REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL TEST LOCATIONS

Pursuant to Section 5.3 (f), Section 5.51 and Section 5.53 of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 5.3 (f), 5.51, 5.53 (2017), Southwest Research Institute ("SwRI") respectfully requests a modification of its experimental license issued under call sign WF2XCH, 0223-EX-CR-2017, to operate from additional locations at its campus for purposes of testing the performance, functionality and safety of autonomous vehicle technology prior to any real-world application in an indoor laboratory environment.

In support of SwRI's request, which is in compliance with NTIA Manual Paragraph 8.3.28, the following is shown:

1) Applicant's Address, Background and FRN:

Southwest Research Institute is headquartered at 6220 Culebra Road, San Antonio, TX 78238-5166. It is an independent, not-for-profit, applied engineering and development organization devoted to technology research, design and development. It conducts business with the industry and government entities (in the U.S. and other friendly nations) on a worldwide basis. Approximately 50% of the SwRl's business is for the U.S. Government. Its FCC Registration Number ("FRN") is 0004074217.

2) Background and Need for License Modification:

SwRI is a leader in the field of intelligent vehicles and autonomous vehicle technology for both commercial and United States military applications. It is continuously engaged in product development, testing and refinement of its autonomous vehicle systems and technology, including the testing and debugging of developed technology, and GPS signals constitute a fundamental component of that technology.

SwRI product development and refinement efforts require substantial testing of applicable technologies utilizing GPS signals in a laboratory environment. Under the proposed modification to its current license, SwRI will transmit GPS signal input to SwRI hardware while indoors and wholly within the SwRI laboratory facilities. The transmission of GPS input is necessary to accurately test the performance, functionality and safety of autonomous vehicle technology prior to any real-world applications and to refine and debug existing technology. A modification of its license is needed so that it may transmit GPS signals at additional test locations so that it may conduct safe and secure testing and development of autonomous vehicle technologies at its indoor facilities as identified below to obtain real-world data and test and improve its autonomous vehicle technologies.

3) Location of Additional Sites:

The proposed tests will be conducted on the campus of Southwest Research Institute, 6220 Culebra Road, San Antonio (Bexar County), Texas. The campus is comprised of approximately 1200 acres, an area entirely under the control of SwRI.

Specifically, the proposed tests will be conducted within Buildings 290 and 290A, which are close to other buildings where SwRI is already authorized to conduct related indoor GPS operations under its existing license, issued under call sign WF2XCH. The coordinates of the two sites are NL 29-26-31.0; WL -98-36-04.8 (Building 290) and NL 29-26-30.0; WL -98-36-06.4 (Building 290A), which are approximately 53 meters from each other.

4) FCC Station Codes:

The FCC radio service code and station class code for the proposed operation are "XT" and "FX," respectively.

5) Equipment To Be Used:

SwRI proposes to operate a single transmitter capable of operating on the channels listed in Section 6. Specifically, it proposes to deploy a transmitter (Model L1/L2GHNRRKIT) manufactured by GPS Networking. The technical specifications of the equipment are provided under Attachment A.

6) Frequencies Desired:

As stated in Section 2 above, SwRI seeks to obtain real-world data samples of the characteristics of GPS transmissions. Thus, it is critical for SwRI to conduct tests centered on GPS channels 1227.6 MHz and 1575.42 MHz. SwRI recognizes that the use of certain frequencies will require coordination through the Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee ("IRAC"), and it is amendable to coordinating with Federal government personnel prior to commencing any transmissions.

7) Power Level:

SwRI will operate with the minimum necessary power to conduct its tests, and in no event will that level exceed the levels set out in the table provided under Attachment B. Specifically, the maximum equivalent isotropically radiated power ("EIRP") will be such that the calculated emissions are no greater than -140 dBm/24 MHz as received by an isotropic antenna at a distance of 100 feet (30 meters) from where the tests are being conducted. A link budget showing compliance with this requirement is provided in the table under Attachment B and is based on free space propagation with no allowance for additional attenuation (*e.g.*, building attenuation).

