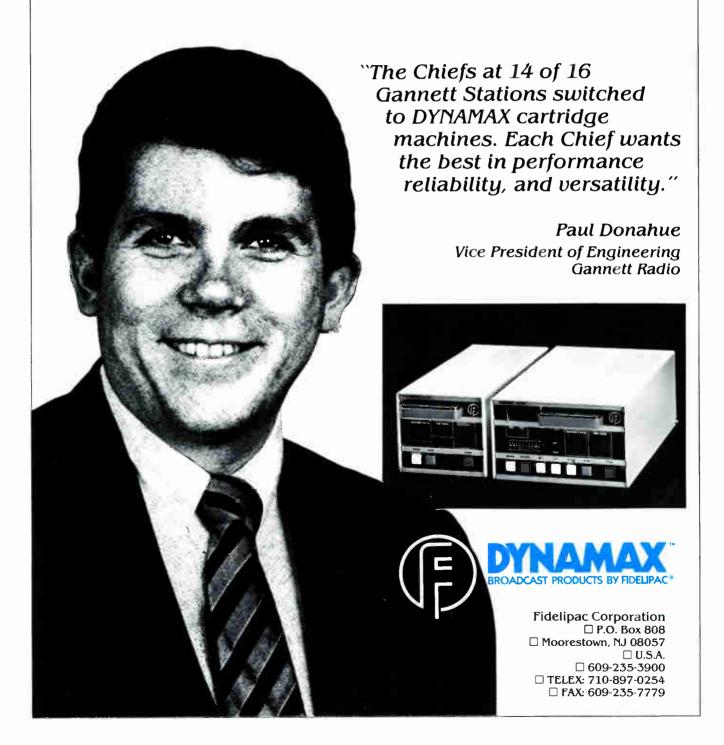


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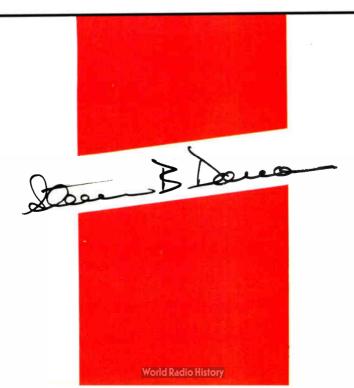
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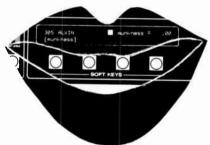
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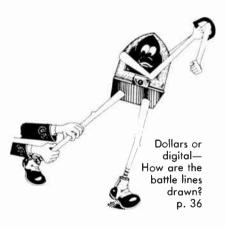
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Who took top honors in last year's best of the worst?



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And Now, the '89 **RW Dubie Awards**

A Tribute to Dubious Achievements in Radio

by Judith Gross

The movies have their Oscar, TV has the Emmy, the music industry its Grammy. And, like every prestigious institution, Earwaves has its very own claim to fame: the Dubie.

Stolen fair and square from Esquire, here once again are Radio's Dubious Achievement Awards.

There's no panel of judges with two or three letters after their names; there's no long-ranging debate. There's just that ludicrous feeling in the pit of the stomach when an almost-momentous event in the industry prompts me to inquire (in my best Noo Yawk-ese) "So, that's supposed to mean something, huh?"

Then there are those events which spark an equally awed reaction along the lines of "That, and a dollarfifteen will get you a ride on the subway."

At any rate, this past year was no less ripe for the esteemed prize than previous ones. So on to the awards.

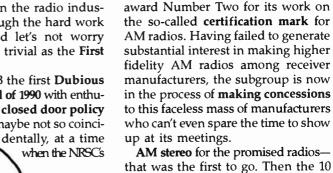
There were a lot of good candidates kicking around for the Dubies this year, but toward the end of the year the NAB made the Number One pick easy when, after four years of National Radio Systems Committee meetings, they closed meetings of the NRSC to us and other reporters.

The rationale was to allow folks who attend to feel more relaxed about expressing their feelings and ideas. Of course it completely shuts out the

whole process to those who can't fly to the nation's capital (or some other such venue) but hey, nobody's perfect.

Never mind that NRSC became a household word in the radio industry primarily through the hard work of the press. And let's not worry about anything as trivial as the First Amendment.

We present NAB the first **Dubious** Achievement Award of 1990 with enthusiasm because the closed door policy was put in place, maybe not so coinci-



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kHz to which stations had to cut their occupied bandwidth (down from 15 kHz) went out the window. The mark will only insist on 7.5 kHz frequency response and one manufacturer said AM will be lucky to even get that.

work is floundering on all fronts.

Which brings us to awards Two,

The NRSC's AM subgroup gets

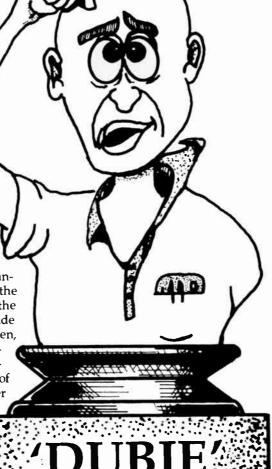
So a big **Dubie** to the certification mark effort.

Then there's FM. The NRSC FM subgroup thought it would be a good idea to look at processing. So a select group invited to a meeting-by fax exclusively—accepted a paper critical of composite clipping without bothering to seek input from those who make a living from the technology.

The whole affair has threatened to embroil the NRSC and its sponsors in a sticky legal mess. In addition the group has yet to decide whether it wants to point the finger at stations that don't adhere to modulation limits, educate the industry as to the "evils" of competitive processing or get a rule similar to the NRSC AM standard that would clamp down on a station's processing.

All these efforts show every sign of being greeted with a gigantic yawn by program directors and others tasked with getting high ratings for a station.

So a Dubie to youse guys, too. Then there's the NRSC multipath subgroup. It started out cheering on



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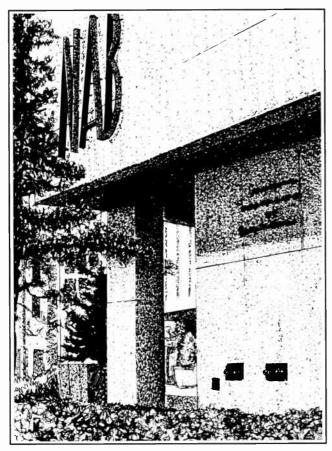


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multipath tests at WAEB, Allentown, which had the support of many companies including receiver manufacturers. Then it decided the tests should be the station's project alone.

Then the group wanted to do its own testing in addition to WAEB's. At last glance, it was pretty tough to figure out who was in charge of what, how, why and where the whole thing was going.

So the NAB walks away with (count 'em) four Dubious Achievement Awards, thanks to its NRSC.

Now while processing with that buzzsaw, or (as RW columnist Ty Ford likes to say) "paint remover" subtlety is fresh in our minds, let's give award Number Five to our buddy Scott Shannon, the 15 million dollar man.

Having torn up the eardrums of New Yorkers and pulled in number one ratings on Z-100 (WHTZ), he did an encore for Westwood One by bringing the same sound to the competitive Los Angeles market on Pirate Radio (KQLZ).

The imitation of an illegal radio station was on par with, oh say, punkers who wear army fatigues or teenyboppers in flak jackets. And that sound!

But hey, you got the attention of the media (including this one) so, you too, deserve one of our coveted awards.

Staying on the West Coast, let's give the next award to our pals at **KKBT** ("rock with a beat," or the place where "the big dogs eat"), the former KFAC.

Its new owners bought the only commercial classical station in the souped-up LA radio market, then decided classical music wouldn't service the debt. Solution? Go rock, distinguishing it from the other LA biggies about as much as dots in a domino game.

Our next award goes to the SBE for its contribution to the world of fashion. We're talking, of course about the shop coats given out to its convention attendees.

Here, in a time when all the best advice to radio engineers is to "put on a shirt and tie" and look more like management, comes their very own society encouraging that sterile, back

room cubbyhole-with-all-the-wiresand-soldering-irons-don't-talk-to-me-I'm-the-nerd-engineer look.

Pockets bulging with chips, brownies and a sandwich, it was the superlative shade of **wall-spackle white**, making the entire convention resemble a coven of mad doctors or zombies, less than three weeks from Halloween.

And while we're being generous with the awards, I gotta give the SBE another one for the much-ballyhooed success of its **national convention**. Yes, it was better in Kansas City than in Denver.

And keeping exhibit hours **separate** from session times did work something short of a miracle.

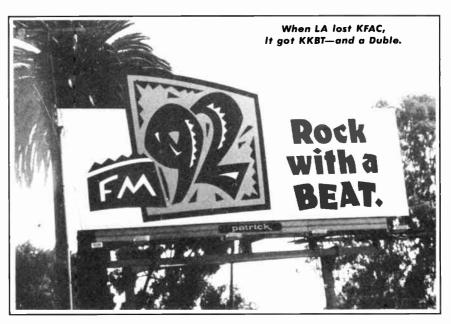
But in truth, the convention attracted **200 fewer attendees** this year, the second full day of exhibits fizzled to a trickle at the booths and it still does not seem to be attracting hordes of **SBE members** from around the country.

As a regional—it's a smash! As a national ... a Dubie.

Before we get to the grand finale, I want to give my **penultimate** award to the FCC, which couldn't escape getting at least one this year.

While the Commission hasn't done a lot to ruffle industry feathers (mostly because it hasn't done a lot) it does deserve recognition for the aftermath of its Class A upgrade decision.

The decision itself was **OK**, allowing a portion of Class A FMs to go up to as much as **6 kW** of power right away and the rest on a case-by-case basis depending on interference protection.



But the report and order was anything but clear and in fact has left consultants and stations shaking their heads and muttering expletives-deleted under their breaths. And that's before the petition for reconsideration gets addressed.

In addition to the confusion the FCC has also increased its **own paper work** with the case-by-case solution. That, and dwindling resources, show all signs of making the Class A upgrade matter a **bottleneck of bureaucracy** with delays which may stretch on for 18 months, in some cases.

So a Dubie to you, too.

And finally, the last award goes to a particularly deserving on-air promotion. It's not as good as the breast implant operation of two years ago, or the DJ dipped in chocolate for Valentine's Day of last year.

But, deserving of its own (dubious) place in history is the NAB Futures Committee "Radio. What Would Life Be Without It." campaign, also known as 30 seconds of dead air.

The catchy slogan was designed to make listeners realize how beloved is their radio by taking it away for a full half minute. Where do we start with this one?

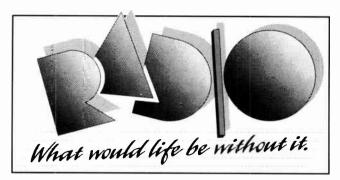
There was the NAB Board member who decided not to let his very own station give up a half-minute of precious drive time. There was that hiss as the station fell silent. There was the Peoria broadcaster who actually sold the 30 seconds to an advertiser.

There were the listeners who switched. And the folks still touting the success of the campaign. And the **barrels of money** that went to fund it. And then, how about that song?

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Toasting AM's Milestones



After years of committee meetings, subgroup meetings and who-knowswhat other meetings, the National Radio Systems Committee in 1989 was finally able to break open the

champagne and toast an AM milestone—adoption by the FCC of the so-called NRSC-2 RF emission limitation, effective 30 June of this year.

NRSC had split its proposed standard into two sections—NRSC-1, which defines a station's preemphasis and reduces occupied bandwidth to 10 kHz through the use of processing filters, and NRSC-2, which defines a complementary transmission standard, or "RF mask."

Some NRSC supporters had hoped the FCC would adopt NRSC-1 first, with NRSC-2 to follow, primarily because of difficulties in measuring NRSC-2 compliance.

But the Commission, in its 12 April 1989 action, said that in addition to transmission anomalies, NRSC-1 could be "readily circumvented and abused by adjustments" and that the preemphasis specification of NRSC-1 "restricts the flexibility of licensees" in adjusting processing.

The FCC also said that the presumption of compliance with NRSC-2 by using NRSC-1 processing would be dependent on the absence of any "technical evidence of non-compliance."

Presumptive compliance

Rather than requiring stations to embrace NRSC-2 immediately, the Commission has allowed a four-year grace period with a presumptive compliance provision if stations use the NRSC-1 preemphasis standard. After 30 June, 1994, stations must establish NRSC-2 compliance through measurements.

Presumptive compliance was a "compromise" endorsed by many broadcasters and the NAB, who supported NRSC-1 pending further evaluation of NRSC-2. But the FCC noted that NRSC-1 alone could not alleviate interference from overmodulation or transmission system anomalies.

Regardless of the inability to have NRSC-1 made mandatory, NRSC Chairman Charlie Morgan praised the FCC's ruling as accomplishing 90% of the committee's goal: "reduction of second adjacent interference," he said.

The action also put receiver manufacturers on notice to make wide band receivers, a key to the success of AM, Morgan said.

A call to action

In an NRSC meeting following the FCC action, Morgan toasted fellow

broadcasters, saying, "We're celebrating the result of a long, diligent effort."

"And we'd also like to toast receiver manufacturers, to say that now that we've done our part and obtained a standard, it's up to them to give us better fidelity AM radios," he added.

To date, however, only one receiver manufacturer seems to be heeding the call. Denon America, Inc. announced during a session on AM engineering at the Radio '89 show in New Orleans, LA, that by March of this year, all of its AM receivers will be designed to the NRSC standard.

The announcement was made by Robert Heiblim, executive VP for Denon America, who said the company was "already selling" some NRSC receivers. Heiblim said Denon's timetable amounts to "twisting the arms of our fellow competitors" to do likewise and produce higher quality radios for AM.

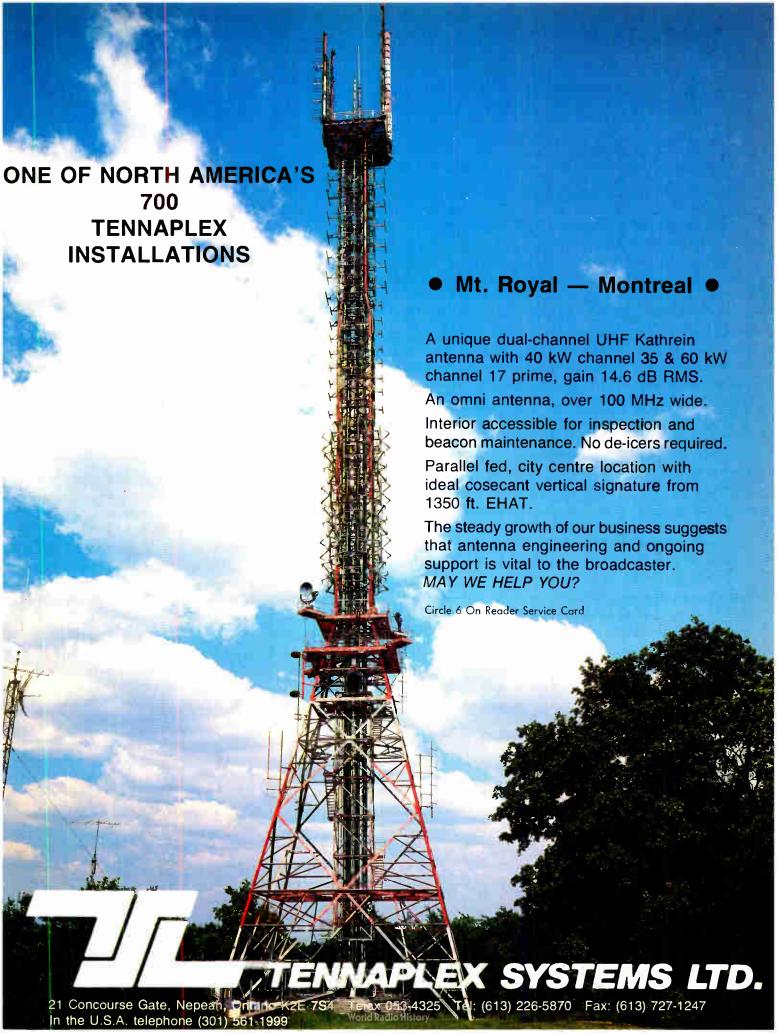
The fly in the ointment which may spoil the NRSC's good feelings about its success with the RF mask, however, is the desire by some (including Denon) to see the creation of a certification mark for AM radios.

Although the NAB and the EIA have said they would aggressively promote such a mark, by year-end there was still disagreement over criteria to be met before a receiver could be certified—disagreement that extends to the bandwidth of such radios, which could undermine the committee's efforts to date.



NRSC Chairman Charlie Morgan (right) salutes the committee's efforts with a champagne toast.





Class A's Still Fight



Although the FCC in July granted a power increase to 500 Class A FMs, the ruling had one hitch in it, as far as a number of Class A broadcasters were concerned—it wasn't what they had

been fighting for.

Nonetheless, the anxiously awaited FCC rule did selectively allow that limited number of stations judged fully spaced to boost their maximum effective radiated power from 3 kW to 6 kW after filing necessary FCC forms.

Another 1500 Class As were qualified for the upgrade on a case-by-case basis after 1 December. That was to allow time for the upgrade of nearly 150 Class A stations affected by a March FCC ruling creating a new C3 class, according to the Commission.

Good news for some; for others, it missed the point. The New Jersey Class A Broadcasters Association had been the standard bearers for a blanket power increase for stations of their class and long had been petitioning the FCC for such an increase.

Rising from the ashes

Other Class A action from the Commission included the creation of Class C3 FMs. The stations would be appropriate, according to the FCC, where a larger coverage C2 station could not be assigned without interference and a smaller Class A facility might not be economically feasible.

Finding the FCC's resolution to the power hike issue unacceptable, the disaffected Class A's reorganized. Calling themselves the United Class A Broadcasters Association to give their cause a more comprehensive rallying name, the broadcasters again asked the FCC for a change in the rules.

"A variety of regulatory handicaps which unnecessarily handicap their (Class A's) ability to secure improved coverage (exist in the rule)," according to the United Class A Broadcasters Association petition filed with the FCC.

Among the obstacles cited by the new Class A association are the length and costs associated in completing FCC Form 302, the document a Class A station must file with the FCC if it wishes to increase its power. The FCC estimates that it will take between 12 and 18 months for it to respond to the filing of a Form 302.

The petition also said that the FCC was particularly remiss in not weighing

the possible "marginal increased interference" against the much-improved community service a blanket upgrade would produce.



Points of contention

Those in favor of the FCC's case-bycase approach, including the NAB, have argued and maintain that a blanket ruling by the Commission would have caused too much interference.

The Commission's logic in requiring a short-spaced Class A station to show availability of a full or less short-spaced alternative site was also challenged by the Class A petitioners. The alternative site provision is "irrelevant," according to the petition, because alternative site showings are required only when an applicant seeks

a waiver to install a new transmitter at a new short-spaced site.

In the unlikely event that another site could be found, the cost would be way more than the "average mom-and-pop Class A station can afford," said William Keane, an attorney representing United Class A Broadcasters Association.

Another point of contention, according to the petition, is the FCC's requirement that Class A's get an agreement from short-spaced neighbors for the power upgrade. The United Class A Broadcasters Association contended that if a Class A station proves it will not increase its coverage, the agreement is not necessary.

The group also found fault with the FCC's decision to prohibit power increases in second and third adjacent channel directions. According to the petition, the FCC routinely allows grandfathered short-spaced stations to increase power in those directions.

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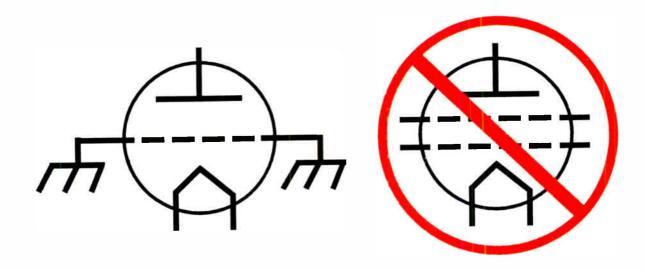
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BTP, Bose Go at It Over FMX System



It was a tough year for the FMX stereo extension system.

The technology, marketed by Broadcast Technology Partners (BTP) of Bloomfield Hills, MI, entered 1989 touted by

many as the biggest single improvement in FM since stereo. CBS had endorsed the system for use at its FM stations, and many others were following suit. Two major receiver manufacturers were incorporating FMX circuitry into their lines, and several others were hinting they would follow.

The future looked very bright. Then the bottom fell out.

At a 25 January 1989 press conference, Bose Corporation President and MIT Professor Amar Bose released a sharply critical report on FMX,

claiming tests proved the technology did not perform as advertised.

According to the joint MIT/Bose study, FMX—a noise reduction system designed to allow listeners in the fringes of an FM's coverage area to receive a clean FM stereo signal without the hiss that normally accompanies distant stereo signals—actually adds noise and distortion under multipath conditions.

"The FMX system was a creative idea to patch up FM stereo, but it introduced more artifacts," said Bose. The researchers called the technology a "step backward" from FM stereo when operating under multipath conditions.

BTP and other supporters of FMX refuted the test results, claiming the mathematical models used for analysis were flawed.

"We graded the professor's math paper and it failed," said BTP President Emil Torick.

There were also whispers of doubt

cast on the motivation of the testers. Some people theorized that the research study was undertaken to discredit FMX, clearing the way for a future commercial venture to compete with the technology.

However, Bose repeatedly denied these allegations, claiming the MIT/Bose research was nothing more than research.

"Nobody can understand that you can do something without commercial incentive," he said.

Whatever the motivation, the effect of the study has been to place a cloud of uncertainty over the FMX system.



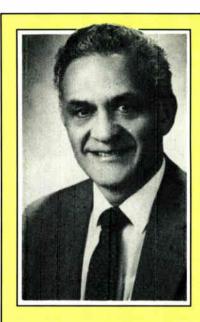
While, according to BTP estimates, slightly more than 100 stations are currently broadcasting in FMX stereo, only one company—Inovonics—is producing FMX generators and just two—JVC and Alpine—are manufacturing consumer receivers.

Many others, originally enthusiastic about FMX, are now taking a waitand-see approach.

In spite of the negative publicity generated by the MIT/Bose study, BTP remains firmly behind FMX technology.

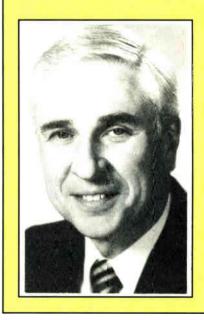
In the fall, the company consolidated its technical and marketing operations in new quarters in Bloomfield Hills, MI The move, from Greenwich, CT, is part of a shift toward more intense promotion of the FM stereo-enhancing technology, which will include exploration of foreign markets, according to Torick.

"You might say we are shifting from developing the technology to the marketing mode," he added.

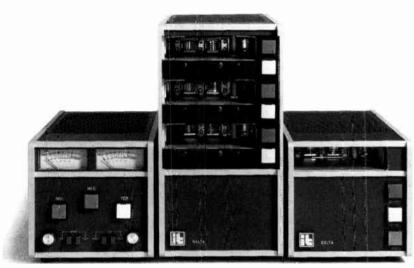


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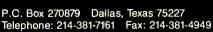
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The War to Be Loudest On the Dial

From Pirate Radio to Modulation Monitoring



The trend to increased processing, particularly in CHR stations, escalated in 1989 to full-fledged combat with audio for ammunition. "Loudness wars" resulted from broadcasters searching for the most

"aggressive" audio they could achieve, in a vicious cycle to remain competitive with other stations, who rode their processing knobs like Sherman tanks.

The leader of the sonic onslaught this year was almost certainly Los

Angeles' Pirate Radio, under the command of Scott Shannon. Shannon first found fame and fortune at New York's WHTZ with a mix of heavy processing and fast-paced programming—in many observers' opinion, the opening salvos in the war. This year, he brought his bag of tricks to the West Coast and introduced the commercialized renegade radio concept to Westwood One's LA acquisition, KQLZ.

Shannon's self-described "neck-snapping" sound was achieved with the help of audio consultant and processor manufacturer Frank Foti, whose Cutting Edge Technologies provides Pirate Radio with the same heavy artillery Shannon used in his WHTZ campaign. The audio firepower was at least partially responsible for an impressive improvement in the station's position—from 13th to fourth in the ratings.

We got the Beat

On the other side of the front line, a latecomer to the fray—LA's KKBT, Beat 92—enlisted the help of Greg Ogonowski, a radio engineer and owner of Modulation Index design and consulting firm.

Ogonowski installed a customized multiband processor and his linear composite processor, which he said deals with STL overshoot, and does not involve clipping. KKBT's GM Jim De Castro said his station was striving for the "finest modulated sound" he could get in LA's aggressively competitive market.

Among engineering purists, however, an aggressive sound can be an annoying sound. A backlash ensued against the wars, centering on whether such heavy processing might be a tune-out factor. Supporters of hot processing, however, fired back that loudness is not employed on all stations, but only on those with a format for which time spent listening is not as important as snaring a listener with a sound that leaps off the dial.

With the wars raging in Los Angeles, the fire was lit for a full-scale national battle over modulation and processing issues.

The conflict erupted last spring following a meeting of an NRSC FM working group on composite spectrum occupancy. During the meeting a "proposal" was submitted by Chuck Adams of CRL to increase modulation limits to 110% with a composite baseband spectrum mask. A class for rules allowing different amounts of total modulation based on peak duration was discussed.

Adams' proposal advised that peaks greater than .5ms in length be held to 110% and that peaks shorter than .5ms be held to 130%. Composite clipping proponents were not present at the meeting when the proposal was presented.

While the NAB and EIA (co-sponsors of the NRSC) downplay the signifi-

cance of the proposal, Modulation Sciences Engineering, Brooklyn, N.Y., charged that the NRSC discussion of it may have violated of anti-trust laws. Eric Small, VP of Engineering for MSI, has been considering legal action in the matter.

In the meantime, MSI marketed its new ModMinder. Installed at the transmitter, the ModMinder is a device that measures modulation peaks in transmission, allowing FM stations to cut back on limiting and other types of processing designed to increase loudness, while also increasing modulation.



Small said the ModMinder will more precisely measure modulation peaks based on the FCC's pre-1983 rule that required an FCC type-approved monitor.

Small noted ModMinder ignores the very brief peaks that last less than one millisecond. However, questions arose regarding whether the FCC considered ModMinder a valid way to monitor compli-

ance with modulation rules.

The questions were answered late in 1989 in a letter to MSI from Dr. Thomas Stanley—the FCC's Chief Engineer—of the Commission's Office of Engineering and Technology. In the letter, Stanley noted, "If the equipment does indeed meet the pre-1983 technical requirements . . . I expect it would produce valid readings of FM modulation."



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FCC Chairman Al Sikes took the place of outgoing chair Dennis Patrick.

Andrew Barrett
had been an
illinois commerce
commissioner
before his FCC
selection.





Sherrie Marshall left private legal practice to return to the Commission.

Musical Chairs

You would practically need a scorecard to keep track of all the changes at the FCC's commissioners' table in 1989.

First, outgoing chairman Dennis Patrick vacated office 2 August with plans of opening his own communications consulting company.

his own communications consulting company.

Before his office had time to be scrubbed and whitewashed, newly appointed Chairman

Al Sikes took oath and began making himself comfortable at 1919 M Street.

Later in the month, Sherrie Marshall and Andrew Barrett were sworn in as commissioners, filling posts vacant since 1987.

Then, in September, Commissioner Patricia Diaz Dennis left the FCC to return to private law practice.

Two months later, in November, Dennis' chair was earmarked by the White House for Washington communications consultant Ervin Duggan.

At press time late in 1989, a Senate confirmation hearing on Duggan's nomination was expected to be scheduled sometime in early 1990.

Patrick informed President Bush in April of his intention to leave the chairman's post, but held on to the gavel late into the summer until Sikes' appointment was confirmed.

The California lawyer served the Commission for six years, the last two as chairman. During his tenure, AM technical improvements were initiated, and local ownership rules relaxed. Detractors criticized him for his deregulatory stance, and his sometimes rocky relationship with Congress.

Before filling Patrick's slot, Sikes served as assistant secretary of Commerce and head of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA). He was also involved in the management of radio stations in Missouri, and headed a Missouri broadcast and political consulting firm.

Marshall's appointment as commissioner was a homecoming for the lawyer, most recently a partner in the Washington DC law firm Wiley, Rein and Fielding. She was formerly director of the FCC's Office of Legislative Affairs. She was also an attorney with the White House Counsel's Office in the Office of the President-Elect for President Bush.

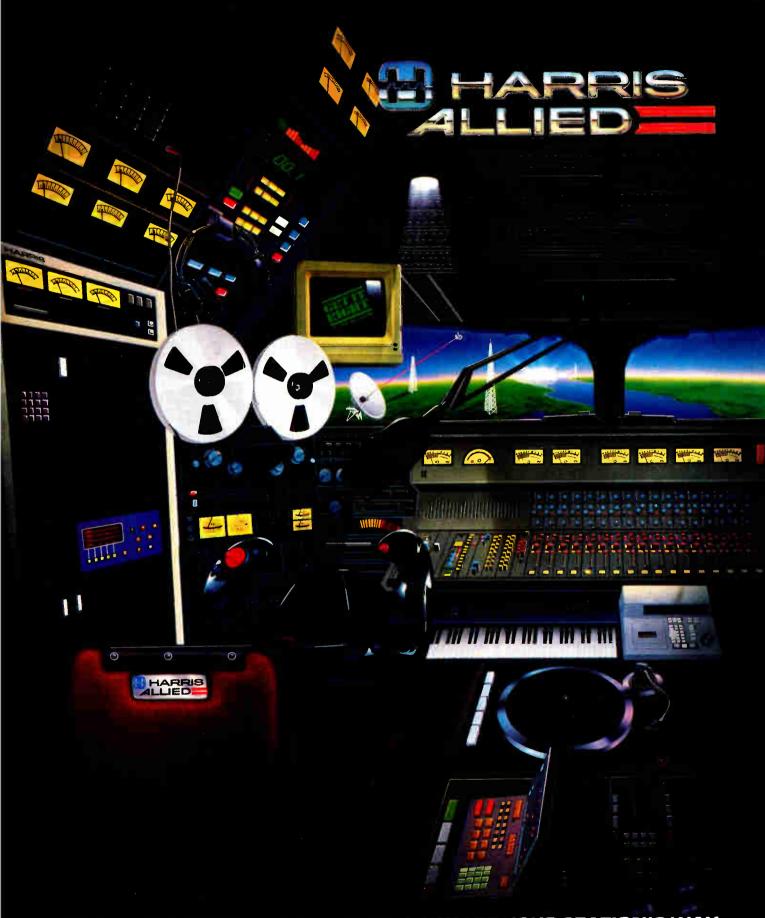
Barrett had been an Illinois commerce commissioner since 1980. Prior to that he was assistant director of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs.

Dennis, a commissioner since 1986, asked President Bush not to consider her for reappointment after her term expired in June.

"Although I have enjoyed the rare privilege I have had to serve the public, it is time for me to return to the private practice of law," she said in a letter to Bush.

The nomination of her intended replacement, Duggan, came as a surprise to most, because he is not well known in broadcasting circles. However, reaction to his selection generally has been favorable.





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Giving BEAR Facts to the FAA



A bureaucratic power struggle in the nation's capital is making broadcasters mad as a BEAR.

Broadcasters for Equal Air Rights (BEAR), a coalition of broadcast interests, banded together in

the fall to fight for broadcasters' rights in the face of increasing Federal Aviation Administration scrutiny regarding broadcast spectrum allocation.

Over the last several years, the FAA has shown increased interest in broadcast tower construction and frequency control, an area of jurisdiction reserved for the Federal Communications Commission.

The aviation agency originally was empowered to object to a tower if its physical presence could endanger air traffic. That power has since grown to include objections based on a station's potential signal interference with aircraft communications and control systems.

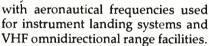
"In the business that the FCC serves the broadcast industry—it is their job to be the guardian and to be sure they get a square deal. That's fine. Our job is to make sure aviation gets a square deal and certainly we're going to cross swords somewhere," commented FAA Spectrum Engineering Division Manager Jerry Markey.

Upgrades stalled

Those swords crossed this fall when the FAA objected to the upgrading of

149 Class A FMs to the new C3 status of 25 kW at present sites.

The FAA contends that these power increases may interfere



The National Association of Broadcasters predicted that the FAA's action may be a precursor to the agency opposing all Class A upgrades, including those who want to go from 3 kW to 6 kW.

Some broadcasters have been critical

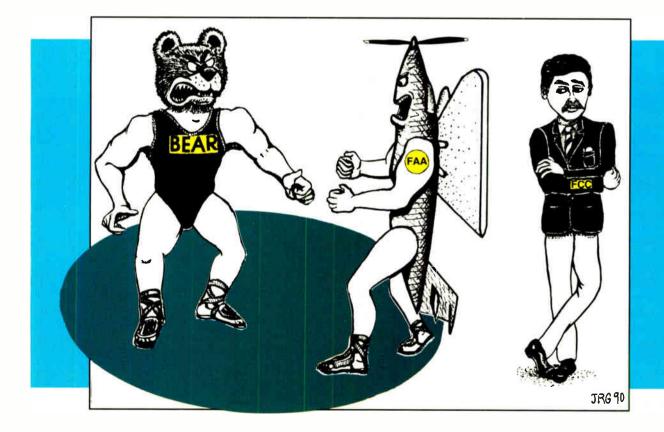
of how the FCC has reacted to the FAA's actions. BEAR member Rob Bednarek, an engineering consultant, said it appeared the FCC was "hesitant to assert its rights," more or less giving in to the FAA.

Organized resistance

Broadcasters, however, don't plan to back down. Representatives from the NAB, the Association of Federal Communications Consulting Engineers, the Association of Broadcast Engineering Standards and the Federal Communications Bar Association met with FCC staff members in late October to discuss the urgency of resolving the dispute.

For its part, BEAR plans to petition the FCC to seek remedy of the problem.

"The FCC is very aware that hundreds of applications are being denied," said Ralph Justus, NAB director, engineering regulatory and international affairs. "Basically, we need to resolve this quickly. The public is being deprived of FM service because of this."



Will the Go-Ahead Get DAT Going?



The road to implementation is clearer, but will DAT make a difference?

After two years of legal squabbling over Digital Audio Tape (DAT), the recording industry and audio equipment manu-

facturers agreed this summer to a compromise technology that allows limited digital-to-digital recording capability on consumer DAT machines.

The technology, developed by Philips and known as Serial Copy Management Systems (SCMS), allows consumer DAT players to make digital-to-digital recordings, but does not allow the copy to be copied. DAT recordings from analog sources can be copied once.

Professional DAT decks, which allow unlimited digital-to-digital copying, are not affected by the agreement.

