

FCC Part 15, Subpart C, Section 15.231 Test Report

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LoPower Propane eSensor Transmitter FCC ID: X94-0005894

Customer Name: Senet, Inc.

Customer P.O: 734

Date of Report: September 1, 2015

Test Report No: R-5980N-2

Test Start Date: July 13, 2015

Test Finish Date: July 14, 2015

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Technical Information

Report Number: R-5980N-2

Customer: Senet, Inc.

Address: 46 River Road

Hudson, NH 03051

Manufacturer: Senet, Inc.

Manufacturer Address: 46 River Road

Hudson, NH 03051

Test Sample: LoPower Propane eSensor Transmitter

Part Number: 3822

Serial Number: 0003822-000165OC

FCC ID: X94-0005894

Power Requirements: 3.6VDC Internal Battery

Frequency of Operation: 433 MHz

Non-removable Omni Directional - No Antenna

Antenna Type: Connector

Equipment Use: Measures Propane Tank Level and Sends Data

Test Specification:

FCC Rules and Regulations Part 15, Subpart C, Section 15.231

Test Procedure:

ANSI C63.4:2009

Test Facility:

Retlif Testing Laboratories 101 New Boston Road Goffstown, NH 03045

FCC Registered Test Site Number: 90899

Tests Performed

The test methods performed on the LoPower Propane eSensor Transmitter are shown below:

FCC Part 15, Subpart C	Test Method
15.231(e)	Field Strength of Emissions – Fundamental
15.231	Duty Cycle Determination
15.231(e)	Field Strength of Spurious Emissions
15.231(c)	Bandwidth of Emission

General Test Requirements

- 1. The measurement procedures of ANSI C63.4:2009 were utilized as specified in FCC Part 15, Subpart C, Section 15.31(a)(3) and the ANSI C63.4 transition period allowed by the FCC.
- 2. All radiated emissions measurements were performed on an Open Area Test Site (OATS), listed with the FCC.
- 3. The level of the fundamental field strength was measured with a new battery installed in the EUT.
- 4. All measurements were performed at the specified 3 meter test distance as required by FCC Section 15.31(f).
- 5. The EUT was rotated throughout 360 degrees for all radiated emissions measurements.
- 6. All readily accessible EUT controls were adjusted in such a manner as to maximize the level of emissions.
- 7. Appropriate accessories were attached to all EUT ports during the performance of radiated emissions measurements.
- 8. The EUT was battery powered and AC line conducted emissions were not required.
- 9. The EUT operated at the frequency of 433 MHz.
- 10. The frequency spectrum was investigated from the lowest frequency generated in the device up to the 10th harmonic of the highest fundamental frequency.
- 11. All measurements were taken with a peak detector function as specified in FCC Section 15.35(a). The duty cycle, calculated in accordance with FCC Section 15.35(c) was applied to the peak readings in order to obtain the average value of emissions. The peak value of emissions was verified to meet the 20 dB requirement of FCC Section 15.35(b).
- 12. The EUT transmits for a maximum of 1 second once every hour which meets the requirement of 15.231 (e).

Certification and Signatures

We certify that this report is a true representation of the results obtained from the tests of the equipment stated. We further certify that the measurements shown in this report were made in accordance with the procedures indicated and vouch for the qualifications of all Retlif Testing Laboratories personnel taking them.

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Scott Wentworth
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NVLAP Approved Signatory

Todd Hannemann Laboratory Supervisor

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Requirements and Test Results

Requirement:

FCC Section 15.231(a) - Periodic operation in the band 40.66 - 40.7 MHz and above 70 MHz

The provisions of this Section are restricted to periodic operation within the band 40.66-40.7 MHz and above 70 MHz. Except as shown in Paragraph (e) of this Section, the intentional radiator is restricted to the transmissions of a control signal such as those used with alarm systems, door openers, remote switches, etc. Continuous transmissions, voice, video and the radio control of toys are not permitted. Data is permitted to be sent with a control signal.

• Results:

The device was operated at a frequency of 433 MHz and is used to transmit propane tank level data. The device operates in accordance with 15.231 (e).

Requirement:

FCC Sections 15.231(a)(1)-(5)

Periodic operation in the band 40.66 - 40.7 MHz and above 70 MHz

The following conditions were met in order to comply with the provisions for momentary operation:

FCC 15.231(a)(1): A manually operated transmitter shall employ a switch that will automatically deactivate the transmitter within not more than 5 seconds of being released.

Results:

The device is not manually operated.

