properly loaded with a suitable artificial antenna. Curves or equivalent data shall show the magnitude of each harmonic and other spurious emission that can be detected when the equipment is operated under the conditions specified in §2.1049 as appropriate. The magnitude of spurious emissions which are attenuated more than 20 dB below the permissible value need not be specified.

5.2 RF output power measurement procedures

This subclause provides guidance for performing the power measurements necessary to demonstrate compliance to the RF output power limits imposed by regulatory authorities on transmitters. In addition, these procedures can also be utilized to collect the data necessary to demonstrate compliance to regulatory limits placed on unwanted (out-of-band and spurious) emissions.

Test Procedure: ANSI C63.26 S 5.2.3.3

5.2.3.3 Measurement of peak power in a narrowband signal with a spectrum/signal analyzer or EMI receiver

This procedure can be used to measure the peak power in either a CW-like or noise-like narrowband RF signal. The measurement instrument must have a RBW that is greater than or equal to the OBW of the signal to be measured and a VBW $\geq 3 \times$ RBW.

a) Set the RBW $\geq$ OBW.

b) Set VBW $\geq 3 \times$ RBW.

c) Set span $\geq 2 \times$ OBW.

d) Sweep time $\geq 10 \times$ (number of points in sweep) $\times$ (transmission symbol period).

e) Detector = peak.

f) Trace mode = max hold.

g) Allow trace to fully stabilize.

h) Use the peak marker function to determine the peak amplitude level.

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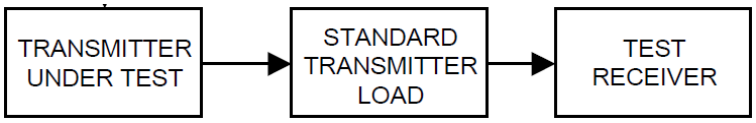

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MASK B

(3) On any frequency removed from the assigned frequency by more than 250 percent of the authorized bandwidth: At least 43 + 10 log (P) dB.

(n) *Other frequency bands.* Transmitters designed for operation under this part on frequencies other than listed in this section must meet the emission mask requirements of Emission Mask B. Equipment operating under this part on frequencies allocated to but shared with the Federal Government, must meet the applicable Federal Government technical standards.

MASK C

(3) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth by more than 250 percent of the authorized bandwidth: At least 43 + 10 log (P) dB.

(4) In the 1427-1432 MHz band, licensees are encouraged to take all reasonable steps to ensure that unwanted emissions power does not exceed the following levels in the 1400-1427 MHz band:

(i) For stations of point-to-point systems in the fixed service: −45 dBW/27 MHz.

(ii) For stations in the mobile service: −60 dBW/27 MHz.

MASK D

(3) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth by a displacement frequency (f_d in kHz) of more than 12.5 kHz: At least 50 + 10 log (P) dB or 70 dB, whichever is the lesser attenuation.

(4) The reference level for showing compliance with the emission mask shall be established using a resolution bandwidth sufficiently wide (usually two or three times the channel bandwidth) to capture the true peak emission of the equipment under test. In order to show compliance with the emission mask up to and including 50 kHz removed from the edge of the authorized bandwidth, adjust the resolution bandwidth to 100 Hz with the measuring instrument in a peak hold mode. A sufficient number of sweeps must be measured to insure that the emission profile is developed. If video filtering is used, its bandwidth must not be less than the instrument resolution bandwidth. For emissions beyond 50 kHz from the edge of the authorized bandwidth, see paragraph (o) of this section. If it can be shown that use of the above instrumentation settings do not accurately represent the true interference potential of the equipment under test, an alternate procedure may be used provided prior Commission approval is obtained.

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MASK E

(3) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth by more than 4.6 kHz: At least 55 + 10 log (P) or 65 dB, whichever is the lesser attenuation.

