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SECTION 1

REPORT SUMMARY

RF Exposure Assessment of the
SRT Marine Technology Ltd
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1.1 INTRODUCTION

The information contained in this report is intended to show verification of the RF Exposure Assessment of the SRT Marine Technology Ltd COBALT; Marine AIS CSTDMA Class B Transceiver to the requirements of the applied test specifications.

Objective	To perform RF Exposure Assessment to determine the Equipment Under Test's (EUT's) compliance of the applied rules.
Applicant	SRT Marine Technology Ltd
Manufacturer	SRT Marine Technology Ltd
Manufacturing Description	COBALT; Marine AIS CSTDMA Class B Transceiver
Model Number(s)	001-0014
Serial Number(s)	Not applicable
Hardware Version	Not applicable
Software Version	Not applicable

Test Specification/Issue/Date

1. EN62311:2008 - Assessment of electronic and electrical equipment related to human exposure restrictions for electromagnetic fields (0 Hz – 300 GHz).
2. OET Bulletin 65 Edition 97-01 August 1997 - Evaluating Compliance with FCC Guidelines for Human Exposure to Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields
3. RSS-102 Issue 4 March 2010 Radio Frequency Exposure Compliance of Radiocommunication Apparatus (All Frequency Bands)
4. Radiocommunications (Electromagnetic Radiation – Human Exposure) Standard 2003

Related Document(s)

5. Council Recommendation 1999/519/EC of 12 July 1999 on the limitation of exposure of the general public to electromagnetic fields (0 Hz to 300 GHz) (Official Journal L 197 of 30 July 1999).
6. FCC Guidelines for Evaluating exposure to RF Emissions - 47 CFR § 1.1310; 47 CFR § 1.1307(b) & 47 CFR § 80.83.
7. Health Canada's Safety Code 6: Limits of Human Exposure to Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields in the Frequency Range from 3 KHz to 300 GHz.
8. ARPANSA, 'Radiation Protection Standard – Maximum Exposure Levels to Radiofrequency Fields – 3KHz to 300GHz'
9. ICNIRP 1998, 'Guidelines for limiting exposure to time-varying electric magnetic, and electromagnetic fields (up to 300GHz). Guidelines of the International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection', Health Physics, vol.74, no.4, pp.494-522.



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10. National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements (NRPB) - Report No. 86(1986) "Biological Effects and Exposure Criteria for Radio frequency Electromagnetic Fields".
11. EN 50383:2002 - Basic standard for the calculation and measurement of electromagnetic field strength and SAR related to human exposure from radio base stations and fixed terminal stations for wireless telecommunication systems (110 MHz - 40 GHz).
12. IEEE Std C95.1-2005: IEEE Standard for Safety Levels with respect to Human Exposure to Radio Frequency Electromagnetic Fields, 3KHz to 300GHz.
13. Australian Standard 2772.2 – 1988, 'Radiofrequency Radiation Part 2 – Principles and Methods of Measurement – 300KHz to 10GHz'



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1.2 BRIEF SUMMARY OF RESULTS

1.2.1 General Public Exposure Levels

Antenna Gain (Numeric)	Peak Output Power (mW)	Field	Calculated RF Exposure at 1.500 m (150.0cm)	General Public Exposure Limit	Application
1.995	1000	S	0.000 Wm-2	2.00 Wm-2	ICNIRP
		S	0.0000 mW/cm2	0.20 mW/cm2	FCC 47 CFR § 1.1310
		S	0.000 Wm-2	2.00 Wm-2	Canada's RF Safety Code 6
		S	0.000 Wm-2	2.00 Wm-2	ARPANSA
		E	0.015 V/m	28.00 V/m	ICNIRP
		E	0.015 V/m	27.50 V/m	FCC 47 CFR § 1.1310
		E	0.015 V/m	28.00 V/m	Canada's RF Safety Code 6
		E	0.015 V/m	27.40 V/m	ARPANSA
		H	0.000 A/m	0.073 A/m	ICNIRP
		H	0.000 A/m	0.07 A/m	FCC 47 CFR § 1.1310
		H	0.000 A/m	0.073 A/m	Canada's RF Safety Code 6
		H	0.000 A/m	0.073 A/m	ARPANSA

The calculations have shown that they **meet** the General Public Exposure Levels described in the ICNIRP Guidelines, FCC 47 CFR § 1.1310 Guidelines, Health Canada's RF exposure guideline Safety Code 6 and the Australian ARPANSA limits at **150.0** cm, the point of investigation.



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1.2.2 Occupational Exposure Levels

Antenna Gain (Numeric)	Peak Output Power (mW)	Field	Calculated RF Exposure at 1.500 m (150.0 cm)	Occupational Exposure Limit	Application
1.995	1000	S	0.000 Wm-2	10.00 Wm-2	ICNIRP
		S	0.00001 mW/cm2	1.00 mW/cm2	FCC 47 CFR § 1.1310
		S	0.000 Wm-2	10.00 Wm-2	Canada's RF Safety Code 6
		S	0.000 Wm-2	10.00 Wm-2	ARPANSA
		E	0.015 V/m	61.00 V/m	ICNIRP
		E	0.015 V/m	27.50 V/m	FCC 47 CFR § 1.1310
		E	0.015 V/m	60.00 V/m	Canada's RF Safety Code 6
		E	0.015 V/m	61.40 V/m	ARPANSA
		H	0.000 A/m	0.16 A/m	ICNIRP
		H	0.000 A/m	0.16 A/m	FCC 47 CFR § 1.1310
		H	0.000 A/m	0.16 A/m	Canada's RF Safety Code 6
		H	0.000 A/m	0.163 A/m	ARPANSA

The calculations have shown that they **meet** the Occupational Exposure Levels described in the ICNIRP Guidelines, FCC 47 CFR § 1.1310 Guidelines, Health Canada's RF exposure guideline Safety Code 6 and the Australian ARPANSA limits at **150.0 cm**, the point of investigation.



