

**SSME FMEA/CIL  
REDUNDANCY SCREEN**

Component Group: Combustion Devices  
 CIL Item: A800-04  
 Part Number: RS009020  
 Component: Fuel Preburner  
 FMEA Item: A600  
 Failure Mode: Non-uniformity of fuel flow in the injection element occurs.

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Phase	Failure / Effect Description	Criticality Hazard Reference
SMC 41	Significant non uniformity causes local high mixtures and recirculation of gases around the elements periphery which cause local erosion of the injection element tip, the injector faceplate, the combustion zone liner or the injector baffle. Erosion through the liner may result in burnthrough of the structural wall. Loss of vehicle.	1 ME B2S, ME B2A,C, ML-B2M
Redundancy Screens: SINGLE POINT FAILURE: N/A		

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DESIGN

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Design / Document Reference

FAILURE CAUSE: A: Contamination in the fuel annulus.

THE FUEL IS FILTERED TO 400-MICRONS AT THE EXTERNAL TANK (1). THE PREBURNER INJECTION ELEMENT (2) CONSISTS OF A FUEL SLEEVE ENCI RCING A LOX POST WITH THE TWO BRAZED TOGETHER. THE GAP BETWEEN THE LOX POST AND THE FUEL SLEEVE IS CONTROLLED (2) (3). THE FUEL PASSAGE IS FED BY A SERIES OF SMALL HOLES EQUALLY SPACED AROUND THE EXTERNAL SLEEVE IN STAGGERED ROWS. THE HOLES ARE SMALLER IN DIAMETER THAN THE ANNULUS DIMENSIONS. THIS SYSTEMS ACTS A FILTER FOR THE ANNULUS. THE PREBURNER INJECTOR ELEMENT HAS BEEN DESIGN VERIFICATION TESTED FOR ELEMENT CONTAMINATION (4). INSPECTIONS OF THE PREBURNERS IN ENGINE 2010 REVEALED NO CONTAMINATION IN THE FUEL ANNULUS (5). A REVIEW OF THE PREBURNER UCR DATA SHOWED LOW OCCURRENCE RATE OF CONTAMINATED PASSAGES. 12 OF 42 CAUSED EROSION/SELF-CONTAINED DAMAGED.

(1) ICD 13M15000; (2) RS009025; (3) RS009020; (4) RSS-305-5; (5) MPH-95-0127

FAILURE CAUSE: B: Slippage of LOX post support pins.

THE FUEL PREBURNER INJECTOR ELEMENT SUPPORT IS FABRICATED FROM 304 CRES NEEDLE TUBING (1). THE TUBE DESIGN GIVES THE PINS A SPRING CHARACTERISTIC. THREE PINS ARE INSTALLED IN THE FUEL ANNULUS OF THE FUEL PREBURNER INJECTION ELEMENT (2) EQUALLY SPACED 120 DEGREES APART FROM EACH OTHER, TO DAMPEN VIBRATION CAUSED BY MECHANICAL MOVEMENT AND FLOW. THE PINS ARE HELD IN PLACE BY FRICTION. HIGH CYCLE FATIGUE AND LOW CYCLE FATIGUE DIFF MFT CFI REQUIREMENTS (3). THE MINIMUM FACTORS OF SAFETY MEET CEI REQUIREMENTS (4). RANDOM LOSS OF PINS OCCURS DURING HOT FIRE TESTING. TEST HISTORY HAS SHOWN PIN SLIPPAGE OR LOSS IS NOT DETRIMENTAL TO PREBURNER OPERATION.