(4) The reference level for showing compliance with the emission mask shall be established using a resolution bandwidth sufficiently wide (usually two or three times the channel bandwidth) to capture the true peak emission of the equipment under test. In order to show compliance with the emission mask up to and including 50 kHz removed from the edge of the authorized bandwidth, adjust the resolution bandwidth to 100 Hz with the measuring instrument in a peak hold mode. A sufficient number of sweeps must be measured to insure that the emission profile is developed. If video filtering is used, its bandwidth must not be less than the instrument resolution bandwidth. For emissions beyond 50 kHz from the edge of the authorized bandwidth, see paragraph (o) of this section. If it can be shown that use of the above instrumentation settings do not accurately represent the true interference potential of the equipment under test, an alternate procedure may be used provided prior Commission approval is obtained.

MASK G

(2) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth by more than 250 percent of the authorized bandwidth: At least 43 + 10 log (P) dB.

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KDB 935210 S. 4.7.2 INTERMODULATION PRODUCTS

Refer to the applicable rule part(s) for specified limits on unwanted (out-of-band/out-of-block and spurious) emissions (e.g., Section 90.210).

Spurious emissions shall be measured using a single test signal sequentially tuned to the low, middle, and high channels or frequencies within each authorized frequency band of operation.

Intermodulation products shall be measured using two CW signals with all available channel spacings (e.g., 12.5 kHz and 6.25 kHz) with the center between these channels being equal to the center frequency f_0 as determined from 4.3.

NOTE—Intermodulation-product spurious emission measurements are not required for single-channel boosters that cannot accommodate two simultaneous signals within the passband.

4.7.2 Out-of-band/out-of-block emissions conducted measurements

a) Connect a signal generator to the input of the EUT.
   If the signal generator is not capable of producing two independent modulated carriers simultaneously, then two discrete signal generators can be connected, with an appropriate combining network to support the two-signal test.
b) Configure the two signal generators to produce CW on frequencies spaced consistent with 4.7.1, with amplitude levels set to just below the AGC threshold (see 4.2). Set the signal generator amplitudes so that the power from each into the EUT is equivalent.
c) Connect a spectrum analyzer to the EUT output.
d) Set the span to 100 kHz.
e) Set RBW = 300 Hz with VBW $\geq 3 \times$ RBW.
f) Set the detector to power averaging (rms).
g) Place a marker on highest intermodulation product amplitude.
h) Capture the plot for inclusion in the test report.
i) Repeat steps c) to h) with the composite input power level set to 3 dB above the AGC threshold.
j) Repeat steps b) to i) for all operational bands.

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KDB 935210 S. 4.7.3 CONDUCTED SPURIOUS EMISSIONS

Refer to the applicable rule part(s) for specified limits on unwanted (out-of-band/out-of-block and spurious) emissions (e.g., Section 90.210).

Spurious emissions shall be measured using a single test signal sequentially tuned to the low, middle, and high channels or frequencies within each authorized frequency band of operation.

Intermodulation products shall be measured using two CW signals with all available channel spacings (e.g., 12.5 kHz and 6.25 kHz) with the center between these channels being equal to the center frequency f_0 as determined from 4.3.

NOTE—Intermodulation-product spurious emission measurements are not required for single-channel boosters that cannot accommodate two simultaneous signals within the passband.

4.7.3 EUT spurious emissions conducted measurements

a) Connect a signal generator to the input of the EUT.
b) Configure the signal generator to produce a CW signal.
c) Set the frequency of the CW signal to the center channel of the EUT passband.
d) Set the output power level so that the resultant signal is just below the AGC threshold (see 4.2).
e) Connect a spectrum analyzer to the output of the EUT, using appropriate attenuation as necessary.
f) Set the RBW = 100 kHz. (i.e., for 30 MHz to 1 GHz PLMRS and/or PSRS booster devices)
g) Set the VBW = 3 × RBW.
h) Set the Sweep time = auto-couple.
i) Set the detector to PEAK.
j) Set the spectrum analyzer start frequency to 30 MHz (or the lowest radio frequency signal generated in the EUT, without going below 9 kHz if the EUT has additional internal clock frequencies), and the stop frequency to 10 × the highest allowable frequency of the EUT passband.
k) Select MAX HOLD, and use the marker peak function to find the highest emission(s) outside the passband. (This could be either at a frequency lesser or greater than the passband frequencies.)
l) Capture a plot for inclusion in the test report.
m) Repeat steps c) to l) for each authorized frequency band/block of operation.

