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Measured Radio Frequency Emissions
From

Ensure Xyloc XC-2A Transmitter
FCC ID: NW5XC2A
IC: 3937A-2A

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Summary

Tests for compliance with FCC Regulations Part 15, Subpart C, and Industry Canada RSS-210/GEN, were performed on Ensure model(s) XC-2A

In testing completed on September 6, 2008, the device tested met fundamental emission limits by more than 8.5 dB, harmonic limits by more than 21.5 dB, and band edges by 0.2 dB. Spurious emissions meet the FCC/IC Class B limit by more than 20 dB. AC power line conducted emissions are not applicable as the DUT is powered by a 3 VDC lithium battery.

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1. Introduction

Ensure Technologies, Inc. model(s) XC-2A was(were) tested for compliance with FCC Regulations, Part 15, adopted under Docket 87-389, April 18, 1989 as amended, and with Industry Canada RSS-210/Gen, Issue 7, June 2007. The tests were performed at the University of Michigan Radiation Laboratory Willow Run Test Range following the procedures described in ANSI C63.4-2003 "Methods of Measurement of Radio-Noise Emissions from Low-Voltage Electrical and Electronic Equipment in the Range of 9 kHz to 40 GHz." Test site description and attenuation characteristics are on file with FCC Laboratory, Columbia, Maryland (FCC Reg. No: 91050) and with Industry Canada, Ottawa, ON (File Ref. No: IC 2057A-1).

2. Test Equipment Used

The pertinent test equipment commonly used in our facility for measurements is listed in Table 2.1 below. The middle column identifies the specific equipment used in these tests. The quality system employed at the University of Michigan Radiation Laboratory Willow Run Test Range has been established to ensure all equipment has a clearly identifiable classification, calibration expiry date, and that all calibrations are traceable to national standards.

Table 2.1 Test Equipment.			
Test Instrument	Used	Manufacturer/Model	Q Number
Spectrum Analyzer (9kHz-26GHz)	X	Hewlett-Packard 8593E, SN: 3412A01131	HP8593E1
Spectrum Analyzer (9kHz-6.5GHz)	X	Hewlett-Packard 8595E, SN: 3543A01546	JDB8595E
Power Meter		Hewlett-Packard, 432A	HP432A1
Harmonic Mixer (26-40 GHz)		Hewlett-Packard 11970A, SN: 3003A08327	HP11970A1
Harmonic Mixer (40-60 GHz)		Hewlett-Packard 11970U, SN: 2332A00500	HP11970U1
Harmonic Mixer (75-110 GHz)		Hewlett-Packard 11970W, SN: 2521A00179	HP11970W1
Harmonic Mixer (140-220 GHz)		Pacific Millimeter Prod., GMA, SN: 26	PMPGMA1
S-Band Std. Gain Horn		S/A, Model SGH-2.6	SBAND1
C-Band Std. Gain Horn		University of Michigan, NRL design	CBAND1
XN-Band Std. Gain Horn		University of Michigan, NRL design	XNBAND1
X-Band Std. Gain Horn		S/A, Model 12-8.2	XBAND1
X-band horn (8.2- 12.4 GHz)		Narda 640	XBAND2
X-band horn (8.2- 12.4 GHz)		Scientific Atlanta, 12-8.2, SN: 730	XBAND3
K-band horn (18-26.5 GHz)		FXR, Inc., K638KF	KBAND1
Ka-band horn (26.5-40 GHz)		FXR, Inc., U638A	KABAND1
U-band horn (40-60 GHz)		Custom Microwave, HO19	UBAND1
W-band horn(75-110 GHz)		Custom Microwave, HO10	WBAND1
G-band horn (140-220 GHz)		Custom Microwave, HO5R	GBAND1
Bicone Antenna (30-250 MHz)	X	University of Michigan, RLBC-1	LBBIC1
Bicone Antenna (200-1000 MHz)	X	University of Michigan, RLBC-2	HBBIC1
Dipole Antenna Set (30-1000 MHz)	X	University of Michigan, RLDP-1,-2,-3	UMDIP1
Dipole Antenna Set (30-1000 MHz)		EMCO 3121C, SN: 992 (Ref. Antennas)	EMDIP1
Active Rod Antenna (30 Hz-50 MHz)		EMCO 3301B, SN: 3223	EMROD1
Active Loop Antenna (30 Hz-50 MHz)		EMCO 6502, SN:2855	EMLOOP1
Ridge-horn Antenna (300-5000 MHz)	X	University of Michigan	UMRH1
Amplifier (5-1000 MHz)	X	Avantek, A11-1, A25-1S	AVAMP1
Amplifier (5-4500 MHz)	X	Avantek	AVAMP2
Amplifier (4.5-13 GHz)		Avantek, AFT-12665	AVAMP3
Amplifier (6-16 GHz)		Trek	TRAMP1
Amplifier (16-26 GHz)		Avantek	AVAMP4
LISN Box		University of Michigan	UMLISN1
Signal Generator		Hewlett-Packard 8657B	HPSG1