The aim of SCMS is to prohibit the proliferation of pirated, exact copies of analog or digital sources, thus protecting copyrights held by recording artists.

Future unknown

DAT proponents hope that the agreement will pave the way for the technology to carve a niche in the consumer marketplace, thus driving prices down for all DAT equipment—professional and consumer.

But it remains unclear whether DAT will be widely accepted. For most broadcasters, questions on how the technology will integrate into on-air operations need to be resolved.

However some stations, including WMTR-FM in Toledo, OH, are willing to take the lead. WMTR went all DAT in January, 1989.

How does it sound? "You can hear Karen Carpenter's lips touch when she sings," said station owner Max Smith, Sr.

Smith said the Class A station spent about \$200,000 in changing to a "pure DAT gold" hits format. It uses con-

verted Sony DTC 1000 DAT machines adapted for professional use under the name RS-1000 by Radio Systems Inc. All the music is provided by First Com, a California company that remasters old hits to DAT.

Not ready for prime-time

Most stations' hesitation about using DAT is a result of questions about cueing. Unlike the single event, instant cue-capability of a cart machine, DAT cassettes hold a multitude of audio cuts and rely on index codes to cue to any one.

Several companies have managed to come up with interfaces which allow for instant cueing for automated stations, but the "Morning Zoo" team's use of the equipment places tougher demands on its capabilities.

However, DAT seems to have found a place in stations—especially classical and public stations—as a production tool for recording long-form music programming or on assignment overseas.

One additional concern about DAT is the lack of editing capabilities. Electronic editing similar to videotape editing would be ideal, but so far only one company—Matsushita—has shown an inclination in that direction, and then only in prototype form.

Now that copying questions have been settled, the broadcast industry may just have to sit and wait for consumer acceptance of the new technology before seeing which way the wind blows for DAT.

Defining Multipath

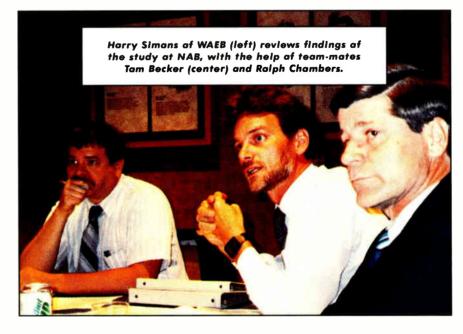


Disparate groups within the broadcast industry joined forces in 1989 to define and remedy multipath interference. After all was said and done, however, the first round of tests revealed only one

thing-the need for further testing.

Born in July as an independent offshoot of an NRSC technical subgroup, the multipath project included broadCasters, transmitter and car receiver manufactures, and a data collection team. The site of the tests, WAEB-FM in Allentown, PA, was selected for the rolling hills and mountainous terrain comprising its listening area.

Testing included studies of the effects of AM incidental noise on receivers, multipath versus stereo, multipath versus antenna tuning and matching, multipath effects on SCA and vice versa, and circular reception.



Preliminary report

Preliminary results from the first round of tests were reported back to the NRSC Working Group on FM Multipath Studies in November. Harry Simons, CE of WAEB and a leader of the multipath project, brought the NRSC group up to date.

Simons reported that Round I tests had included characterizing multipath using transmitter pulsing with ground measurements taken in a specially equipped van provided by General Motors and Delco. Other tests included trying to determine the effect of ICAM—AM incidental modulation—through a series of listening tests.

Inconclusive results distributed to members of the NRSC working group showed that ICAM level changes under heavy or light multipath conditions were generally not perceived while level changes under multipath conditions which could be considered "moderate" were perceived.

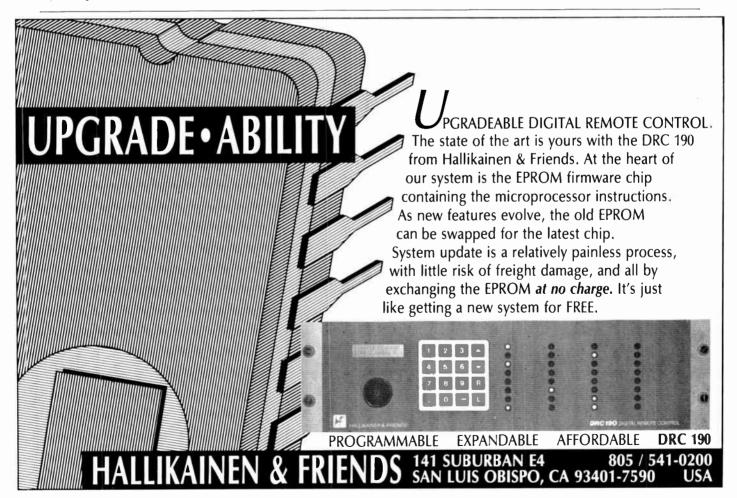
Other multipath tests focused on antenna patterns. Two WAEB antennas,



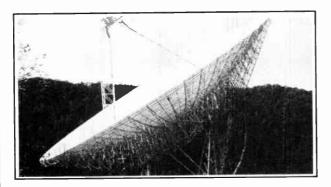
A wing-mounted antenna helped Air System Technologies collect test data from the air.

an ERI and Shively, were measured by Air System Technologies in a plane with wing-mounted equipment that calculates the signal in real time.

The readings were taken by flying three-mile radius loops around the antennas. Several consultants expressed the opinion that three miles is too wide a radius and the readings under such conditions would include ground reflections. A radius of a quarter mile was recommended for a second round of tests from the air.



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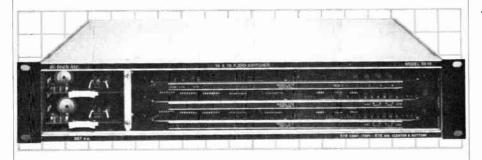


The National Radio Quiet Zone's 1988 telescope collapse (before, at left; after, below) paved the way for a petition to relocate the zone in 1989.

The petition failed.



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More field work required

While several members of the NRSC multipath group were anxious to move ahead and begin conducting laboratory tests to verify field results, Simons cautioned that more field work was needed before lab tests could be done.

Although Simons maintained that the diverse backgrounds of those involved in the multipath project is an advantage, he recognized that the diversity may also have diffused the original purpose of the project.

...the first round of tests revealed only one thing—the need for further testing.

"We need to sit down and prioritize what we want to accomplish," Simons said. But he added that the multipath work will be somewhat easier from this point on because "we know how to do it now."

"Information from Round I will help us to decide how to go about Round II," he said. Round II testing is expected to be taken up as early as this summer.

Prices Soar As Stations Are Traded

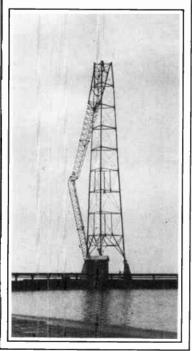


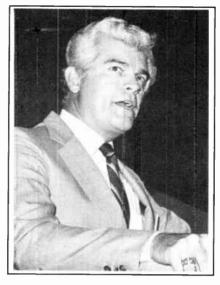
The effects of deregulation came to fruition in 1989 as prices for radio stations reached new heights. The record was broken in Los Angeles when KJOIFM was purchased by Viacom in December for an

estimated \$85 to \$90 million. This was the second record sale of the KJOI property—it also topped the carts in 1988, at \$79 million.

The 1989 KJOI purchase was the latest strategic move by Viacom in an "aggressive pursuit of properties in major radio markets around the country," said Henry S. Schleiff, chairman and CEO of the company's Broadcasting and Entertain-

Structural damage caused by an October '89 earthquake that rocked San Francisco forced some area broadcasters off the air. Others had to adopt emergency measures.





Radia Ventures' Jerry Lyman

ment Groups. The KJOI purchase was part of a \$101.5 million transaction that also included KSYY-FM and KHOW-AM, Denver.

The LA market also generated another record-breaker, when Evergreen Media

Corp., Dallas, paid \$55 million for KFAC-FM—to date the highest price paid for a classical music station. The buyers then were faced, however, with having to service a \$50 million debt on the station's classical format, no mean feat.

Evergreen thus wasted no time in transforming KFAC into "Rock with a Beat" KKBT. The station set the stage for the coming of its modern music format with words of warning to its competitors to "move over and let the big dogs eat."

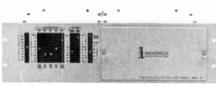
But while the big dog of KKBT was taking a bite out of the LA market, another entry proved to be the wolf at the door.

Shiver me timbers

In an earlier, but no less significant LA purchase, Westwood One acquired KIQQ, for \$56 million. Formerly a soft rock station, KIQQ got a facelift with a new format and aggressive audio processing. The fledgling high energy, high visibility rocker—KQLZ, "Pirate Radio"—rose nine places in the ratings after its bold change of image.

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However, LA is not the only pot of gold at the end of the buying rainbow; the value of stations in less lucrative markets also is on the rise. In mid-August an AM/FM combo in Asheville, NC and an FM station in Richmond, VA were purchased for nearly double their former values.

Radio Ventures I, a station group formed by Jerry Lyman after the deconstruction of RKO early in 1989, bought the NC and VA properties with the intention "to build fine radio stations and as an investment," Jerry Lyman.

Expensive proposition

It's investment with a high price. Lyman's acquisitions, WWNC-AM and WKSF-FM combo in Asheville, NC, had been bought in 1986 by the Heritage



Broadcast Group for \$13.5 million. Three years later the duo fetched \$25.5 million.

As for Richmond's WMXB-FM, it went for \$23 mil-

lion. The adult contemporary station had been owned by Ragan Henry Communications Group, which paid \$13 million for the station just over a year ago.

The reason for this land-office business? Some claim the inflated radio prices spring from the FCC's 1982 elimination of the three-year holding rule, which prevented buyers of a radio station from selling at a profit in less than three years.

"The three year old rule very decidedly had an impact," said Roy Rowan, Beverly Hills-based vice president of media broker Blackburn & Co. The rule change allows for quicker station turnover and increased speculation in the radio station markets, commented Rowan. "It's anybody's determination whether that's good or bad."

Others disagree. "Elimination of the three year rule was simply a business convenience," commented Ray Stanfield, chairman of Chapman Associates, a radio brokerage firm. "The fact is most people who buy stations don't plan to sell them in one or two years. The average station turnover is probably once every seven years."

"There are 10,000 stations out there," noted Stanfield. "The sale of one in two years instead of three is not going to change mankind."

The Digital Craze

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To a non-radio person, the term "digital" would probably bring to mind CD players. But that's only the tip of the iceberg in the digital craze that swept the broadcast industry in 1989.

In fact, CDs come off as somewhat dated technology, considering the proliferation of desktop audio systems, digital RF gear, studio products and digital recording media which tantalized radio engineers in the year gone by. After all, many stations in most markets have already had experience with the CD format. The other, more esoteric products are still only the stuff of wish lists for many broadcasters.

One of the most significant intro-

ductions of the year had to be the availability from Motorola of the first 16bit analog-to-digital converter on a single microprocessor chip.

"This chip will lead to an explosion of applications in the radio world," Motorola spokesman Nick Sturiale said. "It is probably the most significant thing Motorola is doing right now."

Concrete application

The degree of that significance became concrete when later in the year Ariel Corp. introduced a digital microphone, which employs the Motorola A-to-D chip. The device has a dynamic range of up to 92 dB with a total harmonic distortion of less than .005%.

The Ariel microphone, which lists for \$595, was designed exclusively for use with the NeXT computer, a new desktop product introduced by former Apple Computer head Steve Jobs.

Jobs' NeXT system was only one of a number of desktop audio systems that were launched in 1989. At the NAB convention in Las Vegas, AKG Acoustics unveiled the DSE 7000 that, at under \$30,000, broke new ground in price and performance.

The DSE 7000 is a RAM-based digital workstation incorporating the equivalent of an eight-track recorder, an editing system and a mixer. It is designed for the preparation of commercials, promos and other short duration recordings.

New England Digital (NED) unleashed new software enhancements for its existing systems and touted the recently introduced PostPro system. The Post Pro is an eight-track direct-to-disk workstation specially configured for broadcast applications.

Not to be left out of the workstation war, Integrated Media Systems (IMS)

firmly staked claim to the low end of the market with enhancements to its Dyaxis system. Designed to work with an Apple Macintosh computer, the Dyaxis offers random access twotrack recording and playback and multitrack offline sound file assembly. The Dyaxis is now a Studer product.







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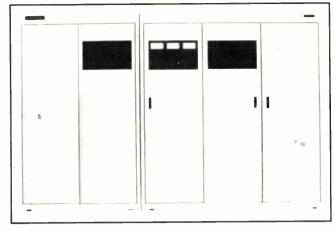
RF and DAT

In the way of RF products, Harris unveiled its DX-50, a 50 kW AM transmitter. The first station to have the unit grace its transmitter room was KFBK-AM in Sacramento, CA.

The DX-50 uses 128 plug-in output modules that are either "on" or "off" as needed to generate the required RF output power. Generally satisfied despite some minor problems in the installation of the device, KFBK's biggest surprise came when the station discovered a 29% reduction in kW hours for the entire plant over the same period a year earlier. The reduction amounted to a savings of over \$1200 per month (at winter rates).

Digital audio tape (DAT) also got a boost this year when the recording industry reached a compromise with audio manufacturers. Formally announced 26 July, the compromise would require the so-called Serial Copy Management System to be included in DAT decks, which would allow DAT copies to be recorded from digital sources. That copy, however, could not itself be digitally copied.

Proponents of DAT technology expressed hope that the compromise



would encourage more widespread acceptance of the recording medium, and allow DAT recorders to be brought into the country by means other than the gray market.

Even before the compromise was reached, however, the technology was in place at some more adventurous stations. WMTR-FM in Toledo went on the air 12 January, declaring itself the first all-DAT radio station in the US. Installation was undertaken by Radio Systems, which converted the Sony DTC 1000 DAT machine to its own Rs-1000 designation, adding

The DX-50, from Harris

microprocessor control.

One repercussion from all this increasing interest in the digital domain was the realization that some type of interface standard for digital gear had to be accomplished.

Work in that area began in earnest at the NAB convention, when the newly formed NAB Digital Interface Committee decided to assist the Audio Engineering Society in its standardization efforts.

For many, however, the work was begun somewhat behind the times—there was skepticism as to whether the committee could have any impact at this late stage of digital equipment development.

"I don't think a general interface will happen," said panel member Bart Locanthi, of BNL Research Associates.



What's Up in AM

by Alan Carter

While programmers program and general managers manage based on freely-chosen business practices, engineers engineer their stations in line with federal regulations under the control of the Federal Communications Commission. The agenda for 1990 promises to be an active year with a collection of technical issues well underway.

The new Commission under Chairman Alfred Sikes has given AM a priority position for broadcasting. The FCC set the stage when it concluded 1989 with a comprehensive public hearing on the difficulties of the struggling band.

Numerous proposals designed to correct technical problems with AM are on hold from the previous Commission, dockets that may be acted on this year. The dockets stemmed from the technical review initated in 1987, known as 87-267.

What's on tap for AM

Among the outstanding proposals is MM 88-376, which would amend the rules by reducing adjacent channel interference and by eliminating restrictions pertaining to the protected daytime contour.

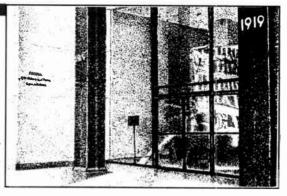
The FCC also proposes to improve methods for calculating skywave field strength under MM 88-508. Nighttime operations for Class II-S and Class III-S are targeted in MM 88-509; improved methods for calculating groundwave field strength are at issue in MM 88-510, and a review of the methods for calculating nighttime protection is under MM 88-511.

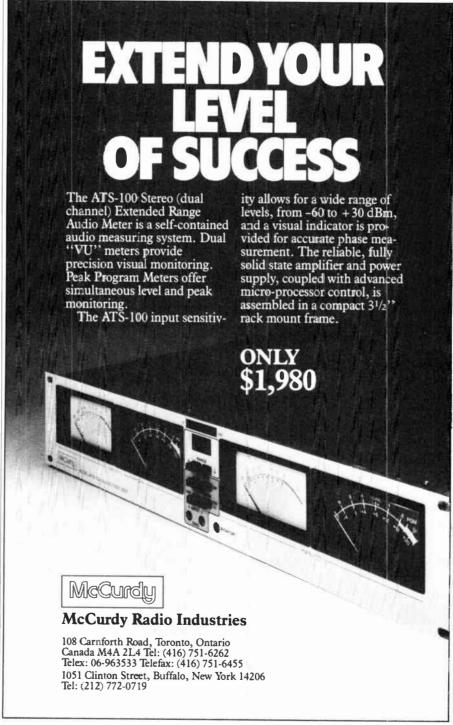
The Commission also is taking a look at policy issues to encourage interference reduction between AM stations in docket MM 89-46.

While some issues are in the official notice process, the FCC promises other topics may be addressed in forthcoming proceedings.

On the list is protected contours and protection ratios; reclassification of AM stations; possible restrictions on permissible modifications of Class I stations; changes in the permissible power levels of AM stations; and regulations pertaining to the use of advanced AM station antenna technology.

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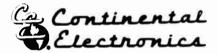


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Radio's Tug-of-War: Money Versus Gear

by Richard Farrell

Falls Church VA As the last decade of this millenium gets under way, we at RW thought it would be interesting, as a sort of year end and year beginning collective Industry Roundup, to gather some thoughts on where radio has been, and where it is going—particularly over the past year.



Steve Claterbaugh, Advertising and Sales Promotion, Continental Electronics Division:

"From a manufacturing standpoint, technology is increasing rapidly in the area of production of solid state devices. There is a move toward these new items where efficiency is higher and operating characteristics are higher. Another trend we'll see a lot more of next year is automation—the control of a complete station."

Lynn Distler, Vice President, Comrex:

"The major trend is still the leveraged buyout situations where radio stations are spending more money servicing their debt than they are investing in the capital equipment necessary to run the station. In the area of remote audio transmission, with AT&T effectively out of the business as of 1989, broadcasters are going to have to look at other means of getting audio from point A to point B."

Bob Orban, Chief Engineer, Orban Associates:

"The positive is the FCC's involvement in AM improvement, which I think is important, although I don't know if it's going to be enough to save that segment of the industry. A negative is the continued trafficking in radio stations, which is sucking out capital budgets that should have gone for equipment upgrades instead of servicing debt."



Frank Foti, President, Cutting Edge Technologies:

"Interest by either the radio industry in Wall Street or vice versa has made an economic change. Radio is not being operated by radio enthusiasts but more by Wall Street. Because of that, radio is becoming like any other business-lean and mean with respect to the almighty dollar.

"The broadcaster now needs more justification to warrant adding equipment. In some cases, the economics appear to be more important than the technology."

Bill Parfitt, Product Supervisor, ITC/3M:

"We see a lot

of stations having smaller budgets than in the past, resulting from the buying and selling consolidation occurring within radio stations. Stations have not been spending as much on equiment. That is an industry-wide trend.

"As far as products are concerned, we've seen a lot more options available to stations today than a few years sgo, so there appears to be some confusion as to what our future products are going to be."

Jamal Hamdani, Vice President, Moseley Associates:

The trend is toward digitization in all regards. It is going to affect broadcasters in the short and long term. We think we are at a transition point where older technologies are gradually giving way to newer things.

"We see a greater demand for user friendly products that are programmable and require very little maintenance. The Japanese have 'spoiled' us to the point where there is a national expectation that everything should be inexpensive, do everything and require little maintenance."

John Phelan, Director of Technical Markets, Shure Brothers:

"Probably the biggest trend concerns digital audio and where it fits into the overall scheme of radio. Nobody has really set a pace for the overall market. Right now it seems to be a product here, a product there. Sooner or later, somebody is going to



have to sit down and define how digital is going to evolve as a marketplace. Until that happens, I don't think a digital market is going to evolve that looks serious and interesting."





"Some groups are driven by the investment banker, and it seems their only goal is to make a profit. The CE is stuck in the middle wondering what's going on."

> Geoff Mendenhall, VP Engineering, Broadcast Electronics:

"Deregulation has had a major impact

on the industry. The waiving of the three-year holding rule by the FCC

has allowed broadcast licenses to be bought and sold on the same day. It has encouraged investors who don't know anything about broadcasting and has made radio a commodity to be bought and sold.

"This will probably continue until the 'paper' investors are tired of the industry, or until the FCC requires licensees to be committed to operating for a reasonable period of time. At least three years."

John Bisset, Broadcast Sales Manager. Delta Electronics:

"An area of concern is some (station) managements' attitude of 'we'll be sold next year, so can we put off this maintenance?' And in some cases these are things under the jurisdiction of the FCC, which hasn't the money to inspect as it used to. Who is going to be left holding the bag, as far as trouble with the FCC is concerned?

WHAT'S UP IN AM

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FM and DAs

While AM will receive additional attention in 1990 and the years ahead, the Commission carried over an FM issue of extreme importance to broadcasters: the use of directional antennas.

Broadcasters represented across the spectrum have asked the FCC to reconsider its approval of broadcasting in short-spaced locations with use of directional antennas.

Previous rules required broadcasters to apply for a waiver. Authorization was granted generally to facilities of other co-channel or adjacent channel stations, provided these stations were protected from interference.

The then-sitting Commissioners were split on the issue, with Commissioner James Quello opposing the action. He agreed with broadcasters who argued that short-spacing could become an allotment tool for new FM stations. With only Quello left from the days of the previous vote, a new ruling could emerge.

In the appeal, petitioners cited complaints from limited applications to shortcomings for interference protection.

There are no cut and dried issues for the Commission. The agency is very aware of that, having commented that it doesn't want any unforeseen circumstances arising from it rulings.

The burden is on broadcasters to participate in the proceedings.



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Eric Small, VP Engineering, Modulation Sciences:

"For FM, the issue today is competition from other media. It is getting competition from CDs and the just-begun cable radio. DBS may be a threat, and also SAP. And also digital broadcasting, which will be a completely different service.

"The competition ground is going to be quality. All of these media are capable of delivering infinitely higher quality than broadcasters are delivering today. Broad-

casters will have to start dealing directly with the quality issue."



Jack Williams, President, Pacific Recorders & Engineering:

"The next thing we're going to see, in the market segments that can afford it, are some of the newer digital workstation technologies. Their price/performance is starting to enter the range where stations can consider getting them and seeing how they perform. Probably five years from now we'll have a very powerful, mature digital workstation business in this industry."



Russell Gentner, President and CEO, Gentner Electronics Corp.:

"We're currently losing full-time engineers and gaining consultants.

The number of qualified engineers is decreasing. This is causing us to develop products that require less field repair and installation, and is causing people like Allied and PR&E to do more turnkey installations.

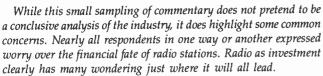
"The equipment we're developing now is geared toward making equipment in radio stations like computers, which offer a lot of self-diagnostics and can be repaired by swapping boards back to the factory."



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Dave Burns, National Marketing Director, Harris/Allied:

"The number one influence in radio now is digital. If a product has digital associated with it, then the broadcaster is at least interested, if not buying it. For instance, the AKG Acoustics DSE-7000 digital workstation is the talk of the industry right now. And the Harris DX-10 true digital transmitter is a runaway success.



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Couple this with an engineer's natural inclination toward the best that technology has to offer, and an unfortunate tug-of-war arises, leaving engineers caught between their own desire to put out a quality sound and the tightened purse strings with which they must deal. Perhaps that will change in the Nineties. And, then again, perhaps not.

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Bill Wohl, Custom Projects Manager, Radio Systems:

"There is some uncertainty about the proper way to deliver programming. This year more than ever we've seen debate over whether traditional analog sources like cart, reel-to-reel and records are still acceptable or whether we should give consideration to DAT and CD. People are still uneasy about the CD experience, and the DAT technology is still relatively new, although we've seen a recent surge of interest in it."

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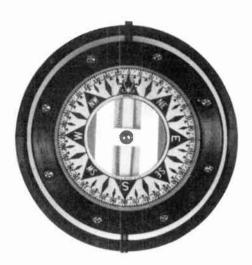
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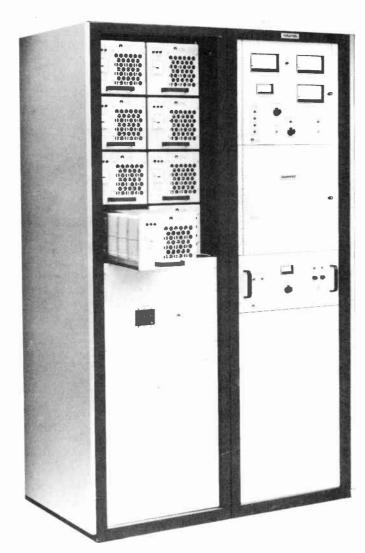
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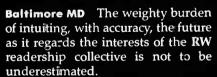
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Predicting the Future

Tracking the Trends in '90 And Beyond

by Ty Ford



The problem stems from the design of my perceptual ability. Like most people, my perception of the future is biased by the past. Envision, if you will, that perception has a pattern much like that of a basic dipole antenna ... a mental rabbit-ear. Because the reception pattern of this type of array is basically a figure-eight, if one lobe is focused on the future, the other is focused on the past.

Attempts to redirect rear-oriented sensitivity to the front, for a deeper or more accurate look into the future, require extra elements of concentration. At some point this redirection effort creates splattering of the side

lobes (present tense), which results in reality saturation ... and a nasty headache.

The conclusion I have become most comfortable with is that, without referencing the past, attempts at predicting the future are often too heavily influenced by the present. For example, if you had a bad pizza for lunch, the resultant heartburn will compromise the accuracy of your vision.



Proof of this sort of mishap is abundant in our industry. Were it not for my esteem for discretion, and the fact that I had a good lunch, I would share a few of my favorites with you.

Fortunately (for all of us), I'll remain focused on the future. I wish I could report that the future will be kinder and gentler for everyone. It won't be.

"Play-it-safe"

The business of broadcasting won't change much, which is to say it will become more boring. In the near future, increased competition will continue to create a "playit-safe" conservative atmosphere.

Even though many economists claim we are "not experiencing a recession," most will grudgingly agree that business is sluggish, soft or just a little off. This will increase the pressure on more marginally capitalized and highly leveraged broadcast properties. Some of them will hit the wall.

A few more "old-timers" will get out of the business, selling their holdings to new owners, who don't know beans about radio. Their fascination will lie not in how the tea leaves of an Arbitron ratings book are interpreted, but in how the station looks on a profit and loss sheet. In that sense, radio will remain a "numbers game."

FM powerhouses

The really smart investors will buy up FM properties that they can upgrade into regional power-houses. These suburban facilities now lie between or among several larger markets. With the proper upgrade, they will cover more than one market. The key to their success will be that they will provide a more efficient time buy for advertisers who now buy markets separately.

Stations within a market, with signals strong enough to effectively penetrate tangential markets, will also do well.

In the Baltimore-Washington area, for example, expect WHFS-FM to emerge as a regional power-house, even if its format does not remain intact. Also expect DC stations like WPGC, WASH, and possibly WWDC and WAVA to increase

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marketing efforts in Baltimore. Broadcasting from Baltimore, WTYY's footprint over Washington also gives them an edge.

Successes will be modified by how well the stations market themselves, by their formats, and by the inroads made by the emerging competition.

Under the heading of "emerging competition," look for cable FM stations in markets that are particularly well wired for cable. Here, unfettered by many FCC "broadcast" regulations, a forest of formats will develop.

While it's true that you can't get cable in cars (yet), inhome or at-work locations wired to a cable system's FM spectrum are the tip of an iceberg that will continue to rip away at the soft white underbelly of broadcast radio.

The grossly over-inflated price of broadcast properties will continue to force owners to find new and inventive ways to meet their loan payments. Subcarriers and tower space will be reconsidered as ways of replacing revenue lost to the increasing number of programming sources.

Stations who can't figure out how to increase revenue will respond by cutting operating costs. Many ex-chief engineers have already "met the future." They have either become contract engineers for a number of stations, or have moved on to allied fields. On-air people should prepare for an even bigger problem.

Ten years ago, trade schools were the main source for most announcers. Now, colleges and universities have inflated the work force by turning out thousands of new "on-air hopefuls." Even though many graduates are going into TV and video, the glut of humanity in the workforce will continue to drive entry level salaries for radio down. That big paying job simply won't be there.

For a comparison, consider the airline industry. The

"glamour" that was attached to stewardesses in the '50s and '60s faded through the '70s and '80s. Increased competition among the carriers and rising operating costs reduced profits.

Because the workforce was unionized, strikes were inevitable. Younger men and women who were then entering the workforce happily took smaller salaries, just to get the job.

In addition to competition from other individuals for onair jobs, announcers will also be competing against network programming via satellite. Satellite-fed formats have already found a niche in the market with station management who have judged that the cost of on-air personnel is too high.

Although it's a little too early to start planning the radio format for the children of the Baby Boom, expect it to be tried by stations who have nothing to lose. When the time is right for this format, it will undoubtedly consist of music and attitudes parents will hate.

There will be many opportunities for success. Take heart in knowing that, in this country, just showing up is more than the average person can handle. Winners—be they good people or jerks—not only show up, they get the job done. It's that simple.

Ty Ford, audio production consultant and voice talent, can be reached at 301-889-6201 or by MCI mail #347-6635.



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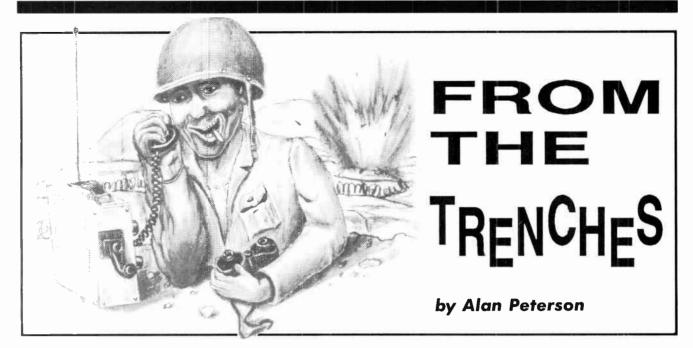
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By the way Jude, by "automation" I am referring to the classic self-contained reel/carousel/computer-sequencer system (or variations of CD or DAT therein) capable of broadcasting all by its little lonesome. To me, the satellite integrated live-assist subsystems just ain't da same. But boy, when I think of where I was when I first had to deal with it . . .

Let's do the Time Warp

In mid-1979 I met the enemy and he was tin. While I was toiling at Oswego NY's WSGO, Frankenstein Jr. was crosstown at WKFM Fulton making

them reels go 'round and 'round (WKFM is now licensed to Syracuse and the former site is now WZZZ-AM, Peter Hunn's very latest success story). I was somewhat peeved at losing Arbs to a box of Nixie tubes, RS5D relays and thumbwheels, but I was also gaining a respect for this strange technology.

Cousin Brucie Morrow made me PD/OM of Northampton, MA's WHMP-FM in 1984, and it became sink or swim with a Shafer 903 rack. The traffic folks referred to FM as "Arnie," so we gave the sucker his own airshift!

With the help of a Sillerman Morrow cohort, we reprogrammed the 903 and loaded the audiofiles with jokes and liners ... welcome "Arnie Shafer," our new overnight personality. This doesn't sound like much now, but in 1984 this was fairly heady; giving a machine a personality sure ticked off our consultant—"that's a tune-out factor." (Shaddap.)

Since then, I've been finding other folks who have personalized their systems as well. I'm amazed to see so many automation racks anthropomorphized with human names.

That human touch

Whether it's done to humanize the mechanism and soften its strange-

ness, or to give the thing an emotional label to hang blame on ("Don't yell at me ... Fred screwed up the rotation"), it has been amusing to conduct this research. What follows are some great examples of monikers bestowed upon these deified player pianos—I've deliberately left out HAL and Fred to present these little lovelies:

Don Richardson of T93 Watertown, NY tells me his Broadcast Electronics 16X system is MAX ... no doubt of Headroom fame. Their way of humanizing Max is to announce "the baby's crying" when the error alarm fires.

WNEZ in New Britain, CT christened their system as BUD. Near as I can figure, it's in honor of Bud Stone; local radio legend and big wheel at Connecticut School of Broadcasting.



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Mark Simonson, arguably one of Binghamton's finest newscasters, tells me of Norwich, NY's WCHN-WKXZ, and their system IVAN (. . . the Terrible . . . need I have told you that?). He also tells me they once had a second rack as well named Otto. I'm presuming "Otto Mattick."

Credit goes to WNNZ, Springfield's 50 kW clear channel AM for WINNZ-TON. While not an automation system, it is one of those dial-up transmitter remote control jobbies with a speech synthesizer. Winnz-ton is occasionally temperamental and calls up whenever he bloody well pleases and gives the right numbers whenever he feels like it. Because of this very human quirk I have included Winnz-ton.

R-E-S-P-E-C-T

WTVR AM/FM Richmond and WSRK Oneonta in Virginia have a common condition: both their automation systems lack a name but have had similar treatment. Both have been on the receiving end of some pretty devastating kicks in the ribs over the years by some less-than-tolerant programmers. To this end, I offer the charming, somewhat feminine name "Dimples." And fellas, that ain't no way to treat a lady . . .

Here now is the name that will most likely be in use nationwide by tomorrow morning. Coined by Bob O'Keefe for our very reliable automation system here at WBBS, Judith, may I present SYBIL. As Bob explained it to

"The traffic folks referred to FM as 'Arnie,' so we gave the sucker his own airshift!

me, Sybil "has thirty distinctly different personalities, seventeen of which are out to kill you."

Automation technology may have reached as far as it can now in creating a clean, well-paced air product. Faster computers, CD or DAT storage and fairly clear programming language—plus the ability to live-assist—have made automation a respectable word again around the station.

In the end, it's going to be clever programming and attention to detail at the user end that will make any station—Sybillized or UnSybillized—successful. But Judith, could it be the next evolutionary step in extending the user friendliness?

I mean, can you imagine replacing the "Error" Sonalert or strobe light with a digitized speech EPROM? Instead of beep-beep-blink-blink, PDs would hear, "Yo Bubba, we got us a train wreck over here!" How about digitizing "Warning! Warning, Will Robinson!!" or Scotty's "Captain, the engines are gonna blow any minute!"

Betcha Sam Kineson's "Augh! Aaauuggh!!" stuffed into an ROM would attract a little attention, eh? (T93's Don Richardson tells me his brother retrofit his office PC with Pee Wee Herman's "Aaack," replacing the beeper that signals a program's completion. In an otherwise serious office environment this must be a sidesplitter.)

I wonder if anybody wants to take a crack at using MIDI to run an automation system? It'd be pretty amazing to wire up a whole automation frame with MIDI INs and OUTs. Pretty weird too, to think an inexpensive Alesis MMT-8 sequencer could handle a whole airshift and have some tracks left over to do production on.