(1) R0015737; (2) RS009020; (3) RL00532, CP32CR0003B; (4) RSS-8546, CP320R0003B

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INSPECTION AND TEST**

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Failure Causes	Significant Characteristics	Inspection(s) / Test(s)	Document Reference
A	PREBURNER INJECTOR ELEMENT		RS008025
	CLEANLINESS	POSTS ARE CLEANED PER SPECIFICATION REQUIREMENTS. AFTER BRAZING THE POST ARE INSPECTED FOR BLOCKAGE.	RA0110-018 RA1507-004 RA1507-007
		SSME PROPELLANT SYSTEMS ARE DRIED AND VERIFIED DRY PRIOR TO EACH FLIGHT	OMRSD V41CB0.080 OMRSD V41CB0.081
		UPSTREAM COMPONENTS ARE VERIFIED CLEAN TO FUEL SERVICE PER SPECIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.	RL10001
	ASSEMBLY INTEGRITY	THE HOT FIRE TESTING AND 2ND E & M INSPECTIONS VERIFY PREBURNER INJECTORS INTEGRITY.	RL00050-04 RL00056-05 RL00056-07
B	SUPPORT PIN		R0016757
	MATERIAL INTEGRITY	MATERIAL INTEGRITY IS VERIFIED PER DRAWING REQUIREMENTS. HEAT TREAT IS VERIFIED PER DRAWING REQUIREMENTS.	
	PIN INSTALLATION	VERIFIED INTERFERENCE FIT OF PIN INSTALLATION PER DRAWING REQUIREMENTS.	RS009020
	ASSEMBLY INTEGRITY	ASSEMBLY IS VERIFIED CLEAN PER SPECIFICATION REQUIREMENTS. SUPPORT PINS ARE INSPECTED EACH TIME HPFTP IS REMOVED OR PER TIME CYCLE REQUIREMENTS. THE PREBURNER IS BORESCOPE INSPECTED PRIOR TO EACH FLIGHT FOR DAMAGE. (LAST TEST)	RI 10001 OMRSD V41BU0 081C OMRSD C00BAQ 015 OMRSD V41BU0 040

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Failure History: Comprehensive failure history data is maintained in the Problem Reporting database (PRAMS/PRACA)  
 Reference: NASA letter SA21:88/308 and Rocketdyne letter 88RCC976\*

Operational Use: Not Applicable

**SSME F A/CIL  
WELD JOINTS**

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 Component: RS009020  
 Part Number: Fuel Preburner  
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Component	Basic Part Number	Weld Number	Weld Type	Class	Access	Critical Initial Flaw Size Not Detectable		Comments
						Root Side Not	HCF LCF	
FPB CHAMBER	RS009019	1,2	GTAW	I	X	X	X	
FPB INJECTOR	RS009020	1	EBW	II	X	X	X	
FPB INJECTOR	RS009020	2	EBW	II	X			
FPB INJECTOR	RS009020	3	GTAW	I	X	X	X	
FPB INJECTOR	RS009020	9	EBW	II	X			
FPB INJECTOR	RS009020	38	EBW	II	X			
FPB INJECTOR	RS009020	39	EBW	II	X			
FPB BODY	RS009023	1 (OPT)	GTAW	I	X			(AC50)
FPB BODY	RS009023	5	EBW	I	X			(AC50)
FPB FUEL MANIFOLD	RS009029	7 (OPT), 8 (OPT)	GTAW	I		X	X	(AC50)
FPB FUEL MANIFOLD	RS009029	11 (OPT)	GTAW	I		X		(AC50)
FPB FUEL MANIFOLD	RS009029	13 (OPT)	GTAW	I		X		(AC50)
FPB OXID INLET	RS009030	1	GTAW	I		X		
FPB OXID INLET	RS009030	2	GTAW	I	X	X	X	
FPB OXID INLET	RS009030	4	GTAW	I				
PREBURNER EXPANSION JOINT	RS009032	1	GTAW	I				
PREBURNER EXPANSION JOINT	RS009032	2,3	GTAW	II	X			
FPB ASH FUEL LINE	RS009026	1 PLC	GTAW	I	X			
FPB CHAMBER	RS009019	3 (OPT), 4 (OPT)	GTAW	I		X	X	(AC50)
FPB CHAMBER	RS009019	5 (OPT)	GTAW	I		X		(AC50)
FPB CHAMBER	RS009019	6 (OPT)	GTAW	I		X		(AC50)

**SSME FMEA/CIL  
FIELD CONFIGURATION VARIANCES FROM CIL RATIONALE**

Component Group: Combustion Devices  
 Item Name: Fuel Preburner  
 Item Number: A603  
 Part Number: RS009920

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Base Line Rationale	Variance	Change Rationale	Variant Dash Number
1. A603- NO RATIONALE EFFECTED.	MDLY LINER IS INSTALLED IN VARIOUS PREBURNER ASSEMBLIES.	LINER MAY BECOME DAMAGED. USE AS IS RATIONALE; DEBONDED LINER HAS BEEN DETERMINED TO BE A CRITICALITY THREE.	RS007051-1441 RS007051-1457

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