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M-6576

FM-7.5H FM TRANSMITTER

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR INSTALLING & OPERATION

OF

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FM HARMONICS IN THE TV BAND

The sharp upsurge in FM broadcasting has in some instances developed unlooked for interference with local TV reception. In every instance this interference is in so-called fringe areas for TV reception and where the strength of the TV signal is weak enough that outside highly directional home TV antennas are necessary. ----- When this condition develops, the TV viewer quickly learns from his service man that the local FM station is the offender. ----- The FM broadcaster is immediately deluged with requests to eliminate the interference. In some instances CATV (Community Antenna Television) systems are also offended as they pick up weak distant TV stations. ------- What is the FM broadcaster's responsibility? Answer: To meet FCC rules and regulations as related to harmonic radiation of his FM equipment but not to guarantee perfect TV reception.

Below is a chart showing the picture and sound frequencies of TV stations between Channels 7-13 inclusive. Channels 2-6 are not shown. FM harmonics do not fall in these Channels. In fact, commercial FM station harmonics will affect only Channels 8 and above ----- look at the chart.

TV Channel	Picture Frequency Band ---Mc---	Sound Frequency
7	175.25 to 179.50	197.75
8	181.25 to 185.50	185.75
9	187.25 to 191.50	191.75
10	193.25 to 197.50	197.75
11	199.25 to 203.50	203.75
12	205.25 to 209.50	209.75
13	211.25 to 215.50	215.75

The frequency range for commercial FM broadcasting is 92.1 Mc to 107.9 Mc: --- To determine the second harmonic of your FM frequency, just multiply your frequency by 2. Example: If your frequency is 99.9 Mc, multiplied by 2 would make a second harmonic of 199.8 Mc. By consulting the above chart, you will note the second harmonic falls in the picture portion of the TV Channel 11.

Correct FM Harmonic Radiation

The FCC stipulates that transmitters of 3000 watts power and over must have a harmonic attenuation of 80 db. For 1000 watts, 73 db., and for 250 watts, 66.9 db. All reputable manufacturers design their FM transmitters to meet or exceed these specifications.

Fringe Area TV Strength Versus FM Harmonics

Let's take a typical FM station that radiates 70,000 microvolts per meter at 1 mile. At 80 db. harmonic attenuation (as called for by FCC), this station will radiate approximately 7 microvolts per meter at 1 mile on the second harmonic. In the case of our Channel 11 example, it is estimated that a fringe area TV station from 60 to 90 miles distance would have a signal strength of from 5 to 25 microvolts per meter. It can then be easily understood that a 7 microvolt signal, well within FCC specifications, would definitely interfere with the TV signal, yet with the FM broadcaster's equipment performing normally.

This is sometimes further aggravated by the FM station being located between the TV station and the TV receivers. In this instance the TV antennas are focussed not only on the TV station but your FM station as well. The home TV antennas are beamed at your legal second harmonic as well as the fringe TV station.

What To Do

When interference occurs, it will develop ragged horizontal lines on the TV picture varying with the FM program content. If the TV sound portion is interfered with (usually not the case), then the FM signal will be heard in addition to the TV sound.

1. It is not up to the FM broadcaster to go on the defensive. He did not put the TV station 75 miles away nor did he select the TV Channel. ---- In most instances the condition is a natural phenomena that neither you, the TV station, nor the FCC can correct.

2. Do not adjust the FM harmonic or "T" notch filters supplied with the FM transmitter. These are factory adjusted and most FM stations do not have the expensive equipment necessary for correct adjustment. Tampering with this calibrated adjustment will probably make the condition worse.

3. Do not rely on TV service men's types of measuring equipment. They are not built to accurately measure harmonics and invariably give erroneous readings that invite the CATV or local service men's association to say "I told you so." Remember it is difficult to radiate harmonics if the equipment is built to suppress the harmonics and it is.

4. In many instances interference may be caused by overloading on the front end of the TV receiver. This problem usually occurs when the receiver is located close to the FM transmitter. This problem can be overcome by installing a trap tuned to the frequency of the FM carrier. The TV service man can and must learn how to do this. In most cases it works, while in some instances, if not properly installed or tuned, it will not completely eliminate the interference. In one case where interference of this type existed, a TV station put traps for the fundamental FM frequency on nearly every TV set in town. Not the FM transmitter.

Summary

The FCC is well acquainted with this nation-wide problem. If TV viewers write FCC, complaining about your FM station, remember the FCC has received a few thousand similar letters. ----- It is not the obligation of the FM broadcaster to assure fringe area reception of a TV station any more than is the obligation of the TV station to assure the FM broadcaster perfect reception in his TV city.

Probably your installation will not have problems as outlined above. If they do exist, don't blame the equipment. Every transmitting device puts out a second harmonic, even the TV stations. The fact that these harmonics legally fall into the spectrum of a TV station many miles distant is coincidental, but not your fault.

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1.1 Warranty and Safety Notice

This equipment is guaranteed under the liberal Gates Warranty, terms and conditions of which are full set forth in the standard Gates Warranty, available upon request.

Most Gates manufactured items are guaranteed for one year, with the exception of tubes and moving parts, which are subject to specific warranties based upon hours of usage. The Warranty does not extend to "no charge" service on the field.

Switch to Safety - This equipment employs voltages which are dangerous and may prove fatal if contacted by operating personnel. Extreme caution should be exercised when working with the equipment. Observe safety regulations. Do not change tubes or make adjustments inside equipment with any voltages ON. While your Gates transmitter is fully interlocked you should not rely on the interlock switches for removing high operating voltages. It is always best to disconnect the primary power at the building wall switch and discharge all capacitors with the grounding stick provided.

1.2 Purpose of Book

This instruction book has been prepared to assist in the installation, operation, and maintenance of the Gates FM-7.5H, 7.5KW FM transmitter.

1.3 Purpose of Equipment

The Gates FM-7.5H is an FM broadcast transmitter with 7,500 watts output delivered to the transmission line. The operating frequency is 88-108 MHz with characteristics exceeding those required by the Federal Communications Commission for standard FM broadcast service. The transmitter is designed for continuous broadcast operation and consists of the exciter, intermediate power amplifier, and the power amplifier, plus their associated power supplies.

1.4 Description

Only one cabinet is required to house the entire transmitter. This cabinet is 42" wide x 78" high x 32-3/4" deep. All necessary metering is provided by four meters located on a meter panel at the top of the cabinet. Ready access to the complete transmitter is accomplished by removable rear door, hinged access panel, and cover of the exciter unit. Front doors are provided to offer a pleasing and symmetrical front view appearance. The following controls are located on the front panel (see Illustration 7.1):

a) Filament ON
b) Filament OFF
c) High Voltage ON
d) High Voltage OFF
e) Power Amplifier Filament Voltage Control
f) PA Screen Voltage Control
g) Multimeter Selector
h) VSWR Calibrate
i) Power Calibrate
j) Power/VSWR Selector
k) IPA Screen Voltage Control
l) Remote/Local Switch
m) Plate Tuning Control
n) Output Loading Control
p) IPA Plate Tuning Control
r) IPA Grid Tuning Control
s) Plus Five (5) Potentiometers for Adjustment of PA Plate, Current Remote Reading, Recycle Adjustment, IPA Overload PA Plate Voltage Remote Reading Adjustment, PA Overload.

1.5 FM-7.5H Technical Data

Power Output	4.5 to 7.5 KW
Frequency Range	88 to 108 MHz
RF Output Impedance	50 ohms
Output Termination	Standard EIA 3-1/8" Flange
Frequency Stability	±.001%
Harmonic Attenuation	-80 dB
Modulation Capability	±100 kHz
Audio Input Impedance	600 ohms
Audio Input Level	+10 dBm, ±2 dB
Audio Frequency Response	±1 dB - 30-15,000 Hz
Audio Distortion	1/2% or less - 30-15,000 Hz
FM Noise Level	65 dB below 100% FM modulation
AM Noise Level	50 dB below equivalent 100% AM modulation
Power Source	208/240V, 3 ph, 60 Hz, 115V, 1 ph, 60 Hz.
Input AC Pwr Require	15 KW - 240 V., 500 Watts - 115 V.
Pwr Line Variation (Slow)	±5%
Power Factor	90%
Altitude	7500 Feet
Ambient Temperature Range	20°C to 45° C.
Maximum VSWR	1.7 to 1
Overall Cabinet Size	42" x 78" H x 32-3/4" D*
Weight	1100 Lbs.
Front Door Swing	21"

*32-3/4" is overall depth dimension. With rear door, front door handles, and meter trim strip removed minimum depth is 29-3/4". Filter and RF plumbing extends 9-1/2" above cabinet top.

1.6 Vacuum Tube Table

The following tubes are employed in the transmitter.

Symbol Designation	Tube Type	Function
V1	4CX5000A	Power Amplifier
V2	4CX250B	Intermediate Power Amplifier

SECTION 2 - INSTALLATION

2.1 Inspection

The FM-7.5H is carefully packed at the Gates plant to ensure safe arrival at its destination. The equipment is packed in a number of heavy cartons and wooden crates. Open the crates and cartons carefully to avoid damaging any of the contents. Remove the packing material and search for possible small items such as pilot lights, fuses, loose screws and bolts.

If damage should occur during shipment, all claims should be filed promptly with the transportation company. If a claim is to be filed, the original packing case and material must be preserved. A damage report must be filed to collect for shipping damages. Gates Radio Company is not responsible for damage occuring during shipment. Parts or components shipped to replace those damaged in transportation will be billed to the customer plus transportation expenses, the cost of which should form a portion of your claim to the transportation company.

A complete visual inspection should be made of the equipment. Determine that there are no loose connections, loose components, broken insulators, etc., that may have been damaged in shipment. Make sure all relay contacts are free and in good mechanical condition. Make sure all mechanical connections are tight. Check with a screw driver or a wrench, all mechanical and electrical connections that are mechanically bolted together. All tie downs or blocking used for shipping purposes should be removed. A good overall visual inspection may save time and trouble in placing the transmitter into operating condition.

2.2 Packing Check List

Certain components of the transmitter have been removed for shipment and are packed separately to ensure safe handling. These parts on the FM-7.5H have been kept to a bare minimum are are plug-in units and heavy components. Tubes that are not clamped down for normal operation are also removed. The following components have been removed from the transmitter for shipping purposes:

Quantity	Part Number	Description
1	404 0073 000	Chimney SK606 (4CX250B)
1	813 9383 001	Exhaust Tubing and O Rings (4CX250B)
1	472 0397 000	Power Transformer, T4
1	374 0081 000	Tube, 4CX250B
1 Assy.	942 3928 001	Notch Filter & RF Output Balun
1 Assy.	992 1600 001	Low Pass Filter

As various components are removed, the wires connecting each component are numbered or tagged for placement of these parts. After determining that all these components are on hand, you are ready to proceed with the installation in an orderly manner.

2.3 Installation

In advance of actual placement of the equipment, certain planning should be accomplished. The use of illustrations 7.2 and 7.5 will assist in locating the power and audio input terminals of the transmitter.

Either side of the transmitter may be placed against a wall or other equipment. Complete accessibility for maintenance and installation is provided in the FM-7.5H by access from the front or the rear of the transmitter cabinet. Mount the power transformer (T4) through the back door of the transmitter. It would be wise to remove the ceramic fuse block temporarily when doing this to prevent accidental damage to this part. Orient the transformer so that the secondary taps on the coils face inward. Connect the primary power leads from contactor K2 to the marked terminals at the top of T4. Secondary leads are tagged for connection to their proper taps on the coils.

Install the plug-in capacitor in the transmitter bias supply.

Refer to the TE-1 Exciter Installation Instructions for proper module placement in the exciter cabinet.

Unblock the blower assembly.

The RF output balun assembly installs from inside the transmitter enclosure. Before mounting, temporarily remove both monitor coupling loops from the top portion of the balun. With the innerconductor removed and the balun sleeve up, bolt the unit beneath the top of the enclosure (as shown in Figure 7.3). Insert the innerconductor from the top.

Take the notch filter and thread the stud from the balun inner-conductor into the inner-conductor of the notch filter. Tighten with a crescent wrench from the loading capacitor connection in the P.A. enclosure. Slip the filter sleeve down over the outer conductor and fasten securely with the stainless steel clamp provided.

Remount the two monitor coupling loops on the exterior vertical balun.

The lower end of the inner-conductor of the balun connects to output loading capacitor, C6.

Loosen the Allen set screws on the adjustable portion of the balun. The distance that this component is positioned vertically from the tube deck varies with operating frequency. Refer to your test data sheets for the proper measurement on your assigned channel. This adjustment must be accurate within 1/8" for proper operation.

The 4CX250B, ceramic chimney, and exhaust tubing are installed in the driver cubicle, Figure 7.4. Place the tube in its socket, slip on the ceramic chimney, and clamp on the anode connector. Drop the exhaust tube through the opening of the upper tube deck to the top of the 4CX250B. Hold the exhaust tube in place with O rings above and below the deck surface.

Installing the 4CX5000A is simple. Handling of this tube is covered in Section 2.4. The anode connector assembly secures with a clamp to the tube and with a bolt to the plate line. Coarse frequency tuning of the plate circuit is determined by the distance of the rotary portion of the plate circuit from the 4CX5000A tube deck. This measurement is recorded in the test data for your transmitter and should be checked before operating the transmitter. Tolerance here is approximately 1/16".

Bolt the low pass filter in the transmission line between the directional coupler and antenna coax, and your basic installation is complete. The weight of the low pass filter should not be applied to the 1-5/8" coaxial components directly. Provisions should be made at the transmitter site to have at least two supports for the filter.

2.4 Tube Handling and Operating Precautions, 4CX5000A

Avoid bumping this tube. Due to its large mass, bumping this tube will introduce resultant stresses which may cause internal damage.

Before operating this tube, please refer to the tune-up and operating procedure given in Section 3. It is recommended procedure to adjust the equipment for operation under heavy plate loading conditions, and with only sufficient RF drive to provide the required power output and efficiency.

Extreme care should be taken during tune-up as well as in regular service to avoid, even momentarily, operating of this tube under conditions of insufficient plate loading or excessive RF drive. These operating conditions, especially at the upper end of the VHF range, will produce excessively high seal and/or bulb temperature and will result in damage to this tube.

2.5 Power Connection

After the transmitter is physically in place and the components removed for shipment have been reinstalled, AC power should be brought to the transmitter. Referring to the installation drawing, Figure 7.2, the 240V, 3 phase input enters the transmitter in the lower right hand corner and connects to the 3 phase fuse block immediately to the left. A 115 V, single phase fuse block is located at the center and to the rear of the transmitter with the input terminals for the 115 V, single phase towards the rear of the transmitter.

The audio input line enters the base of the transmitter at the center approximately 7-1/2" from the front. The audio line connects directly to terminal board TB1 of the M-6425 exciter. Terminals 1 and 3 are the audio inputs and terminal 2 is ground or shield connection. If stereo is used, the lines are connected in accordance with the information in the M-6533 stereo generator instructions.

The power leads for the transmitter should come from a low reactance power source of either 208, 230, or 240 volts, 60 Hz, 3 phase, with approximately a 20 KVA capacity. A power source of 115 volts, 60 Hz with 500 watts capacity is also required. The conduit or wiring of the power leads should be in agreement with local electric codes and be able to carry the power requirements of the transmitter. Power leads and program leads should not be run in the same conduit or in the same wiring duct. If, due to necessity, the program leads are in close proximity to the power leads, the program leads should be separately shielded.

A good ground at these FM frequencies is mandatory in keeping RF currents in nearby audio equipment to a minimum. RF usually shows up in one of two ways - feedback or high noise, and in some cases both. It should be pointed out that even a small amount of unshielded wire makes a very efficient antenna for FM frequencies. If RF from the cabinet field is transferred to the grids of the audio equipment, it is rectified and shows up as noise or feedback. We strongly recommend a single common ground point from the transmitter base to a good grounding system such as a water pipe or actual earthing ground.

2.6 Cooling

The transmitter is air cooled and several kilowatts of heat are developed and dissipated through the air outlet in the top of the transmitter. It may be necessary to provide a means of exhausting this air from the transmitter room or enclosure. Heat is a major enemy to electronic component deterioration. A good system of removing the heated air from the transmitter and the transmitter room, and providing cool air for the air inlet of the transmitter will greatly prolong the life of the transmitter and its components. Duct work, if installed, should not provide any back pressure to the power amplifier enclosure. At no point should the duct work have less of a cross sectional area than the opening at the top of the transmitter. Sharp, right-angle bends are not permissible. Where it is necessary to turn a right-angle, a radius type bend should be used.

There are many installation possibilities. Each and every installation is somewhat different. Therefore, it is not possible to give complete detailed information on the transmitter ducting. Only general information can be supplied. As a suggestion, contact a local heating and cooling contractor for a detailed analysis of the problem.

After the transmitter has operated in full output a number of hours, a temperature rise inside the transmitter must not exceed a rise of 20° C above the ambient measured at the air intake of the blower and must not rise above 60° C under any circumstances.

SECTION 3 - OPERATION

3.1 Pre-Operation

Before placing the FM-7.5H into operation, check once again the points covered in Section 2. Have you mounted all components physically and made these electrical connections:

1. Primary power to the 3 phase fuse block?
2. 115 volts to the 1 phase fuse block?
3. Program line connected to the exciter?
4. 115 volts for the crystal ovens?
5. Transmitter connected to antenna or a suitable load?

If everything appears to be in order, then you may proceed.

3.2 Test Data

Your equipment has gone through many different kinds of tests at the Gates factory and has been operated for several hours on your assigned operating frequency. This is to ensure correct adjustment and proper setting of all controls. Refer to the test data supplied with your transmitter. This data is attached to the front of the transmitter when shipped.

3.3 Adjustment

Set the dial settings to those given on the test data sheet. Turn the IPA screen voltage control fully counterclockwise. Primary power may now be applied to the transmitter by pushing the filament ON button. The light behind the filament ON button should light. Next, the blower should begin to run and come up to speed. After the blower reaches maximum operating speed, air pressure in the P.A. enclosure will operate the air switch. Now run the P.A. screen voltage control to the lower position (counterclockwise) on the screen rheostat. Check the P.A. bias voltage and adjust as necessary to obtain the test data sheet measurements. During the tune-up procedure it may be necessary to increase the IPA voltage to prevent the P.A. from drawing excessive plate current. The grid bias voltage on the P.A. is a combination of the developed bias from the RF and the constant voltage from the bias supply. The bias supply is set at a compromise position to obtain the desired power output and to keep the P.A. within its dissipation ratings in case of RF failure.

Closing of the air switch will turn ON the PA filament voltage which may be read with the multimeter switch on the meter panel in the filament voltage position. Set the filament voltage for 7.5 volts. Next, place the multimeter switch on the meter panel to the driver cathode current position. (This is the UP position.) If the exciter is delivering power to the driver stage, a reading of approximately 10% will be read on the multimeter. Tune the IPA grid tuning for a maximum indication. As this meter is reading cathode current it will also read the grid current. The high voltage may now be applied by pushing the high voltage ON button. This supplies plate and screen voltage to the IPA stage simultaneously with the application of plate and screen voltage to the power amplifier stage. Bring the screen control for the driver up until the driver cathode draws approximately 50% scale reading on the multimeter. Resonate the IPA plate circuit by tuning for a dip in the IPA cathode meter reading. If the plate circuit and loading are near their operating positions, power output of the amplifier will be noticed.

Increase the screen voltage of the power amplifier by bringing the screen control lever switch to the UP position until approximately 1.5 amperes power amplifier plate current is indicated. Resonate the plate circuit of the power amplifier by adjusting the plate tuning (L2) for a dip in plate current. Next, check the position of the output loading by rotating the output loading control to give a maximum output indication.

The RF output meter is the farthest right-hand meter on the FM-7.5H. Its function is determined by the rotary switch (S1) located on the upper portion of the access door. You may read:

1. Forward power.
2. Meter calibration for maximum scale reading during VSWR measurements.
3. VSWR on the transmission line.

Set this switch to position (1). At this time, if approximately 3 to 5 kilowatts of power are measured, you should check the VSWR. If it is 1.5:1 or better, the screen voltage of the amplifier and the IPA stage may be increased until both are at maximum or near maximum. The plate tuning, output loading, and driver plate tuning should be adjusted for the maximum output and the most overall efficient condition. To reduce the RF output, the amount of drive to the PA can be decreased by lowering the screen voltage of the IPA. Also the output can be reduced by decreasing the PA screen voltage.

The multimeter switch (S10) located on the meter panel will give an indication of the amount of drive to the grid of the PA tube. This is a relative indication and is read with the meter switch in the DOWN position. It will be noticed that maximum drive condition will be very close to the same point of the driver plate current dip. The driver plate tuning may, at some frequencies and power levels, be different for maximum output and for minimum driver plate current. A compromise should be made on the plate tuning of the driver for a driver cathode current of approximately 70% scale reading with a minimum or dip in tuning. The tuning on either side of the dip may affect PA efficiency as well as power output.

The operation of the transmitter is very simple and straightforward, and once adjusted should require only a nominal amount of touching up the tuning at regular maintenance periods.

The overloads are set for correct operating level at the factory. The IPA plate overload is set for nearly full scale reading on the multimeter. The PA plate overload is set for approximately 2.7 amperes plate current. The adjustments for the overloads are located under a small cover plate located on the front access door. They may be referred to by symbol number on the schematic (Figure 7.10). Power output of the transmitter may be increased or decreased by three controls on the transmitter. The first is the output loading. It is best to leave this control set for maximum loading on the amplifier as this will give more stable operation as recommended for any tetrode. The second control is the power amplifier screen voltage. After the loading has been adjusted for maximum power output the screen voltage may be raised or lowered for the desired operating power. The third control is the IPA screen voltage control. Reducing this to its minimum value will reduce the drive and part of the bias to the final amplifier causing it to overload and trip the plate voltage. It may be operated in its maximum position without any detrimental effects. However, to give partial control to power output and some tolerance on the power output of the IPA stage it is recommended that it be run at approximately 80% of its full scale setting.

The output of the exciter is adjusted with output control of the 10 W. amplifier in the exciter and is covered in the exciter manual.

The transmitter can easily be remotely controlled. Description of the connections is covered in Section 5.

Two controls for setting the remote plate voltage and plate current for external metering are located under the cover on the hinged access door and are shown by symbol number on the schematic.

The screen voltage of the power amplifier is motor controlled and is also connected to the remote control Raise/Lower function for power output.

3.4 Maintenance

Maintenance of the FM-7.5H should consist of the following:

1. Keeping the transmitter clean.
2. Changing tubes when emission falls off.
3. Checking mechanical connections and fastenings.
4. Lubricating the blower motor.

Keeping the transmitter clean from the accumulation of dust will reduce failure resulting from arcing, dirty relay contacts, and overheating of chokes, resistors, and transformers. Electrostatis fields are "dust catchers". Support insulators in the PA enclosure and other locations are the worst offenders. They must be kept clean and free of all foreign material at all times. If not, arcing may result and the insulator shattered.

The air filters should be clean at all times. Periodically, it should be discarded and replaced with a new one. The filter is a disposable type and may be obtained at a hardware or heating supply store.

Once a month the entire transmitter should be cleaned of dust. The inside of the power amplifier should be thoroughly wiped clean of dust. A small brush, soft rag, and vacuum cleaner can be used very effectively in keeping the equipment clean.

All contactors and relays should be inspected regularly for pitting and dirt. The contacts should be burnished and cleaned if required. The overload relays are telephone type, with sealed contacts and should require little attention.

The bearings for the motor of the PA blower are sealed and normally give long trouble free operation. They are lubricated for approximately 20,000 hours of operation. After this period of operation the grease in these bearings should be changed. This is done by taking the drain plug out of the bottom of the bearing and a grease fitting attached to the upper plug on the bearing. New grease should be applied until clean grease runs out of the drain plug at the bottom. It is suggested the blower be removed for this maintenance.

The PA tube and the IPA tube should be removed once a month and the fins cleaned of dust. Air may be blown through the fins in the reverse direction or the anode cleaned with soap and water or denatured alcohol.

This transmitter is a precision electrical device, and as such, should be kept clean at all times and free of dust and foreign material. Dust and moisture condensation will lead to possible arc overs and short conductive paths.

A good preventive maintenance schedule is always the best assurance for trouble free transmitter operation.

SECTION 4 - CIRCUIT DESCRIPTION

The FM-7.5H circuits will be described in the following sections:

Power Amplifier	Power Supply
Intermediate Power Amplifier (IPA)	Control Circuits
Exciter	Metering

See Illustration 7.7.

4.1 Power Amplifier

The power amplifier of the FM-7.5H employs a single 4CX5000A tetrode in a common cathode amplifier circuit. The plate circuit is inductively tuned by varying a length of innerconductor of a transmission line within the rectangular outer conductor. The plate line is approximately one-half wavelength long, being foreshortened by the output capacity of the tube. The large variable portion of the line is used for rough or approximate frequency setting and the end of the half-wave line is made variable for plate circuit tuning.

This is controlled from the front panel. The fine frequency control covers approximately 3 MHz at the low end of the FM band and approximately 6 MHz at the higher end of the band.

Output coupling is accomplished by capacity tuning a balun. The balun inductively couples RF power from the amplifier enclosure.

The PA grid circuit is common with the IPA plate circuit. The IPA plate inductance, L-6, IPA plate tuning capacitor, C-26 and the input capacitor of the PA tube form a modified pi circuit.

Bypassing of the PA screen and filaments is accomplished by using a number of high voltage ceramic capacitors with lead lengths kept as short as possible.

In some transmitters, especially at the higher operating frequencies, there is a capacitor connected between grid and cathode of the PA. This capacitor is usually 24 pf. . or 50 pf. . The purpose of adding this component is to improve the overall performance of the power amplifier.

4.2 IPA

The intermediate power amplifier employs a 4CX250B tetrode in a common cathode circuit. The grid circuit is capacity tuned. The plate circuit is common with the PA grid as previously explained. Screen bypassing is effected with the built in bypass of the 4CX250B air system socket. The IPA cathode is bypassed with four ceramic button capacitors.

4.3 Exciter

The FM exciter is described in detail in the exciter instruction book.

