Recent (2020) Transmitter Changes

- Power/Wiring Changes
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## Transmitter Cabinet UD3

## Power Distribution Panel UD3A13





## FILAMENT CURRENT



## VACUUM PUMP CURRENT

## DIXSON,me MICROAMPERES



## OPERATE



HOURS



INCREASE

## FOCUS COIL CURRENT



INCRF $\triangle S F$

## VOLTAGE/CURRENT



PARAMETERS $11,13,14,15$ ARE AVG. VALUES

| POSN | PARAMETER | FULL |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 1 | +5 VDCPS | 10 V |
| 2 | $+15 \mathrm{VDC} P S$ | 50 V |
| 3 | $-15 \mathrm{VDC} P \mathrm{~S}$ | 50 V |




## Cabinet Lights CB3

## High Power turn-on Interlock control.




NX4099-B
Note
FIR camplete cable list numbers, refer to appendix a, table a-1. transmitter cabinet udu chassis wire list





Figure FO11-5. Modulator Signal Flow




NX4154-A



NX4157-C
Figure FO11-7. Control and Monitoring



## Modulator Changes





Figure FO11-5. Modulator Signal Flow



NX1404-G




NX4184-A
Figure FO11-28. Modulator Pulse


NX4185-A
Figure FO11-28. Modulator Pulse


NX4186-A
Figure FO11-28. Modulator Pulse


Figure FO11-28. Modulator Pulse



Figure FO11-29. Modulator Pulse



| Step | Operator Action |
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| 12 | Replace the waveguide switch dust cover, if removed. Ensure the waveguide pres- <br> sure/humidity alarm clears. |
| 13 | Return to Figure FO10-1, Transmitter Flowchart T21A, Sheet 21. |

(13) SEND TRIGGERS WITH HIGH VOLTAGE OFF

| Step | Operator Action |
| :---: | :--- |
| 1 | At the Main RDA HCI, place the system in Standby. Standby displays in the State: <br> field. |

## NOTE

The settings below are recommended to best view HV Switch A13 LEDs.

2 On the Main RDA HCI, click on System Test Software and Yes to confirm. Click Control Transmitter Control; and select the following:

Waveform: Doppler

PRF (Hz): Any PRF > 1000
RF Drive/Triggers: On
3 Perform the fault note or flowchart action that requires active triggers at the transmitter. Return here to remove the triggers.

4 To remove triggers to the transmitter, in the Transmitter Control window, select the following:

RF Drive/Triggers: Off
5 Close all System Test Software windows by clicking Close, File, and Exit. Click Yes and OK at pop-up windows.
(14) OPTICAL DISCHARGE TRIGGER (ODT) CCA 3A3A1A1 CHECK

| Step | Operator Action |
| :---: | :--- |
| 1 | At the Main RDA HCI, login and gain control to place the system in Standby. Standby <br> displays in the State: field. |


| Step | Operator Action |
| :---: | :--- |
| 2 | On Transmitter PDP 3A13, set the following circuit breakers to OFF: CABINET <br> LIGHTS CB3, HIGH VOLTAGE POWER CB1, and AUXILIARY POWER CB2. <br> Remove the interlock key. |

## WARNING

Filter Capacitor Bank A9 can hold a lethal charge long after transmitter power has been removed. Discharge Filter Capacitor Bank A9 after transmitter power is off and prior to transmitter maintenance by opening the right bay inner door while monitoring the charge on VOLTAGE/CURRENT Meter A1M4, at position 6, +280 VDC power supply. Opening the right bay inner door releases the filter capacitor bank discharge plunger. Failure to complete could cause serious injury or DEATH.

3 Use the interlock key to unlock and open the right bay inner door. Verify the 280 VDC is at zero on Meter A1M4, position 6.

## WARNING

Hazardous voltages may still be present above Control Card Rack Backplane A3A1. Use caution when performing measurements on Optical Discharge Trigger CCA A3A1A1 to prevent serious injury or DEATH.

| 4 | Remove the left bay rear panel and set aside. |
| :---: | :--- |
| 5 | Bypass (cheat) left rear panel Interlock Switch S15. See Figure FO11-13, Sheet 6 for <br> switch location. |
| 6 | On Transmitter PDP 3A13, set the following circuit breakers to ON: CABINET <br> LIGHTS CB3 and AUXILIARY POWER CB2. |

## NOTE

The settings below are recommended to best view HV Switch A13 LEDs.

