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#### CERTIFICATION APPLICATION REPORT FCC PART 15.231

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We, the undersigned, hereby declare that the equipment tested and referenced in this report conforms to the identified standard(s) as described in this test report. No modifications were made to the equipment during testing in order to achieve compliance with these standards.

Furthermore, there was no deviation from, additions to, or exclusions from the FCC Part 2, FCC Part 15, ANSI/TIA/EIA 603, and ANSI/TIA/EIA 603-1.

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#### 1 GENERAL INFORMATION

#### 1.1 SCOPE

FCC Rules Part 15.231: Periodic operation in the band 40.66-40.70 MHz and above 70 MHz.

#### 1.2 TEST FACILITY

The open area test site and conducted measurement facility used to collect the radiated data is located at 360 Herndon Parkway, Suite 1400, Herndon, Virginia 20170. This site has been fully described in a report and approved by the Federal Communications Commission to perform AC line conducted and radiated emissions testing (ANSI C63.4 1992).

# 1.3 RELATED SUBMITTAL(S)/GRANT(S)

This is an original application for Certification for AMCO Automated Systems Model: Pit Water-Meter Transponder, FCC ID: G8JVRT03.

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#### 2 TEST INFORMATION

#### 2.1 TEST JUSTIFICATION

The EUT was tested in all three orthogonal planes in order to determine worst-case emissions. Radiated emission measurements were made of the Fundamental and Spurious Emission levels.

#### 2.2 EXERCISING THE EUT

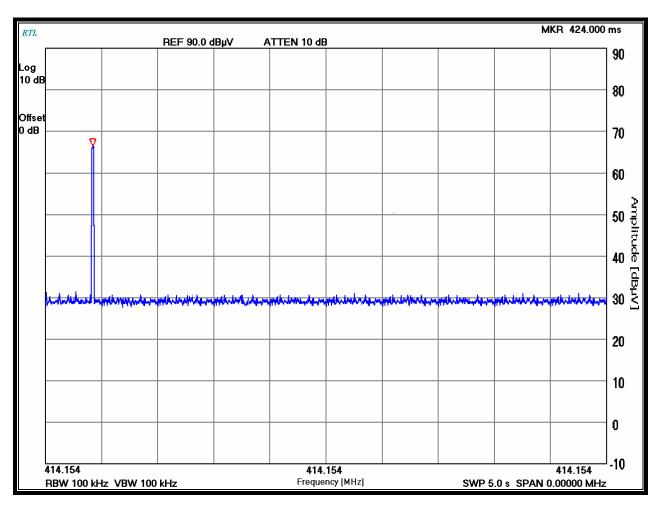
The unit was tested in its typical configurations with an on time of 15 milliseconds over a period greater than 100 milliseconds (corresponding to a duty cycle factor of –16.5 dB). The unit was also tested in a continuous transmit mode during testing. The EUT was investigated and tested in three orthogonal axes. The worst-case configuration is listed in this report. The carrier was also checked to verify that information was being transmitted.

# 2.3 **CONFORMITY WITH 15.231 (e)**

In order to comply with the part 15.231(e) the unit must respect the following requirement for the silent period as shown in plot 2-1.

- The device transmits only once per interrogation, and does not repeat a transmission for any interrogation. Devices are typically read once per month, but could be read as often as once per day.
- All transmissions are 15 msec. This time duration does not change, and is never greater than 15 msec.
- A transponder does not repeat packets at any time. It only sends one 15-msec packet reply for each interrogation.

# PLOT 2-1: TIMING REQUIREMENT





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# 2.4 TEST RESULT SUMMARY

# TABLE 2-1: TEST RESULT SUMMARY WITH FCC RULES AND REGULATIONS

| STANDARD                | TEST                             |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| FCC 15.231 (e)          | Fundamental Transmit Power       |
| FCC 15.231 (e) & 15.205 | Spurious Radiated Power          |
| FCC 15.109              | Unintentional Radiated Emissions |
| FCC 15.231 (e) & 2.1049 | Occupied Bandwidth               |
| FCC 15.203              | Antenna Requirement              |

# 2.5 TEST SYSTEM DETAILS

The FCC Identifiers for all equipment, plus descriptions of all cables used in the tested system are:

# TABLE 2-2: EQUIPMENT UNDER TEST (EUT)

| Part        | MANUFACTURER              | MODEL                              | SERIAL NUMBER | FCC ID   | CABLE<br>DESCRIPTION | RTL<br>Bar<br>Code |
|-------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------|----------|----------------------|--------------------|
| TRANSPONDER | AMCO<br>AUTOMATED SYSTEMS | PIT WATER-<br>METER<br>TRANSPONDER | N/A           | G8JVRT03 | N/A                  | 14982              |

# 2.6 CONFIGURATION OF TESTED SYSTEM

PIT WATER-METER TRANSPONDER

FIGURE 1: WORST CASE CONFIGURATION OF SYSTEM UNDER TEST

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# 3 RADIATED EMISSION - §15.231

#### 3.1 RADIATED EMISSION LIMITS TEST PROCEDURE

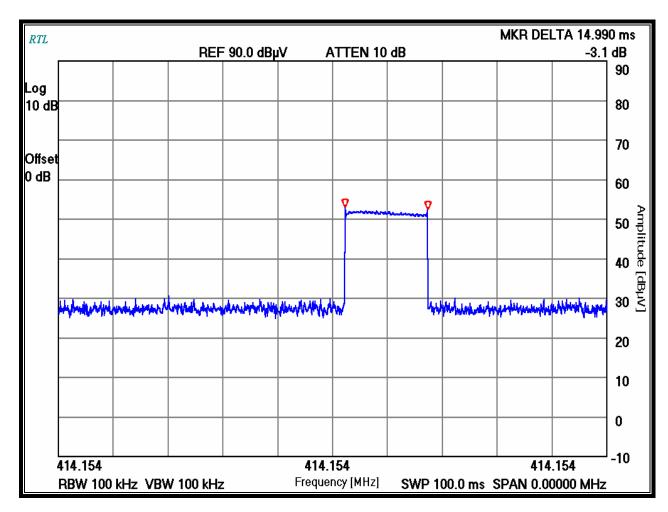
The EUT was placed on a non-conductive table 0.8 meters above the ground plane. The table was centered on a motorized turntable, which allows 360-degree rotation. For measurements of the fundamental signal and spurious/harmonics, a measurement antenna was positioned at a distance of 3 meters as measured from the closest point of the EUT.

#### 3.2 DUTY CYCLE

The duty cycle correction factor is calculated by 20 log (15/100), with 20 dB being the maximum allowable duty correction factor.

The duration of each transmission was found to be not greater than one second and the silent period between transmissions was found to be at least 30 times the duration of the transmission, but in no case less than 10 seconds.

# PLOT 3-1: DUTY CYCLE PLOT



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#### 3.3 RADIATED EMISSION LIMITS TEST DATA

The fundamental was measured at 73.1dBuV/m in peak mode. The 16 dB duty cycle correction factor was subtracted from the peak result to a corrected reading of 57.1 dBuV/m compared to a average limit of 72.0 dBuV/m per 15.35 and 15.231(e). The spurious and harmonics were corrected using the duty cycle factor and compared to the limit per 15.35 and 15.231(e)

#### TABLE 3-1: RADIATED EMISSIONS

| Emission<br>Frequency<br>(MHz) | Test<br>Detector | Antenna<br>Polarity<br>(H/V) | Turntable<br>Azimuth<br>(deg) | Antenna<br>Height<br>(m) | Analyzer<br>Reading<br>(dBuV) | Site<br>Correction<br>Factor<br>(dB/m) | Emission<br>Level<br>(dBuV/m) | Duty<br>factor<br>(dB) | Corrected<br>Level<br>(dBuV/m) | Limit (dBuV/m) |
|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| 415.000                        | Pk               | V                            | 90                            | 1.0                      | 84.3                          | -11.2                                  | 73.1                          | -16                    | 57.1                           | 72.2           |