4.4 Power Supply

Only one high voltage power supply is used in the FM-7.5H. It supplies 5.6 KV for the PA plate and 2 KV for the PA screen voltage, and the IPA plate. The basic configuration of the supply is a 3 phase, full wave bridge. 2 KV is obtained from the center tap of the transformer to supply the IPA plate and also supply the source for the variable voltage of between 300 V. and 1500 V. for the PA screen grid. Series limiting resistor, R47, prevents the PA screen grid from over-dissipating in case the PA has a loss of plate voltage.

The 0 to 270 V variable supply for the IPA screen voltage is also derived from the 2 KV center tap source. R26 is the control.

Silicon rectifiers for this supply consists of three doublers, each containing a number of diodes in series with proper resistors and capacitors across the diodes. The diodes are mounted in copper heat sinks.

The PA bias supply is a single phase full wave bridge circuit using silicon rectifiers. Grid bias between 90 to 175 volts is supplied to the PA control grid. The bleeder resistor across the supply, R41, will also provide additional bias voltage if the PA grid current due to RF drive causes grid current to flow about 40 ma with 160 volts fixed bias. R39 is the bias adjust control.

4.5 Control Circuits

The control circuits of the FM-7.5H consist of the following:

- -K1 Primary Contactor - applies voltage to the filaments, exciter, and energizes the blower.
- -K2 Plate Contactor - applies primary voltage to the plate transformer (K2 is energized after K3 closes).
- -K3 Step/Start Contactor - closes. Then K2 is energized, shorting out the contacts of K3 and the 1 ohm resistors. Step/Starting of the high voltage supply is accomplished by K3 closing first and applying voltage to the transformer primary through 1 ohm resistors, R22, R23, and R24.
- -K4 Auxiliary Relay - applies holding voltage to the Step/Start contactor K3, if the air switch and door interlocks are closed.
- -K5 Recycle Relay - energizes when either the PA overload or IPA overload relay is energized a number of times. The number of times is determined by control R25. The two overload relay contacts are in series across the relay circuit for K5. When either O.L. relay energizes and the contacts open, C36 starts to charge. If the contacts are open for a sufficient length of time for C36 to charge to the point that the voltage will energize K5, the contacts of K5 will break the hold circuit of K4 and the plate voltage will be switched off. If K5 does not operate, the overload contacts will close after an overload and the plate contact K2 will again energize.
- -K9 The Underdrive Relay - will prevent application of plate and screen voltage to the IPA and P.A. until the grid current of the IPA reaches 8 ma or more. K9 is located on the front access door below K4. The contacts of K9 are in series with door interlocks. In case of a plate voltage trip out due to low IPA grid current the recycle circuit will not operate. Only IPA and P.A. plate overload will operate the recycle circuit.
- -S9 Air Switch - closes after the air pressure in the plenum reaches proper pressure, closing the interlock circuit and switching primary voltage to the PA filament transformer.

4.6 Metering

All necessary metering of the FM-7.5H is accomplished with four meters located on the cabinet meter panel. A multimeter provides the following:

IPA Cathode Current
PA Filament Voltage
PA Drive

A metering rectifier circuit is calibrated at the factory to give PA filament voltage read on the multimeter. A PA drive detector, coupled to the grid circuit, provides a DC voltage to the multimeter to indicate the presence of RF in the PA grid enclosure.

The second meter reads PA plate current and is located in the Plate B+lead. The meter is properly insulated and isolated behind a protective plexiglass cover.

The third meter reads plate voltage and is located on the low potential side of the meter multiplier resistor.

The fourth meter is for indicating power output and VSWR on the transmission line. This meter works in conjunction with the directional coupler mounted in the output transmission line.

SECTION 5 - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

5.1 Remote Control

Remote control facilities are built into the FM-7.5H and require only connection to either the Gates RDC-10C remote control unit or the Gates RDC-200A remote control equipment. The connections to the transmitter are made at TB-6 located in the base of the cabinet. Terminal connections for the functions are shown on the schematic Fig. 7.10.

The functions are:

1. Fail-Safe, Primary ON-OFF.
2. Momentary ON-OFF for plate voltage.
3. Raise-Lower for adjusting power output.
4. Plate voltage metering.
5. Plate current metering.
6. RF power output metering.

5.2 Stereophonic Operation

Provision has been provided for the installation of the Gates M-6533 stereo generator in the FM exciter. Instructions for audio connections are given in the M-6425 manual. With the addition of the M-6533 stereo generator the transmitter is FCC type accepted for stereophonic operation.

5.3 FM-7.5H PARTS LIST

Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
A1		Neon Lamp .25 W. (part of S4)
A2		Neon Lamp .25 W. (part of S5)
B1	432 0046 000	Blower, 1/3 H.P. 2900 RPM, 110/230 V. 50 Hz.
B2	436 0013 000	Motor, 1 RPM, Ratio 3210-1, 110 VAC
B3	430 0024 000	Fan
C1,C35	516 0043 000	Cap., 470 pf., 1 KV, ceramic disc
C2,C3	516 0054 000	Cap., .001 uf., 1 KV, ceramic disc
C6	514 0218 000	Var. Cap., 6-50 pf., 10 KV.
C7	516 0233 000	HV Cap., 500 pf., 30 KV, ceramic
C8 thru C16, C61	516 0205 000	HV Cap., 500 pf., 5 KV, ceramic
C18 thru C23	516 0206 000	Cap., 1000 pf., 5 KV, ceramic
C24	522 0071 000	Cap., 50 uf., 25 V. electrolytic
C25	516 0227 000	Feedthru Cap., 500 pf., 500 V.
C26	520 0228 000	Plate Tune Cap., 0-50 pf.
C27 thru C30	516 0250 000	Cap., 500 pf., 500 V. button type
C31		Cap., (part of tube socket)
C32	520 0158 000	Grid Tuning Cap., 5-30 pf.
C33,C34,C48	516 0054 000	Cap., .001 uf., 1 KV. ceramic disc
C36	522 0133 000	Cap., 16 uf., 450 V. electrolytic
C37,C38,C47	516 0082 000	Cap., .01 uf., 1 KV, ceramic disc
C39,C57	516 0200 000	Cap., 25 pf., 7.5 V. ceramic
C42	524 0013 000	Cap., 30-30 uf., 525 V. plug-in
C45,C46	510 0510 000	Cap., 8 uf., 3 KV.
C51,C52,C53	516 0389 000	Cap., 9600 pf., 10 KV
C54	516 0233 000	Cap., 500 pf., 30 KV.
C56	516 0210 000	Cap., 200 pf., 7.5 KV.
C58,C59	516 0206 000	Cap., 1000 pf., 5 KV.
CR1	384 0006 000	Diode, 1N54A
CR2,CR6	386 0016 000	Diode, 1N2974
CR3,CR4,CR7	384 0020 000	Rectifier
CR5	384 0134 000	Diode
DC1	927 3270 002	Directional Coupler, 6 KW.
F1,F2	398 0182 000	Fuse, Cartridge, 10 amp. 250 V.
F3,F4,F5	398 0222 000	Fuse, Cartridge, 60 amp. 250 V.
F6	398 0213 000	Fuse, Cartridge, 8 amp. 250 V.
F7	398 0017 000	Fuse, Cartridge, 1 amp. 250 V.
FL1	992 1600 001	Low Pass Filter
FL2	942 3928 004	Notch Filter
J1	612 0230 000	Receptacle, "UHF"
J2,J3	612 0237 000	Receptacle, "BNC" (Part of FL2)
J4	612 0233 000	Receptacle, "N"
K1	570 0120 000	Pri. Contactor, 4 pole, 110 V. 50/60 cy.
K2,K3	570 0119 000	Plate/Step-Start Contactor, 4 pole, 208/220 V.
K4	574 0099 000	Control Relay, DPDT, 110 V. 60 cy.
K5	574 0054 000	Recycle Relay, SPDT, 6K ohm

Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
K6,K7	572 0125 000	O.L. Relay, 1A, 1B, 6 VDC
K8	572 0066 000	Screen Voltage Control Relay, 2C.
K9	572 0052 000	Grid Underdrive Relay
L1	913 8288 001	Variable Coupling Section (Part of FL2)
L2	942 3910 001	Plate Line & Coupling Assembly
L3	927 4249 001	Plate Line Coil
L4,L18,L19	494 0004 000	P.A. Grid RF Choke, 7 uh.
L5	913 9335 001	Drive Plate Choke Assembly
L6	914 7002 001	Drive Plate Coil (Low Band)
L6	914 7002 002	Drive Plate Coil (High Band)
L7	813 9379 001	Driver Grid Coil
L8	813 9380 001	Driver Input Coupling Coil
L13	476 0014 000	Reactor, Bias, 6 Hy.
L14	476 0168 000	Reactor, P.A., 2 Hy.
L15	476 0296 000	Reactor, Driver, 10 Hy.
L16,L17	914 7670 001	Space Wound Choke (2 uh)
M1	632 0547 002	Multimeter, 0-300 MA, 0-10 V, & 0-100 Scale
M2	632 0559 002	Meter, Plate Current, 0-5 Amp.
M3	632 0554 002	Plate Voltage Meter, 0-8 KV Scale
M4	632 0667 000	Meter, PWR, VSWR
R1,R2,R3,R4	540 0594 000	Res., 200 ohm, 2 W, 5%
R5,R17	540 0058 000	Res., 2400 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R6,R9,R13,R25	550 0067 000	Control, 10K ohm
R7	540 0070 000	Res., 7500 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R8	914 9092 001	VSWR Control, 10K ohm, 2 W.(Mod.)
R10	542 0204 000	Res., 5 ohm, 50 W.
R11,R28,R51	550 0061 000	Control, 1K ohm, 2 W.
R12	540 0580 000	Res., 51 ohm, 2 W, 5%
R14	540 0746 000	Res., 3300 ohm, 2 W, 10%
R15	540 0068 000	Res., 6200 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R16	540 0073 000	Res., 10K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R18	550 0054 000	Driver Fil. Control, 50 ohm, 2 W.
R19	540 0833 000	Res., 100 ohm, 25 W. 10%
R22,R23,R24	542 0164 000	Res., 1 ohm, 25 W.
R26	552 0349 000	Control, 10K ohm, 50 W.
R27	542 0095 000	Res., 10K ohm, 10 W.
R29	550 0055 000	O.L. Adj. Control, 100 ohm, 2 W.
R30	542 0058 000	Res., 50 ohm, 10 W.
R31	542 0165 000	Res., 3 ohm, 25 W.
R32	548 0167 000	Res., .16 ohm, 2 W, 1%
R33	552 0380 000	P.A. Fil. Adjust Rheostat, 10 ohm, 100 W.
R39	552 0324 000	Bias Rheostat, 5K ohm, 25 W.
R40	540 0579 000	Res., 47 ohm, 2 W,
R41	542 0218 000	Res., 4K ohm, 50 W.
R45	542 0224 000	Res., 10K ohm, 50 W.
R46	552 0423 000	Screen Rheostat, 10K ohm, 150 W.
R47,R54,R55	542 0367 000	Res., 5K ohm, 200 W.

Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
R48	913 3424 001	Meter Multiplier, 5 megohm
R49,R50	542 0312 000	Res., 100K ohm, 100 W.
R52	540 0628 000	Res., 5100 ohm, 2 W, 5%
R53	540 0456 000	Res., 100 ohm, 1 W, 10%
R56	914 3422 001	Meter Multiplier, 3 megohm
R60,R61,R62	542 0095 000	Res., 10K ohm, 10 W.
R63,R64	542 0309 000	Res., 50K ohm, 100 W.
S1	914 9091 001	VSWR/CAL. Rotary Switch (Mod.)
S2,S8	604 0196 000	Door Interlock Switch
S3	604 0284 000	Fil. OFF Pushbutton Switch, N.C.
S4	604 0283 000	Fil. ON Pushbutton Switch, N.O.
S5	604 0286 000	HV OFF Push Switch, N.C.
S6	604 0285 000	HV ON Push Switch, N.O.
S7	604 0032 000	Remote Local Toggle Switch DPDT
S9	604 0258 000	Air Switch, .3 to 1" W.C.
S10	602 0055 000	Multimeter Selector Switch, 2 pole, 3 pos.
S11	602 0056 000	Bias Low/High Voltage Lever Switch, 2 pole
S12,S13	604 0052 000	Low/High Voltage Limit Switch
T1	472 0409 000	P.A. Fil. Transformer
T2	472 0090 000	Driver Fil. Transformer
T3	472 0208 000	P.A. Bias Transformer
T4	472 0397 000	HV Pwr. Transformer
TB1	614 0069 000	Terminal Board, 2 terminal
TB3	614 0071 000	Bias Supply Term. Board, 4 term.
TB4	614 0052 000	Motor Control Term. Board, 8 term.
TB5	614 0114 000	Terminal Board, 6 term.
TB6	614 0104 000	Rmt. Ctl.Terminal Board
V1	374 0016 000	P.A. Tube, 4CX5000A
V2	374 0081 000	Driver Tube, 4CX250B
XC42	404 0016 000	Socket, Octal
(XF1,2&6)	402 0015 000	Fuse Block, 3 pole
(XF3,4&5)	402 0087 000	Fuse Block, 3 pole
XF7	402 0021 000	Fuseholder
XV1	404 0069 000	P.A. Tube Socket
XV2	404 0251 000	Driver Tube Socket
Z1 thru Z6	384 0185 000	Rectifier
Z7	384 0121 000	Bias Supply Rectifier

INSTRUCTION BOOK

M-6425 FM EXCITER
AS USED WITH
M-6533 STEREO GENERATOR
AND
M-6507 SCA GENERATOR (S)

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SCHEMATICS & DRAWINGS

ADDENDUM

TE-1 FM EXCITER

The main 120 V A.C. input to the exciter has been connected in parallel with the oven A.C. input.

This will permit the exciter to remain ON continuously for improvement in stability.

The exciter may be turned ON or OFF with the power switch located on the power supply for any test purposes.

Parts List Change - 994 6533 001 Stereo Generator, Page 13.

Change C45 from 522 0322 001 Cap., 100 uF. 50V.
To C45 522 0391 001 Cap., 1000 uF., 16V.

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INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

TE-1 EXCITER

The individual modules except the modulated oscillator have been removed from the exciter cabinet and separately packaged for shipment. The cabinet should be installed into the transmitter or rack cabinet before installing the modules into the cabinet. Please refer to the attached photograph (800 0811 001) for proper module placement in the cabinet.

A. Power Amplifier Module - 992 1715 001

Connect coax cable from J1 (RF Output of Exciter) to J12 (RF Output of Amplifier module) located at rear of the Amplifier module. Insert module into chassis. Connect P2 to J2. Connect P4 (RF Sample - color coded white) to J4. Connect P3 (RF Input - color coded black) to J3.

B. Audio Module - 992 1830 001

Insert module into cabinet and connect P11 to J11.

C. Automatic Frequency Control Module - 992 1716 001

Insert module into cabinet. Connect P8 to J8. Connect P9 (RF Input - color coded white) to J9.

D. Power Supply Module - 992 1726 001

Insert module into cabinet. Connect P1 to J1.

E. Stereo Generator Module (If Used) - 994 6533 001

Insert module into cabinet. Connect P7 to J7.

F. Sub Carrier Generator Modules (If Used) - 994 6507 001

Insert modules into cabinet. Connect P5 to J5.

The a.c. power input to the exciter has been connected in parallel with the oven a.c. input. This will permit the exciter to remain ON continuously for improvement in stability. The exciter may be turned ON or OFF with the power switch located on the power supply.

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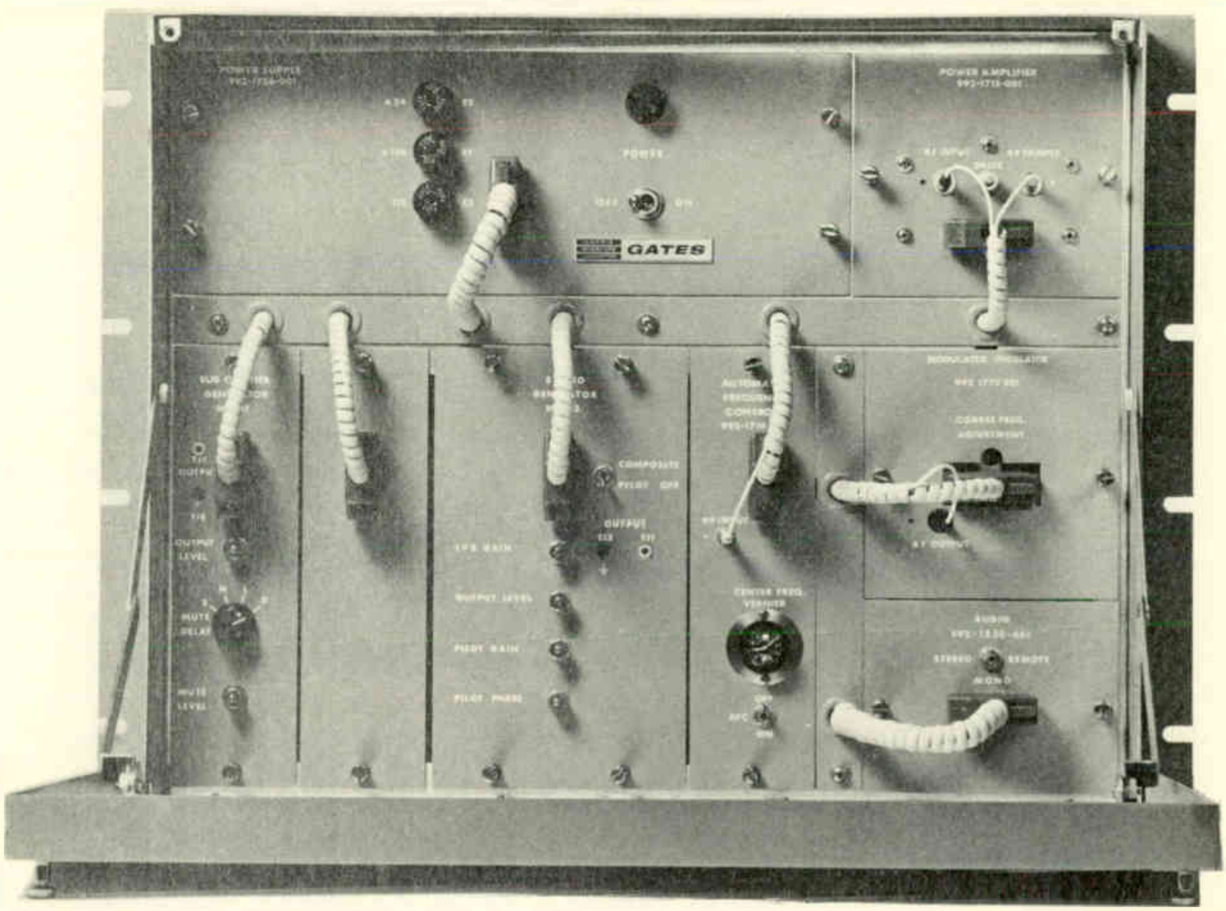

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PHOTO FRONT VIEW TE-1 EXCITER

800 0811 001

SPECIFICATIONS
M-6425 EXCITER AS USED WITH M-6507 SCA AND M-6533 STEREO GENERATOR

MECHANICAL:

Width:	19"
Height:	14"
Depth:	12-1/4"
Weight: (Uncrated)	52 lbs. (monaural only). 3 lbs. (SCA generator). 6 lbs. (stereo generator).
Finish:	Beige

Semiconductors used throughout.

All sections of exciter shipped in proper position ready to use. Remote Control Facilities Included: (see explanation on page 3).

ELECTRICAL: (Monaural Operation).

Frequency Range:	88 to 108 MHz.
Power Output:	10 Watts
RF Harmonics:	Suppression meets or exceeds all FCC requirements.
RF Output Impedance:	50 ohms (BNC connector).
Oscillator:	AFC controlled.
Frequency Stability:	.001% or better.
Modulation Capability:	Capable of ±100 kHz(±75 kHz = 100% modulation).
Audio Input Impedance:	600 ohms balanced.
Audio Input Level:	+10 dBm ±2dB for 100% modulation at 400 Hz.
Audio Frequency Response:	Standard 75 microsecond FCC pre-emphasis curve ±1 dB, 30-15,000 Hz.
Distortion:	.5%, 30 to 15,000 Hz.
FM Noise:	65 dB below 100% modulation (ref. 400 Hz).
AM Noise:	70 db below reference carrier AM modulated 100%
Temperature:	-20° to +50° C.
Altitude:	7,500 ft.
Power Requirements:	117 VAC, single phase, 60 Hz, 85 watts.

ELECTRICAL: (Stereophonic Operation).

Pilot Oscillator:	Crystal controlled.
Pilot Stability:	19 kHz ±1 Hz,0° to 50° C.
Audio Input Impedance (lft & rgt):	600 ohms balanced.
Audio Input Level (lft & rgt):	+10 dBm ±1 dB for 100% modulation at 400 Hz.
Audio Frequency Resp. (lft & rgt):	Standard 75 microsecond, FCC pre-emphases curve ±1 dB, 30-15,000 Hz.
Distortion (lft or rgt):	1% or less, 30-15,000 Hz.
FM Noise (lft or rgt):	60 dB (min) below 100% modulation (ref. 400 Hz).
Stereo Separation (lft to rgt or rgt to lft channel):	35 dB (min) 30 to 15,000 Hz.
Sub-Carrier Suppression (with or without modulation present:	42 db (min) below 90% modulation.
*Crosstalk (main channel to sub-channel or sub-channel to main channel):	42 dB (min) below 90% modulation, 30-15,000 Hz.
Sub-Carrier 2nd Harmonic Suppression (76 kHz):	60 dB or better below 100% modulation.
Power Input:	24 V DC at 50 ma. (1.2 watts)

NOTE: Stereophonic measurements to be made from an FCC approved monitor or an equally dependable method used such as waveform measurements from a wideband, linear discriminator. A spectrum analyzer may be used in conjunction with a wideband discriminator to measure crosstalk and distortion.

ELECTRICAL: (SCA Operation).

Frequency:	Any SCA channel between 25 and 75 kHz.
Frequency Stability:	± 500 Hz.
Oscillator Type:	Two Colpitts heterodyned to produce desired output frequency.
Modulation:	Direct FM.
Modulation Capability:	Capable of ± 7.5 kHz (± 5 kHz considered 100% modulation).
Audio Input Impedance:	600 ohms balanced.
Audio Input Level:	+8 dBm, ± 3 dB for 100% modulation at 400 Hz.
Audio Frequency Response:	41 kHz and 67 kHz, 50 microsecond, modified pre-emphasis. 67 kHz response modified for proper operation when used with stereo to conform to FCC specs.
Distortion:	1.5% (or better) 30-15,000 Hz.
FM Noise (main channel not modulated):	55 dB min. (ref. 100% modulation 400 Hz).
Crosstalk (sub-channel to main channel and stereophonic sub-channel):	-60 db or better.
**Crosstalk (main channel to sub-channel):	50 db below 100% modulation (ref. 400 Hz) with main channel modulated 70% by frequencies 30-15,000 Hz.

*measurement to be made using an L=R signal for sub-channel crosstalk and an L=-R signal for main channel crosstalk.

**crosstalk measurements to be made from an FCC approved monitor using 75 microsecond de-emphasis.

If FCC model not available, an equally dependable method or instrument to be used.

Power Input:	24 V DC at 40 ma. (.96 watt).
Automatic Mute Level:	Variable from 0 to −40 dB below 100% modulation.
Remote Control:	Exciter is internally equipped to manually or remotely switch from monaural to stereo operation. On monaural operation, normal right audio input connections are switched to the 41 kHz SCA position, if used. Remote functions are accomplished by a single set of external relay contacts (closure required for stereo operation. External relay should provide a holding function.)

EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION

The M-6425 exciter unit is completely self-contained. Attach it to the 117 V. AC line, connect audio input wires, and you have a complete 10 Watt FM Transmitter.

These same features are also very desirable in building up power level to the kilowatt(s) level. The exciter easily connects into the control circuitry of high power transmitters.

Silicon transistors and diodes are used throughout all circuitry, (exception Q7 and CR1, CR2 in the SCA unit only). These are greatly superior to the older germanium types because they are less sensitive to heat. Considerable transistorized equipment placed in service 15 years ago, is still running. It is felt that silicon devices will greatly increase life expectancy of transistorized equipment. This exciter is air cooled and after several hours of operation, it is difficult to detect any heat whatsoever on any part of the exciter enclosure.

INSPECTION

All portions of the exciter are shipped in place and ready to turn on. When the unit is received, immediately inspect it for damage that may have occurred in transit. Look for loose screws and tighten them. If real damage, either concealed or obvious is determined, immediately call the transportation company that delivered the material to you and go over the damages with them. They will either note the shipping waybill which you have or give you a damage report, indicating that you may proceed with repairs. Order the necessary parts from Gates. Gates will bill these parts to you, and you in turn can bill the parts to the transportation company under the damage claim.

Remember most transportation companies like to tell you that the equipment was damaged beyond their control. All Gates equipment is shipped in approved packing containers and you are not obliged to pay for anything broken in transit, but the transportation company is.

INSTALLATION

You will receive this equipment in one of two ways: Already mounted in a high power transmitter, or as a separate unit which may be mounted separately in a rack cabinet or as a replacement in a transmitter for an older type of exciter. Refer to the packing check list for modules removed for shipping. If the unit is already in a transmitter, interconnections to the exciter have already been made. If you receive the unit separately, refer to interconnecting diagram 838 2064 001 for proper connection to the unit. Be sure the audio input wires are shielded.

A 3 dB isolation pad, AT1 (992 2241 001) is supplied with the TE-1 FM Exciter. This should be installed between the RF output of the exciter and the input of following amplifier stages.

When the TE-1 Exciter is supplied in a Gates transmitter, the pad is already installed. If the exciter is supplied alone, the pad can be installed at any convenient point in the transmission line between the exciter output and following amplifier stage. Coaxial RF fittings are mounted on the pad for ease of installation.

The a.c. power input to the exciter has been connected in parallel with the oven a.c. input. This will permit the exciter to remain ON continuously for improvement in stability. The exciter may be turned ON or OFF with the power switch located on the power supply.

OPERATION

Capabilities of this equipment are far in excess of minimum FCC specifications. In addition, each exciter unit is tested on customer frequency. This insures that the unit was operating properly when it left the Gates plant. Unless the unit has been shaken up considerably in transit you should be operational by merely applying 117 volts to the proper terminals as shown on the interconnecting diagram.

