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## CERTIFICATION TEST REPORT FOR A 902-928 MHz TRANSCEIVER

Applicant: Sensus Technologies Inc.

> 450 N. Gallitin Ave. Uniontown, PA 15401

Model: AR4001

FCC ID: KCH-4001-A

Operating Frequency: 903.080 MHz to 927.69 MHz

RF Output: 50,000 uV/m (94 dBuV/m) at 3 meters

FCC Rule Part: TX: 15.205, 15.249 RX: 15.101, 15.109

Used For: Hand-held utility meter reader

Power Source: Battery operation only

Has separate battery charging cradle when not in use

Test Location: **Compliance Consulting Services** 

> 951F Monterey Road Morgan Hill, CA 95087

All tests were performed by me or under my supervision. The Sensus AR4001 meets all emissions and modulation requirements specified under Parts 2 and 15 of the Commission's Rules.

THOMAS N. COKENIAS

28 September 1999

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## **EXHIBITS**

EXHIBIT A: Letter Requesting Confidentiality under Sec. 0.457(d)

EXHIBIT B: Information for which Confidentiality is Requested

**B1:** Schematics

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EXHIBIT C: Product Photographs

EXHIBIT D: User Manual and FCC ID Label

EXHIBIT E: Report of Measurements

**Letter Requesting Confidentiality under Sec. 0.457(d) EXHIBIT A:** 

see attachment 40014002conf

#### Information for which Confidentiality is Requested **EXHIBIT B:**

**B1: Schematics** 

**B2:** Block Diagrams

**B3:** Theory of Operation

#### **EXHIBIT C: Product Photographs**

- see attachments *EUTphoto\*.jpg* 

#### **EXHIBIT D: User Manual and FCC ID Label**

- see attachments User manual and label

# **EXHIBIT E: Report of Measurements**

#### EMISSIONS TEST REPORT FOR A LOW POWER TRANSCEIVER

#### I. GENERAL INFORMATION

Requirement: FCC: 47CFR, Parts 2 and 15

Industry Canada: RSS-210

Applicant: Sensus Technologies Inc.

> 450 N. Gallitin Ave. Uniontown, PA 15401

Product ID: KCH-4001-A

Model Numbers: AR4001

# II. DESCRIPTION OF EQUIPMENT UNDER TEST (EUT)

is a hand-held battery operated utility meter reader that uses the RF The AR4001 communications link to transfer meter data.

# III. TEST LOCATION

All emissions tests were performed at:

Compliance Certification Services 561F Monterey Road Morgan Hill, CA 95087

Phone: 408-752-8166 Fax: 408-752-8168

CCS has site descriptions on file with the FCC for 30 m, 10m and 3m site configurations. CCS is a NVLAP accredited facility.

Radiated emissions from the digital portion of the EUT were performed on siteB, one of the 3m/10 m sites.

## IV. TEST PROCEDURES

#### TX Radiated Emissions

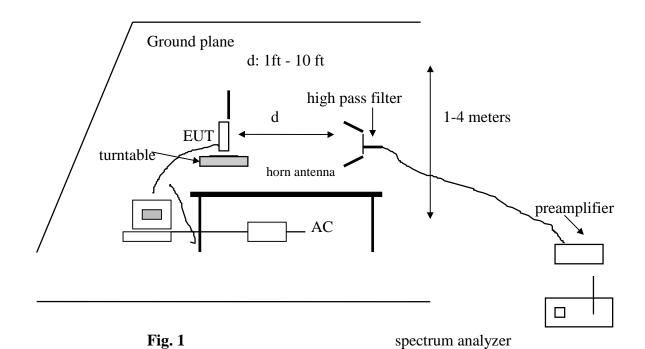
**Test Requirement: FCC: 15.205, 15.249(a)** 

**Industry Canada: RSS-210** 

#### **Measurement Equipment Used:**

HP 8563E Spectrum Analyzer HP8447 D Preamplifier, .1 - 1300 MHz HP 8449 B Preamplifier, 1-26 GHz EMCO 3146 Log Periodic antenna, 200 - 1000 MHz ARA DRG-118/A Double Ridged Horn antenna, 1 - 18 Ghz Flexco low loss cable, 16ft (loss: 0.85 dB/ft@ 26 GHz)

## Test Set-Up



#### **Test Procedures**

1. The EUT was set to MID channel and was placed on a wooden table located on the test site ground plane. The search antenna was placed 3 ft from the EUT. The EUT antenna was mounted vertically as per normal installation.