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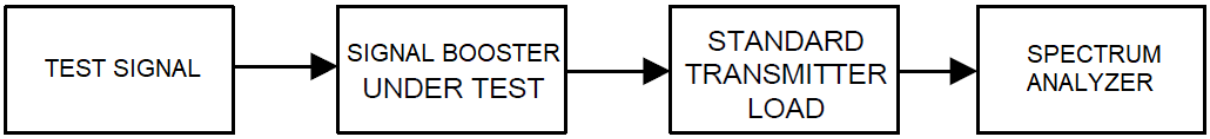

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90.214 TRANSIENT FREQUENCY RESPONSE

§90.214 Transient frequency behavior.

Transmitters designed to operate in the 150-174 MHz and 421-512 MHz frequency bands must maintain transient frequencies within the maximum frequency difference limits during the time intervals indicated:

421 to 512 MHz, 25 kHz Channel, 12.5 kHz Channel, & 6.25 kHz Channel			
Time intervals [1 2]	t_1[4]	t_2	t_3[4]
Length (ms)	10 ms	25 ms	10 ms
Maximum Frequency Difference [3]	±1 Ch.	±0.5 Ch.	±1 Ch.

[1] t_{on} is the instant when a 1 kHz test signal is completely suppressed, including any capture time due to phasing.

t_1 is the time period immediately following t_{on}.

t_2 is the time period immediately following t_1.

t_3 is the time period from the instant when the transmitter is turned off until t_{off}.

t_{off} is the instant when the 1 kHz test signal starts to rise.

[2] During the time from the end of t_2 to the beginning of t_3, the frequency difference must not exceed the limits specified in §90.213.

[3] Difference between the actual transmitter frequency and the assigned transmitter frequency.

[4] If the transmitter carrier output power rating is 6 watts or less, the frequency difference during this time period may exceed the maximum frequency difference for this time period.

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2.1053 FIELD STRENGTH OF SPURIOUS EMISSIONS

§2.1053 Measurements required: Field strength of spurious radiation.

(a) Measurements shall be made to detect spurious emissions that may be radiated directly from the cabinet, control circuits, power leads, or intermediate circuit elements under normal conditions of installation and operation. Curves or equivalent data shall be supplied showing the magnitude of each harmonic and other spurious emission. For this test, single sideband, independent sideband, and controlled carrier transmitters shall be modulated under the conditions specified in paragraph (c) of §2.1049, as appropriate. For equipment operating on frequencies below 890 MHz, an open field test is normally required, with the measuring instrument antenna located in the far-field at all test frequencies. In the event it is either impractical or impossible to make open field measurements (e.g. a broadcast transmitter installed in a building) measurements will be accepted of the equipment as installed. Such measurements must be accompanied by a description of the site where the measurements were made showing the location of any possible source of reflections which might distort the field strength measurements. Information submitted shall include the relative radiated power of each spurious emission with reference to the rated power output of the transmitter, assuming all emissions are radiated from halfwave dipole antennas.

(b) The measurements specified in paragraph (a) of this section shall be made for the following equipment:

(1) Those in which the spurious emissions are required to be 60 dB or more below the mean power of the transmitter.

(2) All equipment operating on frequencies higher than 25 MHz.

(3) All equipment where the antenna is an integral part of, and attached directly to the transmitter.

(4) Other types of equipment as required, when deemed necessary by the Commission.

5.5.2 Common requirements

5.5.2.1 General

This subclause details the common requirements applicable to all radiated measurements, except for performing radiated output power measurements per 5.2.7. When conducted measurements cannot be performed (e.g., the EUT utilizes an integrated antenna), then a radiated test configuration must be used to measure the compliance-related technical parameters. Such radiated measurements shall use substitution methods unless a test site validated to ANSI C63.4 requirements is utilized, in which case, radiated fundamental and/or unwanted emissions can be measured using the direct radiated field strength method.

