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Abstract

This report has been prepared on behalf of MALA GeoScience USA INC. to support the attached Application for Equipment Authorization. The test report and application are submitted for a Licensed Transmitter under Part 90 of the FCC Rules and Regulations (10/2008). This Certification Test Report documents the test configuration and test results for a MALA GeoScience USA INC. MSR 300 Movement and Surveying Radar.

Testing was performed on an Open Area Test Site (OATS) of Washington Laboratories, Ltd, 7560 Lindbergh Drive, Gaithersburg, MD 20879. Site description and site attenuation data have been placed on file with the FCC's Sampling and Measurements Branch at the FCC laboratory in Columbia, MD. The Industry Canada OATS numbers are 3035A-1 and 3035A-2 for Washington Laboratories, Ltd. Site 1 and Site 2, respectively. Washington Laboratories, Ltd. has been accepted by the FCC and approved by the American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA) under Certificate 2675.01 as an independent FCC test laboratory.

The MALA GeoScience USA INC. MSR 300 Movement and Surveying Radar complies with the limits for a Licensed Transmitter device under FCC Part 90.

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1 Introduction

1.1 Compliance Statement

The MALA GeoScience USA INC. MSR 300 Movement and Surveying Radar complies with the limits for a Licensed Transmitter device under FCC Part 90 (10/2008).

1.2 Test Scope

Tests for radiated and conducted (at antenna terminal) emissions were performed. All measurements were performed in accordance with ANSI C63.4-2003 and ANSI/TIA/EIA-603C. The measurement equipment conforms to ANSI C63.2 Specifications for Electromagnetic Noise and Field Strength Instrumentation.

1.3 Contract Information

Customer:	MALA GeoScience USA INC P.O. Box 80430 Charleston, SC 29416
Purchase Order Number:	Check
Quotation Number:	64908
1.4 Test Dates	- /20/20 - 0///20
Testing was performed on the following date(s):	7/30/09 to 8/4/09
1.5 Test and Support Personnel	
Washington Laboratories, LTD	Steven Dovell
Client Representative	Matt J. Wolf

1.6 Abbreviations

Α	Ampere				
ac	alternating current				
AM	Amplitude Modulation				
Amps	Amperes				
b/s	bits per second				
BW	BandWidth				
CE	Conducted Emission				
cm	centimeter				
CW	Continuous Wave				
dB	deciBel				
dc	direct current				
EMI	Electromagnetic Interference				
EUT	Equipment Under Test				
FM	Frequency Modulation				
G					
Hz Hertz					
IF					
k	k ilo - prefix for 10^3 multiplier				
LISN	Line Impedance Stabilization Network				
M	Mega - prefix for 10 ⁶ multiplier				
m	meter				
μ	m icro - prefix for 10 ⁻⁶ multiplier				
NB	Narrowband				
QP	Quasi-Peak				
RE	RE Radiated Emissions				
RF	Radio Frequency				
rms	root-mean-square				
SN	Serial Number				
S/A	Spectrum Analyzer				
V	Volt				

2 Equipment Under Test

2.1 EUT Identification & Description

The MALA GeoScience USA INC. MSR 300 Movement and Surveying Radar is intended to be used as a monitor to detect surface movement. It then generates a warning of impending failure so that mine personnel and equipment maybe moved prior to the failure. MSR can also be used to generate survey data for the mine This unit is not your typical radar system. It is a FMCW (frequency-modulated continuous wave). It does not use a pulse width or rep rate. It simply scans from 9.7GHz to 10GHz over and over. No modulation, simply CW.

ITEM	DESCRIPTION				
Manufacturer:	MALA GeoScience USA INC.				
FCC ID:	XOP-5840-SL-3000				
Model:	MSR 300 Movement and Surveying Radar				
FCC Rule Parts:	§90.103				
Frequency Range:	9.775GHz – 10.00GHz				
Maximum Output Power:	294.4mW (24.69dBm)				
Modulation:	FMCW				
Necessary Bandwidth:	0 Hz				
Keying:	Automatic				
Type of Information:	None				
Number of Channels:	Swept				
Power Output Level	Fixed				
Antenna Connector	SMA				
Antenna Type	Parabolic dish reflector, 38dB				
Frequency Tolerance:	specified by station authority				
Emission Type(s):	FON				
Interface Cables:	Tx = SMA, $Rx = SMA$, $Control = 23$ pin Twist lock				
Power Source & Voltage:	24VDC				

Table 1. Device Summary

2.2 Test Configuration

The MSR 300 Movement and Surveying Radar was configured as a self contained trailer mounted unit. See Figure 1.

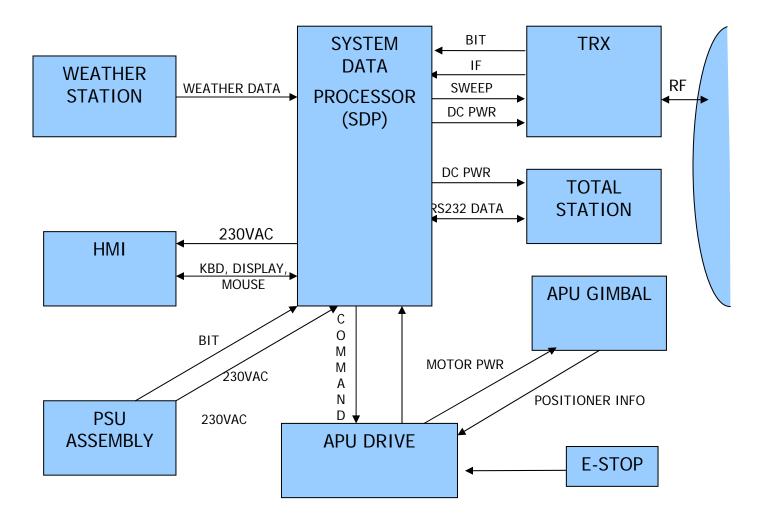


Figure 1: Test Configuration

Under normal operation, the EUT sweeps a CW signal from 9.775GHz to 10GHz. Figure 2-2 is a plot of the normal operational output of the EUT.

