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1.0 DESCRIPTION OF CONTROLS AND CONNECTIONS

1.1 INPUT JACKS

Two standard jacks provide input connection to the Energizer. Channel "A" is normally used for the left channel and Channel "B" corresponds to the right channel input.

1.2 GAIN CONTROLS

Adjustment of the amplifier input sensitivity. These controls should be adjusted to provide a convenient preamplifier volume control setting.

1.3 TRANSDUCER TERMINALS

Provide connection to the loudspeaker system. If the SG250 and accessory F22 relay are used, the black energizer terminals will be connected to the F22. Do not connect the black terminals together for use with either speaker switches or headphone jacks. Use of equalizer boards, Sect. 1.2.1, requires separate leads be run to both terminals of both speaker systems.

1.4 FUSE

For operation from 110-120 volt power sources, a 2-amp. slo-blo fuse should be used. Operation with 220-240 volt sources requires a fuse of 1 amp. slo-blo type.

1.5 EQUALIZER BOARDS

1.5.1 FUNCTION

The exclusive Equalizer boards provide an optimum match between amplifier, transducer and enclosure. Both passive equalization and current feedback are used to tailor the performance of the entire amplifier — transducer chain for the most uniform acoustical output. Measurements on the amplifier must be made with equalizer boards placed in the "flat" position.

1.5.2 CHANGE OF EQUALIZER BOARDS

- 1.5.2.1 SE400S remove the four mounting feet, then take off the bottom and front panel. FIG. 4-2.
- 1.5.2.2 SE408S no steps are required.

1.5.2.3 HOW TO CHANGE BOARDS

- A. Each equalizer board is clearly marked with the name of the loudspeaker and directions for equalized or non-equalized operation. Because the two boards are separate, each channel can be equalized independently of the other. To replace either or both halves: Remove the two black phillips head screws which hold the halves of the equalizer board in place. These are the two screws at the opposite end from the connector strip. Do not remove the screws which attach the contact strip to the Energizer chassis.
- B. Either half of the board can now be removed by first sliding it out from the contact strip. Slide the board as far as possible before lifting it otherwise the contact fingers may be damaged.
- C. Reverse this procedure to install the new board. Notice that proper insertion of the board depends upon whether it is used in channel A or channel B; When both halves are set for equalized operation, the circuit components will be on the front side of one and the back side of the other. If the two halves of the board are designed for different loudspeaker systems, make sure that each channel is equalized to match the loudspeaker system connected to that channel.
- D. When both halves of the equalizer are properly inserted, replace the two mounting screws.



1.5.2.4 EQUALIZED OR NON-EQUALIZED OPERATION

Normally, each half of the equalizer board will be marked with the model number of the loudspeaker system connected to that channel, and both halves will be plugged in for equalized operation. The non-equalized mode of operation must be used when checking performance specifications.

2.0 SPECIFICATIONS

2.1 INTRODUCTION

The specifications which follow are measured under the following conditions:

1. Both channels operating simultaneously with 8-ohm resistive load.

2 . AC line voltage 117 volts 50/60 cps or 234 volts 50/60 cycles depending upon transformer connection.

3. Equalizer boards installed in Unequalized "flat" position.

Power Output: 80 watts continuous RMS power, 40 watts per channel, at any frequency from 10 cps to 30,000 cps.

Frequency Response: ± 0.25 db from 20 cps to 20,000 cps. ± 1.5 db from 3 cps to 175,000 cps. Low frequency response is attenuated below 3 cps by a capacitor in the input circuit of the first amplifier. The T-Circuit itself operates down to zero cps.

Harmonic Distortion: Less than 0.15% from 20 cps to 20,000 cps at 80 watts

Intermodulation Distortion: Less than 0.15% at 80 watts or any level less than 80 watts (IHF standard — 60 7,000 cps 4:1 ratio).

Sensitivity: 0.8 input for rated output, will vary from 0.8 to 3.0 volts in equalized mode depending upon the particular equalizer boards installed.

Hum and Noise: 90 db below rated output.