3. Configuration and Identification of Device Under Test

The Device Under Test (DUT) is a 903-927 transmitter used to determine a user's proximity to an associated receiver (used on a personal computer) which will automatically lock the computer screen when the user is not physically present. The DUT is 2.125(W) x 3.375(H) x 0.125 (D) inches in dimension with an operating voltage of 3VDC. The device employs two internal antennas (wires) to achieve transmitter spatial diversity. The DUT was designed by Ensure Technologies, Inc., 135 South Prospect, Suite 100, Ypsilanti, MI 48198. It is identified as:

Ensure Xyloc XC-3 Series Transmitter
Model(s): XC-3E, XC-3T, XC-3
FCC ID: NW5XC3
IC: 3937A-XC3

3.1 Variants and Modes of Operation

There is only one version of the Xyloc XC-2A transmitter. The device employs two internal transmit antennas (wires) attached to the PCB. The first data packet is transmitted from one antenna and the second packet is transmitted from the other antenna. The XC-2A employs an ON BUTTON to initiate regular transmissions every 0.8-1.0 seconds for no more than 13 hours, or until the OFF BUTTON is pressed. These devices are professionally installed.

3.2 Modules Supplied for Testing

Normal operating and CW enabled modules at 903, 915, and 927 MHz were supplied for testing. To ensure compliance with the limitations of employing quasi-peak measurements below 1 GHz (FCC 15.35), an additional set of devices was supplied employing a PRF of 21 Hz with peak power level set equal to those of the normal operating samples.

3.3 EMI/EMC Relevant Modifications

No changes were made to the DUT by this test laboratory.

4. Emission Limits

4.1 Radiated Emission Limits (FCC 15.249, 15.209; IC RSS-210e:A2.9)

The DUT tested is a 903-927 Transmitter, subject to FCC 15.249, and all other sections referred to therein. The applicable critical testing frequencies with corresponding emission limits are given in Tables 4.1 and 4.2.

Table 4.1. Radiated Emission Limits (Ref: FCC: 15.249; IC: RSS-210e A2.9)

Frequency (MHz)	Field Strength of Fundamental (mV/m)	Field Strength of Harmonics (μV/m)
902.0 – 928.0	50	500
2400 - 2483.5	50	500
5725.0 – 5875.0	50	500
24000.0 – 24250.0	250	2500

- 1) Field strength limits are specified at a distance of 3 meters.
- 2) Emissions radiated outside of the specified frequency bands, except for harmonics, shall be attenuated by at least 50 dB below the level of the fundamental or to the general radiated emission limits in Section 15.209 (Class B), whichever is the lesser attenuation.
- 3) Peak field strength of any emission above 1GHz shall not exceed the maximum permitted average limits specified above by more than 20 dB under any condition of modulation.
(15.35)

Table 4.2. Radiated Emission Limits
(FCC: 15.33, 15.35, 15.109/15.209; IC: RSS-210e, 2.7 Table 2)

Freq. (MHz)	Class A, E _{lim} dB(μV/m)	Class B, E _{lim} dB(μV/m)
30-88	49.5	40.0
88-216	54.0	43.5
216-960	56.9	46.0
Above 960	60.0	54.0

Note: Average readings apply above 1000 MHz (1 MHz BW)

Quasi-Peak readings apply up to 1000 MHz (120 kHz BW)

If the PRF of the DUT is less than 20 Hz, then Peak measurements apply, or the PRF of the device tested must be increased to 20 Hz for measurement with Quasi-Peak.

4.2 Conducted Emission Limits (FCC 15.107)

Table 4.3. Conducted emission limits (FCC 15.107; IC RSS-Gen 7.2.2 Table 2 (CISPR)).

