

# Mechanical Systems December 2003 Status

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## Accomplishments

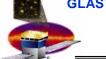
- Accomplishments during January
  - Successful Grid MRR in December
  - Tapemation given the "OK to Proceed" with the initial final machining operations on Flight Grid #1
    - Minor revisions to EMI shields, contractual paperwork in place, Tapemation has started programming
  - Tapemation given "OK to Proceed on rough machining billet #2
  - Technical evaluation of Tapemation cost proposal completed processing of the P.O. change notice is in work (second grid and additional shields & shear plates)
  - Clear cutting of the MECH drawing tree is complete
    - Replanting is in progress to align with latest I&T integration plan



## **Accomplishments (Cont.)**

- LM Accomplishments during January
  - Successful Radiator MRR in December
  - Variable Conductance Heat Pipe (VCHP) fabrication has begun
  - Radiator Thermal Vacuum test planning kickoff meeting held
  - GLAST requested LM submit revised cost and schedule to align PCMS with the current forecasted delivery dates
  - LM has submitted their preliminary package including Basis of Estimate for the to go effort
  - BOE's have been reviewed and approved the MECH & IPO

**GLAST LAT Project** 



#### 3 Month Milestones Jan - Mar

Milestone Description	Original Date	Current Date	Major Reqmnts to Achieve Milestone	Notes
Grid Box detailed stress analysis (Combined with below)	08/03/03	01/19/04	Final analysis report appoved & released.	Analysis complete. Draft report out 1/19/04
Deliver 1 x 4 Grid to I&T	09/03/03	Mar 04	Complete 1x4 testing - static load test.	Complete less report.
			Modify Top Flange & cable chaseways	Complete
			Drill TRK interface after test.	Pending resloution ofTKR-Grid interface design mods
			Compare 1x4 & 4x4 models to determine if 1x4 can be	
			reworked	in progress
X-LAT Plate MRR		Feb 04	Release of X-LAT Plate IDD	Draft out for review ECD 1/30/04
			Release of X-LAT spec	Draft due 1/30/04
			LM complete design	
			LM complete analysis	
Start Grid #1 production	11/15/03	01/23/04	Restricted OK can be given with release of the stress report	Programming started
Receive Grid #1, EMI skirts, details	03/30/04	05/20/04	Close MRR action items	Revised Grid plating requirements to pull in date
Start rough machining of billet #2 (Qual unit)	02/02/04	02/02/04	Provide Tapemation OK to rough machine	OK given 1/22/04
Grid #2 MRR & start machining	03/01/04	03/22/04	Sufficient progress on Grid #1	
Grid Heat Pipe bond process Qual	02/24/04	03/05/04		manpower priorities
Radiator Integration Demo	02/19/04	03/15/04		manpower priorities
Grid Assembly MGSE Design	02/04/04	03/15/04	define TRK interface requirements	in work, need TRK IDD
			release Top Assy dwgs	in work drafts available



#### 3 Month Milestones Jan – Mar (cont)

Milestone Description	Original Date	Current Date	Major Reqmnts to Achieve Milestone	Notes
Fab, assy & test TCS protoype	01/30/04			ELEC responsibility
Finalize TCS design & drawings	03/15/04			ELEC responsibility
Order TCS electronics components	01/30/04			ELEC responsibility
Design Heater Control Box	03/01/04			ELEC responsibility
Order TCS flight hardware	12/19/03	02/06/04	Update of LAT instrumentation plan	Spreadsheet updated
Heaters, thermostats & thermistors			Determine qual+ flight+spares qty for each component	Gunther?
			Get parts approved on EEE parts list	Complete



- 39 of 56 (69%) drawings released
  - These are all drawings required for the Grid Box machining at Tapemation
- Remaining hardware is needed for MECH assembly operations in May
  - Feb 5 planned
  - Mar 8 planned
  - Apr 4 planned