Transient Response: With the equalizer boards set in "Flat" position rise time is 2.0 microseconds from 10% to 90% of square wave signal at 160 watts peak power or any lower power level. Response to such square wave signals is free from detectable overshoot or ringing, as observed on an oscilloscope.

Overload Recovery: Less than 1/10 of one cycle to recover from 100% single cycle overload at any frequency from 20 cps to 20,000 cps.

Input Impedance: 25,000 ohms.

Load Impedance: 8 ohms rated impedance. 4 to 16 ohms nominal impedance. When driving a 16 ohm load, the unit meets all published specifications except that power output is reduced to 64 watts. When driving a 4 ohm load, the unit produces 130 watts of power for brief periods of time. Prolonged operation at more than 40 watts per channel however will trigger the built-in automatic overload devices. It should be noted that the actual impedance of a loudspeaker varies with frequency and may deviate considerably above and below its nominal impedance rating. Because the Energizer is completely stable under any load conditions, it will operate satisfactorily with any dynamic loudspeaker having a nominal impedance rating within the range from 4 to 16 ohms.

Damping Factor: With the proper equalizer boards inserted for equalized operation, damping is set for optimum results with the particular loudspeakers used. With the equalizer boards in the "flat" position, generator impedance at the output terminals is 0.3 ohms, equivalent to a damping factor of 27 when connected to an 8 ohm load. Damping remains uniform through the full audible frequency range and is unchanged by abrupt transient peaks.

Stability: The circuit is completely stable when connected to any dynamic loudspeaker system or even to a capacitive load. Specified distortion and stability without oscillation are maintained through extreme variations in output load, whether resistive, capacitive or inductive. Moreover, AC line surges do not affect the stability of the T-Circuit.

Transistors: 22 silicon transistors plus 20 silicon diodes.

2.2 MEASUREMENT TECHNIQUES

Most of the commonly available instruments used in testing audio amplifiers have higher distortion and/or noise than the SE400s or SE408s. In order of preference we recommend for the audio oscillator a Radford Low Distortion Oscillator or a Hewlett Packard Model H20-200CD. Use of Hewlett Packard Model 333 Harmonic Distortion Analyzer is preferred. For ease of making IM Distortion measurements we recommend the Audio Instrument Company Model 168 Analyzer. Because the residual distortion, hum and noise of these amplifiers is so low, the measuring techniques recommended below should be used.

2.2.1 TOTAL HARMONIC DISTORTION

- 1. Connect the oscillator to either of the input jacks with a standard shielded cable.
- 2. Connect the harmonic distortion analyzer and an 8 ohm non-inductive load resistor to the red and black output terminals.
- 3. Both the oscillator and the distortion analyzer should be "floated" or isolated from the power line grounding. This can be done by using a two-blade power plug adaptor which disconnects the instrument's power cable ground pin. If the Hewlett Packard oscillator is used, the output terminal ground strap should be disconnected so that the output is floated from the instrument chassis ground. Do not connect a ground between the oscillator and analyzer.



2.2.2 INTERMODULATION DISTORTION

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- 1. Connect the "Oscillator Out" terminals of the intermodulation analyzer to the input.
- 2. Connect a non-inductive 8 ohm load resistor to the red and lack output terminals.
- 3. Connect the hot "Analyzer Input" terminal to the red output terminal. Make **no** connection between the analyzer ground terminal and the black output terminal. This precaution avoids the ground loop that would be completed through the analyzer common input-output connection.



2.2.3 HUM AND NOISE

- 1. Connect an AC vacuum tube voltmeter to the red and black output terminals.
- 2. Terminate the input with a phono plug containing a 1000 ohm resistor. The resistor should have short leads to the phono plug and should be shielded by the plug body. Switchcraft 3502 plug; 1/4 watt resistor is recommended.
- 3. Turn the gain control to maximum and measure the noise output on the VTVM. Express the noise reading in decibels below full output (17.9 volts across the 8 ohms is 40 watts).



3.0 THEORY OF OPERATION

A detailed discussion of the "T" circuit is contained in the SA600 Service Manual.