Output of the exciter should be connected into either a dummy load, antenna, or a following amplifier stage. After connecting 117 V. AC to proper terminals on the exciter, power switch located on the power supply may be turned on. Observe the output frequency on a standard FM frequency monitor or by using a frequency counter. Make sure that the AFC ON-OFF switch (S1) is in the ON position.

CAUTION - Do not attempt to fine adjust the output frequency unless the oven heaters have been on for approximately 30 minutes. The overall exciter unit should be on for at least ten minutes before attempting to fine adjust the fine or center frequency control.

If the exciter has been turned on for the prescribed length of time the center frequency may be adjusted by center frequency adjust control R59. This should be done with no modulation applied.

Setting to obtain the proper output frequency should correspond very closely to the figure recorded by the Gates test lab when the unit was tested on customer frequency.

Output frequency should stay well within FCC specifications over long periods of time without any readjustment.

Reset drive control (R11) on the 10 watt amplifier section for the desired output level if this is necessary. A large change in this setting may affect the center frequency setting.

Apply sine wave signals to the audio input terminals for initial observation of programming if so desired. Set the proper audio input levels by observing modulation percentage on a standard FCC approved monitor. Proof of performance data using sine wave signals may then be made by proper connections of a distortion analyzer to the FM monitor.

The unit is now ready to be used as an FM transmitter or as a driver for higher power stages. Fidelity may be checked on any high quality FM receiver by listening checks.

SCA OPERATION

Each exciter unit has provisions for two SCA units (M-6507). The exciter may come equipped with them or these may be added at a later date without changing any cabling or wiring whatsoever. Normally the SCA generators will be on either 41 or 67 kHz. The units should be placed in the slots shown on the interconnecting diagram 838 2064 001. Audio input terminals on the rear of the exciter unit will then correspond to the proper SCA unit.

With no main channel modulation on the carrier turn on the SCA time constant switch (S1) to the defeat (D) position. This will turn the SCA generator ON. Set the output level of the SCA generator (R30) to modulate the main carrier as desired. Usually 10 to 15% modulation of the main carrier is sufficient. Do not exceed 30% modulation of the main carrier by the SCA generators. This figure is the total of all SCA generators that may be employed.

Check frequency of the SCA on FCC approved monitor or by a frequency standard. If frequency needs to be re-adjusted retune L3 or L4 slightly with non-metallic tool provided. Use narrow screwdriver blade. SCA unit must be removed from cabinet to do this. SCA unit may be reconnected to proper cable plug while setting outside of cabinet.

Program the SCA generator to the proper level as read on a multiplex monitor. Set the mute switch to the desired time constant. This determines how soon after the programming stops that the sub-carrier will turn off.

Set the mute level control (R32) to the muting or quieting level as desired. This will generally be at a level approximately 30 dB below the normal 100% modulation point.

Test procedure for initial tune-up of SCA Generator or retuning to a different frequency:

1. Connect sensitive scope to junction of L8 and R30. Connect signal generator to junction of C17 & C18.

2. Do not turn power on to SCA. Determine if unit being tested is to be tuned to 41 or 67 kHz.

3. If desired frequency is 41 kHz, set signal generator to 82 kHz and tune L6 and L8 for minimum scope indication.

   Alternately change generator frequency between 41 and 56 kHz. Adjust L7 so output level is same at either 41 or 56 kHz.

   Return generator to 82 kHz and again tune L6 and L8 for minimum indication. Dip should be about 50 dB down.

4. If desired frequency is 67 kHz, set signal generator to 134 kHz and tune L6 and L8 for minimum indication on scope.

   Alternately change generator frequency between 67 and 82 kHz and adjust L7 so that same output level is obtained at both 67 and 82 kHz. Try adjusting L7 for peak with generator set at 97 kHz.

   Retune generator to 134 kHz and again tune L6 and L8 for minimum indication. Dip should be about 50 dB down.

5. Disconnect signal generator from junction of C17 and C18. Connect frequency counter on other dependable counting device to junction of C11 and C12 through 500 ohm resistor. Do not apply audio modulation.

6. Attach P5 or P6 of exciter to SCA Generator. Turn power to SCA unit ON. Momentarily short the collector of Q2 (case) to chassis with a clip lead. Adjust L3 so that frequency read on counter is approximately 900 kHz.

7. Remove chassis to Q2 short and momentarily short the collector of Q1 (case) to chassis. Tune L4 to 941 kHz if SCA frequency is 41 kHz, or 967 kHz if desired SCA frequency is 67 kHz.

8. Remove clip leads from Q1 and Q2 and disconnect frequency counter from junction of C11 and C12.

9. Turn mute to "D". Connect frequency counter to output of SCA generator J1. Adjust L4 so that SCA generator output frequency is exactly 41 or 67 kHz, whichever is appropriate.

NOTE: Final "fine" adjustment of L4 should be accomplished with covers of the SCA generator in place. It is also advisable to remove pre-emphasis from the SCA generator when a 67 kHz generator is to be used simultaneously with stereo. Refer to interconnecting diagram 838 2064 001 for proper placement of SCA generator. Audio to the 41 kHz generator is switched off when exciter is placed in stereo mode.

STEREO OPERATION

This exciter has provisions for using an M-6533 composite stereo generator. This may be received with the generator mounted in position or added at a later date without changing any cabling or wiring whatsoever.

The stereo generator may be used in conjunction with either one or two SCA generators. Automatic switching is provided that allows the normal right stereo program to be changed to the second SCA generator when not in a stereo transmission mode.

A total of 16 variable adjustments are provided on the stereo generator. Eleven of these are located internally on the printed wiring board. These twelve adjustments are considered to be one time factory adjustments requiring special equipment. They should not be re-adjusted except in cases of severe trouble. Contact the Gates Service Department first.

Four controls are provided on the front panel of the stereo generator. Pilot gain, pilot phase, output level and L + R gain. Those adjustments located internally on the printed wiring board have a double underline underneath the description of control on the stereo generator schematic. Front Panel adjustments have a box drawn around them on the schematic

In addition, a pilot defeat switch is provided on the front panel of the stereo generator for test purposes only. This must be placed in the "composite" position for normal programming.

Adjustments located on the front panel of the stereo generator will rarely, if ever, need adjusting. Adjustment should generally not be attempted unless an FCC type approved stereo monitor is available.

All of these controls were properly adjusted at the factory and do not normally drift. Set pilot gain control for 8 to 10% modulation of main carrier with no audio input applied and without any SCA modulation of main carrier.

Set output level so normal programming modulates main channel at prescribed level. 90% (+10% pilot) or if a 67 kHz SCA is being transmitted, 80% (+10% pilot +10% SCA). These are maximum figures allowed.

Set L + R gain control for equal L + R and L - R amplitude. This may be done by observing the output of the generator. The zero axis of the composite signal should have a straight line dividing the upper and lower half.

Set pilot phase control for best separation as read on stereo monitoring equipment. If none is available, connect an L=-R signal to the audio inputs on rear of exciter. Set the signal generator to about 50 Hz and observe waveform on an oscilloscope connected to stereo generator output. Set pilot phase so that the corners of the "eyes" of the pattern are pointing directly at one another.

A "mono", "stereo", "remote" switch located on the audio unit picks the mode of transmission. The right stereo audio input connections are switched to the 41 kHz SCA input when not in the stereo mode. The stereo generator is then completely removed from the circuit.

Remote control equipment may be connected to appropriate terminals on back of the exciter enclosure and the stereo-mono functions performed remotely.

MAINTENANCE

General maintenance should consist of merely keeping excessive dust out of the exciter unit. This applies particularly to the perforated metal screen over the exhaust fan. Make certain that this does not become clogged with dust and dirt.

It is not deemed necessary or advisable to remove covers from individual modules to clean them. They are well shielded and protected.

Exhaust fan (B1) should be lubricated annually. This may be done by removing plug button on ventilation screen.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Since each individual unit is checked on customer frequency before shipment, the exciter should operate properly with a minimum amount of effort. If unit fails to operate properly, re-check to see that all plugs fit tightly into the receptacles on each individual module.

The finest of equipment will, of course, occasionally fail as there is no such thing as 100% infallibility.

If problems develop they can usually be isolated by referring to the appropriate block diagrams. Once the problem has been isolated to an individual module. That module may be checked by referring to the appropriate schematic for that particular module. Each schematic has a series of voltage or waveform measurements made on it to assist in troubleshooting.

A word of caution though, the voltage and waveform measurements are subject to some normal variation. Also, if different types of instruments are used to measure the voltages and waveforms a slightly different reading can be expected.

Complete circuit description and adjustment procedure has been included in this manual to assist in troubleshooting. A complete tune-up should not be attempted unless proper test equipment is available.

A "Cause-and-Effect" table is included in pages following to speed up the isolation of problems.

NO CARRIER OUTPUT

Check that power supply is providing 24 Volts DC. If pilot lamp of power supply does not light check that S1 on power supply is "ON". Check that 117 V AC is supplied to proper terminals on rear of exciter. Check 117 V fuse, F3, on power supply. Check F1 of cabinet intercabling. This is located on shield box behind power supply. (Refer to interconnecting diagram).

If pilot lamp on power supply lights, check 24 V. and 150 V. fuse.

If power supply is providing proper voltages, check output coax of exciter for short or open circuit.

Determine if modulated oscillator is providing output by listening to FM receiver tuned to operating frequency. Measure output level of modulated oscillator if equipment is available. This should be on the order of .5 to 1 V. RMS open circuit.

If modulated oscillator is providing power output to the 10 watt amplifier, trace the RF signal through the amplifier stages and compare AC and DC voltages with those values given on the schematic.

CARRIER OFF FREQUENCY

Check "locked" and "unlocked" frequency. If frequency is further away from the correct value when AFC defeat switch is on than off, fault probably lies in AFC unit. Check if fine frequency control knob has been misadjusted. Check power supply voltages.

Check that modulated oscillator oven is warm and if crystal oven of AFC unit is warm. If only the crystal oven becomes cold, total drift will only amount to a few kHz and is easily compensated for by re-adjustment of the fine frequency control. Loss of heat on the modulated oscillator circuit will cause a considerable drift of frequency. If the cause of loss of heat can not be immediately determined, modulated oscillator may be retuned to carrier frequency and operated temporarily without an oven heater. Center frequency drift must then be observed more often and the problem should be solved swiftly.

Some types of frequency monitors will provide a nearly "on frequency" reading even though the carrier is actually several hundred kHz off frequency. The right frequency is the one where the AFC unit locks instead of kicking the frequency monitor off scale. In particular, care should be taken not to tune the modulated oscillator very far below the correct frequency or the AFC unit may lock the carrier to its image frequency which is 400 kHz below the proper frequency.

EXCESSIVE CARRIER SHIFT WHEN MODULATION IS APPLIED

This problem is usually caused by a defect in the AFC unit but is generally of a minor nature if the carrier stays on frequency without modulation. Check that a sufficient amount of RF sample is being fed to the input of the AFC unit. A few hundred Hz of drift is really not objectionable and may be considered normal. Also, some frequency monitors will show a carrier shift when none is present.

HIGH DISTORTION

Most apt to occur in the consoles or audio lines connected to the exciter. No active elements such as transistors are present in the exciter at audio frequencies. Unless there are other symptoms of improper operation, the fault will usually be somewhere else than the exciter itself.

HIGH NOISE

Attempt to identify noise as to type. If 120 Hz ripple, check power supply. If 60 Hz, momentarily disconnect power from oven heaters to see if it is coming from that source. Disconnect audio input wires. If noise is coming from that source, see that center tap of audio output transformer of audio console is not grounded. Check for problems with any type of isolation devices that may be present in a remote controlled system.

Disconnect plug from audio unit and any SCA generators that are used. This should isolate problem as to whether it is in the modulated oscillator or not.

EXCESSIVE CROSSTALK - MAIN & STEREO CHANNEL TO SCA CHANNEL

This most often is the fault of the detector and IF strip of the SCA monitor or SCA receiver. Determine if high crosstalk is present on more than one receiver. Check that crosstalk is not actually present on audio input wires.

Crosstalk may occur in improperly tuned states of either transmitter or receiver. The tuned stages of the exciter amplifier are very broad and not apt to cause trouble.

POOR STEREO SEPARATION

Check for proper waveform appearance at output of stereo generator and at output of monitor or receiver detector. Check if pilot is on and is modulating main carrier 8 to 10%. Check pilot phase.

COMPLETE CIRCUIT DESCRIPTION AND ADJUSTMENT FOR EACH MODULE

(Refer to block diagram and appropriate schematic).

POWER SUPPLY

The power supply consists of a two section unit which supplies a regulated 24 DC volts and a regulated 150 DC volts. Both sections of this supply receive AC voltage from a common power transformer. With regard to the 150 volt supply, diodes CR1 through CR4 rectify the AC voltage and the pulsating DC voltage is then applied to a filter section consisting of C1, C2, R1 and R2.

Q1 is the series regulator for this supply. A portion of the output of Q1 is sampled by reference diodes CR5 and CR13 which are temperature compensated. Transistor Q3 compares the output voltage with that supplied by reference diodes CR5 and CR13 and adjusts the gain of Q1 by means of amplifier Q2 so that the output voltage remains at a constant value as determined by voltage control R4.

With respect to the 24 volt supply, diodes CR6 through CR9 rectify the AC voltage supplied by transformer T1. This rectified voltage is applied to filter section C3, C4 and R7. Q4 is the series control transistor that actually regulates the 24 volt supply. A sample of the output voltage is compared in Q7 with a reference voltage supplied by temperature compensated diodes CR10 and CR11.

Any change in the output voltage is amplified by Q6 and Q5 which then causes series control Q4 to return the output voltage to the value set by control R 11.

The output voltages will remain relatively constant over a temperature range of from −20 to +70°C. The output voltages will also remain constant as the line voltage is varied from 85 to 115% of normal 117 volt AC supply. Normal/load variations will also cause no voltage change in these supplies.

For a normal AC input voltage of 110 to 125 volts, the AC input should be connected to the black and the green/blk primary leads of T1. If normal AC line voltage is very low, say 105 volts or less, the black and the white/blk primary leads of T1 should be used. If normal AC line voltage is

125 volts or more, use the black and the white primary leads.

An AC line voltage change of from 85 to 115% of normal should cause a change of no more than .05 volts on the 24 volt section. The 150 volt section should change no more than .5 volts with this same line voltage change.

Normal adjustment of this power supply is to set R4 for an output voltage of 150 volts and R11 for an output voltage of 24 volts. Power supply is then checked to see that line voltage variations or load variations do not cause a voltage variation beyond normal limits.

MODULATED OSCILLATOR

Carrier frequency of exciter unit is generated by an emitter coupled oscillator circuit. This consists of transistors Q1 and Q2 in the modulated oscillator unit. This circuit will oscillate anywhere in the standard FM broadcast band by adjustment of tuned transformer T1. Transistor Q3 isolates the oscillator circuit proper from any output variations occurring in the load that may be connected to J13.

Normal monaural modulation or signals from a composite stereo generator will modulate the oscillator circuit when connected to pin 2 of J10. Modulation is accomplished by varying base bias voltages of transistors Q1 and Q2.

Frequency drift of the modulated oscillator is controlled to well within FCC specifications by first placing the entire circuit in a chamber held at a temperature of 70°C. Secondly, any drift from assigned frequency is corrected by error voltages from an automatic frequency control unit. These error signals are applied to diodes CR1 and CR2 in such a manner that they return the output frequency of the modulated oscillator to the correct frequency. CR1 and CR2 are silicon diodes biased in the reverse direction. As such, they appear as voltage variable capacitors and are directly connected into the tuned tank circuit of Q1 and Q2.

If SCA modulation is being used, it is applied to the opposite side of the voltage variable capacitors CR1 and CR2 in such a manner that it does not interfere with the frequency control characteristics or with audio or stereo modulation being applied to Q1 and Q2. By isolating the three modulation inputs as explained above, crosstalk is held to a minimum.

Power output at J13 of the modulated oscillator circuit is on the order of 15 to 20 milliwatts.

Normal adjustment of the modulated oscillator is to set it exactly on frequency with the oven warmed up and AFC defeat switch on AFC unit off. AFC defeat switch is then turned on. T1 is the only variable adjustment of the modulated oscillator and when "free-running" will tune the modulated oscillator from 88 to 108 MHz.

Normal "pull in" range of the AFC/modulated oscillator combination is about 1 kHz for every 50 to 75 kHz drift of the modulated oscillator. In other words, assume that both the "free-running" and "locked" frequency are exactly the same and no deviation from correct center frequency exists. If the "free-running" frequency of the modulated oscillator changes 50 to 75 kHz, the AFC control should return the locked frequency to within about 1 kHz.

Normal pull in is somewhat better when the modulated oscillator has drifted below normal center frequency.

10 WATT AMPLIFIER

The 10 watt amplifier consists of a four stage amplifier. Transistors Q1, Q2 and Q3 are single stage amplifiers while Q4 and Q5 are paralleled to obtain the desired output level.

Maximum power output of this amplifier is 10 to 15 watts. Actual power output is determined by the setting of R11 an input drive control.

Transformers T1, T2 along with associated capacitor C4 and C7 match the output impedance of these stages to the input impedance of the following stages which is very low. Inductor L1, L2 and capacitor C14 and C15 match the output impedance of Q3 to the low impedance of transistors Q4 and Q5.

The output circuit of Q4 and Q5 is a modified Pi type of circuit consisting of L5, L6 and C19 and C20.

An RF sample for the AFC unit is obtained from J12 through capacitor C22 which sets the level of the desired RF sample. This sample appears at J4 on the 10 Watt amp.

Normal adjustment of the 10 watt amplifier is to tune all adjustments for maximum power output. R11 the drive control is then set for the desired power output.

C22 is adjusted for 4 volts RMS across a 50 ohm load (located in AFC unit). This should be done with the amplifier supplying the desired power output. If the power output of the amplifier is substantially changed, C22 must be re-adjusted.

AFC UNIT

Output frequency of the exciter is maintained exactly on frequency by the AFC unit. A sample of the RF output is fed into J9 of the AFC unit and compared to another RF sample 200 kHz lower in frequency.

An internal RF sample is generated by a crystal controlled oscillator Q1 operating at approximately 1/3 the output frequency. Crystal Y1 is mounted in a 70°C. oven for maximum stability. Q2 triples the oscillator frequency so that the RF sample obtained from L2 is 200 kHz below the operating frequency.

These two RF samples are then mixed by diodes CR1 and CR2. Low pass filter L5 and C14 and C15 filters out all but the difference of the two RF samples. Transistors Q3, Q4 and Q5 successively clip and amplify the 200 kHz signal applied to the base of Q3. This signal is further limited by transistor circuitry Q6 and Q7.

Width of the pulses obtained from limiter circuit Q6 and Q7 will vary as the 200 kHz intermediate frequency drifts upward and downward. It is the purpose of the gate circuit Q8 and Q9 to limit the width of these pulses to a pre-determined value regardless of the frequency.

The AC-DC converter circuit Q10 obtains its operating voltage from an isolated 150 volt regulated supply. Neither output terminal of the 150 volt supply is at chassis ground potential. As the duty cycle (conduction time) of Q10 is varied the average voltage appearing at the collector of Q10 will vary accordingly. This transistor is driven into conduction and saturation by the constant width pulses applied to the base of Q10 from the gate circuit. The duty cycle of Q10 is thus solely determined by the number of pulses arriving at the base of Q10. The number of pulses per second is, of course, determined by the intermediate frequency as one pulse is generated for every complete cycle of the intermediate frequency.

A reference point for the error voltage is set with respect to chassis ground by center frequency adjust control R59. The filtered DC error voltage appears at terminal 4 of J8 after being filtered by resistor R54, and capacitor C38. This DC error voltage will be exactly zero when the intermediate frequency is 200 kHz.

When the output frequency of the exciter drifts upward, the intermediate frequency will drift upward and change the duty cycle of Q10 so that a positive DC error voltage is obtained for application to the voltage variable capacitors in the modulated oscillator circuit. This error voltage causes the capacity of these diodes to increase thereby lowering the output frequency to its assigned value.

If the output frequency of the exciter attempts to drift lower in frequency the opposite action occurs.

The purpose of CR13 is to prevent a positive error voltage of over approximately 1 volt from appearing at the AFC output terminal J8 terminal 4. If this were not done a sudden positive surge such as when the exciter is initially turned on, would cause the modulated oscillator circuit to seek its image frequency because of the sudden application of a positive voltage.

Adjustment of the AFC unit consists of tuning L1 to the crystal frequency. L2 is adjusted to three times the crystal frequency. Approximately 4 VRMS is then sampled from the output of the exciter at J9 and mixed with the internally generated standard frequency to produce a 200 kHz IF frequency.

R59 is finally set in comparison with a frequency standard so that the output frequency of the exciter is correct.

R62 is sometimes varied in value to compensate for an average shift of carrier frequency when modulation is applied.

AUDIO UNIT

The audio unit supplies the modulated oscillator with all main channel modulation (excluding SCA). When the function switch is in the "mono" position, left audio input is filtered and pre-emphasized and applied directly to the modulated oscillator unit. The composite stereo signal including the pilot is completely removed from the modulation input of the modulated oscillator.

If the function switch is in the "stereo" position, left and right audio inputs are filtered, pre-emphasized and applied to a resistive matrix. They then connect to the stereo generator. The composite stereo signal including pilot returns through the audio unit for application to the modulation input of the modulated oscillator.

Left audio input circuitry consists of three fundamental types of circuits. First, is a 19 kHz notch filter consisting of L1 and C1.

Resistors R1 through R5 and capacitors C2, C3, C4 along with inductor L2 is a 75 microsecond pre-emphasis section.

The primary and secondary impedance of T1 is 600 ohms. Right audio input circuitry is exactly indential to left audio input circuitry.

When selector switch S1 is in the stereo position, output of the left pre-emphasis section is connected to the primary of T1. The secondary of T1 connects into the matrix consisting of R13 through R18. At the same time, right audio input signals are routed through the right 19 kHz filter, pre-emphasis network and T2. The secondary of T2 is also connected into the resistive matrix.

Output of the matrix then produces the L - R and L + R signals for application to the signal unit of the stereo generator. At the same time the composite signal along with the 19 kHz pilot is connected through the relay to the input terminals of the modulated oscillator. The 41 kHz SCA (if used) is muted when audio is not applied.

When S1 is placed in the mono position, audio input signals connected to the left audio input, again pass through a 19 kHz notch filter and the left pre-emphasis network. There the signal terminates in R11. R11 may be adjusted to produce the desired modulation level for a given level of audio input.

Also, with S1 in the mono position the normal right stereo input terminals are connected through relay contacts K1 for application to the input of a 41 kHz subcarrier generator unit if it is used.

The stereo generator is completely bypassed when S1 is in the mono position and no stereo signals (or pilot) can modulate the main carrier.

When S1 is in the remote position the mono to stereo functions may be performed by the contacts of a remote control relay. This relay must perform a holding function.

To adjust the audio unit, S1 is placed in the mono position. A 400 Hz signal at a level of +10 dBm is connected to the left audio input. R11 is then adjusted so the carrier is modulated 100%.

A "Left=Right" signal of 400 Hz is then connected into the left and right audio inputs and S1 is placed in the stereo mode. R18 is then adjusted for minimum 400 Hz signal level at J11-10 (L–R out).

A "Left = minus Right" signal of 400 Hz is then connected into the left and right audio inputs. With S1 in the stereo mode, R17 is adjusted for minimum 400 Hz signal level at J11-6 (L+R out).

A 19 kHz audio signal is fed into the exciter left audio input terminals and L1 is set for minimum output of 19 kHz signal at J11-6 (L+R out). The 19 kHz is then fed into the right audio input terminals and L3 is adjusted for minimum 19 kHz signal at J11-6 (L+R out).

L2 and L4 are adjusted for a 16.8 dB rise in output level at 15 kHz as compared to a 400 Hz signal. This is also measured at J11-6 (L+R out).

Finally, coils L1 through L4 are retouched slightly for minimum L+R to L−R crosstalk at 15 kHz. This is accomplished by connecting L=R and L=−R signals into the exciter input terminals and measuring output levels at the L−R and L+R terminals of the matrix.

SUB-CARRIER GENERATOR

This unit generates the desired sub-carrier frequencies (usually 41 or 67 kHz) by utilizing two separate self-excited oscillators operating in the vicinity of 900 to 975 kHz.

Q1 and Q2 are the individual oscillators and are of a type normally known as Colpitts oscillators. Q1 is set to oscillate at 900 kHz and Q2 is set to oscillate at 941 or 967 kHz.

These two outputs are then mixed by diodes CR1 and CR2 and all but the difference frequency is filtered out by L5 and C13 and C14.

The sub-carrier frequency is then amplified by Q3 and applied to a tunable low pass filter consisting of L6, L7, L8 and C19, C20, C21 and C22. This filter removes all harmonics of the sub-carrier frequency.

Audio modulation is applied to the individual oscillators Q1 and Q2 by push-pull audio transformer T1. The audio is modulated onto the oscillators by variation of base bias voltage.

An audio shaping network is connected ahead of the primary of T1. When connected as shown the audio response will rise up several dB at 5000 cycles with respect to 400 cycles reference. Above 5000 cycles the response will then tend to roll off.

When this generator is used as a 67 kHz sub-carrier unit for use with stereo capacitor C1 and C2 are disconnected. This then functions as a sort of de-emphasis circuit rolling off frequencies above 3000 cycles so that sidebands are not generated which would interfere with the stereo signal.

A portion of the audio input is applied to a muting circuit consisting of transistor Q4, Q5, Q6 and Q7. Transistors Q4 and Q5 amplify the input audio to practically a square wave. This is then rectified by diodes CR3 and CR4 for application to transistor Q6.

When audio is applied, the DC level at the base of Q6 is such that Q6 is not conducting! This holds the bias at the base of Q7 in such a manner that Q7 is also not conducting.

When audio is removed from the input, bias from the base of Q6 disappears causing Q6 to conduct. This changes the bias at the base of Q7 causing it to conduct heavily. When this happens, the impedance from the junction of C17 and C18 to chassis ground drops to a level on the order of a few ohms. This causes the sub-carrier output to be attenuated approximately 50 or 60 dB.