And in defense of Dimples, could somebody wire up a seltzer bottle to a mercury motion switch to zap the next clown that kicks a piece of broadcasting equipment?

Finally, I'd like to doff my helmet to those companies and stations that are now automating with CD playback systems and DAT decks, and espe-

> cially to those visionaries with the room and the bucks for the Touchstone archives or the big Synclavier racks.

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A Modern Parable for Today's Hi-Tech Studios

by Dee McVicker

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The above might read like broadcasting folklore, but all this happened during the last decade. Robojocks are not metal DJs transported out of a fable; they are large, multiple-disc CD players and they are usually transported by UPS.

If there is a parable here, perhaps it is in where technology is headed. The Robojocks, DATs and large brains of the coming paperless and tapeless era are not just headed for top ten markets. Surprisingly, they are also headed for what Arbitron's top ten might consider to be rural radio.

WMLS-AM in Monroe, GA, was one such station within the path of new age technology. Last year, this small AM acquired two Sony CDK 006 60-slot CD players, a full compact disc library and a Media Touch automation brain.

General Manager Ron Reeves considers these buys to be a sign of the times. "When you have an AM," he says, "you better make it sound as good as you can." In the outbacks of radio, this advice for AM broadcasters takes on double meaning. For Reeves, it meant setting aside some of the myths of AM radio as well as breaking the mold of conventional small market thinking.

Not that Reeves hasn't thought about staying within the small market comfort zone. He admits to "seriously considering" an automation carousel machine because it was tried and proven, and to at least browsing through satellite format listings.

But what Reeves couldn't convince himself of was how well program vending translated into everyday small market radio. In short, Reeves wanted his station to identify with the 15,000 potential listeners in Monroe, GA. And this, he reasoned, wasn't indigenous to satellite programming or even cut-from-the-mold analog—in any vending form.

From sea to shining sea

Andy Castiglione, chief engineer for KBET-AM in Canyon Country, CA, would probably agree. KBET is totally digital with three 800 megabyte hard disk drives, four Sony CDK 006s, two DAT machines and enough computer software to keep a radio station on the air long after the air is unsuitable for humans.

John Connell with Media Touch Systems, Inc. rates KBET, a 1 kW stereo AM, to be one of the more progressive radio stations of 1989. What is amazing, says Connell, is that "it's light years ahead of everything, and here it's this little radio station."

WESO-AM and sister WQVR-FM, on the fringes of Worcester County in Southbridge, MA meanwhile, have shed a different light on where technology is headed. In 1989, WESO/WQVR ended a beta test of the Astre system, a fully functional brain that handles total radio station operation.

Astre, the brainchild of the stations' engineer Richard LaVallee, is a departure from the new PC-based systems, with a UNIX disk operating system on mainframe computer. And it is, according to DJ Steve Mantle, "40 minutes into the future."

Considering the source

In a 1988 survey conducted by the National Association of Broadcasters, radio stations in markets with populations of less than 100,000 lagged only seven percent behind the 29 percent of all stations using compact discs to air programming.

If these numbers indicate anything, it is that even in the heart of Rural Radio USA, stations are considering the source. Whether this is the case because of heated pressure by listeners, or the result of technology trimming prices down to a more palatable size, no one knows for sure.

Dave Scott of Century 21 Programming, Inc. suspects it is a little of both. All stations, he says, are more quality conscious and more attuned to the type of product they air. "Quality has gone way, way up and the price has held the same or gone down," he maintains, citing these examples: "The worst DAT is going to sound terrifically better than the best cartridge. And the worst CD ever made sounds better than the best vinyl album."

KBET-AM's Castiglione would be the first to agree. As the engineer behind an AM stereo station, he is all for the quality of this new age broadcasting. "Even my transmitter is totally solid state," he boasts. "I have only one vacuum tube in the whole place."



KBET entered the tapeless, paperless era in a clean sweep. The evidence? Nowhere in the station can one find a cart machine—or console, for that matter. The thought of doing without either of these broadcasting staples might be unsettling for some, but to Castiglione, it's all part of the digital package.

Disks and D.A.M.S.

Three hard disk drives, at 800 megabytes each, now hold what used to require numerous cartridge tapes to contain. Six hours of audio, at 15 kHz bandwidth for stereo, are stored on these three, relatively small devices for commercial, jingle, and sound effect rotation. The component behind digital retrieval and conversion to onair broadcast is the D.A.M.S., or Digital Audio Mass Storage system developed by Southern Broadcasting Systems in Australia.

Four Sony CDK 006 CD players rotate the station's music load, which is supplied by Century 21 Program-



KBET's Andy Castiglione, shown with just a sampling of the station's automation gear.

ming and scheduled by KBET personnel with Century 21's Super Scheduler software program. Adding to this already large inventory of digital mass storage is a relatively new arrival to broadcasting.

The McKenzie Digimac is typically





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found in television studios for live game shows, or in airports to direct passengers. But Castiglione, with 16 years in the television market and no stranger to digital mass storage, decided to try the device for the station's network tap.

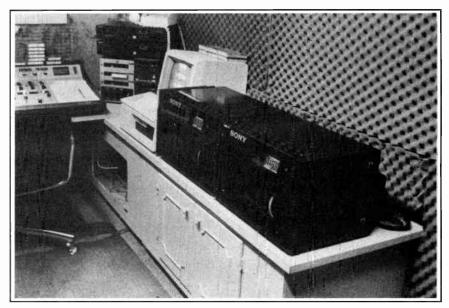
Castiglione compares the Digimac to a DAT recorder, only with 4k bandwidth instead of a full spectrum. To use the DAT for the station's CBS news feed, he claims, would be "a waste of technology," because the audio pass from the satellite receiver is only 3.5k bandwidth.

That's not to say, however, that Castiglione doesn't take advantage of DAT technology. He does, in fact, and has two DAT machines for commercial load. "So if we wanted to sell a one-commercial load package, we can put all our commercials on DAT and also have them on D.A.M.S.," says Castiglione.

Media Touch does the driving

The automation engine behind KBET's tapeless and paperless station is the Media Touch system. With touchscreen control at workstations in virtually every room in the facility, and with modem access to boot, just about any event—automation, programming, or otherwise—can take place without so much as turning a pot, sliding a fader or lifting a finger to other than the touchscreen.

WMLS-AM is also hooked up to a Media Touch brain for its digital automation. GM Reeves likes the idea that they can theoretically walk away from



The WMLS CD library is housed in two Sony CD players.

the station for 168 hours, providing enough events are pre-programmed into the chain.

Robojocks, DATs and large brains...are not just headed for top ten markets.

So far, Reeves hasn't tested this theory, but he does leave the station unattended for four to five hours at a time. Reports Reeves, "The only time we automate is during non-drive times, when it's fairly music intensive—and overnight."

Unlike KBET-AM, WMLS mixes

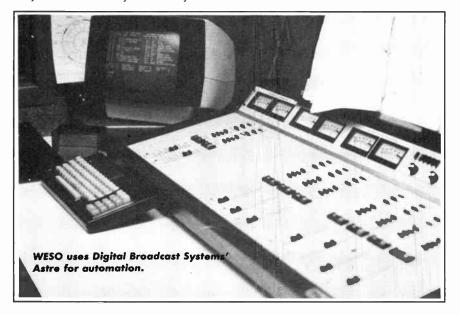
new technology with more conventional technology to feed its signal to a small market. Commercials are recorded on cart, and later transferred to reel tape for semi-automation by the system. Each standard spot set begins with a station promo, and when completed, signals control back to music rotation with a 25 Hz tone.

The CD library, housed in two Sony CD players, was—much to Reeves' regret—all timed and keyed into the computer by personnel at the station. Reflects Reeves, "We had to literally time every record, all the intros, all the tone endings and physically type out all the songs—tallying about 1800 songs." His advice to CD enthusiasts? Purchase a pre-automated CD library from a programming company.

Despite the long hours it took to get the library into the system, it has been well worth the time. Reeves estimates that for every hour of automation, the station gains 45 minutes over a manual system. Speculates Reeves, "The time it takes to do one hour (of automation) is about 15 minutes. So you spend 15 minutes of the jock actually sitting behind a control board, and you've freed him up for 45 minutes."

Idle time

DJ Steve Mantle of WESO-AM/WQVR-FM concurs with Reeves' findings. He has noticed a bit more idle time in his workday since the stations put the Astre automation system on line.



Astre, on the other hand, is anything but idle. If it is not scanning for a 5 volt pulse at 80 cycles per second, it's running a trim program to keep commercial production within, say, a 60 second time increment. The system is, in fact, on line 24 hours a day with a good part of the day as the central brain for *two* radio stations.

... for every hour of automation, the station gains 45 minutes over a manual system.

Digital Broadcast Systems' new system, which will begin its marketing life this year, is intended for largemarket stations. However, said Digital Broadcast Systems' Director of Software Matthew Martin, it ended up at WESO/WQVR because of Christmas, among other reasons.

The FM especially was hard pressed to make Christmas on what Martin describes as "a single insta-

cart," and Digital Broadcast Systems was hard pressed to turn down what is probably the hardest test for an automation system to pass: a one-operator AM/FM combination in the evening, with separate AM and FM programming.

That was two Christmases ago. The station combo has since purchased the system, and Digital Broadcast Systems' Astre has since met many challenging situations.

While the FM is for the most part fully automated, the AM is generally set up for manual or live assist operation. Both stations air separate Drake Chenault formats, the FM airing Country from four reel-to-reel machines and the AM airing hits from the '60s, '70s and '80s from six reel-to-reels. All of this is rotated by Astre.

The stations' music rotation databases are listings of reels, not songs. The sequence of music events takes place in the system's sequencing module, which switches back and forth between reels to air the next song in line for playback.

For commercials, liners and buffers, both stations use the Astre brain to call up events from an 800 megabyte or 328 megabyte hard disk drive. The rule of thumb for storage space, according to Martin, is that one minute of single channel audio at 15 kHz bandwidth takes up approximately four megabytes.

Automating advertisements

Mass storage is dynamically allocated onto the disk drives. Says Martin, "There's no compression done at any time, no unwanted artifacts due to compression and decompression." This not only benefits the quality of audio, but it also allows production personnel to utilize Astre's trim feature.

The trim feature, part of the system's production module, eliminates the need to tight cue a spot. Informs Martin, "When the system is told to record a 60 second spot, it allocates



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space for 66 seconds." A digital filter then scans the spot, detecting the first and last instant of audible audio and then adjusts the commercial length to the nearest hundredth of a second.

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As for the ending to this parable, there isn't one. But then again, perhaps what the large brains of this new age technology have in mind is to change the way we think about small market radio.

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Ready RULES

How to Ready
Your Stations for NRSC-2

by Harold Hallikainen

San Luis Obispo CA In April 1989, the Federal Communications Commission adopted NRSC-2, the standard recommended by the National Radio Systems Committee for regulating RF emissions. Let's take a close look at NRSC-2 and what you need to do.

Many people have thought, mistakenly, that the annual "proof" (equipment performance measurements) requirement was deleted in the FCC's deregulation attempts. While the audio measurements (and the audio specifications) were deleted, the RF measurement requirements were actually made more difficult (although the RF specifications did not change, until NRSC-2 was adopted).

Looking back in my 1984 copy of the Rules, section 73.1590 required audio and RF measurements to be made at least once each calendar year (with no more than 14 months between measurements). Rule 73.1590(1)(b)(v) required "measurements or evidence showing that spurious radiations, including radio frequency harmonics, are suppressed or are not present to a degree capable of causing objectionable interference."

The section went on to say that field strength readings are preferred, but observations made with a communications receiver were acceptable.

New requirements

These required measurements typically would demonstrate that harmonics and intermod were sufficiently suppressed, but did not demonstrate that the occupied bandwidth (specified in 73.44) requirements were being met. You were required to meet the specifications of 73.44 (which start with frequencies more than 15 kHz from carrier must be down at least 25 dB), but were not required to demonstrate compliance.

Several rule changes in 1984,

1985 and 1986 deleted the audio measurement requirement and "simplified" the RF measurement requirement to "merely" demonstrating compliance with 73.44 (we're really just dealing with AM stations here). As mentioned above, 73.44 includes requirements on harmonics, spurs, and "occupied bandwidth."

Everything but the occupied bandwidth specification could be measured with a field strength meter. The occupied bandwidth measurement could, I imagine, be measured with a field strength meter that has a very narrow bandwidth, high tuning resolution and high tuning accuracy. Such a meter would be similar to a "tuned voltmeter." A spectrum analyzer is merely a tuned voltmeter that automatically sweeps.

I don't know how stations have been meeting the requirements of 73.1590 (demonstrating compliance with 73.44), other than perhaps using a spectrum analyzer. My review of FCC violation notices issued in 1988 shows several stations cited for not having an equipment performance measurement report on file (they all thought the "proof" requirement had been deleted!), but I found no men tion of incomplete reports, such as

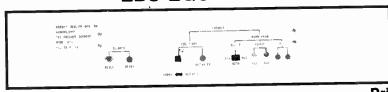
demonstrating compliance on harmonics, but not occupied bandwidth. The inspectors may not have been looking for it, but it is required!

NRSC reduces interference

On 20 July 1988, the FCC adopted a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (MM Docket 88-376, call me for a copy) proposing to reduce the allowed 25 dB frequency from 15 kHz to 10 kHz, substantially reducing interference to second adjacent channel stations. Other than reducing the frequencies at which various reductions were required, the NPRM proposed no other changes in the rules. Although NAB had suggested the Commission adopt the NRSC-1 audio standard (which specifies a standard preemphasis and a "brick wall" audio filter at 10 kHz), the Commission proposed to adopt the NRSC-2 "RF mask."

Use of NRSC-1 would have reduced interference to second adjacent channel stations (due to the brick wall filter). However, the amount of protection of those stations was not precisely defined, because the transmitter will produce energy more than 10 kHz from carrier even if there is no audio above 10 kHz being fed to it.

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NRSC-1 also provides a standard preemphasis for audio. If all stations used this standard and all receivers used a complementary deemphasis, we'd get a flat frequency response through the system. The lack of a standard results in widely varying audio quality between stations and receivers.

This is the "interoperability" question I often bring up (will people be able to receive what you're transmitting? Are you broadcasting color television using NTSC, but half the receivers use PAL?). The Commission currently leaves this question to the marketplace. The FCC's place is protection of the rights of a spectrum user from encroachment by another user. Other standards agencies (nongovernment) are to be relied upon for standards that do not directly deal with interference.

Enforcement issues

Besides the "leave it to the marketplace" argument, the Commission has a very good argument in favor of adopting of NRSC-2 over NRSC-1 in that NRSC-1 would be very difficult to enforce. Most AM audio processors now use multiband compression, resulting in a "dynamic equalization." The frequency response depends on the program content.

So ... What to do? The concept of the NRSC-1 standard seems very good. Stations should probably install an NRSC-1 box. They should also install an NRSC-1 deemphasis filter on the modulation monitor audio output. Adjust the audio processing for optimum audio on this NRSC receiver, instead of adjusting for the program director's car radio. As NRSC receivers are introduced, people will hear that it really does sound better.

One final comment on NRSC-1. It would appear that the limit on preemphasis along with the frequency spectrum of programming sets a loose limit on radiation between carrier and 10 kHz from carrier. If the high frequency audio content is low and is

boosted a limited amount by preemphasis, the energy falling on the first adjacent channel is loosely limited.

Use of NRSC-1 may result in a reduction of interference to stations on first adjacent channels, depending upon what preemphasis was previously used. It would be interesting to see a spectrum analysis from carrier on out under various programming conditions.

NRSC-2 adopted

On 12 April 1989, the Commission adopted the NRSC-2 RF mask (MM Docket 88-376, call me for a copy). As described above, this rule change reduces the 25 dB down frequency from 15 kHz to 10 kHz from carrier.



On 12 April 1989, the Commission adopted the NRSC-2 RF mask, over NRSC-1. The major factor was cost.

The Report and Order points out that a major argument in favor of adopting NRSC-1 rather than NRSC-2 was cost. It was reasoned that an NRSC-1 box (less than \$1000) costs less than a spectrum analyzer or splatter monitor. The Commission points out (in paragraph 32) that 73.1590 already requires measurements to demonstrate compliance with 73.44, so no new regulatory requirements are imposed.

The Commission did, however, partially accept this argument and actually reduced the requirements of

73.1590 by waiving the required measurements until 30 June 1994 if the station complies with NRSC-1 when initially going on the air, or by 30 June 1990. If the Commission finds (through spectrum analyzer measurements) that the station is not complying with 73.44, the station will need to make the measurements of 73.1590 to demonstrate compliance with 73.44 (after the problem is fixed).

This waiver of measurements should encourage many stations to install NRSC-1 equipment (because of cost reduction due to reduced measurements). This will help substantially in getting the NRSC-1 preemphasis standard installed in a large number of stations, making NRSC receivers sound good.

Since the measurements required by 73.1590 are only required once a year, many stations will probably not buy the equipment necessary to make the measurements (while still complying with the limits of 73.44). It would appear that consulting engineers or contract engineers could purchase the equipment and offer the service to stations, spreading the cost out among many stations.

You may find that a local television station, cable company, two way radio shop or consumer TVRO supplier has a spectrum analyzer you can use.

Summary

If you install NRSC-1 equipment by 30 June 1990, the measurements required by 73.1590 will generally be waived until 30 June 1994. After that date, you must make measurements once each calendar year (as you've been doing all along, right?) to demonstrate compliance with the new tighter occupied bandwidth specifications (NRSC-2).

These measurements are to be made with a swept frequency RF spectrum analyzer (with various specifications). Specialized receivers may be used (such as the Delta Splatter Monitor), but in case of dispute as to what is actually being radiated, the spectrum analyzer is assumed to be correct.

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AM Stereo How-To's: A Systems Checkup

by John Bisset, Delta Electronics

Alexandria VA FCC deregulation has eliminated the rules requiring periodic measurement of "quality" standards (frequency response, noise, distortion, intermod, etc.). The competitive marketplace, however, demands that engineers stay on top of these parameters.

Though the job for AM monaural stations is pretty straightforward, when a second channel is added, the possibility of problems—and the resultant poor sound on the air—increases.

Switch boxes for testing

AM stereo performance tests can be made easier by building two switch boxes. The first switch box is used with the exciter to provide separate left and right outputs. The switches permit left-only and right-only measurements as well as L–R for crosstalk measurements.

Figure 1 shows the schematic for the audio oscillator switchbox. S-l, S-2, and S-3 are double pole, double throw toggle switches. The switches connect to a barrier strip on the side of an aluminum enclosure (a Bud™ or Pomona™ type box will work fine). The internal wiring is not critical—any insulated, stranded wire will do.

Figure 2 shows the schematic for the monitor output switch box. Again, an aluminum enclosure is used, and the inputs and outputs are made through chassis-mounted BNC connectors.

S-l is a four position rotary switch—again, nothing critical. You will have four cables that will go to the modulation monitor. To reduce cable bulk, use RG-174. This small diameter, flexible coax will make interconnection easier. Marking each BNC male connector with the appropriate "L," "R," "L+R," and "L-R" labels will make interconnection easier. By making this interconnection cable 69 long, you can mount your monitor in the rack and place your oscillator and analyzer and oscilloscope in front of the equipment you are testing.

Mono proof

Before checking stereo performance, conduct a full mono proof, using the transmitter's internal oscillator rather than the AM stereo exciter. If some portion of the transmitter fails the mono proof, you can be assured that the problem is not caused by the stereo exciter and is isolated to the transmitter itself.

After the cursory check of mono parameters, the level of transmitter-induced IPM (Incidental Phase Modulation) should be measured. Feed a 1 kHz tone into the transmitter to modulate it 50% L+R (mono). The AM Stereo Modulation Monitor is then selected to read L-R. The IPM level is the total number of dB the meter reads, below the L+R reference level.

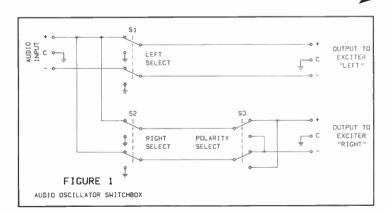
At the absolute worst, the IPM reading should be in the upper 20s. You'll want to get this figure down as much as possible, because it has a direct bearing on separation. Adjustment of transmitter tuning and neutralization controls while watching the modulation monitor will improve your reading. Some IPM levels may reach the high 30s depending on the transmitter and its adjustment.

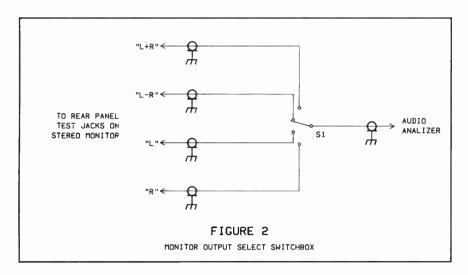
With the transmitter optimized, switch back to the stereo exciter drive (disabling the transmitter's internal crystal oscillator which was used for the preceding tests). Feed the exciter with a 50% L+R (mono) signal and verify that both the exciter and monitor show a 50 percent reading. Now adjust the exciter's front panel "balance" trimpot for a null on the exciter's L-R meter.

Again, check the level of IPM, this time using the exciter as the means of supplying transmitter drive. If the IPM figure increases significantly, the exciter may require adjustment.

Audio phasing

Unless your audio chain/patch bay has been re-wired, channel phasing should not have changed. A simple means of checking audio phasing is to set the switchbox for 1 kHz at 50 percent LEFT ONLY modulation. Select the RIGHT ONLY meter on the





stereo modulation monitor to verify that no signal is present.

The value read off the monitor should correspond to the original IPM value. Substantial difference could indicate misadjustment of the equalization and delay settings. These can be reset using the procedure found in your manual (contact Delta for an adjustment bulletin).

As a final check of the exciter, switch the meter/pilot selector switch on the modulation monitor to PILOT. Observe that the pilot level is within

tortion measurements are made, keep in mind that 3% is the maximum acceptable for good stereo. Higher values may point to the modulator tubes.

When measuring separation, remember that these figures will be limited by the IPM level of the transmitter. While driving the left channel (select LEFT ONLY on the switchbox feeding the exciter) with 1 kHz at 75 percent modulation, select the RIGHT ONLY output of the monitor switchbox feeding your analyzer. Record the value in dB on the chart.

Though C-QUAM generating equipment is designed for stable operation, an occasional tune-up is suggested.

the black band. This test is conducted with no modulation. It is normal for the pilot level to fluctuate with modulation. The pilot level can be verified using the L-R meter of the modulation monitor. With no modulation, the L-R meter should read just below -26 dB with proper pilot injection.

Quality proof measurements

Now that the exciter/monitor operation has been verified, "quality" proof measurements may be made. When conducting these tests, the pilot should be switched to "off." As dis-

Though the modulation monitor can be used, remember that the monitor uses quasi-peak detectors, and the separation numbers are typically worse than those read on external RMS detectors. Under ideal conditions, 40 dB of separation may be measured, though values in the high 20s to lower 30s are more typical. At the 75% modulation level, keep in mind that the separation figures will deteriorate. This is due to the fact that at high levels of single channel modulation, the C-QUAM feedback circuits are not as accurate.

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the audio switchbox) and measuring the L+R.

This crosstalk measurement is traditionally better than the L+R value. Crosstalk figures of 30 to 43 dB are possible.

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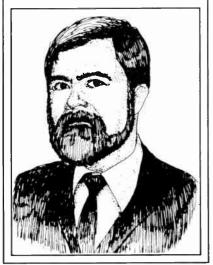
Washington DC "The telcos are coming! The telcos are coming!" The alarm is being sounded with increasing frequency by cable operators and TV broadcasters. The concern is that technological developments and regulatory changes will combine to significantly alter the video distribution marketplace, thereby setting the stage for some of today's most successful enterprises to go the way of the do-do bird.

Clearly, some stations are losing money ...

Broadcast radio is also susceptible to these types of changes. In fact, the above scenario is already a painfully familiar one to many AM radio broadcasters. It's not too early for even the most prosperous radio broadcasters to seriously assess their long run viability, because change, especially technological change, will surely come.

Some will no doubt view any change as "bad" for broadcasting, and will fight tooth and nail to maintain the status quo. But for those savvy enough to exploit them, changes could

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create rewarding opportunities. While it is virtually impossible to predict accurately how the forces of change will affect radio broadcasting and broadcasters, one can identify some of the sources of change and speculate as to how these forces may shape radio's future.

The bad news

Radio station revenues are being increasingly constrained by two factors: The advertising "pie" is not growing as rapidly as it has historically, and the number of media outlets (broadcast and non-broadcast) receiving a slice of the revenue pie is growing rapidly.

Both of these trends are reflected in a recent study conducted jointly be the National Association of Broadcasters and the Broadcast Financial Management Association. NAB/BFM reported that on average, radio station revenues generally declined in 1988 relative to 1987. If things are this tight in a healthy expanding economy, stations' revenues could contract severely when we enter an economic downturn.

In addition to feeling the squeeze in advertising revenues, broadcasters are also experiencing the related effects of increasing competition for audience share. The increase in the number of radio stations over the last decade has been well documented, but over the next several years the most significant new competitors may well be non-broadcast media.

Because increasing channel capacity is spawning greater amounts of specialized programming, in the future cable television could siphon away a large segment of radio's audience in the home. Consider the success radio talk show host Larry King has already enjoyed on CNN, for example. And cable presentation of that staple of many local radio stations, local and regional sports programming, may become more common in the future.

Even listeners in automobiles are turning off their radios to listen to higher quality non-radio alternatives—cassettes and CDs. In the future, satellite distributed programming may make further inroads into radio's traditional domain. Moreover, some of the informational services (e.g., traffic reports) now provided almost exclusively over broadcast stations might be offered, for pay, via cellular telephone or one-way paging services.

The good news

Within these unsettling trends and dire technological predictions, however, I think there is reason to be optimistic, maybe even enthusiastic, about broadcast radio's future as a business enterprise and a medium to inform and entertain the public.

... but a substantial number are doing exceedingly well.

Consider first the trends surrounding station revenues and sales. The NAB/BFA study reveals that there is a flattening in average revenues. Clearly, some stations are losing money, and a few are in dire straits. But, a substantial number of stations are doing exceedingly well. Moreover, station sales are brisk and many properties are trading at what I find to be astronomically high prices.

I subscribe to that old saw about not being able to fool all of the people all of the time. Hence, to me the fact that, even in a highly competitive and increasingly crowded market, advertisers and investors continue to flock to broadcast cannot be explained merely by the greater fool theory. I think the explanation is both simpler and more fundamental. Listeners place a very high value on high quality, live entertainment. The fact that such programming is simply not available from recorded media bodes well for radio's future.

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Broadcast In the Digital Era

by Stanley Salek

Washington DC From the first use of compact disc (CD) players in the radio broadcast environment (about 1982), quality improvements traced to the use of digital audio in broadcasting have become increasingly obvious.

Formats of the digital age

Several companies now market CD players specifically designed for continuous operation. Some take a form similar to cartridge tape players, providing a familiar user interface. Most program suppliers now provide their entire libraries in CD format, recorded directly from original master tapes. Multiplay CD machines are available



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for stations that use automated/DJ assist formats.

Digital Audio Tape (DAT) is also finding greater acceptance in radio broadcasting. Because it is a recordable format, stations use DAT machines for economical direct-to-digital mastering. Realizing this, a

few manufacturers have designed editing consoles that make these machines easier to use in the production environment.

Other digital audio formats also have been seen at radio stations. These include computer hard disk audio storage systems and reel-to-reel digital tape decks. A combination of the two methods also exists that uses tape for long term storage, downloading to computer disk for on-air play.

New integrated digital production and editing systems are introduced each year. Although cost prohibitive for most stations, continuing reductions in manufacturing and component costs seem to indicate that these systems will grow in popularity.

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CHANGES IN RADIO'S HORIZON

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Another important consideration in radio's future is the FCC's changing view of the competitive environment and how the medium should be regulated.

In refining some of its ownership rules several months ago, the Commission revealed a new public interest calculus in which broadcast ownership diversity receives less prominence, and the economic benefits of station combinations greater prominence, than was the case previously. As the competitive landscape continues to be reshaped by the emergence of non-broadcast media, this new analytical framework could produce increases in the concentration of local broadcast ownership.

The composition of the Commission has been altered substantially since that decision was reached. Still, Chairman Sikes and his colleagues have done nothing to suggest that they would be unwilling to consider some increases in the concentration of broadcast ownership.

While such a move would obviously enhance licensee profitability, it could also discourage "lowest common denominator" programming and reduce the sameness which characterizes much of radio programming today. Both of these latter effects would increase radio's attractiveness to listeners and do much to improve radio's long term viability.

Finally, the biggest threat to broadcast radio—technological advancement—could also prove to be its greatest salvation. Digital signaling technology, which is now commonplace in other areas of communications, could vastly improve the quality of broadcast radio reception, especially in the concrete canyons of our major urban centers.

What are the implications of all this for the future of radio broadcasting? Are there going to be changes? Sure! Lots of them. Technology will continue to provide more opportunities for delivering all types of information to consumers. This fact will produce more competitive pressure on the traditional model of radio broadcasting.

As a medium, broadcast radio will not only continue to survive, it will thrive because consumers want it. Its future form will undoubtedly be different than today, with its characteristics influenced greatly both by the nature of future regulatory adjustments and by the industry's ability to adopt and adapt to new technological developments.



Processing and transmission

Digital audio elements are used in audio processing equipment and consoles, including level control and filtering processes. Although most equipment of this type still uses a combination of analog and digital technologies, considerable improvements are being achieved.

Digital transmission via telephone and microwave systems is now more practical. A few manufacturers are marketing or working on designs that will allow full stereo digital audio transmission on T-1 type telephone circuits and standard 950 MHz STL systems.

The technology is working its way into new AM and FM transmitters as well. AM transmitters using full digital modulation schemes are now being sold, while a means for full digital FM modulation was recently introduced to broadcast manufacturers.

NAB has been working with the Audio Engineering Society to finalize and make "broadcaster friendly" a series of interfaces that allow digital audio equipment from several different manufacturers to be interconnected easily. This will provide broadcasters with the means to eventually eliminate all analog audio links.

Interest in Eureka

Also, digital audio broadcast (DAB) systems are now being studied and developed. A considerable amount of interest was generated by the European Broadcasting Union (EBU) Eureka 147 DAB system, shown at the ITU-COM convention in Geneva, Switzerland early in October, 1989.

The system, designed for terrestrial use (for both fixed and mobile reception), is said to be capable of

transmitting 16 simultaneous stereo audio channels in about 4 MHz to 6 MHz total bandwidth. A sophisticated transmission algorithm is being further developed to control multipath distortion and other negative transmission effects. Preliminary demonstrations have been somewhat impressive, with the received signal exhibit-

ing a noticeable "durability" over varying terrain conditions. Some US manufacturers have shown interest in and also may be working on similar systems.

In the US and other countries, space allocation for any DAB system

would likely come from the television spectrum or surrounding frequencies. This use would have to be coordinated with advanced television plans to accommodate such a system.

As with all emerging technologies, more sophisticated and less costly digital system "building blocks" are introduced to equipment designers and manufacturers, almost on a daily basis. Sophisticated, yet easily operated and maintained station digital audio and transmission link systems are now in practical use, or at least conceivable for radio broadcasting, while full-digital broadcast systems for the future are being developed and tested.



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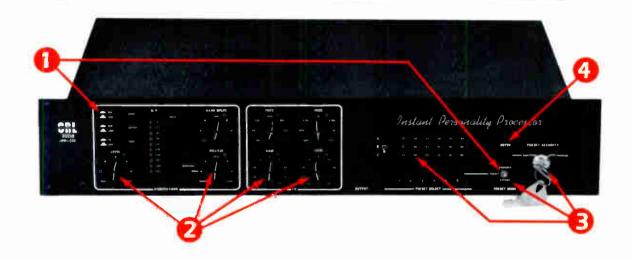
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The standard unit is configured for most applications. For special requirements, a number of standard and custom optims are available. Standard ones include visual phase and level indicators, and various input settleming arrangements. A premium version infatter response and lovel distortion is available for more critical applications.



FEATURES

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Instant audible alert of Out of Phase source

THOROUGH magnetic shielding

Simple installation

DESCRIPTION

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separation.

Due to superior cancellation, the user is immediately alerted when the audio feeds are in become jout-of phase.

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Only three connections to the AMP 2 are required, the two line level audio feeds (via XLR 3-F s or RCA Phono jacks) and the external AC power pack connection to an AC mains outlet

The standard unit which includes extended range LEO Peak Level meters and visual phase indication is configured for most applications. For special requirements, a number of standard or custom options, such as vanous input swirching arrangements, are available.

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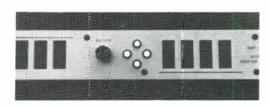
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The AMP 5 is also available with a regular, full bandwidth stereo output of 18/12 Walts RMS (4 ohm/8 ohm) per channel. Order model AMP 5ST

AUDIO PHASE INDICATOR



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Go/No-go level indication source absent/present/overload

DESCRIPTION

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The Go No go level indicators are another cost-effective innovation from Wohler Tachnologies. When the audio level rises above a preset level (e.g. 2568m) the LED for hint channel comes on. Blouds the level exceed a higher preset hierarchic 4-468m; the LED color will change to Red. This approach provides useful information without duplicating the meters on most sources (usually lapse machines).

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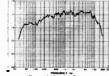
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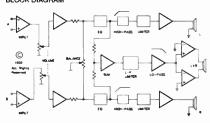


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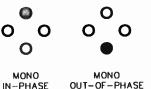


GUIDE TO INTERPRETING THE IPI-1 DISPLAY

The green LED indicates In Phase, red indicates Out Of Phase. The two amber LEDS on either side are for level indication in each channel. (If there's no signal present in either or both channels, no indication of phase is possible; the side LEDS then show which signal(s) is/are missing). An overrange indication is also included with the side LEDs: when the audio level rises above a pre-set threshhold, e.g., +8dBm, the LED in that channel will change color from amber to red. The amber LEDs will usually give the best indication when their turn-on range is set around -25dBm. The upper threshold may be set independently of the lower, but changing the lower one will also change the upper one.

Since the IPI-1 operates on an instantaneous basis, the display also distinguishes a stereo source from a mono one. Any stereo source contains some opposite-phase information, so both green and red LEDs will flicker with a stereo source, whereas with a mono source, only one or the other wilb be on. If a stereo source has been recorded with multiple and/or widely-spaced mics, the phase relationship between the voluments may be fairly random. (Many orchestral recordings exhibit this characteristic). Accordingly, analogous to a fuzzy circle on an X-Y (Lissajous) display, both the red and green LEDs will flicker with near equal intensity. Thus this method of phase indication provides a simple, and accurate indication of audio phase relationships between the two charnets, and the resulting amount of cancellation which will occur in the mono mix.

