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 Laser Interferometer Gravitational Wave Observatory (LIGO) Project

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**RF Source Test Procedure**

**Required equipment:**

- Power supply
- RF frequency counter
- RF power meter
- RF network analyzer (~100MHz bandwidth)

**Preparations:**

| Test Engineer | Date | Pass |
|---------------|------|------|
|               |      |      |

Write down revision and the serial number.

| Module/Boards | Revision | Serial |
|---------------|----------|--------|
| D080702       |          |        |
| D080705       |          |        |
| D080708       |          |        |
| D070071       |          |        |
| D080665       |          |        |

Power up the board and check that the current drawn from the +15V power supply is around nominal. Check that the LED is on.

| Power supply | Current | Nominal |
|--------------|---------|---------|
| +24V         |         | 0.3A    |
| -24V         |         | 0.25A   |
| +12V         |         | 1.2A    |

**Output Signal:**

Measure the output power as function of the step attenuator a 10dBm sine wave into the input and measure the output power. Adjust internal attenuators as needed.

| Step | Measured [dBm] | Nominal |
|------|----------------|---------|
| 0    |                | 13 dBm  |
| 3    |                | 10 dBm  |
| 6    |                | 7 dBm   |
| 10   |                | 3 dBm   |

**Locking:**

Set the nominal frequency of the oscillator. Hook up a fiber to the timing system. The LED of the PLL status should switch from red to green after a minute or two. Increase the frequency by 100Hz and watch that the LED goes red immediately and becomes green again after a while. Measure the frequency with frequency counter in each case.

| Step                 | Does lock (yes/no) | Frequency (MHz) |
|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Initial Locking      |                    |                 |
| After frequency step |                    |                 |

**Harmonics:**

Use the network analyzer to measure the harmonics.

| Harmonics | Measured [dBc] | Nominal |
|-----------|----------------|---------|
| 2 order   |                | >30 dBc |
| 3 order   |                | >30 dBc |
| 4 order   |                | >30 dBc |
| 5 order   |                | >30 dBc |
| 7 order   |                | >30 dBc |

**Locking Parameters:**

Look at the diagnostics parameters of the timing slave and write down the following parameters:

| Parameter     | Value | Nominal             |
|---------------|-------|---------------------|
| VCXOControl   |       | 2.5V±2V             |
| HasOCXO       |       | 1                   |
| OCXOLocked    |       | 1                   |
| OCXOError     |       | <1μs                |
| OCXOControl   |       | 5V±4V               |
| SetFrequency  |       | same as front panel |
| OCXOFrequency |       | within 1Hz of above |