The base of Q6 is connected to various capacitors through mute time constant switch S1. The value of the capacitor connected determines how long after audio disappears from the input of Q4 that the sub-carrier will shut off.

Mute level control R32 determines what level the audio must drop to before the sub-carrier is turned off.

Adjustment of the SCA generator consists first of setting the output filter properly so that there are essentially no harmonics of the sub-carrier present in the output of the SCA generator.

L6 and L8 are adjusted for maximum attenuation at the second harmonic of the SCA frequency. L7 is adjusted so that minimum attenuation or ripple exists over the sub-carrier passband. This passband is considered to be sub-carrier frequency ±15 kHz.

L3 is adjusted for an approximate output frequency of 900 kHz and L4 is adjusted to approximately 900 kHz plus the sub-carrier frequency. This is generally 941 or 967 kHz. L3 or L4 is then "fine" tuned for the exact proper SCA frequency in comparison with a frequency standard. A non-metallic tool with narrow screwdriver type blade is necessary for this adjustment.

Output level control R30 is set to modulate the main carrier the required level.

Mute level control R32 is adjusted so the sub-carrier output turns off if the audio input signal disappears. Optimum setting is about 30 to 40 dB below 100% modulation of the sub-carrier. This is done by connecting an audio signal at 400 Hz to the proper SCA input terminals of the exciter and modulating the sub-carrier 100%. The level of audio input is then reduced 30 or 40 dB and mute level is then adjusted so that the sub-carrier output disappears.

S1 the mute delay is adjusted to whatever muting speed is desired after audio disappears from the input.

STEREO GENERATOR

A 19 kHz pilot signal for the composite stereo signal is generated by crystal controlled oscillator Q1. Q2 isolates this signal and from the rotor of R79 a 19 kHz signal is applied to 19 kHz tuned amplifier stage Q3. The secondary of T1 is connected to a push-push doubler circuit consisting of transistors Q4 and Q5.

This stage in conjunction with transformer T2 generates a very clean 38 kHz signal.

The 38 kHz signal is applied to the balanced sub-carrier modulator circuit consisting of transformers T3, T4 and diodes CR1 through CR4.

An L−R input signal from the audio unit is also applied to the balanced sub-carrier modulator.

An L–R double sideband suppressed carrier signal appears at the output of T4. Harmonics of this signal are reduced by forwarding biasing of diodes CR1 through CR4 and by adjustment of harmonic null control R37. Sub-carrier null control R48 balances out the residual 38 kHz sub-carrier to a level of approximately −45 dB.

The L+R input signal coming from the audio unit is combined with the L–R double sideband signal at the junction of C22 R53 and R60.

The time delay of the L+R input is adjusted to agree with that experienced by the L–R circuitry. This is accomplished by a time delay consisting of L3 through L6 and capacitor C29 and C30.

Thus a composite stereo signal appears at the junction of C22, R53 and R60 and is applied to emitter follower circuit Q12 from the rotor of R53 which is the output level control.

This signal is then amplified in transistor Q13 and applied to the base of emitter follower circuit Q14. The total composite signal along with 10% 19 kHz pilot signal appears at the emitter of Q14.

A pilot signal is obtained from terminal 4 of transformer T1 and is applied to emitter follower Q6. A phase control connected between Q6 and emitter follower Q7 allows adjustment of pilot phase for maximum separation. A pilot gain control is connected into the emitter of transistor Q7 and the pilot signal is added to the composite output by connecting the rotor of R27 to the emitter resistor of transistor Q14.

Second harmonics of the double sideband signal fall into the pass band of a normal 67 kHz SCA signal. If these second harmonic signals are not severely attenuated, crosstalk from the stereo signal will interfere or get into the sub-carrier channel.

Second harmonic signal is then amplified and inverted 180° by transistor Q9, this is obtained from R53 via Q8.

From the collector of Q9 the signal is applied to emitter follower Q10 and then back into the base circuit of amplifier Q13.

Cancellation causes any remaining crosstalk at the base of Q13 to be removed. This can be set precisely by crosstalk null control R33.

Adjustment of the stereo generator consists of setting C2 so the pilot signal is within specifications. This must be done in comparison with a frequency standard.

T1 and T2 are tuned for maximum output. Doubler balance control R20 is adjusted for minimum 19 kHz ripple on the composite output signal without a pilot signal. R79 the 19 kHz gain control is set for the desired amount of 38 kHz level to drive the balanced modulator properly. R65, L–R gain control is adjusted for the desired level of audio to drive the balanced modulator circuit.

Harmonic null control R37 is adjusted for minimum second harmonic output from the balanced modulator with R33 (crosstalk null) turned for minimum output of second harmonic signal.

Sub-carrier null control R48 is adjusted for minimum 38 kHz output. This may be observed on a type approved stereo monitor, wave analyzer or ultrasonic display. Adjustment of harmonic null control R37 is also best accomplished by observing an ultrasonic display

L+R gain control is adjusted for correct gain relationship between the L+R and L–R portions of the composite stereo signal. L4 and L5 are adjusted for best phase relationship between the L+R and L–R portions. This is best accomplished at 15 kHz.

R53, output level control, is adjusted to modulate the main carrier 90% with a 400 Hz left or right audio input signal of +10 dBm. This level excludes the pilot.

L1 is tuned to the second harmonic of the 38 kHz double sideband signal and R33 the crosstalk null control is then turned up so it cancels out any remaining 76 kHz component remaining at the output of the stereo generator.

Pilot gain R27 is adjusted to modulate the main carrier 10%. Pilot phase R24 is adjusted for best separation as read on a stereo monitor provided all other aspects of the composite signal are proper. An alternate method involves using an L=–R composite waveform and is described on page 8.

PARTS LIST

CABINET ASSEMBLY - 992-1773-001

Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
B1	430 0030 000	Fan, 115 V., AC, 115 CFM
C1 thru C20	516 0319 000	Cap., .001 uF, 500 V. Feedthru
F1	398 0021 000	Fuse, 4A., 250 V.
F2	398 0015 000	Fuse, .5 A, 250 V.
J1	612 0418 000	Panel Jack, BNC, UG291/U
L1 thru L6, L11 thru L20	494 0110 000	Choke, 3.3 uH.
L7 thru L10	814 4837 001	Gates Assembly
P3, P4, P9, P13	620 0379 000	Plug, Female
P12	610 0238 000	Plug, BNC, UG88/U
P1, P2, P5 thru P8, P10, P11	612 0405 000	Female Plug, 15 Term.
TB1	614 0087 000	Terminal Board
TS1	614 0148 000	Tie Strip
XF1, XF2	402 0024 000	Fuseholder

POWER SUPPLY - 992-1726-001

Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
A1	396 0163 000	Lamp, 3 W, 120 V.
C1, C2	524 0125 000	Cap., 200 uF, 250 V.
C3, C4	524 0104 000	Cap., 1000 uF, 50 V.
C5	524 0094 000	Capl, 500 uF, 50 V.
C6, C7	516 0043 000	Cap., 470 pF, 1 kV, 10%
C8, C9, C10, C11, C12, C13, C14	516 0375 000	Cap., .01 uF, 50 V.
C15	506 0085 000	Cap., 2 uF, 200 V.
C16	516 0082 000	Cap., .01 uF. 1kV.
CR1, CR2, CR3, CR4	384 0019 000	Diode 1N2070
CR5	386 0043 000	Zener Diode, 1N2767
CR6, CR7, CR8, CR9	384 0165 000	Diode 1N4720
CR10	386 0047 000	Zener Diode 1N3582
CR11, CR13	384 0134 000	Diode, 1N914
CR12	386 0034 000	Zener Diode, 1N3031B
F1	398 0012 000	Fuse, 3/10 A, 250 V.
F2	398 0021 000	Fuse, 4A., 250 V.
F3	398 0019 000	Fuse, 2A, 250 V.
J1	610 0419 000	Panel Connector
Q1, Q5	380 0041 000	Transistor, 2N3054
Q2	380 0045 000	Transistor, 2N4036
Q3	380 0058 000	Transistor, 2N3440
Q4	380 0043 000	Transistor, 2N3055
Q6	380 0044 000	Transistor, 40319
Q7	380 0098 000	Transistor, 2N697
R1	540 0284 000	Res., 10 ohm, 1 W, 5%
R2	540 0574 000	Res., 30 ohm, 2 W, 5%
R3	548 0189 000	Res., 2200 ohm, 3 W, 1%
R4	552 0775 000	Pot., 1000 ohm. 1/2 W.
R5, R6	548 0190 000	Res., 17.5K ohm, 3 W, 1%
R7	542 0438 000	Res., 2 ohm, 25 W.
R8, R15	548 0192 000	Res., 1000 ohm, 3 W, 1%
R9	540 0583 000	Res., 68 ohm, 2 W, 5%
R13	540 0049 000	Res., 1000 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R14	548 0197 000	Res., 1600 ohm, 3 W. 1%
R11A/B	540 0042 000	Res., 510 ohm. 1/2W. 5%
S1	604 0005 000	Toggle Switch, SPST
T1	472 0536 000	Power Transformer
XA1	406 0367 000	Lamp Socket
XQ2, XQ3, XQ6, XQ7	404 0198 000	Transipad for TO-5 Case
XF1, XF2, XF3	402 0013 000	Fuseholder

10 WATT AMPLIFIER - 992-1715-001

Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
C1, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, C10, C18, C21	516 0054 000	Cap., .001 uF, 1 kV, 10%
C4, C7, C14, C15	520 0116 000	Cap., Variable, 3.9-50 pF
C8, C12, C17	516 0082 000	Cap., .01 uF, 1 kV, GMV
C11	506 0085 000	Cap., 2 uF, 200 V.
C13, C16	500 0809 000	Cap., 22 pF, 500 V, 5%
C19	500 0823 000	Cap., 82 pF, 500 V., 5%
C20	500 0812 000	Cap., 30 pF, 500 V, 5%
C22	520 0341 000	Cap., Variable, 1.5-9.1 pF.
C23, C24	516 0043 000	Cap., 470 pF, 1 kV, 10%
J2	610 0419 000	Panel Connector
J3, J4	620 0355 000	Panel Receptacle
J12	612 0403 000	Right Angle Receptacle UG1098/U
L1	814 9577 001	Inductor
L2	814 9578 001	Inductor
L3, L4	494 0164 000	RF Choke, .68 uH
L5, L6	814 3244 001	Inductor
L7	814 9583 001	Coil, choke
Q1	380 0036 000	Transistor
Q2	380 0037 000	Transistor
Q3	380 0038 000	Transistor
Q4, Q5	380 0039 000	Transistor (Matched Pair)
	380 0040 000	Transistor Kit (containing Q1 thru Q5)
R1	540 0050 000	Res., 1100 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R2	540 0074 000	Res., 11K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R3	540 0019 000	Res., 56 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R4, R7	540 0174 000	Res., 470 ohm, 1/2 W, 10%
R5	540 0183 000	Res., 2700 ohm, 1/2 W, 10%
R6	540 0296 000	Res., 33 ohm, 1 W, 5%
R8	540 0182 000	Res., 2200 ohm, 1/2 W, 10%
R9, R10	540 0011 000	Res., 27 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R11	550 0001 000	Pot., 100 ohm, 1/2 W.
T1	914 3246 001	Transformer
T2	914 3247 001	Transformer
XQ1, XQ2	404 0196 000	Heat Sink

AUDIO UNIT - 992-1830-001

Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
C1, C5	508 0308 000	Cap., .025 uF, 100 V, 1%
C2, C3, C4, C6, C7, C8	508 0307 000	Cap., .03 uF, 100 V, 1%
C9	522 0391 000	Cap., 1000 uF, 16 V.
CR1	384 0134 000	Diode, 1N914
J11	610 0419 000	Panel Connector
K1	572 0134 000	Relay
L1, L2, L3, L4	492 0328 000	Inductor 2.7-3.3 uH
R1, R2, R3, R4, R6, R7, R8, R9	548 0139 000	Res., 270 ohm, 1/2 W, 1%
R5, R10	548 0217 000	Res., 110 ohm, 1/2 W, 1%
R11	552 0800 000	Trim Pot., 500 ohm, 1 W.
R12	540 0073 000	Res., 10K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R13, R14	548 0218 000	Res., 600 ohm, 1/2 W, 1%
R15, R16	540 0043 000	Res., 560 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R17, R18	552 0797 000	Trim Pot., 100 ohm, 1 W.
R19	540 0046 000	Res., 750 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R20	540 0036 000	Res., 300 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
S1	604 0336 000	Switch, SPDT, Center OFF
T1, T2	914 8783 001	Input Xfmr, Matched pairs
XK1	404 0209 000	Relay Socket

MODULATED OSCILLATOR - 992-2673-001

Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
C1, C2,	500 0803 000	Cap., 5 pF, 500 V,
C3, C4	500 0806 000	Cap., 15 pF, 500 V.
C5	516 0410 000	Cap., 1 pF, 500 WV.
C6, C9, C10	500 0835 000	Cap., 470 pF, 500 V.
C8	500 0804 000	Cap., 10 pF, 500V.
C7, C11	500 0759 000	Cap., 100 pF, 500 V.
C12	522 0244 000	Cap., 50 uF, 25 V.
C13, C15, C16, C17	516 0043 000	Cap., 470 pF, 1 kV, 10%
C14	522 0240 000	Cap., 15 uF, 25V.
C18, C19	500 0880 000	Cap., 51 pF, 500 V, 5%
C20	506 0087 000	Cap., 1 uF, 200 V.
C21	516 0043 000	Cap., 470 pF, 1 kV, 10%
C22	516 0082 000	Cap., .01 uF, 1kV (Part of X tal Oven)
CR1, CR2	528 0007 000	Varicap, 1N4808
HR1	558 0030 000	Oven
J10	610 0419 000	Panel Connector
J13	620 0355 000	Panel Receptacle
L1 thru L6	494 0176 000	Choke, 3.3 uH
Q1, Q2	914 6003 001	Transistor (Gates Spec)
Q3	380 0048 000	Transistor 2N3118
R1	540 0919 000	Res., 2000 ohm, 1/4 W, 5%
R2	540 0912 000	Res., 1 K ohm, 1/4 W, 5%
R3, R4	540 0894 000	Res., 180 ohm, 1/4 W, 5%
R5, R6, R7	540 0960 000	Res., 100K ohm, 1/4 W, 5%

Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
R8,	540 0880 000	Res., 47 ohm, 1/4 W, 5%
R9, R10	540 0881 000	Res., 51 ohm, 1/4 W, 5%
R11	540 0948 000	Res., 33K ohm, 1/4 W, 5%
R12	540 0933 000	Res., 7500 ohm, 1/4 W, 5%
R13	540 0042 000	Res., 510 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R14	540 0315 000	Res., 200 ohm, 1 W, 5%
R15, R16	540 0950 000	Res., 39K ohm, 1/4 W, 5%
R17, R19	540 0937 000	Res., 11K ohm, 1/4 W, 5%
R18	540 0939 000	Res., 13K ohm, 1/4 W, 5%
R20	540 0976 000	Res., 470K ohm, 1/4 W, 5%
R21	540 0912 000	Res., 1000 ohm, 1/4 W, 5%
R22	540 0880 000	Res, 47 ohms, 1/4 W. 5% (Part of X tal Oven)
R23	550 0003 000	Pot., 500 ohm 1/2W.
T1	914 4247 001	RF Transformer Assembly
XQ1, XQ2	404 0197 000	Transipad
XQ3	404 0198 000	Transipad

AFC UNIT - 992-1716-001

Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
C1, C13	500 0868 000	Cap., 10 pF, ±5%, 500 V.
C2	500 0871 000	Cap., 39 pF, ±5%, 500 V.
C3, C7, C8, C11	516 0054 000	Cap., .001 uF, 1 kV.
C4	516 0375 000	Cap., .01 uF, 50 V.
C5, C10	500 0869 000	Cap., 27 pF, ±5%, 500 V.
C6	500 0872 000	Cap., 110 pF, ±5%, 500 V.
C9	500 0802 000	Cap., 3 pF, ±5%, 500 V.
C12	522 0240 000	Cap., 15 uF, 25 V.
C14, C15	500 0877 000	Cap., 100 pF, ±5%, 500 V.
C16	506 0088 000	Cap., .1 uF, 200 V, MMW
C17, C25	522 0240 000	Cap., 15 uF, 25 V.
C18, C26	516 0054 000	Cap., .001 uF, 1 kV.
C19	508 0215 000	Cap., .01 uF, ±10%, 100 V.
C20, C21, C22, C23, C24	506 0088 000	Cap., .1 uF, 200 V.
C27	500 0874 000	Cap., 330 pF, +5%, 100 V.
C28	522 0240 000	Cap., 15 uF, 25 V.
C30	500 0870 000	Cap., 33 pF, ±5%, 500 V.
C31	500 0873 000	Cap., 220 pF, ±5%, 500 V.
C32	500 0835 000	Cap., 470 pF, ±5%, 300 V.
C33, C34	522 0153 000	Cap., 15 uF, 3 V.
C37	506 0006 000	Cap. .25 uf., 200V.
C35, C36, C39	506 0088 000	Cap., .1 uF, 200 V.
C38	506 0087 000	Cap., 1 uF, 200 V.
C40, C41	506 0085 000	Cap., 2 uF, 200 WV.
C43, C44, C45, C47, C48, C49, C50, C51	516 0319 000	Cap., Feedthru, 1000 pF, 500 V.
C52, C53	506 0022 000	Cap., .1 uF, 600 V.
C54	516 0082 000	Cap., .01 uF .1kV.
CR1, CR2	384 0134 000	Diode, Silicon 1N914
CR3	384 0134 000	Diode, Silicon 1N914
CR4	386 0032 000	Diode, Zener 1N747A
CR5	386 0046 000	Diode, 6082
CR6, CR7, CR8, CR9, CR12	384 0134 000	Diode, Silicon 1N914
CR10, CR11	386 0045 000	Diode, Zener

Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
CR13	386 0073 000	Diode, 6046
CR14	384 0166 000	Diode, Silicon 1N643
CR15	386 0047 000	Diode, Zener 1N3582
HR1	558 0024 000	Oven, Printed Circuit, 115 V, RMS, 70° C.
J8	610 0419 000	Receptacle
J9	620 0355 000	Panel Receptacle
L1	914 3282 001	Osc. Coil Assy, (yel. dot)
L2	914 3283 001	Trip Coil Assy, (yel. dot.)
L3, L5	494 0112 000	RF Choke, 8.2 uH
L4	494 0151 000	RF Choke, 2.7 uH
L6	494 0165 000	Choke, 2.2 mH
L7, L8	494 0153 000	RF Choke, 300 uH
Q1, Q2, Q6, Q7, Q8, Q9	380 0046 000	Transistor, 2N708
Q3, Q4, Q5	380 0098 000	Transistor, 2N697
Q10	380 0047 000	Transistor, 2N3500
R1, R6	540 0079 000	Res., 18K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R2, R7	540 0071 000	Res., 8200 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R3	540 0045 000	Res., 680 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R4	540 0066 000	Res., 5100 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R5, R8	540 0049 000	Res., 1000 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R9, R11	540 0025 000	Res., 100 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R10	540 0301 000	Res., 51 ohm, 1 W, 5%
R12, R13	540 0055 000	Res., 1800 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R14	540 0096 000	Res., 91K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R15	540 0056 000	Res., 2000 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R16	540 0068 000	Res., 6.2K ohm, 1/2W, 5%
R18, R22	540 0071 000	Res., 8200 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R19	540 0077 000	Res., 15K ohm, 1/2 W, ± 5%
R17 R20 R24	540 0049 000	Res., 1000 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R21, R25	540 0041 000	Res., 470 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R23	540 0079 000	Res., 18K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R26	540 0085 000	Res., 33K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R27	540 0065 000	Res., 4700 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R28	540 0322 000	Res., 390 ohm, 1 W, 5%
R29	540 0053 000	Res., 1500 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R30	540 0462 000	Res., 330 ohm, 1 W, 10%
R31	540 0050 000	Res., 1100 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R32	540 0073 000	Res., 10K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R33	540 0057 000	Res., 2200 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R34	540 0587 000	Res., 100 ohm, 2 W, 5%
R35, R36	540 0053 000	Res., 1500 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R37	540 0054 000	Res., 1600 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R38, R47, R49	540 0055 000	Res,, 1800 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R39, R50	540 0061 000	Res., 3300 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R40	540 0059 000	Res., 2700 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R41, R44	540 0052 000	Res., 1300 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R42	540 0041 000	Res., 470 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R43	540 0037 000	Res., 330 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R45, R46	540 0048 000	Res., 910 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R48	540 0064 000	Res., 4300 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R51	540 0053 000	Res., 1500 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R54	540 0113 000	Res., 470K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R55	548 0195 000	Res., 2000 ohm, 25 W, 1%
R57	540 0646 000	Res., 30K ohm, 2 W, 5%
R58	540 0655 000	Res., 68K ohm, 2 W, 5%
R59	552 0781 000	Pot., 20K ohm, 1-1/2 W, Clock Face
R60	540 0635 000	Res., 10K ohm, 2 W, 5%
R62	540 0025 000	Res., 100 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R64	540 0936 000	Res. 10K ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R63	540 0071 000	Res., 8200 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R61	540 0017 000	Res., 47 ohms, 1/2W. 5%
RT1	559 0006 000	Thermistor, 1000 ohm
S1	604 0320 000	Switch, Toggle, DPDT
TJ1	612 0312 000	Test Point Jack, white
XQ1, XQ2, XQ6, XQ7, XQ8, XQ9	404 0197 000	Transipad for TO-18 Case
XQ3, XQ4, XQ5	404 0198 000	Transipad for TO-5 Case
XQ10	404 0066 000	Socket, Transistor
Y1	444 XXXX 000	Crystal (Freq. Det. by Customer Order)

SCA UNIT - 994-6507-001

Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
C1, C2	508 0236 000	Cap., .15 uF, ±10% Mylar 100 WVDC
C3, C4, C5, C8	500 0844 000	Cap., 1000 pF, ±5%, 100V
C6, C9	500 0873 000	Cap., 220 pF, ±5%, 500V
C7, C10	500 0818 000	Cap., 50 pF, ±5%, 500V
C11, C12	500 0759 000	Cap., 100 pF, ±5%, 500V
C13, C14	500 0878 000	Cap., 1500 pF, ±5%, 500V
C15	508 0278 000	Cap., .1 uF, ±10% Mylar 100 WVDC
C16, C27, C29	522 0240 000	Cap., 15 uF, 25V
C17, C18	508 0298 000	Cap., .01 uF, 100V, Mylar
C19, C22	500 0831 000	Cap., 250 pF, ±5%, 500 V
C20, C21	500 0874 000	Cap., 330 pF, ±5%, 100 V
C23	508 0298 000	Cap., .01 uF, 100 V, Mylar
C24, C25	522 0178 000	Cap., 25 uF, 6 VDC
C26	522 0210 000	Cap., 100 uF, 12 VDC
C28	522 0233 000	Cap., 2 uF, 25 V
C30	522 0242 000	Cap., 25 uF, 25 VDC
C31, C32	522 0244 000	Cap., 50 uF, 25 V
C33	522 0256 000	Cap., 20 uF, 50 V
CR1, CR2	384 0006 000	Diode, Signal 1N54AS
CR3, CR4	384 0018 000	Rectifier 1N2069
J5	610 0419 000	Receptacle
L1, L2	494 0175 000	Choke 4.7 uH
L3, L4	492 0321 000	Coil, Adj. .28 to .65 uH
L5	494 0165 000	Choke, 2.2 uH
L6, L8	492 0322 000	Coil, Adj. 8-20 uH
L7	492 0323 000	Coil, Adj. 15-40 uH
Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4, Q5, Q6	380 0098 000	Transistor 2N697
Q7	380 0016 000	Transistor 2N1539
R1	540 0055 000	Resistor, 1.8K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R2	540 0053 000	Resistor, 1.5K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R3, R4	540 0035 000	Resistor, 270 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R5, R6, R7, R8	540 0017 000	Resistor, 47 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R9	540 0092 000	Resistor, 62K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R10, R11, R17, R18	540 0097 000	Res., 100K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%

Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
R12, R19, R40	540 0095 000	Res., 82K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R13, R20	540 0065 000	Res., 4.7K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R14, R21, R24, R25, R45	540 0073 000	Res., 10K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R15, R22	540 0049 000	Res., 1000 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R16, R23	540 0025 000	Res., 100 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R26, R27, R41	540 0085 000	Res., 33K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R28, R29, R35, R43	540 0056 000	Res., 2000 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R30, R32	550 0007 000	Min, Pot., 10K ohm, 1/2 W. Linear Taper
R31	540 0069 000	Res., 6.8K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R33	540 0099 000	Res., 120K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R34	540 0066 000	Res., 5.1K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R36	540 0050 000	Res., 1.1K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R37	540 0045 000	Res., 680 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R38	540 0042 000	Res., 510 ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R39	540 0078 000	Res., 16K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R42	540 0075 000	Res., 12K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
R44	540 0061 000	Res., 3.3K ohm, 1/2 W, 5%
S1	600 0421 000	Switch, Type BA, 4 Pos., 1 Sect. per Gates 814 2977 001
T1	478 0145 000	Input Transformer AI-10426
TJ1	612 0312 000	Test Point Jack, White
TJ2	612 0311 000	Test Point Jack, Black
XQ1, XQ2	404 0066 000	Transistor Socket
XQ3, XQ4, XQ5, XQ6	404 0198 000	Transipad for TO-5 Case

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Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
C1, C37, C45	522 0322 000	Cap., 100 uF 50V
C2	520 0342 000	Cap., Var., 2-27 pF
C3	508 0291 000	Cap., .008 uF, 600V, 10%
C4, C6, C8, C10, C11, C12, C13, C28, C38, C47	506 0088 000	Cap., .1 uF 200V
C5	500 0877 000	Cap., 100 pF, 500V, 5%
C7	522 0251 000	Cap., 5 uF 50V
C9	500 0845 000	Cap., 2000 pF, 500V, 5%
C14	500 0879 000	Cap., 2500 pF, 500V, 5%
C16, C23, C35, C36, C39, C40, C41, C44	522 0240 000	Cap., 15 uF 25V
C17, C18, C19, C20	526 0058 000	Cap., 1000 uF, 6V.
C21	522 0256 000	Cap., 20 uF 50V
C22	522 0336 000	Cap., 250 uF 15V
C24, C42, C43	522 0244 000	Cap., 50 uF 25V
C25	522 0243 000	Cap., 35 uF 25V
C27	506 0087 000	Cap., 1 uF, 200V
C29, C30, C46	500 0835 000	Cap., 470 pF, 300V, 5%
C31	522 0306 000	Cap., 1000 uF 25V
C32	516 0054 000	Cap., 1000 pF, 1 KV 10%

