



Nemko Test Report: 14607RUS1

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**Equipment Under Test:
(E.U.T.)** FSU-2

In Accordance With: **FCC Part 15, Subpart C, 15.247**
Frequency Hopping Transmitters

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Section 1. Summary of Test Results

Manufacturer: ION Geophysical Corporation

Model No.: FSU-2

Serial No.: None

General: **All measurements are traceable to national standards.**

These tests were conducted on a sample of the equipment for the purpose of demonstrating compliance with Part 15, Subpart C, Paragraph 15.247 for Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum devices. Radiated tests were conducted in accordance with ANSI C63.4-2003. Radiated emissions are made on an open area test site.

A description of the test facility is on file with the FCC.



New Submission



Production Unit



Class II Permissive Change



Pre-Production Unit

THIS TEST REPORT RELATES ONLY TO THE ITEM(S) TESTED.

THE FOLLOWING DEVIATIONS FROM, ADDITIONS TO, OR EXCLUSIONS FROM THE TEST SPECIFICATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE.

See "Summary of Test Data".



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Summary Of Test Data

NAME OF TEST	PARA. NO.	RESULT
Powerline Conducted Emissions	15.207(a)	NA
Channel Separation	15.247(a)(1)	Complies
Time of Occupancy	15.247(a)(1)	Complies
20 dB Occupied Bandwidth	15.247(a)(1)	Complies
Peak Power Output	15.247(b)	Complies
Spurious Emissions (Antenna Conducted)	15.247(d)	Complies
Spurious Emissions (Radiated)	15.247(d)	Complies

Footnotes:

The device is battery powered.

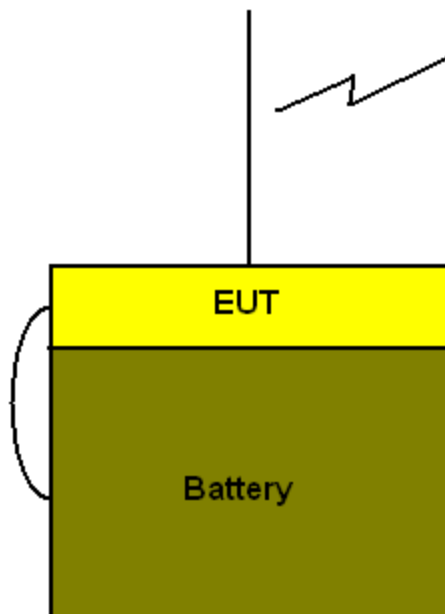
Section 2. Equipment Under Test (E.U.T.)

General Equipment Information

Frequency Band:	☐ 902 – 928 MHz ☒ 2400 – 2483.5 MHz ☐ 5725 – 5850 MHz
Supply Voltage:	12 Vdc nominal
Operating Frequency Range:	2402 to 2480 MHz
Number of Channels:	79
Channel Spacing:	1 MHz
20 dB Bandwidth:	1 MHz
User Frequency Adjustment:	None

System Description

Unit is a remote data collection system for Geophysical Survey utilizing a radio channel for command and control. The radio represented in this test report is part of the FSU-2 which is a licensed transmitter device. It is intended only for very short range communication with the FSU-2 radio.

System Diagram

Section 3. Channel Separation

NAME OF TEST: Channel Separation	PARA. NO.: 15.247(a)(1)
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Test Results: Complies.