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1.3 PRODUCT INFORMATION

1.3.1 Attestation

The wireless device described within this report has been shown to be capable of compliance with the basic restrictions related to human exposure to electromagnetic fields (10 MHz - 300 MHz) - General public. The calculations shown in this report were made in accordance the procedures specified in the applied test specification(s).

1.3.2 Technical Description

The Equipment under test was a SRT Marine Technology Ltd COBALT; Marine AIS CSTDMA Class B Transceiver to IEC62287-1. A full technical description can be found in the manufacturer's documentation.

The wireless device described within this report has been shown to be capable of compliance with the basic restrictions related to human exposure to electromagnetic fields (10 MHz - 300 MHz) - General public. The calculations shown in this report were made in accordance the procedures specified in the applied test specification(s).

All reported calculations were carried out on the relevant information supplied for the COBALT; Marine AIS CSTDMA Class B Transceiver to IEC62287-1 to demonstrate compliance with the applied test specification(s) the sample assessed was found to comply with the requirements of the applied rules.

1.4 SUMMARY

The RF exposure assessment is based upon the following criteria:

The COBALT; Marine AIS CSTDMA Class B Transceiver to IEC62287-1 operates in the frequency range of 156.025 MHz – 162.025MHz

The gain of the COBALT; Marine AIS CSTDMA Class B Transceiver to is **3** dBi.
The COBALT; Marine AIS CSTDMA Class B Transceiver to IEC62287-1 radio power is a maximum 1000 milliwatt.

The point of investigation is 1.500 m (150.0 cm) with a maximum antenna numeric gain of 1.995.
The duty cycle is 0.000889208%.



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TEST DETAILS



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2.1 RATIONALE FOR ASSESSMENT OF THE RF EXPOSURE

The aim of the assessment report is to evaluate the compliance boundary for a set of given input power(s) according to the basic restrictions (directly or indirectly via compliance with reference levels) related to human exposure to radio frequency electromagnetic fields.

The chosen assessment method to establish the compliance boundary in the far-field region is the reference method as defined in EN50383:2002 Clause 5.2; E-field or H-field calculation. The method of calculation used is defined in EN50383:2002; Clause 8.2.2, 8.2.3 and 8.2.4.

The calculated values have been compared with limits provided in the ICNIRP guidelines. Calculations can be made in three separate regions, based on distance from the antenna. These are called:

- far-field region,
- radiating near-field region,
- reactive near-field region.

The theory that defines these regions is given in EN50383:2002 Annex A.

Far-field region

As shown in EN50383 Annex A, the far-field calculations are accurate when the distance, r , from an antenna of length D to a point of investigation is greater than

$$r = \frac{2D^2}{\lambda}$$

Where, r is the distance from the antenna to the point of investigation.

Radiating near-field region

The radiating near-field region of an antenna of length D as shown in EN50383 Annex A, this region is defined by

$$\frac{\lambda}{4} < r < \frac{2D^2}{\lambda}$$

Reactive near-field region

The reactive near-field region of an antenna as shown in EN50383 Annex A, this region is defined by

$$r \leq \frac{\lambda}{4}$$

Where, r is the distance from the antenna to the point of investigation.

Recommend $\lambda/4$ as the boundary between the radiated near-field and reactive near-field for RF exposure compliance assessment.



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2.2 DEFINED LIMITS

Normative Reference: ICNIRP Advice on Limiting Exposure to Electromagnetic Fields (0-300GHz). Table A4, Reference Levels for General Public Exposure to Time Varying Electric & Magnetic Fields. Vol 15 No.2. 2004. The defined limits are in accordance with 47 CFR § 1.1310 Radiofrequency radiation exposure limits.

Reference levels for general public exposure to time-varying electric and magnetic fields (unperturbed rms values)

At 156.025 MHz		
Power density (Wm ⁻²)	= 2.00	ICNIRP
Power density (mWcm ⁻²)	= 0.20	FCC 47 CFR § 1.1310
Power density (Wm ⁻²)	= 2.00	Canada's RF Safety Code 6
Power density (Wm ⁻²)	= 2.00	Australian Radiation Protection Series Publication No. 3
E-Field (Vm ⁻¹)	= 28.00	ICNIRP
E-Field (Vm ⁻¹)	= 27.50	FCC 47 CFR § 1.1310
E-Field (Vm ⁻¹)	= 28.00	Canada's RF Safety Code 6
E-Field (Vm ⁻¹)	= 27.40	Australian Radiation Protection Series Publication No. 3
H-Field (Am ⁻¹)	= 0.073	ICNIRP
H-Field (Am ⁻¹)	= 0.07	FCC 47 CFR § 1.1310
H-Field (Am ⁻¹)	= 0.073	Canada's RF Safety Code 6
H-Field (Am ⁻¹)	= 0.073	Australian Radiation Protection Series Publication No. 3

Reference levels for occupational exposure to time-varying electric and magnetic fields (unperturbed rms values)