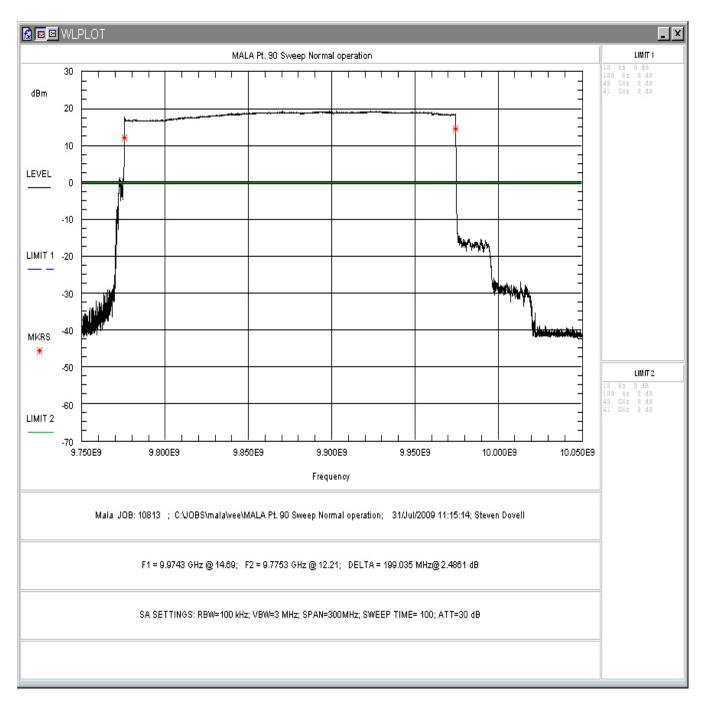


Figure 2-2. Normal Operation Output Signal

2.3 Testing Algorithm

The MSR 300 Movement and Surveying Radar was operated by selecting the operating mode, CW or Sweep, by pressing PB0 on the control board. Each press of PB0 cycled the EUT mode from Normal Sweep to CW – Start Of Sweep Frequency to CW – 9.8GHz to CW – 9.9GHz to CW – 10GHz.

Conducted measurements were taken at the TX port (J14) of the Transceiver module. EIRP measurements were made with J14 terminated into a 50 ohm load.

Worst case emission levels are provided in the test results data.

2.4 Test Location

All measurements herein were performed at Washington Laboratories, Ltd. test center in Gaithersburg, MD. Site description and site attenuation data have been placed on file with the FCC's Sampling and Measurements Branch at the FCC laboratory in Columbia, MD. The Industry Canada OATS numbers are 3035A-1 and 3035A-2 for Washington Laboratories, Ltd. Site 1 and Site 2, respectively. Washington Laboratories, Ltd. has been accepted by the FCC and approved by the American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA) under Certificate 2675.01 as an independent FCC test laboratory.

2.5 Measurements

2.5.1 References

ANSI C63.2 Specifications for Electromagnetic Noise and Field Strength Instrumentation

ANSI C63.4 American National Standard for Methods of Measurement of Radio-Noise Emissions from Low-Voltage Electrical and Electronic Equipment in the Range of 9 kHz to 40 GHz

Land Mobile FM or PM Communications Equipment Measurement and Performance Standards (ANSI/TIA/EIA-603C)

2.6 Measurement Uncertainty

All results reported herein relate only to the equipment tested. For the purposes of the measurements performed by Washington Laboratories, the measurement uncertainty is ± 2.3 dB. This has been calculated for a *worst-case situation* (radiated emissions measurements performed on an open area test site).

The following measurement uncertainty calculation is provided:

Total Uncertainty =
$$(A^2 + B^2 + C^2)^{1/2}/(n-1)$$

where:

A = Antenna calibration uncertainty, in dB = 2 dB

$$B = Spectrum Analyzer uncertainty, in dB = 1 dB$$

C = Site uncertainty, in dB = 4 dB

n = number of factors in uncertainty calculation = 3

Thus, Total Uncertainty = $0.5 (2^2 + 1^2 + 4^2)^{1/2} = \pm 2.3 \text{ dB}.$

3 Test Equipment

Table 2 shows a list of the test equipment used for measurements along with the calibration information.

Table 2:	Test Equipment Lis	st
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Test Name:	FCC Part 90.103 Test Date:		08/04/2009
Asset #	Manufacturer/Model	Description	Cal. Due
00067	HP, 8564E	Analyzer, Spectrum	10/10/2009
00597	WATLOW, TNNY-VRSA-0001	Chamber T10rs	06/01/2010
00034	EMCO, BIA-30	Antenna, Biconical	02/20/2010
00007	ARA, LPB-2520	Antenna, Biconilog Antenna	06/17/2010
00028	EMCO, 3146	Antenna, Log Periodic	10/02/2010
00522	HP, 8449B	Pre-Amplifier, 1-26.5GHZ	07/21/2010
00065	HP, 8447D	Pre-Amplifier, RF, 50KHZ-1GHZ	12/19/2009
00004	ARA, DRG-118/A	Antenna, DRG, 1-18GHZ	02/06/2011
00001	A.H., Systems, SAS-200/518	Antenna, LP, 1-18GHZ	04/29/2010
00083	HP, 11970U	Mixer, Harmonic	06/09/2010
00210	NARDA, V638	Horn, Standard, Gain	12/14/2012
00209	NARDA V637	Horn, Standard, Gain	12/14/2012
00453	A.H., Systems, PAM1840	Pre-Amplifier, 18GHZ-40 GHZ	06/19/2010

4 Test Results

4.1 **RF Power Output: (FCC Part §2.1046)**

The output from the transmitter was connected to an attenuator and then to the input of the RF Spectrum Analyzer. The analyzer offset was adjusted to compensate for the attenuator and other losses in the system.

