

Mechanical Systems Mechanical / Thermal Hardware September 2004 Status

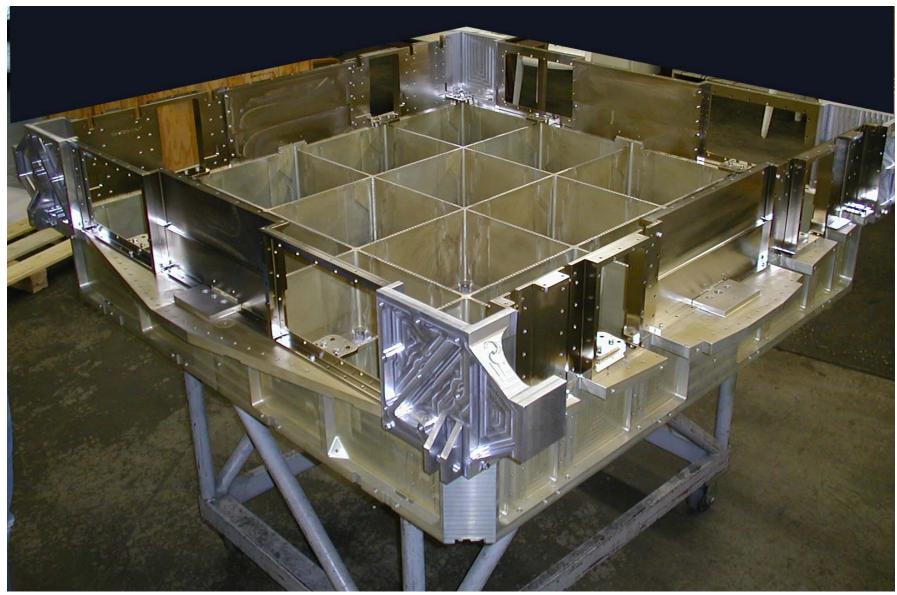
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- Accomplishments during October.
 - Grid #1 Grid Box Assembly machining operations complete
 - EMI and Radiator Mount Brackets successfully fit checked on Grid #1
 - Grid #2 finish machining 85% complete
 - A Manufacturing Readiness Review was held for the Grid assembly operations to be performed in B33. 15 action items were assigned, but in general we are ready to proceed pending SLAC's return to work.
 - LM completed bonding of the Variable Conductance Heat Pipes (VCHP) to the facesheets for both Radiators.
 - LM has completed bending, proof pressure testing and charging of the X-LAT Heat Pipes (XLHP).
 - Engineering EMI test of Radiator coupon completed
 - LM presented results to Fred Blanchete and Dave Nelson
 - Results were acceptable
 - Qual testing of thermostats completed 30,000 thermal cycle test data under evaluation.



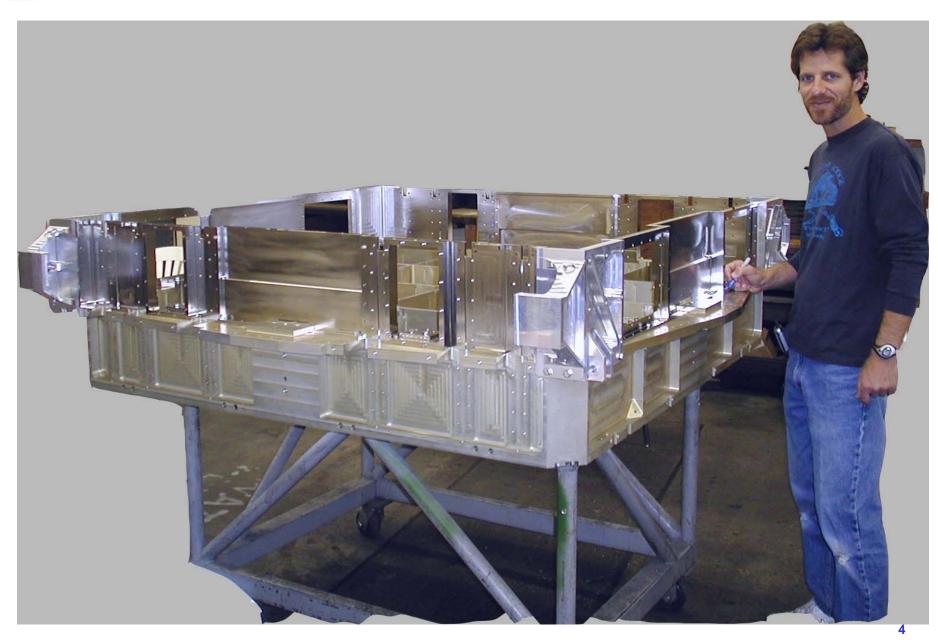
Grid Box #1 Fit Check



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X-LAT Heat Pipes



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3 Month Milestones Oct - Dec