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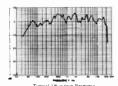
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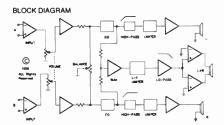
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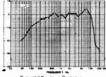
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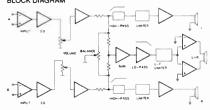




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Our Supplier Source Book lists names and addresses of the companies found in the Product Source Book.

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EDWARD M. MULLIN, Vice-President, born 1938, married. BSEE 1961 Drexel University. 1961 - 1964 - ITA Corp. Audio Design Engineer. 1964 - 1967 - Omnidata Corp - Digital & Electromechanical Design engineer. 1967 - 1979 Ampro Scully Co. successively as Design Engineer, Chief Engineer and President. 1979 Co-founded ATI.

ATI - Audio Technologies Incorporated was incorporated in the state of Pennsylvania in August 1979. We are now in our eleventh year. The company was organized and is co-owned equally by Samuel B. Wenzel and Edward M. Mullin. The initial ATI designs which are still manufactured, are the Micro Amp Series of Mike, Line, Distribution and Turntable Amplifiers. These products have been augmented by a full line of Consoles and "Problem Solver" products directed toward the broadcast and pro-sound industries. ATI's market is worldwide. 80% of sales are domestic, 20% are international.

ATI's manufacturing facility and headquarters occupy 10,000 sq. ft. in beautiful downtown Horsham, Pennsylvania, a suburb of Philadelphia. The principal activity at the plant is the manufacturing of ATI's extensive proprietary product line of audio equipment, along with marketing/sales and engineering offices.

ATI supports the National SBE and local SBE chapter 18 and is an associate member of NAB and NSCA. The "Micro-Amp Series" - Premium Mike Amplifiers, Turntable Amplifiers, Line Amplifiers, Audio Distribution Amplifiers. Meter and Monitoring systems.

The "Vanguard Series" - Eight and twelve mixer, dual channel stereo broadcast consoles.

The "Encore Series", of Ulti-mike, Line, Turntable Amplifiers, Audio Distribution Amplifiers and Multi-Amplifier arrays.

The "Match-Maker" and "Disc-Patcher" line of bi-directional and uni-directional interface systems for level matching IHF leads to 600 ohms.

The "Emph-a sizer" - A Mike and Line Audio Processor.

Principal Dealers:

Allied Broadcast Equipment, Audio Broadcast Group, Bradley Broadcast Sales, Broadcast Supply West, Crouse - Kimzey Co., Broadcasters General Store, Martin Audio/Video, Northeast Broadcast Labs and other domestic and international dealers.

1990 trade shows where ATI will exhibit:

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Keith Arnett, District Sales Manager



Neal Davis has over twenty years experience in the technical areas of broadcasting and recording, including work for the American Forces Radio and Television Network, positions at various radio and television broadcast facilities, and lab engineering work at GTE/Sylvania. Davis holds a degree in electronics and an unlimited FCC Radiotelephone operator's license. He is a former Chapter Officer with the SBE and a member of the SMPTE.

In 1975 Davis founded Broadcast Services Co., an equipment dealership offering a variety of added services. Through the years Davis firmly established his company as the leading full- service supplier of broadcast equipment in the mid-Atlantic region. In 1987, he purchased EME, Inc., an established equipment rep firm with a wide range of video and communications product lines, also located in North Carolina. Both companies operate as part of The Davis Communications Group, Inc., a technical management company with broadly-based interests in the communications industry.

Company History

A Part of The Davis Communications Group, Inc., Broadcast Services Co. serves an extensive list of broadcasters throughout the mid-Atlantic area. Founded in 1975, it is one of the region's oldest broadcast equipment suppliers, and has provided equipment and "value added" service to nearly every major broadcast facility in NC, SC, VA, MD and DC.

Broadcast Services is system oriented, and specializes in serving the needs of large broadcast groups. As a result, the company often is the sole source supplier in major facility build-outs.

Founded on the concept of personal service to every customer, Broadcast Services Co. has maintained its customer commitment with complete technical service facilities and a parts supply depot for primary product lines. Constant attention has also been paid to administrative support as well, and the company maintains operations with an up-to-date Wang computer system. The computer system not only supports Broadcast Services but provides all of the data processing requirements of sister company EME, Inc. via a 120-mile dedicated telco data link. To further enhance response capability, all offices are equipped with facsimile machines and telex terminals.

The home office also maintains a complete electronic publishing system along with its own graphics camera, thus allowing complete in-house control and preparation of up-to-the-minute newsletters, sales notices and product catalogs.

In conjunction with The Davis Communications Group, Inc. and sister company EME, Inc., Broadcast Services Co. has developed the CELLU-LAR PRODUCTION UNIT, a proprietary interface which allows broadcast audio equipment to be fed directly into the cellular phone network thus providing a reliable and cost effective alternative to conventional RPU

Major Product Lines

Broadcast Services Co. is a full service dealer for Auditronics audio consoles, Otari tape recorders (MX and MIR Series), Fidelipac and ITC cart machines, Broadcast Electronic audio and RF products, West Penn wire, Andrew transmission line and Graphics Express furniture, as well as an extensive array of supporting products. Broadcast Services Co. and EME, Inc. are also dealers for the CELLULAR PRODUCTION UNIT.

Trade Shows

Broadcast Services Co. supports and exhibits at all state broadcast association trade shows in the region. The company also frequently does presentations at area SBE chapters.



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JRF Company, Inc. was formed in 1979 by John and Cookie French to offer the recording industry a premium quality head refurbishing facility. The business was based in their home until a move to office space in Landing, NJ in 1981. During the five years there JRF experienced a growth spiral that saw four more full-time employees brought on board and an evergrowing list of clients. In 1984, the French's started a spin-off company called Magnetic Sciences Inc. to handle the sales of magnetic recording heads and related parts as well as custom assembly and design work. Today these companies are known as JRF Magnetic Sciences.

In order to keep up with the equipment and inventory space demanded by its growth, JRF soon outgrew the Landing facility. In December of 1986 JRF moved into its own building in Greendell, NJ, with triple the previous space, allowing for more efficient working conditions, more equipment and inventory showroom. In the two years there four more employees have been added to the staff, making JRF Magnetic Sciences the foremost head refurbishing center in the world.

The JRF staff now represents over 25 years of magnetic head design, development, and manufacturing experience in recording studio and high speed tape duplication heads and product development. The laboratory and engineering facility utilizes state of the art relapping and testing equipment to insure precision magnetic head refurbishing. Complete head assemblies are aligned by use of sophisticated optical/digital fixturing equipment designed by JRF. Digital readout for movement and mechanical placement enables assemblies to be aligned for guide height, track placement, azimuth, zenith (tilt), wrap and head to tape contact area all within .001. And all assemblies are returned with the exclusive JRF TEST REPORT (copywrited) detailing the condition of the assembly with detailed explanation.

In addition, as a stocking parts dealer the JRF Magnetic Science product line and extensive inventory includes a wide range of replacement magnetic heads (many designed by JRF and manufactured to their stringent specs) and parts for Ampex, Otari, Sony/MCI, Studer Teac and Fostex studio machines as well as Electro Sound, Audio Tek, MTI and Liberty tape duplication equipment. Also available are the full line of MRL alignment tapes and CTCC alignment tapes. The client list includes recording studios, tape duplication and major network radio and TV facilities and service companies throughout the world.

New to the product line are Center Track Time Code conversion kits. The Otari TC-50 time code FM processor, designed for use with the Otari MX5050 series tape machine, has been converted to work with the Studer A80, Sony/MCI JH110 A/B, Ampex ATR-102 and Otari MX5050 MKII and select other model machines. The conversion kit includes everything necessary to convert a stock 1/4-inch tape machine to full function CTCC capability.

In 1990, JRF will exhibit their product line at the NAB Atlanta and AES Los Angeles.



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Earl R. Bullock is President and owner of Broadcast Automation, Inc. Mr. Bullock has over 30 years experience in radio automation and digital control systems. He holds both bachelors and masters degrees in electrical engineering. Mr. Bullock designed the Schafer 900 series automation systems and served as customer service manager for Cetec for four years. He has extensive experience with the Cetec 7000 and Harris SC-90 systems, as well as IGM (both old and new), SMC and Format Sentry systems.

Broadcast Automation was started in 1980 as a division of Century 21 Programming and operated as BASS (Broadcast Automation Sales and Service). The company started out rebuilding automation systems and custom-configuring them for Century 21's syndicated format customers. This allowed the syndicator to provide full service to its customers, supplying them with both the program material and the equipment to implement their formats. Purchased and incorporated by Earl Bullock in 1983, BAI continues its proud tradition of supplying full service to its customers. Today, BAI cooperates with all syndicators, including customers who provide their own programming, in making certain that each system fully satisfies the requirements of the format which it will run.

In keeping with our long-time philosophy of complete, personalized service, BAI remains a relatively small company, with three full-time employees and one part-timer. We are active in our local SBE chapter and will be exhibiting at the 1990 NAB and Radio 90 shows this year. At the present time, we do not sell through distributors/dealers. We currently sell all our products direct to the end-user. Our product line includes Live Assistant, the Ultimate Live Assist Controller, as well as a complete line of major upgrades and replacement parts for the SMC 250 Carousel. We also remanufacture Carousels, reel-to-reels, cart decks, and automation controllers. BAI represents all the major manufacturers of new automation systems and source equipment, as well. We specialize in turnkey systems, custom-configured to each customer's specific requirements, including custom design work when required. BAI includes training and installation with each new system sold, because we want to make the transition to a new automation system as easy as possible for everyone involved. In addition, we offer what we think is the best warranty in the business.

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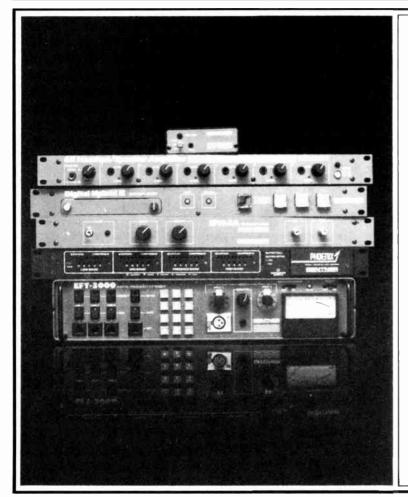
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President and Chief Executive Officer of CCA since 1984, Ron started his career in radio as a disc jockey in the '60s. In the '70s his interests turned to engineering where he quickly gained experience through his involvement in the construction of over 100 radio stations throughout the country, many of which he had major ownership. In the late '70s he became the leading salesman for CCA.

John Binsfeld

John joined CCA in 1989 as Director of Sales. He has a strong engineering background including several years as an independent technical consultant and over 5 years as Chief Engineer for another major transmitter manufacturer. John brings over 20 years experience in the transmitter business to CCA.

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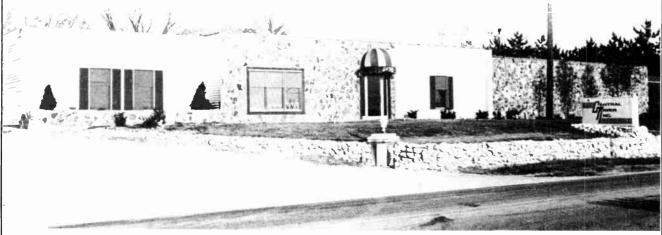
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Trade Shows: NAB, SBE, Radio 90

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Trade Shows: NAB, SBE, NAB Radio '90 Delta also participates in many state and regional SBE shows. If you are interested in Delta providing an SBE presentation for your chapter, call today.

Major Products:

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Hallikainen & Friends



(Left to right) Harold Hallikainen, Jim Christian, Milind Paranjpe, Mars Dehaesus, Betsy Ehrler and Becky Wilson

Company Formation

H&F was founded in 1974 by Frank Calabrese, Eric Dausman, Len Filomeo, Gerry Franke, Harold Hallikainen and Rick Smith. The company was originally a "contract engineering" group, serving 12 stations on the central coast of California. In 1977, the company began designing, manufacturing and selling products for the broadcast industry. The need for these products was evident from our work with local stations. With each product, we've avoided the use of "brute force engineering" (keep adding parts 'til it works!), taking the time to develop an elegant design, using as few parts as possible (the ideal design has zero parts).

Staff

Harold Hallikainen (President) handles sales, technical support and new product hardware and software design.

Betsy Ehrler (Secretary and Treasurer) is responsible for all accounting, inventory control, purchasing and production scheduling. Milind Paranjpe does new product software design.

Becky Wilson and Mars Dehaesus are responsible for the electronic and mechanical assembly of our products.

Jim Christian handles production testing of all our products.

In addition, the company founders, most of whom are still on the Board of Directors, along with our customers provide input needed to develop new products.

Products

Our products can be broken into two groups: remote control and audio.

The remote control group consists of the TEL171 and TEL172 digital telemetry systems, the ITO177 Intelligent Transmitter Operator and the DRC190 remote control system.

The TEL171 and TEL172 upgrade the Moseley TRC-15A and PBR-30 analog remote controls to digital metering, improving accuracy and ease of operation. The ITO177 interfaces the TEL171 to a Commodore 64 or 128 computer, allowing user programmed automatic control and logging of broadcast transmitters.

The DRC190 is a flexible remote control system. Each site includes an extended Microsoft Basic interpreter, allowing the user to program the automatic control and logging of the system. The system uses internal data packet modems to allow up to 100 sites to share a single communications link. The system also allows up to 100 analog inputs and 96 status inputs at each site in the system. Some of the larger installations include a nine site radio transmitter control system relying on the standard data packet system, a nine site television transmitter control system using dial up telephone lines and a 30 site radio transmitter control system using dial up telephone lines.

The audio group consists of the TVA142 mixer module and the TVA132 output module. These rack mount modules can be combined into a mixing system providing 36 inputs. These products find application in radio and television newsrooms, dub centers, edit suites, and on air control rooms.

Product Development

We expect to have several new products ready for the NAB in Atlanta. These include a new low cost transmitter remote control system, a multiple dish satellite steering system and a tower light sensor.

The new remote control system utilizes standard terminals or computers as the control point terminal. The transmitter site equipment utilizes a standard processor board along with custom I/O boards and software. The standard system provides 48 analog inputs, 48 status inputs and 48 control outputs. It can be linked to the control point(s) by any voice grade or digital circuit, including dedicated lines, dial up lines, subcarriers or radio links.

The multiple dish steering system utilizes the same hardware as the new remote control system. The control point(s) can be standard computer terminals or computers. The user interface is through "bounce bar" menus. The control point can be linked to the remote terminal over any digital or voice grade circuit, including dedicated lines, dial up lines, subcarriers or radio links. The system includes a scheduler for automatic dish steering and generates a printed log of all actions.

The tower light sensor is powered by current sense transformers. It rectifies the sensed current and passes it through an active low pass filter. The output of this filter (a steady DC voltage proportional to the sum of the products of lamp currents and duty cycles) is available to drive the analog inputs of remote control systems. In addition, a window detector drives an open drain output suitable for driving the status inputs of remote control systems. This output is pulled low when all lights are operating properly. It will be released on the failure of any lamp or the flasher. Each sensor unit includes three sensors, suitable for three single beacon towers or a single three beacon tower.

Technical Support

H&F provides 24 hour technical support. We can generally solve the problem over the phone, or will air-freight required parts immediately.

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Henry Engineering

Henry Engineering was founded in 1982 by current President Hank Landsberg to formally produce products which Landsberg originally "built from scratch" during his career as a Chief Engineer. His first products were retro-fit modules for Autogram broadcast consoles and the well known Matchbox, selling over 5000 units since its introduction.

Henry Engineering specializes in unique, low cost "problem solver" products.

Henry Engineering products are affordable by every station. Most products are unique and manufactured in a 4000 square-foot facility by six assemblers, a staff which has remained unchanged since 1983. All products recieve 100% testing before shipment; return rate is below one percent.

Major Products:

The Matchbox; Turntable Controller; MixMinus Plus; Superelay; LogiConverter; Telecart II; SynchroStart, and U.S.D.A. A new product is the FAST TRAC automatic dubbing system, a unique "one-pot console" for dubbing and editing stations. (See product review elsewhere in this issue.) Also retro-fit "turbo modules" for older Autogram and Collins consoles.

Henry Engineering products are distributed through dealers such as Allied Broadcast Equipment, Broadcast Supply West, Bradley Broadcast Sales, Crouse-Kimzey, Broadcasters General Store, Broadcast Services Company, and others. Contact Henry Engineering for the name of your nearest dealer.

Trade Shows: NAB, SBE National. We often supply "give away" items for drawing at various shows

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Products:

Studio Transmitter Links

PCL 6000 PCL 606

Remote Controls

MRC 1620-with TaskMaster20 software MRC 2-with MasterController software

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The president, Dr. Douglas Hogg, also holds the position of Director of Engineering. Dr. Hogg, holding a PhD in Physics from the University of California at Santa Barbara, has been with Moseley almost three years after spending nine years with Moseley's sister company General Research Corp. He has provided technical review and support for Moseley since 1981. Prior to his position at General Research, he held a faculty position in the Physics Department at the University of California at Santa Barbara.

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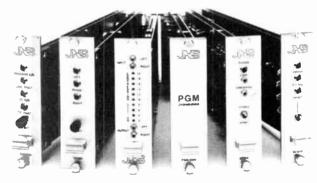
John N. Stannard Vice-President J.N.S. Electronics

J.N.S. Electronics, Inc. has been formed by two former broadcasters sharing over 50 years of station and broadcast equipment manufacturing experience. This hands-on experience has lead to the development of products that do jobs as needed by the broadcaster. The 50-plus years of experience shared by founders John E. Leonard, Jr. and John N. Stannard result in products with exceptional performance and reliability.

The firm spans two continents. J.N.S. Electronics, Inc. has corporate and sales offices in San Jose, CA. Manufacturing occurs in both California and Australia. Products of the firm include a system that provides broadcasters a new method of solving a number of audio, video and RF jobs. This system, the 8000 Series Modular System, has been designated 'the FRAME'.

John Leonard is known to many in the broadcasting community. From technical and on-air work in Pennsylvania, he entered Gates Radio in the late 60's. Fifteen years were spent with Moseley Associates, the last five in general management positions marking the firm's conversion from privately-held to part of a public corporation. Most recently he developed and was instrumental in the industry's acceptance of dial telephone transmitter remote control. In October of 1989 a patent was issued to him for that technology. Recent technical publications include the aural STL chapter in the NAB Engineering Handbook.

John Stannard is equally well known in the Australian broadcast community. Initial broadcast work in Australia began as maintenance engineer at HSV-7 in Melbourne, then BTV-6 chief engineer in Ballarat. He served as technical director for ATV-0 (now ATV-10) in Melbourne. After an involvement in low-light TV camera work for medical use in Canada with Westinghouse in the late 60's, he returned to Australia with E.M.I as their director of sales. With his development of some of the modules now making up the 8000 Series, he founded J.N.S. Electronic Industries in Melbourne, Australia in 1973. This modular system has been well received there, and now represents a standard in that country. He is a Companion of the Institution of Radio and Electronics Engineer's Australia.



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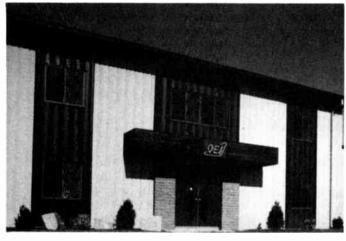
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QEI was founded May 1971 by Charles Haubrich, William Hoelzel and John Pilman. The three principals all have distinguished backgrounds in electronics and broadcast engineering, including extensive experience with the Burroughs Corporation, the Broadcast Division of AEL and Ayden Corporation.

Initially, QEI designed and manufactured modulation monitors, frequency monitors and special receivers which were branded and sold by CCA Electronics. In 1973, the company began designing, manufacturing and marketing FM transmitters, exciters, modulation monitors and test equipment under its own name. The first QEI products developed by the company were the Model 675 FM exciter and the Model 772F stereo generator, along with an SCA generator and various audio processing equipment. The Model was the first all-solid-state, 20 watt, phase-locked-loop, frequency synthesized FM exciter available to the commercial broadcast industry—it is still in production today, having sold over

1000 units, including those made for American Electronics Labs and CSI Electronics. More recently, QEI introduced the Model 695 Exciter. Its phase-locked-loop oscillator, vericap circuitry, fully broadbanded design, nearly unmeasurable distortion and automatic modulation control make the 695 the most advanced exciter available.

QEI developed its first all-solid-state FM amplifier, a 150 watt model, in 1976: similar amplifiers with 300 and 500 watts output power followed shortly thereafter. All three are still in production, having won industry-wide acceptance along with the Model 675 exciter, both as main transmitters for low-power applications and as emergency backup transmitters. All three of these transmitters have both U.S. FCC and Canadian DOC Type Acceptance.

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QEI operates a twin engine Cessna 310 aircraft for sales and service purposes. The company has an excellent credit rating: Its Dun & Bradstreet number is Duns 05-901-3805. QEI markets its products direct and through major broadcast distributors.

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Trade Shows: NRB, NAB, SBE National Convention



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Steven Davis

Mr. Davis has been President of SCA Data Systems since its conception in 1984. He is responsible for the marketing, product development, and system engineering. Steve holds several patents in the communications field.

Lawrence J. Karr

Mr. Karr is the Chairman and co-founder of SCA Data Systems. He is responsible for advanced product design and development, and shares overall management responsibility with Mr. Davis. Larry is the holder of six issued U.S. patents.

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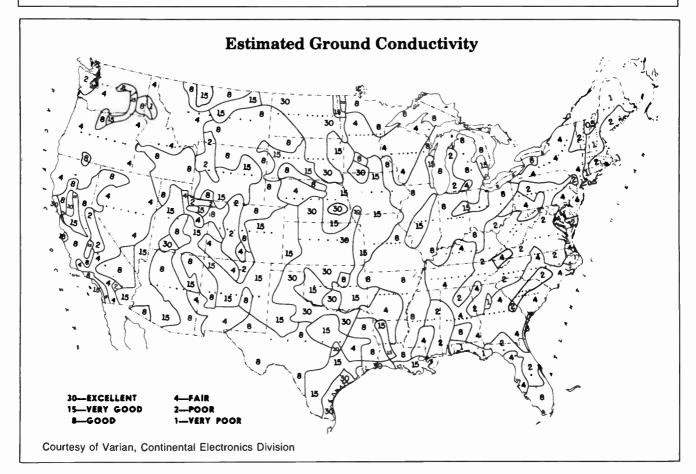
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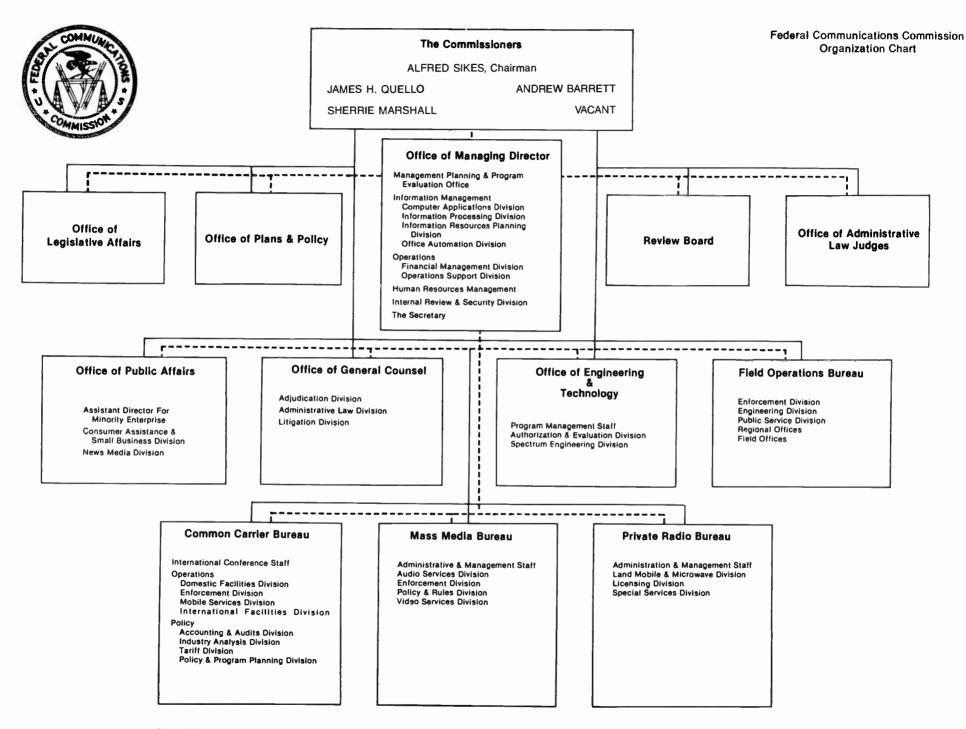
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ITC Assembles ScotchCart II

by Bill Parfitt Best Prod. Supervisor, ITC/3M

Hutchinson MN Trying to match cart capabilities with FM fidelity became a great concern during the 1970s.

In a complete analysis of cartridge mechanical and electromagnetic functions equated to professional broadcast needs, 3M formed a completely new cartridge concept when it introduced its initial ScotchCartTM cartridge nationally in 1982.

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While compatible with all NAB standard cart players, its mechanical design was far beyond conventional. It featured a large-diametered stationary hub that was slotted to allow the tape to be pulled on a straight line out of the center.

A spring-loaded tape tension arm replaced the need for pressure pads and provided automatic tension control for all tape lengths.

Then, in 1985, 3M introduced a new product, the ScotchCart IITM broadcast cartridge, which offered even greater improvements in both tape performance and physical operation.

The most dramatic improvement noticeable with the ScotchCart II cartridge is its new ScotchTM 219 lubricated tape construction, visible as "black" rather than "brown" in color.

As with the cart's mechanics, the tape is designed to NAB specifications for complete broadcast compatibility, while also providing greater sensitivity and output, with a wide 62 dB S/N ratio that is of real value in achieving the performance levels of FM transmission.

Precision process

Watching the process of making high performance cart tape is an experience in high tech, precision manufacturing. The tape is produced in 3M's Hutchinson, MN magnetic tape plant, a hospital-clean, 370,000-square-foot facility for compounding, coating, slitting and assembly operations devoted exclusively to magnetic tape.

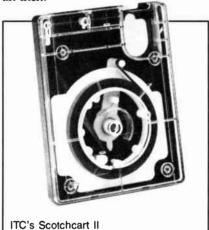
The company designs, tools and molds its own plastic components in

order to maintain the same quality and supply assurance that it does for tape.

The tape manufacturing starts with dispersion compounding, where electromagnetically tailored, low noise oxide particles (individual magnetic needles so tiny that some 30,000 could fit inside the period that ends this sentence) are combined with the binder formulation.

The binders, matched to backing characteristics, are compounded with permanent lubricants to create a uniform liquid dispersion in which the billions of oxide particles are evenly suspended.

The 3M backing film, customized to the specific thickness for cart tape, is tough and tempered polyester that is produced in wide, splice-free jumbo rolls some three miles in length. The binder/oxide dispersion is applied in a precise layer calibrated to millionths of an inch.



The match of perfectly flat film and exact coating thickness is important. It prevents coating depth variations that would produce distortions in recorded signal response.

These are so carefully controlled that if a single tape strand was magnified to a mile width its surface level would vary hardly more than half an inch.

Coating and drying

The coated tape continues directly through huge drying ovens where the solvents are evaporated and captured for re-processing and the coating is cured. This coating and drying process, computer controlled to microscopic tolerances, is accomplished as the fullwidth film web travels at hundreds of feet per minute.

The finished tape jumbos are moved to slitting stations, where each roll is cut into quarter-inch strands. Here, 3M incorporates a sophisticated, laser-scanning, 100% surface inspection of every square inch of the tape that will pinpoint for rejection even minute specks or flaws too tiny for the human eye to detect.

This inspection assures the end user of a smoother, more uniform and defect-free tape. Precision mated rotary knives slice the tape to width, shearing the tape cleanly without edge distortion. This is another critical operation, because it is essential to have a truly straight-line tape for cartridge use.

A strand of Scotch 219 tape for the ScotchCart II cartridge, for example, is slit to a centerline tolerance of less than the thickness of a human hair in a mile length.

Tape installed

In modern, closely monitored assembly, tape in a specific metered length (10 seconds to 7.5 minutes) is put into the cartridge. Its operation is checked and the cartridge is completed for packaging.

During all the process steps from raw materials to completed ScotchCart II cartridge, in-plant quality assurance labs are checking the product constantly.

From wet-lab analysis of oxides and dispersion, to in-process coated tape testing with elaborate infrared spectrometry and X-ray fluoresence analysis, and actual recording performance of finished product, quality verification is maintained.

3M innovation has required a huge investment and dedication of its full resources to effect an advancement of cart technology. Other developing technologies may offer varying degrees of promise, but our cartridge technology is already delivering new generation performance.

Editor's note: For more information on ITC/3M tape products, contact the author at 612-736-5019, or circle Reader Service 73.

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The Switch is On at FRN, with ITC Route

by Brian Williston, CE Florida Radio Network, Inc.

Orlando FL The Florida Radio Network recently decided it was time to plan a means of automation that would handle the complex problem of switching audio from the multitude of possible sources to each of our four modulators.

Internal audio distribution was desired as well. The system would have to be able to handle the large amount of audible traffic entering and leaving the building.

International Tapetronics Corporation (ITC) introduced us to its latest pet project, The Audio Switcher (A modest name, once you know what this computerized masterpiece can accomplish).

The Audio Switcher takes up only 28" of rack space, which includes the master control unit (this is where the programming is input and the metering is done) and two I/O modules (each is capable of providing 64 input or output terminations, made via screw terminals located on the rear panel).

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A matrix module (which is a real gem; this unit electronically connects inputs to outputs through the use of a revolutionary thick-film hybrid IC) and a machine control module are also available.

The machine control module can provide a variety of control options, such as momentary contact closures, latching contact closures and TTL logic control. A single module can accommodate up to 16 devices. A memory cartridge is provided to back up the memory periodically or as needed.

Our configuration is a 64 mono input x 32 mono output, fully programmed and automated audio switch. The set-up was quite simple. We connected 64 audio sources to the 64 input terminals and connected the 32 output terminals to 32 audio inputs of various equipment including all four of our modulators, input channels in each studio and automated reel-to-reel recorders.

The next step was to assign a name to each input and output. That done, switches could now be made manually, using the master control unit. The remote controls were installed in each studio and in the engineering shop.

The remote controls are programmed separately to send any audio source to any of four locations. Each remote control unit (desktop version) has an LCD screen that allows the operator to view the names of the inputs he or she is selecting before that selection is made.

Once the selection has been made, the screen displays all four of the inputs that are connected to the four corresponding outputs. An included printer will then print a statement recording the event that just took place, including the time of day, what connection was made and what remote or "salvo" invoked it.

But you probably want to know more about salvos.

The Audio Switcher is programmable, with up to 99 separate programs, or "salvos." Each salvo can switch up to seven sources (more if you do not use all seven in each one) at one time and perform machine control if desired.

The use of salvos plays a key role in our daily network operation. We use them to automate our news channel almost exclusively. The switcher is programmed for every hour of the day. We even have some salvos programmed to switch several sources simultaneously, as in the example of our weekend talk programs.

Our telephone system is shared .. more than one studio. Therefore, at the beginning of a scheduled talk show from studio C, the output of studio C is matrixed to the MOH input of the telephone system.

Also, the mix-minus output from studio C is matrixed to the mix minus input of the telephone system. The caller audio is switched to a channel on the console in studio C and studio C is placed "on the air."

In retrospect, I do not see how we could have accomplished nearly as much as we did in the way of clean, crisp delivery of our product without this equipment.

We have received a level of technical support unequalled in the industry. I cannot think of enough good things to say about my experience with the ITC/3M switcher. There are always criticisms to make, but in this case it would be pointless, given the results that ITC/3M has demonstrated.

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For more information on the ITC/3M Audio Switcher, contact Bill Parfitt at: 612-736-5019, or circle Reader Service 84. —Reprinted from Radio World July 26,1989.

System 100 "Localizes" Sound

by Peter E. Clark, GM WLOM AM-FM

Franklin VA I recently applied for and was granted a new FM radio station to serve the community of Franklin. My biggest concern after obtaining the frequency was the overhead required to operate the FM during its early stages when there was little new income and a large debt to service.

Since we are only 45 miles from the Norfolk market and face competition from the large city stations for listeners,

we felt that satellite programming, along with local news and programming, would give us a competitive edge.

Our decision to use satellite programming put us in the market for some kind of automation that would play our commercials and air the network.

We looked at many different systems and finally decided on Absolute Broadcast Automation's Satellite System 100, based on analog cassette technology.

We purchased the basic system including six cassette decks for playback and



for recording, and bought an addional deck for music fill and as a spare.

We also bought the optional complete business system package, which permitted us to maintain all of the station business and scheduling of commercials from the same computer, using the same integrated software.

It took a week to install the system and get it running. There were no problems with the initial operation because the system had been "burned-in" during operations at the NAB's Radio '88 exhibit.

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The system is powerful, with many features not found in other systems. Its operation includes two main areas: input of commercials into the computer traffic and scheduling system, and recording of the commercials onto cassette tapes for airing by the system.

The commercials are entered in a manner similar to other computer traffic systems, the only difference being the addition of a location code which identifies the location of the commercial in the automation system.

This location code is found automatically by "asking" the automation computer where the commercial should be recorded. The automation computer will then reserve space for the commercial and generate a location code to be used by the scheduling software.

After the orders are entered, the operator runs the next day's schedule. This is easily done by pressing one key on the computer—the software then prepares the next day's schedule.

After the next day's schedule is completed, all commercials are scheduled. Commercial clusters are filled or ignored if no spots are indicated.

The schedule is simply copied to the automation system computer by carrying the schedule diskette over to the automation computer for automatic copying to the system. The next day's schedule is then ready to go, the entire operation taking about 30 minutes.

Commercials are usually recorded (first generation) on reel-to-reel tape. To record the spot to the system, the operator need only input the location code of the commercial and instruct the system to prepare for recording the commercial assigned to that location code.

The computer, which is controlling what is on the air, is instructed to cue up the location on the correct tape for recording.

The computer instructs the operator to put the spot tape in the record deck and the correct location is then cued.

The actual recording is handled by the System 100 production processor, which features one-touch recording of commercials and music.

For example, to record a spot to a location already prepared for recording by the computer-assisted recording system, the operator cues up the original recording on the reel-to-reel and activates the source start switch (found on the production processor) for the reel-to-reel tape machine. The next step is to check the levels and press the production processor start button.