The carrier was not modulated.

Frequency	Level	Limit	Pass/Fail
Low Channel 9.775GHz	22.2dBm		Pass
Center Channel 9.9GHz	24.69dBm	Not specified	Pass
High Channel 10GHz	22.23 dBm	Not specified	Pass

Table 3. RF Power Output

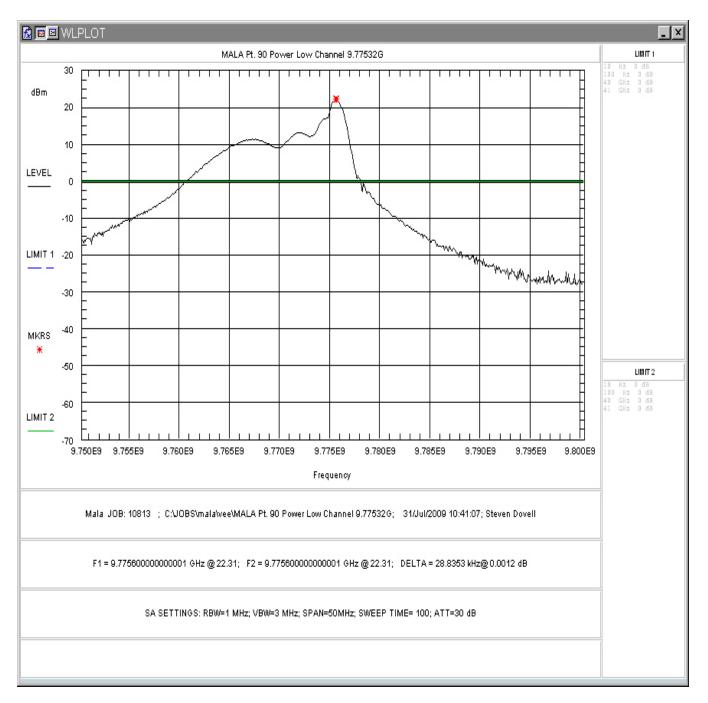


Figure 4-1. RF Peak Power, Low Channel

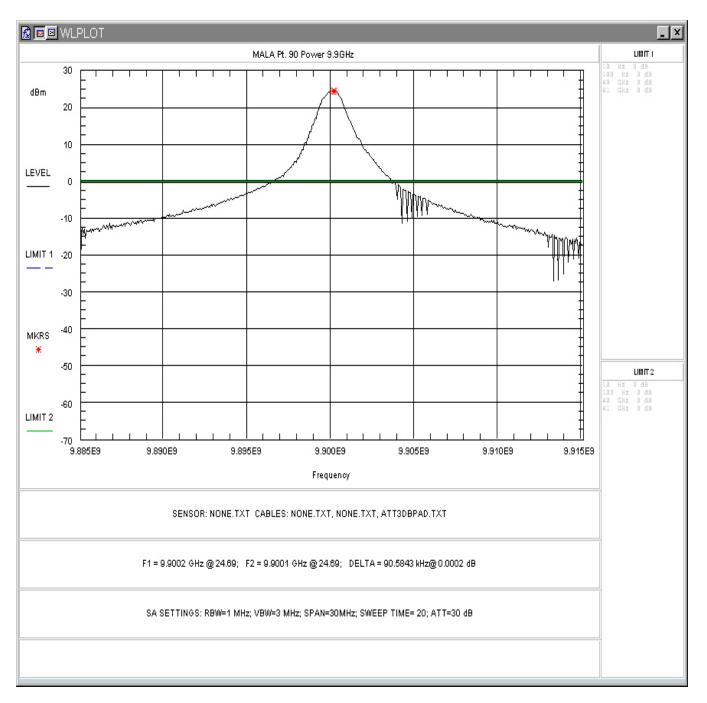


Figure 4-2. RF Peak Power, Mid Channel

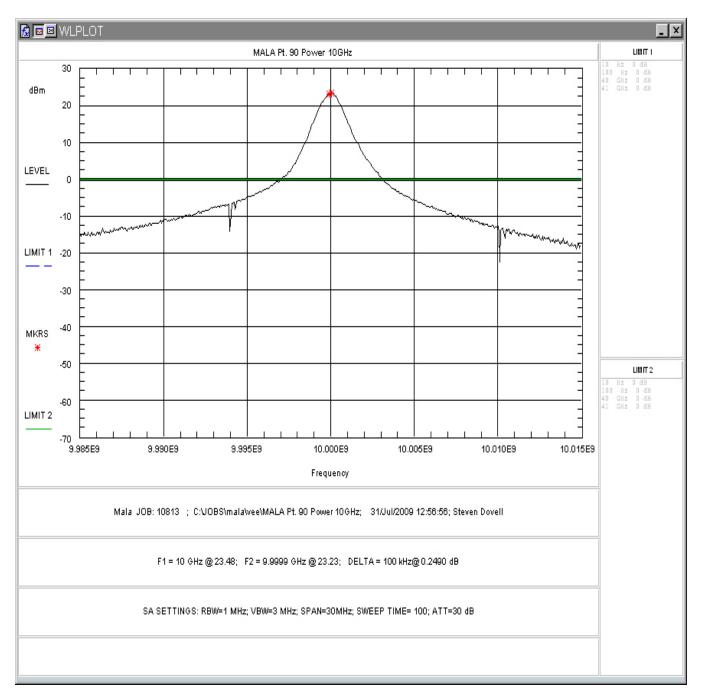


Figure 4-3. RF Peak Power, High Channel

4.2 Occupied Bandwidth: (FCC Part §90.210(c))

Occupied bandwidth was performed by coupling the output of the EUT to the input of a spectrum analyzer. The mask was determined using the criteria specified in FCC Part §90.210(c).