Note: The 15.249 transceiver board was tested separately outside of its meter case. The reason for this

was that the meter software was not able to sustain a steady-state transmission mode, but a stand-alone board connected to a latptop could do so. The measurements represent worst-case emissions, as there is no shadowing or shielding from the meter circuit boards and other internal assemblies.

- 2. The turntable was slowly rotated to locate the direction of maximum emission at each emission in the 902 - 9280 MHz frequency range.
- 3. Once maximum emission azimuth was determined, the search antenna was raised and lowered in both vertical and horizontal polarizations. The maximum readings so obtained are recorded in the data listed below.
- 4. Steps 1 3 were repeated for LOW channel and HI channel.

#### **Test Results**

**PASS.** Refer to tabulated test results below.

HI channel: 927.69 MHz channel: 914.87 MHz MID LOW channel: 903.08 MHz FCC ID: KCH-4001-A

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TX Radiated Emission Test Results, fo - 10 fo

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Radiated Emissions

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Sept 21 1999 Jesse Saldivar B site (1.5 Meter)

**ANALYZER SETTINGS** 

Res bw

1MHz

1MHz

PEAK(Pk):

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AVERAGE(Avg

Avg.

1MHz

10Hz

bw

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FCC ID: KCH-4001-A fo, MHz= 903.08

F(MHz)	READING		AF	CL	AMP	DIST	HPF	TOTAL		LIMIT		MARGIN	
	(dBuV)		(dB)	(dB)	(dB)	(dB)	(dB)	(dBuV/m	1)	(dBuV/m	)	(dB)	
	Pk/QP	Av						Pk/QP	Av	Pk/QP	Αv	Pk/QP	Av
903.8QP	86		22.3	7.6	-27.4	0	0	88.5		94		-5.5	
1807.6	65	66.2	27.5	2.5	-35	-20	0	40	41.2	74	54	-34	-12.8
2709.24	62	56.2	31.7	3.5	-35	-20	0	42.2	36.4	74	54	-31.8	-17.6
3612.32	50.1	45.2	32	3.8	-35	-20	0	30.9	26	74	54	-43.1	-28
4515.4	41.1	34.9	35.2	5.6	-35	-20	0	26.9	20.7	74	54	-47.1	-33.3
5418.48	44.2	32.7	37.1	7	-35	-20	0	33.3	21.8	74	54	-40.7	-32.2
6321.56	43.5	33.7	37.1	7	-35	-20	0	32.6	22.8	74	54	-41.4	-31.2
7224.64	47	37.8	37.1	7	-35	-20	0	36.1	26.9	74	54	-37.9	-27.1
8127.72	43.6	35.4	37.1	7	-35	-20	0	32.7	24.5	74	54	-41.3	-29.5

**NOTE: ALL READINGS ARE VERTICAL** 

**DIST**: Correction to extrapolate reading to 3m specification distance

1ft (0.3m) measurement distance: -20dB

**AF**: Antenna Factor

AMP: Pre-amp gain

**CL**: Cable loss **HPF**: High pass filter insertion loss (4.6GHz)

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<u>Avg.</u> bw

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FCC ID: KCH-4001-A fo= 914.87 MHz

F(MHz)	READING		AF	CL	AMP	DIST	HPF	TOTAL		LIMIT		MARGIN	
	(dBuV)		(dB)	(dB)	(dB)	(dB)	(dB)	(dBuV/m	1)	(dBuV/m	)	(dB)	
	Pk/QP	Av						Pk/QP	Av	Pk/QP	Αv	Pk/QP	Av
914.84QP	86.8		22.3	7.57	-27	0	0	89.67		94		-4.33	
1829.7	67.87	67.6	27.5	2.5	-35	-20	0	42.87	42.6	74	54	-31.13	-11.4
2744.6	61.8	54.8	31.7	3.5	-35	-20	0	42	35	74	54	-32	-19
3659.5	49.9	44.1	32	3.8	-35	-20	0	30.7	24.9	74	54	-43.3	-29.1
4575.3	41.9	32.8	35.2	5.6	-35	-20	0	27.7	18.6	74	54	-46.3	-35.4
5489.2	43.3	28.9	37.1	7	-35	-20	0	32.4	18	74	54	-41.6	-36
6404.1	41.8	32.9	37.1	7	-35	-20	0	30.9	22	74	54	-43.1	-32
7319	46.2	37.1	37.1	7	-35	-20	0	35.3	26.2	74	54	-38.7	-27.8
8233.8	43.31	36.1	37.1	7	-35	-20	0	32.41	25.2	74	54	-41.59	-28.8