7 On the Main RDA HCI, click on System Test Software and Yes to confirm. Click Control - Transmitter Control, and select the following:

Waveform: Doppler PRF (Hz): Any PRF >1000
RF Driver/Triggers: On

## Step Operator Action

## WARNING

Hazardous voltages are present above Control Card Rack Backplane A3A1. Use caution when performing measurements on Optical Discharge Trigger CCA A3A1A1 to prevent serious injury or DEATH.

8 At ODT CCA A3A1A1, use an oscilloscope to measure the output pulse sent to the MPA at TP1. See Figure 1.


Figure 1
Set the oscilloscope to $10 \mu \mathrm{~s} / \mathrm{div}, 2 \mathrm{~V} / \mathrm{div}$, and trigger on the trailing edge. If the pulse width is not $30 \pm 2.0 \mu$ s wide, adjust R5 until the pulse measurement at TP1 is within tolerance.
(TP1 is inverted of the signal sent to the MPA, which is an active-high burst of light.)

## NOTE

If unable to view the mod discharge trigger at TP1 or at the next step at TP2 (input trigger to the ODT CCA), refer to NWS EHB 6-513, Fault Note 13 to verify triggers are being sent to the transmitter from the IFDR 4/104A38 via SPIP 90/190A1.

## Step $\quad$ Operator Action

9
At the ODT CCA, measure the modulator discharge trigger at TP2. See Figure 2. This is the trigger input from the RDADP.

## NOTE

The modulator discharge trigger is not a normal square wave at TP2. This measurement occurs after a 10 K Ohm resistor. Albeit small, the resistance and test probe capacitance (approximately 100 pF shunt capacitor) creates a low pass filter with a time constant of $\mathrm{R}^{*} \mathrm{C}=1$ microsecond. The RC time constant is the time it take for the capacitor to charge ( $68 \%$ ) or discharge ( $32 \%$ ) of the expected voltage ( +5 V in our example). Therefore, in our example, the capacitive effort of the measurement probe means our measurements will be imperfect.

Set the oscilloscope to $1 \mu \mathrm{~s} / \mathrm{div}, 2 \mathrm{~V} /$ div, and trigger on the trailing edge.
The pulse should be approximately $0.85 \mu \mathrm{~s}$ wide at the midway point. Increasing the horizontal time scale of the oscilloscope will reveal pulses occurring at the PRF setting at the RDADP.


Figure 2

## Step Operator Action

10 At the ODT CCA, measure the modulator discharge trigger at TP3. See Figure 3.

## NOTE

This is a measurement of the 555 -timer output used to drive the optical transmitter U5 at TP3.


Figure 3
Set the oscilloscope to $10 \mu \mathrm{~s} / \mathrm{div}$, $2 \mathrm{~V} / \mathrm{div}$, and trigger on the leading edge. The pulse is inverted at TP3 and should be approximately $30.0 \mu$ s wide. If adjustments are necessary, repeat step 8 using TP1 and R5. Do not adjust R5 while measuring TP3.

| Step | Operator Action |
| :---: | :--- |
| 11 | At the ODT CCA, carefully remove fiber optic cable 3/103W909 (or Legacy cable 3/ <br> 103W907), P2 end, from U4 (see Figure 4). Push down and twist to unlock the fiber ST <br> connector. This is the optical feedback from the modulator HV Switch A15A13 via Trig- <br> ger Box A15A14. |
| 12 |  |


| Step | Operator Action |
| :---: | :--- |
| 15 | On Transmitter PDP 3A13, set the following circuit breakers to OFF: CABINET <br> LIGHTS CB3 and AUXILIARY POWER CB2. |
| 16 | Measure resistance on the following pins on the ODT CCA at J1 referenced to ground. <br> See Figure 6. |
|  | • Pin $1:<5 \Omega$ |
|  | • Pin $2:<5 \Omega$ |

## NOTE

The transmitter will be UNAVILABLE. Wait for the PREHEAT indicator to go out and the AVAILABLE indicator to illuminate (green), approximately 12-15 minutes after restoring power to the transmitter.

