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TITLE: GPS RE-RADIATION SYSTEM CALCULATIONS, HORIZONTAL INTEGRATION FACILITY WALLOPS ISLAND		AUTHOR: Richard Blakley	DATE: 10/6/2011
OBJECTIVE: Document the calculations made in conjunction with the license applications			
ASSUMPTIONS: None			
RESULTS: The signal strength from the re-radiation system in Horizontal Integration Facility does not exceed the limit of -140 dBm at the distance of 100 feet (30 meters) from the exterior wall of the High Bay.			
CONCLUSIONS: The calculated signal strength from the GPS booster station is in compliance with the requirements of Reference 1			
REFERENCES: See Page 7			
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ARE ADDITIONAL ANALYSES REQUIRED: ☐ YES ☒ NO DESCRIBE:	THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED FOR ELC AND WAIVERS ONLY CRITICALITY: ☐ NOT FLIGHT CRITICAL ☐ FLIGHT CRITICAL
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-	9/28/2011	INITIAL RELEASE	
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GPS Booster Station Signal Strength Calculation
 NASA Wallops Island BLDG X79
 Horizontal Integration Facility (HIF)
 Reference file # 0499-EX-PL-2011

This GPS booster station re-radiates the GPS L1 (1575.42 MHz) and GPS L2 (1227.6 MHz) signals. Calculations are performed per Section 8.3.28 of the NTIA regulations [1]. The re-radiated power is limited by requirement 6 which states “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 the building.” Attenuation by the building will be neglected. The re-radiating antenna is connected to a flexible coaxial cable so it can be tripod mounted near the vehicle as required. Since the re-radiation antenna can be moved within the building only the distance from the exterior wall 30 meters out is used in the loss calculations. This worksheet shows that the re-radiated signal for BLDG X79 (Horizontal Integration Facility) location is in compliance with the NTIA requirement.

The signal strength is defined by:

$$P_{sig} = P_{rec} + G_{roof} + L_{cable} + G_{lna} + G_{ant} + L_{space} \quad \text{eq. 1 [2]}$$

Where

- P_{sig} = The Re-Radiated signal strength at 30 meters from the building.
- P_{rec} = The power of the received GPS signal, L1 = -130 dBm
- G_{roof} = Maximum Gain of the active receiving antenna of the GPS re-rad system, 37.7 dB [3]
- L_{cable} = Losses for the RF cabling of the re-rad system 200 ft @6.3 dB/100 ft = 12.6 dB [7]
- L_A = Loss of coupler Box assembly = -9.0 dB (Figure 2) [5],[6].
- G_{ant} = Gain of the re-radiating antenna, +5.0 dBi (on bore-sight) [4]
- L_{space} = Free space loss of the re-radiated signal

The free space loss is dependent upon the distance from the re-radiating antenna to the exterior wall and from the exterior wall to the designated measurement distance, 30 meters. For these calculations the distance from the antenna to the exterior wall is zero.

$$L_{space} = 20 \text{ Log}(\lambda/4\pi D) \quad \text{eq. 2 [2]}$$

- Where λ = Wavelength of the GPS signal, L1 = .190 meters, L2=.244 meters
- π = Pi
- D = The distance from antenna to exterior wall plus 30 meter required distance

At 30 meters from the exterior wall the re-radiated RF power level is:

a) L1, 1575.42 MHz

$$L_{space} = 20 * \text{Log}(.1904 / (4 * \pi * (30))) = -65.92 \text{ dB}$$

The power of the re-radiated signal at the specified distance is:

$P_{sig} = -130 + 37.5 - 12.6 - 9.0 + 5.0 - 65.92$	=		-174.82 dBm
		Maximum Power	-140.00 dBm
		Margin	+34.82 dB

b) L2, 1227.6 MHz

$$L_{\text{space}} = 20 * \log(.1904 / (4 * \pi * (30))) = -63.75 \text{ dB}$$

The power of the re-radiated signal at the specified distance is:

$$P_{\text{sig}} = -130 + 38.5 - 12.6 - 9.0 + 5.0 - 63.75 = -171.85 \text{ dBm}$$

$$\text{Maximum Power} = -140.00 \text{ dBm}$$

$$\text{Margin} = +31.85 \text{ dB}$$

GPS Booster Station (Re-Radiation System) Link Margin Evaluation
Horizontal Integration Facility
Reference # 0499-EX-PL-2011