**NOTE: ALL READINGS ARE VERTICAL** 

DIST: Correction to extrapolate reading to 3m specification distance

1ft(0.3m) measurement distance: -20 dB PEAK(Pk): 1MHz 1MHz AVERAGE(Avg): 1MHz 10Hz

AF: Antenna Factor

AMP: Pre-amp gain CL: Cable loss

FSY (S/N: 001) **HPF**: High pass filter insertion loss (4.6GHz)

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B site (1.5 Meter)

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F(MHz)	<b>READING</b> (dBuV)		<b>AF</b> (dB)	CL (dB)	AMP (dB)	DIST (dB)	HPF TOTAL (dB) (dBuV/m)		1)	<b>LIMIT</b> (dBuV/m	)	MARGIN (dB)		
	Pk/QP	Av						Pk/QP	Av	Pk/QP	Av	Pk/QP	Av	
927.7QP	86.1		22.5	7.6	-27	0	0	89.2		94		-4.8		
1855.38	64.9	67.6	27.5	2.5	-35	-20	0	39.9	42.6	74	54	-34.1	-11.4	
2783.07	61.8	62	31.7	3.5	-35	-20	0	42	42.2	74	54	-32	-11.8	
3710.76	51	43.7	32	3.8	-35	-20	0	31.8	24.5	74	54	-42.2	-29.5	
4638.45	41.1	32.8	35.2	5.6	-35	-20	0	26.9	18.6	74	54	-47.1	-35.4	
5566.14	45	31.2	37.1	7	-35	-20	0	34.1	20.3	74	54	-39.9	-33.7	
6493.83	45.7	32.7	37.1	7	-35	-20	0	34.8	21.8	74	54	-39.2	-32.2	
7421.52	46.8	37.7	37.1	7	-35	-20	0	35.9	26.8	74	54	-38.1	-27.2	
8349.21	44.4	37.2	37.1	7	-35	-20	0	33.5	26.3	74	54	-40.5	-27.7	

NOTE: ALL READINGS ARE VERTICAL

**DIST**: Correction to extrapolate reading to 3m specification distance

1ft (0.3m) measurement distance: -20dB PEAK(Pk): 1MHz 1MHz

AF: Antenna Factor AVERAGE(Avg): 1MHz 10Hz

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**TX Out of Band Emissions** 

**Test Requirement:** FCC: 15.249(c)

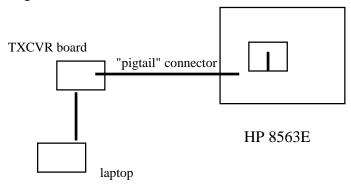
**Industry Canada: RSS 210** 

## **Measurement Equipment Used:**

HP 8563E Spectrum Analyzer

Flexco low loss cable, 16ft (loss: 0.85 dB/ft@ 26 GHz)

## **Test Set-up**



## Figure 2

## **Test Procedures**

- 1. The EUT was configured on a test bench as shown in Figure 1. The transmitter was set to a LOW channel. While the transmitter broadcast a steady stream of data, the analyzer MAX HOLD function was used to capture the envelope of the transmission occupied bandwidth.
- 2. The process in (1) was repeated for MID and HI channel.

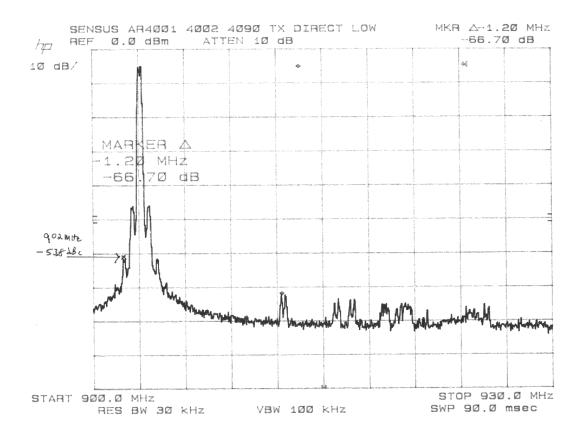
#### **Test Results:**

**PASS.** All emissions outside the band (except for harmonics, measured previously) were attenuated more than 50 dB below the level of the fundamental.