3.1 POWER AMPLIFIER

Both the SE400S and SE408S utilize the JBL "T" circuit output stage. Excellent transient response, wide bandwidth and very low distortion are obtained with the entirely direct coupled operational amplifier design.

3.2 OUTPUT STAGE

A series of complementary emitter followers are cascaded in a symmetrical configuration. Use of emitter followers provide a large current gain and effectively multiply the output load by a factor of 100,000. A small loss is encountered, the actual voltage gain being typically 0.92. Source impedance is typically 5,000 ohms assuring that a constant voltage drive is provided to the output stage.

3.3 BIAS DIODE

A small forward bias for the output stage is accomplished by a string of 5- silicon diodes: These diodes are installed in the heat sink casting providing excellent thermal compensation.

3.4 DRIVER STAGES

Cascaded differential amplifiers provide a voltage gain of 1200 with a frequency bandwidth in excess of 100 kc. The actual circuit consists of a PNP differential amplifier direct coupled to an NPN differential amplifier which in turn drives the "T" circuit.

3.5 INPUT EMITTER FOLLOWER

A PNP emitter follower provides a high input impedance to the feedback summing junction reducing the effective input current requirements and allowing the use of relatively high resistances in the feedback loop.

3.6 EQUALIZER BOARD CONNECTIONS

Provision for both current and voltage feedback exists at the summing junction. The voltage feedback loop is closed through the driver circuit board while connection for the current feedback loop is made through the equalizer board. Additional contacts allow insertion of passive equalization

between the input level control and amplifier input. (illus. block sum & loop)

3.7 POWER SUPPLY

A total of six operating voltages are obtained from the power transformer. The voltages are balanced to ground and consist of ± 37.5 V, ± 42.1 V and ± 46.8 V. A diode bridge is used for the high current ± 37.5 volt supply while voltage doublers are used in the ± 42.1 and ± 46.8 volt supplies.

4.0 F22 RELAY --- CIRCUIT DESCRIPTION AND OPERATION

The DC activating signal for the F22 relay is applied between the chassis ground of the SG520 preamplifier and the shield connection of the channel A output cable. Although the shield of the channel A cable operates at ground potential for the AC signal, a DC potential of about ± 20 volts between the CHA shield and the chassis ground. The polarity of the DC signal determines the mode of operation of the two relays.

The AC power relay, Ry1, is connected through a full wave bridge, D2, so that a DC signal of either polarity will energize the relay. The 500 MFD capacitor, C1, supplies enough delay so that any momentary interruption in voltage as the polarity is reversed will not cause the relay to drop out.

This stereo balance relay, Ry2, is connected through a single diode, D1, so that it is polaritysensitive. The relay operates **only** if there is a positive DC voltage at the channel A ground connection.

When the Graphic Controller is first turned on, a control signal of —20 volts appears at the shield of the channel A output. This operates the AC power relay to turn on the Energizer or power amplifier. The A-B relay, Ry2, is not actuated because of the series diode. Tracing the connections through the A-B relay contact, indicates that both loudspeakers are connected in the normal manner exactly as if the relay were not in the circuit at all.

When the Graphic Controller "test" pushbutton is depressed, the polarity of the control signal is reversed so that a +20 volt signal appears at the shield of channel A. The AC power relay remains closed and the A—B relay is now actuated. If you will trace the connections through the contacts FIG. 3-3, you will find that both of the Energizer black output terminals have been disconnected and the speakers are now connected in series between the two red Energizer output terminals. This effectively causes the speakers to respond only to an A—B or difference signal, enabling the aural null feature to be used.

When trouble-shooting the operation of the F22, remove the cover and see if the two relays are operating as described FIG. 3-2. In other words, whenever the Graphic Controller is turned on, the armature of the power relay should be pulled in, but the A—B relay should not be affected. When the test button is depressed, the power relay should remain pulled in and the A—B relay should also be actuated. If the two relays seem to be operating properly, then the only possible source of trouble in the system is in the connections between the A—B relay, the loud-speakers, the power amplifier or Energizer. On the other hand, if the relays are not actuated in the proper sequence, can check the operating voltage and polarity with an ordinary voltmeter. NOTE: That it is vitally important that the shield of the channel cable be continuous, and that it not be connected to the chassis.