Milestone Description	Original Date	Current Date	Major Reqmnts to Achieve Milestone	Notes
Receive Grid #1, EMI skirts, details	03/30/04	11/03/04	pre-ship review	
Complete Grid Box Base Assy ops	07/22/04	12/03/04	All parts + MGSE in house	Complete
			Procedures in place	complete
			Hold MRR	complete
Procure Grid Assembly MGSE	05/17/04	09/14/04		Complete
Grid Heat Pipe bond process Qual	02/24/04	11/15/04	write test report	
Design Heatrer Control Box	08/19/04	11/12/04	release drawings	in release cycle
Fabricate Heater Control Box	10/28/04	12/17/04	procurement cycle	
Test Heater Control Box	12/13/04	02/18/05		
Order TCS electronics components	01/30/04	12/17/04	release drawings of using assemblies	activity started
Order TCS flight hardware	12/19/03	11/30/04	LM procured TCS components	parts on order
Heaters, thermostats & thermistors			Grid thermostats	Qual test complete need report
Receive Grid #2, EMI skirts, details	11/15/04	12/17/04	Grid plating & grid box machining	EMI skirts complete
Grid #2 Static Load Qual Test	12/16/04	02/28/05	Load case analysis	prelim eval complete
			in-house vs out-house analysis	ECD 11/12
			SOW, RFP & vendor selection	Dec
			MGSE & test fixture design	Dec
			MGSE & test fixture fab	Jan
			Test Readiness Review	Jan
Receive X-LAT plate	12/09/04	01/15/05	Complete X-LAT heat pipe fab	Complete
			Complete X-LAT plate assy	Dec
			Complete Thermal Vac testing	Jan



Drawing Release Plan

- 57 of 78 (73%) drawings released
 - 15 MLI drawings have been added to MECH drawing list
 - 4 unreleased parts not needed until I&T operations
 - Work started on these in Oct
- Known drawing revisions
 - Nov 3 planned
 - X-LAT & Radiator IDD's
 - Grid Box Base Assembly



Concerns

- Grid to I&T delivery date schedule continues to compress.
- 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).
- X-LAT plate & Radiator delivery schedule
 - Ramp up in manufacturing progress is slower than expected
 - LM has been requested to provide an estimated cost at completion



- TCS validation vs. LM modified Radiator Thermal Vacuum & Balance
 plans
 - TCS test requirements being developed with Tom McCarthy
 - ~3 additional TCS cases proposed
 - Cost & schedule impacts will be evaluated
 - TCS risk assessment and Qual test plan requested by GSFC
- Define GBA Static Load test requirements & plans
 - Detailed load cases & STE being developed
 - 1st draft complete loads have gone down and many test cases will be deleted or combined



Open Flight Design Issues (cont)

- Radiator wiring nomenclature (new)
 - The temp sensors going to the Spacecraft are labeled #1 6 but they go to VCHPs #0 - 5.
 - Likewise the primary & redundant heater leads from the Heater Control Box to the reservoir heaters are labeled #1 - 6, but go to reservoirs #0 - 5.
 - This means that heater #1 & temp sensor #1 are on VCHP 0. This will surely cause confusion down the line.
- 2 options
 - fix the wiring nomenclature
 - Affects labeling on several harness drawing
 - May affect PDU & SIU connector labeling on drawings
 - Affects Spacecraft ICD & labeling on Spacecraft harness drawing
 - Affects Instrumentation plan
 - Or change the VCHP numbering from 0 5 to 1 6 to match current drawing
 - Affects LAT numbering document and others
 - Affects Radiator IDD
 - Affects Flight Software
 - Will contradict with existing thermal analyses and models



Open Flight Design Issues (cont)

- Radiator integration sequence
 - Coupon testing of repeated make & break of joint in process
 - Disassembly facilitated by use of mold release agent
- X-LAT MLI blanket billowing will violate stay clear
- Radiator MLI blanket and wiring violates stay clear
 - Working issue with LM & Spectrum Astro
 - S/C to LAT MLI design options in work with Spectrum Astro
- Radiator vibration requirements
 - Current proposal is pre & post low level sine sweep, sine vibe and Acoustic testing
 - Working with GSFC & LM to minimize & finalize requirements



MECH Qualification Program

Qual Test	Status	ECD
Grid-Top Flange Heat Pipe bond process qual	Complete report in work.	Nov 04
Grid Box Assy Static Load test	Planning in work. Perform on Grid #2	Feb 05
X-LAT Plate Thermal Vac test	at LMMS	Nov 04
Radiator Variable Conductance Heat	Passed burst test, heat	Comp
Pipe new extrusion	capacity test after charging	
Radiator Acoustic	at LMMS	Mar 05
Radiator Thermal Vacuum	at LMMS	May 05
TCS-Radiator Thermal Balance	Scope is changing. Need to define requirements	May 05



PMCS

- Mech Sys (SLAC only) cum schedule variance -\$573K
 - Driven by late receipt of Grid #1, Grid #2 and TCS hardware
 - Delivery of Grid #1 in Nov and Grid #2 in Dec will remove ~ half of this



Program Threats

- Top threats to maintaining schedule
 - Grid delivery from Tapemation
 - Highly compressed, success oriented schedule
 - LM X-LAT & Radiator delivery have no float and LM manufacturing not maintaining schedule
 - Grid Box will be pathfinder for Flight hardware operations in B33
- Top threats to staying within cost
 - Staying on schedule
 - LM staying on schedule
 - Interdependencies with DAQ for fab, assy & test of TCS