Measurement Data: See 20 dB BW plot

Measured 20 dB bandwidth: 1 MHz

Channel Separation: 1 MHz

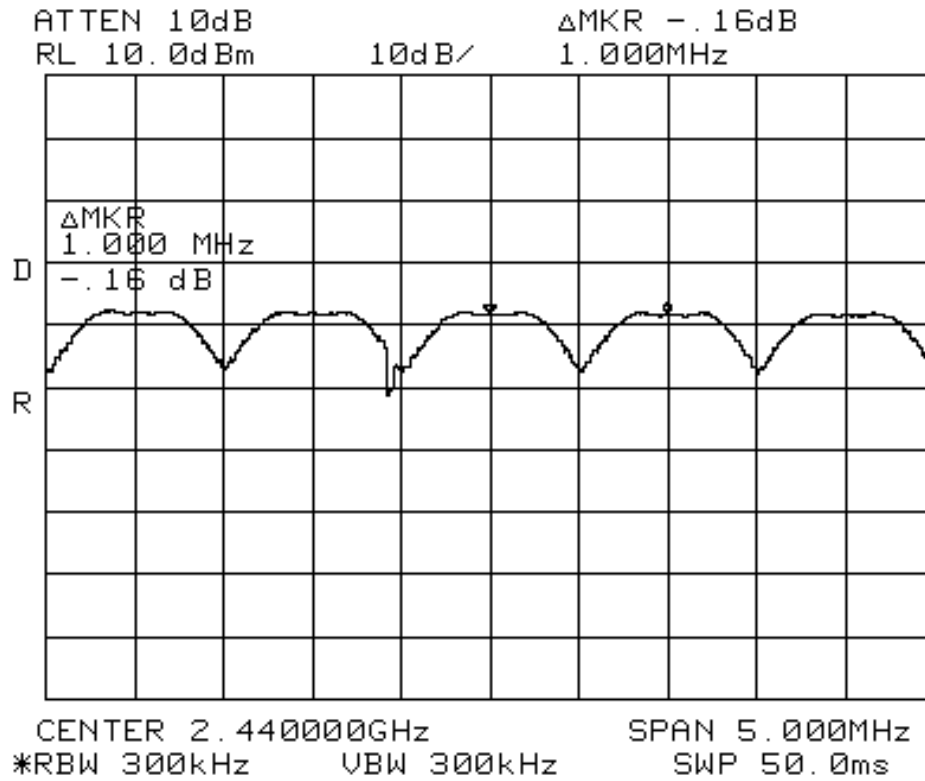
Equipment Used: 1464-1082-1469

Measurement Uncertainty: $\frac{1 \times 10^{-7}}{\text{_____}}$ ppm

Temperature: 22 °C

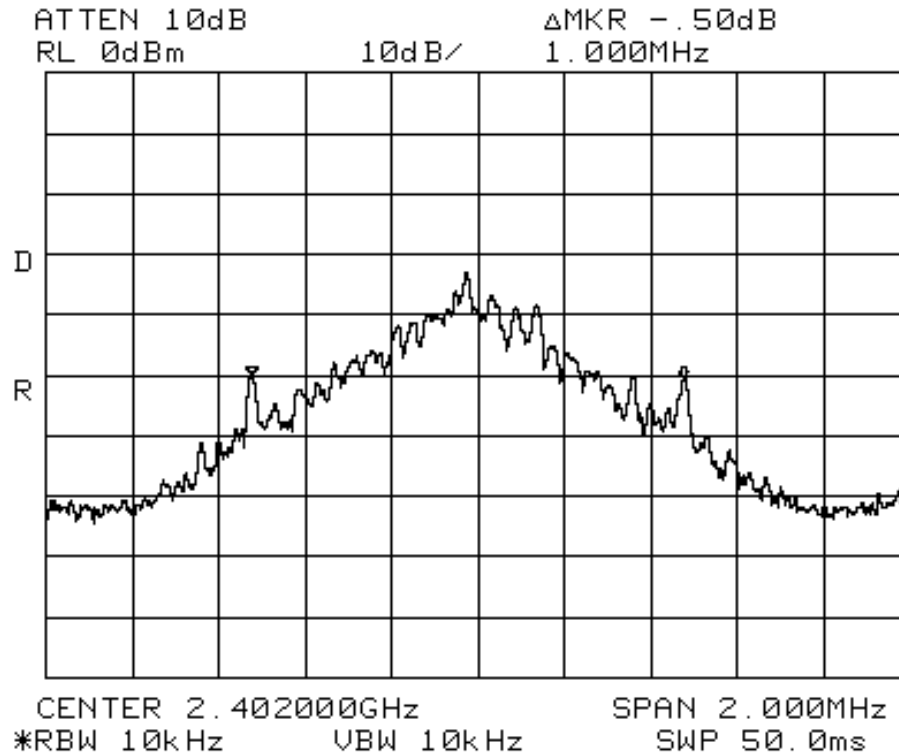
Relative Humidity: 35 %

Test Data – Channel Separation



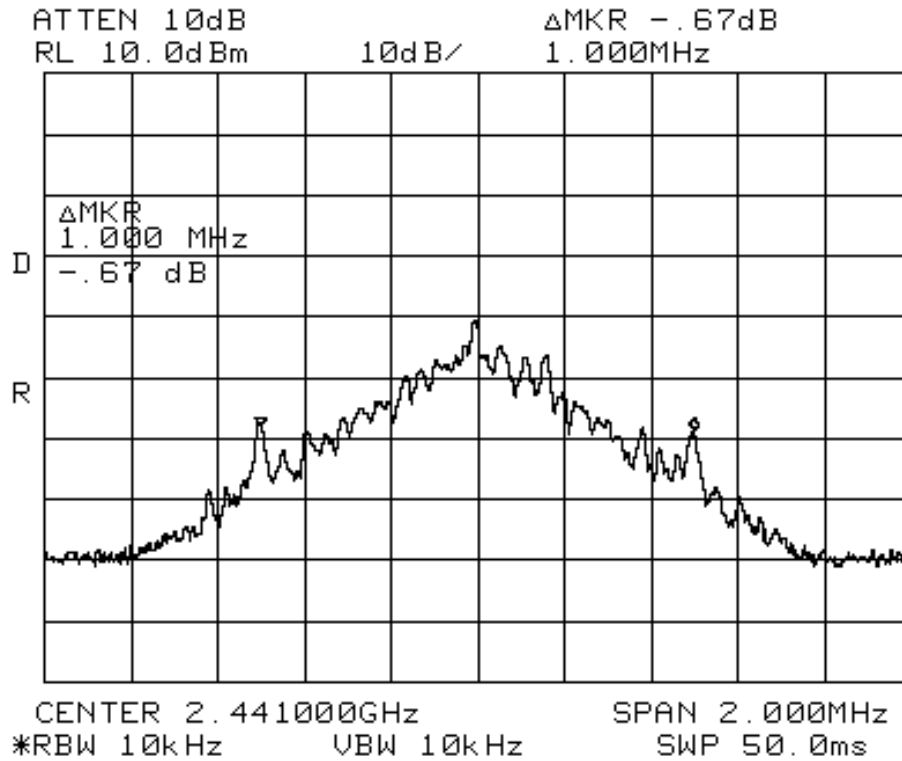
Test Data – 20 dB Bandwidth

Low Channel



