

# **I. Skyware Terminal – Radiation Hazard Analysis**

# Skyware Global Type 123 Radiation Hazard Study

## 1.2m Offset Feed Earth Station ku-band Antenna with 4W BUC

This analysis predicts the radiation levels around a earth station comprised of one aperture (reflector) type antenna. This report is developed in accordance with the prediction methods contained in OET Bulletin No. 65, Evaluating Compliance with FCC Guidelines for Human Exposure to Radio Frequency Electromagnetic Fields, Edition 97-01, Section 2 Prediction Methods, Aperture Antennas, pp 26-30.

The maximum level of non-ionizing radiation to which **employees** may be exposed is limited to a power density level of 5 milliwatts per square centimeter (**5 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>**) averaged over any 6 minute period in a **controlled environment** and the maximum level of non-ionizing radiation to which the **general public** is exposed is limited to a power density level of 1 milliwatt per square centimeter (**1 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>**) averaged over any 30 minute period in a **uncontrolled environment**.

Note that the worse-case radiation hazards exist along the beam axis. Under normal circumstances, it is highly unlikely that the antenna axis will be aligned with any occupied area since that would represent a blockage to the desired signals, thus rendering the link unuseable.

## Earth Station Technical Parameters

Antenna diameter	<b>1.2 m</b>
Antenna Isotropic gain	<b>43.3 dBi</b>
Maximum Transmit Power	<b>4 Watts</b>
Number of carriers	<b>1</b>
Nominal Frequency	<b>14.3 GHz</b> ( <i>frequency for the 43.3 dBi in FCC312 E42</i> )

In the following sections, the power density in the above regions, as well as other critically important areas will be calculated and evaluated.

## On-axis Near-Field Region

The geometrical limits of the radiated power in the near field approximate a cylindrical volume with a diameter equal to that of the antenna. In the near field, the power density is neither uniform nor does its value vary uniformly with distance from the antenna. For the purpose of considering radiation hazard it is assumed that the on-axis flux density is at its maximum value throughout the length of this region. The length of this region, i.e., the distance from the antenna to the end of the near field, is given by the equation (1).

$$(1) L_{nf} = D^2/(4\lambda)$$

Where  $L_{nf}$  = length to end of the near field,

Where  $D$  = antenna diameter

Where  $\lambda$  = wavelength at 14.3 GHz =  $21.0 \times 10^{-3}$  meters or 21 mm

From equation (1) it is found that the distance to the end of the near field is **17 meters**.

The maximum power flux density in the near field  $PD_{nf}$  is given by:

$$(2) PD_{nf} = 16 P_t \eta / (\pi D^2)$$

Where  $P_t$  is the maximum power transmitted by the amplifier (**4 Watts**).

Where  $\eta$  = Antenna Efficiency

Antenna efficiency can be estimated, or a reasonable approximation for circular apertures can be obtained from the ratio of the effective aperture area to the physical area as follows:

$$\eta = (G\lambda^2/4\pi)/(\pi D^2/4) = G\lambda^2/(\pi^2 D^2) = \mathbf{0.66}$$

Where  $G$  = the on-axis gain of the antenna (**43.3 dBi at 14.3 GHz**)

From equation (2), we see that

$$PD_{nf} = \mathbf{0.94} \text{ mW/cm}^2$$

Evaluation

Uncontrolled Environment	Complies with FCC Limit of 1 milliwatt per square centimeter
Controlled Environment	Complies with FCC Limit of 5 milliwatts per square centimeter

## On-axis Transition Region

The transition region is located between the near and far field regions. As stated in Bulletin 65, the power density begins to vary inversely with distance in the transition region. The maximum power density in the transition region will not exceed that calculated for the near field region, and the transition region begins at that value.

The power density in the near field region, as shown above, will not exceed **0.94** mW/cm<sup>2</sup>.

### Evaluation

Uncontrolled Environment	Complies with FCC Limit of 1 milliwatt per square centimeter
Controlled Environment	Complies with FCC Limit of 5 milliwatts per square centimeter

## On-axis Far-Field Region

Free-space power density is maximum on-axis, varies inversely with the square of the of the distance and may be calculated from equation (3).

$$(3) PD_{ff} = GP_t / (4\pi R^2)$$

Where PD<sub>ff</sub> = the power flux density on-axis in the far field,

R = the distance to the far field region and is found from equation (4).

$$(4) R = 0.6D^2/\lambda$$

From equation (4) it is found that the distance to the far field is **41** meters.