FCC 15.231(a)(2): A transmitter activated automatically shall cease transmission within 5 seconds after activation.

Results:

The device will transmit for 25.05 msec after activation and cease transmission.

FCC 15.231(a)(3): Periodic transmissions at regular predetermined intervals are not permitted. However, polling or supervision transmissions, including data, to determine system integrity of transmitters used in security or safety applications are allowed if the total duration of transmissions does not exceed more than two seconds per hour for each transmitter. There is no limit on the number of individual transmissions, provided the total transmission time does not exceed two seconds per hour.

Results:

The device will transmit for a duration of 25.05 msec. The device will transmit 1 time per hour. The device operates in accordance with 15.231 (e).

FCC 15.231(a)(4): Intentional radiators which are employed for radio control purposes during emergencies involving fire, security and safety of life, when activated to signal an alarm, may operate during the pendency of the alarm condition.

Results:

This device is not employed for radio control purposes during emergencies involving fire, security and safety for life.

FCC 15.231(a)(5): Transmission of set-up information for security systems may exceed the transmission duration limits in paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) of this section, provided such transmission are under the control of a professional installer and do not exceed ten seconds after a manually operated switch is released or a transmitter is activated automatically. Such set-up information may include data.

Results:

The device is not employed for security systems.

Requirement:

FCC Section 15.231(e) - Field Strength of Emissions

In addition to the provisions of Section 15.205, the field strength of emissions from intentional radiators operated under this Section shall not exceed the limits specified in Table 1.

Table 1 - Test Limits, Field Strength of Emissions

Fundamental Frequency (MHz)	Field Strength of Fundamental microvolts/meter @3 meters (watts, e.i.r.p.) Quasi Peak or Average	Field Strength of Spurious Emissions microvolts/meter @3 meters Quasi Peak or Average
40.66 to 40.70	1,000	100
70 to 130	500	50
130 to 174	500 to 1,500**	50 to 150**
174 to 260	1500	150
260 to 470	1,500 to 5,000**	150 to 500**
Above 470	5000	500

^{**}Linear Interpolations

For 130-174 MHz: FS (microvolts/m) = (22.73 x F) - 2454.55For 260-470 MHz: FS (microvolts/m) = (16.67 x F) - 2,833.33

The maximum permitted unwanted emission level is 20 dB below the maximum permitted fundamental level.

The Fundamental and Spurious Emissions limits for a device operating at 433 MHz are listed in Table 2. Spurious emissions shall be attenuated to the average (or, alternatively, CISPR quasi-peak) limits shown in Table 1 or to the general limits shown in Section 15.209, whichever limit permits a higher field strength.

Table 2 - Fundamental and Spurious Limits

Frequency of Operation MHz	Fundamental μV/m	Spurious µV/m
433.0	4384.78	438.4

Results:

The field strength of fundamental and spurious emissions did not exceed the limits specified in Table 2 at a test distance of 3 meters. See test data for the Fundamental and Harmonic emissions test results.

Requirement:

FCC Section 15.231(b)(2) - Duty Cycle Determination-Pulsed Operation

Intentional radiators operating under the provisions of the Section shall demonstrate compliance with the limits on the field strength emissions, as shown in Table 1, based on the average value of the measured emissions. As an alternative, compliance with the limits in the Table 1 may be based on the use of measurement instrumentation with a CISPR quasi-peak detector. The specific method of measurement employed shall be specified in the application for equipment authorization. If average emission measurements are employed, the provisions in Section 15.35 for averaging pulsed emissions and for limiting peak emissions apply. Further, compliance with the provisions of Section 15.205 shall be demonstrated using the measurement instrumentation specified in that Section.

When the field strength (or envelope power) is not constant or when it is in pulses, and an average detector is specified to be used, the value of field strength or power shall be determined by averaging over one complete pulse train, including blanking intervals within the pulse train, as long as the pulse train does not exceed 0.1 seconds. In cases where the pulse train exceeds 0.1 seconds, the average value (of field strength or output power) shall be determined during a 0.1 second interval during which the field strength or power is at its maximum value.

The duty cycle of the EUT was evaluated in all operating modes to determine the worst case duty cycle. The sweep time was then adjusted in order to display one full pulse train. The transmitter on time was then summed and compared to the time for one full cycle in order to obtain the duty cycle. As the transmitter cycle time exceeded 100msec, 100msec was used as the cycle time for the duty cycle calculation and the maximum on time within any 100msec period was recorded as the on time (See plots for additional information).