HIGH VOLTAGE SWITCH 3A15A13 AND TRIGGER BOX 3A15A14 CHECK

| Step | Operator Action |
| :---: | :--- |
| 1 | At the Main RDA HCI, login and gain control to place the system in Standby. Standby <br> displays in the State : field. |
| 2 | At Transmitter Control Panel A1, press the MAINT/SYSTEM switch. Observe the <br> MAINT and HV OFF indicators are illuminated (white). |
| 3 | On Transmitter PDP A13, set the following circuit breakers to OFF: CABINET <br> LIGHTS CB3, HIGH VOLTAGE POWER CB1, and AUXILIARY POWER CB2. <br> Remove the interlock key. |

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| 4 | Use the interlock key to unlock and open the right bay inner door. Verify 280 VDC is at <br> zero on Meter A1M4, position 6. |
| :---: | :--- |
| 5 | Disconnect cable 3/103W2003 from J1 on the front of Charging Switch A10 and remove <br> the charging switch. |
| 6 | Unscrew the two captive screws on the front bottom of MPA A15. |
| 7 | Press both release knobs at bottom of the MPA and slide it slowly out of the cabinet until <br> the braided ground wire on the top left of the assembly is exposed. |
| 8 | Disconnect the braided ground wire. |

## CAUTION

Jumpering pins 9 and 22 is jumpering 28 VDC. Verify the jumper is not touching anything in the system before applying power.

9 Disconnect cable 3/103W2005 from J3 on top of the MPA, then bypass the interlock on the MPA by placing a jumper between pins 9 and 22 on cable 3/103W2005. See Figure FO11-5, Sheet 4 or 4A.

## Step Operator Action

## CAUTION

Use extreme caution not to bend, stretch, or otherwise stress fiber cable 3/103W909 (or Legacy cable 3/103W907) while sliding the MPA out of the transmitter cabinet. Use a second technician to continuously observe this cable at the rear of the MPA while the MPA is approaching its extended position.

10 Slide the MPA out far enough to remove the left side panel and lower the front support at the bottom of the MPA and lock it into position using the quick release. See Figure FO11-28, Sheet 3, detail C.

11 With the ground stick from the center cabinet, ground terminal leads E7A, E7B, E8A, and E8B on the top of the MPA. See Figure FO11-29, Sheet 1, detail A.

12 Remove the MPA front cover and left side panel.
WARNING
Hazardous voltages may be present on HV Switch A13. Use grounding stick to ground the four metal heatsinks on the HV switch. High voltage could be present even after primary power is shut off. Failure to comply could result in serious injury or DEATH.

| 13 | Use the grounding stick located in the center bay cabinet to ground the high voltage <br> modulator components; i.e., HV Switch A13 heatsinks, PFN A6 terminals, Bus Bar W16, <br> etc., before performing maintenance inside the MPA. See Figure FO11-28 and Figure <br> FO11-29 for component locations. |
| :---: | :--- |
| 14 | At the back of the transmitter, remove the right bay rear access panel. |
| 15 | Bypass (cheat) right bay rear panel Interlock Switch S14. See Figure FO11-13, Sheet 6 <br> for the switch location. |
| 16 | Use grounding stick located in center bay cabinet to ground all of the exposed high volt- <br> age connections at the rear of the right bay. |

## CAUTION

Do not turn on the High Voltage circuit breaker CB1. Damage to equipment may occur due to the right bay inner door being open and the Capacitor Bank A9 plunger in the out position.

| Step | Operator Action |
| ---: | :--- |
| 17 | On Transmitter PDP A13, set the following circuit breakers to ON: CABINET LIGHTS <br> CB3 and AUXILIARY POWER CB2. |

## NOTE

High Voltage Switch A13 requires a PRF of at least 1000 Hz to illuminate the amber LEDs on $\mathrm{S} 1, \mathrm{~S} 2$, and S 3 which indicate the optical trigger is being received. PRFs lower than 1000 Hz will barely illuminate the amber LEDs making it difficult to visually verify if the LEDs are illuminated.