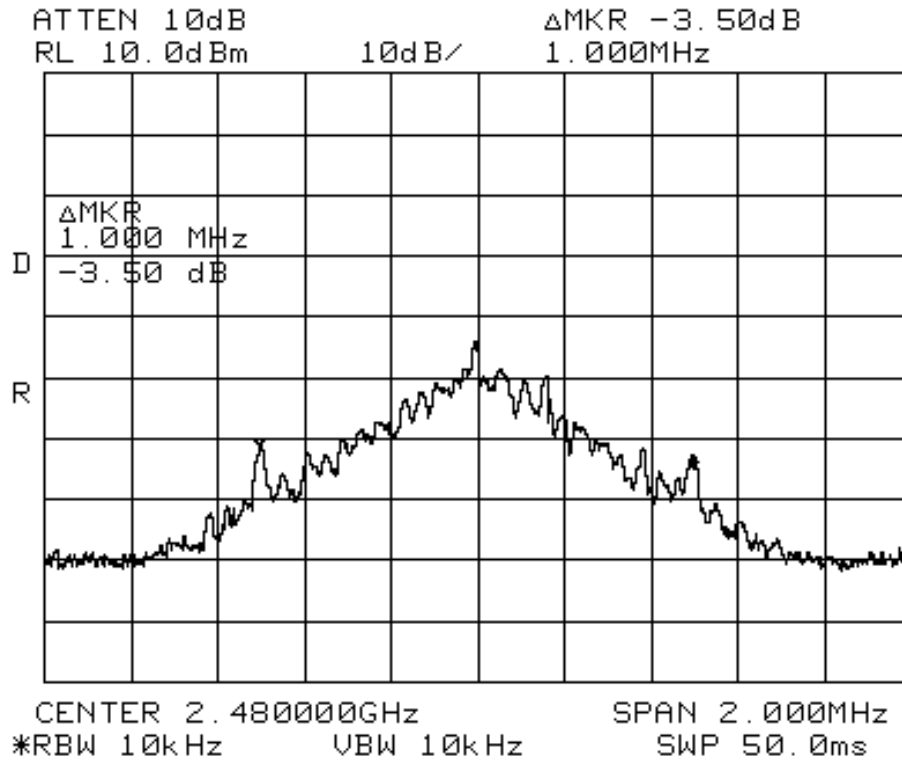
Test Data – 20 dB Bandwidth

Mid Channel



Test Data – 20 dB Bandwidth

High Channel



Section 4. Time of Occupancy

NAME OF TEST: Time of Occupancy	PARA. NO.: 15.247(a)(1)
TESTED BY: David Light	DATE: 07 July 2008

Test Results: Complies.

Measurement Data:

Maximum Dwell Time On Any Channel:

Equipment Used: 1464-1082-1469

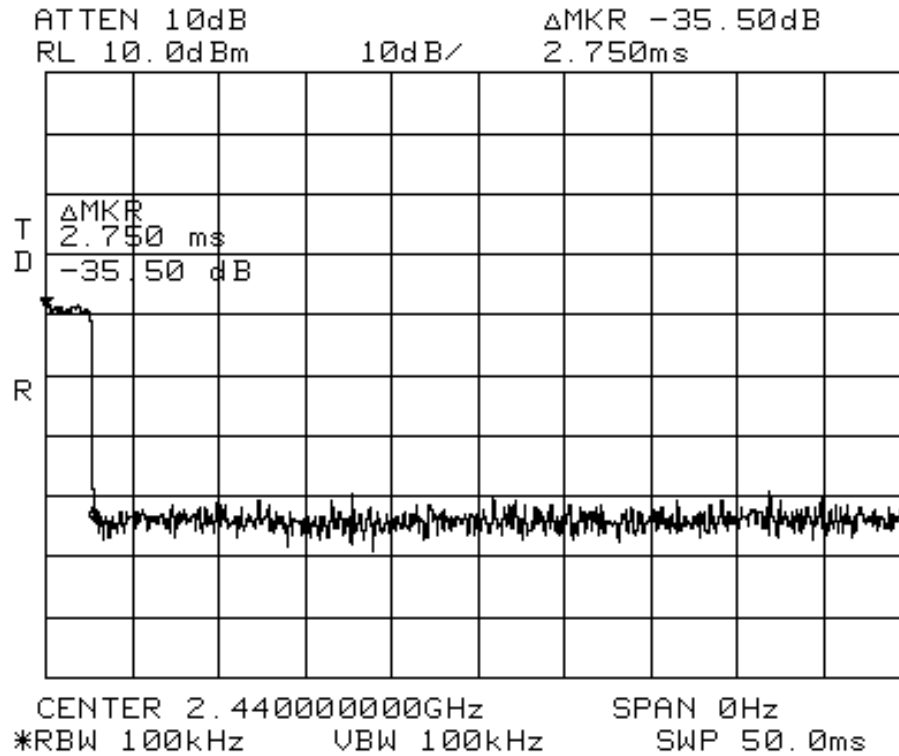
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Temperature: 22 °C