At 156.025 MHz		
Power density (Wm ⁻²)	= 10.00	ICNIRP
Power density (mWcm ⁻²)	= 1.00	FCC 47 CFR § 1.1310
Power density (Wm ⁻²)	= 10.00	Canada's RF Safety Code 6
Power density (Wm ⁻²)	= 10.00	Australian Radiation Protection Series Publication No. 3
E-Field (Vm ⁻¹)	= 61.00	ICNIRP
E-Field (Vm ⁻¹)	= 27.50	FCC 47 CFR § 1.1310
E-Field (Vm ⁻¹)	= 60.00	Canada's RF Safety Code 6
E-Field (Vm ⁻¹)	= 61.40	Australian Radiation Protection Series Publication No. 3
H-Field (Am ⁻¹)	= 0.16	ICNIRP
H-Field (Am ⁻¹)	= 0.16	FCC 47 CFR § 1.1310
H-Field (Am ⁻¹)	= 0.16	Canada's RF Safety Code 6
H-Field (Am ⁻¹)	= 0.16	Australian Radiation Protection Series Publication No. 3

2.3 ESTABLISHING WAVELENGTH AND 1/4 WAVELENGTH

Frequency (MHz)	$\lambda = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{f}$		$\frac{\lambda}{4}$	
	m	cm	m	cm
156.025	1.9228	192.28	0.4807	48.07
159.025	1.8865	188.65	0.4716	47.16
162.025	1.8516	185.16	0.4629	46.29



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2.4 FAR FIELD CALCULATIONS

The following calculations are based on: 3 dBi gain antenna

P = 1 (Power (Watts)) or 1000 (Power milliwatts)
G = 1.995 (Numeric Gain)
r = 150.0 (Distance (centimetres)) or 1.500 (Distance (meters))

The power flux:

$$S = \frac{PG_{(\theta, \phi)}}{4\pi r^2}$$

S = 0.000 W/m²
S = 0.0000 mW/cm²

The electric field strength:

$$E = \frac{\sqrt{30PG_{(\theta, \phi)}}}{r}$$

E = V/m

The magnetic field strength:

$$H = \frac{E}{\eta_0}$$

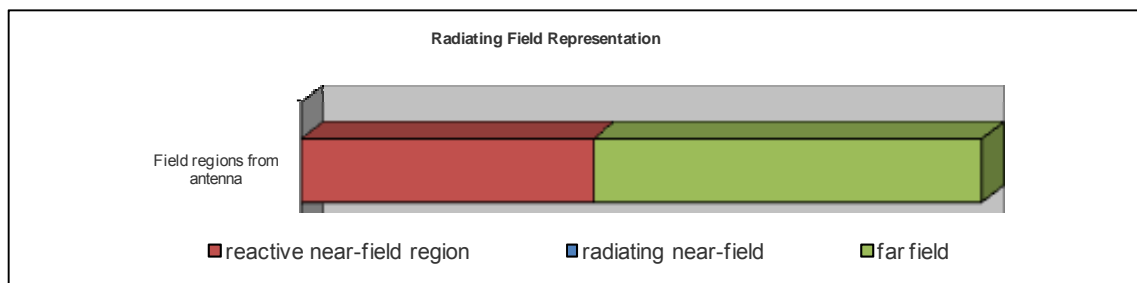
H = 0.000 A/m

The calculations meet the General Public Exposure Levels described in the ICNIRP Guidelines.
The calculations meet the General Public Exposure Levels described in the FCC 47CFR§1.1310.
The calculations meet the General Public Exposure Levels described in the Canada's RF Safety Code 6.
The calculations meet the General Public Exposure Levels described in the Australian Radiation Protection Series Publication No. 3

The calculations meet the Occupational Exposure Levels described in the ICNIRP Guidelines.
The calculations meet the Occupational Exposure Levels described in the FCC 47CFR§1.1310
The calculations meet the Occupational Exposure Levels described in the Canada's RF Safety Code 6
The calculations meet the Occupational Exposure Levels described in the Australian Radiation Protection Series Publication No. 3

2.5 FIELD REGIONS

Worst case frequency 156.025 MHz



The Reactive near-field region (from antenna) is less than : 0.481 m (48.069 cm)
The Radiating near-field region is greater than : 0.481 m (48.069 cm)
The Radiating near-field region is less than : 0.000 m (0.00 cm)
The Far-field region is greater than : 0.000 m (0.00 cm)