When performing radiated measurements, regardless of whether substitution or direct field strength methods are utilized, the EUT shall be rotated through three axes and the receive (measurement) antenna shall be oriented in both horizontal and vertical polarization. When the direct field strength method is used, then the equations provided in 5.2.7 can be used to determine the radiated output power from either a field strength or received power measurement. Detailed guidance with respect to performing band-edge compliance testing is provided in 5.7.3.

Pre-scan measurements are often performed to identify unwanted emission frequencies and to isolate the associated test variables (e.g., measurement antenna height and polarization, axis orientation, etc.) as discussed in 5.5.2.5. Final compliance tests are performed subsequently using the specified detector(s) at the frequencies and EUT and measurement antenna orientations identified in the pre-scan.

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FIELD STRENGTH OF SPURIOUS EMISSIONS

5.5.2.2 Instrumentation

5.5.2.2.1 General considerations

In addition to the following considerations, the instrumentation and associated guidance provided in Clause 4 shall be applied when performing radiated emissions measurements.

The RF sensitivity of the complete measurement system, relative to the applicable regulatory limit, shall be adequate to permit the anticipated signals (and their related power levels) to be detected and measured. For such purposes, a system noise floor established at 10 dB or more below the relevant power or emission limit is typically adequate. Low-noise preamplifiers, high gain antennas, or reduced test distances (while still maintaining measurement antenna beamwidth coverage of the EUT and a far-field measurement distance relationship) may be required to improve the noise floor-to-limit ratio. These specifics regarding the measurement conditions shall be thoroughly explained in the test report. The use of external band-pass, band-stop, low-pass, and/or high pass filters may be required to provide adequate protection of the measurement instrumentation from overload (see 4.2.3). The insertion losses associated with these external peripherals, to include connecting cables, shall be accounted for in the final measurement data.

5.5.2.2.2 Measurement antenna

Radiated measurements shall be made using antenna(s) as specified in 4.4. The measurement antenna shall be positioned at a suitable test distance from the periphery of the EUT such that the measurement is performed in the far field of the transmitting (EUT) antenna. A practical limitation on test distance can also be set by the available antenna calibration data. The main "beam" or main lobe of the pattern for any antenna used shall be large enough to encompass the physical size of the EUT, or system arrangement, when located at the measurement distance. If the 3 dB beamwidth of the antenna at the specified measurement distance is not large enough to encompass the physical size of the EUT or system arrangement, then multiple radiated scans with the 3 dB beamwidth of the antenna focused on different portions of the EUT or system arrangement will be necessary to ensure that the entirety of the EUT or system arrangement has been measured.

5.5.2.2.3 Test site

The test site shall satisfy the applicable requirements specified in 4.6.

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5.5.2.3 Test arrangement for EUT and antenna positioning

5.5.2.3.1 Test arrangements for tabletop EUTs

For radiated emissions measurements performed at frequencies less than or equal to 1 GHz, the EUT shall be placed on a RF-transparent table or support at a nominal height of 80 cm above the reference ground plane. Radiated measurements shall be made with the measurement antenna positioned in both horizontal and vertical polarization. The measurement antenna shall be varied from 1 m to 4 m in height above the reference ground in a search for the relative positioning that produces the maximum radiated signal level (i.e., field strength or received power). When orienting the measurement antenna in vertical polarization, the minimum height of the lowest element of the antenna shall clear the site reference ground plane by at least 25 cm.

Figure 4 shows a typical EUT configuration with a wireless device placed on a tabletop on an appropriate radiated test site. The measurement antenna shall be placed at the specified distance from the closest point of the EUT. Tabletop devices shall be placed on a RF transparent platform with nominal top surface dimensions of 1 m by 1.5 m. Any necessary support equipment shall be placed far enough away from the EUT, such that changes in relative position of the EUT and support equipment do not influence the measured values. If the EUT requires a connection to a server or computer, via control/data cable(s), to exercise the product, then the controlling server or computer may be placed outside of the test area.

