

**SSME FMEA/CIL
REDUNDANCY SCREEN**

Component Group: Pneumatic Controls
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 Component: Pneumatic Control Assembly
 Part Number: R0019450
 Failure Mode: Failure to supply helium pressurant.

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Phase	Failure / Effect Description	Criticality Hazard Reference
P 4.1	Helium pressurant is not applied to closing piston of main fuel valve actuator (MFVA). MFVA may drift causing propellant leakage. MFVA leakage results in fire, open air detonation and overpressure condition. Loss of vehicle. Redundancy Screens: SINGLE POINT FAILURE: N/A	1 ME-A1P, ME-A2P
C 4.1	Failure to supply pneumatic pressurant would negate emergency engine shutdown. Engine shutdown would have to be accomplished by closing vehicle pre-vent. Loss of vehicle. Redundancy Screens: SINGLE POINT FAILURE: N/A	1 ME-C1C, ME-C1A, ME-A1A, ME-A2A

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FAILURE CAUSE: A: PCA component failure: PCA inlet helium filter blocked.
B: PCA component failure: Emergency pneumatic orifice blocked.
C: Emergency shutdown solenoid valve failure: Armature jammed closed.
D: Emergency shutdown solenoid valve failure: Pushrod jammed closed.
E: Emergency shutdown solenoid valve failure: Vent port poppet/seat leakage due to: Contamination.
F: Emergency shutdown PAV failure: Vent port poppet/seat leakage due to: Contamination.
G: Emergency shutdown PAV failure: Vent port poppet/seat leakage due to: Flow passage blocked.
H: Emergency shutdown PAV failure: Vent port poppet/seat leakage due to: Damaged guide (contamination jammed between guides, piston, and body).
I: Emergency shutdown PAV failure: Control cavity seal leakage due to: Contamination.

DETAIL PARTS AND TEST FIXTURES ARE CLEANED (1) PRIOR TO ASSEMBLY (2). ASSEMBLY AND TEST ARE PERFORMED IN A CLEAN ROOM (3). LUBRICANTS ARE NOT ALLOWED FOR ASSEMBLY OR TEST (2). COMPONENT LEVEL TEST FLUIDS ARE NITROGEN AND HELIUM WHICH MEET THE HARDWARE CLEANLINESS REQUIREMENTS (1). THE COMPONENT PARTS AND SUBASSEMBLY ARE FREE OF VISIBLE FOREIGN PARTICLES AT THE TIME OF ASSEMBLY (2). AT THE ENGINE LEVEL, A 15-MICRON FILTER IN THE PNEUMATIC CONTROL ASSEMBLY (4) AND 15-MICRON FILTERS AT THE INLET AND OUTLET OF THE SOLENOID VALVE (5) ENSURE THAT CONTAMINANTS LARGER THAN 15-MICRONS WILL BE REMOVED. THE PRESSURE ACTUATED VALVE (6) AND SOLENOID VALVE (5) INCORPORATE TEFLON GUIDES WHICH PREVENT METAL-TO-METAL RUBBING AND METAL PARTICLE GENERATION. THESE DESIGN FEATURES PREVENT GENERATION OF METALLIC PARTICLES WHICH COULD JAM THE SOLENOID ASSEMBLY ARMATURE, PUSHROD OR STEM ASSEMBLY, AND THE PAV PISTON OR SHAFT. THE PISTON-POPPET L/D RATIO PREVENTS COCKING. THE PAV PISTON ASSEMBLY AND SHAFT ARE HELD IN ALIGNMENT AT EACH END (6). IN THE EVENT THAT METALLIC PARTICLES FROM ANOTHER SOURCE GET INTO THESE AREAS, THE PARTICLES BECOME IMBEDDED IN THE TEFLON SLEEVE. THIS PREVENTS GALLING AND JAMMING.

(1) RL10001; (2) RL00270, RL00347; (3) R00711-600 (4) R0019450; (5) R0010725; (6) RS006021

FAILURE CAUSE: E: Emergency shutdown solenoid valve failure: Broken spring.

THE SOLENOID VALVE SPRING (1) IS MANUFACTURED FROM ELGILOY WIRE. STRENGTH AND ELASTIC LIMIT TOGETHER WITH ELASTIC MODULUS, ARE THE PRIMARY REASONS FOR USING ELGILOY. THE MATERIAL IS CORROSION RESISTANT AND EXHIBITS ADEQUATE RESISTANCE TO STRESS CORROSION CRACKING (2) FOR THIS APPLICATION. THE SPRING IS STRAIN RELIEVED AND INCORPORATES CLOSED AND DEBURRED ENDS REDUCING STRESS CONCENTRATIONS THAT MAY CAUSE BREAKAGE.

(1) RS008074; (2) MSFC-SPEC-522, RSS-8582-6

FAILURE CAUSE: G: Emergency shutdown solenoid valve failure: Vent port poppet/seat leakage due to: Damaged/defective sealing surface.
I: Emergency shutdown PAV failure: Vent port poppet/seat leakage due to: Damaged/defective sealing surface.
M: Emergency shutdown PAV failure: Control cavity seal leakage due to: Damaged/defective seal.