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SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSE—REMEDY
Inoperative	1. Check power connections
(No Pilot Light)	2. Fuse Blown
	3. F22 Relay not operating
	4. Interlock not activated (SE400S only)
Fuse Blows	 Check the following: A. Output transistors B. D101, 102, 103, 104 C. Diode Assembly D. Line Voltage conversion



Figure 4-1 F22 RELAY SCHEMATIC

Output Transistors Defective	 Replace after checking: A. Driver Transistors B. Diode Assembly C. D.C. Resistance of load (should be 2 ohms minimum)
D.C. at Output	 ± 0.1 Volt normal. ± 3 volts adjust R9 for 0 volt D.C. Over 3 volts check Q1, 2 or 11 for leakage, replace as required. Adjust R9 for 0 output.
Noise	Check the following: 1. R9 2. Components for visible signs of overheating 3. Clean equalizer board and connector contacts
Low output	 Check D.C. power supply voltages Check circuit breaker
Low Sensitivity	 Amplifier gain is 24 ± 10% when equalizer board is set "flat" and gain control is at "max" position. Up to 3 volts will be required with equalizer boards set in equalized position.
Oscillates	Oscillation or prolonged high power operation at frequencies above 80 KC will discolor R13. 1. Check installation for good engineering practice Check equalizer board for connection and components

4.1 SE400S COVER REMOVAL

Step 1. Remove mounting feet from bottom cover and front panel assembly. This will defeat the AC interlock.

Step 2. Remove four slotted head machine screws located between casting and case. Lift case off power amplifier assembly.

Note: Interlock can be defeated by wedging a toothpick or similar non-metallic object in opening illustrated in figure 4-2.

4.2 INTERLOCK REMOVAL

Step 1. Remove two phillips machine head screws and then lift interlock plate away from casting. (figure 4-3)



Figure 4-2 SE400S SIDE VIEW

4.3 SE408S REMOVAL FROM ENCLOSURE

FRONT MOUNTED TRANSDUCERS

Step 1. Remove transducer to gain access to rear panel.

Step 2. Remove output lead from energizer.

Step 3. Release 4 energizer mounting screws and remove two mounting clamps from energizer.

Step 4. Remove energizer from enclosure.

REAR MOUNTED TRANSDUCERS

#1 Remove transducer leads from energizer

#2 Remove enclosure back panel repeat steps 3 and 4

Note: When replacing energizer make certain that white tubular gasket is placed on the casting. At this point all instructions refer to both SE400S and SE408S.

4.4 CAPACITOR BRACKET REMOVAL

Step 1. Remove 4-machine screws maintaining the assembly to casting.

Remove 4-spacers and set aside.

Step 2. Lift capacitor bracket and place in position illustrated in fig. 4-3.

Note: When replacing capacitor bracket, lock washers are installed between machine screw head and bracket. Check clearances between terminal strips and casting.



Figure 4-3 SE400S INTERLOCK REMOVAL

4.5 DRIVER CIRCUIT BOARD REMOVAL

Stp 1. Remove output and driver transistors.

Step 2. Remove equalizer boards

Step 3. Remove 4-flat machine screws from transistor mounting area.

Step 4. Remove 4-machine screws located on driver circuit board

Step 5. Remove 2-machine screws retaining mounting bracket nearest power transformer and 2-machine screws securing bracket to opposite circuit board.

Step 6. Remove bracket and driver circuit board, assisting diode assembly from casting. Note: When reinstalling note lead orientation and determine that connecting leads are not

pinched between casting and mounting surfaces.



Figure 4-4 SE408S SIDE VIEW

4.6 REPAIR PRECAUTIONS

Some special care must be taken when replacing components. These precautions are outlined below.

4.7 TRANSISTOR GREASE

The white grease under each of the power transistors is necessary to assure heat flow from the transistor to the heat sink. If the grease is accidentally wiped away, Dow Corning No. 340 must be applied. See figure 4-5.