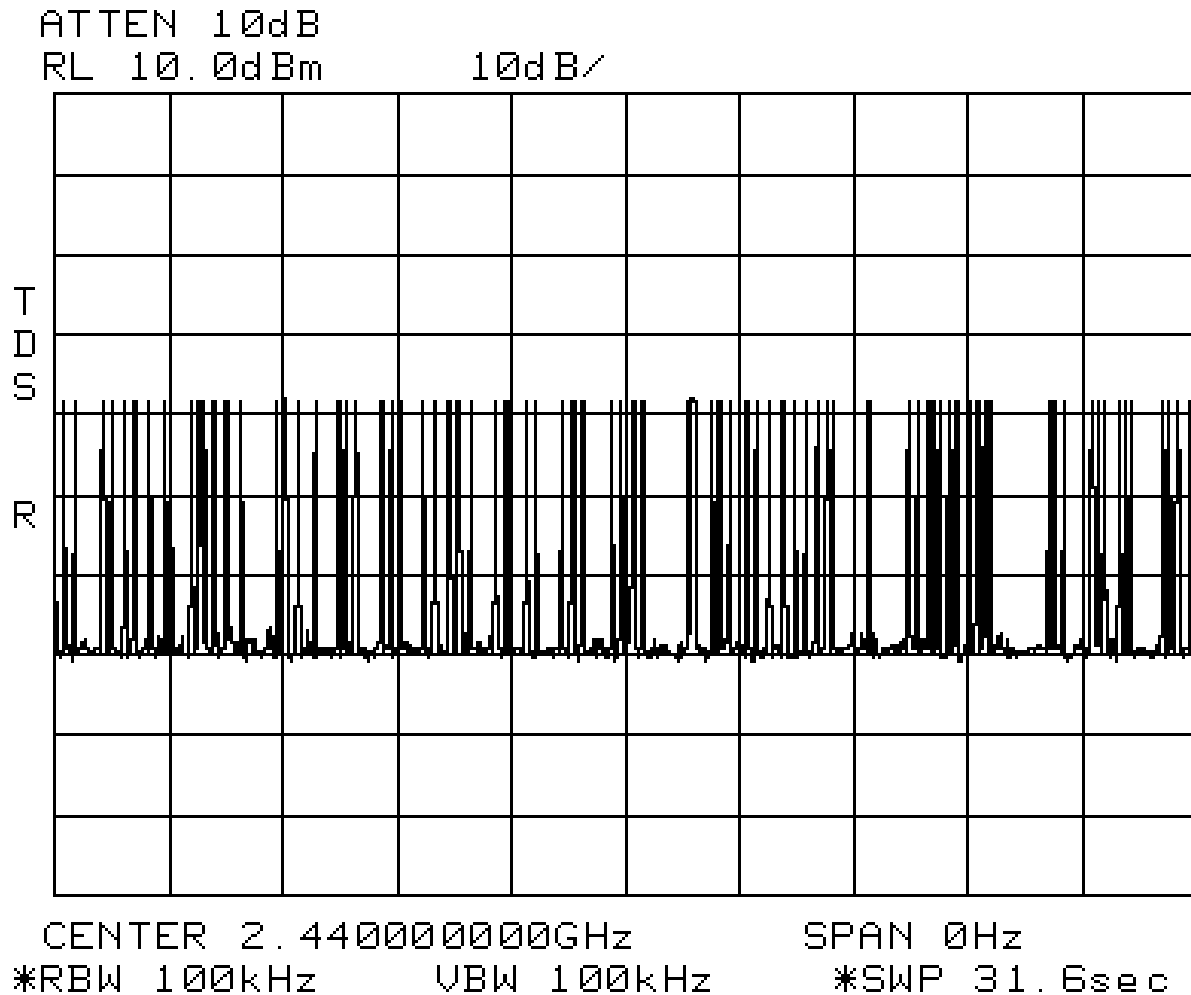
Relative Humidity: 35 %

Test Data – Time of Occupancy

Pulse Width



2.75 mS Pulse

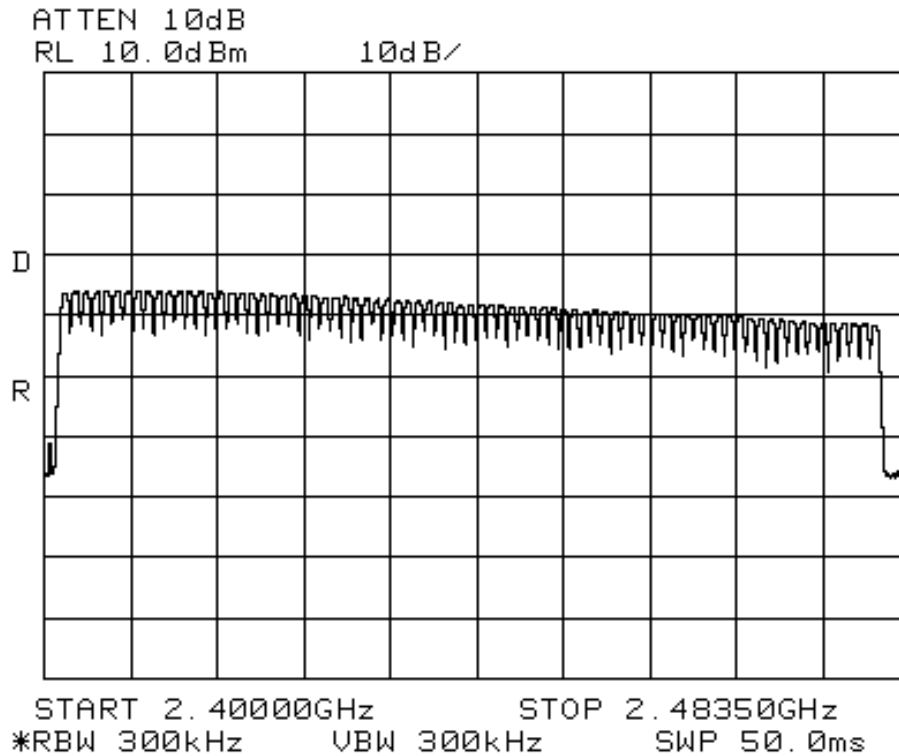
Test Data – Time of Occupancy

104 pulses X 2.75 mS = 286 mS in 31.6 seconds

Limit: 400 mS in 31.6 seconds

Test Data – Time of Occupancy

Number of hopping channels = 79



Section 5. Peak Power Output

NAME OF TEST: Peak Power Output	PARA. NO.: 15.247 (b)
TESTED BY: David Light	DATE: 07 July 2008

Test Results: Complies.

Measurement Data: See attached plots.

Detachable antenna? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, state the type of non-standard connector used:

Note: The dipole antenna is designed to operate in the 150 MHz range.

Frequency (MHz)	Peak Power (dBm)	Peak Power (mW)	Antenna Type	Gain (dBi)	E.I.R.P. (dBm)	E.I.R.P. (mW)
2402	-29.5	0.001	5/8 wave dipole	-20	-49.5	.0000112
2441	-27.3	0.002	5/8 wave dipole	-20	-47.3	.0000186
2480	-30.7	0.0085	5/8 wave dipole	-20	-50.7	.0000085
Maximum EIRP: 5 nW						

- ☐ This device was tested at +/- 15% input power per 15.31(e), with no variation in output power.
- ☒ For battery powered equipment, the device was tested with a fresh battery per 15.31(e).
- ☒ The device was tested on three channels per 15.31(l).
- ☐ This test was performed radiated.

Equipment Used: 1464-1082-1469

Measurement Uncertainty: 1.7 dB

Temperature: 22 °C

Relative Humidity: 35 %

Section 6. Spurious Emissions (Antenna Conducted)

NAME OF TEST: Spurious Emissions (Antenna Conducted)	PARA. NO.: 15.247(d)
TESTED BY: David Light	DATE: 07 July 2008

Test Results:

Complies.

Measurement Data: See attached plots.