TUNGSTEN CARBIDE IS USED TO MANUFACTURE THE EMSO SOLENOID VALVE POPPET (1). TUNGSTEN CARBIDE WAS SELECTED FOR ITS RESISTANCE TO WEAR AND ITS VIRTUALLY POROSITY FREE STRUCTURE. THE MATERIAL IS CORROSION RESISTANT AND, WHERE USED, IS NOT SUBJECT TO STRESS CORROSION CRACKING (2). THE SEAT (3) IS MANUFACTURED FROM 440C CRES BAR. HARDNESS AND WEAR RESISTANCE ARE THE PRIMARY REASONS FOR USING 440C CRES. THE MATERIAL ALSO EXHIBITS SUFFICIENT CORROSION RESISTANCE TO BE SUITABLE FOR THE APPLICATION. THE PAV POPPET (4) IS MADE FROM 321 CRES. ADEQUATE STRENGTH AND DUCTILITY ARE THE PRIMARY REASONS FOR SELECTING 321 CRES. THIS MATERIAL IS CORROSION RESISTANT AND EXHIBITS A RESISTANCE TO STRESS CORROSION CRACKING (2). THE SEAT (5) IS MADE FROM 7075-T651 ALUMINUM ALLOY. LIGHTWEIGHT, STRENGTH AND A RESISTANCE TO STRESS CORROSION CRACKING (2) ARE THE REASONS FOR USING THIS MATERIAL. THE POPPET SEAL IS MADE FROM KEL-F (6). LOW COLD FLOW CHARACTERISTICS AND GOOD DUCTILITY ARE THE PRIMARY REASONS FOR USING KEL-F (2). THE CONTROL CAVITY SEAL (7) IS MADE FROM THE TEFLON, WHICH WAS SELECTED FOR ITS WEAR RESISTANCE AND LOW COEFFICIENT OF FRICTION (2).

(1) RS008106; (2) MSFC-SPEC-522, RSS-8582-6; (3) RS008141; (4) RS008027; (5) RS008030; (6) RS008028; (7) RES1355

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FAILURE CAUSE: ALL CAUSES

THE PNEUMATIC CONTROL ASSEMBLY IS CAPABLE OF PNEUMATICALLY SHUTTING DOWN THE ENGINE IN THE EVENT OF TOTAL ELECTRICAL FAILURE AND OF TERMINATING THE SHUTDOWN PURGES AND POGO ACCUMULATOR HELIUM POST CHARGE (1)(2). THE EMERGENCY SHUTDOWN SOLENOID VALVE (3) IS A NORMALLY OPEN, DUAL COIL VALVE. IN NORMAL OPERATION THE VALVE IS ENERGIZED (CLOSED). UPON COMMANDING PNEUMATIC SHUTDOWN, THE CONTROLLER DE-ENERGIZES (OPENS) THE VALVE SUPPLYING CLOSING PRESSURE TO THE MAIN VALVES. ANY ELECTRICAL FAILURE IN THE SOLENOID VALVE WOULD CAUSE THE VALVE TO DE-ENERGIZE (OPEN) AND ALLOW THE COMMANDED PNEUMATIC SHUTDOWN. HIGH CYCLE AND LOW CYCLE FATIGUE LIFE, AS WELL AS THE MINIMUM FACTORS OF SAFETY FOR THE PCA, MEET CEI REQUIREMENTS (4). THE PCA WAS CLEARED FOR FRACTURE MECHANICS/NOE FLAW GROWTH, SINCE IT CONTAINS NO FRACTURE CRITICAL PARTS (5). THE PNEUMATIC CONTROL ASSEMBLY HAS COMPLETED DESIGN VERIFICATION TESTING (6), INCLUDING PRESSURE TESTING (7), PRESSURE CYCLING (8), AND VIBRATION TESTING (9). THE DESIGN HAS BEEN FURTHER VERIFIED BY VALVES BEING REMOVED FROM ENGINE 0107 AND DISASSEMBLED. THE VALVES SHOWED NO DEGRADATION OR WEAR OF DETAIL PARTS (10). THESE VALVES HAD ACCUMULATED OVER 19,000 SECONDS AND 58 STARTS.

(1) DVS-SSME-510 (2) R0019450, (3) R0010725; (4) RL00532, CP320R0003B, RSS-8546; (5) NASA TASK 117; (6) DVS-SSME-510; (7) RSS-510-46; (8) RSS-510-51; (9) RSS-510-50; (10) SSME-83-0230

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INSPECTION AND TEST**

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A, B, C, D, F, H, J, K, L	PNEUMATIC CONTROL ASSEMBLY PNEUMATIC CONTROL SOLENOID PRESSURE ACTUATED ASSEMBLY FILTER FILTER		R0019450 R0010725 RS008021 RES1090 RES1107

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CLEANLINESS OF COMPONENTS

THE PNEUMATIC CONTROL ASSEMBLY, THE PRESSURE ACTUATED VALVES, AND THE SOLENOID VALVES ARE CLEAN TO OXYGEN/FUEL SERVICE PER SPECIFICATION AND DRAWING REQUIREMENTS.

