

Equipment: MW-5 AM Transmitter

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- I. Please make the following changes when convenient:
 - On the RF driver/IPA modules, change 10 ohm to 1 watt resistor R1 to a 10 ohm 2 watt type, Harris part number 540-0716-000. Circuit reliability is improved.
 - 2. Audio harmonic distortion improvements.
 - A. On PDM printed circuit board assembly 1A1A1, change CR-5 (currently a IN4729 3.6 volt zener) to a TRW type LVA-43A sharp knee zener, Harris part number 386-0383-000. Be sure to observe correct polarity when installing the new diode.
 - B. Replace R10 (currently a 25 ohm 100 watt rheostat) on control circuits door 1A4 with a 100 ohm 100 watt unit, Harris part number 552-0385-000. Initially set the new rheostat for 25 ohms with a VOM or similar instrument. With the transmitter operating at 5 kW carrier power and 95% modulation at 1000 Hz., adjust R10 for minimum harmonic distortion. The audio generator used must exhibit less than 0.5% total harmonic distortion.
 - 3. Oscillator stability improvement:
 - A. Locate the crystal holders on RF Oscillator/Amp board 1A2A1. Insert a ferrite bead, Harris part number 414-0087-000, on the crystal Y1 holder lead connected to C1 (variable) and C2. Do the same on crystal Y2 holder on the leader connected to C7 (variable) and C8.
 - 4. Metering accuracy improvements:
 - A. Replace R7 on left meter panel 1A7 (currently 6.8 K ½ watt) with a 4.7 K ½ watt resistor, Harris part number 540-0186-000. Replace R4 (currently a 5 K 2 watt potentiometer) with a 7.5 K 2 watt potentiometer, Harris part number 550-0066-000. It will be necessary to re-calibrate the remote plate current meter after modification. This is accomplished by adjusting the "Remote Plate Current Calibrate" control R4 on the left meter panel until the isolated

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panel and remote plate current meters agree at 1 kW carrier power. Changing power to 5 kW, the "Remote Plate Current Tracking" control R1 is adjusted for meter agreement. Power is switched back and forth between 1 kW and 5 kW and adjustment of R4 and R1 until the meters agree at both power levels. 54

- B. Some recent transmitters may have a new calibrating resistor installed in the plate voltage sensor circuit located on the right meter panel 1A9. The new value for R3 is 20.5 k 1%; Harris part number is 548-1329-000. Please check your transmitter if you have received it recently. If R3 is a 20.5 K unit, please change your schematics and parts lists to indicate this. Do not change R2 in older transmitters.
- 5. The part number listed in your Factory Test Data Sheets for PA plate tank coil L8 may be in error. If the part number listed is 931-6138-130, change it to read 931-6138-030. If your Test Data sheets shows no part number, the number may be found on the coil itself. Transmitters below 1000 kHz do not use the affected coil.
- 6. In the final amplifier plate cubicle, replace the parasitic suppressor resistor assembly (currently an Ohmite 100 ohm 50 watt non-inductive type) with a Carborundum Ferrule 100 ohm 25 watt assembly. Electrical and mechanical durability of the Carbordum assemble is superior. The following parts make up the assemble:

540-0833-000	Carborundum Resistor	(1)
402-0001-000	Resistor Clips	(2)

- II. Be sure to record the above changes in your Instruction Book schematics and parts lists. Also make sure that copies of previous MW-5 service bulletins AM-098-JFR, AM-096-KDL, AM-089-KDL, AM-085-JFR, AM-080-JFR, and AM-077-JFR are in your files. They are available at no charge on request from the Service Department.
- III. A kit containing all parts necessary for the modification outlined in this Service Bulletin will be sent to all MW-5 owners in the near future.

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