8) Type of Emission, Modulation Technique, and Bandwidth Required:

The primary emission designator for the proposed operations is 2M46G3D, as indicated on the accompanying FCC Form. Other emission modes and modulation techniques may be utilized, but in no event will the emissions extend beyond the limits associated with the above-referenced emission.

SwRI does not propose to supply station identification as set forth in Section 5.115 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 5.115 (2017),

9) Antenna Information and Compliance with Human Exposure Limits:

SwRI will comply with all Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA") and FCC rules and regulations regarding the installation and operation of antennas and their support structures. The antenna to be deployed under the authority requested will not extend more than six meters more than six meters above the building.

10) Restrictions on Operation:

GPS users in the area of potential interference to GPS reception will be notified that GPS information may be impacted during testing. In addition, it will post signs on doors to the test area notifying that, "GPS re-radiator is in use and the GPS information you receive may be in error."

SwRI also understands that: (a) permission to operate has been granted under experimental authority issued by the Federal Communications Commission, is strictly temporary, and may be cancelled at any time and that (b) operation is subject to the condition that it not cause harmful interference.

Moreover, SwRI does not propose to market, sell, or lease unapproved equipment to end users or conduct a market study in conjunction with these tests. After the completion of the tests, SwRI will recover all devices that do not comply with FCC regulations.

11) Interference Protection/Stop Buzzer Contact Information:

As noted above, GPS users in the area of potential interference to GPS reception will be notified that GPS information may be impacted during testing. It also understands that it may be required to discontinue its operations immediately, if any interference occurs. SwRI does not expect interference to occur, however, as its tests will be conducted only on a limited basis and only periodically during the term of its experimental license. Moreover, SwRI personnel will be monitoring the RF spectrum and will take steps to minimize any potential for interference.

In that regard, SwRI advises the Commission that Christopher Mentzer is the technical contact overseeing these tests. He will be personally responsible for the operations and will serve as the "stop buzzer" in the event that operations must be terminated because of any interference concerns. Mr. Mentzer can be reached at (210) 522-4240, email christopher.menzer@swri.org

12) Application Contact Information:

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ATTACHMENT A

Equipment Specifications



L1/L2GHNRRKIT

L1/L2 GNSS Hangar Networked Re-Radiating Kit Technical Product Data



Features

- Amplified L1/L2 GNSS Roof Antenna Gain ≥ 33dB
 - Re-Radiating Amplifier with Power Supply
 Typical Gain 30dB
- Optional Mounting Kit Hardware
 Roof Antenna Mount & Adjustable Re-Radiating Mount
- Variable Gain Option
 Re-Radiating Amp Gain Varies from approx 0-23 dB gain
- Variable Gain Option with LCD Display
 Push Button Control in 1dB Increments 0-30dB gain

Description

The GPS L1/L2 GNSS Hanger Re-Radiating Kit (L1/L2GHNRRKIT) is a complete reradiating system that allows re-radiation of the GPS L1/L2 signal as well as the other GNSS frequencies (including Galileo, GLONASS, Beidou and Omnistar indoors). The L1/L2GHNRRKIT consists of an active L1/L2 GNSS roof antenna, a re-radiating amplifier with a wall mount plug-in transformer that powers the entire system, and a passive L1/L2 GNSS re-radiating antenna. The GNSS signals from the roof antenna are amplified and radiated indoors. Thus, if a receiver has line of sight with the re-radiating antenna, it can receive the GNSS signal indoors up to 100 feet. A cable from the roof antenna to the re-radiating kit is required and can be purchased separately.

