

Annex 3

O3b Radiation Hazard Site Studies

Two Radiation Hazard studies for the Orbit 1.2 meter antenna are provided on the following pages. O3b has conducted a radiation hazard study for transmissions in each of its contiguous transmission bands, 27.6-28.4 GHz and 28.6-29.1 GHz. The results of those studies are included in this annex. As noted in each study, O3b will take steps to mitigate the potential for harmful exposure to radiation frequency radiation in accordance with the Federal Communications Commission's Office of Engineering and Technology (OET) Bulletin, No. 65.

Radiation Hazard Analysis

1.15 Meter - Orbit GSO 40 Manassas, Virginia 20109

Introduction

A radiation hazard analysis is presented for a 1.15 meter Ka band aperture antenna to be installed in Manassas Virginia at the O3b Networks Global Operations Center. This Radiation Analysis calculates the non-ionizing radiation levels expected to be emitted from the earth station on a worst cases basis and is performed in accordance with the Federal Communications Commissions Office of Engineering and Technology (OET) Bulletin, No. 65.

Requirements

OET 65 outlines the maximum permissible exposure limits in two cases for operation in this frequency range.

1. The first case is the maximum level that a person may be exposed to in the general population. The exposure limit is defined as a non-ionizing power level equal to 1 milliwatt per centimeter squared averaged over a thirty minute period.
2. The second case is a controlled environment where the maximum permissible exposure limit must not exceed 5 milliwatts per centimeter squared averaged over any six minute period.

Summary

The results indicate that no significant hazard will be presented to the general population and will be fully mitigated in the controlled area by the use of procedures that require the removal of transmit power before accessing the area around the main reflector.

Analysis

This analysis was performed on seven zones. The results of this is shown in Radiation Hazard Zones. The Table labeled Input Values provides the input data used to perform the analysis. The table labeled OET 65 Calculated Values provides the intermediate calculation used to perform the assessment in accordance with OET 65. The Analysis is performed for each of the seven radiation zones as shown in figure 1 – Analysis Zones. These zones are:

1. Point between the feed and the sub-reflector
2. The power at the surface of the antenna
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4. The near-field or Fresnel region in which the maxima can be reached before the field starts to diminish with distance
5. The Transition region where power begins to decrease inversely with distance from the antenna
6. The Far Field or Fraunhofer region where power decreases inversely with the square of the distance. This is the point at which the antenna beam is fully collimated
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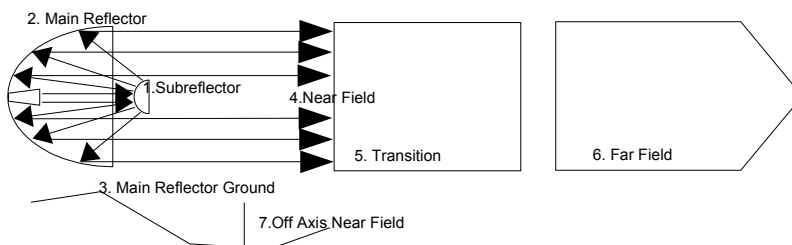


Figure 1 – Analysis Zones

Radiation Hazard Analysis

Operator: **O3b Networks**
 Location Designation: **Global Operations Center**
 County: **Prince William**
 Town: **Manassas**
 State/Zip: **Virginia 20109**

FCC ID:
 O3b ID: **Orbit GSO 40**
 STA:

| Input Values | Value | Unit |
|--|-------|------------|
| $D = \text{Aperture Diameter}$ | 1.15 | Meters |
| $d = \text{Subreflector Diameter}$ | 0.1 | Meters |
| $\eta = \text{Aperture Efficiency}$ | 67% | percentage |
| FCC Designation | Ka | Band |
| $F = \text{Frequency}$ | 28020 | MHz |
| $P = \text{Transmitter Power Watts}$ | 40 | Watts |
| $p = \text{Number Transmitters}$ | 1 | |
| $R_{ua} = \text{closest point to uncontrolled area}$ | 20 | meters |
| Elevation angle at closest point R_{ua} | 7 | Degrees |