#### **Issues & Concerns**

- When will we be ready to cut Grid chips current est. 2/2/04
  - **Provisional "OK to Fab" given, but need to close MRR actions**
  - Waiting to get on machine
- Grid to I&T delivery date schedule continues to compress.
- Grid Box Assy Static Load test will be performed on Grid #2 after start of I&T on fight unit. This increases risk.
- Grid thermal control components & Downspout Heat Pipe to Grid thermal joint are not verified until LAT T/Vac test. Difficult to access these components at this level (remove Radiators & ACD).
- ELEC & MECH schedules are not tied for TCS design & fab in PCMS
- X-LAT plate & Radiator delivery schedule due to late starts.
- Details of how, where & who for Grid Box Assembly work needs to be coordinated with I&T
- 1 x 4 Grid delivery date to I&T.
  - Need to implement modified Grid TRK interface
  - Meeting planned to examined the best way to verify flight interfaces and support beam test



#### **Open Flight Design Issues**

- Grid-TRK interface define Grid datum & TRK interface
  - Working group in progress
  - Evaluating if TRK interface can be put into Grid by Grid Vendor
  - Impacts MECH Assy fixture design
- Define GBA Static Load test requirements & plans
  - Prelim plan presented at Peer Review
  - Working group meetings with Spectrum and GSFC started
  - Interface loads being developed
- Baseline is no thermal cycle test for Grid Box Assy prior to I&T
  - Need to develop risk assessment & trade study.
  - Submit waiver (8 vs. 12 thermal cycles) if required
- Coordination of MECH assembly plans and LAT I&T integration plans.
  - LAT assembly plans shows Downspout Heat pipes coming off.
  - DSHP to Grid thermal joint not verified until LAT T/Vac



#### **Open Flight Design Issues (cont)**

- Radiator integration sequence
  - Study complete shows that current design works, but may not be practical. Looking at 2 work arounds
- Radiator VCHP Helium leak rate may impact ACD PMT's
  - How to evaluate this? LM can substitute another inert gas, but it impacts ground performance (not on-orbit). LM given the "OK to Fab" the VCHP's up to the charging operation.
  - ACD He sensitivity may be decreased?
- RFA's closure
  - RFA's addressed at Grid and Radiator MRR's no show stoppers
  - working with Pat Hascall



## **Open Flight Design Issues (cont)**

- TCS location of Grid heaters, thermostats, RTD's and associated wiring needs to be finalized (top assembly drawing)
  - Layouts started
- TCS validation vs. LM modified Radiator Thermal Vacuum & Balance
  plans
  - What are TCS test requirements? Is this a TCS Qual test?
- U shaped X-LAT heat pipes can be deleted
  - Updated thermal analysis shows that failure of X-LAT Heat Pipe can be tolerated (within ATP limits)
  - Close issue with GSFC and proceed



#### **MECH Qualification Program**

Qual Test	Status	ECD
Grid-Top Flange Heat Pipe bond process qual	Parts in fab	Apr 04
Grid Box Assy Static Load test	Planning in work. Perform on Grid #2	Aug 04
Grid Box Assy Thermal Cycle test	Plan to delete test	
X-LAT Plate Thermal Vac test	at LMMS	
Radiator Variable Conductance Heat Pipe new extrusion	1st article tests planned	
Radiator Acoustic	at LMMS	
Radiator Thermal Vacuum	at LMMS	
TCS-Radiator Thermal Balance	Scope is changing. Need to define requirements	



# **CUM Schedule**

•	Budgeted Cost Work Scheduled	\$6.846M
•	Budgeted Cost Work performed	<u>\$6.614M</u>
•	Schedule Variance	\$231K

- \$184K Flight thermistors not received in Dec
- \$36K for late EM testing



- Top threats to maintaining schedule
  - Grid delivery from Tapemation
  - Highly compressed, success oriented schedule
  - Better coordination with ELEC on TCS fab and wiring
  - Closure of open items for Grid manufacturing
  - LM X-LAT & Radiator delivery dates
- Top threats to staying within cost
  - Interdependencies on ELEC for TCS
  - TCS costs
    - Prototype may require PDU, SIU & GASU boards



#### Actions Required to Stay On Schedule

- Replan TCS design & development activities including prototype
- Replan Heater Control Box design, fab, assembly, test (including Qual)
- Compress MECH assembly plans again
  - Some tasks may be performed after delivery to I&T
- Release X-LAT spec & IDD