Power Density Calculation for Aclara 09010B2

15.247(i) Maximum Permissible Exposure

The following calculations are provided to show a comparison to the Maximum Permissible Exposure (MPE) for the general population in an uncontrolled area even though the2009-010B2 MTU is categorically excluded from the necessity of a radio frequency exposure evaluation. The exclusion (2.1091) applies to Part 90 transmitters operating below 1.5 GHz with output below 1.5 Watts.

Normal Field Operation of Model 2009-010B2:

Frequency Range: 450 MHz – 470 MHz
Transmit Power: 0.562 W (dipole equivalent power)
Transmission Length: 60 mSec.
Transmission Period: One transmission every 6 hours

Extreme Values Used for the Calculation:

Transmit Power: 0.75 W (dipole equivalent power)
Transmission Length: 100 mSec.
Transmission Period: Four transmissions every hour

Average Power Calculation:

RF exposure for the general population in uncontrolled areas is determined using transmitted power averaged over 30 minutes. The equation used in the calculation is:

$$\mathbf{P}avg = P \times Tx \times TL/t$$

Where **P**avg is the average power, P is measured power output (mW), Tx is the number of transmission in 30 seconds, TL is the transmission length (Sec) and t is the number of seconds in 30 minutes. Therefore:

$$\mathbf{P}avg = .75\ W \times 4 \times 0.10\ Sec / (30\ min \times 60\ sec)$$

$$= 0.3\ W\text{-}Sec/1800\ Sec = 0.16\ mW$$

Average Power Density Calculation:

Average power density is calculated at a distance of 20 cm by using the following equation:

$$S = \mathbf{P}avg \times G/4 \times \pi \times r^2$$

where S is the average power density, **P**avg is the average power, G is the gain of a dipole antenna and r is the distance from the transmitter. Therefore:

$$S = 0.16\ mW \times 1.64/4 \times 3.1416 \times 20cm \times 20cm$$

$$= 0.44\ mw/5027\ cm^2 = 0.000087\ mW/cm^2 = 0.052\ uW/cm^2$$

Comparison of 2009-010B2 to MPE:

The MPE for the general population in uncontrolled areas is 460/1500 = 0.3067 mW/cm^2

The average power density of the 09010B2 MTU is 0.052 uW/cm^2, which is significantly lower than the MPE of 0.3067 mW/cm^2.