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O2 PRESSURE REGULATOR 1ST STAGE ITEM 2138 ----- SV799042-3 (1)	1/?	2138FH02A: Restricted flow, fails closed. CAUSE: Contamination, clogging of the inlet filter, ball actuator or return plunger jams, diaphragm return spring relaxes or fractures, striker plate separates from diaphragm.	END ITEM: Loss or reduction of emergency oxygen flow from SOP. GFE INTERFACE: Unable to supply adequate emergency oxygen. MISSION: Abort EVA. CREW/VEHICLE: Possible loss of crewman.	A. Design - Jamming potential is minimized because the diaphragm force output will increase 10.6 lbs. for every 10 psi drop in sensed pressure. Normal force required to unseat the ball is 5.2 pounds. The first stage regulator is protected by a 25 micron absolute sintered filter to minimize the chance of jamming due to contamination. The nominal rating of the filter is 50 microns which is equivalent to a particle size of 0.0007 inch. Diametrical clearance between sliding parts is small to minimize cocking and is 0.001 - 0.0015 inch between the valve stem and housing and 0.0005 - 0.0025 inch between the spring seat and housing. The housing is made of stress relieved Monel 400 and the valve stem and spring seat are made of age hardened Monel K500. To minimize the potential for galling, all sliding surfaces are either 16 or 32 microinch finish. To minimize the potential for cocking, the L/D ratio for the valve stem/housing combination is 8 and for the spring seat/housing combination is 1.6. All edges are either radiused or chamfered. The helical compression spring operating stress at the set point is 85,000 psi. This will give a cyclic life of over 70,000 cycles assuming the spring was cycled between no load to operating load. The inlet plated nickel wire filter has a clean effective area of 0.002 sq.in. The spec limits the Delta P to 0.4 psid at a flow of 5.26 lb/hr at an inlet pressure of 365 psia which requires an equivalent area of 0.0034 sq.in. This is 4X of the filter effective area. In addition, the system is cleaned to H33150 level EN50A before operation which minimizes the amount of particles that the filter must capture. B. Test - Vendor Test The vendor, CIL, performs the following operations or tests to assure the first stage regulator does not fail closed or reduce flow: 1. Contamination or clogging of the inlet filter is reduced/minimized by cleaning all of the regulator internal details and oxygen passageways to H33150 EN50A. The test facility hardware and gases are also required to meet this requirement.

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	1/1	213M02A1		<p>2. The regulator flow capability is verified during Acceptance Test by Performance Tests at sea level with an inlet pressure of 7400 psig and a varying flow rate from 0.06 to 5.3 to 0.06 gpm. The performance test is also performed at vacuum conditions with inlet pressures of 7400, 5055, 2710 and 350 psig and a varying flow rate from 0.06 to 5.3 to 0.06 gpm.</p> <p>3. The minimum flow rate is verified during Acceptance Test at inlet pressures of 7400 and 350 psig.</p> <p>PPA Testing - Contamination or clogging of the inlet filter is reduced/minimized by cleaning all interfacing inlet test fixtures and hoses to MS3150 UNSOL. Test gases are also required to meet this requirement. Proper regulator performance is verified in a series of performance and endurance tests. The regulator is performance tested initially at sea level ambient at 7400 psig and 350 psig inlet pressures. At each inlet pressure the outlet pressure is monitored over the flow ranges of 0-0.2 lbs/hr O2 (max) and 0.2 (max) -0 lbs/hr O2. Initially the end item (SOP) is allowed to blowdown from 7400 psig to 350 psig, while verifying proper regulator function. With the inlet at 7400 psig, the item is endurance flowed at 4.5-5.25 lbs/hr O2 for 5 hours minimum and at 0.5-2.0 lbs/hr O2 for 2.5 hours minimum. Again, the end item (SOP) is allowed to blowdown from 7400 to 350 psig. With the inlet pressure at 350 psig, the item is endurance flowed at 4.5-5.25 lbs/hr O2 for 5 hours minimum, and at 0.5-2.0 lbs/hr O2 for 2.5 hours minimum.</p> <p>Test CEI PPA testing - After the blowdown and endurance testing, the item is performance tested at sea level and vacuum ambient with inlet pressures of 7400 psig and 350 psig. For each configuration, the outlet pressure is monitored over the flow ranges of 0-0.2 lbs/hr O2 (max) and 0.2 (max) -0 lbs/hr O2. An additional blowdown is performed prior to vacuum ambient testing.</p> <p>Certification Test - During 5/89 the SV799042 SOP completed 5000 on/off cycles and 100 proof cycles which is four times the 15 year</p>

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	1/1	213BFR02A:		<p>expected use cycles. During the flow testing phase, the SOP completed 325 total hours of regulation at 5 gph or 0.16. The SOP assembly also completed the 33 year random vibration, sinusoidal vibration, design shock and bench shock testing.</p> <p>During 8/82 the 8V767210 SOP completed 112 blowdown cycles which is 3 times the cycle certification requirement of 35 to satisfy the 19799042 certification requirements.</p> <p>C. Inspection - Details are 100% inspected per drawing dimensions and surface finish characteristics. Details are manufactured from material with certified physical and chemical properties. The striker plate/diaphragm solder joint is x-ray inspected to assure 40X coverage to prevent separation. All details, gases and test facilities are cleaned and inspected to H3950 EHSOM to preclude contamination clogging. The running and final torque of all threaded connections are verified by inspection. A trial assembly is run on all details and then they are visually inspected. The demand valve pintle is manually depressed during assembly to ensure free motion.</p> <p>D. Failure History - None.</p> <p>E. Ground Turnaround - Tested for performance per FEMU-R-003, SOP Regulator Performance.</p> <p>F. Operational Use - Crew Response - EVA: Since EVA termination is required as soon as SOP is flowing, crew would abort EVA when insufficient SOP operation is detected. Training - Standard EMU training covers this failure mode. Operational Considerations - EVA checklist procedures verify hardware integrity and system operational status prior to EVA. Flight rules define go/no go criteria related to EMU pressure integrity and regulation. Flight rules define EMU</p>

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	1/1	2138M02A:		as test for loss of operational SDP. Real Time Data System , allows ground monitoring of EMU systems.