Results:

See below for the exact method of calculating the duty cycle and average field strength.

CALCULATION

On time =
$$25.05$$
 milliseconds

Duty Cycle (24.85/100) = 25.05 %

Correction Factor = 20 log (0.2505) = 12.0 dB

Field Strength Calculation:

The final average field strength of the emission was calculated by subtracting the duty cycle factor in dB from the maximized corrected peak reading in dBuV/m.

The maximized peak field strength of the emission was obtained as follows:

 $P_C = M_R + C_F$

Where:

P_C = Corrected Peak Reading in dBμV/m

 M_R = Uncorrected Meter Reading in $dB\mu V$

C_F = Correction Factor in dB (Antenna Factor, Pre-amp + Cable Loss)

The final average field strength of the emission was obtained as follows:

 $A_F = P_C - D_F$

Where:

 A_F = Average Field Strength in $dB\mu V/m$

P_C= Corrected Peak Reading in dBµV/m

D_F = Duty Cycle Factor in dB

Example: For the Propane eSensor at a frequency of 433 MHz:

 $M_R = 55.76 \text{ dB}\mu\text{V}$

 $C_F = 23.77 \text{ dB}$

 $P_C = 55.76 \text{ dBuV} + 23.77 = 79.53 \text{ dB}\mu\text{V/m}$

 $D_F = 12.0 \text{ dB}$

 $A_F = 79.53 \text{ dBuV/m} - 12.0 \text{ dB} = 67.53 \text{ dBuV/m}$

67.53 dBuV/m = 2379.58 uV/m

Requirement:

FCC Section 15.231(e) - Field Strength of Spurious Emissions

The limits on the field strength of the spurious emissions specified in Table 1 are based on the fundamental frequency of the intentional radiator. Spurious emissions shall be attenuated to the average (or, alternatively, CISPR quasi-peak) limits shown in Table 1 or to the general limits shown in Section 15.209, whichever limit permits a higher field strength.

Results:

No spurious emissions were observed within 10 dB of the specified limit.

Requirement:

FCC Section 15.231(c) - Bandwidth of Emissions

The bandwidth of the emissions shall be no wider than 0.25% of the center frequency for devices operating above 70 MHz and below 900 MHz. Bandwidth is determined at the points 20 dB down from the modulated carrier. For a frequency of 433 MHz the limit is 1.08 MHz.

Results:

The bandwidth was measured and found to be less than 0.25% of the center frequency.

Equipment Lists

Field Strength of Emissions – Fundamental

EN	Manufacturer	Description	Range	Model No.	Cal Date	Due Date
4029	RETLIF	OPEN AREA TEST SITE, FILING	3 / 10 Meters	RNH	5/15/2013	5/31/2016
5053	ETS / EMCO	ANTENNA, BICONILOG	26 MHz - 3 GHz	3142C	2/24/2015	8/31/2016
5070	ROHDE & SCHWARZ	RECEIVER, EMI	20 Hz - 40 GHz	ESIB40	10/29/2014	10/31/2016

Duty Cycle Determination - Pulsed Operation

EN	Manufacturer	Description	Range	Model No.	Cal Date	Due Date
5070	ROHDE & SCHWARZ	RECEIVER, EMI	20 Hz - 40 GHz	ESIB40	10/29/2014	10/31/2016
5135	NARDA MICROWAV	'E ATTENUATOR, COAXIAL	10 dB, DC - 12.4 GHz	757C-10	10/28/2014	10/31/2015

Field Strength of Spurious Emissions

EN	Manufacturer	Description	Range	Model No.	Cal Date	Due Date
1232	AGILENT / HP	PRE-AMPLIFIER	1 - 26.5 GHz	8449B	6/17/2015	6/30/2016
3258	ETS / EMCO	ANTENNA, DOUBLE RIDGED GUIDE	1 - 18 GHz	3115	3/24/2015	9/30/2016
4029	RETLIF	OPEN AREA TEST SITE, FILING	3 / 10 Meters	RNH	5/15/2013	5/31/2016
5053	ETS / EMCO	ANTENNA, BICONILOG	26 MHz - 3 GHz	3142C	2/24/2015	8/31/2016
5070	ROHDE & SCHWARZ	RECEIVER, EMI	20 Hz - 40 GHz	ESIB40	10/29/2014	10/31/2016
R462	AGILENT / HP	ANALYZER, SPECTRUM	9 kHz - 26.5 GHz	E7405A	1/8/2015	1/31/2016