## 18

On the Main RDA HCI, click on System Test Software and Yes to confirm. Click Control - Transmitter Control; and select the following:

Waveform: Doppler

PRF (Hz): Any PRF >1000
RF Drive/Triggers: On

## NOTE

To aid in viewing the LEDs, turn the RDA shelter lights OFF.

At the MPA, verify the trigger box and the high voltage switch are receiving 24 VDC from the 24 V power supply. If not, replace the 24 V Power Supply A15PS1 per paragraph 5.4.3.16.
a. The power supply will have a green LED illuminated. See Figure 1.
b. The trigger box will have a green LED illuminated. See Figure 1.
c. High voltage switch modules S1, S2, and S3 LEDs are green, indicating power (+24

VDC) to the switch modules. See Figure 2.


Figure 1


Figure 2


Figure 3


Figure 4
22 If the amber LEDs are illuminated on HV Switch Modules S1, S2, and S3 (Figure 4) and on the trigger box, continue to the next step.

If the amber LEDs are not illuminated on HV Switch Modules S1, S2, and S3 (Figure 4) and on the trigger box, proceed to Fault Note 14, Optical Discharge Trigger CCA A3A1A1 Check and Fault Note 16, Fiber Optic Cable Loopback Test to test fiber cables 3/103W909 or (Legacy cable 3/103W907).

If Fault Note 14 is successful; fiber cable 3/103W909 (or Legacy cable 3/103W907) pass Fault Note 16; and the amber LED is still not illuminated on HV Switch Modules S1, S2, and S3, then replace the Modulator Pulse Assembly 3A15.

## NOTE

When the high voltage switch, trigger box, or connecting fiber cables are suspected bad, replacement of the Next Higher Assembly (MPA 3A15) is necessary due to exceptionally long lead-time repair for High Voltage Switch 3A15A13. Simple cabling and troubleshooting errors of any of these components may result in damage to the high voltage switch.

| Step | Operator Action |
| :---: | :--- |
| 23 | If any of the HV switch modules (S1, S2, and S3) have a red LED illuminated, then the <br> HV switch module has failed (see Figure 2). |
| 24 | On Transmitter PDP A13, set the following circuit breakers to OFF: CABINET <br> LIGHTS CB3 and AUXILIARY POWER CB2. |
| 25 | Wait approximately one minute, then on Transmitter PDP A13, set the following circuit <br> breakers to ON: CABINET LIGHTS CB3 and AUXILIARY POWER CB2. |
| 26 | On the high voltage switch, verify there are two green LEDs illuminated on each switch <br> module (S1, S2, and S3, see Figure 2). If not, verify the green LED on the +24 VDC <br> power supply is illuminated (see Figure 1). |
| 27 | If no green LED is illuminated on the +24 VDC power supply, replace the +24 VDC <br> power supply per paragraph 5.4.3.16. |
| If the green LED is illuminated on the +24 VDC power supply, check the +24 VDC PS1 <br> DC output voltage for +24.0 +/- 2.4 VDC. See Figure 3-10 for DC output measurement <br> and adjustment locations. If any switch module (S1, S2, or S3) has a red LED illumi- <br> nated, replace Modulator Pulse Assembly 3A15. |  |
| 28 | On Transmitter PDP A13, set the following circuit breakers to OFF: CABINET <br> LIGHTS CB3 and AUXILIARY POWER CB2. |
| NOTE |  |

## Step Operator Action

29 Measure the resistance of each high voltage switch IGCT by connecting the multimeter leads as directed below. See Figure 5. A functioning HV switch will typically measure a higher resistance reading ( K ohm range) in reverse bias compared to forward bias. A failed HV switch module will typically measure less than $10 \Omega$ both directions. The IGCT measurements can be completed in circuit or out of circuit. Expect higher values when measuring the HV switch out of circuit.