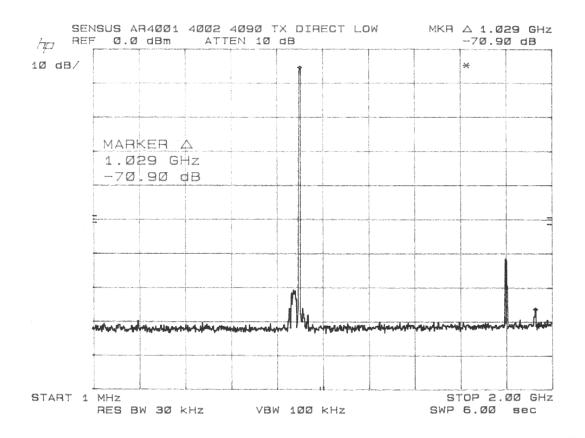
Refer to attached spectrum analyzer graphs.

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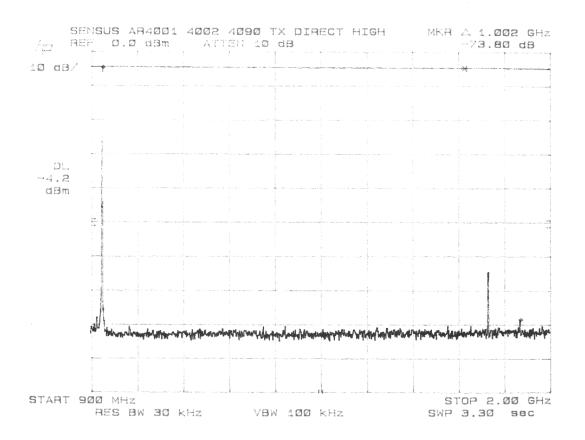
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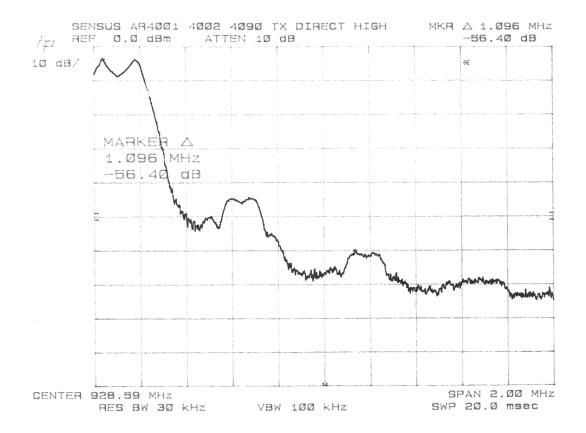
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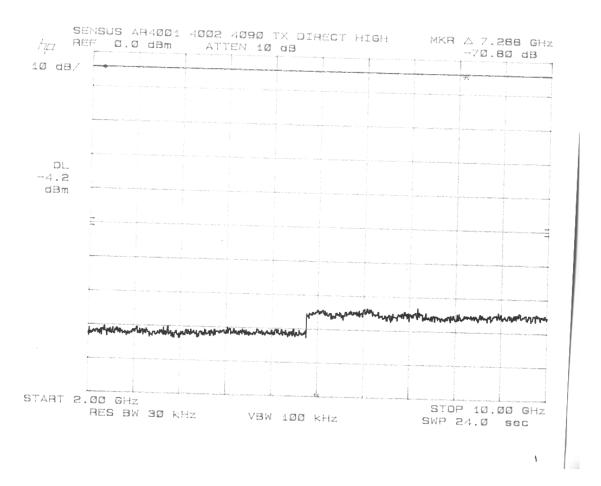
## Out of Band Emissions – 927.69 MHz



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**Receiver Related Emissions** 

**Test Requirement:** FCC: 15.101, 15.109

**Industry Canada: RSS 210** 

Per 15.101(b) for a transceiver, the transmitter portion of which is subject to certification, the receiver section is subject to verification and no data need be submitted to the Commission.

The Sensus Technologies transceiver referenced above uses an RFM "ASH" receiver, which is basically a tuned radio frequency (TRF) receiver that uses no oscillators, hence no separate measurements were made on the receiver portion of the product.

#### V. CERTIFICATION OF DATA

All radiated and conducted measurements described in this report were performed by, or were witnessed and supervised by, the undersigned. To the best of his knowledge and belief, test equipment calibrations, test procedures, and test data were accurate and as reported here.

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