Equipment Used: 1464-1082-1469

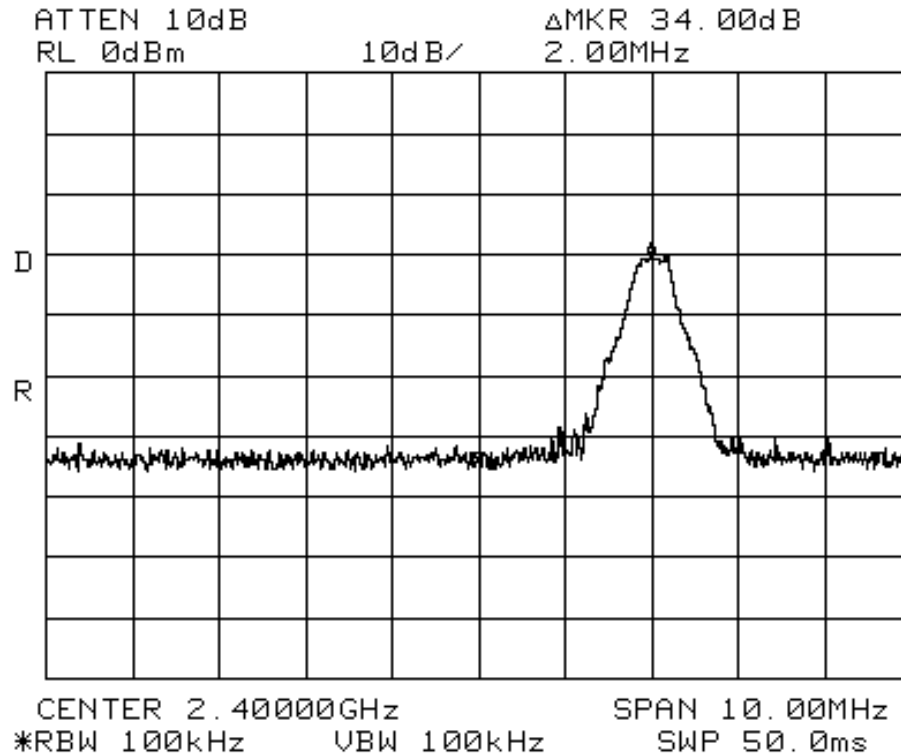
Measurement Uncertainty: $\frac{1 \times 10^{-7}}{\text{ppm}}$

Temperature: 22 °C

Relative Humidity: 35 %

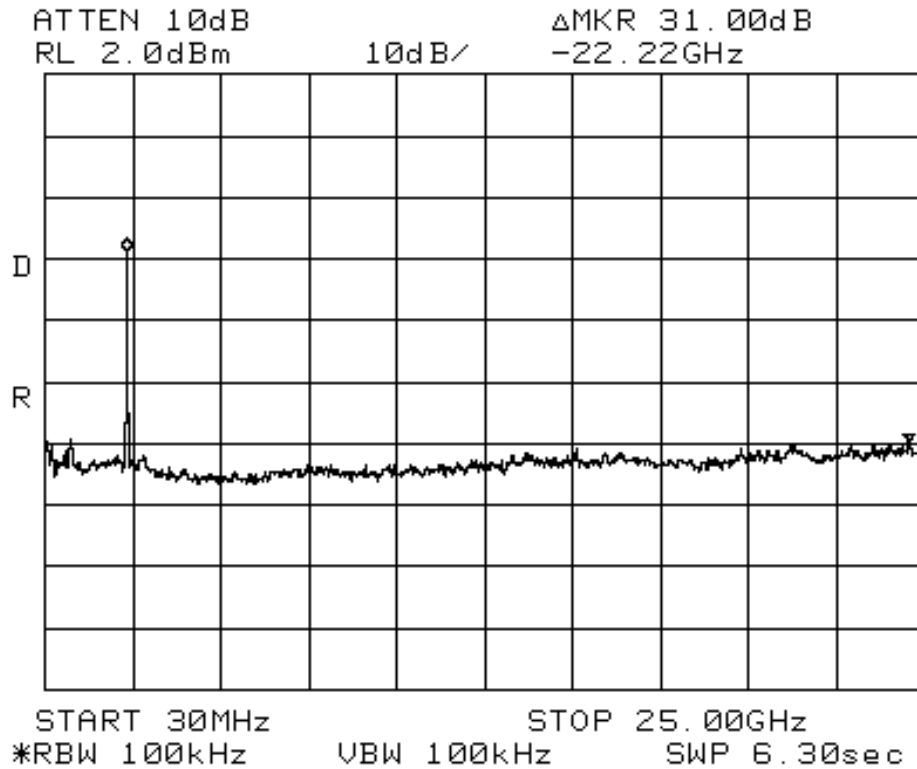
Test Data – Spurious Emissions at Antenna Terminals

