Analysis of Non-Ionizing Radiation for a 7.0 Meter Earth Station System

This report analyzes the non-ionizing radiation levels for a 7.0 meter earth station system. The analysis and calculations performed in this report are in compliance with the methods described in the FCC Office of Engineering and Technology Bulletin, No. 65 first published in 1985 and revised in 1997 in Edition 97-01. The radiation safety limits used in the analysis are in conformance with the FCC R&O 96-326. Bulletin No. 65 and the FCC R&O specifies that there are two separate tiers of exposure limits that are dependant on the situation in which the exposure takes place and/or the status of the individuals who are subject to the exposure. The Maximum Permissible Exposure (MPE) limits for persons in a General Population/ Uncontrolled environment are shown in Table 1. The General Population/ Uncontrolled MPE is a function of transmit frequency and is for an exposure period of thirty minutes or less. The MPE limits for persons in an Occupational/Controlled environment are shown in Table 2. The Occupational MPE is a function of transmit frequency and is for an exposure period of six minutes or less. The purpose of the analysis described in this report is to determine the power flux density levels of the earth station in the far-field, near-field, transition region, between the subreflector or feed and main reflector surface, at the main reflector surface, and between the antenna edge and the ground and to compare these levels to the specified MPEs.

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Frequency Range (MHz) Power Density (mWatts/cm**2)

30-300 0.2 300-1500 Frequency(MHz)*(0.8/1200) 1500-100,000 1.0

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Table 3. Formulas and Parameters Used for Determining Power Flux Densities

Parameter	Abbreviation	Value	Units
Antenna Diameter	D	7.0	meters
Antenna Surface Area	Sa	II * D**2/4	meters**2
Subreflector Diameter	Ds	60.0	cm
Area of Subreflector	As	II * Ds**2/4	cm**2
Frequency	Frequency	6175	MHz
Wavelength	lambda	300/frequency(MHz)	meters
Transmit Power	P	500.00	Watts
Antenna Gain	Ges	51.1	dBi
Pi	II	3.1415927	n/a
Antenna Efficiency	n	0.63	n/a

1. Far Field Distance Calculation

The distance to the beginning of the far field can be determined from the following equation: (1)

Distance to the Far Field Region, (Rf) =
$$0.60 * D**2 / lambda$$
 (1) = $605.1 meters$

The maximum main beam power density in the Far Field can be determined from the following equation: (2)

On-Axis Power Density in the Far Field, (Wf) = Ges * P / 4 * II * Rf**2 (2)
=
$$13.997 \text{ Watts/meters**2}$$

= $1.400 \text{ mWatts/cm**2}$

2. Near Field Calculation

Power flux density is considered to be at a maximum value throughout the entire length of the defined Near Field region. The region is contained within a cylindrical volume having the same diameter as the antenna. Past the boundary of the Near Field region the power density from the antenna decreases linearly with respect to increasing distance.

The distance to the end of the Near Field can be determined from the following equation: (3)

Extent of the Near Field, (Rn) =
$$D^{**2}$$
 / (4 * lambda) (3)
= 252.1 meters

The maximum power density in the Near Field can be determined from the following equation: (4)

Near Field Power Density, (Wn) =
$$16.0 * n * P / II * D**2$$
 (4)
= $32.675 \text{ Watts/meters**2}$
= $3.268 \text{ mWatts/cm**2}$

3. Transition Region Calculations

The Transition region is located between the Near and Far Field regions. The power density begins to decrease linearly with increasing distance in the Transition region. While the power density decreases inversely with distance in the Transition region, the power density decreases inversely with the square of the distance in the Far Field region. The maximum power density in the Transition region will not exceed that calculated for the Near Field region. The power density calculated in Section 1 is the highest power density the antenna can produce in any of the regions away from the antenna. The power density at a distance Rt can be determined from the following equation: (5)

Transition region Power Density, (Tt) =
$$Wn * Rn / Rt$$
 (5)
= 3.268 mWatts/cm**2

4. Region between Main Reflector and Subreflector

Transmissions from the feed assembly are directed toward the subreflector surface, and are reflected back toward the main reflector. The most common feed assemblies are waveguide flanges, horns or subreflectors. The energy between the subreflector and the reflector surfaces can be calculated by determining the power density at the subreflector surface. This can be determined from the following equation: (6)

Power Density at Feed Flange, (Ws) =
$$4 * P / As$$
 (6)
= $707.355 \text{ mWatts/cm**2}$

5. Main Reflector Region

The power density in the main reflector is determined in the same manner as the power density at the subreflector. The area is now the area of the main reflector aperture and can be determined from the following equation: (7)

Power Density at the Main Reflector Surface, (Wm) =
$$4 * P / Sa$$
 (7)
= $51.969 \text{ Watts/meters**2}$
= $5.197 \text{ mWatts/cm**2}$

6. Region between Main Reflector and Ground

Assuming uniform illumination of the reflector surface, the power density between the antenna and ground can be determined from the following equation: (8)

Table 4. Summary of Expected Radiation levels for Uncontrolled Environment

	Calculate	d Maximum Radiatio	n	
		er Density Level Watts/cm**2)	Hazard As	sessment
1.	Far Field (Rf) = 605.1 meters	1.400	Potential	Hazard
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Table 5. Summary of Expected Radiation levels for Controlled Environment

	Region	Power Density Level (mWatts/cm**2)	
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7. Conclusions

Based on this analysis it is concluded that the FCC RF Guidelines have been exceeded in the specific regions of Tables 1 and 2. The applicant proposes to comply with the Maximum Permissible Exposure (MPE) limits of 1 mW/cm2 for the Uncontrolled areas and the MPE limits of 5 mW/cm2 for the Controlled areas by one or more of the following methods:

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The transmitters will be turned off during antenna maintenance.

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The distance to the beginning of the far field can be determined from the following equation: (1)

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On-Axis Power Density in the Far Field, (Wf) = Ges * P / 4 * II * Rf**2 (2)
=
$$6.553$$
 Watts/meters**2
= 0.655 mWatts/cm**2

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= 25.465 Watts/meters**2
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