For radiated measurements performed at frequencies above 1 GHz, the EUT shall be placed on an RF transparent table or support at a nominal height of 1.5 m above the ground plane. Radiated measurements shall be made with the measurement antenna positioned in both horizontal and vertical polarization. The height scan of the measurement antenna shall be varied from 1 m to 4 m in a search for the relative positioning that produces the maximum radiated signal level (i.e., field strength or received power). When using the direct field strength method and the EUT is manipulated through three different orientations, then the scan height range of the measurement antenna is limited to 2.5 m, or 0.5 m above the top of the EUT, whichever is higher.

NOTE—The use of waveguide and/or flexible waveguide may be necessary when performing measurements at frequencies above 10 GHz to achieve usable signal-to-noise ratios at acceptable measurement distances. If so, it may be necessary to restrict the height search of the antenna, or conversely to raise or lower the EUT relative to the elevation of the measurement antenna, including its relative angle with respect to the ground plane. In any case, special care should be exercised to ensure that the maximum emissions are identified and measured.

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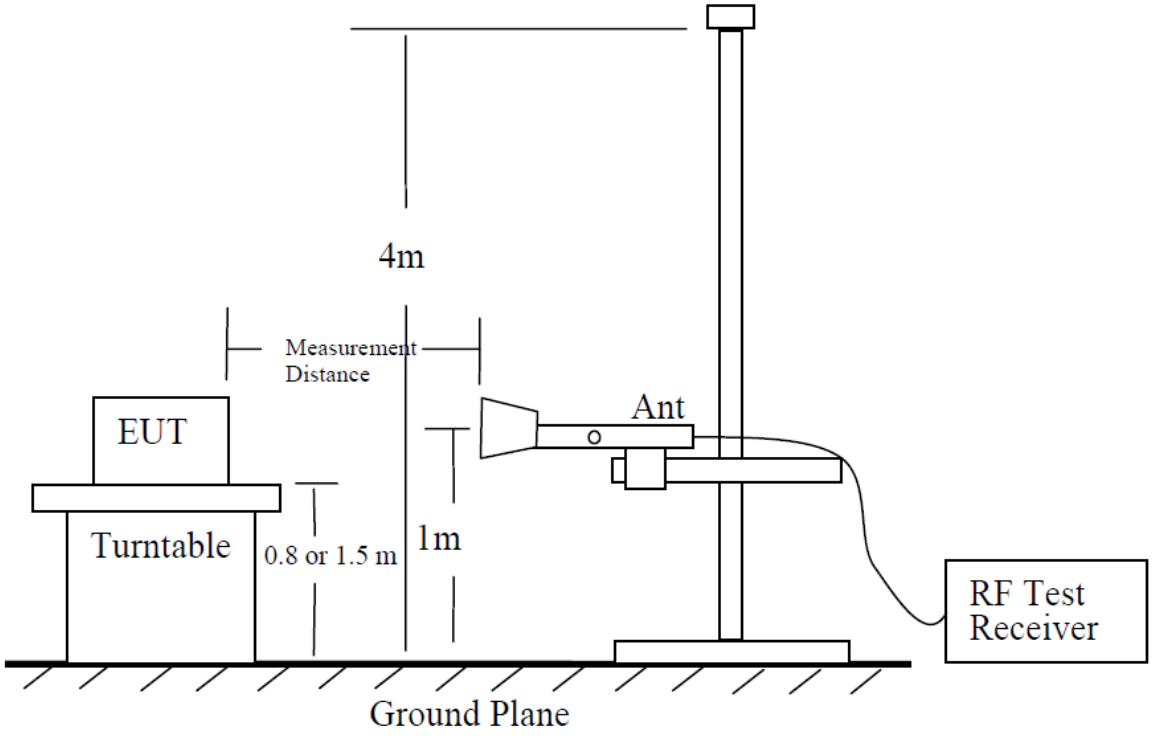

Figure 4 —Test set-up for radiated spurious measurements

Radiated unwanted emissions measurements shall be made over the frequency range specified in 5.1, dependent upon the relevant operational frequency band. These radiated measurements shall be made around the EUT (or alternatively, with the EUT rotated on a turntable), while varying the measurement antenna height and examining both horizontal and vertical polarization of the measurement antenna, as described above. Ordinarily, this will require the use of a turntable and an antenna positioner.