Frequency MHz	Class A (dBμV)		Class B (dBμV)	
	μV	dBμV	μV	dBμV
0.150 - 0.50	79	66	66 - 56*	56 - 46*
0.50 - 5	73	60	56	46
5 - 30	73	60	60	50

Notes: 1. The lower limit shall apply at the transition frequency

2. The limit decreases linearly with the logarithm of the frequency in the range 0.15-0.50MHz:

*Class B Quasi-peak: $\text{dB}\mu\text{V} = 50.25 - 19.12 \cdot \log(f)$

*Class B Average: $\text{dB}\mu\text{V} = 40.25 - 19.12 \cdot \log(f)$

3. 9 kHz RBW

4.3 Supply Voltage Variation

For intentional radiators, measurements of the variation of the input power or the radiated signal level of the fundamental frequency component of the emission, as appropriate, shall be performed with the supply voltage varied between 85% and 115% of the nominal rated supply voltage. For battery operated equipment, the equipment tests shall be performed using a new battery. Worst case emissions are reported employing a new battery.

5. Test Procedure and Computations

5.1 Test Procedure: General

Prior to any measurements, all active components of the test setup were allowed a warm-up for a period of approximately one hour, or as recommended by their manufacturers.

5.2 Test Procedure: Radiated Emissions

5.2.1 Semi-anechoic Chamber Measurements

To familiarize with the radiated emission behavior of the DUT, the DUT was first studied and measured in a shielded anechoic chamber. In the chamber there is a set-up similar to that of an outdoor 3-meter site, with a turntable, an antenna mast, and a ground plane. Instrumentation includes spectrum analyzers and other equipment as needed.

In testing for radiated emissions, the DUT was stimulated as mentioned in the previous section. It was placed on the test table flat, on its side, and on its end. In the chamber we studied and recorded all the emissions using a bicone antenna up to 300 MHz and ridged horn and standard gain horn antennas above 300 MHz. The measurements made in the chamber below 1 GHz are used for pre-test evaluation only. The measurements made above 1 GHz are used in pre-test evaluation and in the final compliance assessment.

Note 1: For the horn antenna, the antenna pattern is more directive and hence the measurement is essentially that of free space (no ground reflection). Consequently it is not essential to measure the DUT for both antenna polarizations, as long as the DUT is measured on all three of its major axis. In the chamber we also recorded the spectrum and modulation characteristics of the carrier. These data are presented in subsequent sections. As a general procedure, emissions are first tested using a peak detector. If the DUT does not meet the quasi-peak (or average) limits via these measurements, quasi-peak (or average) measurements are then made to demonstrate compliance.

5.2.2 Open Area Test Site (OATS) Measurements

After the chamber measurements, the emissions were re-measured on the outdoor 3-meter site at fundamental and harmonics up to 1 GHz using tuned dipoles and/or the high frequency Bicone. Photographs included in this filing show the DUT on the Open Area Test Site (OATS).

5.2.3 Field Computations

To convert the dBm measured to E(dBμV/m) at the test receiver antenna, E(dBμV/m) is computed from

$$\begin{aligned} E(\text{dB}\mu\text{V/m}) &= 107 \text{ dB} + \text{Pr}(\text{R}_{\text{meas}})(\text{dBm}) + K_a - K_g \\ \text{or} \quad E(\text{dB}\mu\text{V/m}) &= \text{Pr}(\text{R}_{\text{meas}})(\text{dB}\mu\text{V}) + K_a - K_g \end{aligned}$$

Where P_r = power recorded on spectrum analyzer, dBm or dBμV
 K_a = antenna factor, dB/m
 K_g = pre-amp gain and/or cable loss, dB

When presenting the data, the highest measured emission at each frequency under all of the possible orientations is given.

5.3 Test Procedure: AC Mains Conducted Emissions

AC mains conducted emissions measurements do not apply DUT is powered either from a 3 VDC battery.

6. Measurement Results

6.1 Radiated Emissions

Table 5.1 and Table 5.2. DUT meets FCC/IC Class B spurious (non-harmonic) emissions limits by more than 20 dB.

6.2 Peak to Average Ratio

Figure 6.1. Peak to Average Ratio. During normal operation the worst case on time consists of two 3.755 ms pulses in any given 100 ms window; a peak-to-average duty of:

$$K_E = (2 \times 3.755 \text{ ms}) / 100 \text{ ms} = 0.075 < 20 \text{ dB}$$

However, since these devices employ a PRF of < 20 Hz, a set of devices with PRF modified to 24.9 Hz were employed for quasi-peak measurements. The peak power setting of these devices was identical to the normal operating devices supplied.

6.3 Emission Bandwidth

The measured spectrum of the signal is shown in Figure 6.2. From these plots we see that the worst case - 20 dB bandwidth is 945 kHz.