RL10001
R0019450
R0010725
RS008021

DURING MANUFACTURE AND ACCEPTANCE TEST OF THE SOLENOID VALVE, THE FILTER INSTALLATION, VALVE CLEANING, AND CLEAN FLUSH PARTICLE COUNT IS INSPECTED PER SPECIFICATION.

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A, B, C, D, F, H, J, K, L	CLEANLINESS OF COMPONENTS	DURING MANUFACTURE AND ACCEPTANCE TEST OF THE SOLENOID VALVE, THE FILTER INSTALLATION, VALVE CLEANING, AND CLEAN FLUSH PARTICLE COUNT IS INSPECTED PER SPECIFICATION.	RL00278
		DURING ASSEMBLY OF THE PRESSURE ACTUATED VALVE, THE ACTUATION AND DEACTUATION OPERATION AND SEALING ARE VERIFIED. OPERATION OF THE VALVE VERIFIES NO CONTAMINATION BLOCKAGE IN MOVING PARTS.	RL00347
	FILTER INTEGRITY	FILTERS ARE INSPECTED TO MEET FLOW AND FILTRATION REQUIREMENTS PER SPECIFICATION.	RC1090 RC1107
E	SPRING MATERIAL INTEGRITY	MATERIAL INTEGRITY IS VERIFIED PER DRAWING REQUIREMENTS. AFTER MACHINING, SPRING CLEANING	RS008074

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E	MATERIAL INTEGRITY	LOAD RANGE OF THE DEPRESSED SPRING IS TESTED PER DRAWING REQUIREMENTS.	RS008074
G, I, M	SOLENOID POPPET SEAT PAV POPPET CAP SEAL PAV BODY SEAL		RSC08106 RS008141 RS008027 RS008030 RES1355 RS008011 RS008028
	MATERIAL INTEGRITY	MATERIAL INTEGRITY IS VERIFIED PER DRAWING REQUIREMENTS.	
		HEAT TREAT IS VERIFIED PER DRAWING AND SPECIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.	RS008141 RA1111-002
	SEALING SURFACES	SEALING SURFACES ARE INSPECTED PER DRAWING REQUIREMENTS.	RS008027 RS008141 RS008106 RS008030 RS008011 RS008028
		THE PISTON SEAL LEAKAGE IS VERIFIED TO BE WITHIN SPECIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.	RL00278 RL00347
		DURING ASSEMBLY AND ACCEPTANCE TEST, THE VALVE ACTUATION AND DEACTUATION OPERATION IS VERIFIED.	
ALL CAUSES	PNEUMATIC CONTROL ASSEMBLY		R0019450

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ALL CAUSES	ASSEMBLY INTEGRITY	THE FOLLOWING TESTS ARE PERFORMED DURING ASSEMBLY AND FUNCTIONAL TESTING OF THE PNEUMATIC CONTROL ASSEMBLY: - SEAT LEAKAGE IS VERIFIED TO BE WITHIN SPECIFICATION FOR BOTH ENERGIZED AND DE-ENERGIZED OPERATION. - ASSEMBLY OPERATION IS VERIFIED BY TESTING EACH FUNCTION OF THE PNEUMATIC CONTROL ASSEMBLY. - FILTER OPERATION IS VERIFIED BEFORE AND AFTER INSTALLATION.	RL00344 RL00344 RL00344
	HOT-FIRE ACCEPTANCE TESTING (GREEN RUN)	PNEUMATIC CONTROL ASSEMBLY OPERATION IS VERIFIED THROUGH HOT-FIRE ACCEPTANCE TESTING	RL00461
	PRE-FLIGHT CHECKOUT	EMERGENCY PNEUMATIC SHUTDOWN OPERATION IS VERIFIED DURING SSME ELECTRICAL CHECKOUT PRIOR TO FLIGHT OR AFTER ANY REPLACEMENT OF RELATED COMPONENTS BY PERFORMING THE FOLLOWING OMRSD REQUIREMENTS. - FLIGHT READINESS TEST INCLUDING PNEUMATIC SHUTDOWN. - PCA FUEL SIDE INTERNAL LEAK CHECK. - PCA LOX SIDE INTERNAL LEAK TEST - FLIGHT READINESS TESTS AND VALVE CYCLE VERIFICATION. (LAST TEST)	OMRSD V41AS0.030 OMRSD V41BQ0.090 OMRSD V41BQ0.091 OMRSD S03FA0.211

Failure History: Comprehensive failure history data is maintained in the Problem Reporting database (PRAMS/PRACA) Reference: NASA letter SA21/BB/308 and Rocketdyne letter 88RC09761.
 Operational Use: Not Applicable.