The processor starts the record deck, places the cue tone on the cassette tape and automatically starts the reel-to-reel source to transfer the recording to cassette tape.

At the end of the recording, the operator presses the stop button on the production processor and the operation is completed. The system then asks if there are more spots to be recorded to this tape and the process can begin again.

I highly recommend this system to any satellite user. I would also recommend

that you make heavy use of the localized satellite liners if you decide to use this system. The System 100 does an excellent job of handling these liners and sure gives you a local sound.

The price of this computer system was very low, and its reliability has been top notch. The people at Absolute Broadcast Automation have been great to work with and gave us 90 days of free phone consultation, in case we had any questions. And we did have quite a few.

I would say, however, that the biggest endorsement of this new system comes from our advertisers.

Our business has more than doubled in just three months and for the first time in many years we are getting repeat advertising buys and a lot more satisfied customers. The system will save you money and give you a competitive sound at the same time.

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cast Automation's Satellite System 100, contact Jack Mullen at: 301-786-4661, or circle Reader Service 71.

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AT836 Mic Comes Out on Top

by Rod Rogers, CE KSKG-FM

Salina KS After upgrading our air chain three years ago the need for a change in studio microphones became obvious. In the search for replacements, I discovered the Audio-Technica AT836. Little did I know about the popularity it was soon to enjoy!

I considered the "standard" mics for this application, but was tired of the proverbial "Music/Voice" switches, broken plastic parts and having mics that, while excellent for other applications, were never intended for close-up work.

I also had the handicap of a small market budget.

Due to the standardization problems with mic specs, I decided to evaluate strictly by ear to see for myself what sounded good.

Our local distributer loaned me several armfuls of mics for evaluation,

including some of the "standards." I went into the production room with my private stock of tape and compared mics for several hours.

In test after test, the Audio-Technica AT836 kept coming out on top. It had an open, natural sound and didn't get too muddy when worked close or off axis.

USER REPORT

It sounded best from about 5" back, on axis, but it never sounded bad no matter how I worked it. I was a little reluctant to believe that this very economical mic was winning!

Then I realized that there were no "Puberty Switches" on it (M/V), no plastic to break, and it had good internal suspension for hand-held use.

It wasn't a condenser model, so I avoided the powering hassles. And it had a price tag of around \$130!

The PD and several jocks agreed that



it was the best sounding mic.

I sold both of our \$400 "standards" on the used market, bought three AT836s, and netted a profit! Needless to say, the GM was also pleased with this new mic.

Being a contract engineer for several other stations, I had them compare the AT836 against their mics. I never got one back!

The AT836 is a simple, cardioid dynamic mic. Output is 250 ohms, balanced, and contains no transformer. It has a very rugged metal housing and the metal

screen is not easily bashed in.

I think the secret of this mic is its slight low-end rolloff and very gentle proximity effect. It keeps low frequency noise under control, but has a clean, flat sound when used close up.

The drawbacks of the AT836 are mainly psychological. If you like a large, fat mic, a nerf ball for a wind sock, or a lot of switches to play with, keep looking.

If, however, you want a very clean, natural sound at less then half the price, I seriously recommend the AT836.

There are better mics in the world, and you can spend a fortune if your budget allows. But for the majority of us, especially in smaller markets, good sound and good value are still big priorities.

For more information on the AT836, contact Greg Silsby at Audio-Technica: 216-686-2600, or circle Reader Service 92. The author may be reached at 913-825-4631.

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Star Quad Cable Remedies Noise

by Barry Brenner, GM Canare Cable, Inc.

Burbank CA ... If you are in the process of specifying or installing new equipment or upgrading an existing studio, take a moment to consider an important, often overlooked link in your audio chain—cable.

Not all cable is created equal. Careful research and investigation will help you select the right cable for your installation.

TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

One of the most important features to look for in any audio cable is its ability to reject noise (EMI and electrostatic).

Let's assume that there is noticeable and annoying hum, buzz or RF garbage creeping into your mic lines. Unfortunately, it is clearly audible throughout your entire facility.

You've ruled out ground loops as the cause because all of your equipment was installed with a unified and well thought out grounding scheme.

The noise problem may be emanating from your transmitter, power lines, lighting dimmers, transformers or any number of things.

Canare offers a remedy to the problem, a microphone cable called Star Quad that can greatly reduce this type of induced noise.

Microphone cables typically carry 600Ω line level signals at +4 dB to +24 dB (1.23 V to 12.3 V). But when they are used to interface mics to mixers or preamps, the signal levels may be very low, on the order of -70 dB to -120 dB (0.3 mV to 1 μ V).

Because such signals are subject to a

large increase in level due to the high gain of microphone preamplifiers and subsequent amplifier stages, even the smallest noise signals entering the mic cable can become a significant factor.

Noise can "invade" the cable from external sources, by means of electrostatic coupling or electromagnetic induction (EMI)—sources that most engineers are well aware of.

The longer the cable, the greater its susceptibility to potential sources of noise. With runs of 100 m (328') or more, mic cable quality is critical.

Magnetic fields are radiated from power cables, motors and power transformers.

Often power line frequencies can become contaminated by a rich harmonic spectrum which is generated by saturated transformers, the reactive ballasts of fluorescent lights and most drastically, by the clipped waveforms emitted by SCR (Silicon Controlled Rectifier) dimmers.

The magnetic fields radiated by these sources cut across the conductors of a mic cable and induce a voltage that is heard as hum (or buzz at higher frequencies). The higher the frequency, the greater the induced voltage.

Twisting the inner conductors of a cable minimizes susceptibility to this electromagnetically induced noise.

Canare Star Quad mic cable obtains its name from a four-conductor, overall shielded style of construction. The main benefit of four-conductors (versus the common two-conductors found on ordinary mic cable) is to minimize the "loop area" between twists of the conductors.

This in turn reduces susceptibility to electromagnetically induced noise. The

worst offender, SCR dimmer noise, is reduced to less than 1/10th the level found in good two-conductor cables.

Electrostatic hum may be present when the power line and mic cable act as two plates of a capacitor, causing the AC voltage to be electrostatically coupled into the cable.

This capacitive reactance more readily admits high frequencies, and the higher the impedance of the mic circuit, the greater the induced noise voltage.

A grounded, electrically conductive screen (shield) around the cable offers a low-resistance path to ground and can thus shunt the electrostatic hum.

However, the effectiveness depends upon the percent of coverage afforded by the shield.

Canare Star Quad mic cables are available in two different application (shield) types: Model L-4E6AT and Model L-4E6S.

Model L-4E6AT features a fully wrapped, aluminum tape shield with drain wire for 100% coverage. The outside jacket employs a tough PVC compound to resist tears and stretching.

Inside the quad bundle is KEVLAR 29, a fiber filler that is also used in bulletproof vests and jetfighter aircraft wing skins. The result is a pulling strength of more than 121 lbs.

This model is recommended for fixed installations and when pulling through conduit.

Model L-4E6S is used in places where flexibility, appearance and noise rejection is a consideration. A flexibile PVC jacket surrounds the quad conductors, overall braided shield and cotton pack fillers.

Canare does not use spiral or serve



wrap shield because these can open up with use and degrade cable performance. Our high density braided shield offers good flexibility and excellent (96%) coverage.

In some wiring situations, using a mul-

tichannel audio snake in place of individual harness bundles can reduce labor time and material costs. Star Quad is available in a multichannel version. Both foil and braided shield styles can be ordered in 2- to 24-channel configurations.

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WKDQ Opts for Central Tower

by Shelby Wilkinson, CE WKDQ-FM

Henderson KY Bristol Broadcasting was granted a CP for a 944' tower in early 1988. We had to find a tower and a crew for the job. Most importantly, we had to figure out ahead of time what problems we might encounter with a tall tower. Our land's terrain was rough and wooded.

Central Tower, located in Newburgh, IN, was fairly new to the tower building business, but looked like the perfect choice. We turned over a major part of the job to them and they went with it!

USER REPORT

The actual tower base was to be constructed approximately 1000' back from a main road, so clearing the land and building an access road were top priorities.

We also visited local TV stations with 1000' towers to find out about ice and wind, etc., and got a good look at their installations. That is when we discovered that this was not going to be easy.

Fortunately, Central Tower kept us up to date on all progress, supplied all the information we needed and answered any questions we had.

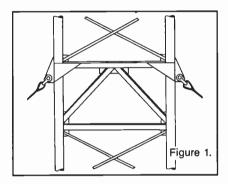
The building begins

Once the road was built, the tower sections started to arrive. Rigging rolled into position, the base was begun, and we were on our way, the actual construction beginning in early July.

The base was set and cured, and the first section went into place. It was only a 4' section, but the engineering was excellent, and the section was mounted on a special rocker plate to provide a pure pivot connection to the base.

On the taper, Central Tower used heavy channel to provide sheer plate resistance. The bracing was so close together that it provided a virtually solid taper section.

The anchor points were a problem since most of them were on the sides of small hills. And since all vegetation had been cleared, erosion was also a big concern. Central Tower used flexible rods, which were designed well in excess of load requirements.



These flexible rods also dampen cable vibrations. They are hot dipped, galvanized and coated with Bitumen for corrosion protection. We had to bury and mound the points until we could grow grass and protect them from erosion. We used strategically placed hay and straw bales to stop seed and earth from washing away.

As the tower went up, I noticed another curious point on some sections. Central Tower had designed into their sections extra bracing at the guy pulloffs. Upon investigation, I found what they call "double angle constructed K bracing" at all guy pull-offs.

This type of bracing strengthens the sections and also distributes dynamic loading at the cable connections. I believe this is an exclusive of Central Tower's weld-together construction, and, in my opinion, adds extra strength to the sections where it is really going to count: at the guy pull-offs. It results in a stronger overall tower.

At this point, we had to look at grounding for the tower. I decided I

would go with what I call a "star ground system." It consists of eight 8' ground rods placed in a star shape, all tied together with 4" copper strap and buried one foot deep.

This 4" strap was welded to the tower taper section and further on into the building for transmitter grounding. The guy wires at the anchor points were also grounded by copper wire to an 8' ground rod ahead of the guy dampeners.

Alternate lighting devised

The tower began to reach high above the trees and temporary lighting became a concern. Having no AC on-site yet, I came up with a 12 V strobe with one-million candle power and a deep-cycle marine battery to raise up on the headache ball at the end of the day.

Later, after lighting was installed, we had to rent a 6 kW generator to run the lights until AC became available. We used a farmer's fuel tank to run the generator and only had to fill it up once. We got our 3-phase power five days later and the lighting was temporarily wired to the controller and tower lights.

Now we ran into our first big problem. The lighting system was drawing too much current, causing the controller relay contacts to burn and when it came time for the relay to drop out, it was stuck on. We also found that when it rained, the fuse for the top set of side markers would blow when the lights came on.

If I replaced the fuse while the lights were on, they would work until the next time the controller kicked on. Resistance measurements showed that all of the side marker sets looked the same. We knew then that it had to be moisture.

Solving a moisture problem

No water was found inside the conduit or light sockets, so we rewired the



top side markers and that took care of our problem. I did find some water at the lowest junction box, but some extra waterproofing fixed that also.

Next came the antennas. We purchased an ERI 6-bay antenna for the main and a super power single-bay for back-up. Due to the height of the tower, we had $-.5^{\circ}$ of beam tilt built into the main antenna. Four-inch Andrew heliax was run to the main antenna, and 31/8'' line to the back-up antenna. Due to wind loading, we did not use radomes.

The top set of guy wires has fiberglass rods, so the antenna pattern was not affected. The upper 80' of tower tapers down to a 24" face. The antenna was mounted on the 24" face sections, and the back-up antenna was mounted, on the same face, at 400'.

We also put up a Mark 4' open grid STL dish, mounting it at 200' with 7/8" line running to it. We also mounted two Marti antennas for a repeater system. So we now have six antennas at various levels on the tower.

The dreaded ice bridges were the next concern. I had no idea of the damage ice falling from 1000' can cause. I found out when I looked at ice bridges on some local TV towers and saw the damage that falling ice had caused.

Building bridges

We installed an ice bridge over the STL dish, as well as over the lines from the tower to the building. We had to install free-standing ice bridges over two air conditioner compressors located behind the building. The roof consists of poured concrete, reinforced with steel to protect our large investment inside. Ice bullets were also installed on the guy wires.

The importance of all of this became apparent when one of the largest ice storms we have seen in years hit about two months after completion of the tower. The force of ice when it hits things is almost beyond description.

I could not come within 300' of the building when the ice started falling. Standing about 400' away, I watched in total amazement for almost an hour. I saw large chunks of ice take down entire medium-sized trees in the woods!

The ice knocked huge craters in the ground all around the tower site. (The ice bridge we installed to protect the lines now bears serious battle scars!) We lost a beacon and a side marker to falling ice and the fence surrounding the

building was also damaged. The tower, however, stood tall under this incredible load.

So, to recap: this tower is model #6024, manufactured in April, 1988 and is Central Tower project GT-59. Total height is 944' above ground, with a 60' face, tapering down to 24" at 864'. The top guys have fiberglass rods down past the antenna, so radiation is not affected. It is rated at 70 mph windload without ice and is 60% guyed with deadman anchors.

Amazingly, the tower took only 21 days to erect and that included a few days of bad weather. Once their work was done, Central Tower took me up via the tower rigging to let me inspect anything I wanted.

I went up three times and this is the

sturdiest tower I have ever climbed. The people at Central Tower always take great care of us and if I have a problem, I just call, and they are on-site within 40 minutes.

Bristol Broadcasting has plans in the works for another 1000' tower in Paducah, Kentucky. Central Tower will erect that one, too. If you are planning any kind of tower work, I highly recommend them.

Shelby Wilkinson has 17 years in broadcast engineering. He may be contacted at 502-827-8995.

For more information on Central Tower installations, contact Torrence Becht at 812-853-0595, or circle Reader Service 68.

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Upgrading AM with NRSC-1

by William L. Ammons Radio Products Marketing Mgr. CRL Systems

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Tempe AZ Converting your station to the NRSC-1 standard may be the best way to upgrade your signal quality.

In many cases the coverage area of the station is increased, with increased fidelity and reduced interference. Converting is easy and does not require a major reworking of the station. In some cases the conversion takes about an hour.

SPECIAL REPORT

While converting your audio processing to the NRSC-1 standard will not guarantee that you are in full compliance with the NRSC-2 RF mask, employing NRSC-1 processing, with a properly designed and maintained RF plant, will in many cases yield full RF mask compliance.

To help with your plans to convert to the NRSC-1 standard, let's discuss many of the common questions that are brought to our attention.

Two main methods can be used to convert to the NRSC standard. The first

is to buy retrofit equipment—supplied either by the manufacturer of your peak limiter (modulation controller) or by an aftermarket retrofit.

The second method is to purchase new audio processing that includes NRSC compliant filtering and preemphasis.

Of the two options, adding a retrofit unit to your current peak limiter may be the least expensive method to comply with the standard. Most retrofits will be in the \$500 to \$800 range.

If the manufacturer of your current peak limiter offers a full retrofit kit (preemphasis and low-pass filtering), buying it for your unit would make the most sense.

If the manufacturer of your unit does not support the full NRSC standard (or is no longer in business), several aftermarket retrofit units have been introduced.

True compliance

For true compliance with the NRSC standard, the retrofit unit must offer separate preemphasis and low-pass filter paths. Also, the low-pass filter section of the retrofit unit must be phase-compensated and overshoot-corrected for maximum modulation control.

Non-overshoot corrected filters can rob as much as 6 dB (or 50%) of peak



modulation control from your station!

The NRSC-1 preemphasis curve boosts audio by 10 dB at 10 kHz. The proper place to insert preemphasis is directly preceding the multiband peak limiter circuitry.

Inserting preemphasis anywhere else in the signal path will render it either ineffective or cause excessive pumping and compression action to take place. In most cases the existing peak limiter will be able to handle the added preemphasis.

The main exception is with some older wideband limiter designs. Preemphasis causes some of these to compress excessively, which often causes a muddy or "pumped" sound. This results in the generation of excessive IMD and is a cause of the out-of-band "spitting" sounds often heard.

Buying a new peak limiter

The other method of conversion to the NRSC-1 standard is to buy a new compliant peak limiter. In any audio processing system the NRSC-1 compliance is done around the final peak limiting section of the processing. Preceding AGC and compression circuits have nothing to do with the NRSC-1 standard.

For example, assume you own a multiple unit system with AGC action in one unit, multiband compression in another and the peak limiter in the last unit.

To comply with the NRSC-1 standard, you would only need to replace the final peak limiter. If the AGC and multiband compressor units are in good working order, there is no need to replace them.

Advances improve audio

One of the advantages of buying a new NRSC-1 compliant peak limiter is that the circuitry has seen great advances in the last few years. Limiter designs are cleaner and much more accurate than in units designed more than three or four years ago.

Modern filter topology, combined with advanced patented clipper designs, can dramatically improve modulation density while allowing precise negative peak control.

Also, newer multiband limiter designs have faster control action and are specifically designed to handle dynamic preemphasized audio with ease. The cost of a new tri-band limiter is not that much more than an NRSC-1 retrofit. A modern tri-band limiter costs about \$1700.

A few words should be said about stereo AM processing. Some stations

are using two older mono processors, or have an older stereo unit which is not supported and have inquired about converting them to the NRSC-1 standard.

Since the predominant AM stereo system is a matrix system, the audio program material should also be processed in matrix form (L+R, L-R).

If the stereo program material is not processed matrix form, and some type of added mono gain support is used in the L+R channel, your mono signal will suffer

A well designed matrix processor can add 6 dB of modulation density to your

mono signal. Total stereo separation is dependent on the phase and amplitude matching of low-pass filtering in both the L+R and L-R channels.

Properly designed retrofit units are typically very close to one another with regard to phase and amplitude response, but will most likely degrade maximal stereo separation.

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A Guide to NRSC-1 Conversion

Editor's note: The following is Part II of the author's report on NRSC-1 conversion.

by William L. Ammons Radio Products Marketing Mgr CRL Systems

Tempe AZ Now that you are converting to the NRSC-1 standard, there are some often overlooked areas of the transmission system that can limit and degrade your signal.

Tuning up your transmission plant along with converting to the NRSC standard can significantly increase your coverage area and lengthen the life of your transmitter. Listed below are a few tips that we often give out.

SPECIAL REPORT

When converting to the NRSC standard, make sure that the various low-pass and high-pass filters that are often on the input of the transmitter's audio path are taken out of service.

A poor quality audio low-pass filter that is in the circuit after a NRSC-1 low-pass filter can ring and overshoot. This will result in reduced modulation control and hence lost coverage area. Most input low-pass filters are not overshoot corrected. High-pass filters are often used to protect the transmitter against subsonic material.

If the cutoff frequency of the transmitter's filter is too high, your program material can sound tinny, with a lack of punch. Furthermore, tilt correction will not work when third order or greater high-pass filtering is used.

Properly designed audio processor systems have high-pass filtering, which negates the need for an additional filter inside the transmitter.

If you are buying new processing, specify a system that has high-pass filtering built in, combined with low-frequency tilt correction capability.

Many owners of older transmitters have expressed concern that modern audio processing equipment and older transmitters do not mix. The primary concern seems to be that the transmitter can not handle the density and loudness that the newer processors provide.

The truth is that older transmitters and properly designed NRSC-1 compliant processors work very well together. There are two main reasons why this is true.

First, the audio frequency is cutoff at 9.5 kHz versus a much higher frequency (if any) in an older limiter. At higher modulating frequencies (above 10 kHz), the efficiency of a transmitter's modulator falls off rapidly, causing higher modulator currents (which usually cause greatly increased THD and IMD products) and more chance of damaging a marginally designed modulator transformer.

Many of the stations that have converted to the NRSC-1 standard have noticed sharply decreased modulator currents for the same peak modulation level.



Preemphasis boost

Second, the NRSC-1 standard preemphasis is a modified boost with a first order roll-off introduced at (about 8700 Hz) 17 μ sec. The net preemphasis peaks at 10 kHz and rolls off above that. The preemphasis circuits that many older limiters have is a straight 75 μ sec. (or higher) boost that often continues out to 20 kHz.

With no low-pass filter, the high frequency audio is boosted over 17 dB at 15 kHz. This is why many stations have had problems with their transmitters when trying to use preemphasis. Therefore, many stations have elected not to use any preemphasis.

Since a compliant processor has a sharp cut-off low-pass filter working in conjunction with a modified preemphasis curve, a large difference in the amplitude of material above 10 kHz can be expected.

Hence, the transmitter never sees audio material above 10 kHz. The difference in amplitude response at 15 kHz between a new NRSC-1 and an older, non-compliant processor can be greater than 60 dB!

Converting to the NRSC-1 standard is easy. Some stations have been able to retrofit their audio path to the standard in about an hour. We have found several common pitfalls when implementing NRSC that can degrade your transmission.

Limiter placement important

When converting to the NRSC standard, it is important where your peak limiter is placed in your audio chain. The NRSC compliant retrofit or peak limiter should be connected directly to the transmitter.

Dynamically limited audio contains short duration audio peaks with fast rise times. Most audio equipment, including STLs, phone links and audio distribution amplifiers, are unable to handle preemphasized, limited audio.

Inserting other audio equipment between the peak limiter and transmitter can seriously degrade your signal and render the low-pass characteristics useless.

If you have a split studio/transmitter site, and wish to control audio level before entering a phone line or STL, an AGC or combination AGC/multiband compressor would work well.

An AGC that has program dependent attack times will do an excellent job of controlling (or levelling) your audio level at the studio. Audio that has had only AGC or light multiband compression applied to it will also interface well with an STL or telco system.

And do not use two limiters in series. Two are less effective than one good one at the transmitter site.

After converting, the most noticeable change is the greatly reduced splatter between 10 and 20 kHz away from either side of your carrier. Many stations now report that they can receive second adjacent channel stations at their transmitter site.

On analog tuned AM radios, you will find it easy to tune to the center of the signal. On these radios, the sound will be slightly brighter, depending on IF bandwidth and slope. On wider bandwidth radios you may notice a substantial improvement in fidelity.

Improved coverage

Some stations report that their coverage area has improved after conversion. Depending on the transmission system and the type of peak limiter being used, converting will, it is true, improve your coverage area.

The coverage area increase is due to the amount of sideband energy farther than ± 10 kHz from your carrier being greatly reduced. The sideband energy more than 10 kHz removed does count as total modulation (but does not add to perceived loudness), however it is not usable energy for the listener's receiver.

Since most receiver IF bandpass responses are below 5 kHz, adding side-band energy closer to the carrier helps signal detection. A compliant peak limiter that employs a variable presence (1 to 4 kHz band) boost, for example, will further increase density (and improve vocal clarity), which helps increase detected signal loudness.

In cases where either the transmitter has limited modulation capability at high frequencies, or the antenna system has excessive amplitude roll off or asymmetrical response, your signal quality may sound cleaner also.

A cleaner signal

This cleaner signal is due to the reduction in IM products that often are produced by bandwidth deficiencies in the transmission system. Studies have shown that limiting the audio bandwidth to 10 kHz greatly lessens the higher frequency IM products of many popular transmitters.

In many cases this also greatly decreases in-band (below 10 kHz) IM products. Many stations have reported to us that they sound cleaner (with less dynamic distortion) after converting.

One concern that some stations have had after converting to the NRSC-1 standard is the sound quality that they hear out of wideband AM modulation monitors. Since the standard preemphasis boosts audio 10 dB at 10 kHz, a wideband modulation monitor will sound excessively bright.

If you use your modulation monitor for off the air monitoring, external deemphasis/low-pass filter units are available. The function of these units is to deemphasize the signal and low-pass filter it to emulate the sound quality of a properly produced AM radio.

The deemphasis units are fed from the audio output(s) of your modulation monitor. Converting to the NRSC-1 standard does not change the accuracy or calibration of your modulation monitor.

Tell your listeners

Once you have finished your conversion to NRSC-1 or have converted to AM stereo, let your listeners know about it. Tell them that you are on the cutting edge of technology and that the improvements have been made for their listening benefit.

Let them know that better quality AM (and AM stereo) receivers are coming soon to the marketplace. If you broadcast in stereo, identify your station as AM stereo. Many times a station has spent a small fortune converting to stereo and has never told its listeners.

Become a source of information to your listeners about AM. Since converting to the NRSC-1 often improves your coverage, drive around and see if some of your marginal areas (pre-NRSC) have improved. Let your listeners know that because of the improvements you have made you now clearly cover a wider area.

It's my hope that the information above answers many of your questions about conversion to the NRSC-1 standard. Feel free to write or call any of us at CRL about questions that you may have. We would be happy to hear from you.

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WASK Remotes with Comrex PLX

by George H. Williamson, CE WASK-AM/FM

Lafayette IN ... At WASK/K105 we are now using the Comrex PLX micro with a cellular telephone for many of our broadcast remotes.

For many years, our station used remote transmitters in the VHF band. For distance remotes such as sports, we used telephone lines.

USER REPORT

As time went on, problems came up in our area. The VHF band was getting congested, and we were beginning to experience a lot of interference. We were also starting to do more remotes which went beyond our remote transmitter range.

Because of the escalation of the installation fees, we were doing away with our dedicated lines and using more dialup lines, sacrificing quality.

Clearly we needed an alternative for our remote broadcasting.

Cellular phones

With the cellular telephone system beginning to make its way into the industry, we thought it might be a good alternative. As we analyzed the cellular system, we asked ourselves: How could we obtain better quality from it? This is where the Comrex system came into the picture.

Since 1976 when Comrex equipment was introduced, stations across the country have been using it on their telephone lines. In the past we've had the opportunity to use Comrex equipment and were impressed with it. We began to wonder, could we interface the Comrex system through the cellular phone system?

We contacted Comrex Corporation. They informed us that they had been doing research and had just come out with the Comrex PLX micro for the cellular phone.

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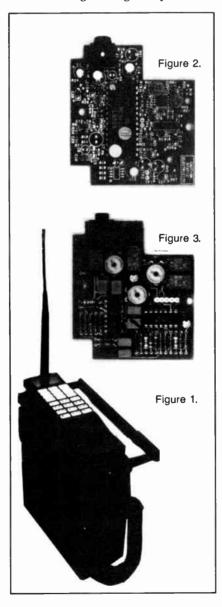
For more information on the Comrex PLX micro, contact Lynn Distler at Comrex: 617-263-1800, or circle Reader Service 86.

Our goal was to interface the PLX micro with our cellular phones as simply as possible and with the least amount of equipment.

interfacing the PLX

The cellular phones we purchased were Mitsubishi 555Ts, shown in Figure 1. Through the combined efforts of John Cheney of Comrex, Jim Miller of Access Communications and WASK, we started our project.

Since we were not using the handsfree module on the 555Ts, shown in Figure 2, John Cheney said that Comrex was willing to design a replacement



module that would enable the Comrex PLX micro to plug directly into the cellular phone.

With this module design, shown in Figure 3, we were able to interface the two units beautifully without another external interface box.

Our main objective of simplicity seemed to have been met. We were able to attach the Comrex PLX micro physically to the Mitsubishi by using velcro material. The complete system can be carried in the Comrex PLX road case.

We have purchased two complete Comrex systems. At the studio, we are using the TH-X Model. The TH-X is a complete telephone line management system containing all of the circuitry needed to interface a telephone line with your broadcast audio facilities.

Line management

The TH-X includes a telephone coupler which will connect to any PABX, an excellent hybrid, an auto-answer system which may be programmed to automatically pick up the telephone line only if the proper number of rings is received, an AGC that is designed to set levels only when the caller audio is present, a frequency extension encoder and decoder, and dual isolated "cart start" circuits which provide contact closures whenever the auto-answer system picks up the line.

A send limiter prevents excessive levels from getting to the line and band pass filters reject the extraneous noises often encountered on telephone lines. A tone generator and balance indicator will let you balance the hybrid without having to bring along anything more than a screwdriver.

Anytime we at WASK/K105 install new equipment, we first check to see if the equipment is free of RF interference. Our FM ERP is 50 kW, and a 20 kW transmitter is only a few feet from our control rooms. We were subsequently pleased to find the Comrex equipment completely free of any RF.

We are presently putting our Comrex/ Cellular system to heavy use. We have already broadcast the Indiana and Kentucky Basketball High School Allstars and



although we feared we might have some dropouts, everything was a success.

Repeated success

Our farm director broadcasts farm reports from all of the surrounding 4-H county fairs and the Indiana State Fair. And we are broadcasting high school football through the system. In all cases we have obtained excellent results.

We can also see a great expense reduction on remotes by the cellular system, especially when we are broadcasting a one-time event.

We can see many more possibilities in the future, and are planning to interface our news department computers to our farm director's computer via the cellular.

This way, the latest farm markets can then be fed to his computer before he goes on the air from his remote lor regardless of what city he will be a long as a cellular system is locate that city.

We are pleased to be using the Cel lar/Comrex as an alternative in remote broadcasting. There is a great future for this method.

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Comrex Gear Key to KPRC Remote Shows

by Jon Bennett, CE KPRC-AM

Houston TX When our engineering department was asked if we could broadcast from various locations in London, the search was underway to find the most cost effective and economic means, consistent with good broadcast quality. The first thing everyone thought of was satellite. Right.

We would require a 7.5 kHz audio channel from a London uplink facility and equalized telecomm loops to each point of broadcast. The cost estimates began to resemble the national debt. There had to be a better way.

USER REPORT

Comrex came through in its traditional manner of excellence. Lynn Distler of the company described the new STLX four-channel console package.

It uses the Dual Line Comrex encoding system with a third line return for the IFB communication. The matrix headphone selector provides for up to four headsets, with individual headphone level control. It also provides selectable IFB for the talent and local audio for the guest, or whatever the local situation calls for.

The console has four mic level input channels, two that are selectable line/mic level. The system also provides auxiliary In and Out audio for feeding a local PA system. It was just what we needed: compact—220 V/117 VAC—and even offering a battery pack option if needed.

That covered the remote end of the operation. Now for the studio.

We used three TCB2A couplers. With the STLX console and the RTLX decoder, we chose the LX-L auto leveling option, which made the system auto answering and auto leveling at the studio. The challenge was met. The system was cost effective, of good quality, equivalent to a 7 kHz loop, compact and easy enough to operate. It was completely automatic on the station end.

Comrex made prompt delivery on the equipment. Setup and checkout was completed in a matter of hours.

Before taking off to the other side of the world, we decided to do a few local broadcasts. The results were exceptional and the talent was pleased. Management was happy with the performance, and the cost.

We were off to London, England for 13 days! Three-hour broadcasts were scheduled for five different locations.

Upon arrival, I was met by a representative of British Telecomm, the telephone company of England. In no time, I was interfaced with three IFB circuits complete with dial tone. The telephone modular cables had been sent over in advance by British Telecomm. This enabled me to have our interface adapters ready for quick connection.

As you might expect, in a foreign country, the primary power was—oops!—220 VAC. Not to worry, a simple switch selection had my Comrex STLX on-line with the 220 VAC mains.

I was concerned about having the program producer set the balance of the two receive lines. The Dual Line Auto Leveling system by Comrex was so reliable that help was not required.

So with a list of broadcast locations in one hand, and a map in the other, the caravan was on the road.

The audio requirements were easily met with the four channels the STLX console provides. Using Electro-Voice RE11 microphones and Beyer headsets, setup was quick and without a hitch. Using the selectable line/mic level inputs on channels three and four, we were

able to feed audio from the BBC and record interviews made earlier in the day. Management loved it.

In fact, with the exceptional success of the London broadcast, the promotion department announced a broadcast cruise through the inner passage of Alaska. Three of the five broadcast days would be at sea.

We had a little help from above on this project. Since the Comrex STLX has balanced 600 ohm line out audio, I simply used the console as an audio mixer and fed the satellite uplink equipment. With the headphone system so efficiently arranged, the IFB from the studio was a snap. Except for the delay on the return audio, which made a mixminus return mandatory.

This summer, my assistant engineer, David Ainslie, experienced the flawless operation of the STLX system abroad. He enjoyed the rough duty of broadcasting for five days from Switzerland!

The quality of the broadcast was astounding to say the least. The quality rivaled that of some local 8 kHz loops. We now have GUS, The Incredible Broadcast Machine. A 31-foot custom broadcast bus.

It has a COMREX STLX system on board, in addition to the RF links. How else could GUS broadcast for five rough days from places such as Sea World, The River Walk and The Alamo in San Antonio?

So far this year, KPRC Radio has had over 70 remote broadcast events. With the savings realized by using dial-up circuits, we have more than paid for the cost of the STLX Comrex system.

Now, from the I-wish-I-had-it department. Comrex needs to provide a head-phone connector so the engineer can monitor the return IFB line. When all



our headsets are in use, you are in trouble. During station breaks, the producer is usually asking questions on the IFB line. The engineer, in this case, has to grab a mic to answer.

Maybe a PTT headset-mic connector would solve the problem. A built-in touch

tone telset would be welcome, eliminating the telset we have to carry along.

We are very pleased with the equipment selection we made. Comrex builds a well engineered, quality product. The technical support is exceptional.

Who knows where we will go next.

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Maybe Down Under, or a cruise down the Amazon. I have to go now. GUS the bus is waiting for me.

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Delta PRH-1 Finds Cable Faults

by John P. Bisset, Delta Electronics and John Diamantis, CE, WCPT/WCXR

Alexandria VA ... Most broadcast engineers are familiar with the test instrumentation provided by Delta Electronics, Inc.

But few may realize that the company offers several products manufactured for HF communications that can be adapted to commercial broadcast applications.

TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

One such instrument is the model PRH-1 High Power Pulse Reflectometer. Designed to provide an oscilloscope picture of a station's transmission line system, the PRH-1 can be used to document buried transmission lines as well as determine the location of cable faults.

The primary advantage the PRH-1 has over other "time domain pulse reflec-

tometers" is its ability to operate in high RF fields.

With the typical reflectometer, caution must be exercised to prevent high voltages from nearby radiating elements from entering and destroying the instrument's front end.

This drawback can wreak havoc when the line to be examined exists amidst other operating broadcast antennas or arrays.

Measurements conducted at Washington DC's WCPT/WCXR were made with a full power 5 kW AM transmitter and 13 kW TPO FM operating. No degradation of the display or damage to the PRH-1 was noted.

Operation of the PRH-1 is straightforward. A high voltage (5 kV) short duration pulse is applied to the transmission line. A time versus amplitude display of the echoes is then viewed on an oscilloscope.

Faults or discontinuities in the line, as

well as the terminating load or antenna cause these echoes.

Although most engineers are introduced to a Pulse Reflectometer after damage to a transmission line has already occurred, the PRH-1 can provide a useful reference which can be consulted should future line damage occur.