Lower Band Edge



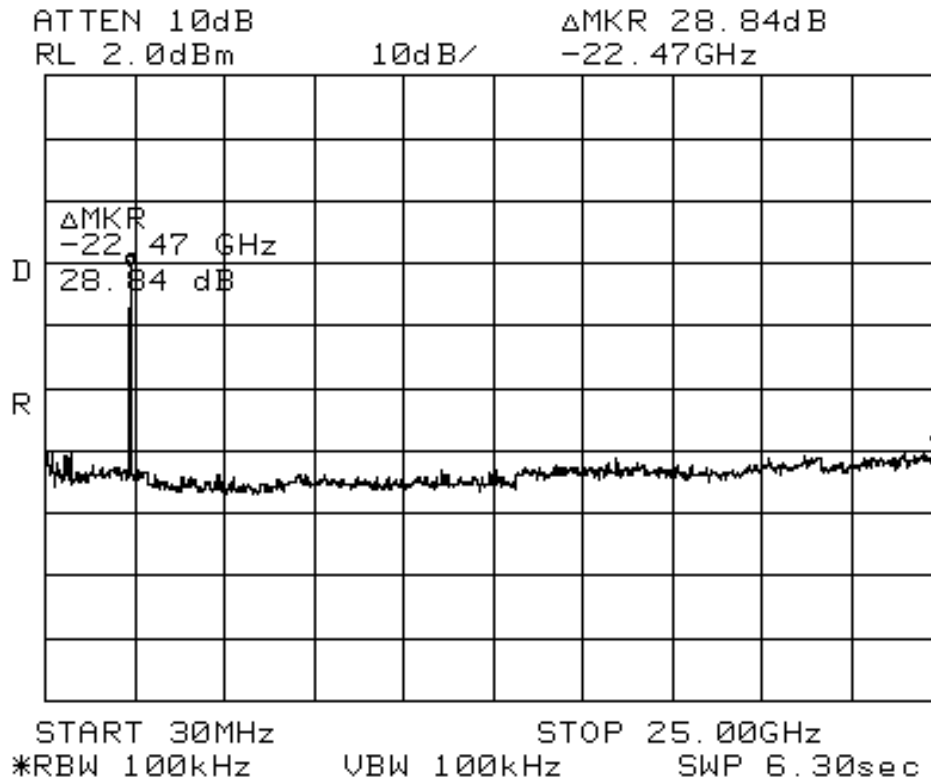
Test Data – Spurious Emissions at Antenna Terminals

Spurs – Low Channel



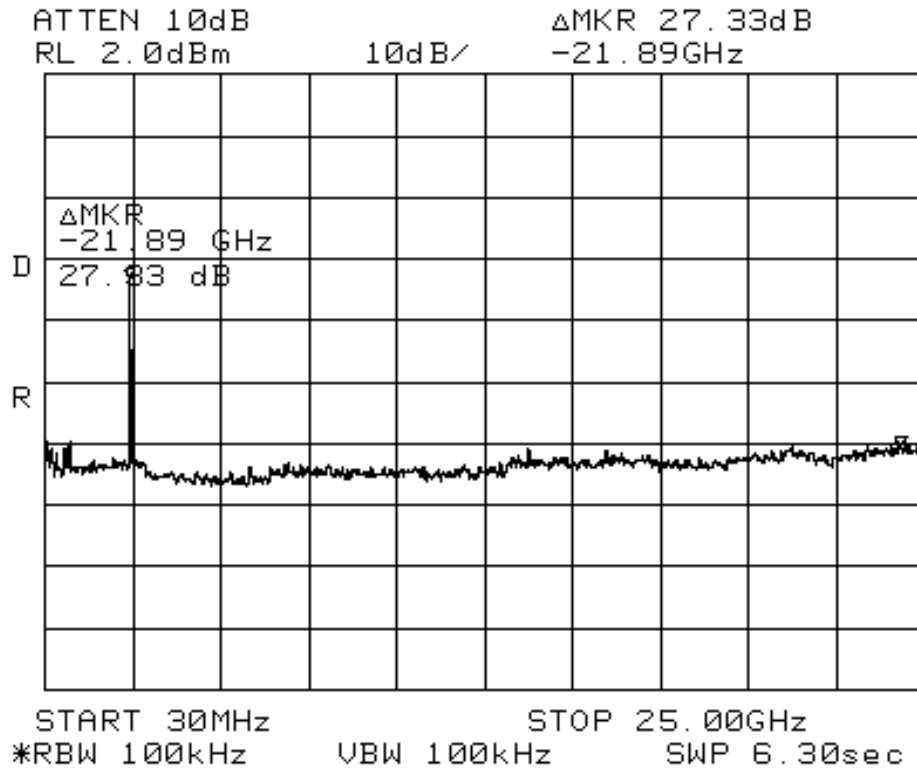
Test Data – Spurious Emissions at Antenna Terminals

Spurs – Mid Channel



Test Data – Spurious Emissions at Antenna Terminals

Spurs – High Channel



Section 7. Spurious Emissions (Radiated)

NAME OF TEST: Spurious Emissions (Radiated)	PARA. NO.: 15.247(d)
TESTED BY: David Light	DATE: 07 July 2008

Test Results: Complies.

Measurement Data: See attached table.

Notes:

- ☐ For handheld devices, the EUT was tested on three orthogonal axis'
- ☒ The device was tested from 30 MHz to the tenth harmonic of the highest fundamental frequency per 15.33
- ☒ The device was tested on three channels per 15.31(l).
- ☒ No emissions were detected within 20 dB of the specification limit therefore none are reported per 15.31(o). Band edge data is presented below.

Equipment Used: 1464-1484-1485-993-1016

Measurement Uncertainty: +/-3.6 dB

Temperature: 25 °C

Relative Humidity: 35 %

Test Data - Radiated Emissions

Upper Bandedge

Freq MHz	Rdng dBμV	Cable dB	Cable dB	Horn dB	Pre-A dB	Dist Table	Corr dBμV/m	Spec dBμV/m	Margin dB	Polar Ant
2483.5	43.0	+0.8	+2.3	+29.0	-32.8	+0.0	42.3	74.0	-31.7	Horiz/Pk
2483.5	31.8	+0.8	+2.3	+29.0	-32.8	+0.0	31.1	54.0	-22.9	Horiz/Avg
2483.5	42.3	+0.8	+2.3	+29.0	-32.8	+0.0	41.6	74.0	-32.4	Vert /Pk
2483.5	33.2	+0.8	+2.3	+29.0	-32.8	+0.0	32.5	54.0	-21.5	Vert /Avg

Test Conditions: Transmitting at 2480 MHz.