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FIGURES

3.1 FIELD REPRESENTATIONS – ICNIRP

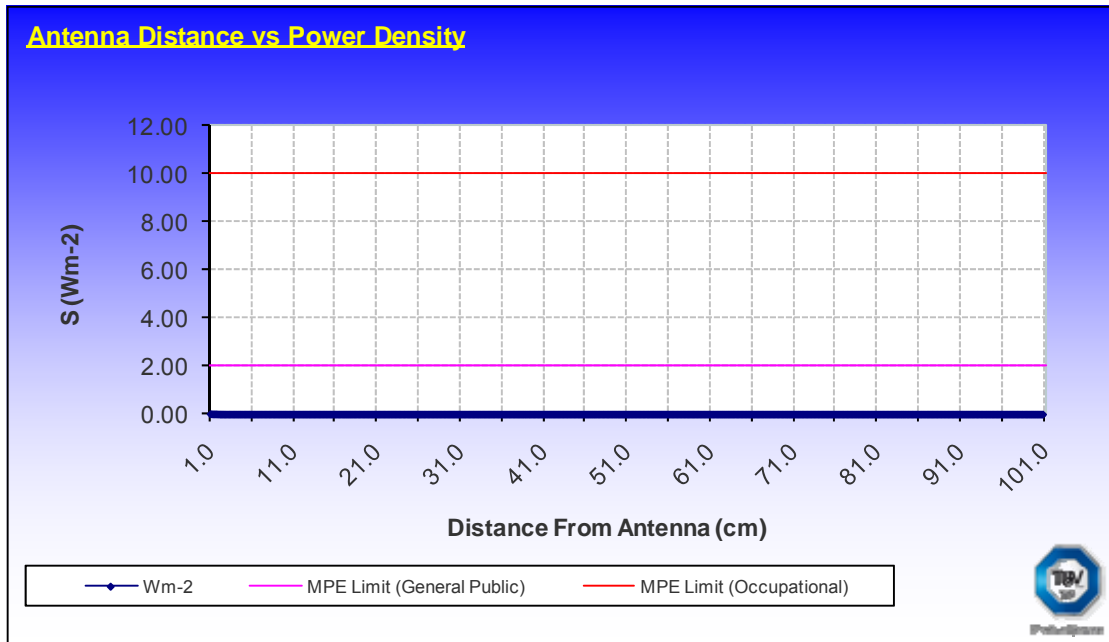


Figure 2 - This graph shows the S field (W/cm^2) strength value with regards to distance from the Antenna (cm)

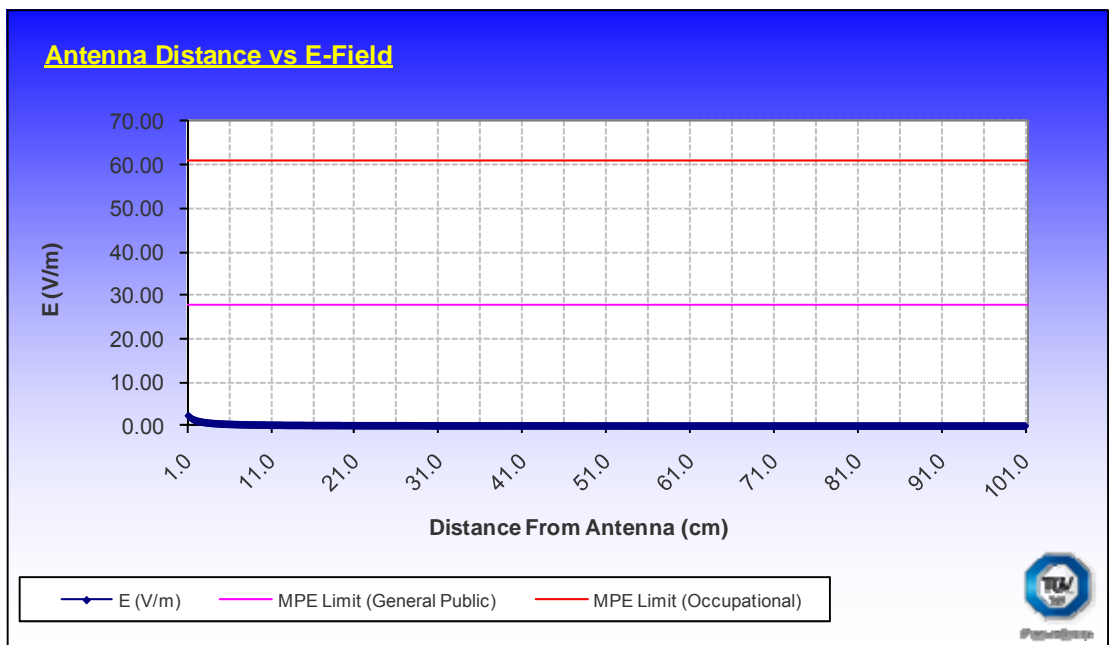


Figure 3 - This graph shows the E field (V/m) strength value with regards to distance from the Antenna (cm).

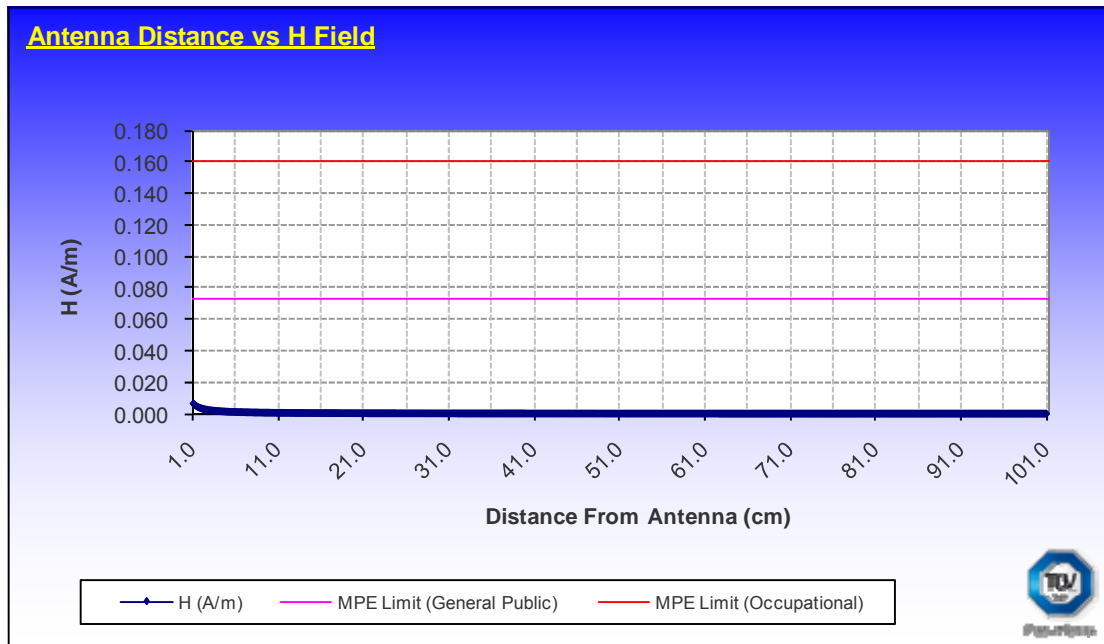


Figure 4 - This graph shows the H field (A/m) strength value with regards to distance from the Antenna (cm).