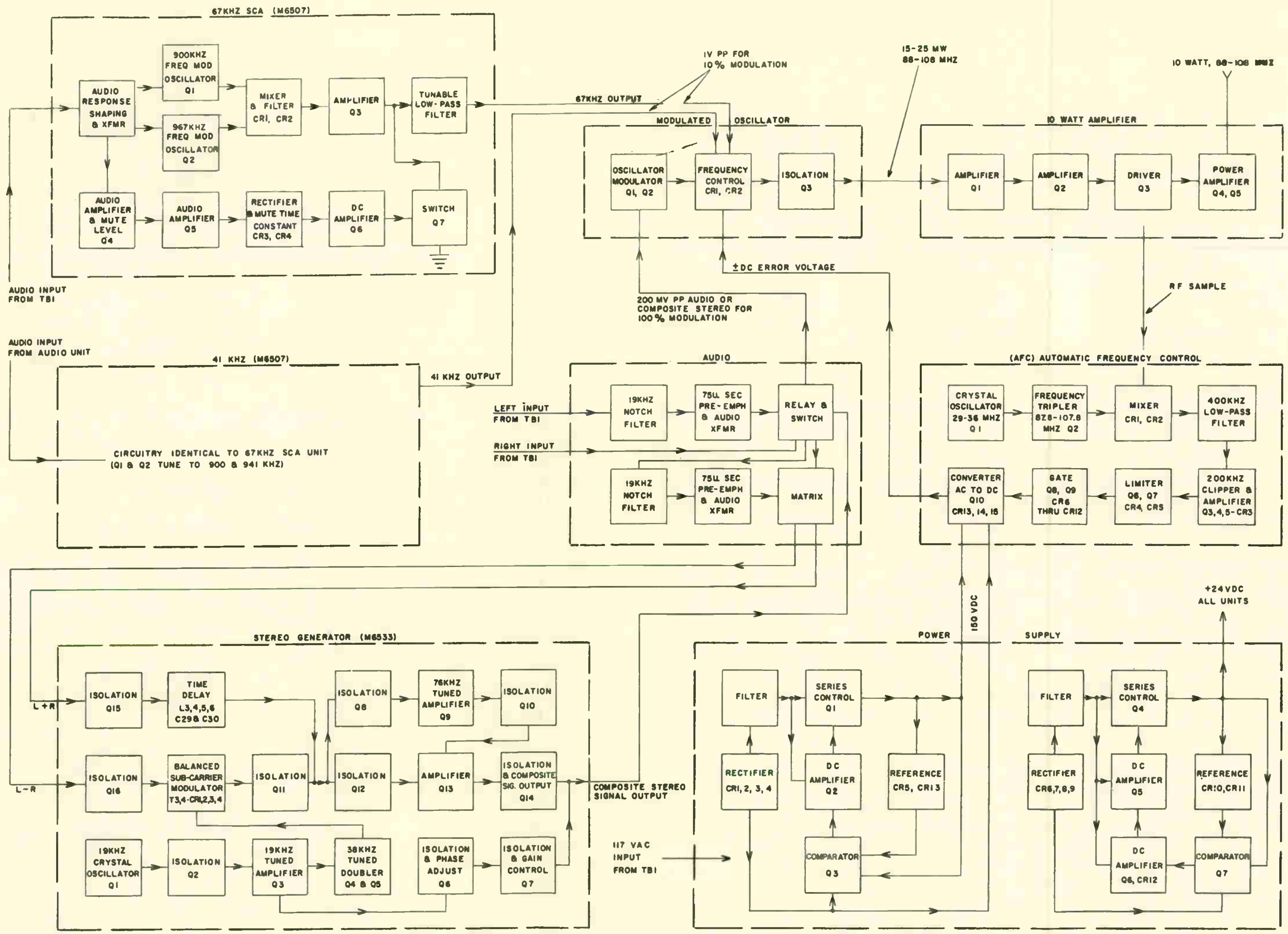
Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
CR1, CR2, CR3, CR4	915 0064 001	Diode Quad Assy.
J7	610 0419 000	Panel Connector
L1, L5	492 0331 000	Adj. R.F. Coil, 1.3-3 uH
L3, L6	494 0153 000	RF Choke, 300 uH
L4	492 0332 000	Adj. R.F. Coil, .65-1.3 uH
Q1	380 0060 000	Transistor FET
Q2 thru Q16	380 0098 000	Transistor, 2N697
R1	540 1001 000	Res., 5.1 Megohm, 1/4W, 5%
R2, R10, R11, R61, R72	540 0936 000	Res., 10K ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R3, R58	540 0940 000	Res., 15K ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R4, R30, R50, R67, R70, R73, R76	540 0976 000	Res., 470K ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R5	540 0902 000	Res., 390 ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R6	540 0907 000	Res., 620 ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R7	540 0934 000	Res., 8200 ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R8, R13, R21, R25, R28, R31, R34, R54, R64	540 0960 000	Res., 100 K ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R9, R49, R66, R69, R71	540 0912 000	Res., 1000 ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R12, R75, R77	540 0920 000	Res., 2200 ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R14, R15	540 0888 000	Res., 100 ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R16	540 0928 000	Res., 4700 ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R17	548 0211 000	Res., 2400 ohm, 1/2W, 1%
R18	540 0964 000	Res., 150K ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R19, R86, R87	540 0953 000	Res., 51K ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R20	552 0795 000	Pot., 10K ohm, 1 W
R22, R29, R35, R51, R57	540 0919 000	Res., 2000 ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R23, R52, R60, R62	540 0905 000	Res., 510 ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R24	550 0009 000	Pot., 50K ohm, 1/2 W
R26	540 0924 000	Res., 3300 ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R27, R53	550 0006 000	Pot., 5000 ohm, 1/2 W
R32	540 0944 000	Res., 22K ohm, 1/4 W, 5%
R33	552 0796 000	Pot., 5K ohm, 1W
R36, R38	540 0895 000	Res., 200 ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R37, R48	552 0797 000	Pot., 100 ohm, 1 W
R40	540 0935 000	Res., 9100 ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R39	540 0929 000	Res., 5100 ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R41, R42, R43, R44	548 0199 000	Res., 4750 ohm, 1/2W, 1%
R46, R47	540 0864 000	Res., 10 ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R55, R63	540 0916 000	Res., 1500 ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R56	540 0897 000	Res., 240 ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R59, R74	540 0962 000	Res., 120K ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R65	552 0802 000	Trim Pot., 1K ohm, 1W
R68	550 0004 000	Pot., 1K ohm, 1/2 W
R78	540 1008 000	Res., 10 megohm, 1/4W, 5%

Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
R79	552 0800 000	Pot., 500 ohm, 1W
R80	540 0918 000	Res., 1800 ohm. 1/4W, 5%
R81	540 0936 000	Res., 10K ohm, 1/4W, 5%
R82, R83, R84, R85	548 0049 000	Res., 100 ohm, 1/2W, 1%
RT1	559 0006 000	Thermistor, 1000 ohm
S1	604 0366 000	Switch, Subminiature Toggle, SPDT
T1	478 0269 000	Transformer, 19kHz
T2	478 0270 000	Transformer, 38kHz
T3	478 0026 000	Transformer
T4	478 0220 000	Transformer
TJ1, TJ3	612 0312 000	Test Point Jack, White
TJ2	612 0311 000	Test Point Jack, Black

Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
XQ1	404 0197 000	Transipad
XQ2 thru XQ16	404 0198 000	Transipad
XY1	404 0132 000	Crystal Socket
Y1	444 1129 000	Crystal, 19KC, 30°C, Circuit 814 3270 001

AT1 ISOLATION PAD, 3 dB - 992 2241 001

Symbol No.	Gates Part No.	Description
	612 0233 000	Receptacle, Type "N"
	612 0237 000	Receptacle, Type "BNC"
R35, R36	540 0598 000	Res., 300 ohm, 2 W.
R37, R38, R39, R40	540 0584 000	Res., 75 ohm, 2 W.



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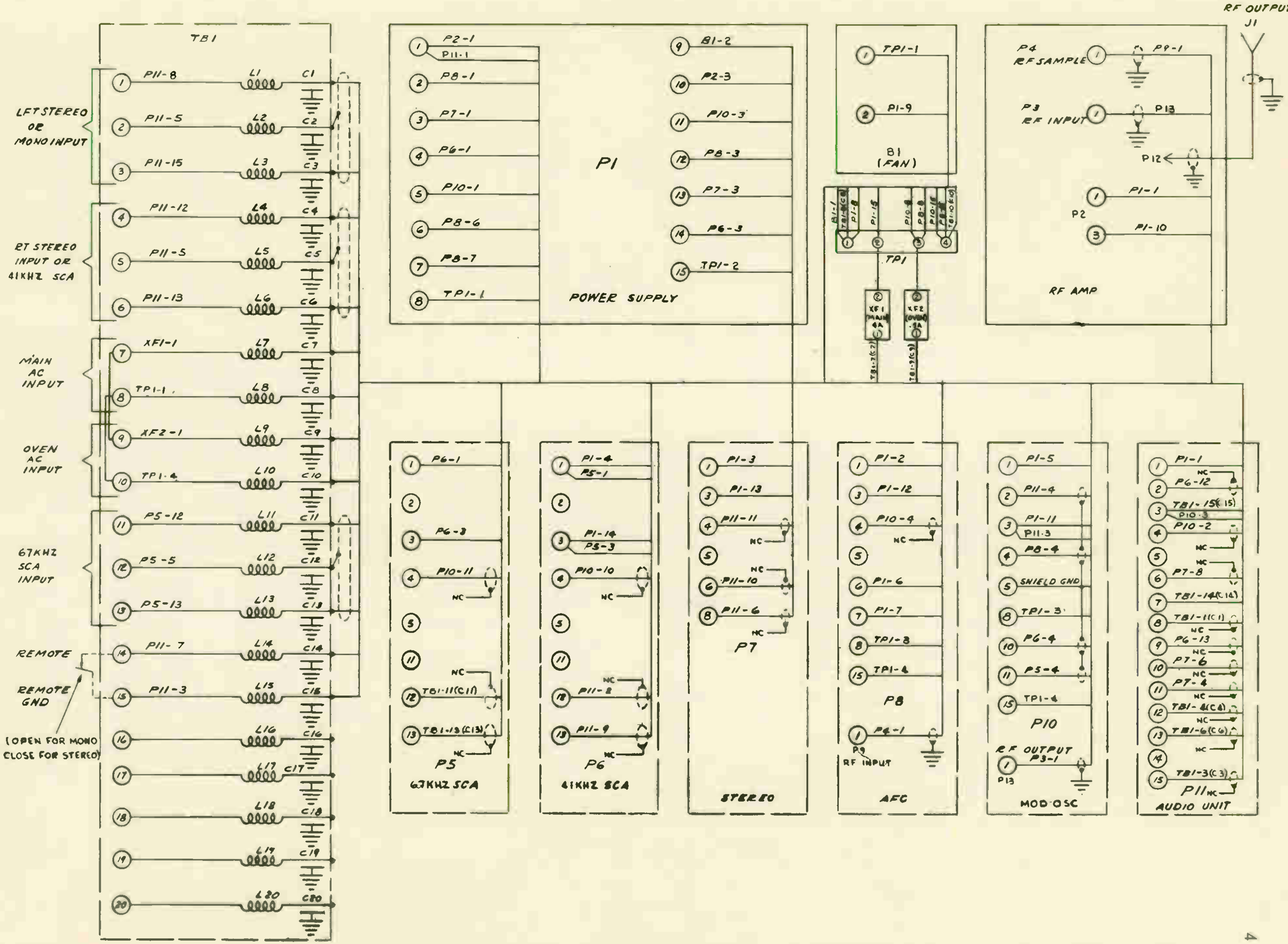

INTERCONNECTING DIAGRAM
SOLID STATESMAN FM EXCITER M6425

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SCHEMATIC - POWER SUPPLY M-6425 SOLID STATESMAN FM EXCITER

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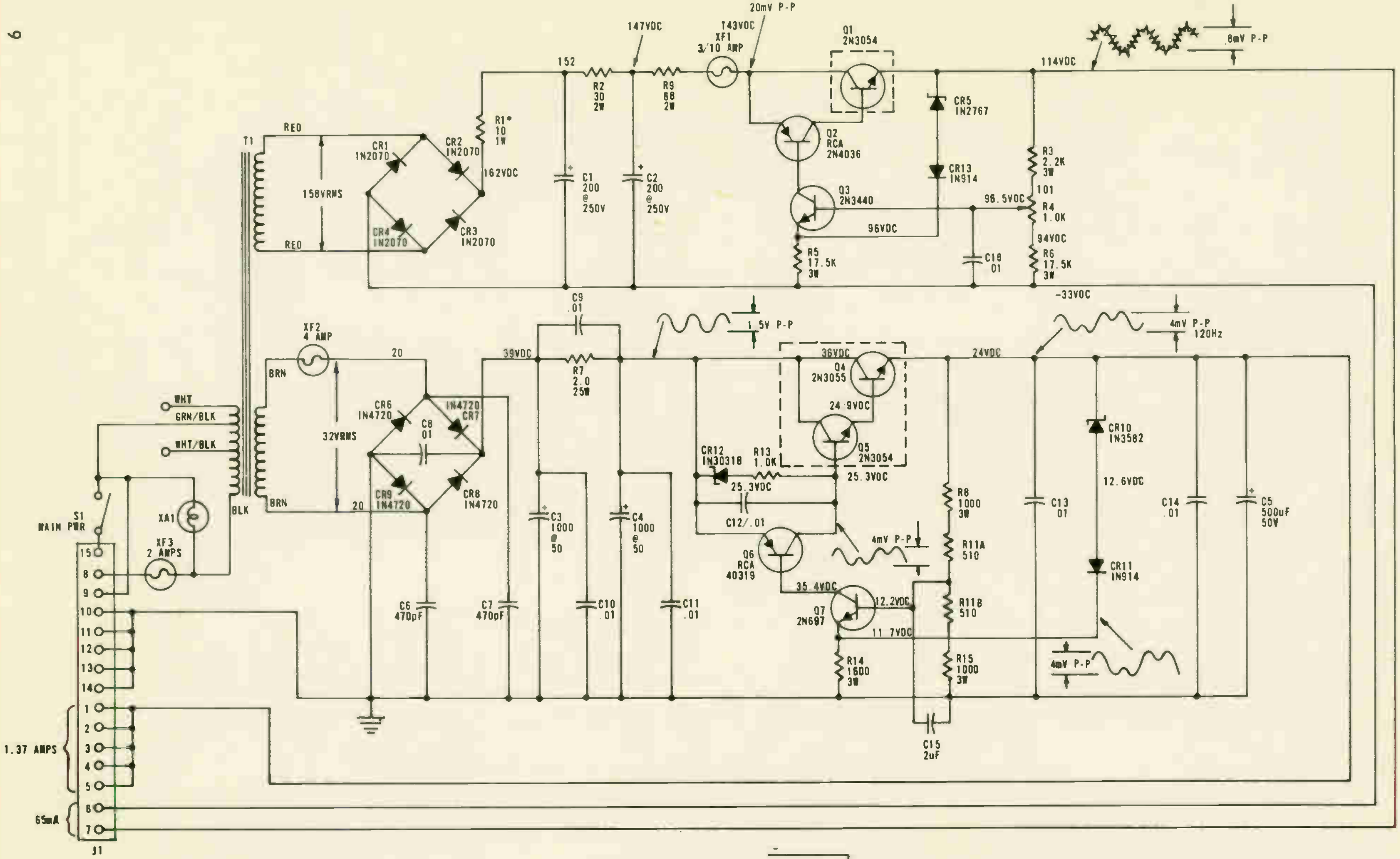

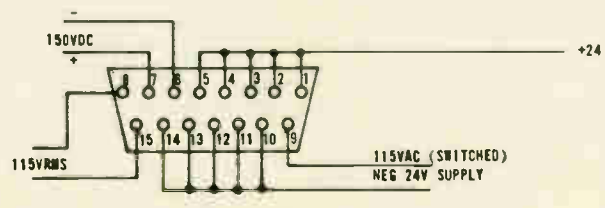

J1, VIEW FROM REAR

VOLTAGE MEASUREMENTS:

RMS VOLTAGE MEASURED WITH VOM
DC VOLTAGE MEASURED WITH VTVM
P-P WAVE SHAPES MEASURED WITH SCOPE

* = SUBJECT TO VARIATION

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SCHEMATIC - MOD. OSCILLATOR M6425 SOLID STATESMAN FM EXCITER

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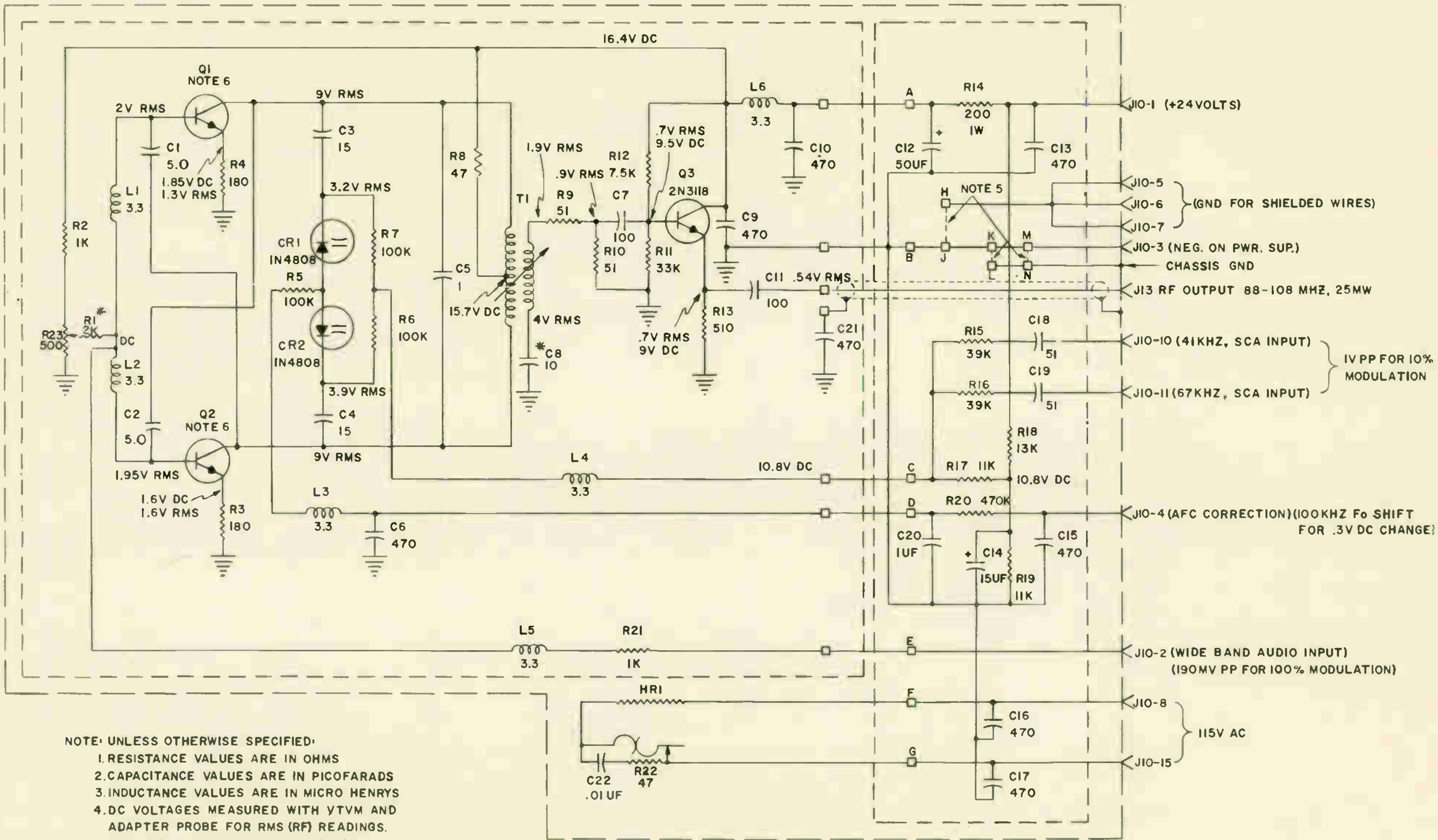

NOTE: UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED:
1. RESISTANCE VALUES ARE IN OHMS
2. CAPACITANCE VALUES ARE IN PICOFARADS
3. INDUCTANCE VALUES ARE IN MICRO HENRYS
4. DC VOLTAGES MEASURED WITH VTVM AND ADAPTER PROBE FOR RMS (RF) READINGS. (RMS READINGS MAY VARY WIDELY.)
5. JUMPER CONNECTIONS MAY VARY PER UNIT. MOST DESIRABLE CONNECTIONS ARE DETERMINED ON FINAL TEST.
6. GATES SPEC. 914-6003-001
7. * VALUES MAY VARY IN FINAL TEST

J10 (BACK VIEW)

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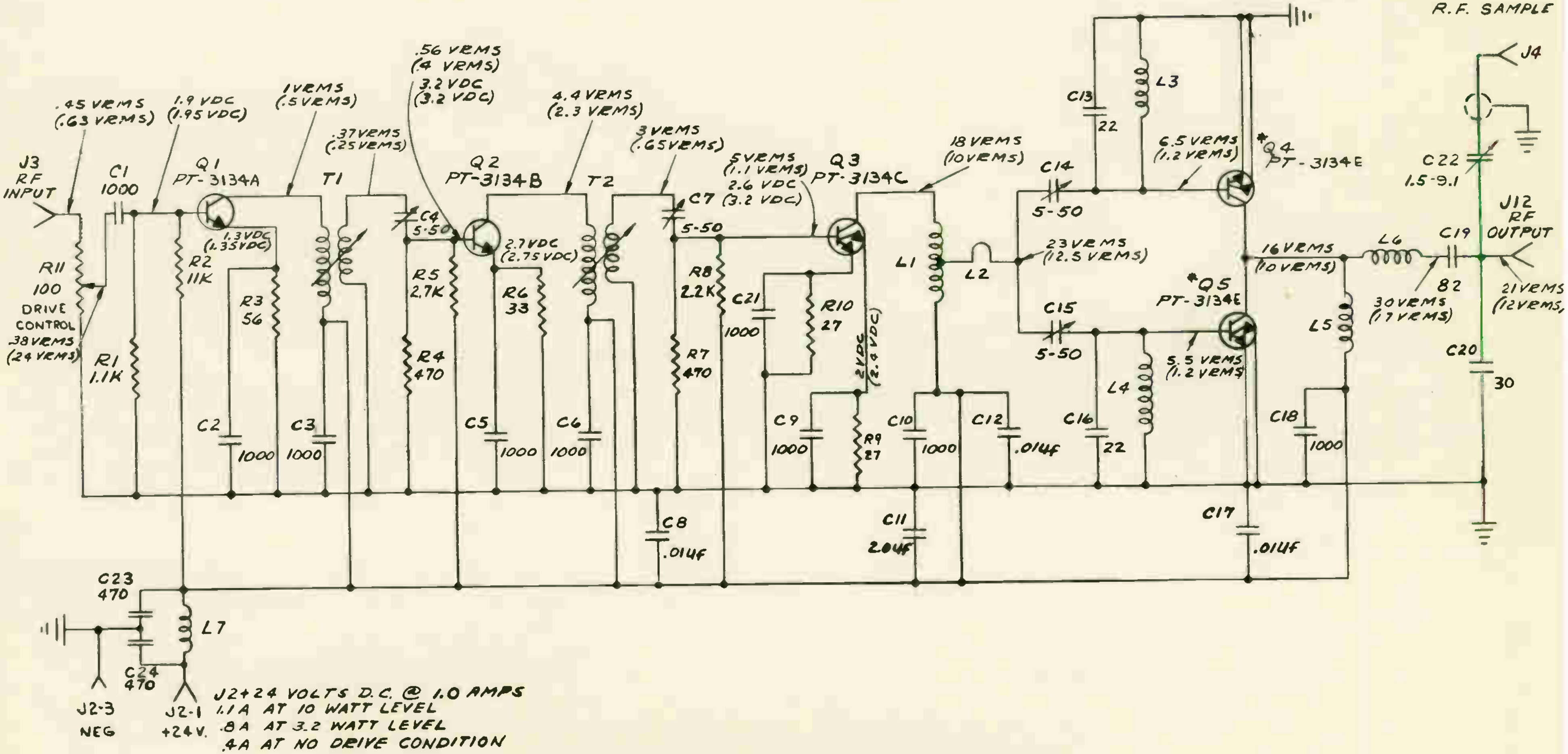

NOTE: ALL CAPACITORS IN PF UNLESS OTHEWISE STATED
VOLTAGE MEASUREMENTS WITH HP-410B VTVM, USING
PROBE FOR RF, RMS VALUES. VOLTAGES IN PARENTHESIS
ARE AT 3 WATT OUT PUT LEVEL. OTHERWISE, 10 WATT OUTPUT.
*Q4 & Q5 ARE A MATCHED PAIR