6.4 Radiated Emissions – Fundamental, Transmitter Spurious

Table 6.2. Fundamental, Harmonic, and Band Edge Radiated Emissions. Pk. 120 kHz RBW \leq VBW for $f < 1$ GHz, 1 MHz RBW \leq VBW for $f > 1$ GHz; measurement distance is 3 m. Relative emission spectrum is shown in Figure 6.3.

6.5 Effect of Supply Voltage Variation and Test Battery Voltages

The DUT has been designed to be powered by a 3 VDC battery. For this test, the battery was replaced by a laboratory variable power supply. Relative power radiated was measured at the fundamental as the voltage was varied from 2 to 4 volts. The emission variation is shown in Figure 6.4.

Batteries:	before testing	$V_{oc} = 3.32 \text{ V}$
	after testing	$V_{oc} = 3.01 \text{ V}$
Ave. current from batteries		$I = 25 \text{ mA (cw)}$

Note: Worst case emissions are re-tested using a new battery to ensure compliance.

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Table 5.1 Radiated Highest Emissions Measured

Radiated Emission - RF											Ensure XC-2 Series; FCC/IC
#	Freq. MHz	Ant. Used	Ant. Pol.	Pr dBm	Det. Used	Ka dB/m	Kg dB	E3* dBμV/m	E3lim dBμV/m	Pass dB	Comments
1	903.0	Dip	H	-38.8	QPk	28.3	15.8	80.7	94.0	13.3	flat, modified to 24.9 Hz
2	903.0	Dip	V	-41.0	QPk	28.3	15.8	78.5	94.0	15.5	side, modified to 24.9 Hz
3	915.0	Dip	H	-38.4	QPk	28.5	15.8	81.3	94.0	12.7	flat, modified to 24.9 Hz
4	915.0	Dip	V	-41.9	QPk	28.5	15.8	77.8	94.0	16.2	side, modified to 24.9 Hz
5	927.0	Dip	H	-34.4	QPk	28.6	15.7	85.5	94.0	8.5	flat, modified to 24.9 Hz
6	927.0	Dip	V	-39.0	QPk	28.6	15.7	80.9	94.0	13.1	side, modified to 24.9 Hz
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8	1806.0	Horn LS	H/V	-54.6	Pk	20.9	28.0	25.3	54.0	28.7	side
9	1830.0	Horn LS	H/V	-57.9	Pk	20.8	28.0	21.9	54.0	32.1	side
10	1854.0	Horn LS	H/V	-55.3	Pk	20.8	28.0	24.5	54.0	29.5	side
11	2709.0	Horn RG	H/V	-61.9	Pk	24.7	25.9	23.9	54.0	30.1	side
12	2745.0	Horn RG	H/V	-59.5	Pk	24.8	25.8	26.5	54.0	27.5	end
13	2781.0	Horn RG	H/V	-58.9	Pk	24.9	25.7	27.3	54.0	26.7	side
14	3612.0	Horn RG	H/V	-69.9	Pk	27.4	23.9	20.5	54.0	33.5	max all, noise
15	3660.0	Horn RG	H/V	-71.2	Pk	27.5	23.8	19.5	54.0	34.5	max all, noise
16	3708.0	Horn RG	H/V	-70.6	Pk	27.6	23.7	20.3	54.0	33.7	max all, noise
17	4515.0	Horn C	H/V	-55.3	Pk	24.5	33.0	23.2	54.0	30.8	max all, noise
18	4575.0	Horn C	H/V	-58.9	Pk	24.5	34.1	18.6	54.0	35.4	max all, noise
19	4635.0	Horn C	H/V	-60.8	Pk	24.6	35.1	15.6	54.0	38.4	max all, noise
20	5418.0	Horn C	H/V	-58.5	Pk	24.7	38.0	15.2	54.0	38.8	max all, noise
21	5490.0	Horn C	H/V	-55.3	Pk	24.8	38.0	18.5	54.0	35.5	max all, noise
22	5562.0	Horn C	H/V	-51.4	Pk	24.8	38.0	22.4	54.0	31.6	max all, noise
23	6321.0	Xn-Horn	H/V	-40.9	Pk	24.4	38.0	32.5	54.0	21.5	max all, noise
24	6405.0	Xn-Horn	H/V	-44.6	Pk	24.5	38.0	28.9	54.0	25.1	max all, noise
25	6489.0	Xn-Horn	H/V	-43.6	Pk	24.5	38.0	29.9	54.0	24.1	max all, noise
26	7224.0	Xn-Horn	H/V	-47.0	Pk	25.1	36.8	28.3	54.0	25.7	max all, noise
27	7320.0	Xn-Horn	H/V	-48.9	Pk	25.2	36.8	26.5	54.0	27.5	max all, noise
28	7416.0	Xn-Horn	H/V	-46.8	Pk	25.3	36.8	28.7	54.0	25.3	max all, noise
29	8127.0	X-Horn	H/V	-59.9	Pk	27.0	36.8	17.3	54.0	36.7	max all, noise
30	8235.0	X-Horn	H/V	-59.7	Pk	27.0	36.8	17.5	54.0	36.5	max all, noise
31	8343.0	X-Horn	H/V	-59.8	Pk	27.1	36.8	17.5	54.0	36.5	max all, noise
32	9030.0	X-Horn	H/V	-59.4	Pk	27.5	36.8	18.3	54.0	35.7	max all, noise
33	9150.0	X-Horn	H/V	-59.2	Pk	27.5	36.8	18.5	54.0	35.5	max all, noise
34	9270.0	X-Horn	H/V	-58.7	Pk	27.6	36.8	19.1	54.0	34.9	max all, noise
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38	* includes a 20 dB duty factor above 1000 MHz when Pk measurements are taken.										
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Table 5.2 Highest Radiated Emissions Measured