The EUT shall be set up in its typical configuration and arrangement and operated in its various modes of operation. Unless the EUT uses an integral antenna, the EUT shall be terminated with a non-radiating transmitter load. In cases where the EUT uses an adjustable antenna, the antenna shall be adjusted through typical positions and lengths to maximize emissions levels. EUTs with integral antennas shall be evaluated in their normal orientation. Where EUTs are designed to be installed in one of two distinct orientations, they shall be tested in both of their possible orientations. EUTs that can be operated in one of multiple orientations (e.g., handheld, portable, or modular devices) shall be tested in a minimum of three orientations. See Figure 5. When large antennas (e.g., high gain) or antennas not structurally supported by the EUT are utilized, a RF transparent supporting structure shall be used to facilitate the compliance testing. In all cases, the EUT, including the transmit antenna, shall be orientated such that the measurement of the emission is maximized.

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Cables or wires inclusive to the EUT shall be configured so as to maximize the measured emission levels. The EUT controls shall also be adjusted to maximize the emission according to the manufacturer's specifications. The modulation applied shall be based on the guidance provided in the manufacturer's specifications. When necessary, field strength measurements shall be converted to ERP or EIRP for comparison to the applicable regulatory limits. See 5.2.7 for additional guidance.

5.5.2.3.2 Test arrangements for floor-standing EUTs

The floor standing EUT should be installed and tested as described in the manufactures instruction manual. If the installation methods are described for indoor and outdoor installations, one of the more typically used installation methods shall be tested. If the installation method provided in the manufacturer's instruction is not practical for testing, then EUT installation method provided in the latest edition of ANSI C63.4 may be used. The grounding of EUT must be achieved in accordance with manufacturer's instructions. However, if grounding studs are provided only at the top of EUT, grounding(s) of EUT may be achieved within 20 cm from the bottom of the EUT cabinet. Grounding of the EUT arbitrarily at middle of the cabinet is not allowed. The grounding material and size should be in accordance with manufacturer's instructions. Electromagnetically shielded ground wires shall not be used. If installation requires use of metal conduits for data, RF, and power cables, then typical or equivalent conduits may be used during the tests. The conduits should be elevated at least 1 cm above the ground plane and can be grounded only at the end of the conduit. All exposed cables shall be routed in accordance with latest edition of ANSI C63.4. The body of the loads connected to the RF ports should be electrically isolated from the cabinet or ground-plane. RF loads can be located outside the measurement area. Leakage radiation from the loads shall not overload the measurement receiver/analyzer.

5.5.2.4 Operational configurations

The EUT shall be tested while operating on the frequency per manufacturer specification. For EUTs that can operate on more than one frequency, unless otherwise specified, measurements shall be performed with the EUT transmitting on a frequency or frequencies as specified in 5.1 for each frequency band of operation.

a) Set the transmitter to operate in continuous transmit mode. For transmitters unable to be configured for ≥98% duty cycle even in a test mode, configure the system to transmit at the maximum duty cycle supported.

b) Compliance testing shall be performed with the minimum number of channels specified in 5.1 for each supported frequency band. A compliance test shall be performed on all channel sets supported by the EUT and permitted under the applicable regulatory requirements.

c) Compliance testing shall be performed for each supported frequency/channel using every available modulation supported by the transmitter, and at minimum and maximum data rate, in an effort to examine all possible combinations with the potential for producing the maximum emission amplitude. The test report shall clearly indicate how the various combinations were examined and a technical justification for any applied streamlining of test requirements. See 5.1.2.2 for guidance with regards to potential streamlined test requirement guidance.

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5.5.2.5 Pre-scan testing

Exploratory radiated measurements (pre-scans) may be performed to determine the general EUT radiated emissions characteristics and, when necessary, the EUT-to-measurement antenna orientation that produces the maximum emission amplitude. Pre-scans shall only be used to determine the emission frequencies (i.e., not amplitude levels). The information garnered from a pre-scan can then be used to perform final compliance measurements using either the substitution or direct field strength method.