- Positive lead to A, negative lead to B: Reverse bias
- Positive lead to B, negative lead to C: Reverse bias
- Positive lead to C, negative lead to D: Reverse bias
- Positive lead to B, negative lead to $\mathbf{A}$ : Forward bias
- Positive lead to $\mathbf{C}$, negative lead to $\mathbf{B}$ : Forward bias
- Positive lead to $\mathbf{D}$, negative lead to $\mathbf{C}$ : Forward bias


Figure 5
If one (1) switch module is failed, replace Modulator Pulse Assembly 3A15.

| Step | Operator Action |
| :---: | :---: |
| Cont. | NOTES <br> cables are suspected bad, replacement of the Next Higher Assem- <br> bly (MPA 3A15) is necessary due to exceptionally long lead-time <br> repair for High Voltage Switch 3A15A13. Simple cabling and <br> troubleshooting errors of any of these components may result in <br> damage to the high voltage switch. |
| An MPA with one (1) HV switch module failure, resulting in a |  |
| MAINTENANCE REQUIRED: MODULATOR SWITCH alarm <br> (RDASC alarm number 93), may continue to operate for several <br> weeks to months. However, replace the failed items as soon as <br> possible. |  |

## NOTE

The remaining steps return the transmitter to RDASC control, ready for operation.

| 30 | Install both left and front panels on the MPA. |
| ---: | :--- |
| 31 | Raise and secure the front support at the bottom of the MPA. |
| 32 | Press both release knobs at the bottom of the MPA and while holding the disconnected <br> cables clear, slowly slide the MPA into the cabinet until cable 3/103W2005 can be con- <br> nected to J3 on top of the MPA. |
| 33 | Remove jumper on cable 3/103W2005 and connect cable to J3 on top of the MPA. |
| 34 | Slide the MPA into the cabinet until the braided ground wire can be reconnected, and <br> reconnect the braided ground wire. |

## CAUTION

When moving the MPA, ensure the rear plenum duct in the cabinet does not pinch cable $3 / 103 \mathrm{~W} 1144$ connected to the rear interface plate. Also, ensure HV cable 3/103W900 and fiber optic cable 3/103W909 (or Legacy cable 3/103W907) do not get pinched when sliding the MPA into the cabinet.

[^0]| Step | Operator Action |
| ---: | :--- |
| 36 | Install the right bay rear panel. |
| 37 | Install Charging Switch A10 and reconnect cable 3/103W2003 to J1. Close the right bay <br> inner door and remove the key. |
| 38 | Close all System Test Software windows by clicking Close, File, and Exit. <br> Click Yes and OK at pop-up windows. |
| 39 | Return interlock key to HIGH VOLTAGE POWER CB1 and rotate the key CCW. |
| 40 | On Transmitter PDPA13, set the following circuit breakers to ON: CABINET LIGHTS <br> CB3, AUXILIARY POWER CB2, and HIGH VOLTAGE POWER CB1. |

## NOTE

The transmitter will be UNAVIALABLE. Wait for the PREHEAT indicator to go out and the AVAILABLE indicator to illuminate (green), approximately 12-15 minutes after restoring power to the transmitter.

41 At Transmitter Control Panel A1, press the Fault Display Reset button to clear any fault LEDs.
(16) FIBER OPTIC CABLE LOOPBACK TEST

| Step | Operator Action |
| :---: | :--- |
| This procedure checks the fiber optic cable ability to propagate light by utilizing an ST coupler |  |
| (ASN R400-SE63) to loopback the signal back to the source. The procedure is written to test |  |
| fiber cable 3/103W909 (or Legacy cable 3/103W907) between Optical Discharge Trigger CCA |  |
| 3A3A1A1 and MPA 3A15 bulkhead J4. |  |
| 1 | At the Main RDA HCI, login and gain control to place the system in Standby. Standby <br> displays in the State: field. |
| 2 | At Transmitter Control Panel A1, press the MAINT/SYSTEM switch. Observe the <br> MAINT and HV OFF indicators are illuminated (white). |
| 3 | On Transmitter PDP A13, set the following circuit breakers to OFF: CABINET <br> LIGHTS CB3, HIGH VOLTAGE POWER CB1, and AUXILIARY POWER CB2. <br> Remove the interlock key. |