Bandwidth of Emission

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5070	ROHDE & SCHWARZ	RECEIVER, EMI	20 Hz - 40 GHz	ESIB40	10/29/2014	10/31/2016
5135	NARDA MICROWAV	'E ATTENUATOR, COAXIAL	10 dB, DC - 12.4 GHz	757C-10	10/28/2014	10/31/2015

Test Photograph(s) Field Strength of Emissions – Fundamental

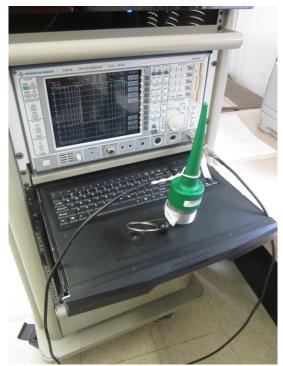


Horizontal Antenna Polarization



Vertical Antenna Polarization

Test Photograph(s) Duty Cycle Determination



Test Setup

Test Photograph(s) Field Strength of Spurious Emissions



Horizontal Polarization, 30 MHz to 1 GHz



Vertical Polarization, 30 MHz to 1 GHz

Test Photograph(s) Field Strength of Spurious Emissions

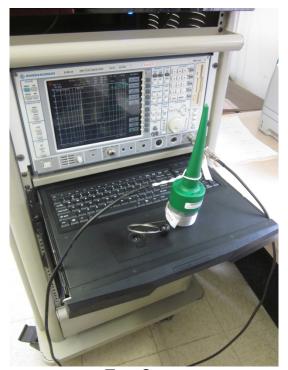


Horizontal Polarization, 1 GHz to 4.4 GHz

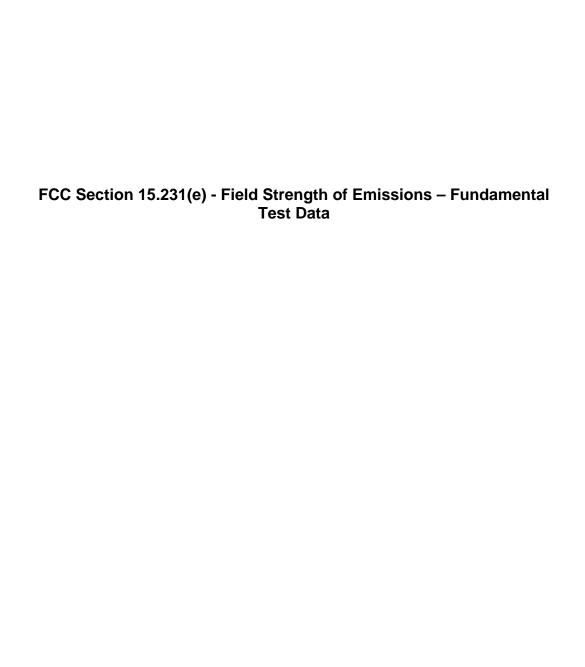


Vertical Polarization, 1 GHz to 4.4 GHz

Test Photograph(s) Bandwidth of Emission



Test Setup



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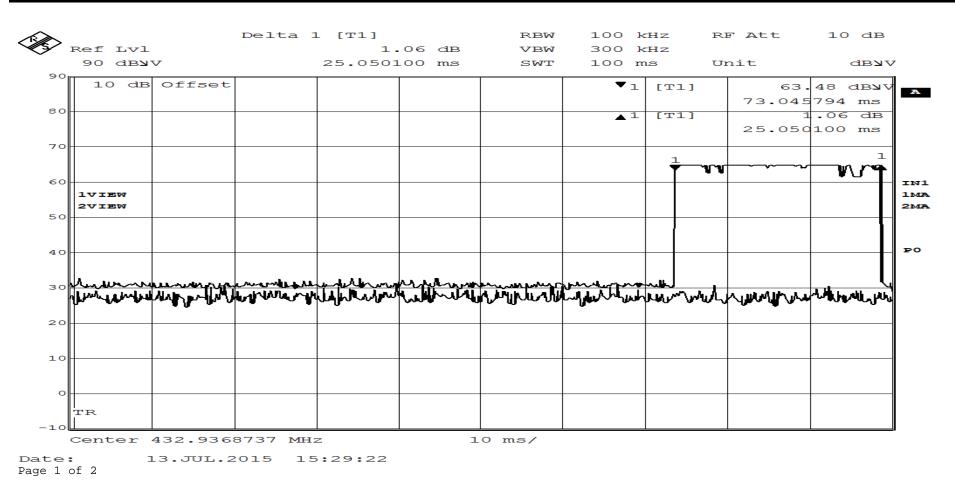
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	EMISSIONS TEST DATA SHEET					
Test Method	Field Strength of Emissions - Fundamental Field Strength					
Customer	Senet, Inc.					
Job Number	R-5980N-2					
Test Sample	Propane Transmitter					
Part Number	3822					
Serial Number	0003822-000165OC					
Test Specification	FCC Part 15, Subpart C	Paragraph: 15.231(e)				
Operating Mode	Transmitting modulated signal at 433 MHz					
Technician	M. Seamans					
Date	July 13 th , 2015					
Notes: Test Distance: 3 m	eters Detector: Peak Resolution BW: 100 kHz					