3.2 FIELD REPRESENTATIONS – FCC

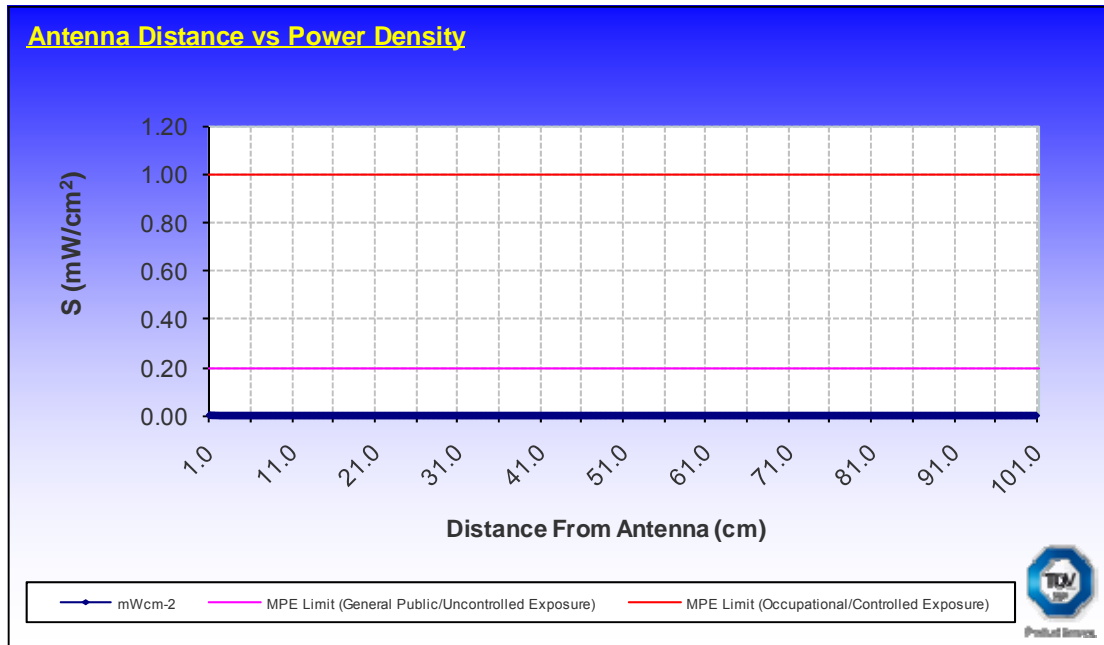


Figure 5 - This graph shows the S field (mW/cm^2) strength value with regards to distance from the Antenna (cm)

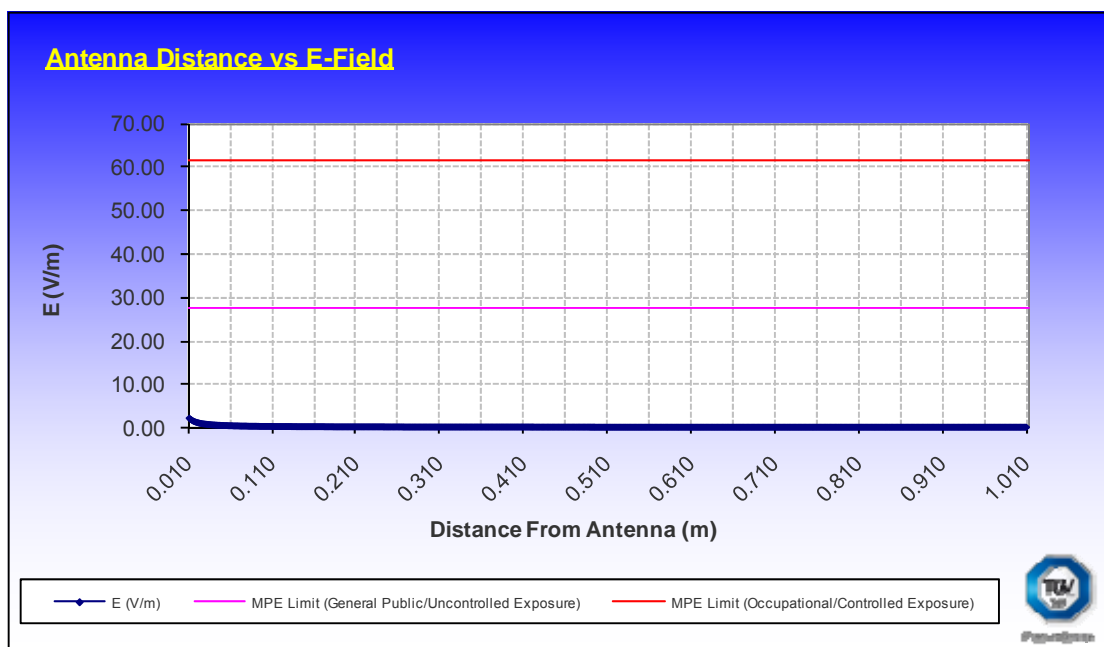


Figure 6 - This graph shows the E field (V/m) strength value with regards to distance from the Antenna (m). Note: No applicable limit.