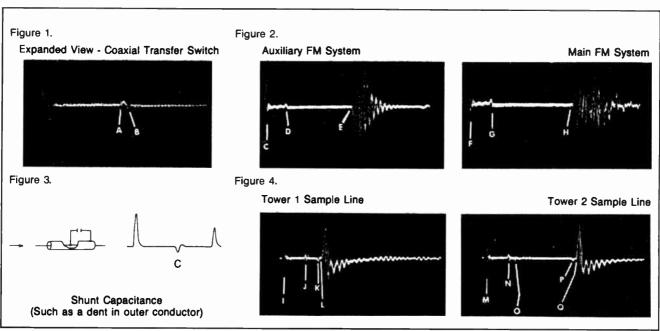
The ability to convert these oscilloscope pulse distances allow accurate location of faults or line discontinuities in the field.

Figure 1 illustrates this fact. The photograph displays an expanded scale illustrating a coaxial transfer switch. A is the input of the switch, B is the output.

Figure 2 displays the input to two FM transmitter lines. C is the main reference pulse; D shows the input to the coaxial transfer switch; E is the input to a four-bay Jampro FM antenna.

The distance between C & D is a 100'





test cable which connects the PRH-1 to the coaxial transfer switch. The distance between D and E is the 400' run of heliax to the antenna.

Dents to the outer jacket of the coax would appear along this line as a small downward pip followed by a flattened upward pulse (see Figure 3).

The second photo in Figure 2 displays the main FM antenna. F illustrates the start pulse. G is the input to the coaxial transfer switch, followed by 500° of rigid line. H is the input to a four-bay ERI FM antenna.

The PRH-1 performs equally well in AM applications. Figure 4 demonstrates the station's two sampling lines. Meas-

urements were taken while the AM operated under full power.

As you can see from the traces, there is no visual disturbance due to the 5 kW RF. I is the input reference pulse; J is the input to the sample line. Remember that the distance from I to J is the 100' reference cable which connects the PRH-1 to the sample line input.

K is the cable termination and L is the input to the sample loop. Since this is a folded unipole tower, the sample loop is mounted parallel to the skirt feed line. That explains the short distance between J and K.

M shows the reference pulse feeding the sample line for a tower; N is the input to the sample system for this tower. O is a splice in the sample line. P shows the cable termination and Q is the input to the sample loop.

Through measurement of a station's transmission lines, using the PRH-1, reference data can be gathered that is invaluable should a fault occur.

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Delta Monitors Splatter in AM

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Washington DC Over the last several years, a number of pieces of test gear specifically designed for use by radio engineers have been brought to market. The Delta SM-1 splatter monitor is such a device.

Splatter—the existence of undesired sidebands with the presence of modulation—interferes with the reception of stations adjacent to the station generating the excess splatter. Further, it raises the noise level in the AM band and wastes energy.

USER REPORT

Splatter can be caused by excessive preemphasis and/or clipping of the audio applied to the transmitter. Other causes might be overmodulation, transmitter or antenna problems.

As most of us know by now, the National Radio Systems Committee (NRSC) has established a suggested transmission standard for AM radio stations with respect to audio bandwidth and preemphasis characteristics.

To make a long story short, this stand-

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ard has been suggested to encourage receiver manufacturers to build radios with wider bandwidths since the standard theoretically reduces secondadjacent channel interference.

To date over 800 stations have converted to the NRSC-1 standard.

Now the NRSC has released an RF mask, appropriately called NRSC-2. This standard specifies the minimum permissible attenuation of sideband energy versus frequency offset from carrier and should be attainable by a station in compliance with NRSC-1, assuming its transmitter and antenna are operating properly.

Realizing that it would be difficult for many AM engineers to confirm compliance with NRSC-2 without an RF spectrum analyzer, Delta has introduced the SM-1 splatter monitor.

The Delta splatter monitor is a basic spectrum occupancy analyzer that is easy to operate and can be used to observe sideband emissions which fall between 11 and 100 kHz away from the carrier.

Setup of the splatter monitor is easy. RF is applied to the unit from either an optional active antenna—for use away from the transmitter—or an RF feed from the point that normally feeds the station modulation monitor.

At WRC we used a toroidal current transformer mounted at the phasor common point. The SM-1 is equipped with a switchable attenuator to handle RF voltages from one to 20 V—a handy feature that should be duplicated by modulation monitor manufacturers.

To operate the SM-1, one dials in the station frequency, adjusts the carrier reference level and is then ready to take measurements.

Since the splatter monitor is equipped with dual synchronous detectors, there is a choice of measuring the in-phase conventionally generated splatter or the quadrature splatter due to incidental phase modulation of the transmitter. This feature is useful in properly adjusting the neutralization of a transmitter.

More detailed analysis can be obtained with the SM-1's offset mode.

This function allows the user to specify the frequency offset from the carrier (plus and minus) where the check is to be made, select the bandwidth of the measurement: 0.5 kHz, 3.0 kHz or NRSC deemphasized, and select one of two measurement ranges, 0 to -40 dB or -40 to -85 dB.

Any offset frequency from 11-99 kHz in one kHz steps can be chosen by a front panel thumbwheel switch. To test for compliance with the NRSC-2 "mask" one selects the NRSC position on the offset bandwidth switch.

In the 0.5 kHz position, the SM-1 responds like an RF spectrum analyzer. The 3.0 kHz selection will yield measurements that mimic a typical narrowband AM radio.

The unit was a breeze to use. We managed to check two transmitters from start to finish in less than an hour. The SM-1 is also equipped with a 12 V power option for mobile use.



Delta also includes little extras that make things go smoothly such as a front panel speaker, a headphone jack, outputs for feeding a remote control and an alarm (with the contacts brought out for remote control uses) that can be used to warn of significant changes in splatter level.

There is also a provision for feeding external audio into the SM-1 to test NRSC compliance of an audio processor. The only thing missing from the unit that might be desirable would be a

peak-hold function on the meter.

All in all, the Delta SM-1 will allow stations that are serious about NRSC to confirm compliance with a minimum of hassle and cost.

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Delta Exciter a Solid Product

by John Diamantis, Dir Eng WCPT-AM/WCXR-FM

Washington DC WCPT is located just down the road from Delta Electronics. Such close proximity to this manufacturer has given us the opportunity to see its AM stereo product's (C-QUAM) evolution.

From the early "carbon copy" of the Motorola boxes, each refinement provides more features for the engineer. Delta's latest offering, to be displayed at the NAB, is no exception.

USER REPORT

Delta's new ASE/ASM exciter/monitor combination has the same solid construction that is associated with the company's other products.

Although the front panels look like the early Motorola systems, that is where the similarity ends. Inside are high quality "mil-spec" pots and switches that make this exciter an investment.

The internal construction uses a topaccessed card cage and exciter and monitor functions are modularized on several different boards that fit into zero insertion force (ZIF) sockets.

This modular approach has been carried through from Delta's earliest systems and has several advantages. First, the boards can be easily accessed for testing or maintenance; an extender board with test hooks is provided.

This modular approach permits easy upgrades as state-of-the-art changes occur. The ability to plug in a new circuit board and improve system performance is definitely a quality worth considering. Few AMs would have the budget to purchase a brand new exciter every few years, just to take advantage of new circuitry.

A third feature is the mounting of critical delay and EQ adjustments—they are

accessible from the top. By not being available from the front, tampering with these settings is reduced.

Setup and maintenance are no problem, as the exciter can be supplied with rack slides. You simply slide the exciter out for adjustment and slide it back into the rack afterwards—out of the way of those Junior Engineers' fingers!

A number of convenience features are found on this exciter/monitor. They include a rear-accessed carrier frequency trimmer, full dual transmitter/dual pattern interfacing circuitry and an updated tech manual that includes an expanded troubleshooting and service section.

This troubleshooting section was prepared after reviewing service information and field installation data from two hundred exciters presently in service.

Delta has added the little finishing touches that make the system easy to set up and maintain. An example is the top panel control silk-screened legends, which permit quick identification of a pot or switch.

A high angle flasher signals excessive phase modulation, caused by too much single channel information. In addition to warning the engineer of a system malfunction, the flasher can be used when setting up the matrix audio processing. It is set to trip at the point just before overload of your listener's C-QUAM stereo decoder ICs.

The companion monitor offers a selectable NRSC deemphasis on the balanced line outputs. Since it is selectable, stations not presently running NRSC will not be concerned with separate deemphasis networks when they make the conversion. They must simply move the jumper.

Perhaps the greatest improvements made in the new Delta exciter are those dealing with performance. Both exciter and monitor have improved frequency response, THD, separation and noise specifications. Delta has also incorporated true SMPTE Intermodulation tests as a part of the final system checkout.

Tilt as well as overshoot are greatly improved, while the exciter still employs the benefits of AC coupling. The AC coupled input prevents cumulative DC offsets from affecting the relative clipping level in aggressively processed stations.

Of these improvements, the most impressive is viewing the ASE audio output while feeding a 1 kHz square wave, low-pass filtered at 100 kHz. You will see no overshoot.

System performance specifications are also improved. A new Decoder II Assembly in the monitor has improved third order Bessell function response for better separation figures as well as overshoot. Again, the modular construction is carried through to the monitor, permitting field installation into existing systems.

Now to the bottom line—what do all these improvements cost? The system list price has not changed. It is still \$12,500, which includes complete installation and a proof. Field mod kits to upgrade older systems are also available.

If you get to NAB, take a look at this product. You will not find a lot of flashiness and glitter—that is not Delta's style. What you will see is a solid product. And if past performance is any indication, the product will serve you well.

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Tips on Using Transfer Switches

by John Bissett Bdcst Product Sales Mgr Delta Electronics

Alexandria VA As engineering staffs continue to shrink in size at most stations, the need for redundant systems becomes more important. At the transmitter plant, motorized coaxial transfer switches provide the engineer with a reliable, quick means of getting back on the air using either an auxiliary transmitter or the exciter.

SPECIAL REPORT

Motorized switches are also gaining popularity in AM applications, where the isolation provided by the switches reduces the crosstalk of AM Stereo signals.

Available in a variety of configurations for varying line sizes and power requirements, these motorized/manual switches have been designed to make the engineer's life easier. Unfortunately, it is not always that simple.

Things to consider

Improper installation can easily cause the engineer additional headaches, but these headaches can be avoided through some simple planning, and making sure the switch fits your requirements. A number of design and installation factors need to be considered.

Perhaps the most important consideration is location. Though good engineering practice dictates that you keep the number of elbows to a minimum, a compromise between a location with ease of maintenance characteristics and the fewest elbows may be best. The switch should not be located directly over the transmitter, in such a way that the PA exhaust air blows on the switch.

And although locations 15 feet in the air may be aesthetically pleasing, such locations can make maintenance and repair nearly impossible. At the same time, do not mount the switch too low where it can pose a safety threat to those bumping their heads on it—especially in a darkened transmitter room suffering from a power failure.

As you search for the ideal location, also consider the weight of the switch. Though the smaller 15/8" switches pose no great

problem, the larger 3 1/8" switches typically weigh over 50 pounds.

Proper support

Such weight requires adequate structural support. KindorfTM (a structural steel beam used by electricians) and threaded steel rods make an inexpensive support system. Since the switch is suspended on the threaded rods, mounting height and leveling of the switch is easily accomplished.

Leveling the switch to prevent binding of the feedline is another important consideration, another reason for not mounting the switch high in the air.

Orient the switch so that the RF ports will meet the required transmission line layout. As you determine the RF plumbing route, consider a means of patching around the switch, should it fail. The ability to remove the switch from service and easily plumb the transmitter output to the antenna will alleviate headaches later on.

As you decide on the mounting location, also keep in mind that you may need to operate the switch manually. Most motorized switches have a means of manually controlling their operation, but such features are worthless if they are inaccessible. If you mount your switch near a ceiling, provide at least a foot of clearance to permit removal of the motor housing for maintenance purposes.

Although most manufacturers impose no mounting criteria as to how the switch sits—that is, contact bullets pointing "up," "down" or "to the side," some engineers prefer mounting the switch with the bullets facing upward. Their rationale is that any contamination or dust would in that position fall away from the contact bullets.

While the installation is planned, a decision on interconnecting the control and interlock circuitry must also be made. AC power must be planned and routed to the switch location. Remember that your switch may use either 120 or 220 VAC; size your wiring accordingly.

Switch control functions are usually straightforward. And with the increased number of automatic transmitter change-over panels on the market, control interconnection should not be a problem.

The remote control of a transfer switch is usually dependent on the CE's level of trust in his air staff. In an off-air emergency, air talent can hurriedly rush through remote control functions and may cause more damage.

A middle ground can be reached by connecting the switch to a higher remote control channel and labelling it "Dummy Load." In this manner, the engineer has full remote control function, yet the labeling discourages tampering.

The dreaded interlocks

Coupled to the remote control question is that ugly word interlocks. Talk about a love/hate relationship! Properly interlocking the transmitters and the coax switch is a must—ask anyone who has paid for the repair of a smoked switch!

But good intentions—using proper switching procedures to avoid switching a transfer switch hot—have a habit of disappearing in the wee hours of the morning or in the middle of the morning drive.

Connecting the transfer switch interlocks is akin to going to the dentist; we know we are supposed to do it, but somehow never find the time. Save yourself the agony of a major toothache, connect the interlocks.

And while you are connecting the interlocks, check to see how they operate. Do they open before the RF path opens, or at the same time? How many interlock contacts are there? Not all switches are the same, and what works for one manufacturer may not for another. Check the instruction manual.

Coaxial transfer switches can greatly simplify the engineer's transmitter plant and proper installation and selection will assure years of reliable service.

Editor's Note: To assist engineers in planning the addition of transfer switches to their facility, Delta offers a free planning and installation guide. For a copy, contact Delta at: 703-354-3350. For more information, circle Reader Service 64.

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Repairing Ailing AM Sampling Systems

by Steve Crowley

washington DC AM directional array sampling systems eventually require repair or replacement due to damage or age. Sometimes, input components of the antenna monitor can be damaged by lightning or excessive RF voltage.

Old air-dielectric sampling lines can take on moisture, also causing unstable readings. Fluctuating antenna monitor readings, unaccompanied by corresponding fluctuations in base current or monitor point readings, are a sign of a defective sampling system.

Sometimes restoration is not possible. Perhaps a sampling loop was replaced with one of a different type, or the orientation of the loop is slightly different, resulting in changed current pickup from the tower. (Some older loops are designed so that they produce a current sample 180 degrees out of phase to those loops being sold today).

Replacement of transmission line to a loop can change the input impedance of that tower, also causing a change in parameters (and actual field radiated).

If parameters remain out of tolerance, a request must be made to the FCC for

If you are fortunate, you will be able to plan replacement or modification of your sampling system. The first step is to request permission from the FCC to operate with parameters at variance from licensed values.

In changes made off the tower (sampling transformer, antenna monitor, sampling lines not on the tower), you must record transmitter and antenna parameters, and the monitor point values before and after any such changes.

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The monitor point and base current readings should remain within licensed tolerances after the changes. If changes are made on the towers, a partial proof must be made to verify radiation is within the limits authorized.

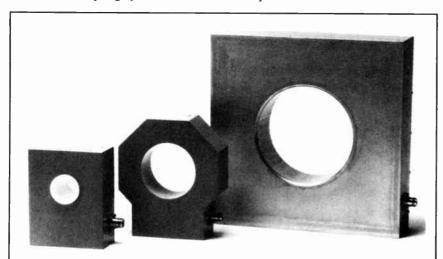
A request for modification of license (to reflect the new parameters) must be submitted within 30 days of the date of sampling system modification or replacement. If the changes were made off the tower, this request can be made in the form of an informal letter to the FCC. If the changes are on the tower, FCC Form 302 must be submitted with the partial proof.

Perhaps you are building a new station or have a construction permit to modify an existing directional array. You will have to install what the FCC refers to as an "approved" sampling system.

In 1985, the FCC eliminated construction requirements for sampling systems—the intent being to allow stations to use alternative technology to monitor directional arrays. You can still construct a sampling system according to rules in effect before 1 January 1986. If you do, it will be considered approved.

If you do not comply with the former rules, approval will come after submission of a year-long stability showing, consisting of a detailed description of the sampling system, monthly monitor point readings and other data.

Most engineers follow the guidelines of the former rules. They state, in part, that sampling lines must have a solid outer conductor. Sampling loops must be unshielded, of rigid construction, firmly positioned and mounted near the



Delta Electronics offers three versions of its TCT Toroidal Current Transformers. Each of the transformers pictured can be supplied in sensitivities for a variety of power levels. For more information, contact Delta at 1-800-8-DELTA-8. Outside the continental US, dial 703-354-3350.

Because antenna monitor readings are a primary indicator of a properly functioning antenna system, several FCC rules apply when any sampling system modifications are to be made. Applicable rules differ depending on whether modifications or repairs are being made as a response to a breakdown, or if they are part of a planned construction project.

If your sampling system fails, you may operate for a period not to exceed 120 days without further authority from the FCC, if all other operating parameters and monitor point values are within the limits specified on the station license. During that time, if repairs result in antenna monitor parameters being restored to within licensed tolerances, no further action is necessary.

permission to operate with parameters at variance. Their response will likely be a telegram allowing such operation for ninety days. This can usually be extended upon request, especially if progress toward repair can be shown.

While you are operating under special authority, you can troubleshoot the antenna system to determine why the parameters have shifted. Field strength measurements should be performed to verify that the pattern is still within the standard pattern envelope. If not, the antenna must be adjusted.

Whether or not adjustments are made, a partial proof of performance must be made and filed with FCC Form 302 to support the new parameters. A modified license will then be issued.

point of maximum tower current.

Shielded transformers at the tower base may be used in lieu of loops (a stability showing must be submitted if the tower is taller than 110 electrical degrees).

The former rules also state that all sampling lines for a critical array must be of the same electrical length. For other arrays, lines of different length may be used if the difference is not so great that predicted phase errors due to

phase variation exceed 0.5 degree.

Following good engineering practice during sampling system installation will greatly reduce the chance of future problems. All lines on the tower should be electrically bonded at regular intervals. At the base of the tower, on the ground side of any isolation network, the outer conductor should be securely grounded.

Sampling loop hardware should be securely tightened to prevent loop movement by wind or climbers. Any extra trans-

mission line at the base of the tower should be coiled and fastened down.

If you would like to review the FCC's sampling system rules, the applicable sections are 73.68 and 73.69.

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Dorrough Maintains Integrity

by Ken Horton Maintenance Eng KFAC-FM

Los Angeles CA The Dorrough 610A discriminate audio processor is a vastly "new and improved" version of the company's original 610 box.

We have been A/B testing a pair of the 610As for two months in our FM audio chain. (This chain is from our studios in Hollywood to our transmitter site on Mt. Wilson via T-1 digital telephone lines.)

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In a test of any system, it is always a good to ask: "What are the criteria for evaluation?"

The first criteria is listening—it's the bottom line, the "proof in the pudding." Since we have a classical format, we are especially interested in extremely accurate reproduction of our program at the receiver—reproduction that is both transparent and dynamic, yet with an apparent loudness.

Second, interaction between our SCA channel and our main stereo channels could not be tolerated.

And third is the question of the unit's actual technical performance. Some very revealing but simple tests can be performed to evaluate this (see Figure 3).

There are so many boxes out there to choose from that it can get confusing trying to sort them out. What sets the 610A apart is its sound!

Dorrough's philosophy is that threeband processing in which minimum phase, gentle slope filters are incorporated is the only way to assure colorless limiting (see Figure 1).

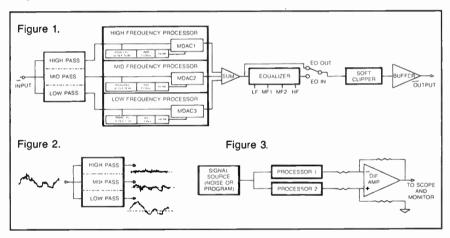
The 610A is a tri-band limiter and special attention has been given to its phase integrity, under both static and dynamic conditions.

An important concept here is that the higher frequencies "ride" on the lower frequencies. One need only look at a scope to see that when you take away

frequency rises. This principle is illustrated in Figure 2.

After each of the three bands has been limited (if desired), they are summed together to achieve their original relative amplitudes.

This is why we experienced precise integrity in the decay of sustained piano and organ passages, right down into noise, without a timbre change.



the low frequencies (150 Hz), the remaining higher frequencies "collapse" toward the base line.

Cutting off frequencies below 5 kHz causes another major collapse of the remaining information toward the base line: as frequencies increase, their amplitudes fall closer to the base line.

A common error, Dorrough says, is to use a sine wave generator to check performance. This does not work because the generator has constant amplitude over frequency, while music and speech get progressively lower in amplitude as

Most other multiband boxes sum for flat amplitude response at this point, which means that on a decay the higher frequencies fall progressively out of limiting and their relative levels are no longer proportionate, resulting in excessive noise and unnatural sound.

The 610A is a minimum signal path device incorporating single pole (6 dB/octave) band splitters and digitally controlled analog attenuators.

The attenuators are followed by a four band equalizer, which may be hard-wire



bypassed when desired. The side chains utilize proprietary ROM look-up tables to set attack, release and limiting characteristics.

A fast "soft" clipper is in place before the final output buffer amplifier to build power without degrading high frequency detail. Improvements in the 610A include higher speed, lower noise amplifiers, better ROM algorithms and simpler (more phase linear) filters.

Figure 3 shows a simple test set-up to check static and dynamic processor integrity. Two processors are required; one is operated below the limiting threshold while the second processor is

operated as desired with processing activated.

All controls must be identically set up. When the outputs are summed out of phase with their amplitudes matched, the remaining artifacts may be observed and listened to, including frequency response discrepancies and intermodulation distortion products.

Included with each pair of 610As is the 80-B stereo generator. Balance compensation and pilot tone phase controls are brought out to the front panel to allow maximum separation under program conditions. All that is needed for calibration of the 80-B is an FM radio with mono mode capability and a balance control.

These 610As really sound good! And I believe they would be equally strong in any other format.

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Dynamax Gets Braiker Rolling

by Ernie Hopseker, VP Eng Braiker Radio Services Co.

Belivue WA A new satellite radio network, founded by Ivan Braiker, began operation in the fall of 1989. His Braiker Radio Services Company differs from other satellite networks in that it provides programming only, with no network commercials.

While the technical operation of most satellite radio networks is conceptually similar, Braiker Radio has added a new twist. As often happens in an engineering environment, we discovered a new use for an existing function, a use outside that originally intended by the equipment's designers.

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Braiker originally envisioned an operation whereby the network air personality could maintain simple yet total control of all affiliate programming. The programming would include local commercial spots, jingles, IDs, liners and other format functions. This would provide continuity and a "feel" that all material was originating from the local affiliate's studios.

The network studios had to be functional, simple to operate, foolproof and yet capable of network sophistication. In the early stages it was determined that we needed to be able to remote control up to 15 different cartridge-based affiliate events.

Some of the first ideas included our air personalities "playing a row of

switches like a synthesizer" in addition to performing the traditional duties required. But, having considerable experience behind the microphone myself, I shuddered to imagine several different DJs pushing 15 different buttons via satellite to each affiliate as part of our programming and used to remotely trigger a series of relays at affiliate sites designated by the network.

The system provides two encoded tones per channel, on each of two audio

Figure	1. Cartscan	Function to	Braiker	Function	Conversion	lable

Normal Cartscan	Function	BCD	Braiker Logic		
Function	Number	Equivalent	Function		
		23 22 21 20			
Not Used	0	0000	Not Used		
Matrix	1	0001	Legal ID		
Elev. Level	2	0010	Matched Call		
Matrix & Elev. Level	3	0 0 1 1	Station Jingle		
Aux	4	0100	Image Liner		
Matrix & Aux	5	0 1 0 1	Station Jingle		
Elev. Level & Aux	6	0 1 1 0	Currently Unused *		
Matrix, Elev. Level & A	ux 7	0 1 1 1	Currently Unused *		
Mono	8	1000	Currently Unused *		
Custom	9	1001	Currently Unused *		
Elev. Level & Mono	10	1010	Commercial Cutaway		
			3:00 Minutes		
Custom	11	1011	Currently Unused *		
Aux & Mono	12	1 1 0 0	Commercial Cutaway-		
			3:30 Minutes		
Custom	13	1 1 0 1	Currently Unused *		
Elev. Level, Aux & Mor	no 14	1110	Currently Unused *		
Custom	15	1111	Network Return		
* Unused Codes permit later expansion					

while trying to produce results acceptable for network consumption.

The first part of the solution to this problem involved our decision to install a Wegener Tone Encoding System. Wegener utilizes a series of inaudible 25 Hz and 35 Hz tones encoded on each audio channel that can be distributed

channels. Therefore we have four tones available, which form the basis of a BCD (Binary Coded Decimal) code, permitting control of up to 16 functions in theory (15 in reality; in our case the "0 0 0 0" function was discarded as being prone to triggering by loss of input).



Later, while at the NAB convention last spring, I was walking the show floor prospecting for a solution that was easier than using a bank of control switches. At the Fidelipac booth I noticed that its Dynamax CTR100 Series cartridge machine includes a "Cartscan" function.

Cartscan uses adhesive labels, with four optional reflective areas that are applied to the right side of each cartridge and corresponding optical sensors within the machine. Normally these sensors are used to control internal selection of Standard or Elevated operating levels, Stereo or Mono, Matrix or Auxiliary switching functions.

Four functions form the basis of a BCD encoding system. Fidelipac informed me that the Cartscan logic was available at an existing 50-pin "D" connector on the rear of the machine and that the machines could be easily modified to deactivate the normal internal Cartscan functions. We could then use the standard Cartscan labels, but for our own logic.

We immediately purchased our first Dynamax CTR100 Series machine and devised a truth table for the functions that we required. (See Figure 1.)

The puzzle was far from complete at this point. The Cartscan matrix in the CTR100 provides a BCD code output whenever a cartridge is loaded. The problem now was how to mix up to eight loaded cartridge sources, identify the correct one upon its initiation and route its BCD output to the input of the encoder.

We designed an interface box which uses the remote start tally output of the cartridge machine and permits only that machine's code to be passed through to the Wegener.

We currently have between six and eight Dynamax cartridge machines onair in each network studio. Additional units are used in the production studio, dubbing and music library.

Operationally, our network air personalities load blank cartridges, with the appropriate Cartscan labels for the events that they wish to initiate, into any of our machines. The Cartscan matrix within each machine informs the Wegener system, via our interface, which function code is present on the cartridge currently initiated.

That BCD code is then transmitted over the satellite to each affiliate. Upon receipt of code at the local site, the appropriate relay, corresponding to functions 1 through 15, is closed and used to initiate designated equipment or events. We require that five cartridge machines be dedicated for this use at each affiliate studio.

The beauty of the system is that any cartridge can be loaded into any of our Dynamax machines. As implemented, the system merely supplies BCD codes for function initiations. This frees our

network air personalities from undue concentration on cartridge loading and permits individual machines to be removed for maintenance without affecting the overall system.

There were a few initial glitches in setting up the system. For instance, we found that if our network personalities auditioned a cartridge, it initiated corresponding events at the affiliate end. So we now have a dedicated cartridge machine off-line from the Wegener system for audition purposes only.

We found too that the Cartscan labels are subject to wear and lose some reflectivity with use and handling. Therefore they need to be replaced occasionally. We also had the usual installation wiring errors, etc. But now everything works well, just as originally envisioned. Due to our volume of use, Fidelipac has made the unusual offer to provide machines factory-modified to our standards for our use.

Ingenuity has prevailed. Dynamax CTR100 units with Cartscan have given us a very simple and cost effective solution to what originally seemed to be an awkward and expensive task.

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Phoenix Rises at WOBT-AM

by Richard E. Hencley, GM and Lloyd C. Vollmar, CE WOBT-AM

Rhinelander WI There are no magic solutions for AM today. It is a combination of quality programming, professional attitude and a clean sound, stereo or mono that wins and keeps listeners on a long term basis.

Many AM stations maintain an AM attitude such as: "Oh well, we don't sound as good as FM, therefore we're inferior."

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To compete with FM these days, you need an FM attitude: "We sound as good or better than FM, therefore we are superior." It is a great thought.

But how do you do it? Your quality

programming and professional attitude are only as valuable as the extent to which your listeners hear them.

In many stations, the missing link is a good audio processor. Combined with your programming and attitude, the three together become a hit. Our ace in the hole is the Phoenix processor from Gentner Electronics.

The Phoenix has our entire staff grinning from ear to ear and listeners are wondering if there is a new station in town. From a non-technical perspective, it has added 20% to our coverage area and made us the cleanest, brightest, clearest sounding station on the dial. To most people, that is indeed the bottom line.

But wait a minute: technically, the Phoenix, with its built-in Gentner Audio

Prism, goes a lot further.

First of all, the Phoenix is a digital processor. This means that rather than experiencing the constant expansion and compression common among analog compressors, the Phoenix can do "nothing," or, in other words, "maintain present gain."

This greatly cuts down on listener fatigue, lessening that "busy" sound of increasing and decreasing gain. The Phoenix can be programmed to expand only when necessary.

So while the Phoenix maintains an equal or higher modulation level, its Audio Prism processor will make only one third to one half as many AGC voltage reversals as would an analog processor.

The benefits of the Phoenix continue,



having greatly improved our sound density (a difference that was noticed immediately) as well as a offering a dynamic range that compliments digital programming sources such as music on compact disc.

The Phoenix is completely digitally controlled and all of its controls are mounted on the front panel. It is very user-friendly.

WOBT was at one point contemplating going stereo but found that with the Phoenix, we were able to offer an AM sound rivalling that of FM without having to go stereo. And, too, we knew that with the Phoenix and an additional Audio Prism we had the option of converting to stereo anytime in the future.

The Phoenix also adheres to the NRSC standard, solving the problem of how to maintain mandatory compliance. You will also find its internal pink noise generator extremely useful, especially during initial set-up, which is made simple with an easy-to-read and under stand manual.

The manual gives starting points and

good suggestions for all formats and various types of equipment used in conjuction with the Phoenix.

The Phoenix unit itself is completely self-contained in a single 1¾" rack height enclosure and will operate in severely hostile electrical environments.

Featuring RFI filtering and three part lightning protection on all conductors, complete set-up of the Phoenix takes just a few minutes and requires no test equipment other than a simple VOM.

The Phoenix' front panel LED indicators offer a wealth of information and are arranged in typical bar graph fashion. Color coding displays expansion and compression.

The Phoenix from Gentner Electronics has delivered on every claim it has made. With the term "hot box" being thrown around by so many processor manufacturers, the Phoenix has shown that it sets the standards and does for AM what Orban did for FM.

The day after we installed the Phoenix, our phones lit up with comments like "I don't know what you did, but keep doing

it" and "Did you increase your power?"

What did we want when it came time to choose an audio processor? Simple. Maximum modulation along with a clean, non-fatiguing sound.

The Phoenix has made WOBT-AM get up and dance. Our listeners are getting the necessities they require of any radio station, AM or FM. They are getting quality programming, a professional attitude and audio quality matching that of any other station.

There are many managers and engineers who will give their testimonials to the success of the Phoenix. You can compare all you want, and there is no doubt that you will come to the same conclusion. Your AM will never sound better than it does with the "hottest box" in the industry.

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Sage Sold on Harris HT Series

by Gerald LeBow, Exec VP Sage Broadcasting

Stamford CT This spring, with just weeks to go before the start of the ratings books, Sage Broadcasting put two new FMs on the air and completely revamped a third. Incredibly enough, everyone involved was still sane at the end of this major project. One of the main reasons was our choice of transmitter: Harris Broadcast.

We talked to several manufacturers about the three transmitters we needed: a 25 kW for WGNE in Daytona Beach, FL; a 30 kW for KSEZ in Sioux City, IA; and a 3.5 kW for WFHN in Fairhaven/ New Bedford, MA.

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Harris responded quickly with a very attractive proposal. The company's prices were more than competitive, its leasing plan was convenient and its delivery schedules were as good or better than anyone's.

More importantly, I had confidence that Harris could meet those schedules with transmitters that would work when they arrived. We had two new stations to put on the air, plus a third staring down the barrel of the year's only ratings book, so meeting delivery schedules was a very significant consideration.

Despite the problems that go hand in hand with the Christmas season, Harris came through on its January and February delivery dates as promised.

I was on hand for the installations at our two new stations, WGNE and WFHN, and I must admit I was nervous. With any device as complex as an FM transmitter, you have to expect problems once it has been shipped and installed.

But both the HT 25 FM in Daytona Beach and the HT 3.5 FM in Fairhaven worked right out of the box. There was a moment of confusion over the AC power wiring at the installation in Sioux City, but as soon as that was straightened out, the HT 30 FM was also fine.

I talk to the engineers at each of our 18 stations nearly every day. So whenever there is a problem, I hear about it. Our three Harris transmitters have been on the air for six months, and they have been as close to trouble-free as we could have wished for.

We have experienced no loss of air

time, and the minor problems we have encountered were attended to with utmost dispatch by the Harris service department. All three stations have told me how pleased they are with the performance of their HT FM transmitters.

We took a big gamble installing these three transmitters so soon before the spring ratings books, but the performance of the people at Harris helped us make it pay off.

In fact, at KSEZ in Sioux City, we just had our biggest ratings book ever. I am convinced that the improved coverage from our new RF plant, including the Harris HT 20 FM transmitter, played a significant role in that increase.

Overall, you can say I am a sold customer: We certainly will look at Harris again when we need more transmitters.

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Z-93's Harrison Board Shines

Editor's note: Since the following article was first published, Harrison Systems has been acquired by GLW Enterprises, Inc. GLW continues to manufacture the Harrison lines of professional audio mixing consoles.

Dick Byrd, CE WZGC-FM

Atlanta GA When we began to finalize plans last year to move the Z-93 studio facilities from midtown Atlanta to the suburbs engineering attention focused on the more expensive items that would be installed.

Since most of the tape machines, CD players, turntables and the like were to be reused it was obvious that consoles and cabinets would comprise most of the equipment budget.

USER REPORT

After seriously considering three manufacturers to build our consoles we chose Harrison. I became aware of Harrison's dedication to build a "broadcast console" through the efforts of Kandy Shute of Broadcast General Store.

Harrison's reputation throughout the recording industry has been impeccable for many years but broadcast applications present different hurdles to jump.

To familiarize myself with Harrison I spent a day at its Nashville plant finalizing the configurations of the three consoles we were to purchase. We saved a great deal of money in the process because each application was discussed and the most appropriate resolution for each was implemented.

To save money on shipping costs we sent our station promotions van on the four-hour trip to the factory to pick up the consoles.