4.8 BIAS DIODE REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION

The power amplifier bias diode assembly (figure 4.6) is designed to slide out of the heat sink when the drive circuit board is removed. The diode assembly is greased for good thermal contact. Be very careful to not break the connection. Note long diode assembly lead should have red sleeve and must be connected to left circuit board terminal.

4.9 REPLACEMENT OF RESISTORS AND CAPACITORS

Resistors and capacitors on the circuit boards must be replaced in the following manner: Step 1. When a component is suspected, clip one of the leads at midpoint to remove it from

the circuit.

Step 2. Check the component

Step 3. If faulty, clip the other component lead at midpoint

Step 4. Loop the new component leads over the old stub leads and solder

CAUTION

DO NOT APPLY HEAT DIRECTLY TO THE PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD. THIS MAY CAUSE CIRCUIT FOIL TO LIFT FROM THE BOARD.

4.10 REPLACEMENT PARTS AND SCHEMATICS

Replacement parts for the Solid State Amplifier are listed in the following pages. It is recommended that only JBL replacement parts be used in this high-quality amplifier.

4.11 RESISTORS

All resistors are deposited carbon film type. Any defective components should be replaced with the same type. Replacements are available directly from JBL.

4.12 CAPACITORS

Most of the electrolytic capacitors used in the SA600 are specially made. Replacements should be ordered directly from JBL by part number or reference number. Under no circumstances should inferior-rated electrolytics be substituted. Lower capacities in any circuit will impair performance. Lower working voltage ratings will cause premature failure. Capacitors have been selected for low noise specifications.

4.13 TRANSISTORS

All transistors are selected for current gain and low noise and other important characteristics.

Experience has shown that the current gain from one transistor to the next in any production batch varies so much that sometimes one will not work well in the circuit. For this reason, all transistors carry special part numbers and must be ordered from JBL.







Figure 4-6 DIODE ASSEMBLY

5.0 INFORMATION SERVICE

Information on parts and service tips can be obtained from the JBL Factory Service Department.

Write a letter explaining any unusual problem to:

JBL Service Department 3249 Casitas Avenue Los Angeles, California 90039

If it is necessary to return the complete amplifier, first request shipping permission. Then pack the equipment in an oversize carton, completely surround it in cushioning material, and ship by Railway-Express or truck express. Be sure to insure the shipment and prepay the shipping charges. Mark the carton: Fragile-Delicate Electronic Equipment.

5.1 D.C. OPERATING VOLTAGES

		CHANNEL	A
TRANSISTOR	EMITTER	BASE	COLLECTOR
Ql	0.75	-40.0	
Q2	1.25	-40.0	0.75
Q3	1.25	-40.1	0.75
Q4		0	-40.0
Q5		-1.75	-40.1
D6	10.0		
CONDITIONS:		46.8 42.1 37.5	

OPERATING VOLTAGES: NO SIGNAL EQ. BOARD IN FLAT POSITION, 100,000 OHMS/VOLT METER, AC LINE VOLTAGE 117 OR 234 VOLTS.



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Figure 5-1 SCHEMATIC SE400S, SE408S



Figure 5-1 SCHEMATIC SE400S, SE408S







Figure 5-3 CAPACITOR BRACKET



Figure 5-4 F22 DETAIL









Figure 5-6 EQUALIZER BOARDS Mil through Mi6







Figure 5-7 EQUALIZER BOARDS M17 through M22





Figure 5-8 EQUALIZER BOARDS M23 through M25 and F65

F22 PARTS LIST

REFERENCE NO. J1, 2, 3, 4 Ry1 Ry2 D1 D2 C1 F1	DESCRIPTION Input Jack Power Relay A-B Relay Silicon Diode Diode, Bridge Capacitor 500mf 25V 4 Amp. Slo-Blo 2 Amp. Slo-Blo Fuseholder Binding Post Black
R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8 R9 R10 R11	RESISTORS 0.24 OHM 3 Watt 0.5 OHM 3 Watt 0.75 OHM 3 Watt 15K OHM ½ Watt 22K OHM ½ Watt 24K OHM ½ Watt 27K OHM ½ Watt 36K OHM ½ Watt 51K OHM ½ Watt 62K OHM ½ Watt 75K OHM ½ Watt
C1 C2 C3 C4 C5 C6	CAPACITORS 390 pF 470 pF .001 mF .0047 mF .02 mF .03 mF

NOTE: Complete equalizer boards available only as standard products. Damaged circuit boards are not serviced.