For transmitters that are not equipped with an audio low-pass filter, the power of any emission must be attenuated below the unmodulated carrier output power (P) as follows: (1) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth by a displacement frequency (fd in kHz) of more than 5 kHz, but not more than 10 kHz: At least 83 log (fd/5) dB; (2) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth by a displacement frequency (fd in kHz) of more than 10 kHz, but not more than 250 percent of the authorized bandwidth: At least 29 log (fd 2/11) dB or 50 dB, whichever is the lesser attenuation; (3) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth: At least 43 + 10 log (P) dB.

The occupied bandwidth was measured as shown:

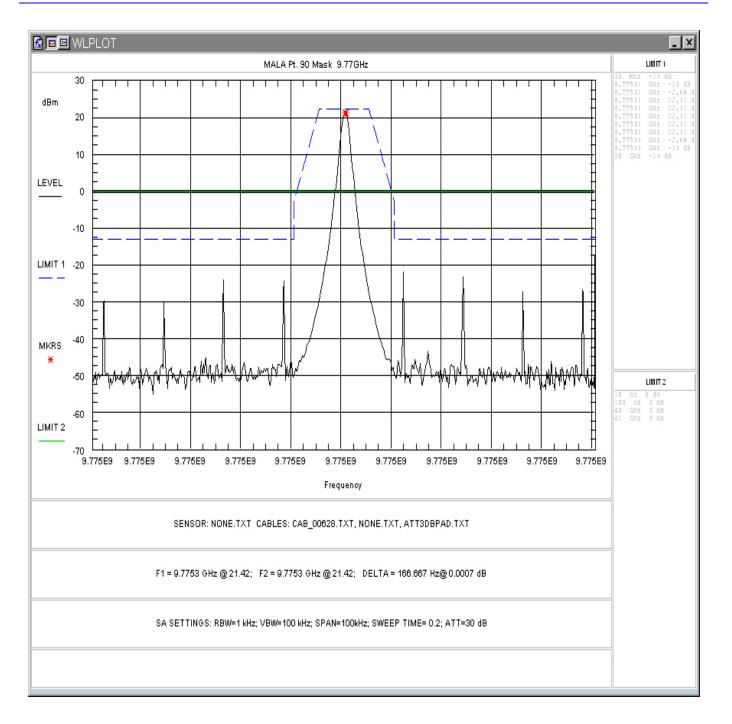


Figure 4-4. Occupied Bandwidth, Low Channel

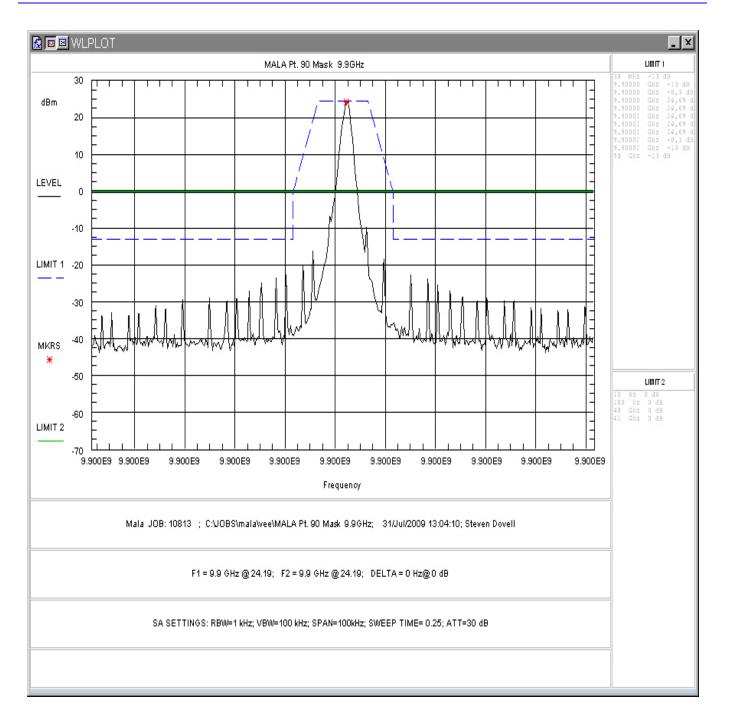


Figure 4-5. Occupied Bandwidth, Mid Channel

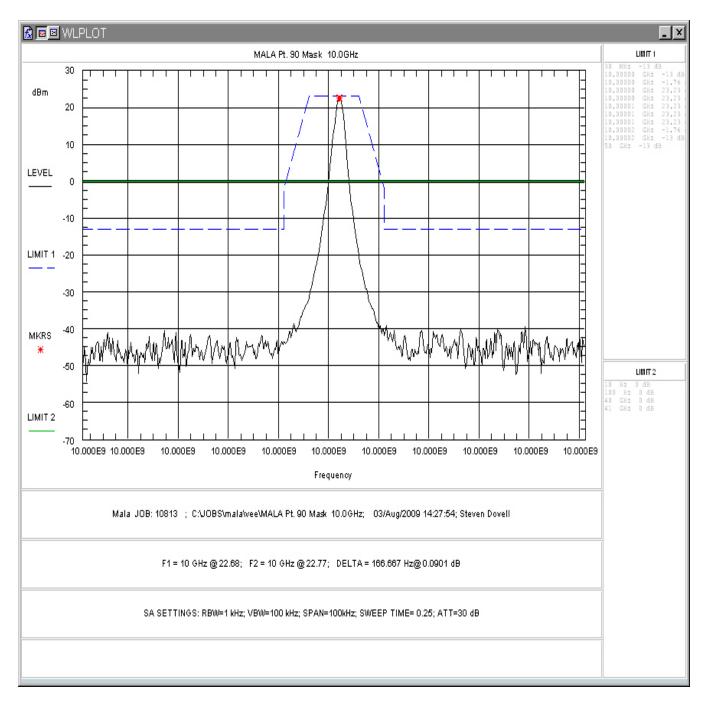


Figure 4-6. Occupied Bandwidth, High Channel

Table 4 provides a summary of the Occupied Bandwidth Results.

Frequency	Bandwidth	Limit	Pass/Fail
Low Channel	CW	5kHz	Pass
9.775GHz			
Mid Channel	CW	5kHz	Pass
9.9GHz			
High Channel	CW	5kHz	Pass
10.0GHz			

Table 4. Occupied Bandwidth Results

4.3 Conducted Spurious Emissions at Antenna Terminals (FCC Part §2.1051)

FCC Part §90.210(c) states:

For transmitters that are not equipped with an audio low-pass filter, the power of any emission must be attenuated below the unmodulated carrier output power (P) as follows: (1) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth by a displacement frequency (fd in kHz) of more than 5 kHz, but not more than 10 kHz: At least 83 log (fd/5) dB; (2) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth by a displacement frequency (fd in kHz) of more than 10 kHz, but not more than 250 percent of the authorized bandwidth: At least 29 log (fd 2/11) dB or 50 dB, whichever is the lesser attenuation; (3) On any frequency removed from the center of the authorized bandwidth: At least 43 + 10 log (P) dB.

The EUT antenna was removed and the cable was connected directly into a spectrum analyzer through a 3 dB attenuator. An offset was programmed into the spectrum analyzer to compensate for the loss of the external attenuator and cables. The spectrum analyzer resolution bandwidth was set to 100 kHz and the video bandwidth was set to 1MHz. The amplitude of the EUT carrier frequency was measured to determine the emissions limit. The emissions outside of the allocated frequency band were then scanned from 30 MHz up to the tenth harmonic of the carrier (50GHz).

The following are plots of the conducted spurious emissions data.