And, PD<sub>ff</sub> is found from equation (3) as follows:

$$PD_{ff} = \mathbf{0.40} \text{ mW/cm}^2$$

### Evaluation

Uncontrolled Environment	Complies with FCC Limit of 1 milliwatt per square centimeter
Controlled Environment	Complies with FCC Limit of 5 milliwatts per square centimeter

## Region Between Feed Flange and Reflector

Transmissions from the feed horn are directed toward the reflector surface, and are confined within a conical shape defined by the feed. The energy between the feed and reflector surface can be calculated by determining the power density at the feed flange. This can be accomplished as follows:

Power Density at Feed Flange,  $PD_{\text{feed}} = 4 \cdot P_t / F_a$

Where  $F_a$  = Area of Feed Window =  $\pi \cdot D_f^2 / 4$

Where  $D_f$  = 7 cm

$F_a$  = **38.5** cm<sup>2</sup>

$$PD_{\text{feed}} = \mathbf{416} \text{ mW/cm}^2$$

The energy between the feed horn and reflector is conceded to be in excess of any limits for maximum permissible exposure. This area will not be accessible to the general public. Operators and technicians have received training specifying this area as a high exposure area. Procedures are established that assure that the transmitter is turned off before access by maintenance personnel to this area.

## Main Reflector Region

The power density in the main reflector region is determined in the same manner as the power density at the feed flange, above, but the area is now the area of the reflector aperture:

Power Density at Reflector Surface,  $PD_{\text{reflector}} = 4 \cdot P_t / S_a$

Where  $S_a$  = Surface Area of Reflector = **1.1** m<sup>2</sup>

$$PD_{\text{reflector}} = \mathbf{1.42} \text{ mW/cm}^2$$

The power densities at or around the reflector surface are just above the limit for maximum permissible exposure in a Uncontrolled Environment of 1 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>, and below the maximum permissible exposure in a Controlled Environment of 5 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>. This area will not be accessible to the general public. Operators and technicians have received training specifying this area as a high exposure area. Procedures are established that assure that the transmitter is turned off before access by maintenance personnel to this area.

## Off-axis Levels at the Far Field Limit and Beyond

In the far field region, the power is distributed in a pattern of maxima and minima (sidelobes) as a function of the off-axis angle between the antenna on-axis center line and the point of interest. The on-axis main-beam will be the location of the greatest of these maxima. The on-axis power density calculated above represent the maximum exposure levels that the system can produce. Off-axis power densities will be considerably less and hence comply with FCC limits.

## Off-axis Levels at the Near Field and in the Transition Region

According to Bulletin 65, off-axis calculations in the near field may be performed as follows: assuming that the point of interest is at least one antenna diameter removed from the center of the main beam, the power density at that point is at least a factor of 100 (20dB) less than the value calculated for the equivalent on-axis power density in the main beam. Therefore, for regions at least D meters away from the center line of the dish, whether behind, below, or in front under of the antenna's main beam, the power density exposure is at least 20 dB below the main beam level as follows:

$$\text{PDnf(off-axis)} = \text{PDnf} / 100 = \mathbf{0.009} \text{ mW/cm}^2$$

### Evaluation

Uncontrolled Environment	Complies with FCC Limit of 1 milliwatt per square centimeter
Controlled Environment	Complies with FCC Limit of 5 milliwatts per square centimeter

## Evaluation of Safe Occupancy Area in Front of Antenna

As covered in the section above "Off-axis levels at the Near Field and in the Transition Region", the off-axis levels are well below the FCC limits. Therefore, no fencing or barrier is required to prevent access to the area in front of the antenna by employees. This area will not be accessible to the general public.

The area not to be accessed by maintenance personnel without the transmitter being turned off is the area between the feed horn and the reflector.

## Conclusion

Based on the above analysis it is concluded that harmful levels of radiation will not exist in regions accessible to the general public or to the earth station's operating personnel.