SCHEMATIC, 10 WATT RF AMP. SOLID STATESMAN FM EXCITER M6425

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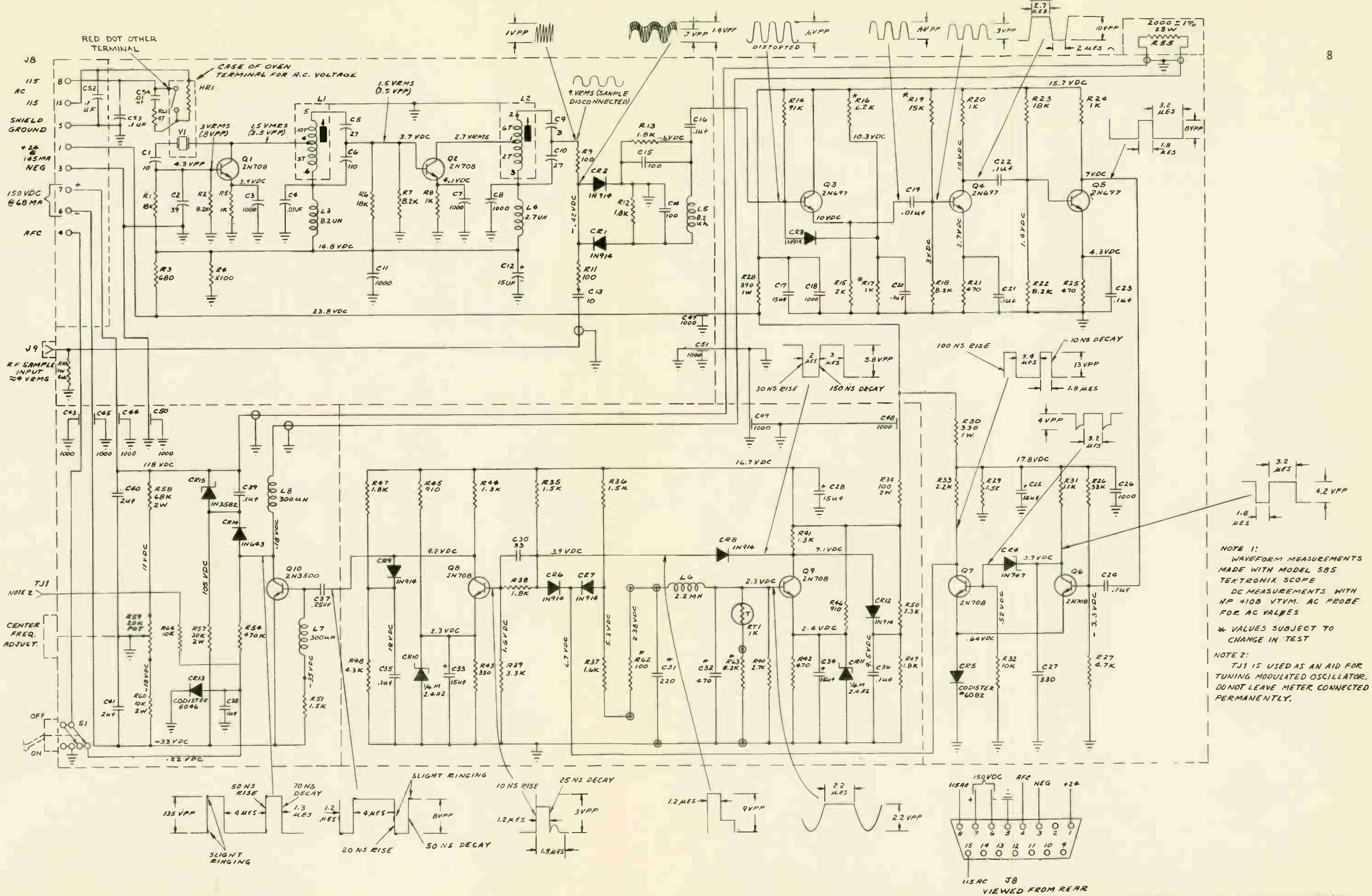

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SCHEMATIC AFC UNIT M6425 SOLID STATESMAN FM EXCITER

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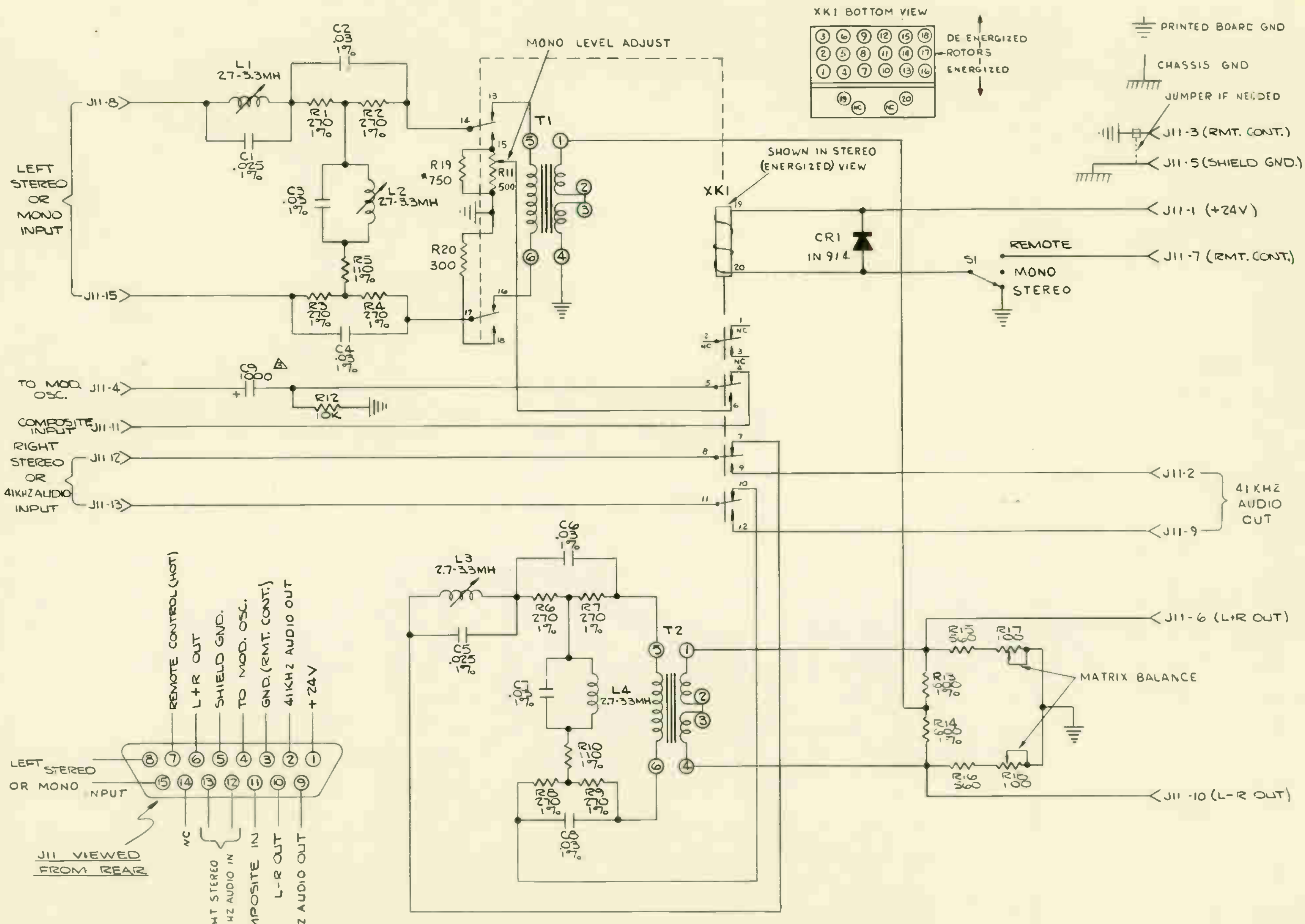

NOTE;
RESISTORS IN OHMS
CAPACITORS IN MFD.
*SUBJECT TO CHANGE

SCHEMATIC-AUDIO UNIT
SOLID STATESMAN
FM EXCITER M6425

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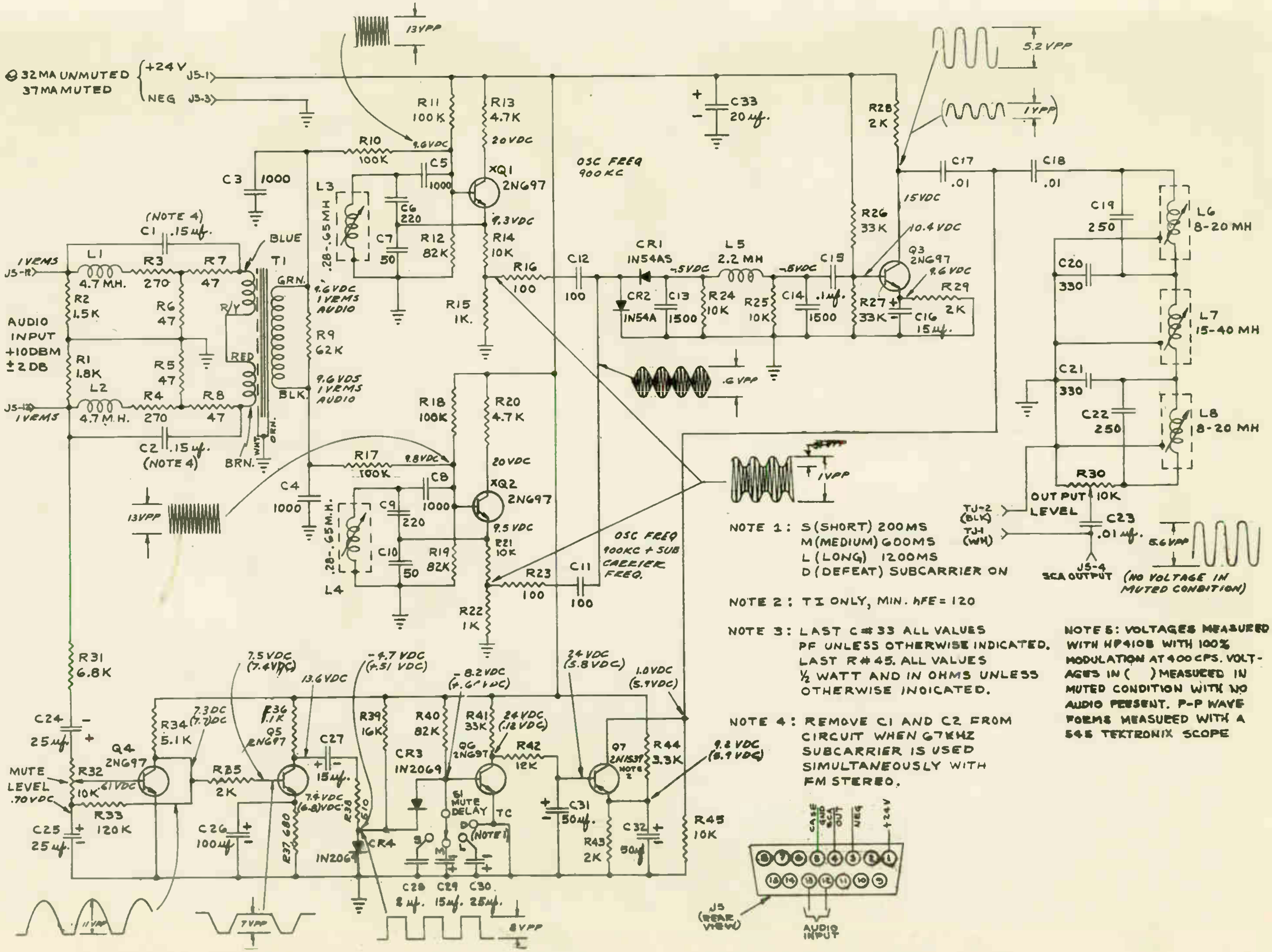

NOTE 1: S (SHORT) 200 MS
M (MEDIUM) 600 MS
L (LONG) 1200 MS
D (DEFEAT) SUBCARRIER ON

NOTE 2: TI ONLY, MIN. hFE = 120

NOTE 3: LAST C # 33 ALL VALUES PF UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED. LAST R # 45. ALL VALUES ½ WATT AND IN OHMS UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.

NOTE 4: REMOVE C1 AND C2 FROM CIRCUIT WHEN 67 KHZ SUBCARRIER IS USED SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH FM STEREO.

NOTE 5: VOLTAGES MEASURED WITH HP410B WITH 100% MODULATION AT 400 CPS. VOLTAGES IN ( ) MEASURED IN MUTED CONDITION WITH NO AUDIO PRESENT. P-P WAVE FORMS MEASURED WITH A 545 TEKTRONIX SCOPE

SCHEMATIC SCA GENERATOR M6507 FOR M6424 SOLID STATESMAN FM EXCITER

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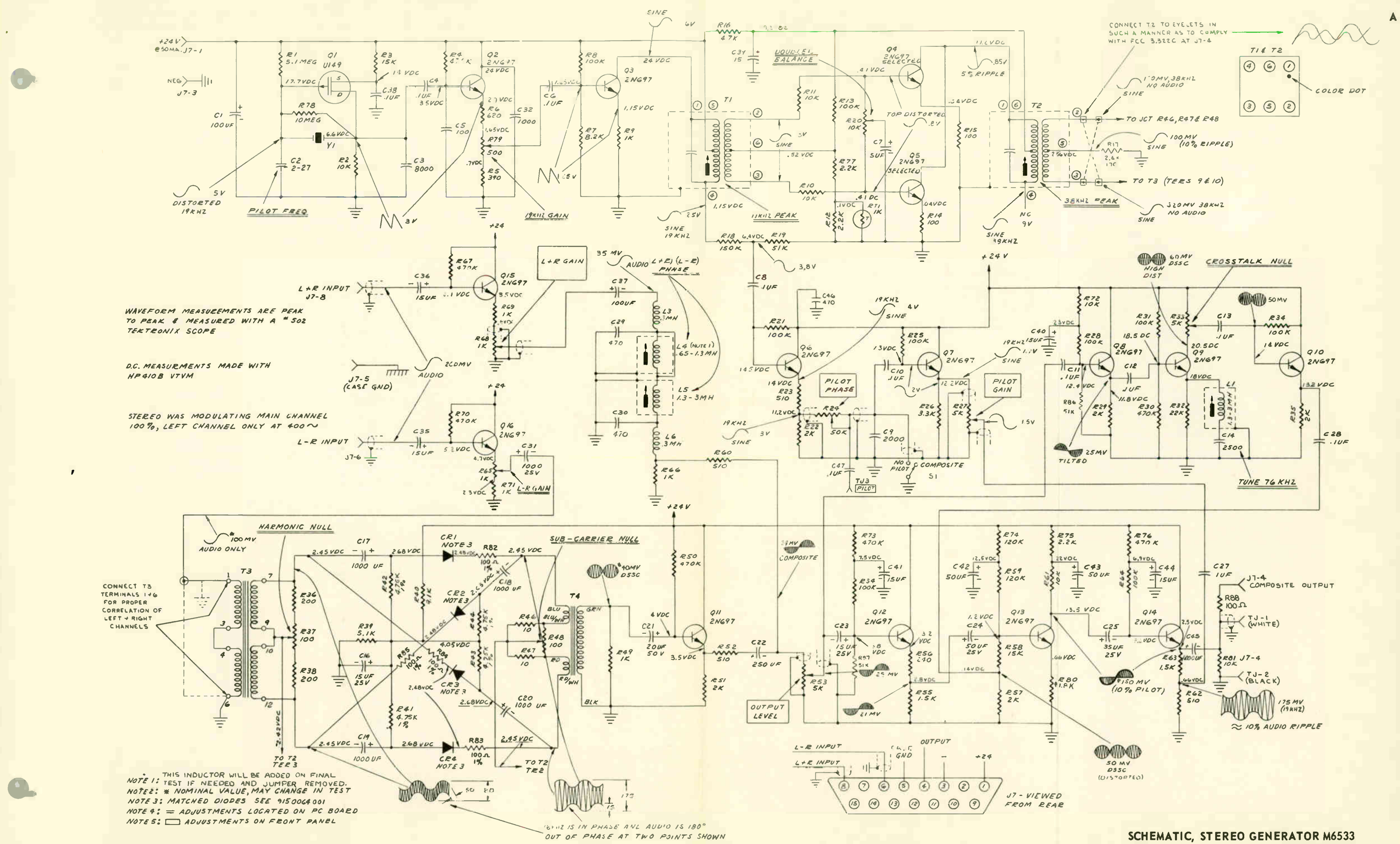

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SCHEMATIC, STEREO GENERATOR M6533 FOR M6425 SOLID STATESMAN FM EXCITER

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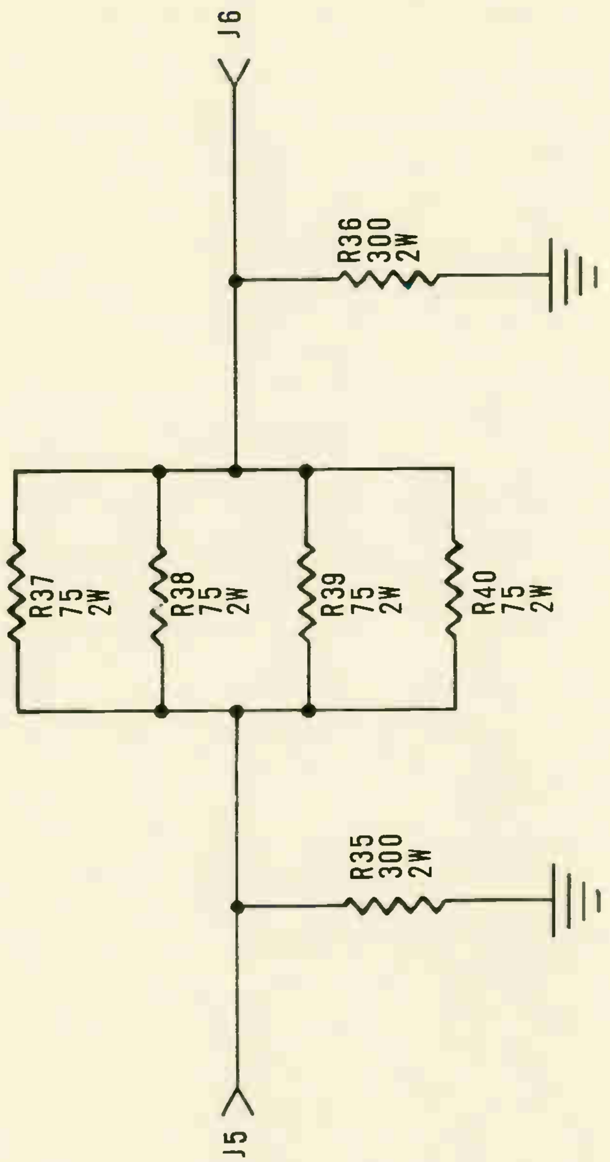

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SCHEMATIC AT1, ISOLATION PAD FM EXCITER

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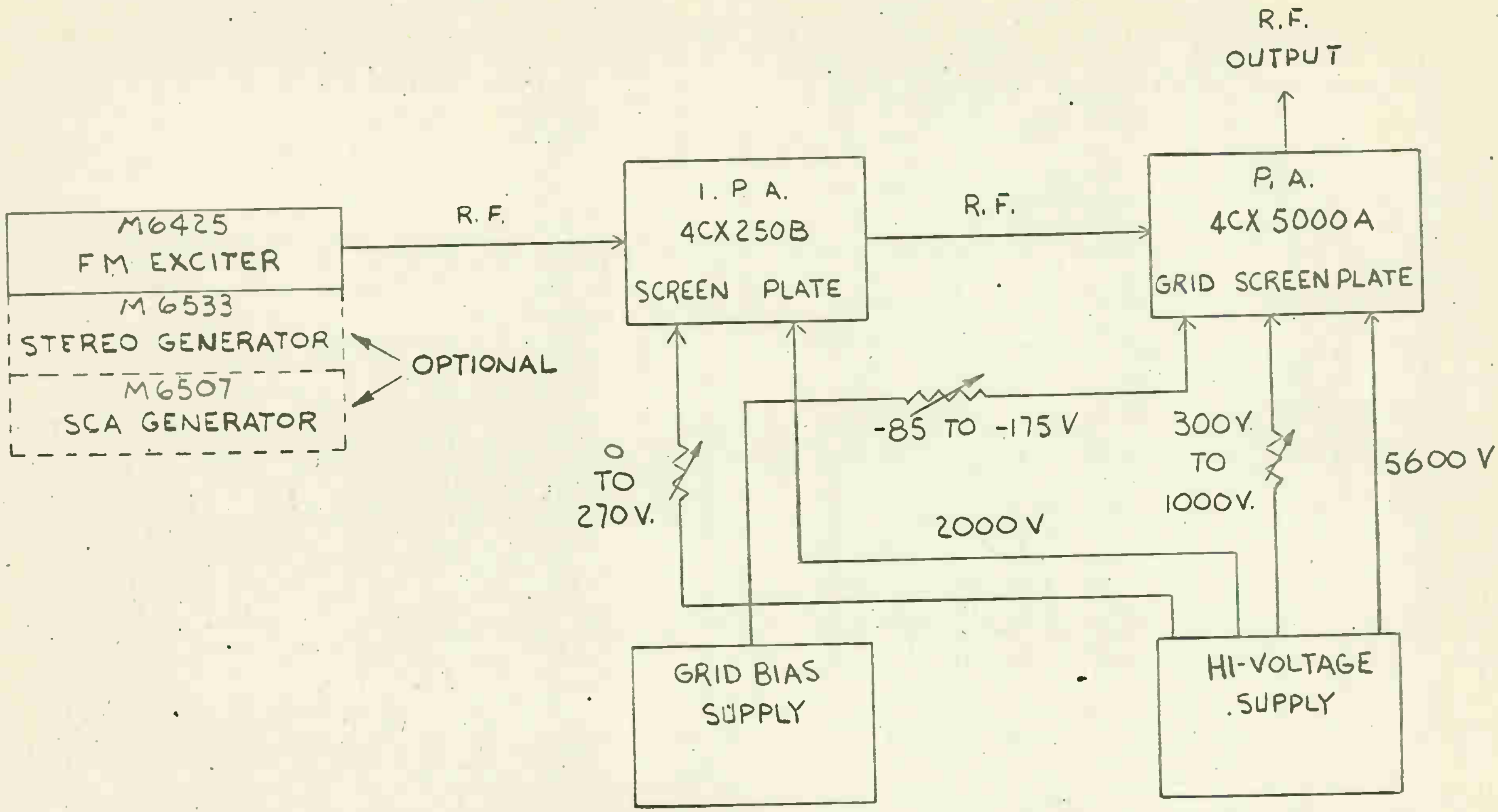

TOL UNLESS NOTED
FRACTIONS ± 1/64
DECIMALS ± .005
ANGLES ± 1°
FOLD DIMENSIONS ± 1/32
ALL ✓ INDICATES 125 MICRO INCH

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DFTM RJM 3-24-67	TITLE BLOCK DIAGRAM FM7.5H
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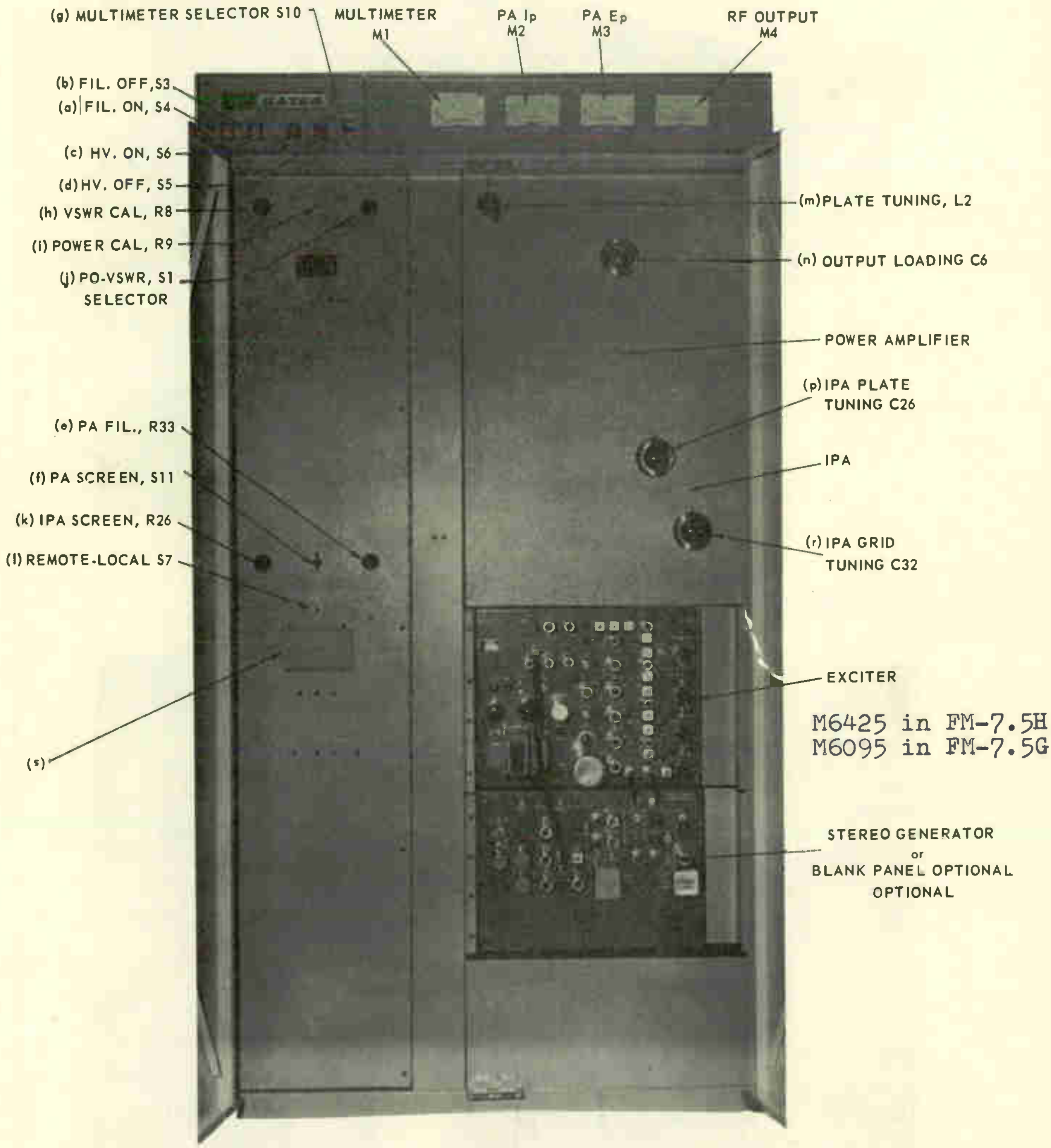