REPLACEMENT PARTS LIST AND PRICES SE400S, SE408S

REFERENCE NO. DESCRIPTION

TRANSISTORS & DIODES

0, 1, 2, 11	
51, 52, 61	PNP
Q 3, 4, 5	
53, 54, 55	NPN
Q 6, 56	PNP
Q 7, 57	NPN
Q 8, 58,	PNP
Q 9, 59	NPN
Q 10, 60	PNP
D 1-5	Reference
51-55	Diode Assembly
D 6, 56	Diode, Zener
D 101, 102	Diode, Rectifier
103, 104	High Current
D 105, 106	Diode, Rectifier
107, 108	Boost Supply

REFERENCE NO.	DESCRIPTION
RESISTORS	
R 1, 51	50K OHM Potentiometer
	Audio Taper
R 2, 21	
51, 71	1.2 Meg OHM ½W 5%
R 3, 53	18K OHM ½W 5%
R 4, 5	100 OHM ½W 5%
R 6, 7	
56, 57	3900 OHM 1/2W 5%
R 8, 58	2700 OHM ½W 5%
R 9, 59	1000 OHM Potentiometer
	Wirewound
R 10, 11, 25	82 OHM ½W 5%
60, 61, 75	000 0101 1/04 50/
R 12, 62 R 13, 63 R 14, 64	330 OHM 1/2W 5%
R 13, 63	10 OHM 1W 5%
R 14, 64	9100 OHM 1/2W 5%
R 15, 65	910 OHM ½W 5%
R 16, 31	220 OUM 1/ W E0/
66, 81 R 17, 18	220 OHM ½W 5%
67, 68	510 OHM ½W 5%
R 19. 69	160 OHM 1/2W 5%
N 19, 09	100 01111 721 5%

DESCRIPTION

FEDENCE

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R 20, 34	
70, 84	10 OHM ½W 5%
R 22, 72	51K OHM ½W 5%
R 23, 73	62K OHM ½W 5%
R 24, 74	470K OHM ½W 5%
R 26, 27	33 OHM ½W 5%
76, 77	
R 28, 29	
78, 79	0.37 OHM 7W
R 30/L1	Output Choke
80/L51	Assembly
R32, 82	8200 OHM ½W 5%
R33, 83	1100 OHM ½W 5%

CAPACITORS

C 101, 102	
103, 104	4500 mf 40V
C 105, 106, 107	
108, 109, 110	1000 mf 6V
C 111, 112	.22 mf 200V
C 1, 51	0.1 mf 200V
C 2, 52	80 mf 25V
C 3, 5	
53, 55	1 m/f 15V
C 4, 54	250 mf 64V
C 6, 56	160 mf 64V
C 7, 57	1500 pF
C 8, 58	125 mf 10V
C 9, 59	27 pF

REFERENCE NO. DESCRIPTION

TRANSFORMERS AND HARDWARE

Transformer, Power
Circuit Breaker
Input Jack
Equalizer Board Connector
AC Socket
Fuseholder
Binding Post, Red
Binding Post, Black
Wafer, Capacitor Mounting
Mica Washer
Mica Washer
Fuse 1 amp. Export
Fuse 2 amp. Domestic
Power Cord
Cover
Front Panel
Interlock

SE400S SE400S SE408S	Lamp Bracket Pilot Light Pilot Light Assembly	
Driver Board Capacitor Bracket	Sockets Terminal Strip 7-Terminal	HARDWARE

Main Casting

Terminal Strip 7-Terminal Terminal Strip 6-Terminal Insulating Washer Terminal Strip 6-Terminal Mounting Foot



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