| Band | Frequency GHz |
|------|---------------|
| L | 1000-2000 |
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| C | 4000-8000 |
| X | 8000-12500 |
| Ku | 12500-18000 |
| K | 18000-25500 |
| Ka | 26500-40000 |
| O | 40000-50000 |
| V | 50000-75000 |

| OET 65 Calculated Values | Formula | Value | Unit |
|---|------------------------------------|----------|---------------------|
| $\lambda = \text{Wavelength}$ | c/F | 0.0107 | meters |
| $P_i = \text{Total Antenna Input Power}$ | $P * p$ | 40 | watts |
| $G = \text{Antenna Gain}$ | $G = \frac{4\pi\eta A}{\lambda^2}$ | 76212.03 | linear |
| Antenna Gain dB | $10 \log_{10}(G)$ | 48.82 | dB |
| $A = \text{Area of reflector}$ | $\pi \left(\frac{D}{2}\right)^2$ | 1.04 | meters ² |
| $a = \text{area of subreflector or feed}$ | $\pi \left(\frac{d}{2}\right)^2$ | 0.01 | meters ² |
| $R_{nf} = \text{Near-Field Region}$ | $R_{nf} = \frac{D^2}{4\lambda}$ | 30.88 | meters |
| | | 4 | Meters AGL |
| Transition Region | $> R_{nf} < R_{ff}$ | 30.88 | > meters |
| | | 74.11 | < meters |
| $R_{ff} = \text{Far Field Region}$ | $R_{ff} = \frac{0.6 D^2}{\lambda}$ | 74.11 | meters |
| | | 9 | Meters AGL |

| Radiation Analysis Zone | Formula | Level | Value | Exposure Limits | |
|--|--|----------|--------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| | | | | General Public <1mW/cm ² | Occupational <5mW/cm ² |
| 1 Power Subreflector | $\frac{4 P_i}{a}$ | 2038.217 | mW/cm ² | >FCC MPE See Note 1 | >FCC MPE See Note 2 |
| 2 Antenna Surface | $\frac{4 P_i}{A}$ | 15.412 | mW/cm ² | >FCC MPE See Note 1 | >FCC MPE See Note 2 |
| 3 Main Reflector Ground | $\frac{P_i}{A}$ | 3.853 | mW/cm ² | >FCC MPE See Note 1 | <FCC MPE |
| 4 $S_{nf} = \text{Near-Field Power Density}$ | $S_{nf} = \frac{16\eta P_i}{\pi D^2} = 4\eta \left(\frac{P_i}{A}\right)$ | 20.652 | mW/cm ² | >FCC MPE See Note 1 | >FCC MPE See Note 2 |
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| 6 Max Far field Power Density | $S_{ff} = \frac{P_i G}{4\pi R^2}$ | 4.419 | mW/cm ² | >FCC MPE See Note 3 | <FCC MPE |
| 7 Off Access Level Near Field | $S_{ua} = S_{nf} - 20\text{dB}$ | 0.20652 | mW/cm ² | <FCC MPE | <FCC MPE |

Notes

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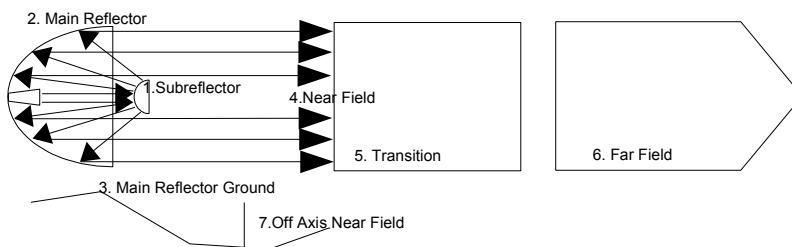


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