Roof Antenna Specifications, $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$

| Parameter | Conditions | Min | Тур | Max | Units |
|------------------|--|-----|-----|-------|-------|
| Frequency | See Active Antenna Specifications page 5 | | | | GHz |
| Bandwidth | | | | | MHz |
| Out Imped. (1) | | | 50 | | Ω |
| Pre-Amp Gain | | | 30 | 33 | dB |
| Noise Figure | | | 2.0 | | dB |
| Output SWR | | | | 2.0:1 | - |
| Filtering | See Active Antenna Specifications page 5 | | | | dB |
| | | | | | dB |
| Req. DC Input V. | | 4.5 | | 24 | Vdc |
| Current | | | 22 | | mA |

| RF Connector Options | | |
|----------------------|-----------------|--------|
| Connector Options | CONNECTOR STYLE | CHARGE |
| | Type N-female | NC |

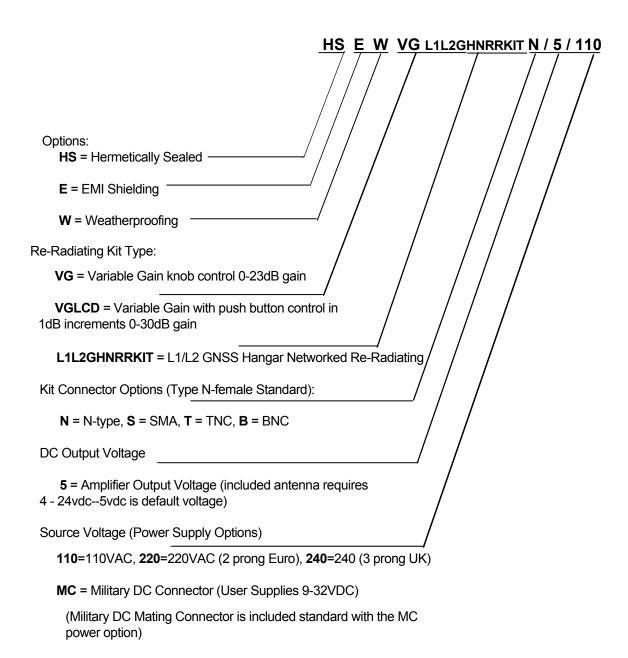
Re-Radiating Amplifier Electrical Specifications, $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$

| Parameter | Conditions | Min | Тур | Max | Units |
|-------------------------|--|-----|-----|-------|-------|
| Freq. Range | Ant – J1 | 1.1 | | 1.7 | GHz |
| In/Out Imped. | Ant, J1 | | 50 | | Ω |
| Gain (1) | | | | | dB |
| | | 29 | 30 | 31 | dB |
| Input SWR (2) | J1 - 50Ω | | | 1.8:1 | - |
| Output SWR | Ant - 50Ω | | | 1.8:1 | - |
| Noise Figure | Ant – J1 | | 3.3 | 3.5 | dB |
| Current | | | 33 | 40 | mA |
| Gain Flatness | L1 – L2 ; Ant – J1 | | 0.5 | 1 | dB |
| Reverse Isolation | J1 – Ant | 35 | | | dB |
| Group delay Flatness | τ _{d,max} - τ _{d,min} : Ant – J1 | | | 1 | ns |

| Re-Radiating Amp System Power Supply Options | | | | |
|--|--|--------------------------|--|--|
| Source Voltage Options | VOLTAGE INPUT | STYLE | | |
| | 110VAC | Transformer (Wall Mount) | | |
| | 220 VAC | Transformer (Wall Mount) | | |
| | 240 VAC (United Kingdom) | Transformer (Wall Mount) | | |
| | Customer Supplied DC 9-32 VDC | Military Style Connector | | |
| Re-Radiating Amp Gain Control Options | | | | |
| Standard Gain | 30 dB (Custom Gain between 0-30dB available upon request) | | | |
| Variable Gain | -3 ≤ Gain ≤ 23dB | | | |
| Variable Gain with LCD Display | 0-30dB gain range with push button control in 1dB increments | | | |

Re-Radiating Antenna Electrical Specifications, $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$

| Parameter | Conditions | Min | Тур | Max | Units |
|--------------|---|-----|------|-------|-------|
| Frequency | See Passive Antenna Specifications page 6 | | | | GHz |
| Bandwidth | | | | | MHz |
| Impedance | | | 50 | | Ω |
| Peak Gain | | | 3 | | dBic |
| Output SWR | | | | 1.5:1 | - |
| Polarization | | | RHCP | | - |