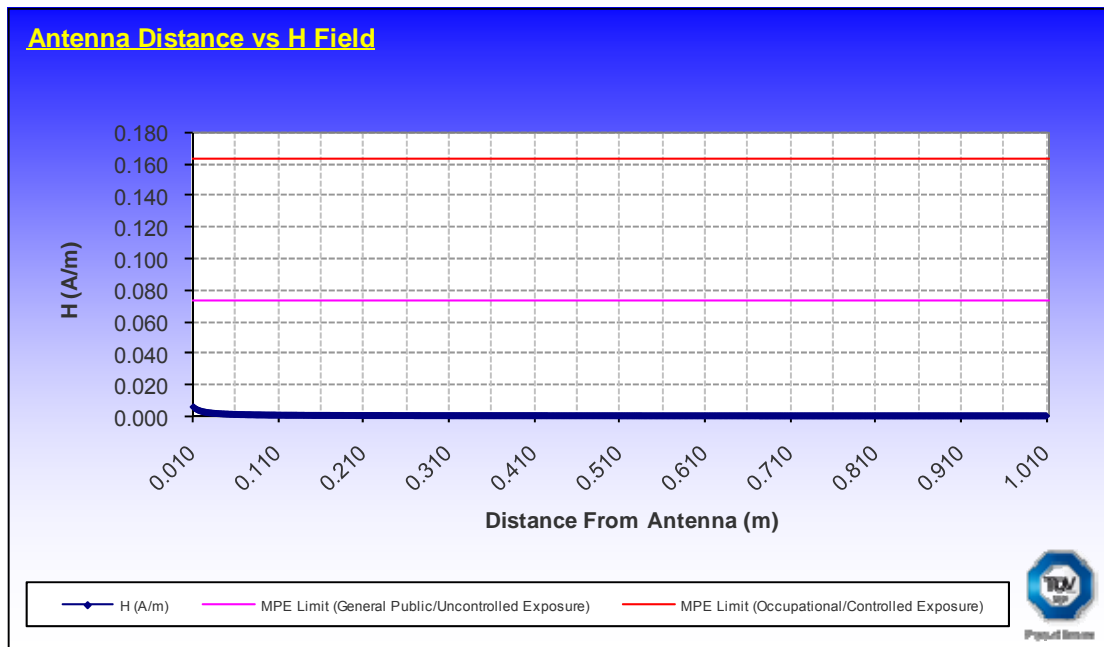


Figure 7 - This graph shows the H field (A/m) strength value with regards to distance from the Antenna (m). Note: No applicable limit.

3.3 FIELD REPRESENTATIONS – IC

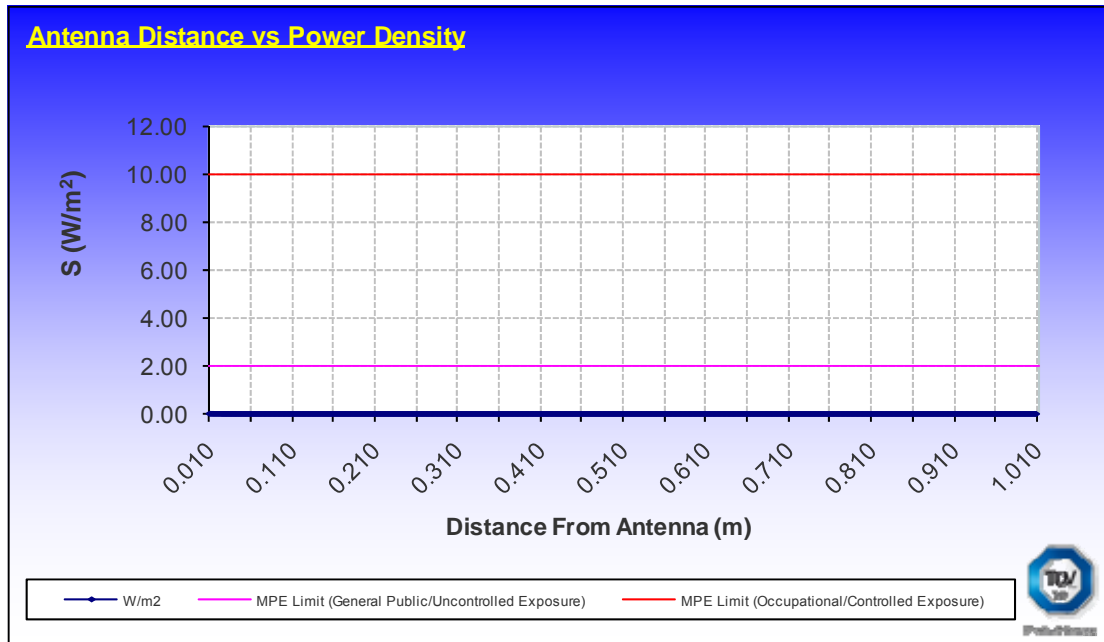


Figure 8 - This graph shows the S field (W/cm^2) strength value with regards to distance from the Antenna (m)