#### TABLE 3-2: RADIATED EMISSIONS SPURS/HARMONICS

| Emission<br>Frequency<br>(MHz) | Test<br>Detector | Antenna<br>Polarity<br>(H/V) | Turntable<br>Azimuth<br>(deg) | Antenna<br>Height<br>(m) | Analyzer<br>Reading<br>(dBuV) | Site<br>Correction<br>Factor<br>(dB/m) | Emission<br>Level<br>(dBuV/m) | Duty<br>factor<br>(dB) | Corrected<br>Level<br>(dBuV/m) | Limit (dBuV/m) |
|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| 829.500                        | Pk               | V                            | 90                            | 1.0                      | 55.6                          | -5.0                                   | 50.6                          | -16                    | 34.6                           | 52.2           |
| 1243.825                       | Pk               | V                            | 85                            | 1.0                      | 40.2                          | -0.6                                   | 39.6                          | -16                    | 23.6                           | 52.2           |
| 1658.325                       | Pk               | V                            | 85                            | 1.0                      | 49.5                          | 3.5                                    | 53.0                          | -16                    | 37.0                           | 52.2           |

PEAK: RES. =100 KHz, VID= 100 KHz, AV: RES. =100 KHz, VID= 10Hz

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# 3.4 TEST EQUIPMENT USED FOR TESTING

# TABLE 3-3: RADIATED SPURIOUS EMISSIONS TEST EQUIPMENT

| RTL ASSET # | MANUFACTURER    | MODEL   | PART TYPE                | SERIAL NUMBER |
|-------------|-----------------|---------|--------------------------|---------------|
| 900772      | EMCO            | 3161-02 | Horn Antenna (2 - 4 GHz) | 900772        |
| 900321      | EMCO            | 3161-03 | Horn Antenna (4-8,2 GHz) | 9508-1020     |
| 900723      | Miteq           | NA      | AMP (100 MHz - 26 GHz)   | NA            |
| 900791      | Schaffner-Chase | CBL6112 | Antenna (25 MHz - 2 GHz) | 2099          |

# 4 MODULATED BANDWIDTH - §15.231(c)

# 4.1 MODULATED BANDWIDTH TEST PROCEDURE

The minimum 20 dB bandwidth per FCC 15.231(c) was performed as radiated testing with the resolution bandwidth set at 10 kHz, and the video bandwidth set at 100 kHz. The minimum 20 dB modulated bandwidth is listed in Table 4-2.

# 4.2 TEST EQUIPMENT USED FOR TESTING

# TABLE 4-1: TEST EQUIPMENT USED FOR TESTING (MODULATED BANDWIDTH)

| RTL ASSET # | MANUFACTURER | MODEL | PART TYPE                           | SERIAL NUMBER |
|-------------|--------------|-------|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| 900931      | HP           | 8566B | Spectrum Analyzer (100 Hz – 22 GHz) | 3138A07771    |

# 4.3 MODULATED BANDWIDTH TEST DATA

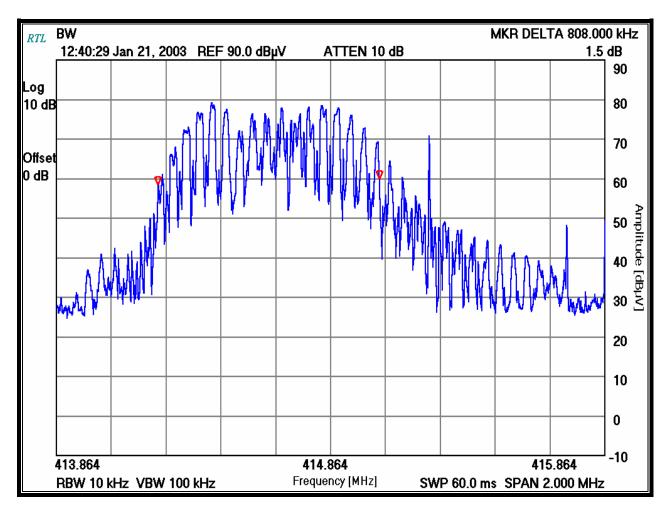
# TABLE 4-2: MINIMUM 20 DB MODULATED BANDWIDTH

| FREQUENCY (MHz) | 20 dB BANDWIDTH (kHz) |
|-----------------|-----------------------|
| 414.8           | 808.00                |

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# PLOT 4-1: MODULATED BANDWIDTH



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# 5 CONCLUSION

The data in this measurement report shows that the AMCO Automated Systems Model: Pit Water-Meter Transponder, FCC ID: G8JVRT03, complies with all the requirements of Part 15.231 of the FCC Rules.