Radiated Emission - RF											Ensure XC-2A; FCC/IC
#	Freq. MHz	Ant. Used	Ant. Pol.	Pr dBm	Det. Used	Ka dB/m	Kg dB	E3* dBμV/m	E3lim dBμV/m	Pass dB	Comments
1	Band Edges										
2	899.0	Dip	H	-80.0	QPk	28.3	16.4	38.9	46.0	7.1	max all, 3 freq tested
3	902.0	Dip	H	-74.4	QPk	28.3	16.4	44.5	46.0	1.5	max all, 3 freq tested
4	928.0	Dip	H	-74.2	QPk	28.6	16.3	45.2	46.0	0.8	max all, 3 freq tested
5	930.9	Dip	H	-73.6	QPk	28.7	16.2	45.8	46.0	0.2	max all, 3 freq tested
6											
7											
8											
9											
Digital Radiated Emissions											
#	Freq. kHz	Ant. Used	Ant. Pol.	Pr dBm	Det. Used	Ka dB/m	Kg dB	E3 dBμV/m	E3lim dBμV/m	Pass dB	Comments
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13	Digital emissions more than 20 dB below FCC/IC Class B Limit.										
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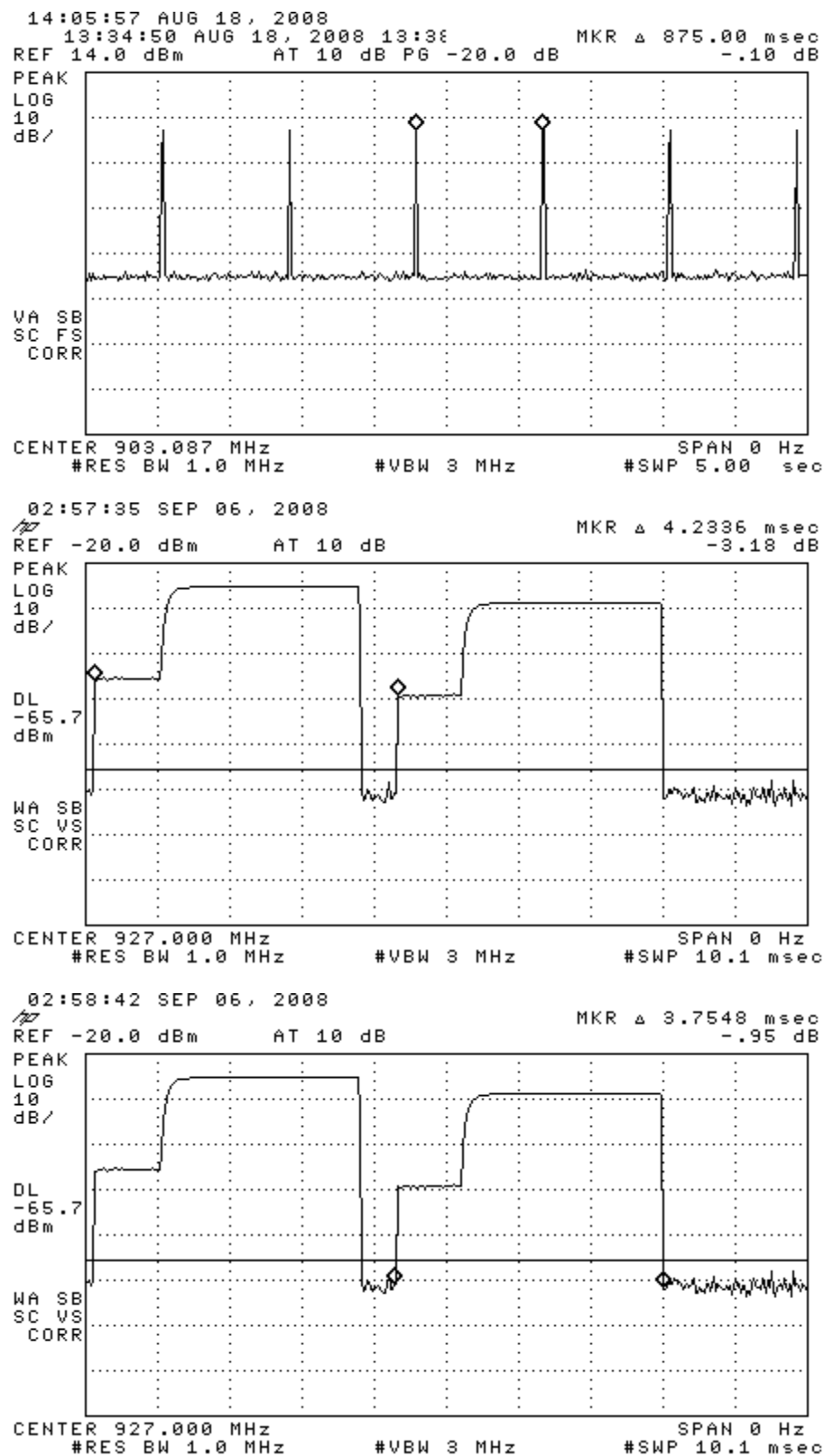