| Step | Operator Action |
| :--- | :--- |

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| 4 | Use the interlock key to unlock and open the right bay inner door. Verify the voltage <br> dropped to zero on VOLTAGE CURRET Meter A1M4, at position 6. |
| :---: | :--- |
| 5 | Remove the right bay rear panel. |
| 6 | On Transmitter PDP A13, set the following circuit breakers to ON: CABINET LIGHTS <br> CB3 and AUXILIARY POWER CB2. |
| 7 | On the Main RDA HCI, click on System Test Software and Yes to confirm. Click <br> Control Transmitter Control; and select the following: |
| Waveform: Doppler <br> PRF (Hz): Any PRF >1000 <br> RF Drive/Triggers: On |  |

## NOTES

The FIBER OPTIC fault lamp behaves like a one-shot occurrence alarm. On ODT CCAA3A1A1, the fault circuit sets when the optical feedback is absent and then resets only after the optical feedback circuit is restored. Coupled with the control panel fault history display, a FIBER OPTIC fault will illuminate only once and when the FAULT DISPLAY RESET is pressed, the fault will not illuminate again until after the ODT CCA feedback circuit is restored and subsequently broken again.

A loopback on a good fiber cable will momentarily restore the optical feedback circuit to the ODT CCA and allow the fault to reoccur when the circuit is opened under controlled conditions. If the FIBER OPTIC fault does not illuminate after opening a loopback circuit, then the fiber cable under test is defective.

| Step | Operator Action |
| :---: | :--- |
| 8 | At the rear of the MPA, disconnect fiber cable 3/103W909 (or Legacy cable <br> 3/103W907), P1 and P3, from the MPA at J4A and J4B and use the ST coupler (ASN <br> R400-SE63) to connect the two fiber cable ends P1 and P3 ends to each other. Line up <br> the key, and push down and twist to lock the fiber ST connectors. This action should <br> reset the ODT CCA optical feedback circuit. |
| 9 | At Transmitter Control Panel A1, press the Fault Display Reset button to clear the <br> fiber optic fault. |
| 10 | To create a controlled FIBER OPTIC fault, disconnect one end of fiber cable 3/103W909 <br> (or Legacy cable 3/103W907) P1 or P3 from the ST coupler. |
| 11 | On Transmitter Control Panel A1 fault display, observe the FIBER OPTIC indicator. If <br> the FIBER OPTIC fault is illuminated, then the fiber cable under test is good. Proceed <br> to the next step. |
| 16 | If the fault does not illuminate, then the fiber cable failed. Thoroughly clean all ends of <br> cable 3/103W909 (or Legacy cable 3/103W907), including the ends connected to ODT <br> CCA 3A3A1 in the left rear bay. Once cleaned and reconnected, repeat the loopback <br> test, steps 9 through 11. |
| 12 | Install the right bay rear panel. <br> LIGHTS CB3 and AUXILIARY POWER CB2. |
| 13 | It the rear of the MPA, remove the ST coupler and reconnect fiber cable 3/103W909 (or <br> Legacy cable 3/103W907), P1 and P3 to the MPA at J4A and J4B respectively. Line up <br> the key, and push down and twist to lock the fiber ST connector. |
| repeat this test on the new cable. |  |


| Step | Operator Action |
| ---: | :--- |
| 17 | On Transmitter PDP A13, set the following circuit breakers to ON: CABINET LIGHTS <br> CB3, AUXILIARY POWER CB2, and HIGH VOLTAGE POWER CB1. |
| NOTE |  |

The transmitter will be UNAVAILABLE. Wait for the PREHEAT indicator to go out and the AVAILALBE indicator to illuminate (green), approximately 12-15 minutes after restoring power to the transmitter.

18 At Transmitter Control Panel A1, press the Fault Display Reset button to clear any fault LEDs.


[^0]:    35 While a second technician observes from the rear of the cabinet, slide the MPA into cabinet and tighten two captive screws on the bottom of the MPA. Ensure cables behind the MPA are not pinched against the plenum duct.