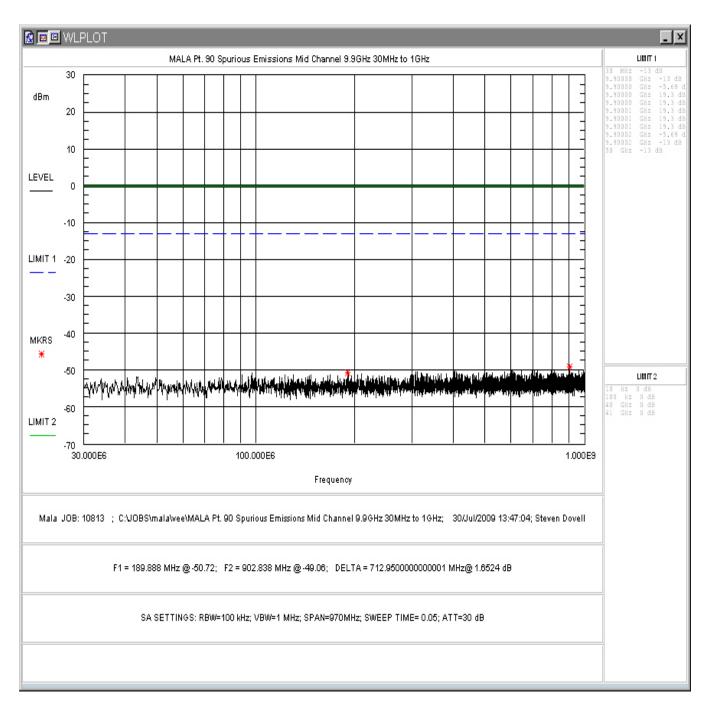


Figure 4-7. Conducted Spurious Emissions, Center Channel 30 - 1000MHz

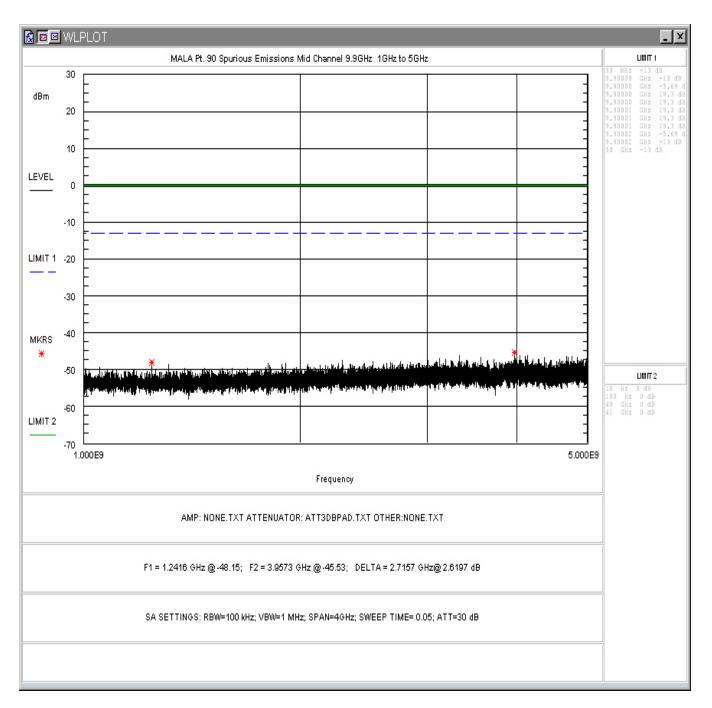


Figure 4-8. Conducted Spurious Emissions, Center Channel 1 – 5GHz

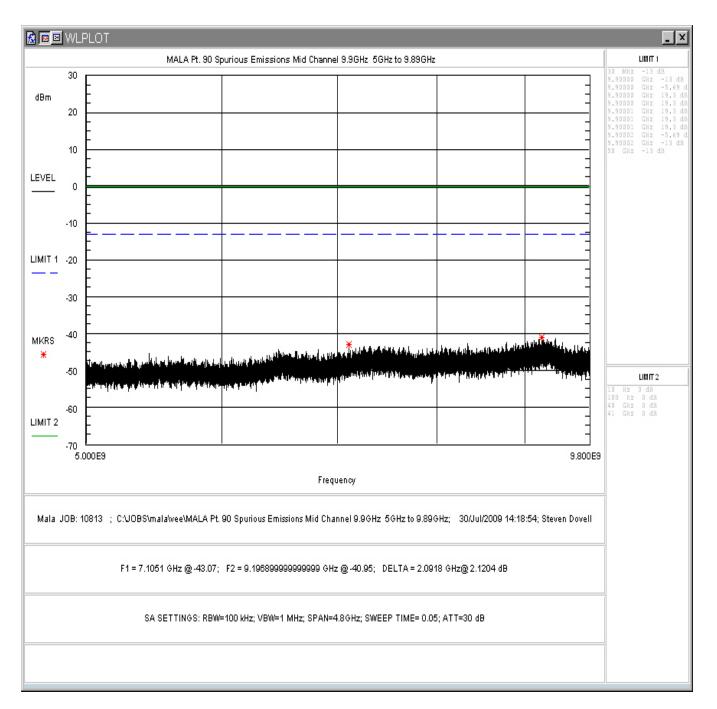
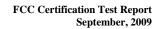