Figure 6.1(a). Fundamental Emission (top) worst case 1 second pulse period,
 (middle) two pulses per transmission, (bottom) single pulse width.

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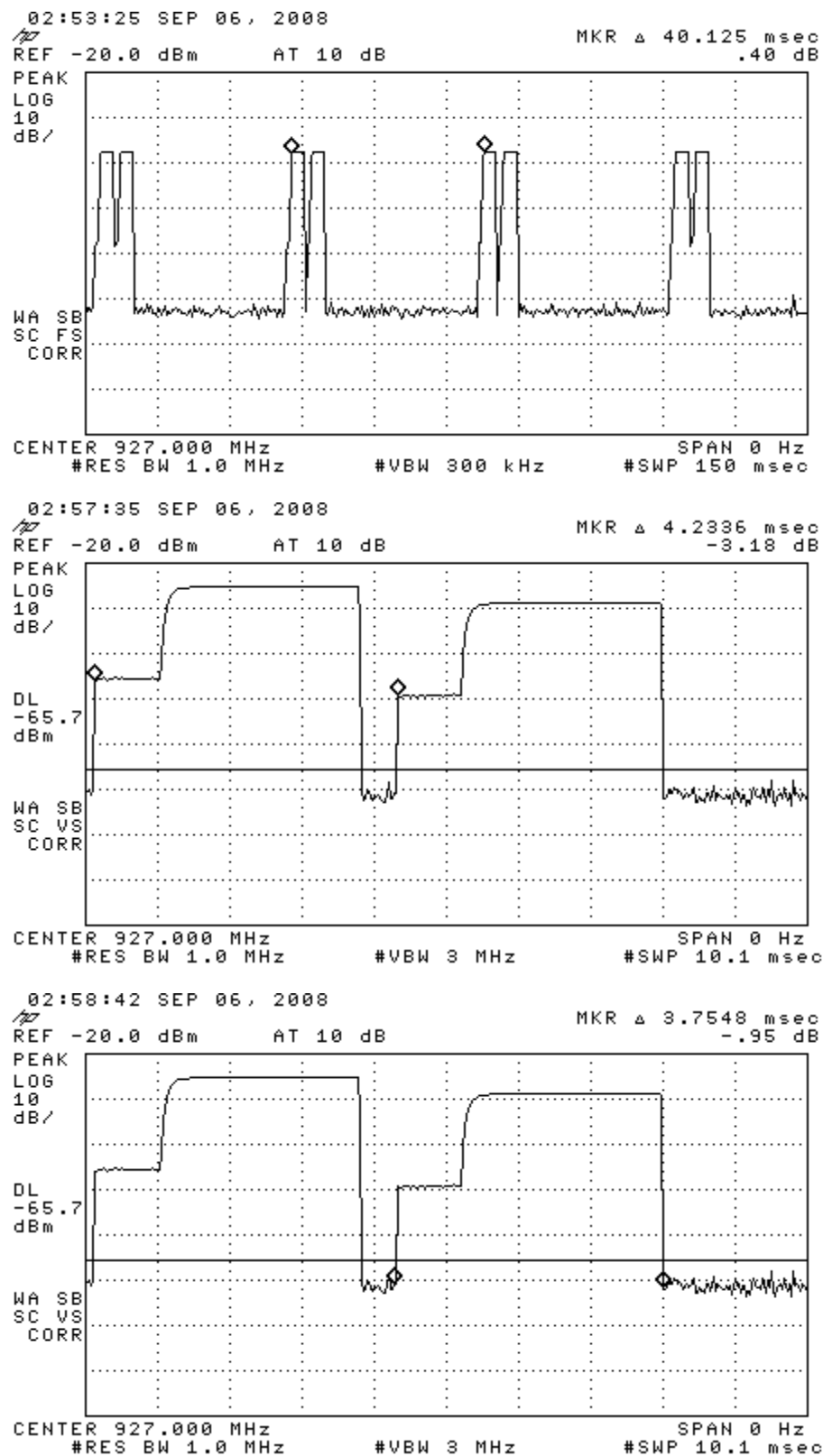