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## **II. Skyware Terminal – Data Sheet**

# Type 123: 1.2m Rx/Tx Extended Ku-Band Class II Antenna System



- ISO 9001:2008 Certificate of Registration
- All materials comply with EU Directive No. 2002/95/EC (RoHS).
- Long focal length optics for low cross-pol performance.
- Fine azimuth and elevation adjustments.
- Available with Ku-band co-pol or cross-pol feeds.
- Galvanized 19 mm (.75") O.D. side feed support legs and 51 mm (2") O.D. lower feed support.
- Plated hardware for maximum corrosion resistance.
- Class II system designed for typical 2W and 4W Ku-band Block Up-Converters (BUCs).\*

\*3.6 kg or 8 lb max. weight for RF electronics (BUC and LNB)



The **Skyware Global 1.2m Rx/Tx Extended Ku-Band Class II Antenna** is a rugged commercial grade product suitable for the most demanding applications.

- The reflector is thermoset-molded for strength and surface accuracy. Molded into the rear of the reflector is a network of support ribs which strengthens the antenna and helps to sustain the necessary parabolic shape.
- The reflector optics feature a long focal length for excellent cross-pol performance.
- The heavy gauge steel Az/El mount secures the antenna to any 73-76 mm (2.88"-3.00") mast and prevents slippage in high winds.
- A special powder paint process offers excellent protection from weather-related corrosion.



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## • PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

### Type Approval Information

Antenna Model .....62-1236201  
Intelsat Standard.....Standard G (IESS 601)  
Approval Code ..... IA077SA00  
(See Our Website for a Complete List of Type Approvals)

### RF Performance

Effective Aperture ..... 1.2m (48 in)

Operating Frequency  
TX.....12.75-14.50GHz  
RX.....10.70-11.70GHz

Polarization.....Linear, Orthogonal

Gain ( $\pm 0.2$  dB)  
TX.....43.3 dBi @ 14.3GHz  
RX.....41.8 dBi @ 12.0GHz

3 dB Beamwidth  
TX.....1.2° @ 14.3GHz  
RX.....1.5° @ 12.0GHz

Sidelobe Envelope (Tx, Co-Pol dBi)  
1.5° <  $\theta$  < 20°.....29-25 log  $\theta$  dBi  
20° <  $\theta$  < 26.3°.....-3.5dBi  
26.3° <  $\theta$  < 48°.....32-25 log  $\theta$  dBi  
48° <  $\theta$  < 180°.....-10

Antenna Cross-Polarization.....30 db in 1 dB  
Contour

Antenna Noise Temperature  
10° EL.....45K  
20° EL.....31K  
30° EL.....24K

VSWR  
TX.....1.3:1  
RX.....1.5:1

Isolation (Port to Port)  
TX.....80db  
RX.....35db

Feed Interface  
TX.....WR75 Flat Flange  
RX.....WR75 Flat Flange

(All specifications typical)

## 1.2 m Rx/Tx Extended Ku-Band Class II Antenna

### Mechanical Performance

Reflector Material.....Glass Fiber Reinforced Polyester  
Antenna Optics.....One-Piece Offset Feed Prime Focus  
Mount Type.....Elevation over Azimuth  
Elevation Adjustment Range.....7°-84° Continuous  
Fine Adjustment

Azimuth Adjustment Range.....360° Continuous  
 $\pm 20^\circ$  Fine Adjustment

Mast Pipe Interface.....73-76 mm  
(2.88 in-3.00 in) Diameter

### Environmental Performance

Wind Loading  
Operational.....50 mph (80 km/h)

Functional Survival.....80 mph (128 km/h)

Ultimate Survival.....125 mph (200 km/h)

Operational Temperature.....-40°C to +60°C

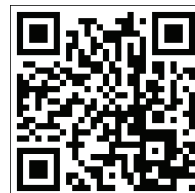
Survival Temperature.....-50°C to +80°C

Humidity.....0 to 100% (Condensing)

Atmosphere.....Standard Hardware 500 Hrs  
SST Requirements (ASTM B-117)

Solar Radiation.....360 BTU/h/ft<sup>2</sup>

Shock and Vibration.....As Encountered during  
Shipping and handling



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