Since Harrison had the consoles ready weeks ahead of schedule we were able to physically take them to the cabinet shop for custom fitting.

Harrison has a policy of sending the purchaser a pre-install kit soon after the order is placed. The kit includes the manual, a Molex tool (which doesn't work) and a few thousand crimp pins.

I personally like Molex connectors, so it suited me just fine that Harrison consoles utilize them for all the "goes-ins" and "goes-outtas." It makes installation and future changes a breeze.

The success of a Molex crimp, however, depends on the crimp tool used. The one shipped by Harrison is made by Waldom and is recognizable by its yellow grips. It doesn't crimp properly.

A previous Waldom model which looks the same except for its red grips works great. I've also had moderate success with a rather expensive ratchet-type tool made by Paladin.

External start and stop

Z-93 bought one model PRO-790 and two AIR-790 units—all three utilizing the same mainframe layout. The difference lies in the plug-in modules. We outfitted the PRO-790 mainframe primarily with modules that sport a few more knobs, switches and lights.

For the control room we chose the less expensive and less cluttered input modules. One of the first amenities that drew my attention to the Harrison was a little red switch on each module labeled "Next."

Proper utilization of this little fellow allows us to sequence our ITC model 99 playback cart decks without additional hardware. (Our old studio had a bank of switches external to the console that allowed the operator to select which machines should sequence.) A start pulse is provided when the channel is switched on for external equipment.

We hooked it directly to the cart machines, CD players and reel-to-reel machines. The old model SP-IO turntables required an interface adapter to provide a stronger tug on the line.

Designers also allow an external pulse to turn off the channel when the attached cart machine finishes. Yet another TTL connection prevents the channel from being turned on unless a cart is ready to go.

Personality programming of individual modules is accomplished with those little jumper connectors you see on a computer circuit board.

With jumpers you can elect to start the built-in digital timer at channel turn-on, activate any or all three mute and tally busses, vary the gain significantly, assign auxiliary buss feeds to either preor post-fader connection points and

even cause the channel to turn on when the fader goes up.

Monitor modules include independent control of earphone and speaker level with line-level audio sufficient to drive external power amps. A companion module provides monitor audio and intercom for two other studios in the station.

The external power supply for the console is among the heftiest I've seen. The standard 30' cable allows installation in a rack where ventilation is adequate. I've heard folks say that the older model Harrison consoles and power supplies run pretty warm, but this model seems well within accepted temperature ranges.

A quick study

The learning curve for the DJs was very short. We first went on the air on a Saturday night and on Sunday required each jock to work an abbreviated shift. By Monday morning the only obvious difference on the radio was a better quality sound.

I burned up several ICs while installing the consoles because I frequently popped modules in and out while the power was on. I still remove and reinsert modules in the control room because it's too cumbersome to switch the show to another room, but I don't recommend doing it unless you are prepared to repair the module.

Insertion with the power on usually works, but not always. Luckily, one wayward module does not affect the rest.

The manual that Harrison provided was very confusing. I'd hate to see a novice try to install a console using only the information in those many pages.

While there are lots and lots of schematics and diagrams in the manual, it contains few words. Each time I called the factory, however, a knowledgeable technician answered my questions.

All of us here are extremely pleased with the performance, reliability and ease of operation of the consoles.

For more information on the PRO-790 and AIR-790 consoles, contact Martin Burns at GLW Enterprises, 615-331-8800, or circle reader Service 89

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USDA A Prime Choice for a DA

by Hank Landsberg, Owner Henry Engineering

Sierra Madre CA A few weeks ago Henry Engineering announced the USDA, which stands for "Utility Summing and Distribution Amplifier."

Since a distribution amplifier is probably the most mundane and uninteresting piece of equipment used at the average broadcast station, we wondered what could be done to make one a little differently, one more useable and able to solve more problems for the broadcaster.

TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

Our answer was to add a summing capability so that the DA could be used to *combine*—as well as split—audio signals for distribution.

Have you ever needed to add a mono output to a stereo console? How about combining the stereo output of a tuner to feed the (mono) house PA system? One way to do this is with resistive combining networks.

The drawbacks to passive summing are either a loss of level or a degradation in the stereo separation of the souce signal, or both. The only way to sum two audio signals without such pitfalls

is to do it with an active summing amplifier. This is the summing feature built into USDA.

The USDA is a 2-input, 4-output distribution amplifier. The two input channels can operate independently, in parallel, or as a stereo pair. The 4-output channels can operate as four independent outputs, or as two stereo pairs.

The feature that makes USDA unique is the Stereo/Mono selector switch for each of the two stereo output pairs. Either or both stereo outputs can be switched to mono with no loss in level or separation of the other output, or of the source signal.

With the USDA, you can feed a stereo signal in and get two stereo outputs, four mono outputs, or a combination of one stereo and two mono outputs, simultaneously.

USDA has dozens of broadcast station applications. In addition to combining stereo to mono or splitting signals for distribution, it can be used to boost low level (-10 dBm), unbalanced "consumer" audio signals to +4 or +8 dBm balanced outputs.

Another use could be to convert Left and Right audio inputs to "matrix" Sum and Difference outputs. The reverse can also be done; feeding USDA with Sum and Difference inputs can produce Left and Right stereo outputs.

USDA's circuitry is active and direct coupled. The inputs and outputs can be wired either balanced or unbalanced. The input impedance is 20 kilohms (bridging), so the source is not loaded. This permits a source to feed a typical 600 ohm load and feed USDA simultaneously, with no adverse effects.

There are individual gain trim adjustments for each of USDA's four output channels. The gain may be set between -6 dB and +20 dB. The USDA will drive four 600 loads simultaneously to +24 dBm with typical distortion of .01% THD or IM.

Since the USDA is direct coupled, frequency response is from DC to over 50 kHz. The noise level (EIN) is -95 dBm. USDA is also compact (same size as a Matchbox) and has an internal bi-polar power supply.

Whenever a "new" DA comes to market, most folks respond with: "So what else is new?" The USDA is new, and should solve numerous audio-related problems at broadcast stations every day.

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CTE Products Move Into the US Market

by Rob Meuser, President International Broadcast Support Services

Ontario CANADA Solid state transmitters are the dream of both engineers and general managers alike. The past decade has brought advances in both AM and television transmitters. Unlikely as it may seem, FM has lagged in this area.

Now, due to the worldwide explosion of FM stations, solid state power is coming to FM. One company in this area is the Italian manufacturer CTE. Originally designed for the home market, CTE's transmitters have gained worldwide acceptance.

TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

Despite this success, the American market is new turf for CTE. The company introduced its products to this market at the 1989 NAB.

The CTE line extends from its Model S-20 4 W to 30 W exciter/transmitters up to its Model VL 5000 solid state 5 kW

transmitter. The forthcoming VL 10,000 and VL 20,000 will raise solid state FM to 20 kW capability. Other CTE power levels are 250 W, 500 W, 1000 W and 2000 W.

Technically speaking, CTE offers several features that make the line unique, including a PWM power control unit. All functions such as over temperature, VSWR and automatic power control are controlled via a constant feedback loop.

Ultimately, the voltage to the final amplifier transistors is regulated in response to various conditions. This feature makes the transmitter exceptionally tolerant of faults and allows for automatic power control at any level down to one-fifth power.

At a 2 to 1 VSWR, a typical unit will operate at 50% forward output power, with all spurious outputs down better than 85 dB. Because of the voltage reduction to the finals, the unit will stay cool and stable. The continuous power reduction upon fault is a feature that adds measurably to on-air reliability.

Loudness is always important in most operations. CTE has



designed the S-20 exciter to be overshoot-free and nearly DC coupled, with a PLL corner frequency of .25 Hz. A 20 Hz square wave reproduction is easily possible. (According to recent studies, 1.5 dB of modulation is often lost due to low frequency problems in many modern exciters.)

The PLL circuit allows for lock-up to any FM frequency in four seconds via front panel controls. This performance is not without some penalty. The SNR is 85 dB referenced to 100% modulation, while distortion is .2%.

Other CTE products include STL links, STL receiver/excit and relay receivers. The net capability for CTE FM equipme. is therefore not limited to just transmitters: translators, repeaters, boosters and synchronous repeaters are all possible.

Editor's note: International Broadcast Support Services is currently marketing the CTE lineup in the United States. For more information, contact Barry Honel at 404-389-1966, or circle Reader Service 75.

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Inovonics 222 Is "NRSC-Smart"

by James C. Parkinson, CE KAMO-AM

Rogers AR . . . Last fall KAMO decided to implement the NRSC standard on its AM transmitter, a McMartin BA-1K. I had to come up with something cost effective, and quickly.

Checking the ads in RW, I found a few NRSC processors, all priced at about \$500.

USER REPORT

Furthur investigation, however, revealed that one of these was a "wraparound" unit: a preemphasis network to be installed ahead of an existing limiter such as our Gates Solid Statesman, and a 10 kHz rolloff filter on the output side.

The problem with this single band limiter being fed with preemphasized audio is familiar to anyone who has worked in FM radio engineering.

The enhanced high frequency peaks would cause deep limiting, which would tend to "punch holes" in the bass and midrange audio.

Placing the preemphasis at the output of the limiter would be even worse; in order to keep the highs from overmodulating the transmitter, the limiter output would have to be turned down to the point where the audio spectrum below 500 Hz would only be able to modulate 10% or less.

What we needed was a smart limiter which would allow independent additional limiting for the high frequencies only, based on the NRSC preemphasis curve.

Smart limiter

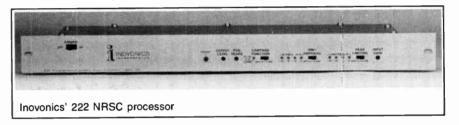
The Inovonics Model 222 NRSC AM Audio Processor was chosen because it

does just that. It can be used as a standalone processor or in conjunction with additional processing as desired.

Front panel LEDs indicate gain reduction of 0, 2, 6 and 12 dB for both wideband limiting and preemphasis protection. There are switches to defeat the

No RFI problems

I was at first dismayed to read the admonition against using the 222 near abnormally high RF fields. I had planned on installing it in a rack close to the transmitter, which is only 10' from the base of of our half-wave tower, and which



limiting, preemphasis and a 10 kHz low pass filter for test purposes.

A red LED reminds you to switch these functions back on when you're done with the proof.

Input and output levels are screwdriver adjustable from the front panel, which is 1¾" rack mountable. There is also an independent adjustment to allow for up to 130% positive modulation peaks. (Of course, to comply with current FCC rules, it must be set at 125% or below).

All limiting is controlled by pulse width modulation. The sharp 10 kHz rolloff is accomplished with active components.

Overshoot protection is a must for any post-limiter filter; a green LED lets you know this part of the circuit is functioning. Feedforward techniques are utilized for very tight control of transmitter modulation.

For stereo operation, two units can be operated in tandem, one for L+R, and one for L-R.

The well written manual is exceptionally detailed in theory of operation, setup and maintenance.

supports six bays of FM at the top.

A glance at the schematic shows no RF bypassing at either the balanced input or output, both of which are DC coupled ICs (no transformers).

To be on the safe side, I installed outboard .0039 mfd mica capacitors on all input and output terminals. The 10 dB input pad we use supplies additional filtering there, and a couple of 100 μ H chokes were added to the output port. I am happy to say no RFI problems were experienced whatsoever.

Inovonics recommends a maximum peak limiting of 12 dB on occasional peaks, with average gain reduction running at about 6 dB. For the more aggressive processing demanded by most stations they suggest a compressor (AGC) unit ahead of the 222.

So I modified our Gates limiter to obtain a slower recovery to make it act more like an AGC than a limiter, to smooth out the inevitable variations in level from the control room board.

Although the 222 has a separate control for positive modulation peaks, it will



not do anything to accentuate those peaks if they are not already higher coming in.

But our good old Solid Statesman takes advantage of any asymmetry present in the audio waveform and automatically selects the correct polarity for greater positive peaks. The 222 passes this onto the transmitter, but limits it below the preset level—125% in our case.

The front panel LEDs make setup a breeze, and the unit has been operating flawlessly since last November. The sound on a typical AM radio has become brighter and more defined, even to the point where I can actually understand the lyrics of songs.

The GM noticed the improvement too, which made it all worthwhile. I know the filter is operating properly, since at four miles from the antenna I can tune in the second adjacent stations on either side without being bothered by splatter.

Recently, when our Solid Statesman limiter developed a problem and had to be removed for servicing, we had a chance to test the 222 as a standalone processor.

Although we didn't have as high an average level of modulation as with the two units together, the Inovonics gave a good performance by itself as long as the input level was reasonably controlled.

Considering the component count and sophistication of this processor, I consider it a "steal" at \$500. Surely the manufacturer must be sacrificing higher profits in order to encourage more AM stations to convert to the NRSC standard.

Even stations using older vintage transmitters (with class AB transformer plate modulation) such as our McMartin, would do well to add this excellent NRSC processor to their audio chains.

I would advise any station wishing to upgrade to the NRSC standard to buy this unit now, before Inovonics wises up and raises the price.

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WTGC Switches to Nighttime with LPB

by Gary Magill, CE WTGC-AM

Hollidaysburg PA ... On 30 August 1985, WTGC in Lewisburg, PA was issued a show/cause order for night operations. The power issued was 13.6 W.

At first, we used our old RCA BTA25OM, a 250 W AM transmitter with a dummy load and tapped coil to get 0.5 A on the base current. The transmitter was already set up for post sunset at different powers.

USER REPORT

We found the commercial power required to achieve 13.6 W was far more than efficiency prescribed. The audio quality of the old RCA at this low power was not very good, either.

What we needed was a low power transmitter.

I called Dick Crompton at LPB in Frazer, PA to see what he had in the way of equipment because I knew that LPB had a great deal of experience in lower power transmitters.

Dick suggested his LPB AM-30P solid state, 30 W AM transmitter.

We estimated that the savings from electric power costs would pay for the transmitter in one year.

Delivery time was quick/about two weeks. The instructions were very easy to follow, and we were able to install our new night transmitter in August of 1986.

The operating people at WTGC were amazed at the size of the new low power transmitter. It is approximately 12" high, 6" wide and 5" deep.

The unit has adjustable power control and audio input control. The output connector is an S0239 connector. The power input is a standard 120 V plug.

We made a modulation monitor sample connection with the circuit supplied in the book. We used a ceramic switch to switch between the RCA and the LPB units.

Our audio is driven with a Dorrough Model 310. The LPB AM-30P modulates positive peaks very well. The adjustable power control makes an easy transition from the power of post sunset into nighttime power.

The frequency stability is very good at about +10 Hz. The audio quality on the LPB is comparable to that of the main transmitter operating on daytime power.

The LPB operates low level modulation with linear amplifier push/pull. To supply power to the unit, there is a toggle switch inside the front door with an LED indicator on it.

One thing I would like to see is the main power and RF power adjustment mounted on the outside so the unit can be operated with the power on.

Also, the means of sample for the modulation monitor should be mounted inside of the unit with the jack on the side.

Overall, however, I highly recommend the LPB AM-30P to stations looking for economical night transmitters.

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LPB: "Sleep Insurance" at WLSH

by William Lakatas, Jr., CE HGF Media Group

Allentown PA "That breadbox on the wall is our new transmitter?" With that comment from a staff member, I threw the switch that turned on our new LPB low power transmitter and instituted 24-hour service on our most recently acquired AM station.



When we purchased WLSH in Lansford, PA, it was a daytime-only operation. It had an overnight authorization of 59 W, but the former owner did not use it. I talked to Dick Crompton of LPB in Fraser, PA and he suggested the LPB 100 W low power transmitter for our application.

I now have a transmitter that can economically provide me with my overnight power and can provide an intermediate power level for Post Sunset Authorization. Also, as Dick calls it, I now have "sleep insurance" in the form of a backup for my main transmitter, an old Collins 21E.

USER REPORT

The installation of the LPB transmitter seemed at the outset to be as simple as mounting the unit on the wall, making a few connections and plugging it into the wall outlet.

It is that simple—and that is the problem! It took me longer to install the transfer relay in the phasor cabinet, and to plan and install the audio and modulation monitor switch over relays, than it did to install and fire up the new LPB transmitter.

Incidentally, in my installation, I tapped into one of the 28 V power supplies in the transmitter to automatically operate the audio and modulation monitor relays when the transmitter was turned on.

The transmitter is a very small package, which can be mounted anywhere that you have space on a wall at your transmitter site.

The LPB line of low power transmitters is modular in design. One module is the 30 W transmitter. Two modules connected together form the 60 W transmitter and the 100 W transmitter is composed of four modules.

Internal adjustments select a variable output level and adjust audio input. (I added a relay and a trimpot to select two power output levels.)

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For more information on LPB transmitters, contact John Tiedeck at LPB: 215-644-1123, or circle Reader Service 62. The transmitter sounds great on the air and met or exceeded every single spec when I checked it out with our Delta splatter monitor.

As far as quality and reliability are concerned, I have 12 LPB boards among the eight stations in our group. These transmitters are designed and constructed just as well as their boards. If my track record with the LPB boards is any indication, I expect to see many years of reliable and trouble free service from our LPB transmitters.

Let me also mention that I am installing an LPB transmitter at our Mount Carmel, PA station, which operates with C-QUAM AM stereo. I expect to be just as pleased with this installation as I am with the one at WLSH.

The only changes I would like to see on future designs are external connections for modulation monitors and a door with an interlock rather than pop-on hatches. I am very pleased and impressed with this fine LPB line of transmitters. They were certainly worth our investment.

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LPB's Signature Makes Its Mark

by Dave Schmidt, CE WAMS-AM

Wilmington DE Searching for the words that best describe LPB Signature consoles, those that come to mind are: "No problems!"

We have been involved with LPB Signature consoles for many years. Our company has always made them our first choice for any station that asked for a good, dependable console.

Its selectable inputs for each of the channels make source selection easy, and gives the operator the pleasure of smooth operation. If a change has to be made, it can generally be done in a matter of minutes.

USER REPORT

How well do the Signature consoles hold up under tough operating conditions? We have installed them in private schools and universities, which we feel really puts any piece of equipment to its maximum test of durability. The results? No problems after years of hard use.

Smooth hook-ups possible

The layout inside the consoles is an engineering dream. The large barrier strip terminals, clearly marked, make for a smooth hook-up (unlike the very tough wedge-in-the-small-hole-and-screw-down terminals).

After you have done a few installations of the Signature consoles, you can generally do 75% of the hook-up without even looking at the detailed instruction book.

In the event of a problem, LPB has always given us full support with needed parts and has always answered our technical questions (as few as need to be asked).

If a pot needs to be changed or a switch needs servicing, there is plenty of room in which to work and the problem can usually be corrected in a few minutes.

Have they always worked when turned on for the first time? Yes. In most cases, the console is on for good from that moment.

Built to last

Construction of the console makes it look like it is built to last—we have not been let down in that department.

And in high RF fields we have found the console to be RF-free (even in the immediate area of a 10,000 W AM transmitter, RF is not present).

The movie guy gives "thumbs up" for a good movie review; we can do the same with the Signature consoles.

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Furniture Can Help Your Sound

by Dennis Murphy, President Murphy Studio Furniture

Spring Valley CA "Will it make me sound better?" In any discussion of elegant studio furniture this question seems to come up. The answer, although harder to quantify than field strength or modulation measurements, is yes!

A refined, classy, well chosen style of studio furniture projects a positive visual everyday expression of your facility's commitment to a quality product. Station personnel "feel better" about their jobs and that will translate into more productivity and a better sound. Potential clients visiting your facility pick up this feeling of quality as well.

The Murphy Studio Furniture Elite Series attempts to address some of the more practical needs in a studio environment.

Sloped rack faces below the overhanging return countertops allow the best view angle to equipment or media located in these areas. The corner tower racks that sit on top of the console supports are at a 20° angle to the operator. This allows an easy three-quarter's arm reach to the rack face and a full view of a guest position shelf located on the back side of the console.

SPECIAL REPORT

Located above all knee spaces are aprons, which give strength to the counter and provide areas for mounting headphone jacks. Sit-down height is 30". Stand-up operation is 38".

There are three parallel wire passes in all returns. The bottom opening is for the AC and ground. The middle is for control and the top is for audio. There are 12" of separation between the top and bottom wire pass.

Wire can be laid into the passes eliminating the need for stringing wires through "D" rings. There is a wire management area located in the dead space of the corner tower racks and a wire trough under the console between the console supports.

We left the bottoms of all modules open to ensure maximum ventilation. Designed into the furniture just below the main counter wood trim is a quarter-inch reveal. This gap over a distance of 24" gives six square inches of vent area at the top of the module.

Passive ventilation eliminates the need for cooling fans, thereby reducing ambient noise and reducing the amount of dust blown into equipment.

Our design goal is to provide the most access possible while maintaining a sleek outer appearance. Removing the access panels leaves the entire perimeter open, allowing cables to be laid into the built-in wire ways. The jointed design of the panel on the back of the corner tower rack permits access to equipment even if placed in a corner.

The studio environment is often a 24-hour operation requiring furniture that must hold up to industrial use. No matter how high the quality of a product might be when built, if it has exposed laminate-to-laminate edges, it will show wear and tear immediately.

To solve this durability problem we have developed a curved base at the kick level and a unique overhanging counter. These act as "bumpers" to keep the backs and bases of chairs off valuable equipment mounted in the return rack faces. There is wood trim on all exposed corners in the base furniture and a

 $1\frac{1}{2}$ " thick smooth wood molding all around the counter level.

Murphy furniture comes with console supports and wire troughs. Each console support has a field relocatable, hidden 14" rack, covered with a removable smoked plexiglass panel. The panel protects the rack-mounted equipment from the operator's feet while allowing a view to the panel lights. Drawers can be added to supports. The center counter and wire trough can be expanded to accommodate larger consoles.

Sitting on top of the console support is the corner tower rack (CTR), which positions equipment such as cart machines at a 20° angle to the operator. The standard rack opening is 14".

A tower storage base raises up the CTR to provide storage for 10 hot carts or 15 CDs. This also allows the CTR to cantilever over the control console, thereby saving the addition of width to center when using an 18-input console.

A sloped rack return comes standard with a 21" rack. This space can be easily converted to media storage or pencil and file drawers.

Also provided is a single turntable return. Featuring an easy-to-see-over bifold dust cover, this return houses turntables, reel-to-reel machines and CD players. It comes standard with a 10½" rack. An optional sand-loaded isolator base can be ordered.

A work surface return module—used as a work surface for computers, keyboards and guest positions—can be built to custom widths. There is a built-in wire pass and it can be ordered with a pencil drawer.

A return completion panel is used to cover the unfinished end of a return. One panel is needed for each return. To provide multiple talent positions, a guest position shelf can be mounted anywhere and can be free standing. A sliding copy holder features a stick-on note surface.

Another system component is a raised rack overbridge, which provides rack space above the return modules or above transport mounted reel-to-reel machines.

A top sloped rack is used mainly to house reel-to-reel machines. This rack can be used for patch bays and any other gear that needs to be kept at a low profile on the countertop.

Attached to the top of the guest position shelf is the guest turret rack—a panel rack. Timers, cough buttons and headphone control can be mounted in the panel face. Finally, there are rack panel covers, which cover empty rack space and should be ordered after equipment installation.

We use void-free birch plywood in the vertical and horizontal support structure and poplar in rack supports. Poplar is also the backing for the non-chip material of our "bumper" base.

The countertop edge band is oak. This trim is 1½" thick and milled with a sloped double radius pattern. We use oak on all exposed corners and on the tops and bottoms of countertop modules. Because of its anti-resonate properties, high density particle board is the foundation of all top surfaces. We can use any national brand of plastic laminate.

Quarter-turn fasteners are standard on all access panels. This provides some security to gear such as processing equipment mounted in the hidden racks. If security is not a problem we can install hidden catch fasteners.

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WNYR Gets Optimod NRSC Kit

by Randy Orbaker, CE WNYR-AM

Rochester NY WNYR has been using an Orban Optimod 9100A/2 audio processor since 1985. We're very pleased with its performance, but I have observed some degree of second adjacent channel "splatter" when using Orban's recommended 17 dB of HF boost.

Reducing this boost from 17 dB to 8 dB helped somewhat, but did not eliminate it to my satisfaction. When I heard of the new NRSC preemphasis/10 kHz LP filter standard in early 1987, I felt that it would both solve our problem and make us compatible with the proposed new AM receivers.

USER REPORT

I called Orban and ordered one of its RET-042 NRSC conversion kits for our Optimod AM.

Since the kit was not then in production, there was some delay between placing the order and receiving it (four months in our case).

When it came, I found everything I needed—no missing parts, no wrong parts, everything correct.

Orban's manual is, like every one of its manuals, very detailed and well written.

Among the items included in the kit are: a new circuit board (#1S10) which plugs into the #1 card slot inside the Optimod and provides the 5/10/12 kHz LP filtering.

The NRSC uses 10 kHz, but the other curves are strappable to the Optimod's "DAY-NIGHT" mode switching to operate differently between day and night, if necessary.

New HF EQ modules are supplied, which replace the standard green, red or yellow modules supplied with the Optimod. They provide the modified 75 μ s preemphasis curve required.

If your Optimod has a serial number below 700000, you must install sockets for the EQ modules before converting to the RET-042.

These sockets are available as Orban's RET-033 kits, and should be ordered if needed before attempting to put in the NRSC kit.

In our case, even though our unit's serial number was 680410, we had the sockets already on the #4 and #5 cards, so we avoided some extra work.

Check your unit first, install the sockets if you need them, then simply replace the existing modules with the new blue modules to provide the new HF curve.

To provide ±4.1 VDC for the clipper on the 1S10 card, I had to install two supplied jumper wires onto the back of the Optimod's motherboard. This requires removal of the Optimod's rear panel, following the instructions in the manual.

It's not difficult but must be done carefully to avoid breaking any of the ceramic feedthrough capacitors on the motherboard.

This particular step took the greatest amount of time, about 40 minutes. Once done, I reassembled the Optimod and reinstalled it.

Before plugging in the 1S10 card, compare the jumper settings with the diagrams in the manual.

This card has features used with Motorola C-QUAM AM stereo systems: a single channel limiter, a 200 Hz HP filter

(for the L-R channel, when using low frequency SCA or telemetry), and a stereo enhance control, to improve subjective stereo separation.

WNYR is not operating in stereo at all, so I simply defeated these with the card's jumpers. Our LP filtering is hard-jumpered for 10 kHz both day and night.

After installing the card and powering up the Optimod, I made a manual frequency response sweep of the Optimod with our Potomac Instruments AG-51 oscillator. (First, though, I set the HF EQ control fully CW, to the "22 dB" position. This provides the correct HF curve.)

Overall response was flat to about 9.6 kHz, down better than 15 dB at 10 kHz, rolling off sharply above that. Orban's specs call for a 60 dB per octave rolloff—that's sharp!

After restoring normal programming, I listened and found that the second adjacent channel splatter we'd had before was now gone. This was confirmed on different radios at a distance from the transmitter site.

Audible HF response was down slightly, due to changes in the shape of the HF curve, but it wasn't what I would call "bad." It is a compromise we will live with until the new wideband, 75 μ s de-emphasized radios are produced. (They will be produced, won't they?)

After more than six months of operation with the NRSC conversion kit, there have been no detectable failures or unusual operation.

Installing this kit required minimal effort, and a maximum of 1½ hours work time. The intention was that converting processors to the NRSC standard should be easy to accomplish, and that was the case here.

My opinion is that the NRSC retrofit for our Optimod 9100A/2 was well worth the \$500 investment. We are now set to a standard that will eventually provide almost complete high fidelity sound from any AM station.

I say "almost" because it does not permit response out to 15 kHz, but in view of the drastic reduction in second adjacent channel interference, 15 kHz response must take a back seat.

Also, if your audio quality going into the transmitter is not the best it can be, you will sound bad even with the NRSC conversion. It isn't a cure-all for audio problems.

However, with a good audio chain, good source material, and a clean transmitter, the NRSC conversion will be of benefit.

Electrical interference will probably never go away on AM, but sometimes the "monkey chatter" from second adjacent channel signals is much more of a problem, and the NRSC kit will eliminate that.

Please consider converting your Optimod 9100A/2 if you haven't done so already. In fact, please consider it no matter what processing you have. It can only improve AM.

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Orban Enhances Spatial Image

by Frank Fati, Field Spvsr Mairite Cammunications

Cleveland OH Audio processing: the mystical manipulation of audio signals in an electronic manner in order to enhance or reenforce the creative programming of a broadcast station.

Many methods can be employed by a broadcast station in its efforts to create or control a dominant, distinctive and hopefully a quality sound over the air.

USER REPORT

Until recently, almost all audio processing concepts have revolved around the use of compression, limiting and controlled clipping within the individual stereo channels. Through the use of amplitude level control of the audio waveform for the discrete left and right channels, audio processing is achieved.

Another method of processing that can augment an audio processing system is the concept of "stereo" processing, or stereo enhancement.

This concept can be used to create a larger stereo image, an illusion that the "sound" is bigger than it actually is. Increased brightness, impact and definition of music can also be realized through this process.

Stereo processing is achieved through altering the difference signals that exist between the left and right channels.

As can be done with discrete audio signals, stereo information can be processed with compression, equalization, delay and reverb to create the enhanced stereo effect.

But it should be noted that when processing the stereo information of a signal, undesired results can occur. Within the realm of broadcasting these undesired effects can result in unnatural sounding program material and increased multipath distortion within a coverage area.

Natural sound

The Stereo Spatial Enhancer Model 222A from Orban can and does achieve stereo processing without creating any unnatural sounding program and also without affecting multipath possibilities.

It measures one rack unit high, 1¾",

and is very easy to install and operate. Orban recommends that it be installed before any processing within a system.

The stereo enhancement method operates on transient information. For this reason, it should be installed at the output of the audio console.

The unit is configured with electronically balanced input and output stages. The output stage of each channel is an electrically balanced circuit that simulates a true transformer output.

This means that in installations where unbalanced equipment is used, one of the active balanced "sides" of the enhancer could be "tied" to ground with no adverse effect to operation. Connections are by means of a terminal strip, but the metal work has been done if XLR connectors are to be used.

The front panel features an LED enhancement level indicator, an enhancement control and a bypass switch. (There is a stereo ratio control that is located behind a capped recess in the front panel.)

The unit operates at unity gain, so there are no level matching problems to be dealt with.

Once installed, switching the bypass control in and out will activate the processing. Setting of the enhancement control should be done subjectively through listening over periods of time.

The theory used with this unit is that it will not create an exaggerated "echo-ey" sound which may be created when other forms of stereo enhancement are used.

What can be heard is a fuller, warmer sound with greater detail and depth to the overall mix. The stereo separation appears as if there is more "space" present.

On some musical material, certain instruments will actually stand out in the mix. You may even hear other instruments or sounds not heard before within the mix.

Acts on transient information

The technical theory behind the Stereo Spatial Enhancer is an interesting concept. Processing of the stereo information is achieved through the detection of "transient" information within the L+R signal.

This creates a control signal that oper-

ates a compressor that controls the level of the L-R or stereo information. Since only transient information is used to "trigger" the stereo enhancement, the added RMS level of L-R energy is kept to a minimum.

For this reason the effects on multipath distortion are either nonexistent or minimal in worst cases.

Actually the L-R level is only momentarily increased to achieve the effect, so multipath distortion is avoided.

It should be noted here that when added RMS levels of signals are present within the L-R channel, the chances or opportunities for multipath are greater.

Some forms of stereo processing utilize equalization or delay to achieve the enhancement process. This can create an unnatural sound due to the exaggeration of existing echo or reverb that exists already on the audio material.

Since the Spatial Enhancer is operating on transient information, existing echo or reverb is not enhanced because of the low transient content of echo and reverb signals.

In general, what has been created is an audio processing device that operates within another "realm" of processing technologies.

The Spatial Enhancer could be the needed edge to help complement an audio processing system. Here is a device that can "keep them guessing," along with an affordable price tag.

Through stereo processing, any audio chain can be augmented to further lock down or dominate your dial position. Now if we were to try and further define a detailed explanation of audio processing, we would all be mystified!

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Orban 787A Tailors Mic Souna

by Chip Morgan, President Chip Morgan Bdcst Engineering

Sacramento CA If there is one thing that sets a radio station apart from its competitors, it is the sound of its microphones. Almost every other audio source is pre-processed before it gets to the studio.

We all know how important live voice is, so we carefully purchase quality microphones, tune our rooms for "good acoustics," ensure low ambient noise levels and hire talent with "great pipes."

USER REPORT

Historically, outboard mic processing systems have been created from old processing gear that had been removed from the main air chain. After all, not too many stations had the money for state-of-the-art mic processing, much less a separate chain for each air talent.

Now there is a relatively inexpensive answer to the need for custom mic processing—the Orban 787A programmable mic processor, including almost everything you need for great mic audio.

When you think of Orban products, you naturally think of the Optimod (AM, FM and TV). You think of quality audio, attention to detail and good ideas. The 787A is no exception.

I first saw the 787A at its introduction at NAB in 1988. I had already ordered two units based on preliminary specs. The system was impressive with its three-band parametric equalizer, compressor, de-esser, noise and compressor gate including effects send and return ports—all in one 3.5" rack mount unit.

With the 787A, you just play with the controls until you get the sound you want, then store the control settings so you can recreate exactly the same sound tomorrow, next week or next year with just the push of a button.

The 787A will store up to 99 complete setups, eliminating the laborious "tweaking" of a rack full of processing units before each airshift or production session.

The unit consists of the following blocks: a balanced input buffer amplifier, an input attenuator, three peak/dip "constant-Q" parametric equalizer sections connected in series, a gated com-

pressor with selectable noise-gating capability, a de-esser and a single-ended effects-send and balanced return loop with level adjustment.

The final section consists of a linelevel balanced output and a separate mic-level output. Every function is completely adjustable on the front panel and all settings are stored in memory. You can even A/B your current setting with a stored one.

The unit provides two types of gating to maximize flexibility and utility. If attenuation of background noise (e.g., cart machine motors or other studio noise) is required, use the noise gate. If the ambient noise level is relatively low, use the compressor gate alone.

Both gating stages can be used simultaneously. The frequency can be adjusted in 10 step per octave increments in the coarse tuning mode. The fine tuning mode provides increments of 2.5 Hz in the low band, 30 Hz in the mid band and 60 Hz in the high band.

Sibilance is controlled with the 787A's built-in de-esser. It reduces sibilance without adversely affecting high frequency brightness. The de-esser follows the compressor and equalizer and corrects any sibilance caused by the prior processing. A threshold control determines the amount of de-essing required for each voice.

Finally, effects-send and effects-return loops allow external processing to be easily inserted, even if your console does not have send-and-return capability.