Pre-scan tests shall be performed following the test procedures provided in 5.5.2.3 and 5.5.2.4. When maximizing the emissions from the EUT for measurement, the EUT and its transmitting antenna(s) shall be rotated through 360°. For each mode of operation to be tested, the frequency spectrum (based on findings from exploratory measurements) shall be monitored.

5.5.4 Radiated measurement using the field strength method

5.5.4.1 General

Using the test configuration shown in Figure 6, measure the radiated emissions directly from the EUT and convert the measured field strength or received power to ERP or EIRP, as required, for comparison to the applicable limits. As stated in 5.5.1, the field strength measurement method using a test site validated to the requirements of ANSI C63.4 is an alternative to the substitution measurement method described in 5.5.3.

The test site shall satisfy the requirements in 4.6.3. The measurements shall be performed using the instrumentation specified in Clause 4, and using the common procedures in 5.5.2.

5.5.4.2 Radiated measurements for acquiring final compliance data

Final compliance data (i.e., data to be reported to the regulatory agency in support of an application for an equipment authorization) shall be collected in accordance with the procedures provided in 5.5.2, with the EUT transmitting for each frequency specified in 5.1.2. The emission characteristics of the EUT can be identified from the pre-scan measurement information obtained as specified in 5.5.2.5. Final measurements shall be performed for the worst case combination(s) of variable technical parameters that result in the maximum measured emission amplitude as per the guidelines provided in 5.1.2. For each mode selected, record the frequency and amplitude of the highest fundamental emission (if applicable), and the frequency and amplitude data for the six highest-amplitude spurious emissions.

When reduced measurement distances or higher gain antennas are used in the measurement, a far-field measurement distance relationship and measurement antenna beamwidth coverage of the EUT must be maintained. When preamplifiers are used to improve the measurement system noise floor, overload protection shall be ensured (see guidance in 4.2). Any deviations from the specific measurement conditions or requirements shall be fully described in the test report.

See 5.5.2.5 and/or Annex C for guidance on converting measured field strength or received power data to ERP or EIRP, as applicable, for comparison with the applicable regulatory limits.

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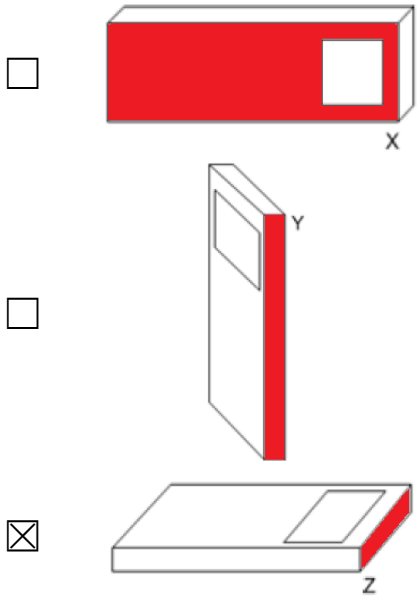
5.5.5 Recording test results

A minimum of six data points representing the highest identified unwanted emission amplitude levels revelant to the limit and associated frequencies must be included in the test report. This information shall be reported in a combination of both plots and tabular data as necessary to demonstrate compliance to the applicable technical requirement(s). When multiple operating modes are evaluated, only the "worst case" plots for each mode in each operating band need to be provided in the test report, along with an explanation and technical rationale supporting the identification of the "worst case." Test set-up photos shall be included and shall be of a sufficient quantity and detail as to allow for replication of the tests (i.e., a single photograph made from several meters away from the EUT is typically not sufficient). Data content and format shall conform to the requirements specified in Clause 8. While it is recognized that a graphical format is not applicable to final tests that utilize the traditional two-stage substitution measurement for every emission, graph(s) of preliminary swept measurement(s) that identify the emissions to be measured during final testing shall be presented in the report.

Worst-Case EUT Orientation



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