L1 Frequency (MHz)	1227.6	1575.42	
Wavelength (m)	0.2444	0.1904	
Distance (m)	0	0	
(re-rad antenna to exterior wall)			
GPS Signal Strength	-130	-130	dBm
Roof Antenna/LNA Gain (3G1215-XN-1)	38.5	37.7	dB
RF Cable Loss (LMR-400 Ultra Flex)	-6.3	-6.3	dB
(Roof antenna to splitter box)			
Splitter Loss (LDCBS1X4-S/3.3/110)	-8.0	-8.0	dB
(typical)			
Variable attenuator loss (min attenuation) (50R-046)	-1.0	-1.0	dB
RF Cable Loss (LMR-400 Ultra Flex)	-6.3	-6.3	dB
(Splitter box to re-rad antenna)			
Re-Rad Antenna Gain (2G1215-XN-1)	5	5	dB
(maximum)			
Space Loss to Distance	-63.75	-65.92	dB
(30.00 meters total)			
Power at Specified Distance	-171.85	-174.82	dBm
(100' (30 meters from building)			
Specified Maximum	-140.0	-140.0	dBm
(NTIA specification)			
Margin	31.85	34.82	dB

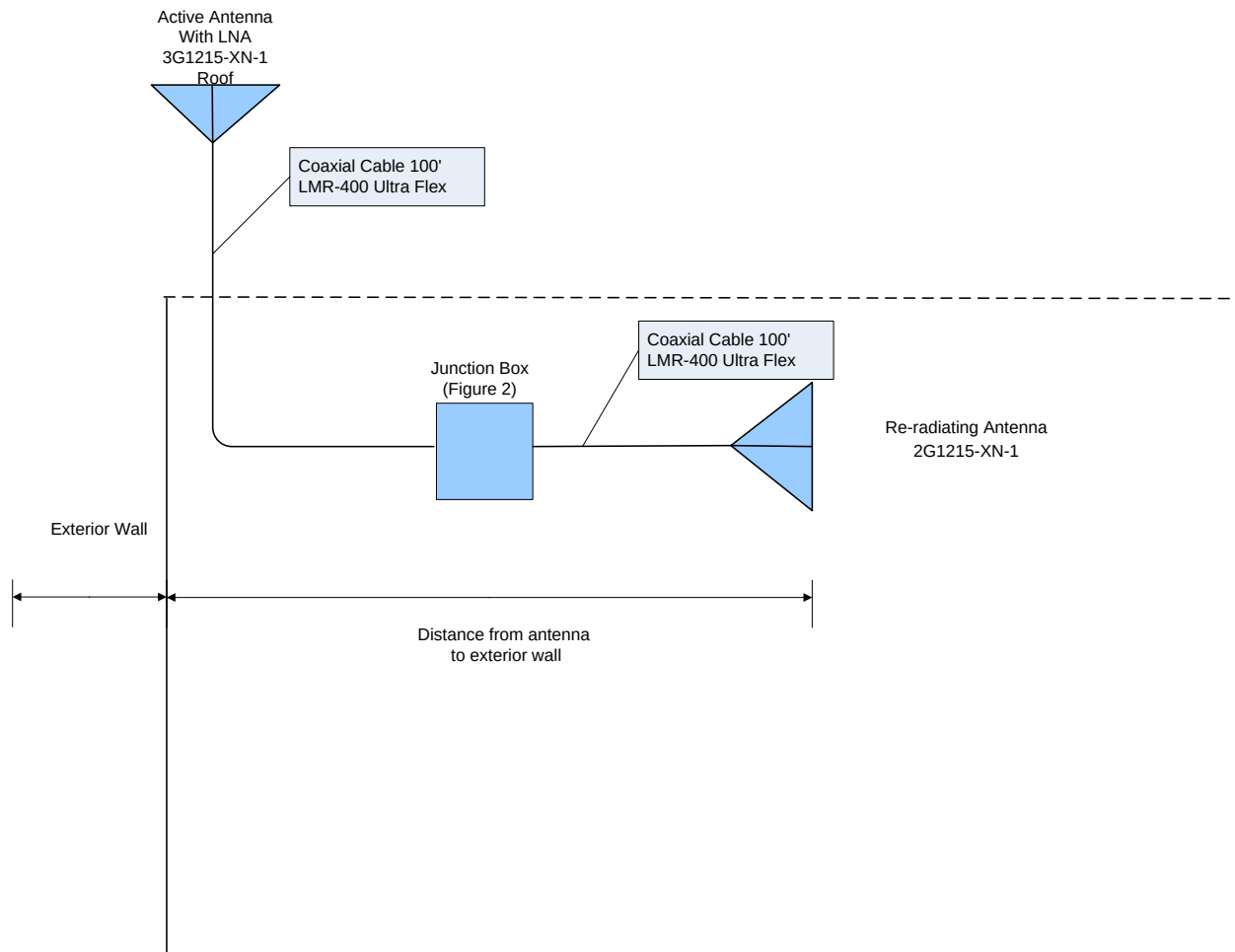


Figure 1
Horizontal Integration Facility
Re-Radiation System

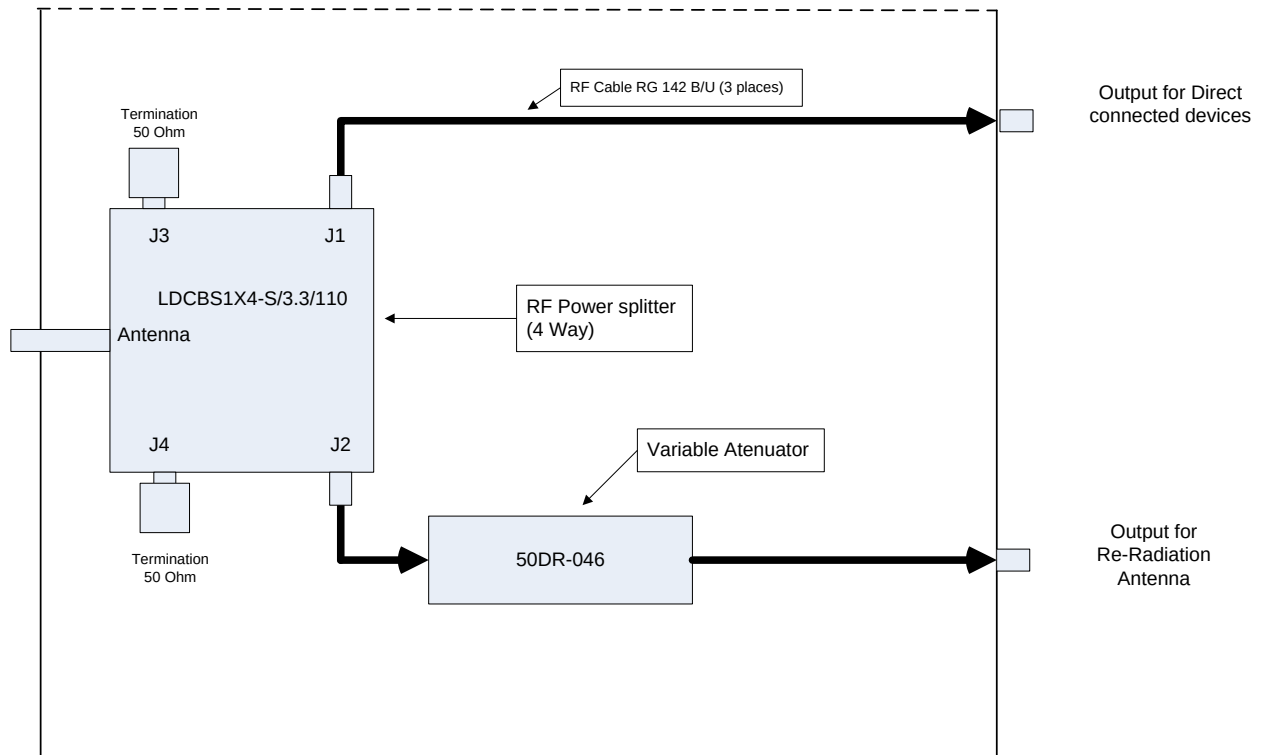


Figure 2
Junction Box

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