The 787A comes with standard linelevel inputs, and an optional low-noise, low-distortion Jensen transformer mic preamp with 48 V phantom power provides a mic-level input through a rear panel XLR connector.

Other 787A options include MIDI and RS-232 interfaces, which enable programming and controlling of presets from an external source or downloading presets.

At KQPT we installed a 787A in the main production room and another in the main FM control room. The units are installed in the mic send and return circuit of Pacific Recorders & Engineering consoles, and they control the sound from AKG Acoustics 414 condenser mics.

Our units were some of the first out of the factory and were initially determined to be excessively noisy. We left the production room unit installed and bypassed the control room unit, awaiting help from Orban.

A quick response from the factory indicated that we needed to install some caps in the EQ section. During the time the processor was bypassed, the jocks thought it was still in line and continued to use their code numbers. At one point I removed the unit and they clamored for its return.

Each on-air person is assigned a permanent preset number for his or her voice, to be recalled just before air time. This works much better than the usual nonprogrammable units, which are "compromised" to sound acceptable on all voices but cannot be personalized to each.

Installing and setting up the equipment was no problem. We took each person into the production room and stored basic settings. Then final tweaking was made on the air to account for the main processing's effect on the mic sound. After each jock's settings had been recorded, we duplicated them in the production room for recording straight spots.

We set up the stored parameters in the order of the shifts so that the morning person is 01, midday is 02, etc. That way each person just advances the presets by one when he/she comes on.

KQPT uses the production room unit to set up and recall settings for outside voices as well as specific character voices. Each jock and production person has his/her standard setting as well as several alternates for effects.

The Orban 787A mic processor integrates a unique combination of quality processing functions in a fully programmable package. In one compact unit, the 787A combines all the functions you need to precisely define the sound of your mics.

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Adding Zero Improves Optimod

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San Diego CA A lot of good products do not receive much publicity. One such product is the Orban ACC-22 FM filter card for the Optimod 8100A audio processor.

This product was originally developed by Bob Orban to filter program-induced "trash" above 61 kHz in order to provide a cleaner baseband region for subcarrier use.

USER REPORT

Specifications *are* improved by about 25 dB, but real world conditions tend to negate much of this improvement.

Although crosstalk into the SCA channel is a problem, nonlinearities in SCA transmission and reception actually mask most any audible improvement in baseband crosstalk over a stock Optimod.

Thoughts on the spectrum

To quote from Bob Orban: "As anyone who has tried to do spectrum analysis of an FM station off the air (from a receiving antenna) can attest, the slightest multipath generally puts the 'grass' or 'grunge' level at anywhere from about -50 to -60 dB in the higher baseband frequencies.

"I would think that any improvements in spectrum cleanliness below -70 dB or so fall into the category of not only diminishing but vanishing returns."

Orban goes on to say: "One would think, given the generally lousy off-air measurements that usually result, that FM could not work at all! So much for science ..."

However, some other, very worthwhile and audible improvements to the main and stereo sub-channel are achieved with this filter card (often referred to as the "slot zero card" because of its location inside the Optimod).

One of my basic complaints with a stock Optimod is that it does not "like" unprocessed live microphones and brass instruments—especially trumpets.

Card replaces safety clippers

Their asymmetrical waveforms produce audible distortion when clipped. The ACC-22 replaces the safety clippers in the Optimod with two cascaded, fifth-order, overshoot-compensated lowpass filters.

Because there is no hard clipping by the safety clippers (which often must be set at a compromise anyway) no annoying distortion products or overshoot are generated. Improvements in stereo channel quality were also noticed when these filters were installed.

So if you would like an inexpensive (less than \$600) way to improve the sound of your station, consider the slot zero card. It may be ordered as a factory-installed option on the Optimod 8100A/1 or as a field retrofit kit for existing Optimods 8100A and 8100A/1.

Careful installation and testing should take about two hours. Installation consists of adding a pre-wired connector to the rear rails and soldering the additional wires. Card #0 is

installed in the signal path at the output of card #8/9 and the input to the stereo generator.

An audio oscillator and digital voltmeter are needed for proper alignment and the 38 kHz null should be checked.

You will probably notice a slight change in your sound character after installation of the zero card and you may want to make a slight adjustment to your other processor controls. Sometimes you wonder what a dozen more ICs will do in your audio path . . .

But as those who work with FM audio processing know, it is somewhat of a miracle that the modulation needle can be sitting at 100% most of the time and the perception of the listener is that he is hearing high fidelity!

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Otari's MX-50 is a Reliable Workhorse

by S. Parks Hall, CE WDOD-AM/FM

Chattanooga TN In my almost 30 years as a broadcast engineer, there have been few constants. One, however, has been the presence of the venerable analog (how grand that the technology now has a name!) reel-to-reel tape machine.

It still stands as a versatile, if not indispensable, production tool both on and off the air. Truly nothing, and everything, has changed in the evolution of this blending of electronics and mechanics.

USER REPORT

New studios were completed in early August at WJTT-FM in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Centrally located on the ground floor of the downtown Sheraton hotel, the facility has been designed in its entirety to be one of the city's finest.

But when it came to equipment, this did not mean cost was no object. It meant we were to prudently purchase equipment of contemporary design from manufacturers with proven track records.

Enter the new Otari MX-50. It stands as a prime example of just how far the affordable workhorse reel-to-reel tape machine has come.

Otari's newest offering is built on an aluminum deck plate and is a single unit design. As supplied it is an upright standing machine, which does make the vertical front panel hard to work with. In the future, Otari will offer an optional cabinet to allow the front to be face up.

I know of at least one major equipment supplier, Allied of Richmond, Ind., that offers very inexpensive wood side plates to accomplish the same thing. We used them at WJTT.

Another option would be to purchase a Tascam CS 607B roll-around stand and mount the MX-50, using Otari's ZA5 EK rack mount adapters.

Once the MX-50 was situated in a face-up position, station personnel gave it high marks for ease of use. Its push buttons are large, well marked and have a nice touch. Mechanical action is smooth and precise and there is good access to the tape path.

The MX-50 has a noteworthy list of standard features as well as some very worthwhile options that you do not have to pay for if you do not need.

Just about everything the machine does can be remote controlled via its 32-pin remote connector. Or, for \$250, you can purchase Otari's remote control box and just plug it in.

Speed can be varied $\pm 8\%$ from the front panel or up to $\pm 50\%$ with an external sync source.

Welcome also is the real time tape timer, which displays hours, minutes and seconds. It incorporates a search-to-cue locator with one cue point memory, as well as a zero location memory. I am glad to see these "cassette deck" features in a professional reel machine.

Standard speeds are 7½ and 15 ips, although the machine is available with 3¼ ips as an option. Of course, you can select NAB or IEC equalization with a provided switch.

It is also interesting to note that two MX-50 machines are available, the MX-50N (NAB, two-track, two channel) and the MX-50D (DIN Stereo).

A feature exclusive to the MX-50D is its interfacing of the transport play control to switch contacts on the broadcast console

fader or some other switching arrangement. Access to this function is through a separate "fader" port on the rear panel.

By far the most fascinating option available on these machines is the Voice Edit Mode (VEM). This requires the simple installation of a VEM-PCB inside the machine. Placing the machine in the VEM speed mode doubles the selected play speed (e.g., 15 ips becomes 30 ips).

However, the pitch of the recorded material during the VEM speed mode remains normal and constant. I see this as a real boon for those who edit lengthy lectures and similar material.

Three MX-50N machines were installed at WJTT—one in the control room and two in the production studio. As of this writing, all have performed flawlessly for several weeks.

A few fast performance checks, such as frequency response, noise, tracking error and the like, were made on all machines before placing them in service. All had survived shipping in good order, and I found that no adjustments to factory settings of heads or controls were needed.

As stated before, operating personnel are very vocal about how much they like these machines. This kind of unsolicited praise is not often forthcoming relative to a new piece of gear.

At a suggested list price of \$2495, the MX-50 is a lot of reelto-reel tape machine. I believe it will quickly become an oftseen item in stations across the country.

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QA-100 Knows What You Hear

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Alexandria VA The PD enters your office, and describes the appreciable difference between you and the competition. You listen, but can't place the effect you are hearing.

You take a sophisticated-looking instrument off the shelf, plug it in and, after several minutes, determine that the competitor has increased his presence band clipping. Then you set up a chart recorder for longterm analysis.

USER REPORT

A futuristic dream? Hardly. The year is 1986, and the instrument that allows you to peek inside your competition's processing is Potomac Instrument's QA-100 QuantAural Audio Program Analyzer.

There is no doubt that human evaluation of a station's "sound" is the ultimate decision maker; however, with the advent of the QA-100, such evaluations can be augmented with a quantified visual representation of the audio to be adjusted.

Although such a visual description of what a processor does to the audio is not new, Potomac Instruments is the first company to combine several types of audio signal measurement into one product.

In developing the QA-100, PI felt that there was a need for a more complete means of quantifying audio signals than what was presently available to the broadcaster. With today's emphasis on competitive audio processing, PI's QuantAural is right on the mark.

The QA-100 quantifies what the ear hears, and displays this analysis on two types of readouts—a meter and LED bar graphs.

The readouts allow the comparison of a number of different parameters, each of which make up what we know as "processed audio."

Meters and bar graphs

The front panel meter, calibrated in logarithmic voltage, is selectable to display audio based on Peak, Quasi-peak, VU, Average or Intensity levels. Although engineers are familiar with peak, average and VU time constants and sampling methods, the "quasi-peak" and "intensity" measurements may be new terms.

The human ear does not act like either a peak or an average detector. The Quasi-peak mode bases its sampling on



years of psychoacoustical tests.

These tests have placed the integration time of the ear somewhere between 20 msec to 100 msec attack, and 200 msec to 500 msec decay. This Quasi-peak detector follows the reported time constants found in the CBS Loudness Meter (20 msec attack, 200 msec decay).

The Intensity mode is similar to Quasi-peak; however its frequency response is weighted to that of the human ear. The meter indications when operating in this mode would most closely approximate the listener's perception of intensity or loudness.

In addition to the selectable detection described above, the meter can be read in either the wideband or filter mode. A selection from high, presence, mid or low frequency filters can be made.

A series of four LED bar graphs augment the meter by displaying their own set of parameters. The DET (or detectors mode) displays quasi-peak, peak, average and VU levels of the signal being observed.

Although each of these detectors can be viewed independently on the meter, the simultaneous display of these parameters on the bar graphs allows the engineer to compare the average-to-peak ratios of his (and his competitor's) signal.

Audio processing to increase loudness reduces the separation between peak and average values. The net effect is a higher average-to-peak ratio. Unprocessed audio typically has an average-to-peak ratio of -20 dB, whereas some audio processors can tighten this ratio to -10 dB or better.

Peak density and filters

Another useful tool found on the QA-100 is the Peak Density measurement. When operating in this manner, the bar graphs display the percentage of time that the signal exceeds 60%, 70%, 80% and 90% of the peak value. The higher the peak density, the more often the waveform is pushed to higher values.

In order to accurately measure this characteristic, the QA-100 automatically ratios the instantaneous peak value to the

wideband peak value over time. Use of this mode is broadened by selecting the insertion of one of four filters that will display where the peaks are occurring.

Like the filters for the meter, these filters are also front-panel-selectable, and provide center frequencies for the following bands: bass, 100 Hz; midrange, 450 Hz; presence, 2 kHz; highs, 9 kHz.

Since tonal enhancement is often used to make a radio station sound louder or brighter, analysis of each band of this "bar graph real time analyzer" is invaluable.

Simultaneous stereo display

Although "stereo" information is available on modulation monitors, the flexibility is not. The QA-100 displays L+R, L-R, and separate L and R simultaneously on the bar graphs.

Not only are cart machine azimuth problems easy to spot, but so are the stations that process their L-R separately.

By switching from the Peak, Quasi-peak, Average, and Peak Density modes while viewing the stereo bar graphs, a detailed picture of the processed signal develops. Perhaps the most useful data displayed by the QA-100 is "what you are buying" by twisting the processor's knob. With the QA-100, processing tradeoffs can now be seen as well as heard.

Simple operation

In spite of the multitude of functions the QA-100 can perform in a broadcast setting, its operation is simple and straightforward.

Selection of the modes of operation are reinforced by back-lit descriptors on both the meter and the bar graphs. The back-lighting of the descriptors change as the particular function knob is changed. By reading the lighted descriptors under either the meter or the bar graphs, a quick determination of what one is viewing can be made.

Uses of the QA-100 are endless. It can be used not only in analyzing processed audio, but in troubleshooting problems in your own plant.

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QA-100 Knows What You Hear, Part 2

Alexandria VA During the initial development of the QA-100 QuantAural Audio Program Analyzer, I was permitted to join the engineers at Potomac Instruments while they tested it. The purpose of these tests was to assess the usefulness of the device in analyzing commercial broadcast stations.

USER REPORT

Although many tests were conducted, perhaps one of the most interesting—and most appropriate for the instrument—was that of comparing the processing of various stations in the Washington, DC market.

Some of the results of these observations follow, as a followup to the last article which described the basic operation of the QA-100. I hope to share my experience that the QA-100 is a useful tool to keep one's own audio in shape and at the same time give the engineer a glimpse of what the competition is doing.

With the LED bargraphs in the wideband detector mode, a visual representation of peak to average programming can be obtained. A comparison of the three major Top-40 stations is displayed in Table A.

These readings were taken from the average of several measurements at different times (although, due to the large amounts of compression employed by each station, the results were nearly constant).

From the Table, station C has the

tightest peak to average ratio. However, it is interesting to note that station A, with a little more dynamic range, was clearly the loudest (INT), and its peaks were "brick walled" at 0. Stations B and C displayed a little more range of peaks.

The compression levels (comparing the peak to average) are nearly the same, leading some in our group to speculate that all three were using the same type of processor, set up nearly identically.

When switching to the filters mode, an even more interesting picture developed. The real-time spectrum analyzer showed both low and presence boosting for station A. Station B displayed



only high boost, and station C boosted only the presence band.

In the stereo mode, the L, R, L-R, and L+R signals were viewed. Station A demonstrated abnormally boosted highs in its L-R. Station C reflected a more even, "normal" frequency distribution, and station B displayed some presence boost in the L-R signal.

tune right past it.

In addition to "spying on the other guy" the QA-100 can be used to set up the stereo in the PD's office. Since multipath problems are heard first in the higher frequencies such as the SCA and the L-R information, orienting the FM antenna for the best L-R as displayed on the bargraphs will ensure a clean signal.

Table A.						
Station	Peak	Average	Peak Range	QPK	INT	
Α	0	-15	0	-5	-8	
В	0	-14	-1 to 0	-5	-9	
С	0	-13	-1 to 0	-5	-10	

Although the QPK (quasi-peak) values for the three stations were the same, the INT (Intensity) or way the ear perceives loudness clearly identified station A as the winner of the "loudness war."

Further analysis showed another station with commercials of a higher peak density than the music. The QPK (quasi-peak) level of the spots was consistently 3 dB higher than the music. Two other stations, obviously employing separate processing chains for the commercials and the music, demonstrated the opposite.

In another instance, a station was observed processing its L-R to the point that it exceeded the L+R most of the time. One of the easier listening stations also insured there was plenty of L-R, perhaps in an attempt to give the listener the broadest of stereo images.

Throughout the tests, peak to average ratios of -9 dB were found to be the point beyond which the audio was ripped to shreds. Two stations—both country—approached this level. Hot on their heels was another easy listening format which averaged -11 peak to average. This was interesting, given all the talk about listener fatigue.

Still another station chose to L-R process the mike only, with an interesting effect both on the air—and displayed by the QA-100.

Classical station A's stereo performance seemed to lag behind that of B. But one had to wonder, was the apparent lack of processing their attempt to attract the audiophile?

Two of Washington's urban stations were compared, and their differences were like night and day. Station L was a good 5 dB below station M in peak to average ratios. In addition, its peak density was such that at times, you could

When adjusting your own station's processing, the QA-100 can permit you to listen to clipping artifacts by switching to the high-pass filter mode. This ability to "slice up" the audio band is an engineer's dream.

Another unusual application of the QA-100 is that of grading your jocks' voices. Measuring the raw voice at the console output and observing the peak to average ratio will demonstrate the "gutsiness" of the talent. If a voice is

very assymetrical, and its peak to average ratio is in excess of 25 dB, it will be more difficult to process.

It has long been known that by getting the average up through fast compression, density will be increased. A problem, however, has been the LF distortion.

Multiband processors have countered this by varying time constants in different frequency bands. The QA-100 can display the peak to average ratio of each of these bands, allowing the engineer to study the effects of different time constants on the peak to average ratio of that particular band.

In viewing the stations here in Washington, it was very apparent that there are as many different approaches to controlling modulation level and "sound" as there are stations in the market.

Just as apparent was the excellent "edge" the instrument gives—not only to supplant paranoia, but to evaluate the overall processing effectiveness of your station.

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QEI Produces Power at WAWZ

by Ron Habegger, CE WAWZ-FM

Zarephath, NJ QEI Corporation has been in the low-power transmitter business for years, serving the Class A's while the Class Bs and Cs came to know QEI through its other products such as the Model 691 modulation test set and 675/695 exciters.

USER REPORT

Many of you may have upgraded your old Gates FM 10s and 20s with QEI exciters. Now QEI has decided to take on the big guys by offering a triode version of the 20 kW-30 kW transmitter.

WAWZ recently replaced its 20-year

old, eight-bay antenna with a new four-bay ERI in order to better cover the hills of New Jersey and to penetrate the concrete jungle of New York. It required a new transmitter that would provide 20 kW.

WAWZ's GM decided to place an order for a QEI FMQ 20000B and no one has since questioned him on that choice.

Smooth installation

Installation was so straightforward and logical that only a terminal number listing was needed in order for the remote control to be connected. The RF plumbing was bolted into place. Wagers were then placed as to which way the



blower would turn when the threephase was applied. That was the only guesswork needed.

For stations with very remote transmitter locations, QEI offers a single phase 30 kW version of the transmitter, an option many manufacturers will not even discuss.

The complete transmitter is built into only two 24"×30"×76" cabinets without internal crowding. The power supplies, mains connect and breakers are in one cabinet while all of the RF, audio/remote connections and control circuits are in the other.

Where's the beef

QEI has provided plenty of "beef" in every aspect, from a heavy gauge frame to handle the gross weight of the plate transformer to large gauge wiring to handle the years of stress and thermal fatigue.

Some wire runs were "triple wired" for added safety margins and reliability. We all like to see neat wire harnessing and shiny solder connections with no flux left behind, and this transmitter gives you a feeling of security just by looking at its interior workmanship.

We have been spoiled lately with lots of meters on the new transmitters, and we get nervous about any part of the machine that is *not* metered. QEI provides metering of powers (forward and reverse) between all amplifier blocks as

well as metering of most currents and voltages. These meters are all clustered on the control panel and are certainly large enough to read.

There is also a fault display, updated by the processor, that holds an indication in memory even after a remote reset is initiated. This allows the engineer to take a look at the fault on a later visit to the remote site.

It is important to note that the QEI ARC-27 remote control package *will* allow remote displays of fault conditions. But because this station elected to keep its Moseley MRC-1600, and QEI provides no status outputs in its standard transmitter, we are out of luck on that point. It is the only compromise that must be lived with until QEI updates that area.

We chose the well-known 695 exciter, which has such wonderful specs that the QEI people named it "Transparent Plus." The term is not new to our industry, but it aptly describes the unit's modulation capability.

The station is feeding the 695 with 10% SCA injection at 57 kHz, with virtually no IM distortion and a 15 W output from the 695 feeds the IPA modules. To the relief of this CE, there are no trimmer caps to play with.

If all of the above were not enough, what really makes the FMQ 20000B unique is its grounded grid PA design.

Most manufacturers in the past have shied away from this time-proven technique because they say it is less efficient. Our PA is running at this very moment at 68%. That's not too shabby.

Sacrificing 5% efficiency for a more wideband amplifier and using no tricky neutralization schemes make good sense. For example, there is no way one can mess up the cavity tuning when bumping around in there with the dust buster. Adjustments to the PA input and output (input via control knobs; output motor driven) tuning and loading are all that is needed to tune this transmitter.

We must credit QEI also for sending representation as promised for the initial turn-on after installation was complete. Some quick checks showed the synchronous AM noise to be -47 dB and asynchronous AM noise at -53 dB. The second harmonic was suppressed greater than 83 dB.

QEI's design engineers deserve much credit for providing a rock solid and very clean grounded-grid transmitter. They have convinced us that QEI can produce power!

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Mark Tames Deer Point Terrain

by Tim McCartney, Dir Eng KBSU-FM

Boise ID Use the eight-foot antennas and noise will not be a problem! Good advice for a new STL installation for which a smaller size might have been adequate. KBSU chose eight-foot, P-9A96G-1 Mark antennas to connect its 10.7 mile STL hop at 946.5 MHz in April, 1988. And noise has not been a problem.

USER REPORT

This design of grid parabolic antennas covers 940-960 MHz and is constructed of a hefty welded aluminum pipe. Its radiator's active element is protected by a teflon feed housing. VSWR is 1:3:1 or better on this model, although Mark provides a lower reflected rating as an option.

KBSU's Marks are non-pressurized and not equipped with de-icing elements, although such options exist. The receive antenna, located at an altitude of 7200', has yet to cause any signal degradation, despite many occasions this past winter when several inches of snow and ice had accumulated.

The system's STL path analysis, from the RF Specialties STL computer program, calculated 38.5 dB of fade margin, which is sufficient to guarantee a reliable signal. My experience over the past year has proven the prediction true.

For its part, antenna gain for the eightfoot Mark is +25 dBi. Since the six-foot antenna would not have provided as much fade margin, the next largest size was selected for maximum performance.

In fact, sufficient receive signal was

not the concern. Rather, receiver attenuation may have been necessary to avoid front end overload. Certainly a receiver preamp was not needed! And, as it turned out, neither was an attenuator.

The two Mark antennas arrived packaged together in a wooden crate about two feet by eight feet. And, since both transmit and receive antennas are identical, there really was no selection process.

The receive antenna, to be placed atop Deer Point Mountain, was prepared for the journey to the top. It was fastened down to an eight-foot wooden spool containing three-inch transmission line.

On the mountain, the antenna was installed to a 4.5" outer diameter (od) mast, which contains plenty of wind loading capacity. For example, a 3.5" od



pipe is rated at about 125 mph. The antenna itself is rated for 125 mph winds, with one inch of ice.

Besides, there must be at least 15 different eight-foot grid parabolic antennas on the mountain. So there was little concern about wind loading.

The receive dish was aimed down to Boise State University, and the transmit unit was installed on top of the fourstory campus library building, with assistance from a crane hauling it to the rooftop. Mounting was to a two-inch mast fabricated by university personnel.

The FCC license called for 56.5° azimuth. The main lobe was easily located by aiming the transmit antenna for maximum received signal strength on the mountain.

The licensing for horizontal polarization determined the orientations of both transmit and receive antennas.

Since the system worked perfectly, we elected not to conduct one test that is normally advisable: that of reflected power at the receive antenna. This requires use of the STL transmitter feeding the receive antenna to check for VSWR. Such tests must be careful and brief in order to avoid interference, since the FCC only licenses one transmission location.

Other miscellaneous specs on the Mark product include: half power B/W of 8.7 degrees; F/B Ratio, 29; cross polarization discrimination response 40 dB; and impedance of 50 ohms.

The Des Plaines, Illinois company is no stranger to trade shows, so it is easy to learn more about their products. Mark Antenna's complete line is summarized in a bound booklet for RF users. All in all, no problems and excellent performance have been the results on both transmit and receive sides. And KBSU is most pleased about a low noise floor, especially during classical music programming.

The crowded 950 MHz aural STL band in Boise is often a source of trouble, but not for KBSU. A good system and some planned "overkill" from the eightfoot Mark antennas make the difference.

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WKSZ Takes Requests with Telos

by Douglas W. Fearn, CE WKSZ-FM

Media PA For years our air studio had little need for a telephone interface—until, that is, an all-request oldies show was added to our weekend schedule. During this program virtually all of the audio was done live while the disc jockey was on the telephone with a caller.

At first we used a standard telephone interface unit, but it soon became apparent that something better was needed. The amount of DJ audio appearing in the telephone output was intolerably high and the adjustment of the hybrid null was a compromise, especially with the 800 lines we used for the show.

USER REPORT

To minimize the leakage in the hybrid, the level sent to the caller had to be kept quite low, which hindered communication because some callers could not hear the DJ clearly. Some calls were good, but others were unusable.

After a little research, I concluded that stations using Telos' digital hybrids were all pleased with the results. We arranged to have a Telos 100 delivered to us for evaluation.

Telos makes two digital hybrids: the Model 10, designed for multiline use,

particularly with key sets; and the Model 100, for applications that had either a single line or an electronic phone system providing a single line output.

We chose the Model 100 for use with our AT&T Merlin telephone system. The 100 also had somewhat better specs than the older Model 10.

True digital audio

Many electronic devices boast of being "digital" these days, even home appliances. But the Telos 100 Digital Hybrid is truly a digital device.

The caller audio is converted to digital and processed as a digital signal before being converted back to analog. Automatic gain control, noise gating, equalization and the hybrid functions are all done in the digital domain. The audio is sampled at a 16 kHz rate, with a full 16 bits of resolution.

And, as in most better digital audio devices, 2× oversampling is used in the D-to-A conversion to make the filtering side effects less obvious.

As each call is picked up, a 400 msec burst of white noise is sent down the phone line. The burst is used by the Telos circuitry to analyze the impedance of the phone line in use and to null the hybrid for that line.

During this time, the audio output to

the studio equipment is muted, which will also mute any pops or clicks generated by phone system switching.

This burst of noise is not very obvious to the caller, and when I listened to it I didn't find it at all distracting or annoying. In addition, the unit analyzes the line during the conversation and continues to fine-tune the hybrid.

The results are amazing. With a decent telephone, a caller can sound nearly "studio-mic" in quality, while the announcer's microphone feed to the caller is quite loud and easy for them to hear. The amount of DJ feedthrough in the caller's audio is also very low—over 40 dB down, according to the Telos specs.

Installation was fairly simple. The basic connections are easy: XLR connectors are provided for the send and caller audio. Two caller audio outputs are provided, each with a level control.

The telephone line connects to a standard modular jack (with another jack for a telephone instrument loop-through, if desired). We use one output to feed a reel-to-reel machine; the other goes to a console input.

Remote switching

Remote on/off switching was more complicated, however. The Telos requires



a momentary closure at the beginning of each call to tell the unit to re-adapt. In our situation, all phone calls are taped, so a console on/off button isn't necessary.

I have tried to find a reliable pulse in the Merlin telephone (or in the AT&T General Purpose Adapter we use to extract an output of the phone line selected), but have had no luck so far.

So for the time being, a small pushbutton in a box next to the telephone must be pressed at the beginning of each call, an inconvenience that I hope to remedy soon.

But even when a call is picked up without the noise pulse being sent, the Telos adapts to the new line adequately within a few words.

Since only a portion of most of the calls are actually aired, this works out pretty well. In counterpoint, however, when no line is selected, the Telos

"hunts" for an adjustment and is way off by the time a line is finally present.

Setup adjustments are few and simple. A coarse null, the desired amount of caller expansion (which reduces the caller level when he or she is not talking) and the degree of override (caller ducking) are all set.

These last two adjustments are made with front panel knobs and are so easy to understand and use that we have encouraged the operators to experiment with the settings.

Three LED meters on the front panel indicate the audio input level, the amount of gain reduction on input or output and the audio output levels (switchable between the two outputs).

Clear instructions

The Telos manual is excellent. In these days, when "unscrew when remove cover" is typical of the language used

even in manuals for professional equipment, it is refreshing to find a book that is not only written in standard English but is also entertaining and highly informative.

A very comprehensive section on telephone systems theory is included in the manual, which is the first such explanation that I have ever read that actually made sense.

The Telos 100 has vastly improved the sound of our all-request oldies show—not only on the air but also in the callers' minds, since they can now hear the DJ on the phone much better.

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Verda Zaps Lightning Strikes

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Hamilton Ontario CANADA It is difficult to attribute a lack of lightning hits to technology when it may well be simple good luck. Only time reveals the real truth in such matters. But if stations with a history of lightning damage install lightning deterrent systems and the damage is suddenly reduced, then the system apparently must work.

Lightning protection systems, like the one manufactured by Verda, all work on a similar principle: namely that a continuous "draining" of static electricity must take place before the charge is big enough to become a lightning bolt.

USER REPORT

Such systems depend upon a large number of small points, which, being both quite sharp and at the top of the tower, cause static discharges to begin at voltages much lower than the normal amount required of a lightning bolt.

Tower charge equal to cloud

It is not too unlike having thousands of little lightning rods at the tower top. This draining process eventually causes the tower to assume a charge that is the same as a threatening cloud, thus repelling further discharges.

Any serious company marketing lightning protection has a file of case histories where there have been great improvements at a certain client's installation. The difference betweeen them, in my opinion, comes with the physical form the various systems employ to perform their functions. On this criteria Verda ranks highly.

The Verda lightning protection system takes the form of a ring of spikes of approximately the same diameter as the tower's cross section. The primary virtue of such a system is that it greatly reduces tower loading and installation costs. Compared to some other systems, Verda can provide the same protection with much less mechanical loading.

Some pointers for dealing with such lightning protection systems: remember that static electricity is being drawn to the tower when the system is working, so a good static drain is essential; guy wires should be treated separately for static draining and arc gaps should be properly set.

(An interesting aside about arc gaps: there are vacuum devices available that

more sharply define arc over voltage than an ordinary air gap does, and they are worth adding to any system.)

The real question

But the real question is: does the Verda, or similar systems, work? Having dealt with such systems in new installations, I can only say at this point that several 50,000 W installations with up to 9450' towers have operated for over five years without any hits.

These stations are in exposed locations where one would expect some lightning strikes. But, as I indicated at the beginning, only those stations that have a history of lightning damage and then go on to install such systems can claim with any certainty that system's effectiveness.

In the case of Verda, the overall economy of installing their system makes it a must on any tower installation.

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Wheatstone DA Wins Kudos

by Dave Edwards, CE WNDR-AM/WNTQ-FM

Syracuse NY When Radio World asked me to review the Wheatstone SDA-82B distribution amplifier, my first reaction was to wonder what anybody could say about a distribution amp that has not already been said. You put a signal in and get a lot of signals out. Surely there was not much of a story there.

But walking over to our equipment racks and gazing at the stack of SDA-82 B distribution amps bolted in place refreshed my memory as to why I liked this DA so much. So there really was something to write about after all.

USER REPORT

The first thing that gets your attention when looking at these DAs in the rack is their sleek appearance. The color scheme is a refreshing gray and gray-blue instead of the black or beige so common with other amps. The box fits into a single rack space and is about nine inches deep.

What is most appealing is that an active DA will blink at you with green rectangular LEDs. This is part of an innovative level setting and audio presence indicator scheme that I'll describe more fully in a moment.

Across the face plate, just below the individual gain controls, is a write-on strip. This is a very handy feature, for it enables you to label the inputs and outputs of your DA where they can be seen.

After all, we do this for patch bays, why not for DAs? I still have scraps of paper with input/output designations on them taped to my other brands of DAs.

The rear of the unit sports a departure from barrier strips with the use of amp connectors and gold-plated pins. This gives the back of the unit a neat and finished look when it is wired up, and there is a real advantage to being able to move inputs and outputs around with an amp connector as opposed to unscrewing barrier strip terminals when wiring changes have to be made.

As I mentioned earlier, the DA has input and output LEDs on its face plate for the purposes of level setting and of indicating audio presence. When setting up the DA the input LEDs will light up when the input signal is at +4 dB.

Likewise, the LEDs located next to the output controls will light when the output level is at $+4\,dB$. This makes level setting a snap. The LED threshold setting for both inputs and outputs is field changeable, with trim pots for various OVU references if values other than $+4\,dB$ are desired.

The ability to check for the presence of audio at a single glance is an excellent feature of this DA. The LED indicators derive their signal directly from the input and output ports, making them true indicators of what is going on in the outside world.

I once had a situation where in one DA all of the LEDs were active except for one associated with the left channel of one of the outputs. The reason for this turned out to be a short at the input plug of a piece of equipment in a studio. In this case the DA turned into a trouble-shooting tool as it alerted me to a problem.

Another time during a remote broadcast over an equalized

phone line where the phone line had gone dead (of course, when else would it die?), I was able to confirm the line trouble while still at the remote location by having the board operator back at the studio observe the darkened LEDs of the appropriate DA.

The SDA-82B output controls for each channel feature multiturn pots. If you have set levels with trim pots, where the slightest twist can mean a change of a couple of dB, these multiturn pots are for you.

The smooth operation of the multi-turn pots allows precise level setting to within fractions of a dB. They also are immune to changes of level due to vibraton—tweaking production room levels is no longer a hassle with this DA.

While eight outputs are ample for most applications, sometimes more are needed. Wheatstone has provided an auxiliary input port that is in parallel with the normal input port. This allows you to daisy-chain the input signal to additional DAs if needed.

It is also an elegant way to split a signal without splicing or doubling up on connector pins. The feature can be jumpered in or out.

The electrical characteristics of the SDA-82B are impressive and innovative. The input signal passes through state-of-the-art 5532 amplifiers, yielding a high slew rate and harmonic distortion of only .002%. All inputs and outputs are actively balanced and transformerless, with an input impedance of 10 K.

The common mode rejection is 85 dB at 1 kHz and 70 dB at 20 K with a +4 dB reference. All inputs have a CMMR trim pot for field adjustments should they become necessary. There is plenty of headroom. Clipping occurs at +28 dB and this DA boasts a 110 dB dynamic range. CD anyone?

The frequency response will suprise you. It is rated at \pm .5 dB from 20 Hz to 50 kHz. Why the extended range? Wheatstone believes that to have an audio chain in the station that is flat to 20 kHz each piece of equipment in the chain should be flat to beyond 20 kHz to prevent a cumulative roll-off effect, which can occur when each unit in the chain contributes a deficient response curve.

Extended frequency response could be a problem if proper RF filtering were not employed. But Wheatstone uses individual RF isolator networks and common mode RF rejection coils are on every input and output port of the DA.

The bipolar power supply is rugged and straightforward featuring plenty of filtering, trimpots to balance the supplies and a toroidal transformer for hum-field free operation.

Should the SDA-82B ever need servicing, the mother board is easily accessible by removing the top and bottom covers of the box. This exposes both sides of the board and internal parts without having to remove or disconnect anything. There are no stand-offs to wrestle with and no circuit boards to extricate.

The Wheatstone SDA-82B is a DA worth having in the audio chain. Its thoughtful engineering and high quality construction make it a must.

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