

# GRAVITY PROBE B PROCEDURE FOR SCIENCE MISSION DEWAR

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**List of Abbreviations and Acronyms**

AG-x	Gauge x of Gas Module auxiliary section	MT	Main Tank
AMI	American Magnetics Inc.	MTVC	Main Tank Vent Cap
ATC	Advanced Technology Center	MTVC-G	Main Tank Vent Cap pressure gauge
APR-x	Pressure regulator x of Gas Module	MTVC-RV	Main Tank Vent Cap relief valve
AV-x	Valve x of Gas Module auxiliary section	MTVC-V	Main Tank Vent Cap valve
CG-x	Gauge x of portable helium pressurization source	NBP	Normal boiling point
CPR-x	Pressure regulator x of portable helium pressurization source	ONR	Office of Naval Research
CV-x	Valve x of portable helium pressurization source	PFCG	Fill Cap assembly pressure Gauge
CN [xx]	Data acquisition channel number	PFM	Pump equipment Flow Meter
DAS	Data Acquisition System	PG-x	Gauge x of Pump equipment
EFM	Exhaust gas Flow Meter	PM	Pump Module
EG-x	Gauge x of Gas Module exhaust section	psi	pounds per square inch
EH-x	Vent line heat exchanger in Gas Module	psig	pounds per square inch gauge
EM	Electrical Module	PTD	Payload Test Director
ERV-x	Relief valve of Gas Module exhaust section	PV-x	Valve x of the Pump equipment
EV-x	Valve number x of Gas Module exhaust section	QA	Quality Assurance
FCV	Fill Cap Valve	RAV-x	Remote Actuated Valve-x
FIST	Full Integrated System Test	RGA	Residual Gas Analyzer
GHe	Gaseous Helium	SMD	Science Mission Dewar
GM	Gas Module	STG	SMD Thruster vent pressure gauge
GP-B	Gravity Probe-B	SU	Stanford University
GSE	Ground Support Equipment	SV-x	SMD Valve number x
GT	Guard Tank	TG-x	Gauge x of Utility Turbo System
GTVC	Guard Tank Vent Cap	TV-x	Valve x of Utility Turbo System
GTVC-G	Guard Tank Vent Cap pressure gauge	UTS	Utility Turbo System
GTVC-RV	Guard Tank Vent Cap relief valve	Vac	Vacuum
GTVC-V	Guard Tank Vent Cap valve	VCP-x	Vent cap pressure gauge
GTV-G	Guard Tank vent pressure gauge	VCRV-x	Vent cap relief valve
GTV-RV	Guard Tank vent relief valve	VCV-x	Vent cap valve
GTV-V	Guard Tank vent valve	VDC	Volts Direct Current
KFxx	Quick connect o-ring vacuum flange (xx mm diameter)	VF-x	Liquid helium Fill line valve
LHe	Liquid Helium	VG-x	Gauge x of Vacuum Module
LHSD	Liquid Helium Supply Dewar	VM	Vacuum Module
LHV-x	Liquid Helium Supply Dewar valves	VV-x	Valve x of Vacuum Module
LLS	Liquid level sensor	VW-x	Valve x of Dewar Adapter
LM	Lockheed Martin Co.		

**A. SCOPE**

This procedure describes the steps necessary to perform an external fill of the SMD Guard Tank with normal boiling point liquid helium. The steps include:

- Pre-cool SMD internal fill line from Guard Tank
- Pre-cool external transfer line
- Fill Guard Tank
- Terminate transfer

The procedure is for use when the Main Tank is Subatmospheric, and the Well is evacuated. Precooling of the internal fill line is accomplished using liquid from the Guard Tank itself. For this reason it is imperative that the Guard Tank liquid level be maintained at a value greater than 15%. The procedure can be performed when the Main Tank is being pumped or when it is unvented (i.e., SV-9 is closed).

**B. SAFETY****B.1. Potential Hazards**

Personal injury and hardware damage can result during normal positioning, assembly and disassembly of hardware. Examples include: positioning Dewar in tilt stand; integrating probe with airlock; positioning airlock on Dewar; removing airlock from Dewar; removing probe from Dewar; and positioning support equipment such as pressurized gas cylinders and supply dewars.

A number of undesired events may be associated with these operations. For example, personnel or equipment can be struck when hardware is being moved (e.g. by forklift or crane load). Personnel are subject to entrapment while positioning hardware, such as hands or feet caught between objects as hardware is moved into place. Suspended hardware may be dropped. Personnel can be caught between objects such as forklifts and walls or loads and building support columns.

In addition, liquid helium used in the SMD represents a hazardous material for the personnel involved in the operations. Cryogenic burns can be caused by contact with the cold liquid or gas, high pressures can result if boiling liquid or cold gas is confined without a vent path, and asphyxiation can result if the vent gas is allowed to accumulate.

The SMD Safety Compliance Assessment, document GPB-100153C discusses the safety design, operating requirements and the hazard analysis of the SMD.

**B.2. Mitigation of Hazards****B.2.1. Lifting hazards**

There are no lifting operations in this procedure

**B.2.2. Cryogenic Hazards**

The FIST OPS laboratory has an oxygen deficiency monitor that alarms when the oxygen level is reduced to 19.5%. Prior to beginning this procedure in any facility other than the FIST OPS Lab, the

presence of a similar oxygen monitor must be verified by safety and operations personnel. Additional temperature and pressure alarms, provided by the DAS, warn of potential over-pressure conditions. Emergency vent line deflectors are installed over the four burst disks on the SMD vacuum shell, and oxygen collection pans are on the floor beneath them.