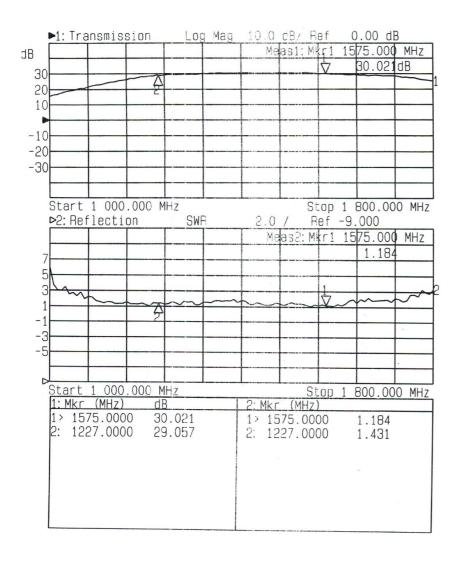


Contact GPS Networking Technical Support at 719-595-9880 or salestech@gpsnetworking.com for any questions regarding non-standard configurations and corresponding part numbers)

Performance:

NRRKAMP (Re-Radiating Kit Amp Standard Gain)

Input SWR (Ant. Port) and Frequency Response: Ant. To J1) (Typical, type N connectors):

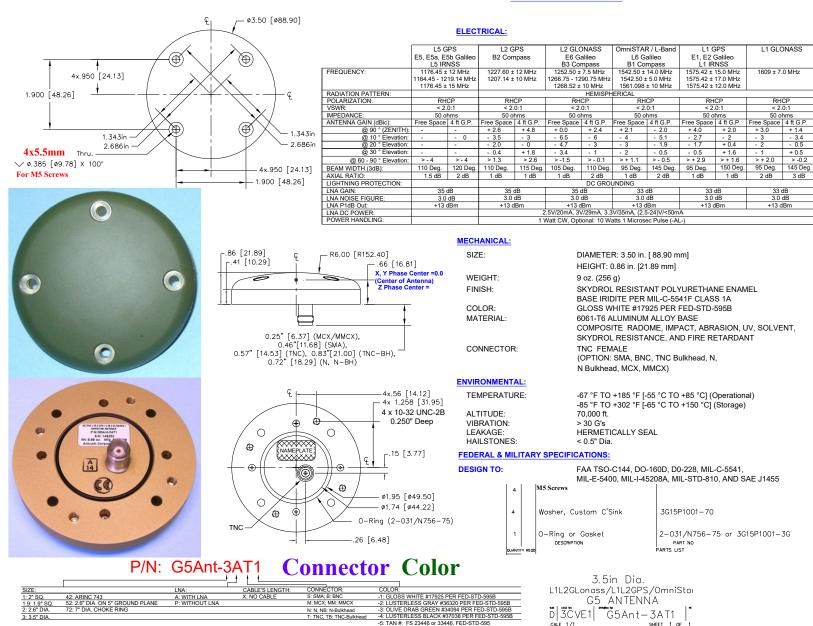


Specifications:

L1L2GGPSA (L1/L2 GNSS Active Antenna-Outdoor)