Figure 4-9. Conducted Spurious Emissions, Center Channel 5 – 9.8GHz



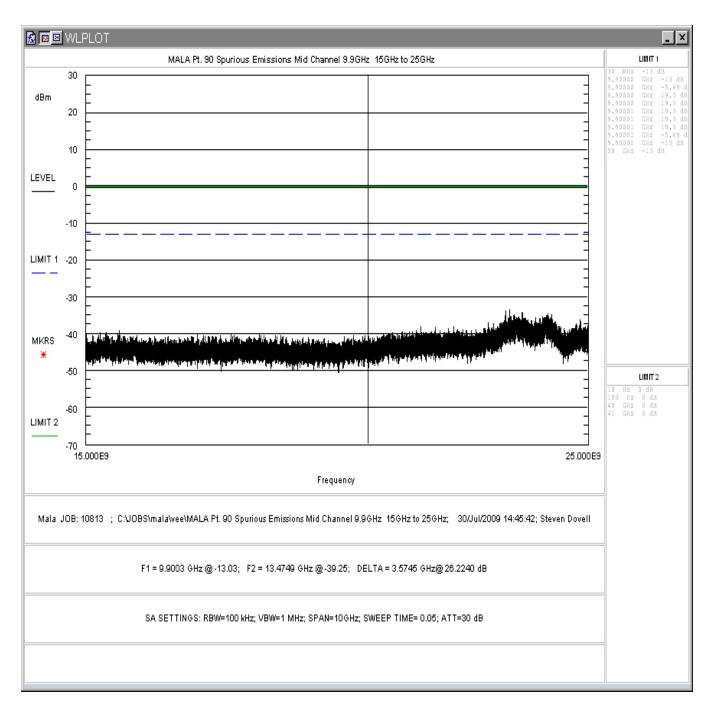
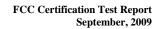


Figure 4-10. Conducted Spurious Emissions, Center Channel 9.9 - 15GHz



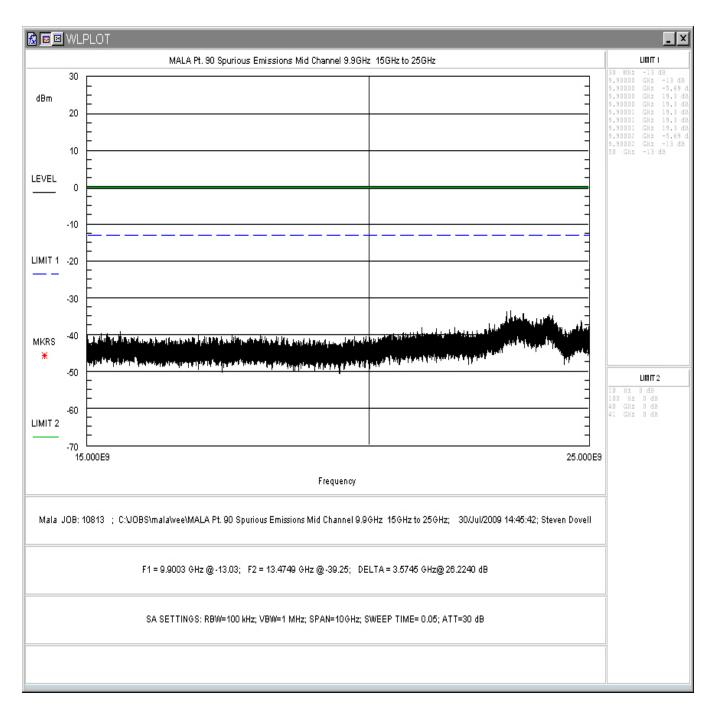
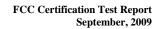