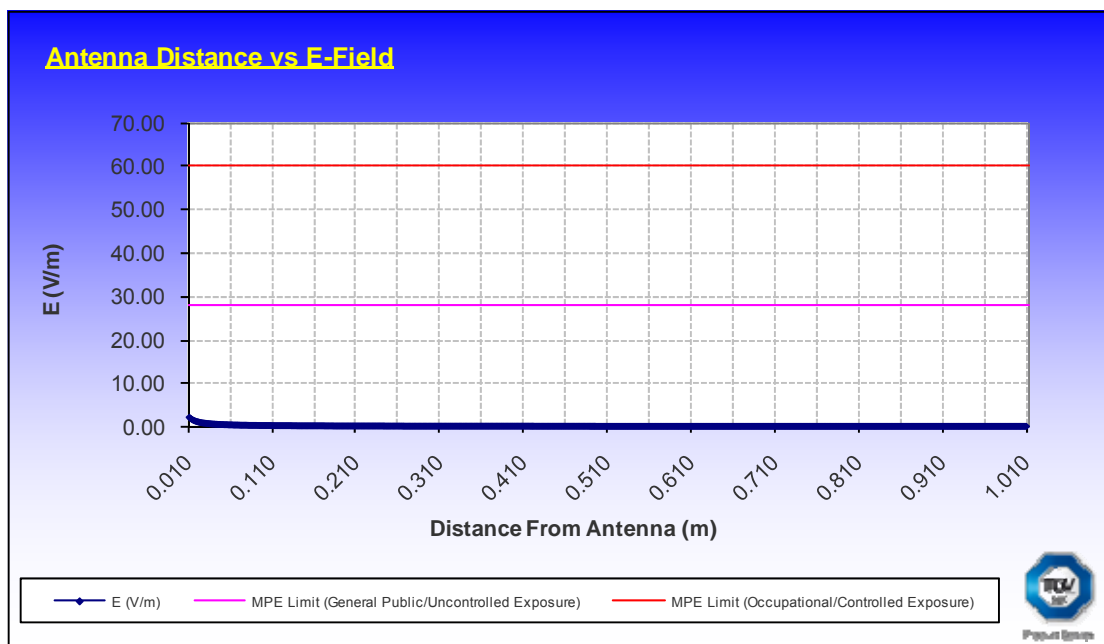


Figure 9 - This graph shows the E field (V/m) strength value with regards to distance from the Antenna (m).

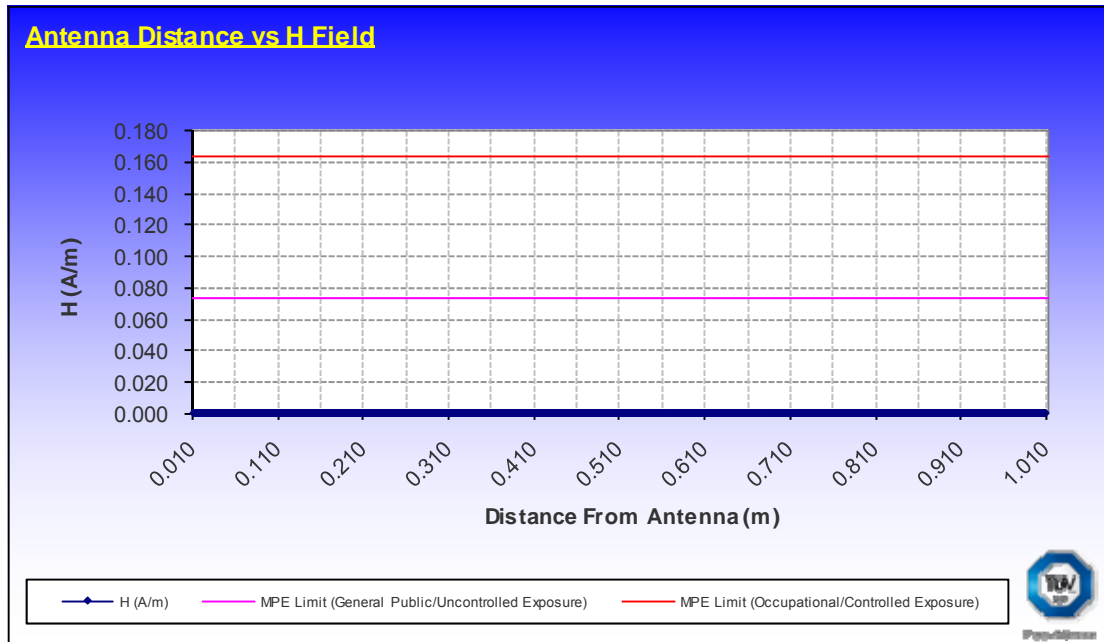


Figure 10 - This graph shows the H field (A/m) strength value with regards to distance from the Antenna (m).

3.4 FIELD REPRESENTATIONS – ACMA

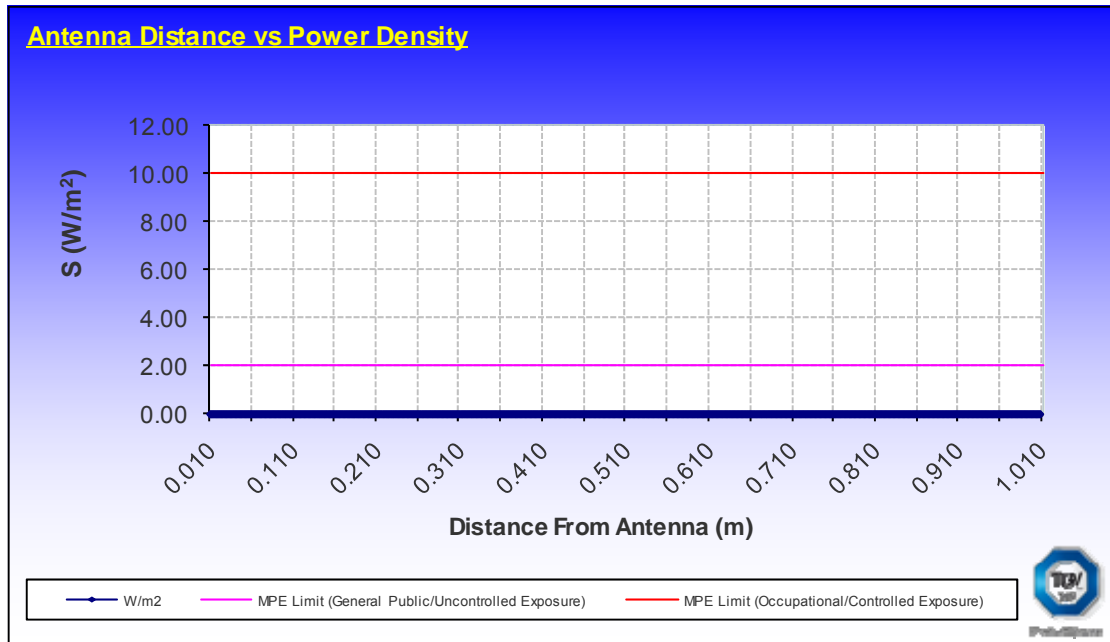


Figure 11 - This graph shows the S field (W/cm^2) strength value with regards to distance from the Antenna (m)

