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POWER MODE SELECTOR SWITCH, ITEM 364 ----- QV778596-4 (1)	2/1R	364FN03: DCM/Fan Power switch fails in SCU position (T4). CAUSE: Contact welding caused by arcing or by exposure to vacuum, damage to switch actuator lever.	END ITEM: Switch remains in SCU position when toggle placed in battery position. BFE INTERFACE: Loss of battery power to DC/DC converter and Fan when in battery mode and SCU is disconnected. This failure would not be detected until SCU is disconnected. MISSION: Terminate EVA. Loss of use of ERU. CREW/VEHICLE: None.	A. Design - Each of the three switches is sealed in a dry nitrogen filled hermetically sealed case. The switches are per MIL-S-8805/46 with the 10 amp contacts are silver plated. Switch contacts rated for 10 amperes. Actual current flow is 3.8 amperes. The switch is designed to withstand a toggle force of 25 lbs. without degradation in subsequent performance. The ball socket of the toggle pivot is greased (Braycote 601) prior to assembly. Microswitch actuator overtravel is adjusted to .007 inch minimum to ensure the common contact arm rotates completely over to the normally open contact. B. Test - Component Acceptance Test - Switch operation and continuity are verified during vendor acceptance tests. The switch is also subjected to 500 run-in cycles and an axial pull test on the handle to verify that it will not come loose during normal use. In-Process Test - Operation and integrity of the switch are verified during four separate in-process tests during initial item 350 assembly. These tests include continuity and output voltage. The switch is cycled during these tests. PDA Test - The switch is subjected to Acceptance/PDA testing as part of item 350. Tests include continuity, operating torque, vibration, thermal cycling, and thermal vacuum. The switch is also cycled during item 350 Acceptance/PDA electrical functional tests. Certification Test - The item completed 5,464 inductive and 8,536 resistive cycles during 1/81 which satisfied the cycle certification requirement of 5,464 and 8,536 respectively. Class I Engineering Change 42806-386 (Toggle Handle Pull Test) has been incorporated since this configuration was certified. C. Inspection -

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	2/1R	364FM06:		<p>To preclude failure due to internal contamination, the switches are assembled by the vendor in an environmentally controlled room. Assembly and processing is per MIL-S-8805/46. The switches receive in-process cycling and leak checks. The entire item 364 is x-ray inspected for acceptability of brazing.</p> <p>D. Failure History - J-EMU-300-006 (10-18-83) The BITE light failed to turn on upon power switchover during PIA tests. The outage was found to be caused by a mechanical failure of the Power Mode Switch (364) which prevented proper power switchover. EC 42806-386 added a pull test to the 364 vendor tests to insure the switch toggle arm would not come loose during normal use. This EC created the -2 switch configuration. Certified 1/84 per SEMU-540.</p> <p>E. Ground Turnaround - Switches are tested during FEMU-R-001, EMU Vacuum Chamber Run, EMU Checkout in Orbiter, Orbiter Power Interface, and SEMU Down & Blowed Check.</p> <p>F. Operational Use - Crew Response - PreEVA: Troubleshoot problem, if no success, consider third EMU if available. Otherwise, EMU go for SCU standby. EVA: Terminate EVA. Training - Standard training covers this failure mode. Operational Considerations - EVA checklist procedures verify hardware integrity and systems operational status prior to EVA. Flight rules define go/no go criteria related to EMU battery power. Real Time Base System allows ground monitoring of EMU systems.</p>