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CERTIFICATION APPLICATION REPORT FCC PART 15.231

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FCC ID:	G8JVRT01	GRANTEE FRN NUMBER:	0007856438			
PLAT FORM:	N/A	RTL WORK ORDER NUMBER:	2002187			
MODEL(S):	VRT Residential Gas Transponder	RTL QUOTE NUMBER:	QRTL02-606			
DATE OF TEST REPORT:	November 1, 2002					
American National Standard Institute:	ANSI/TIA/EIA603 and ANSI/TIA/EIA	603-1				
FCC Classification:	Low Power Communication Device Trans	nsmitter				
FCC Rule Part(s):	Part 15.231 Periodic operation in the band 40.66-4070 MHz and above 70 MHz					
Digital Interface Information	Digital Interface was found to be compliant					
Receiver Information	Receiver was found to be compliant					

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.

Signature: Date: November 1, 2002

Typed/Printed Name: Desmond A. Fraser Position: President

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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: VRT Residential Gas Transponder, FCC ID: G8JVRT01.

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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

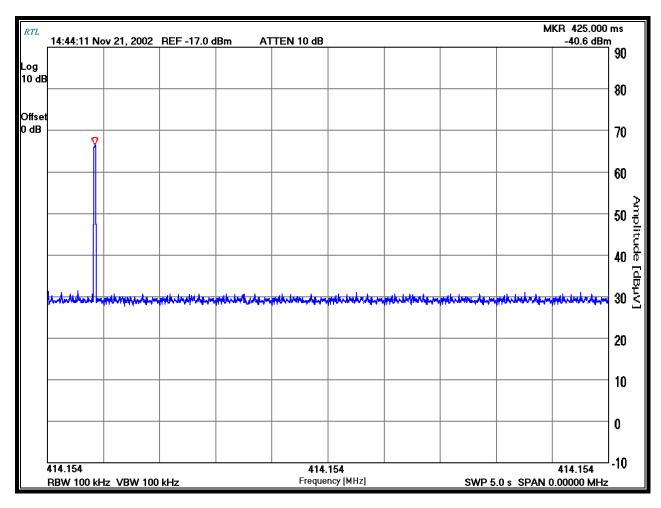
The unit was tested in its typical configurations with an on time of 15 milliseconds over a period greater than 100 milliseconds (corresponding to a duty cycle factor of -16.5 dB). The unit was also tested in a continuous transmit mode during testing. The EUT was investigated and tested in three orthogonal 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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Test Engineer Signature Date Of Test

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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

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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 DESCRIPTION	RTL Bar Code
TRANSPONDER	AMCO AUTOMATED SYSTEMS	VRT RESIDENTIAL GAS TRANSPONDER	52870P020-P10	G8JVRT01	N/A	N/A

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2.6 CONFIGURATION OF TESTED SYSTEM

VRT RESIDENTIAL GAS 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

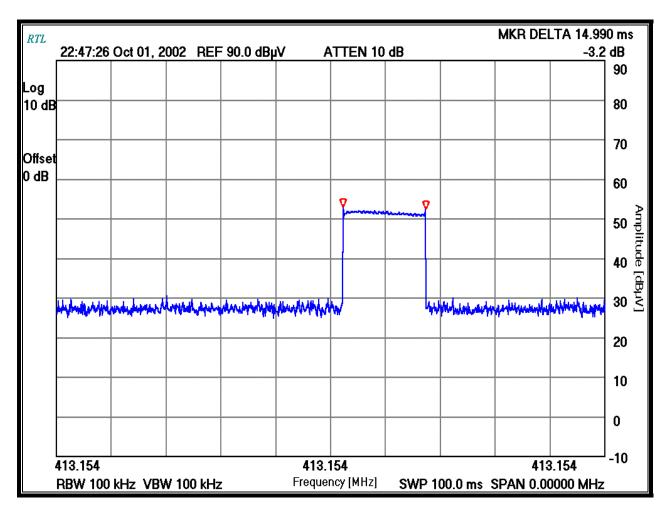
The EUT was placed on a non-conductive table 0.8 meters above the ground plane. The table was centered on a motorized turntable, which allows 360-degree rotation. For measurements of the fundamental signal and spurious/harmonics, a measurement antenna was positioned at a distance of 3 meters as measured 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 82.9dBuV/m in peak mode at 100% duty cycle. The 16 dB duty cycle correction factor was subtracted from the peak result to a corrected reading of 66.9 dBuV/m compared to a peak limit of 92.0 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 Frequency (MHz)	Test Detector	Antenna Polarity (H/V)	Turntable Azimuth (deg)	Antenna Height (m)	Analyzer Reading (dBuV)	Site Correction Factor (dB/m)	Emission Level (dBuV/m)	Duty factor (dB)	Corrected Level (dBuV/m)	Limit (dBuV/m)
414.59	Qp	V	180	1	91.7	-8.8	82.9	-16	66.9	92