Figure 7.1
Front View, Showing Operating Controls

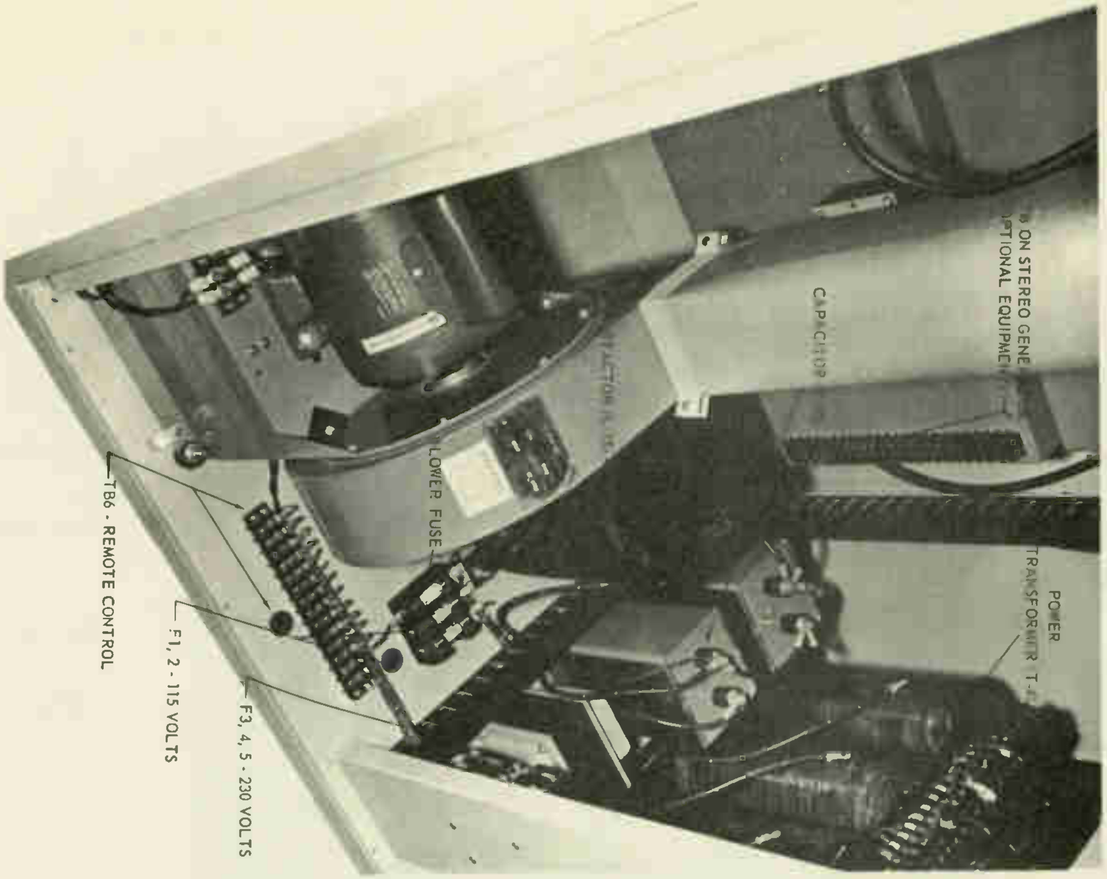


Figure 7.2
Floor of Transmitter, (Rear View)

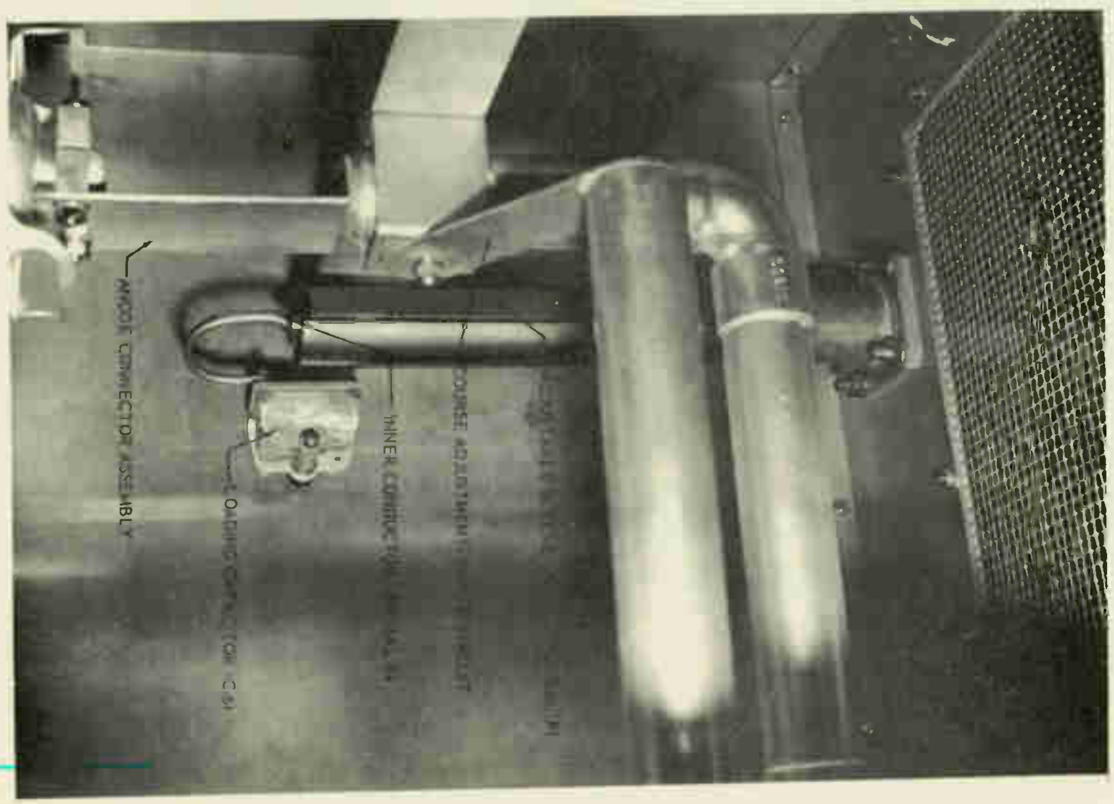


Figure 7.3
RF Output Balun

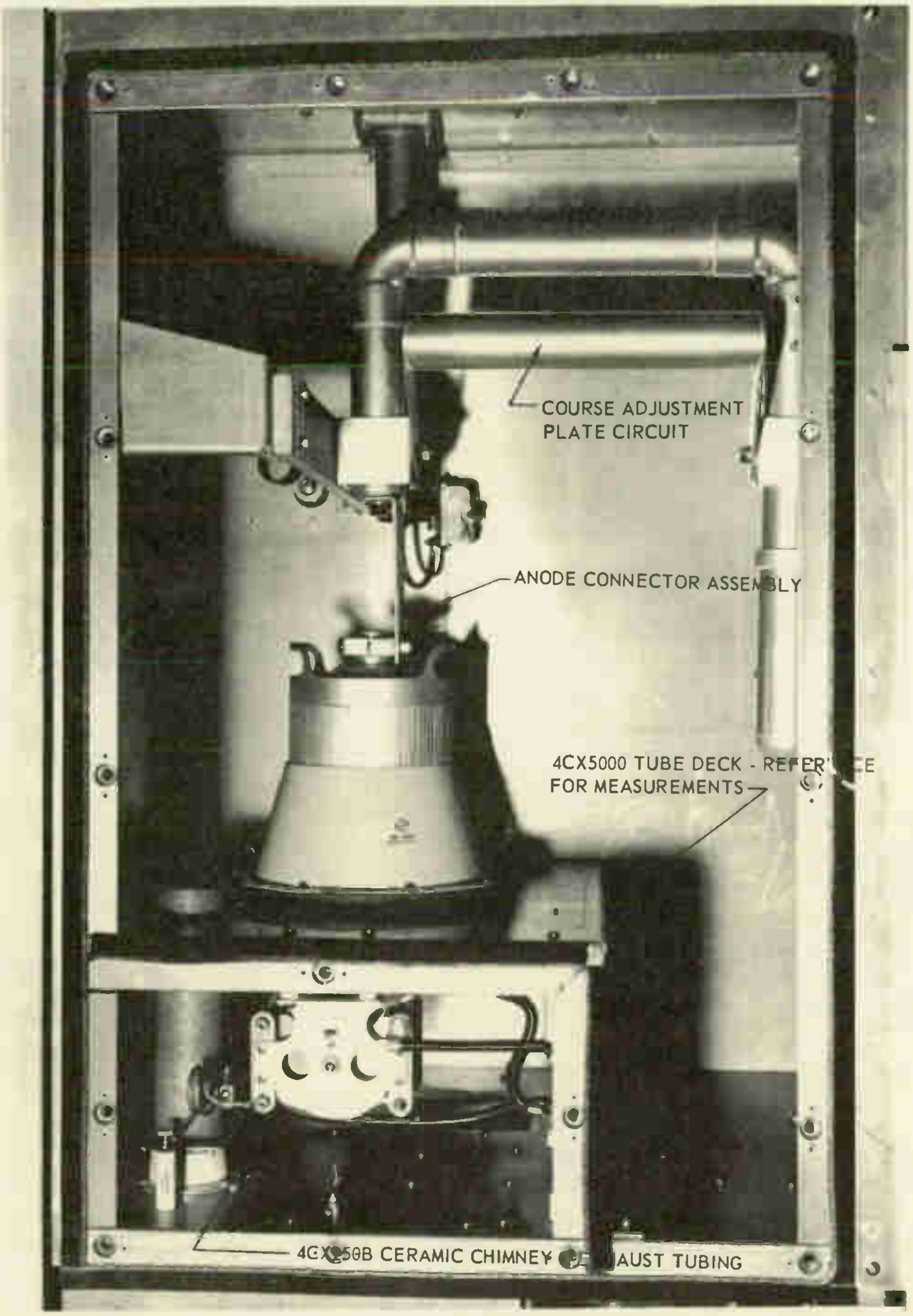


Figure 7.4
RF Cubicle

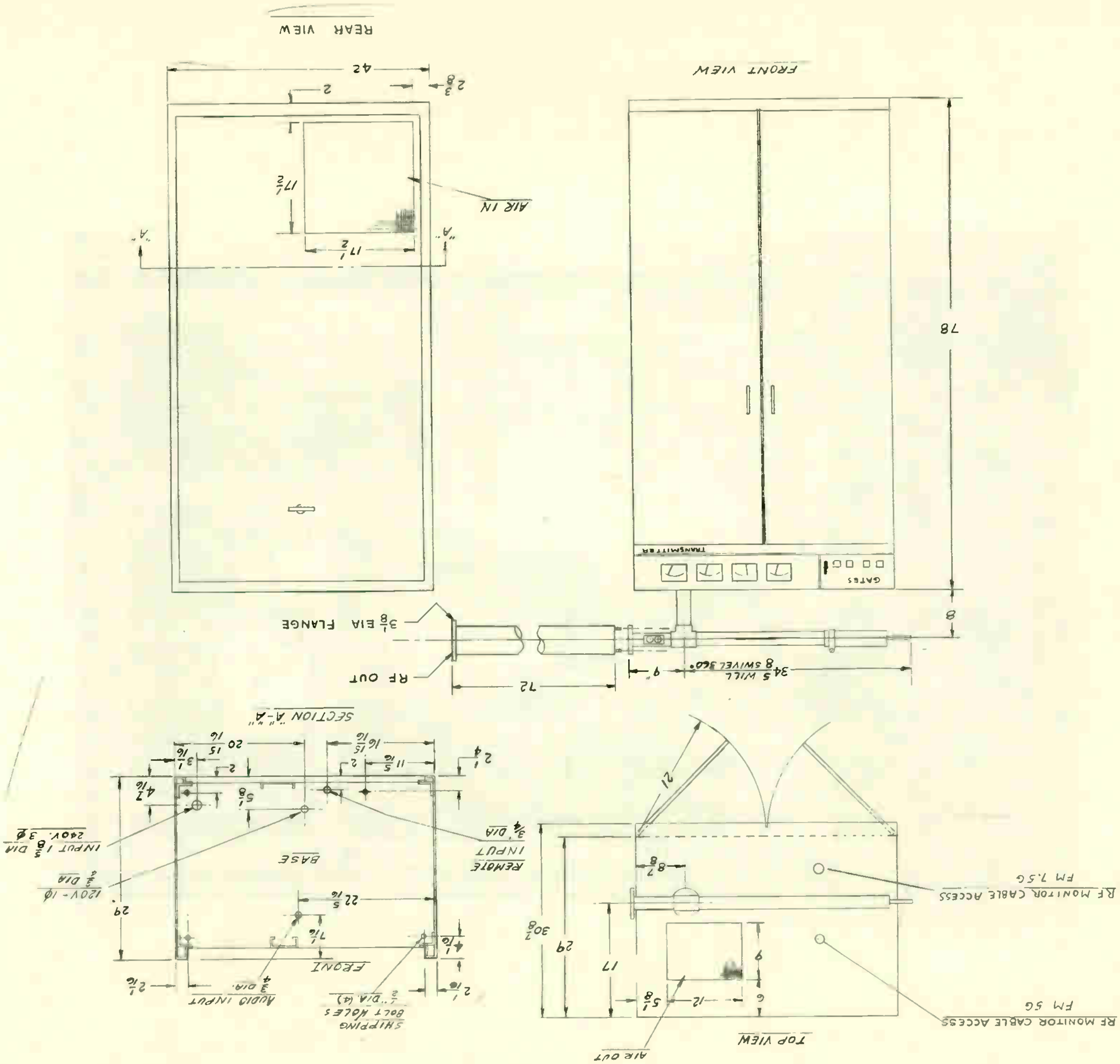
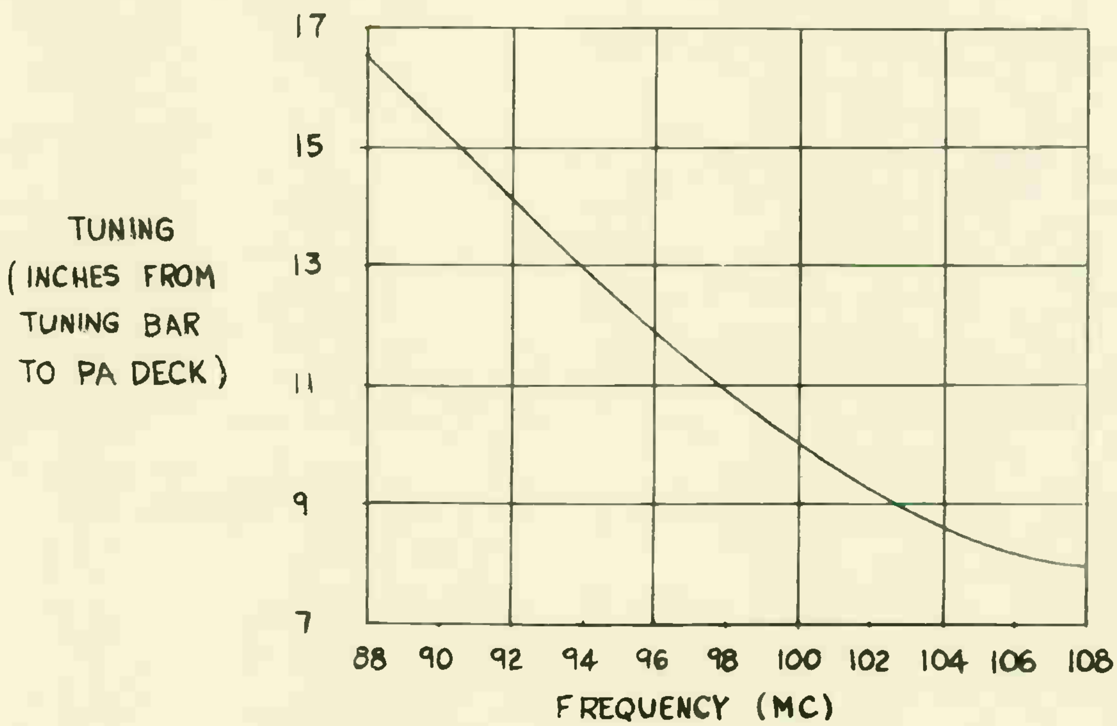


Figure 7.5
Installation Drawing



PA COARSE TUNING.

FM 7.5G/H 7.5 KW FM TRANSMITTER

FIG 7.6

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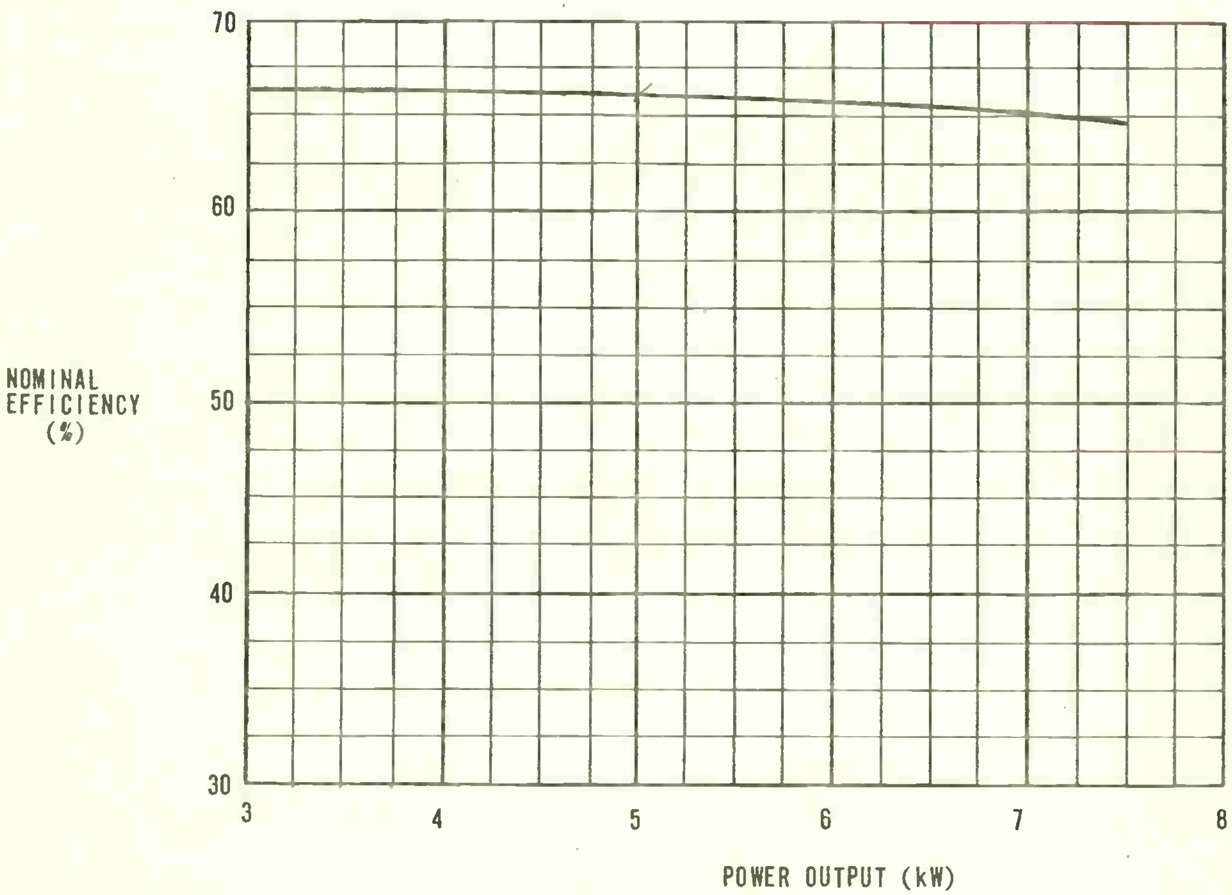

REFER TO THE TRANSMITTER FACTORY TEST DATA FOR THE EFFICIENCY FACTOR DETERMINED ON FINAL TEST

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TITLE GRAPH - PA EFFICIENCY
FM-7.5H; FM-7.5H3

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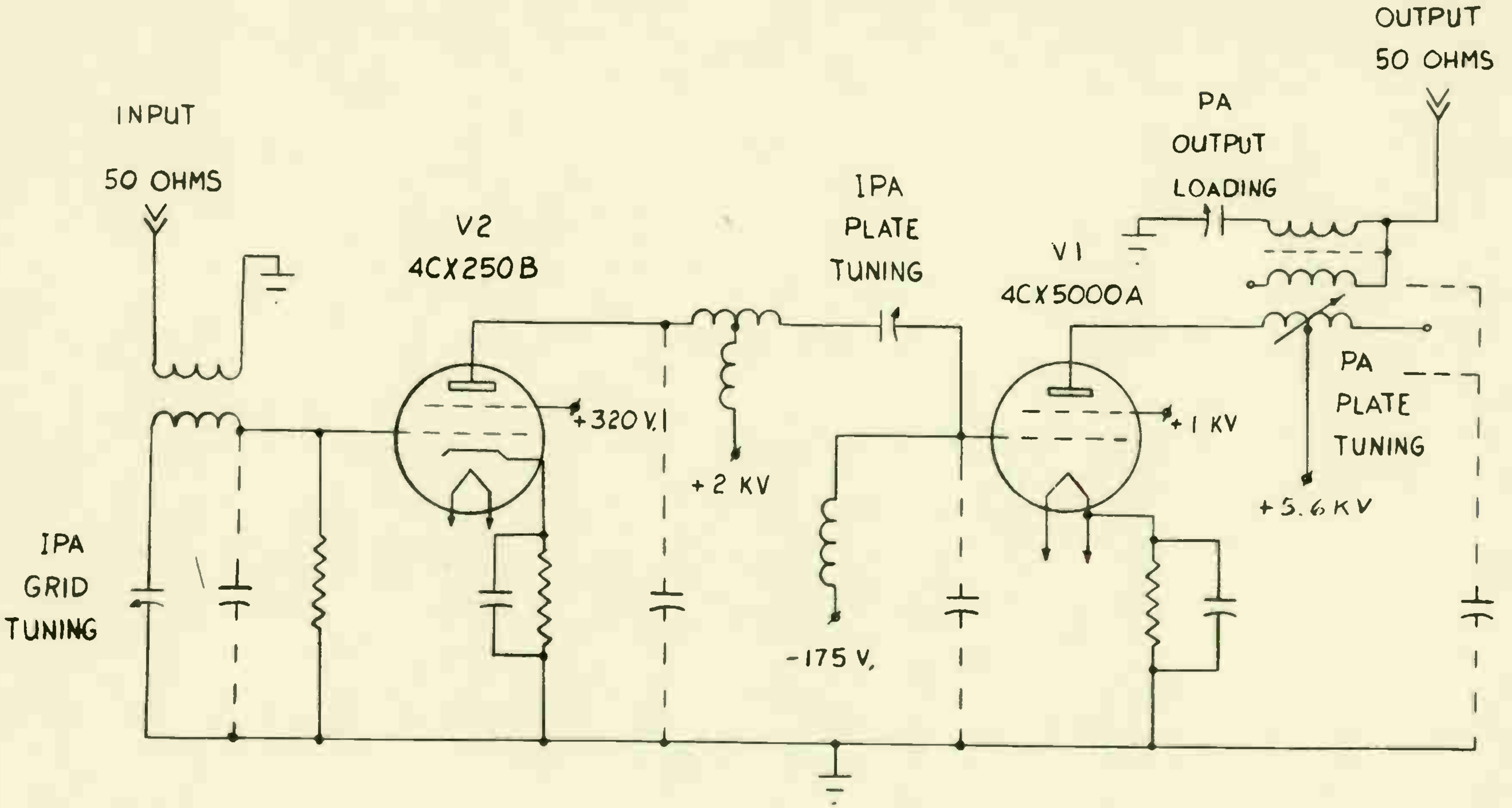
7.5 KW FM TRANSMITTER
814-1723-001



IPA & PA SIMPLIFIED SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM FM 7.5 G/H