Figure 6.1(b). 24.9 Hz modified devices for QPK measurement (top) 24.9 Hz period, (middle) standard pulse separation, (bottom) single pulse width.

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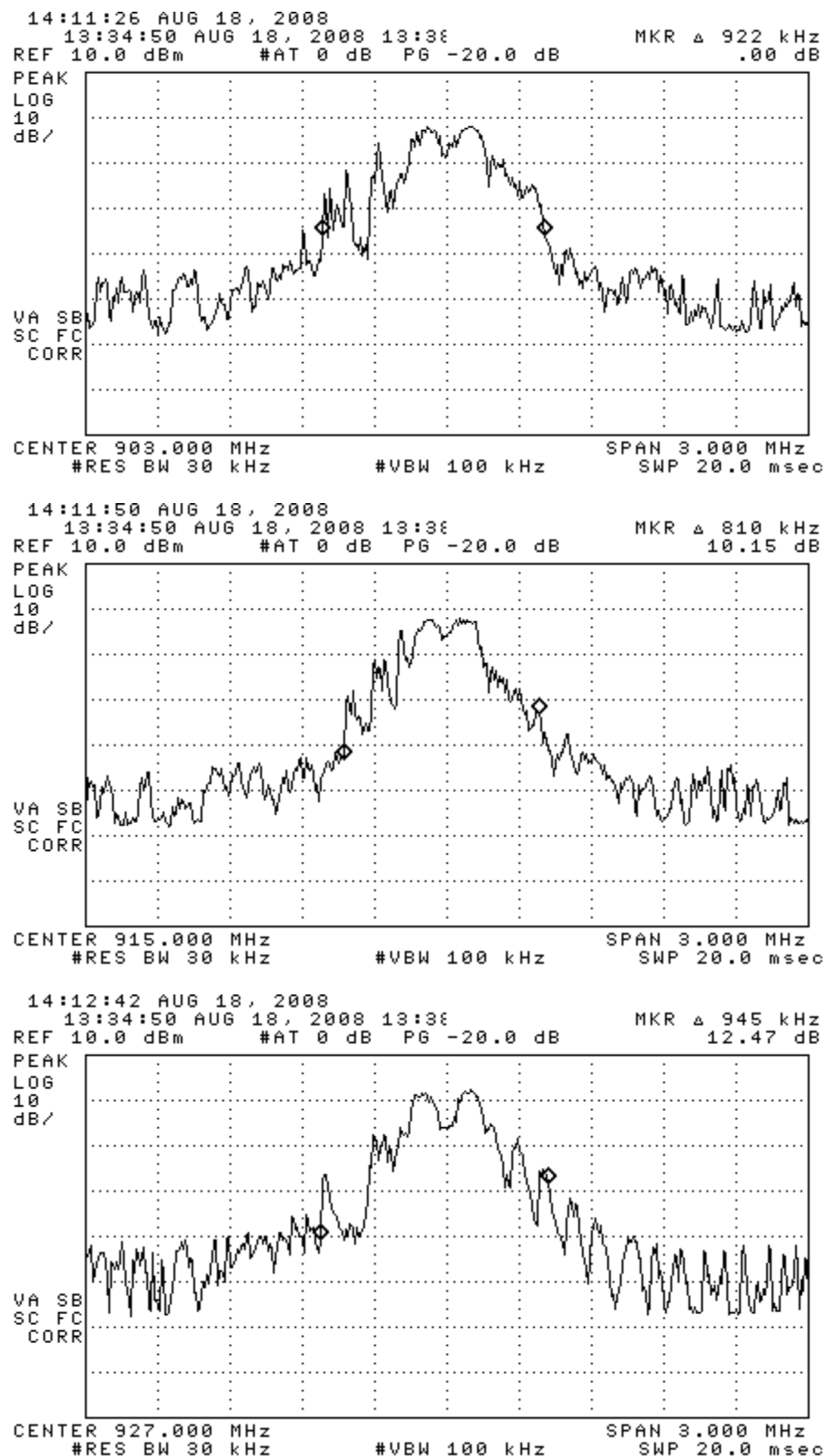
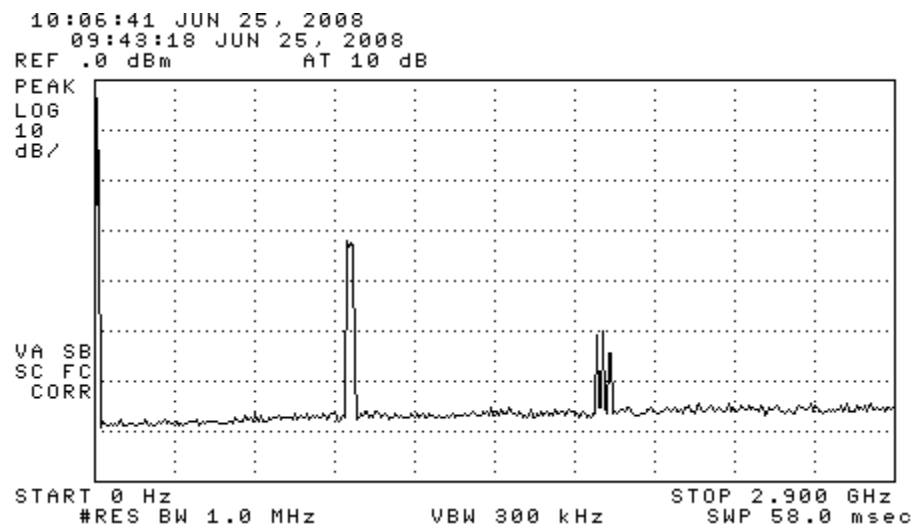