	TEST PARAMETERS							
Frequency	Antenna Position	Measured level	Correction Factor	Corrected Peak Reading	Duty Cycle Factor	Corrected Average Reading	Converted Average Reading	Average Limit at 3m
MHz	(H/V)	dBuV	dB	dBuV/m	dB	dBuV/m	uV/m	uV/m
432.96	V	55.76	23.77	79.53	-12.0	67.53	2379.58	4384.78

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	RETLIF TESTING LABORATORIES					
Test Method:	Duty Cycle Determination					
Customer	Senet, Inc.	Job No.	R-5980N-2			
Test Sample	Propane Transmitter					
Part Number	3822	Serial No.	0003822-000165OC			
Operating Mode	Transmitting modulated signal at 433 MHz					
Test Specification	FCC part 15.35					
Technician	M. Seamans	Date	July 13 th , 2015			
Climatic Conditions	Temp: 22.0 °C Relative Humidity: 40.0 %					
Notes	Measured maximum transmit time: 25.05ms					



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	EMISSIONS TEST DATA SHEET				
Test Method	Duty Cycle Determination				
Customer	Senet, Inc.				
Job Number	R-5980N-2				
Test Sample	Propane Transmitter				
Part Number	3822				
Serial Number	0003822-000165OC				
Test Specification	FCC part 15.35				
Operating Mode	Transmitting modulated signal at 433 MHz				
Technician	M. Seamans				
Date	July 13 th , 2015				
Notes: Measured maxir	Notes: Measured maximum transmit time: 25.05ms				

	TEST PARAMETERS					
Measured on time	Measured time interval		Result	Duty Cycle Factor Allowed		
msec	msec	Duty Cycle Factor Calculation	dB	dB		
25.05	100	= 20*Log ₁₀ (25.05 ms/ 100 ms)	-12.023	-12.0		
				Data Sheet 2 of 2		

FCC Section 15.231(e) - Field Strength of Spurious Emissions Test Data

RETLIF TESTING LABORATORIES					
EMISSIONS TEST DATA SHEET					
Test Method	Field Strength of Spurious Emissions 30 MHz to 1 GHz				
Customer	Senet, Inc.				
Job Number	R-5980N-2				
Test Sample	Propane Transmitter				
Part Number	3822				
Serial Number	0003822-0001765OC				
Test Specification	FCC Part 15, Subpart C Paragraph: 15. 15.205, 15.209				
Operating Mode	Transmitting modulated signal at 433 MHz				
Technician	M. Seamans	•			
Date	July 14 th , 2015				
Notes: Test Distance: 3 meters Detector: Quasi-Peak					

TEST PARAMETERS							
Frequency	Antenna Position	EUT Orientation	Meter Reading	Correction Factor	Corrected Reading		Limit at 3M
MHz	(H/V) / Height	Degrees	dBuV	dB	dBuV/m		dBuV/m
30.00	-	-	-	-	-		40.0
[-	-	-	-	-		
35.00	V-1m	0.0	7.48	15.72	23.20	*	
	-	-	-	-	-		
88.00	-	-	-	-	-		40.0
88.00	-	-	-	-	-		43.5
I	-	-	-	-	-		
105.00	V-1m	0.0	11.29	10.31	21.60	*	
110.00	V-1m	0.0	8.08	10.12	18.20	*	
205.00	V-1m	0.0	0.56	13.64	14.20	*	
[-	-	-	-	-		
216.00	-	-	-	-	-		43.5
216.00	-	-	-	-	-		46.0
1	-	-	-	-	-		
600.00	V-1m	0.0	-0.79	27.29	26.50	*	
1	-	-	-	-	-		
960.00	-	-	-	-	-		46.0
960.00	-	-	-	-	-		54.0
	-	-	-	-	-		
995.00	V-1m	0.0	1.71	32.59	34.30	*	
	-	-	-	-	-		
1000.00	-	-	-	-	-		54.0

EUT emissions within 10 dB of the specified test limit were observed at the specified test distance throughout the given frequency spectrum. * This emission is not from the EUT. It is a measurement of minimum measurement system sensitivity (Noise Floor).