Includes all GNSS Frequencies

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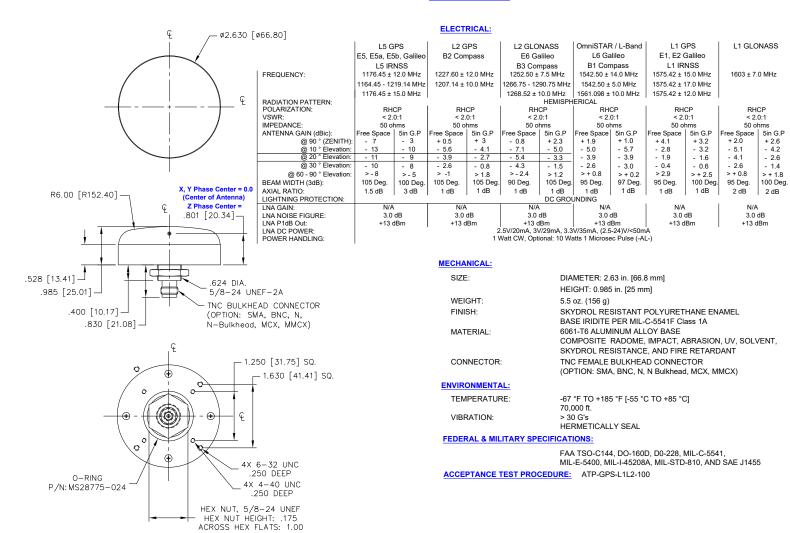


Specifications:

L1L2GRRKPA-N (L1/L2 GNSS Passive retransmit antenna-indoor)

Includes all GNSS Frequencies

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Mechanical

Re-Radiating Kit Amplifier

<u>Dimensions</u>: Height: 1.3"

Length (not including connectors) Body: 2.5"

Base Plate: 3.25"

Width (not including connectors): 2.5"

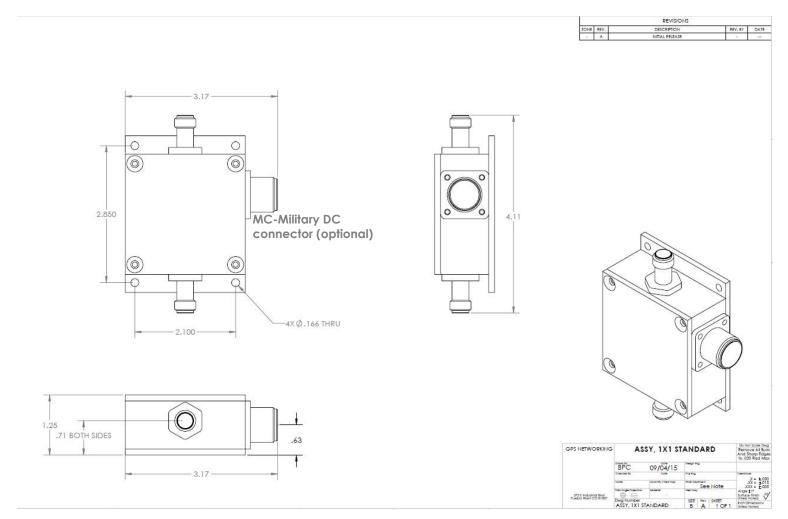
Weight: 11 oz. (316 grams)

Operating Temp. Range: -40° to + 75°C

Finish Housing and Base Plate: ELECTROLESS NICKEL PLATED

MIL-C-26074C CLASS 1, .0001-.0003 MAX

Finish Lid: ANODIZE, TYPE II, CLASS 2, BLACK, per MIL-A-8625



ATTACHMENT B

Budget Link Calculations

The following calculations represent the architecture of SwRI's proposed GPS re-radiation configuration and the signal power calculations which demonstrates compliance with NTIA Manual 8.3.28.

| | Individual element | Cumulative total |
|---|-----------------------|------------------|
| GPS signal received power from GPS spacecraft | -130 | -130 dBm |
| Receive Antenna pattern gain (estimated) | 3 | -127 |
| Receive Antenna amplifier gain (data sheet) | 33 | -94 |
| Transmission line loss to re-radiator antenna (estimated) | -27 | -121 |
| Re-radiator amplifier (data sheet) | 30 | -91 |
| Re-radiator antenna gain (estimated) | 3 | -88 |
| Free space path loss (FSPL) at 100 feet inside Building 178 | <u>-66</u> | <u>-154 dBm</u> |

These calculations indicate that SwRI will not re-radiate GPS signals greater than -140dBm/24 MHz at 100 feet from the re-radiation source.