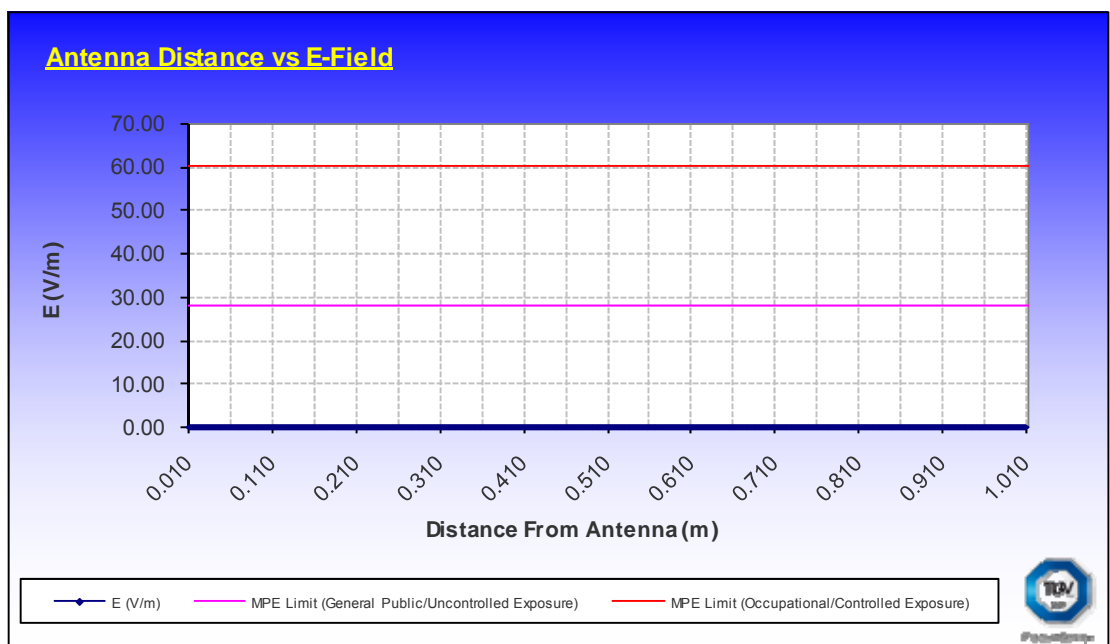


Figure 12 - This graph shows the E field (V/m) strength value with regards to distance from the Antenna (m).

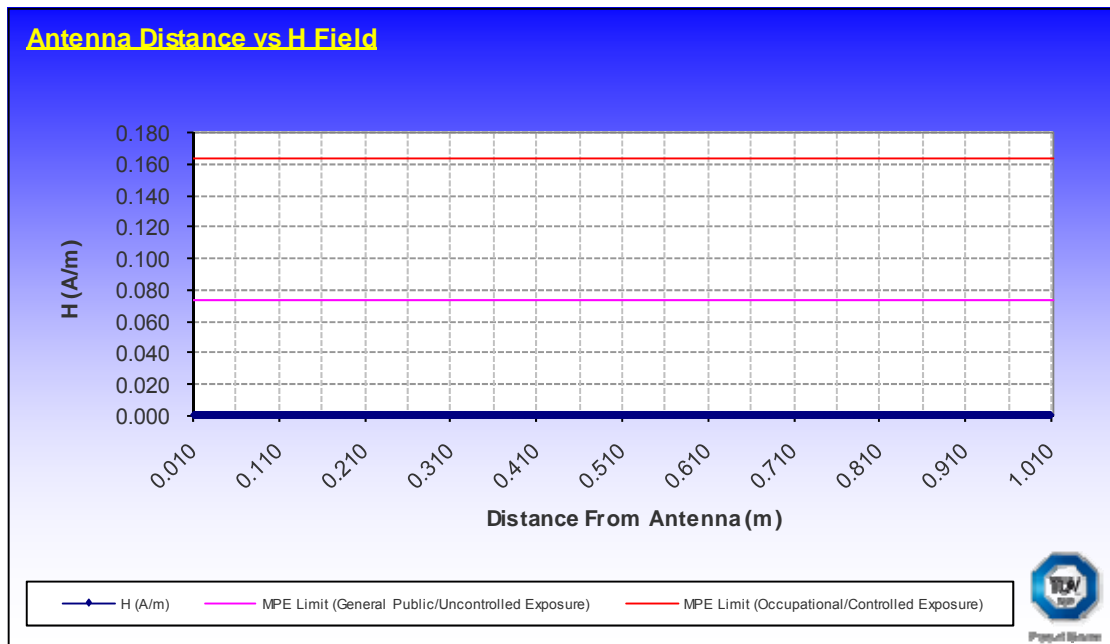


Figure 13 - This graph shows the H field (A/m) strength value with regards to distance from the Antenna (m).



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