Analyzer Settings: Peak Reading RBW=VBW=1 MHz
Average Reading RBW = 1 MHz, VBW = 1 kHz

Section 8. Test Equipment List

Nemko ID	Description	Manufacturer Model Number	Serial Number	Calibration Date	Calibration Due
1464	Spectrum analyzer	Hewlett Packard 8563E	3551A04428	01/24/07	01/24/09
1484	Cable	Storm PR90-010-072	N/A	05/07/08	05/07/09
1485	Cable	Storm PR90-010-216	N/A	05/07/08	05/07/09
993	Horn antenna	A.H. Systems SAS-200/571	XXX	08/31/07	08/30/08
1016	Pre-Amp	HEWLETT PACKARD 8449A	2749A00159	05/07/08	05/07/09
1082	CABLE 2m	Astrolab 32027-2-29094-72TC	N/A	CBU	N/A
1469	10 db Attenuator DC 18 Ghz	MCL Inc. BW-S10W2 10db-2WDC	NONE	CBU	N/A

ANNEX A - TEST DETAILS

NAME OF TEST: Channel Separation	PARA. NO.: 15.247(a)(1)
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Minimum Standard:

Frequency hopping systems shall have hopping channel carrier frequencies separated by a minimum of 25 kHz or the 20 dB bandwidth of the hopping channel, whichever is greater. Alternatively, frequency hopping systems operating in the 2400-2483.5 MHz band may have hopping channel carrier frequencies that are separated by 25 kHz or two-thirds of the 20 dB bandwidth of the hopping channel, whichever is greater, provided the systems operate with an output power no greater than 125 mW.

NAME OF TEST: Time of Occupancy

PARA. NO.: 15.247(a)(1)

Minimum Standard:

Frequency Band (MHz)	20 dB Bandwidth	No. of Hopping Channels	Average Time of Occupancy
902 - 928	<250 kHz	50	=<0.4 sec. in 20 sec.
902 – 928	=>250 kHz	25	=<0.4 sec. in 10 sec.
2400 – 2483.5	-----	75	=<0.4 sec. in 0.4 seconds multiplied by the number of hopping channels employed.
5725 – 5850	-----	75	=<0.4 sec. in 30 sec.

Method Of Measurement:

The spectrum analyzer is set as follows:

RBW: 1 MHz

VBW: = RBW

Span: 0 Hz

LOG dB/div.: 10 dB

Sweep: Sufficient to see one hop time sequence.

Trigger: Video

The occupancy time of one hop is measured as above. The average time of occupancy is calculated over the appropriate period of time from above table

Avg. time of occupancy = (period from table/duration of one hop)/no. of channels multiplied by the duration of one hop.

For instance:

If a 2.4 GHz system has a measured hop duration time of 1 msec. and uses 75 channels, then the average time of occupancy would be:

$(30 \text{ sec.} / .001 \text{ sec.}) / 75 \text{ chan.} = 400 \times 1 \text{ msec.} = 400 \text{ msec. or } 0.4 \text{ sec. in } 30 \text{ sec.}$

NAME OF TEST: Occupied Bandwidth

PARA. NO.: 15.247(a)(1)

Minimum Standard:

Frequency Band (MHz)	Maximum 20 dB Bandwidth
902 - 928	500 kHz
2400 – 2483.5	Not defined
5725 – 5850	1 MHz

Method Of Measurement:

The spectrum analyzer is set as follows:

RBW: At least 1% of span/div.

VBW: >RBW

Span: Sufficient to display 20 dB bandwidth

LOG dB/div.: 10 dB

Sweep: Auto

Number of channels tested:

Tuning range	Number of channels tested	Channel location in band
1 MHz or less	1	middle
1 to 10 MHz	2	top and bottom
more than 10 MHz	3	top, middle, bottom

NAME OF TEST: Peak Power Output

PARA. NO.: 15.247(b)

Minimum Standard:

Frequency Band (MHz)	No. of Hopping Channels	Maximum Peak Power Output at Antenna Port
902 - 928	at least 50	1 watt
902 – 928	25 - 49	0.25 watts
2400 – 2483.5	75	1 watt
5725 – 5850	75	1 watt

If transmitting antennas of directional gain greater than 6 dBi are used, the power shall be reduced by the amount in dB that the directional gain of the antenna exceeds 6 dBi.

Systems operating in the 2400-2483.5 MHz band that are used exclusively for fixed, point to point operation may employ transmitting antennas with directional gain greater than 6 dBi provided the maximum peak output power is reduced by 1 dB for every 3 dB that the directional gain of the antenna exceed 6 dBi.

Systems operating in the 5725 – 5850 MHz band that are used exclusively for fixed, point-to-point operation may employ transmitting antennas with directional gain greater than 6 dBi without any corresponding reduction in transmitter peak output power.

Direct Measurement Method For Detachable Antennas:

If the antenna is detachable, a peak power meter is used to measure the power output with the transmitter operating into a 50 ohm load. The dBi gain of the antenna(s) employed shall be reported.

Calculation Of EIRP For Integral Antenna:

If the antenna is not detachable from the circuit then the Peak Power Output is derived from the peak radiated field strength of the fundamental emission by using the plane wave relation $GP/4\pi R^2 = E^2/120\pi$ and proceeding as follows:

$$P = \frac{E^2 R^2}{30G} = \frac{E^2 3^2}{30G}$$

where,

P = the equivalent isotropic radiated power in watts

E = the maximum measured field strength in V/m

R = the measurement range (3 meters)

G = the numeric gain of the transmit antenna in relation to an isotropic radiator

The RBW of the spectrum analyzer shall be set to a value greater than the measured 20 dB occupied bandwidth of the E.U.T.

Number of channels tested:

Tuning range	Number of channels tested	Channel location in band
1 MHz or less	1	middle
1 to 10 MHz	2	top and bottom
more than 10 MHz	3	top, middle, bottom

NAME OF TEST: Spurious Emissions at Antenna Terminals	PARA. NO.: 15.247(d)
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Minimum Standard:

In any 100kHz bandwidth outside the frequency band in which the transmitter is operating, emissions shall be at least 20 dB below the fundamental emission or shall not exceed the following field strength limits. Emissions falling in the restricted bands of 15.205 shall not exceed the following field strength limits:

Frequency (MHz)	Field Strength ($\mu\text{V/m}$ @ 3m)	Field Strength (dB @ 3m)
30 - 88	100	40.0
88 - 216	150	43.5
216 - 960	200	46.0
Above 960	500	54.0

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30 MHz - 10th harmonic plot

RBW: 100 kHz

VBW: 300 kHz

Sweep: Auto

Display line: -20 dBc

Lower Band Edge

RBW: At least 1% of span/div.