FIG 7-8

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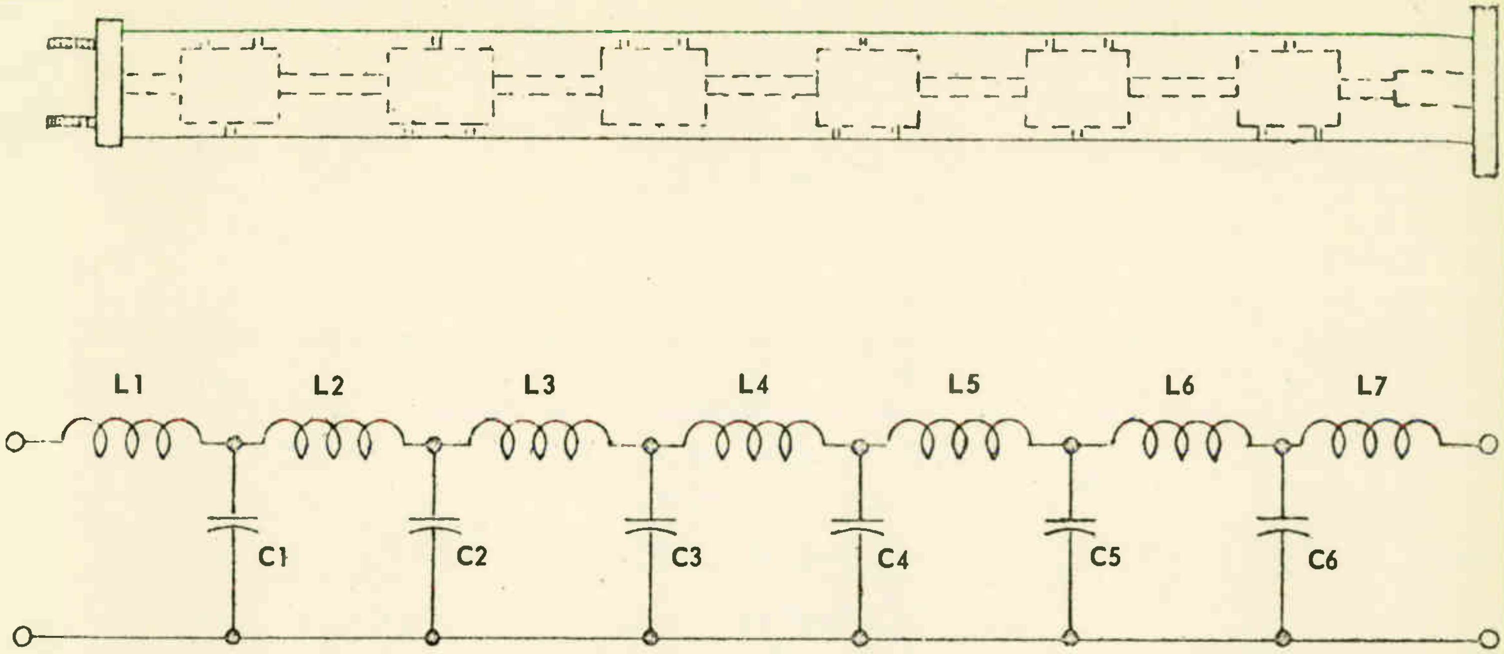
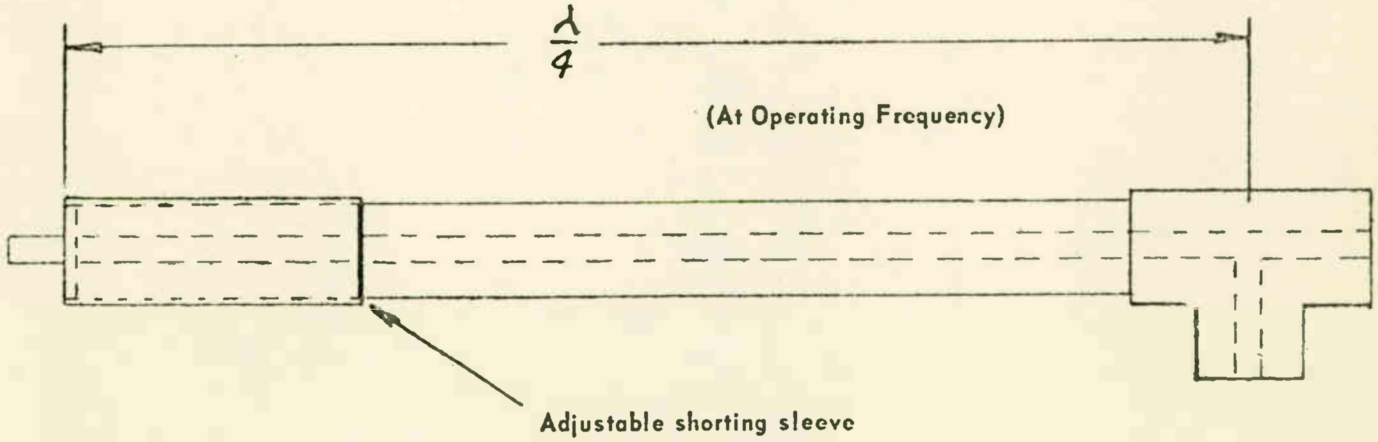
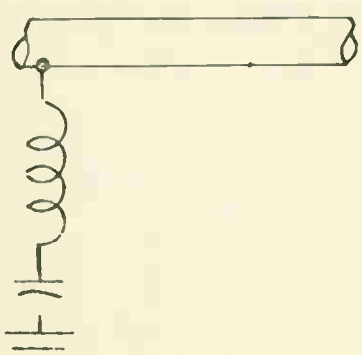


EQUIVALENT CIRCUIT - LOW PASS FILTER

FIGURE 7.11





Appearance of Notch Filter at Second Harmonic

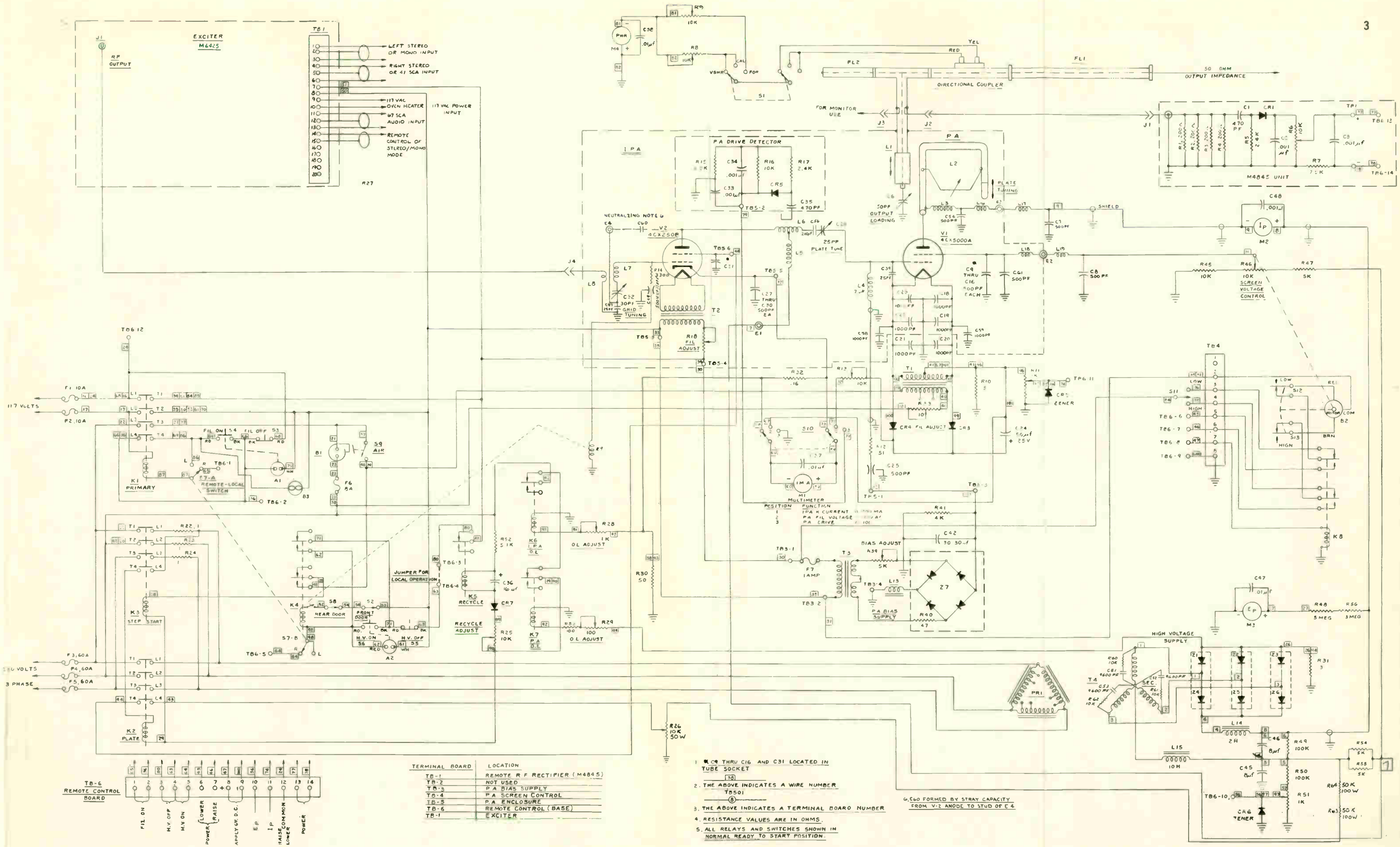
At frequencies below resonance the "Stub" appears as an inductance.

At frequencies above resonance the "Stub" appears as a capacity.

At the second harmonic frequency, the "Stub" appears as a series resonant circuit or dead short.

2nd HARMONIC FILTER

FIGURE 7.12



TERMINAL BOARD	LOCATION
TB-1	REMOTE R F RECTIFIER (M4845)
TB-2	NOT USED
TB-3	P A BIAS SUPPLY
TB-4	P A SCREEN CONTROL
TB-5	P.A ENCLOSURE
TB-6	REMOTE CONTROL (BASE)
TB-1	EXCITER

1. * C9 THRU C16 AND C31 LOCATED IN TUBE SOCKET
2. THE ABOVE INDICATES A WIRE NUMBER
3. THE ABOVE INDICATES A TERMINAL BOARD NUMBER
4. RESISTANCE VALUES ARE IN OHMS.
5. ALL RELAYS AND SWITCHES SHOWN IN NORMAL READY TO START POSITION.
6. C60 FORMED BY STRAY CAPACITY FROM V-2 ANODE TO STUD OF E 4

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SCHEMATIC FM 7.5H TRANSMITTER
852 6319 001

This information, of a general nature, will be recognized by many as standard fundamental electronic information. Frequently, when problems exist, one or more of the well known fundamentals may have been overlooked. The following information, therefore, is a check list and/or a suggestion list. You will quickly note it applies to many types of installations, the fundamentals for which are all basically the same.

1. COMPUTING EFFICIENCY. The transmitter efficiency determines its satisfactory operation. If it is under-efficient, it will consume excess primary power, will work all components harder and tube life will be shorter. If it is over-efficient, it probably indicates either an error in a computation such as tower resistance measurements or an error in a meter. To measure efficiency in an AM transmitter, multiply the plate voltage by the plate current of the final radio frequency power amplifier. For example, if plate voltage was 2500 volts and plate current was 550 MA, we have:

$$\begin{array}{r} 2500 \\ .550 \\ \hline 1375.000 \end{array}$$

The above means that 1375 watts are being placed into the radio frequency power amplifier. If this power amplifier is producing 1000 watts into the antenna, it would then indicate an efficiency of 73%, or

$$\frac{1000}{1375} = 73\%$$

2. TRANSMITTER EFFICIENCIES. There are two types of radio frequency power amplifiers. (1) High level and (2) linear amplifiers. Normal efficiency of a high level transmitter ranges from 65 to 77% for transmitters of powers up to and including 1000 watts and 72 to 82% for transmitters having powers of 5000 watts to 10,000 watts. ---- For linear amplifiers with no modulation, the normal efficiency at any power is approximately 30%. It is important to note that in a linear amplifier the efficiency increases under modulation, therefore when defining normal efficiency it must be defined without modulation.

NOTE: Variations in efficiency such as a range of 65 to 77% are expressed for reasons of: (a) transmitter used with directional antenna, which would reduce efficiency, (b) slight but not out of tolerance meter error, and (c) possible mismatch to transmission line having slightly higher than normal standing wave ratio.

If the efficiencies are within the ranges expressed, however, the installation could be considered satisfactory and of course the higher the efficiency, the better.

3. COMPUTING POWER OUTPUT. Power output is computed either into the radiating antenna or a known dummy antenna. In either case, the resistance measurements are known. Your consulting engineer will measure your antenna tower and give you the resistance measurement. In most Gates built AM transmitters an inbuilt dummy antenna is provided, having a resistance measurement of 50 ohms. The formula I^2R is employed. I = The current reading of your antenna meter at the tower or the meter to the dummy antenna. R = The resistance measurement of the tower or the dummy antenna. If the resistance measurement is 50 ohms and your antenna current was 4.5 amperes, then I^2R develops this result: 4.5 x 4.5 = 20.25. 20.25 x 50 (the antenna resistance) = 1012.5 watts. In the foregoing you have determined that you have a direct power output reading of 1012.5 watts if your antenna current is 4.5 amperes into a 50 ohm antenna.

4. CORRECTING LOW EFFICIENCY. Basically a broadcast transmitter by inherent design can not produce low efficiency unless, of course, it is incorrectly tuned, or the matching load to the transmitter, which is the transmission line and antenna, is incorrect. Here the use of the dummy antenna of known resistance is of great value. Light bulbs or improvised dummy antennas are of little value in computing efficiency. By using the formula in Paragraph 3 above, it is easy to determine how efficient the transmitter is operating when it is not connected to the antenna or transmission line. If the efficiency proves satisfactory into the dummy antenna, then any inefficiency is probably in the match of the transmitter to the radiating antenna and its associated tuning unit and transmission line.

If the efficiency of the transmitter is low into the dummy antenna, check the plate volt meter and power amplifier current meter to be sure they are accurate. In rare cases they are damaged in transit. This checking can be done with another known meter such as a good quality voltohmmeter, being very careful as the voltages are lethal.

Another cause of low efficiency is a defective RF ammeter. If you suspect this, the best way is to borrow one from a nearby station. It does not have to be the exact same range as you are only interested in a comparative reading. Here an error of only .2 of an ampere can make a large difference in the efficiency. Using Paragraph 3 above, again you will note a meter reading example of 4.5 amperes was used to give us

If by the time you have found the trouble you have blown a number of fuses, now investigate your fuse box to be sure the clips are clean and not charred. If they are charred, fuse blowing will continue anyway and it will be necessary to replace the clips that hold the fuses.

11. UNEXPLAINED OUTAGES. This one puzzles the best of them. A transmitter that goes off the air for no reason and can be turned back on by pushing the start button brings the query, "What caused that?"

If this happens very infrequently, it is probably caused by a power line dip, a jump across the arc gap at the tower base, or other normal things that activate the protective relays in the transmitter as they should.

Your transmitter always looks like the offender. It is the device with meters and it is the device that complains or quits if there is a failure anywhere in the entire system. An open or short circuit in a transmission line only reacts at the transmitter. A faulty insulator in an antenna guy wire or a bad connection in the tuning unit or ground system reacts only at the transmitter. Here again the dummy antenna is of great value. If these unexplained outages do not appear in operating into a dummy antenna, then you must look elsewhere for the problem. It is always well to remember that the transmission line tuning units and associated connections, including the tower chokes, are somewhat like the drive shaft between the automobile motor and the rear wheels. If the drive shaft fails, it does not mean that the motor is defective.

12. STEP BY STEP TROUBLE-SHOOTING. Never trouble-shoot on the basis of "it might be this or that". Instead, start from the beginning. If the transmitter was satisfactory on the dummy antenna, then the question becomes "Where is the trouble?" If a transmission line connects the transmitter to the antenna coupler, then disconnect the antenna coupler and provide a dummy antenna at the far end of the transmission line and repeat the test. If you noticed the outage at this point, then the trouble is in the transmission line. If not, reconnect it to the antenna coupler unit and put the dummy antenna at the output of the coupling unit. This is known as step by step checking to locate problems.

The same process is used in trouble-shooting the transmitter. In checking voltages, you start with the oscillator and go through to the power amplifier and with the first audio stage to the final audio stage. Other outage conditions not affecting the transmitter are listed below for your checking:

Under certain conditions, especially at higher altitudes, the guy insulators will arc, usually caused by static conditions. This will nearly always cause an outage as it changes the antenna characteristics. This is hard to find as it is hard to see. Use of field glasses at night is the best way. If it happens, the insulator should be shunted with a resistor. Write our Engineering Department for advice, giving full antenna detail when writing.

At times the arc gap at the base of the tower is set too close or has accumulated dirt. This causes an arc to ground under high modulation.

A crack in the tower base insulator is very unlikely but it should be inspected and keeping the base insulator clean is necessary. A low resistance path at this point is highly undesirable.

Look at the tower chokes. Though they are husky, they are in a vulnerable position for lightning. You might find a charred point that is causing the trouble.

Shunt fed towers or those with no base insulator are usually more sensitive to static bursts than series fed towers. The best method is to try and make the feed line to the tower equal the impedance of the transmission line. Talk to your consultant about this.

One side of the tower lighting circuit shorted to the tower itself, either permanently or intermittently, can cause trouble even though the lights may function perfectly.

13. OTHER OUTAGES. If the transmitter is the offender, such as acting improperly on a dummy antenna, the process of elimination by starting at the first and following through is preferred, unless of course the cause is actually known. The following may be helpful:

(FALL OUT) The transmitter turns off at high modulation. Possibly the overload relay is set too sensitive. The transmitter may not be properly neutralized where neutralization is required.

(HARD TO MODULATE) Cause can be either improper impedance match between transmitter and the transmission line or low grid drive to the final power amplifier. Consult the instruction book for correct grid drive. The correct match of the transmitter to load is covered in the instruction book. Usually an antenna current meter that does not move up freely with modulation indicates a mismatch between the transmitter and its loading equipment.

(BAD REGULATION) The size of the primary lines between the meter box and the transmitter is extremely important. If they are too small, bad regulation will exist. In some instances the power line has bad regulation too. This may be caused by a too small pole transformer, overload of the power lines in the entire neighborhood, or insufficient line capacity between the pole transformer and the transmitter building. In some instances voltage regulators, if employed, must be inspected for good wave form and good regulation. The best way to check regulation is to check the primary line voltage when the transmitter is not modulating. Then modulate the transmitter with a constant tone to 100% and note the change, if any, in the primary voltage between zero and full modulation. If the change was substantial, then investigate the reason and correct it.

14. SHORT TUBE LIFE. It is usually not the fault of the tubes. Instead, it is caused by overloading the tubes. See Paragraphs 1 and 2 on Efficiency.

15. POOR QUALITY. The reasons for poor transmission quality could be many as between the microphone or transcription turntable and the transmitter there are many items of equipment. In a listening test, it would seem foolish to even suggest that a poor stylus on a transcription turntable could be the cause but as we are discussing elementary things, let's check it. Every station must take proof of performance measurements. Proof of performance equipment should be owned by each radio station as it is difficult to keep a radio station in top performance through the years without one. With this equipment, each major equipment item may be checked for frequency response, noise and distortion, to determine good or bad quality where it exists. The Gates SA131 proof of performance package, listed in all Gates catalogs and selling for under $ 700.00, is an excellent investment.

These items could cause poor quality:

A poor microphone, don't forget those that are dropped on the floor are seldom reported.

Radio frequency leakage or a small amount of RF getting into other equipment such as the limiting amplifier, audio cables, and the speech input equipment, which can be corrected by proper grounding and shielding.

Lack of grounding in important places of the system and in some instances actually use of too many grounds. The common ground is usually preferred to grounding both ends of audio cables and other similar shielded circuits.

The use of too small a ground. Cabinets of equipment, speech input consoles, etc., should be grounded with copper strap, particularly if they are closely associated with the transmitter.

Do not run RF cables, such as frequency and modulation monitor cables, in the same conduit as audio cables.

Do not run a high level audio circuit in the same conduit or cable package as a low level circuit. For example, do not run a loudspeaker line in the same cable package as a microphone.

Watch overloading. Most equipment is rated for minimum input and maximum output levels. Do not exceed these. Sometimes they are exceeded unknowingly, so check again.

Review any short-cuts or throwing of precaution to the wind that might have existed in trying to get the equipment on the air fast. The answer here, of course, is don't take short-cuts.

16. PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE. Few of us would fly in commercial airplanes if we felt that planes were not carefully checked and subject to a most rigid regular maintenance program. We even check our automobile tires before taking a long trip. The wife cleans to prevent moths. In broadcasting equipment, preventive maintenance is mandatory. Most offages can be eliminated before they happen by maintaining a regular weekly maintenance program, which should take from two to six hours a week, depending upon the size of the station. This maintenance program should include:

Complete cleaning. Dirt is the first cause of all trouble.

Clean air filters as heat is the number two cause of all problems. With the advent of unattended operation, commonly known as remote control, often the locked building has also locked out regular maintenance. Keep the transmitter and its associated building as clean as if you were in it 18 hours a day. Keep windows closed in the summer months and provide ventilation by filtered suction and exhaust fans.

Air exhaust. Exhausting hot air is vitally important as cool air is a trouble-free transmitter and long lasting tubes.

Tube checking. Check tubes at least monthly and it is just as easy to do it each week during the periodic maintenance program. Certain tubes will become gaseous if left on the spare tube shelf too long. This type of tube should be rotated into the transmitter to prevent an emergency change to the spare tube, only to find it blowing out because of a gaseous condition.

Oiling. If the transmitter has blowers, oil them as required, but do not over-oil. Some types of turntables require oiling the motors.

Relay contacts. Burnish the contacts with an approved burnishing tool. This should be done about every six to eight weeks.

Other preventive ideas. Clean mixing attenuators if they are not the sealed type, with carbon tetrachloride, about once monthly. Every station should have a small suction type cleaner. Even your wife's Hoover with the suction attachments will do an excellent job of pulling dust from the inside of the hard to get corners of a transmitter. Take a leaf from the Navy book which says everything must at all times be sparkling clean or what is know as ship-shape.

17. ADEQUATE TEST EQUIPMENT. To have a maintenance program, certain capital equipment is necessary. Do not be ashamed to tell your Manager about this because he will recognize that proper maintenance is saving money and not spending money. As a minimum, you should have this equipment:

Dummy antenna (frequently supplied in Gates transmitters).

Proof of performance equipment, which includes an audio oscillator, distortion meter, gain set, and RF pickup coil or rectifier, known as the Gates SA131 proof of performance package.

A good grade of voltohmmeter.

A spare antenna current meter.

An inexpensive oscilloscope.

All of the above will cost less than $1000.00 and will pay for itself many times through the years.

18. THE CHIEF ENGINEER. He has the job of keeping everybody happy - listeners, Manager, and stockholders. When trouble comes, he is under pressure. He will do his best to correct the problem as fast as he can. It is well to remember that electronic equipment has many circuits and many avenues of travel. Where problems are known, the solution is usually quick. Where the problem must be found, the solution will take time. It is well to remember that if equipment did not need maintenance, it would not need a Chief Engineer. The greatest service he renders is the insistence on a regular preventive maintenance program, which he knows will prevent most problems. If the unusual problem does arrive, causing an outage, everyone in the broadcasting should be understanding and tolerant as the problem can be solved quickest by not breathing over the Chief Engineer's shoulder.

19. GATES ASSISTANCE TO HELP. Gates sincerely believes that the best type of assistance it can render to the technical personnel in the radio broadcasting industry is in providing full cooperation, day or night, in solving any problem no matter how small. Gates technical people recognize that sometimes the biggest problem is solved in the most simple manner. This is part of electronics and never is fun poked at a simple solution because this is the happiest kind. It is only by asking questions of any calibre, simple or complex, of Gates people and mutually working together that the finest degree of broadcast programming is possible in your broadcasting station and the industry.

Service avenues. Unless the problem is of an emergency nature, Gates suggests that you write to the Gates Service Department about problems that you are experiencing. If you have a problem that can not wait, call the Gates Service Department during daylight hours at Area Code 217, 222-8202. Gates daylight hours are from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M., Monday thru Friday, Central Standard Time or Central Daylight Time, depending upon the period of the year. Gates nighttime service can be obtained by calling Area Code 217, 222-8202.

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GATES MODEL FH 5H TRANSMITTER

CUSTOMER KTUC & KFMM-FM
TUCSON, ARIZONA

SERIAL NO. 78232
DATE: 6-6-68
TEST ENGR. [illegible]
CONTRACT SERIAL 190051
TEI SERIAL 9124-20
AUDIO UNIT SERI 9124-15.

OPERATING FREQ. 99.5 Mc.

CRYSTAL FREQ. 33.1000 Mc.

AUDIO SOURCE IMPEDANCE 600 Ohms

CENTER FREQUENCY VERNIER SETTING 692

I - DIAL READINGS

IPA Grid Tuning 19

IPA Plate Tuning 10

PA Plate Tuning 64.5

PA Output Loading 06.4

II - METER READINGS

IPA Cathode Current 230 Ma.

PA Filament Voltage 7.5 Volts

PA Drive 90 Div.

PA Plate Current 2.0 Amps.

PA Plate Voltage 4300 Volts.

RF Output 5000 Watts.

Bias Voltage measured at TB-3-3 & 4 H.V. Off -125 Volts.

III - MISCELLANEOUS

VSWR 1.1:1

Plate Dissipation 3600 Watts.

Plate Efficiency 58.1 %.

3 Phase Line Voltage 235 235 235 Volts.

3 Phase Line Current 33 25 32 Amps.

1 Phase Line Voltage 117 Volts.

1 Phase Line Current 1.2 Amps.

AC Supply Line Frequency 60 Hz.

Power Output and plate dissipation checked at 10% above rated power ✓

IV - DISTORTION AND RESPONSE

Freq. Hz.	Distortion at 100% Modulation	Frequency Response (With respect to standard 75 us pre-emphasis Curve)
30	0.15 %	-0.9 DB
50	0.15 %	-0.4 DB
100	0.15 %	-0.1 DB
400	0.15 %	0 DB
1000	0.16 %	0 DB
2500	0.11 %	-0.1 DB
5000	0.15 %	-0.1 DB
7500	0.18 %	-0.3 DB
10,000	0.26 %	-0.1 DB
15,000	0.35 %	+0.6 DB

V - NOISE

FM noise with respect to 100% modulation at 400 Hz

is -66 dB.

Input level necessary to modulate 100% at 400 Hz is

+10 dB m.

AM Noise -51 dB.

With respect to equivalent of 100% AM Modulation.

VI - Setting of output coupling sleeve distance of bottom of sleeve to tube deck 13 inches.

Bottom of PA Tuning Arm to Deck 12¼".

F.O.# 0500895 - 38023

FM PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS Issued 15-Sept-69

SCA TEST DATA (Page 1 of 1).

SCA Operating Frequency is 41 kHz.

SCA insertion level is 10 % modulation of carrier frequency.

Audio input is +5.8 dBm for ±5 kHz deviation at 400 Hz.

Frequency response measurements are referenced to ~~a flat response for stereophonic operation or~~ a 50 microsecond pre-emphasis curve for monaural operation.

(75 microsecond curve: Drawing No. 813-7298-001).
(50 microsecond curve: Drawing No. 813-5988-001).

FREQUENCY (Hz)	DISTORTION (%)	RESPONSE (dB)
50	.28	-.9
100	.23	-.6
400	.19	0
1000	.21	+1.1
3000	.31	+1.5
7500	.56	-2.5
Specifications:	1.0%	

FM noise referenced to ± 5 kHz deviation at 400 Hz is -58 dB.
Specification: -55dB.

DATE: 10-30-75

TESTED BY: Don Taylor

SERIAL NUMBER: 75-8559-013

RELEASED FOR SHIPMENT

Leo Mill DATE 10/30/75

TYPE NO. M6507 ☐ Transmitter
SCA Only ☐ Exciter

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SCA DATA

Operating Frequency is 67 kHz.

SCA Modulation of Main Carrier Frequency is 10 %.

Audio Input Level for 100% Modulation (±5 kHz deviation).at 400 Hz is +5.6 dBm.

FM noise referenced to 100% modulation at 400 Hz is -61 dB.

Muting level referenced to 100% modulation at 400 Hz is -30 dB.

Distortion and Response at 100% modulation:

Frequency response measured with respect to the Gates standard 50 microsecond pre-emphasis curve (Drawing No. 813 5988 C01) for monaural operation or to a flat response for stereophonic operation.

Frequency Hz	Distortion %	Response dB
30	0.40	-0.9
100	0.47	-0.4
400	0.50	0
3000	0.80	+1.5
7000	0.25	-3.2

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