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EMISSIONS TEST DATA SHEET					
Test Method	Field Strength of Spurious Emissions 1 GHz to 4.4 GHz				
Customer	Senet, Inc.				
Job Number	R-5980N-2				
Test Sample	Propane Transmitter				
Part Number	3822				
Serial Number	0003822-0001765OC				
Test Specification	FCC Part 15, Subpart C Paragraph: 15.231(e 15.205, 15.209				
Operating Mode	Transmitting modulated signal at 433 MHz				
Technician	M. Seamans				
Date	July 14 th , 2015				
Notes: Test Distance: 3 meters Detector: Peak					

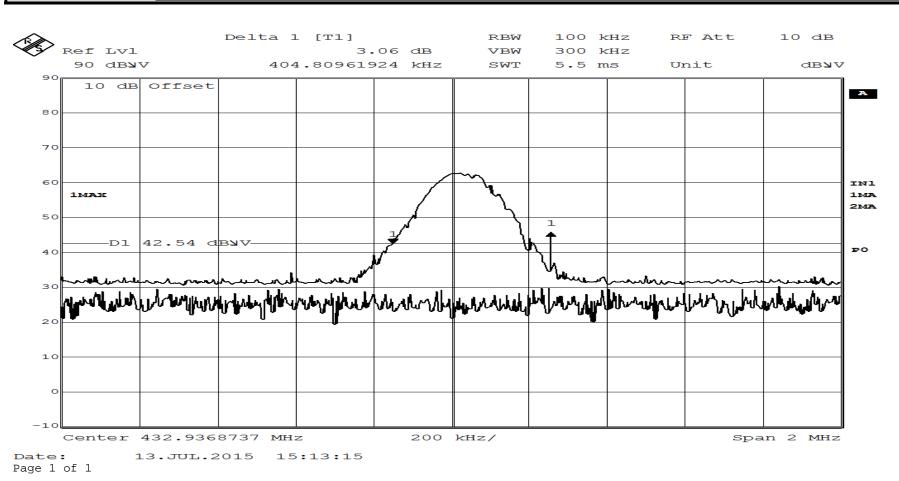
TEST PARAMETERS								
Frequency	Antenna Position	EUT Orientation	Meter Reading	Correction Factor	Corrected Reading	Duty Cycle Factor	Corrected Average Reading	Average Limit at 3M
MHz	(H/V) / Height	Degrees	dBuV	dB	dBuV/m	dB	dBuV/m	dBuV/m
1000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	54.0
1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1299.00*	V	0.0	42.52	-10.04	32.48	-12.0	20.48	
1732.00*	V	0.0	44.67	-8.85	35.82	-12.0	23.82	
2165.00*	V	0.0	43.30	-6.76	36.54	-12.0	24.54	
2598.00*	V	0.0	43.40	-5.55	37.85	-12.0	25.85	
3031.00*	V	0.0	41.92	-4.22	37.70	-12.0	25.70	
3464.00*	V	0.0	42.03	-2.98	39.05	-12.0	27.05	
3897.00*	V	0.0	42.31	-0.37	41.94	-12.0	29.94	
4330.00*	V	0.0	42.17	-1.75	40.42	-12.0	28.42	
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
4400.00								54.0

EUT emissions within 10 dB of the specified test limit were observed at the specified test distance throughout the given frequency spectrum. * This emission is not from the EUT. It is a measurement of minimum measurement system sensitivity (Noise Floor).

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FCC Section 15.231(c) - Bandwidth of Emission Test Data

RETLIF TESTING LABORATORIES						
Test Method:	Bandwidth of Emission – 20dB Bandwidth					
Customer	Senet, Inc.	Job No.	R-5980N-2			
Test Sample	Propane Transmitter					
Part Number	3822	Serial No.	0003822-000165OC			
Operating Mode	Transmitting modulated signal at 433 MHz					
Test Specification	FCC Part 15, Subpart C Paragraph: 15.231(c)					
Technician	M. Seamans	Date	July 13 th , 2015			
Climatic Conditions	Temp: 22.0 °C Relative Humidity: 40.0 %					
Notes	20dB Bandwidth: 404.809 kHz					



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