VBW: >RBW

Span: As necessary to display any spurious at band edge.

Sweep: Auto

Center Frequency: 902 MHz, 2400 MHz, or 5725 MHz

Marker: Peak of fundamental emission

Marker Δ : Peak of highest spurious level below center frequency.Upper Band Edge

RBW: At least 1% of span/div.

VBW: >RBW

Span: As necessary to display any spurious at band edge.

Sweep: Auto

Center Frequency: 928 MHz, 2483.5 MHz, or 5850 MHz

Marker: Peak of fundamental emission

Marker Δ : Peak of highest spurious level above center frequency.

Number of channels tested:

Tuning range	Number of channels tested	Channel location in band
1 MHz or less	1	middle
1 to 10 MHz	2	top and bottom
more than 10 MHz	3	top, middle, bottom

NAME OF TEST: Radiated Spurious Emissions

PARA. NO.: 15.247(d)

Minimum Standard:

In any 100kHz bandwidth outside the frequency band in which the transmitter is operating, emissions shall be at least 20 dB below the fundamental emission or shall not exceed the following field strength limits:

Emissions falling in the restricted bands of 15.205 shall not exceed the following field strength limits:

Frequency (MHz)	Field Strength ($\mu\text{V/m}$ @ 3m)	Field Strength (dB @ 3m)
30 - 88	100	40.0
88 - 216	150	43.5
216 - 960	200	46.0
Above 960	500	54.0

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15.205 Restricted Bands

MHz	MHz	MHz	GHz
0.09-0.11	16.42-16.423	399.9-410	4.5-5.25
0.495-0.505	16.69475-16.69525	608-614	5.35-5.46
2.1735-2.1905	16.80425-16.80475	960-1240	7.25-7.75
4.125-4.128	25.5-25.67	1300-1427	8.025-8.5
4.17725-4.17775	37.5-38.25	1435-1626.5	9.0-9.2
4.20725-4.20775	73-74.6	1645.5-1646.5	9.3-9.5
6.125-6.218	74.8-75.2	1660-1710	10.6-12.7
6.26775-6.26825	108-121.94	1718.8-1722.2	13.25-13.4
6.31175-6.31225	123-138	2200-2300	14.47-14.5
8.291-8.294	149.9-150.05	2310-2390	15.35-16.2
8.362-8.366	156.52475-156.52525	2483.5-2500	17.7-21.4
8.37625-8.38675	156.7-156.9	2655-2900	22.01-23.12
8.41425-8.41475	162.0125-167.17	3260-3267	23.6-24.0
12.29-12.293	167.72-173.2	3332-3339	31.2-31.8
12.51975-12.52025	240-285	3345.8-3358	36.43-36.5
12.57675-12.57725	322-335.4	3600-4400	Above 38.6
13.36-13.41	1718		

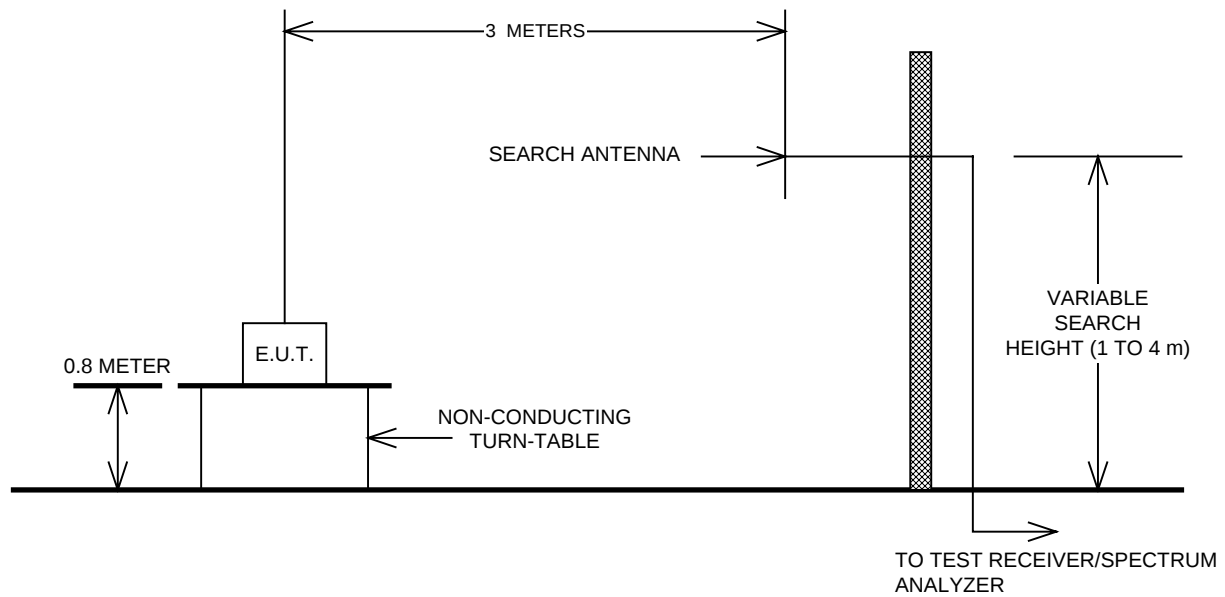
Number of channels tested:

Tuning range	Number of channels tested	Channel location in band
1 MHz or less	1	middle
1 to 10 MHz	2	top and bottom
more than 10 MHz	3	top, middle, bottom

ANNEX B - TEST DIAGRAMS

EQUIPMENT:

Test Site For Radiated Emissions



Peak Power at Antenna Terminals