Figure 4-11. Conducted Spurious Emissions, Center Channel 15 - 25GHz



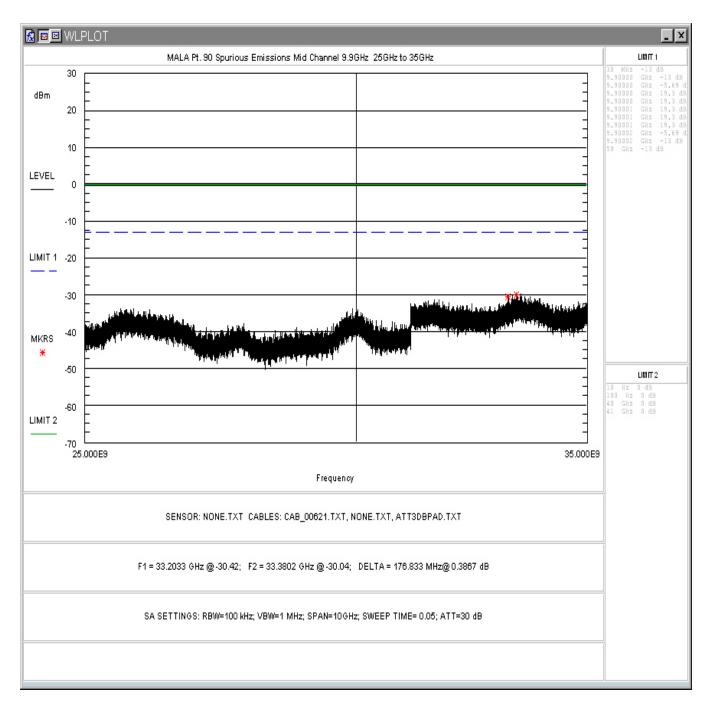
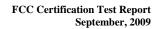


Figure 4-12. Conducted Spurious Emissions, Center Channel 25 - 35GHz



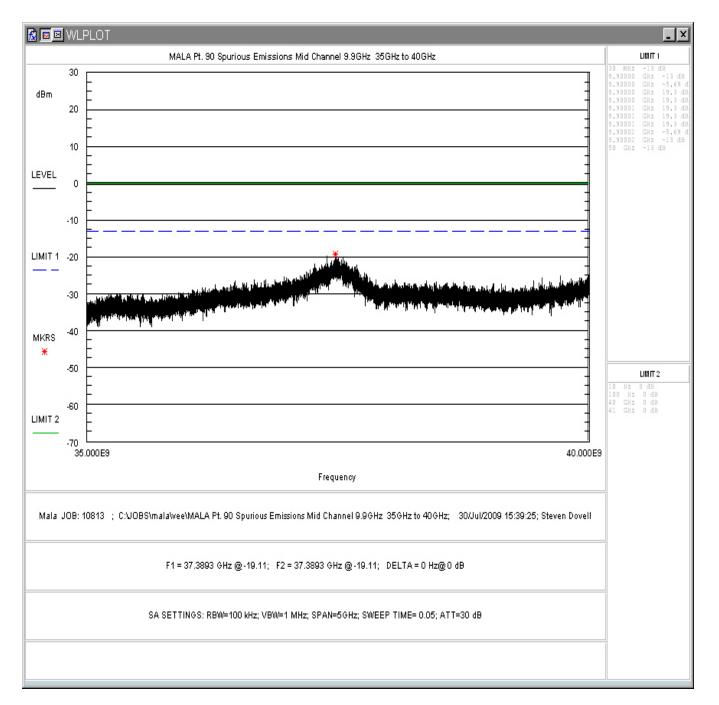


Figure 4-13. Conducted Spurious Emissions, Center Channel 35 – 40GHz

The EUT was examined from 40GHz – 50GHz using a Harmonic Mixer. No emissions were noted.

4.4 Radiated Spurious Emissions: (FCC Part §2.1053)

The EUT must comply with the requirements for radiated spurious emissions. These emissions must meet the limits specified in §90.210 (c) for peak measurements.

4.4.1 Test Procedure

Due to the size of the EUT, the EUT was stationary and the antennas were moved around the EUT in approximately 22 degree arcs at a distance of 3-meter open field test site. The emissions from the EUT were measured and recorded. Both the horizontal and vertical field components were measured. The frequency range of 30MHz to 50GHz was examined.

Once all emissions were measured, a substitute antenna was used to transmit frequencies and levels that matched the EUT emissions and EIRP was determined. ERP was calculated by subtracting 2.15 from the EIRP results and compared to the limit of -13dBm. Test results are tabulated in Table 1.