Figure 6.2(a). Emission Bandwidth (Normal Operating Mode): (top) Low Channel, (middle) Middle Channel, (bottom) High Channel



Figures 6.3. Emission spectrum of the DUT (low, middle, high; pulsed emission).
The amplitudes are only indicative (not calibrated).

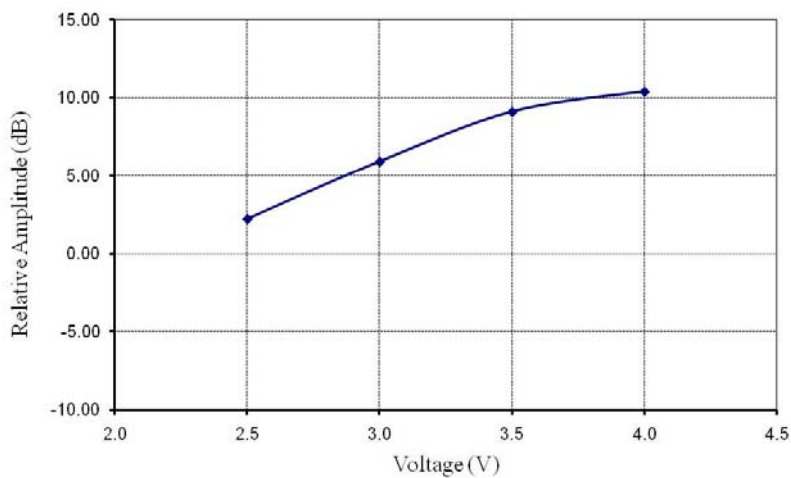


Figure 6.4. Relative emission at fundamental (cw) vs. supply voltage.



DUT on OATS – one of three axes tested



DUT on OATS (Close-up) – one of three axes tested