TABLE 3-2: RADIATED EMISSIONS SPURS/HARMONICS

Emission Frequency (MHz)	Test Detector	Antenna Polarity (H/V)	Turntable Azimuth (deg)	Antenna Height (m)	Analyzer Reading (dBuV)	Site Correction Factor (dB/m)	Emission Level (dBuV/m)	Duty factor (dB)	Corrected Level (dBuV/m)	Limit (dBuV/m)
262.48	Qp	V	90	1	53.5	-9.9	43.6	-16	27.6	72
444.59	Qp	V	45	1	71	-8.5	62.5	-16	46.5	72
445.00	Qp	V	45	1	72.1	-8.5	63.6	-16	47.6	72
830.14	Qp	V	180	1	57.4	-5.7	51.7	-16	35.7	72

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

TEST PERSONNEL:

Franck Schuppius 09/24/2002
Test Engineer Signature Date Of Test

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 Antennas (4-8,2GHz)	9508-1020
900723	Miteq	NA	AMP 100MHz-26GHz	NA
900791	Schaffner-Chase	CBL6112	Antenna (25 MHz - 2 GHz)	2099

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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 (100Hz – 22 GHz)	3138A07771	

4.3 MODULATED BANDWIDTH TEST DATA

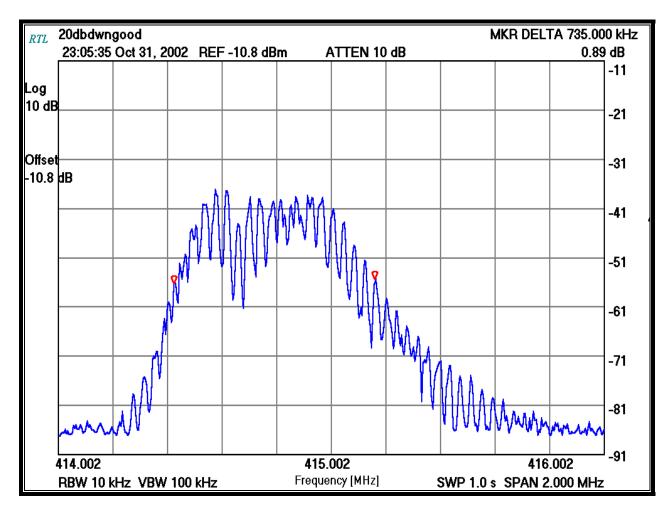
TABLE 4-2: MINIMUM 20 DB MODULATED BANDWIDTH

FREQUENCY (MHz)	20 dB BANDWIDTH (kHz)
414.59	735.00

TEST PERSONNEL:

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Test Technician/Engineer	Signature	Date Of Test

PLOT 4-1: MODULATED BANDWIDTH



TEST PERSONNEL:

Franck Schuppius	The Time	10/31/2002
Test Technician/Engineer	Signature	Date Of Test

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5 CONCLUSION

The data in this measurement report shows that the AMCO Automated Systems Model: VRT Residential Gas Transponder, FCC ID: G8JVRT01, complies with all the requirements of Part 15.231 of the FCC Rules.