Frequency (MHz)	Polarity	Azimuth	Ant. Height (m)	Spurious Level (dBuV)	Sub. Sig. Gen. Level (dBm)	Sub. Power Level (dBm)	Sub. Ant. Factor (dB)	Sub. Ant. Gain (dB)	EIRP Level (dBm)	EIRP to ERP Conversion	Limit (dBm)	Margin (dB)
34.40	V	P1	1.0	49.3	-45.0	-46.9	10.9	-10.0	-56.9	-59.0	-13	-46.0
37.53	V	P1	1.0	51.0	-46.1	-48.0	10.5	-8.8	-56.8	-59.0	-13	-46.0
41.20	V	P1	1.0	53.5	-45.3	-47.3	10.4	-7.9	-55.2	-57.3	-13	-44.3
56.31	V	P2	1.0	46.5	-56.5	-58.5	10.9	-5.7	-64.2	-66.4	-13	-53.4
64.10	V	P2	1.0	46.3	-54.4	-56.4	10.2	-3.9	-60.2	-62.4	-13	-49.4
78.20	V	P2	1.0	45.7	-59.0	-60.8	6.6	1.4	-59.4	-61.6	-13	-48.6
90.63	V	P2	1.0	40.3	-64.5	-66.3	8.3	1.0	-65.2	-67.4	-13	-54.4
250.00	V	P1	1.5	43.0	-61.1	-63.8	12.7	5.5	-58.3	-60.4	-13	-47.4
380.12	V	P2	1.5	49.2	-53.4	-56.5	15.2	6.6	-49.9	-52.1	-13	-39.1
1002.00	V	P2	1.5	59.7	-40.6	-43.7	23.9	6.3	-37.4	-39.5	-13	-26.5
1125.25	v	P2	1.5	51.0	-48.5	-51.9	24.2	7.1	-44.8	-46.9	-13	-33.9
1237.70	v	P2	1.5	52.2	-47.7	-51.3	24.4	7.7	-43.6	-45.7	-13	-32.7
2338.65	V	P1	1.5	54.5	-41.8	-47.1	28.8	8.8	-38.3	-40.5	-13	-27.5
4950.20	V	P1	1.5	42.8	-50.0	-58.7	33.3	10.8	-47.9	-50.0	-13	-37.0
34.40	Н	P2	1.5	39.0	-48.4	-50.3	10.9	-10.0	-60.3	-62.4	-13	-49.4
40.98	Н	P2	1.5	43.2	-49.3	-51.3	10.4	-7.9	-59.2	-61.4	-13	-48.4
56.30	Н	P2	1.5	57.0	-43.5	-45.5	10.9	-5.7	-51.2	-53.4	-13	-40.4
78.15	Н	P2	1.5	55.4	-57.5	-59.3	6.6	1.4	-57.9	-60.1	-13	-47.1
87.53	Н	P2	1.5	56.7	-53.3	-55.1	7.6	1.5	-53.6	-55.7	-13	-42.7
100.00	Н	P2	1.5	46.0	-57.2	-58.9	12.6	-2.4	-61.3	-63.5	-13	-50.5
127.75	Н	P1	1.5	47.5	-54.2	-56.2	13.1	-0.8	-56.9	-59.1	-13	-46.1
129.70	Н	P2	1.5	49.0	-56.1	-58.1	13.1	-0.6	-58.7	-60.8	-13	-47.8
250.00	Н	P2	1.5	48.4	-54.9	-57.6	12.7	5.5	-52.1	-54.2	-13	-41.2
380.12	Н	P2	1.5	43.0	-67.6	-70.7	15.2	6.6	-64.1	-66.3	-13	-53.3
1002.00	Н	P2	1.5	59.7	-39.8	-42.9	23.9	6.3	-36.6	-38.7	-13	-25.7
1125.25	Н	P2	1.5	51.0	-50.4	-53.8	24.2	7.1	-46.7	-48.8	-13	-35.8
1237.70	Н	P2	1.5	52.2	-47.8	-51.4	24.4	7.7	-43.7	-45.8	-13	-32.8
1250.00	Н	P1	1.5	45.0	-57.5	-61.1	24.4	7.7	-53.3	-55.5	-13	-42.5
2333.30	Н	P1	1.5	47.3	-50.3	-55.6	28.8	8.8	-46.8	-49.0	-13	-36.0

Table 5: Radiated Emission Test Data

4.5 Frequency Stability: (FCC Part §2.1055)

Frequency as a function of temperature and voltage variation shall be maintained within the FCC-prescribed tolerances.

The temperature stability was measured with the unit in an environmental chamber used to vary the temperature of the sample. The sample was held at each temperature step to allow the temperature of the sample to stabilize.

The EUT is powered by DC voltage supplied externally. The transceiver operates from 24VDC supplied via the control cable. The voltage connections were removed from the cable an external adjustable power supply was used to adjust the input voltage to the transceiver to 85% of the normal input voltage and 115% of the normal voltage. The frequency of the Center channel was measured and recorded at each voltage setting. Results are found in Table 7.

The frequency stability of the transmitter was examined for the temperature range of -30° C to $+50^{\circ}$ C. The carrier frequency was measured while the EUT was in the temperature chamber. The reference frequency of the EUT was measured at the ambient room temperature with the spectrum analyzer. The results are found in Table 6.

Frequency tolerance is specified by the station authority.

Temperature	Frequency	Deviation
(Celsius)	(GHz)	(Hz)
Center Channel	9.9	
-30	9.900011770.0	-280
-20	9.900012238.0	-748
-10	9.900012254.0	-764
0	9.900012193.0	-703
10	9.900011920.0	-430
20	9.900011490.0	0
30	9.900011471.0	19
40	9.900011300.0	190
50	9.900010860.0	630

Table 6. Frequency Deviation as a Function of Temperature

Channel	Voltage	Frequency	Deviation
9.9GHz	(Volts DC)	(GHz)	(Hz)
Center Channel	20.4	9900011570.0	-80.0
	24	9900011490.0	0
	27.6	9900011491.0	1.0

Table 7. Frequency Deviation as a Function of Voltage