The following requirements apply to personnel involved in cryogenic operations. Gloves that are impervious to liquid helium and liquid nitrogen are to be worn whenever the possibility of splashing or impingement of high-velocity cryogenics exists or when handling equipment that has been cooled to cryogenic temperatures. Protective clothing and full-face shields are to be worn whenever the possibility of splashing cryogenics exists.

The FIST Emergency Procedures document, SU/GP-B P0141, discusses emergency procedures. These documents should be reviewed for applicability at any facility where the hardware is operated.

#### B.2.3. Other Hazards

When appropriate, tools or other items used with the potential to damage the SMD or Probe shall be tethered.

#### B.3. Injuries

In case of any injury obtain medical treatment as follows  
LMMS Call 117; Stanford University Call 9-911

### C. QUALITY ASSURANCE

#### C.1. QA Notification

***The ONR representative and SU QA shall be notified 24 hours prior to the start of this procedure.*** Upon completion of this procedure, the QE Manager will certify his/her concurrence that the effort was performed and accomplished in accordance with the prescribed instructions by signing and dating in the designated place(s) in this document.

#### C.2. Red-line Authority

Authority to red-line (make minor changes during execution) this procedure is given solely to the PTD or his designate and shall be approved by the QA Representative. Additionally, approval by the Payload Technical Manager shall be required, if in the judgement of the PTD or QA Representative, experiment functionality may be affected.

#### C.3. Discrepancies

A Quality Assurance Representative designated by D. Ross shall review any discrepancy noted during this procedure, and approve its disposition. Discrepancies will be recorded in a D-log or a DR per Quality Plan P0108. Any time a procedure calls for verification of a specific configuration and that

configuration is not the current configuration, it represents a discrepancy of one of three types. These types are to be dealt with as described below.

1. If the discrepancy has minimal effect on procedure functionality (such as the state of a valve that is irrelevant to performance of the procedure) it shall be documented in the procedure, together with the resolution. Redlines to procedures are included in this category.
2. If the discrepancy is minor and affects procedure functionality but not flight hardware fit or function, it shall be recorded in the D-log. Resolution shall be in consultation with the PTD and approved by the QA representative.
3. All critical and major discrepancies, those that effect flight hardware fit or functions, shall be documented in a D-log and also in a Discrepancy Report, per P0108.

## D. TEST PERSONNEL

### D.1. Personnel Responsibilities

The performance of this procedure requires a minimum complement of personnel as determined by the Test Director. The Test Director is the designated signer for the “witnessed by” sign-off located at the end of each procedure. The person in charge of the operation (Test Director or Test Engineer) is to sign the “completed by” sign-off.

### D.2. Personnel Qualifications

The Test Director must have a detailed understanding of all procedures and facility operations and experience in all of the SMD operations. Test Engineers must have SMD Cryogenic operations experience and an understanding of the operations and procedures used for the cryogenic servicing/maintenance of the Dewar.

### D.3. Qualified Personnel

<i>Test Director</i>	<i>Test Engineer</i>
Mike Taber	Tom Welsh
Dave Murray	Chris Gray
Jim Maddocks	Bruce Clarke
Dave Frank	Ned Calder

## E. REQUIREMENTS

### E.1. Electrostatic Discharge Requirements

This procedure does not include any equipment sensitive to electrostatic discharge.

### E.2. Lifting Operation Requirements

There are no lifting operations in this procedure

### E.3. Hardware/Software Requirements

E.3.1. Commercial Test Equipment

No commercial test equipment is required for this operation.



## E.3.2. Ground Support Equipment

The Ground Support Equipment includes the Gas Module, the Pump Module, the Electrical Module, and the Vacuum Module. The Gas Module provides the capability to configure vent paths, read pressures and flow rates, and pump and backfill vent lines. The Pump Module provides greater pumping capacity than the Gas Module, together with additional flow metering capabilities. The vent output of the Gas Module flows through the Pump Module. The Electrical Module contains the instruments listed in Table 1, (see the *Electrical Module Manual* for details) and provides remote control of valves in the Gas Module, Pump Module, and SMD. The Vacuum Module contains a turbo pump, backed by a vane pump, and provides the capability to pump out the SMD vacuum shell.

This procedure calls for use of hardware located in the Gas, Pump and Electrical Modules.

## E.3.3. Computers and Software:

The Data Acquisition System (DAS) and data acquisition software are required for this procedure. The DAS reads and displays pressures, temperatures, and flow rates and monitors critical parameters. No additional computers or software are required.

## E.3.4. Additional Test Equipment

<i>Description</i>	<i>Manufacturer</i>	<i>Model</i>
AMI Level Sensor Readout for LHSD	AMI	110

## E.3.5. Additional Hardware

<i>Description</i>	<i>Manufacturer</i>	<i>Model</i>
Filter Line assembly	LMMS	5833827
Liquid He Transfer Line	LMMS	5833804
Liquid He Stinger	LMMS	5833803
GHe supply fittings to LHSD	N/A	N/A

## E.3.6. Tools

<i>Description</i>
Torque Wrench, 1-1/4-in socket, 60 in-lb

## E.3.7. Expendables

<i>Description</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Mfr./Part No.</i>
Alcohol	AR	N/A
99.99% pure gaseous helium	AR	N/A
Vacuum Grease	AR	Braycote Micronic 601
Liter Liquid Helium Storage Dewar	AR	SU or commercial
Tie wraps - large size	AR	N/A

**E.4. Instrument Pretest Requirements**

The GSE instruments required to perform this procedure are listed in Table 1, together with their serial numbers, where available. Instruments that are required to have current calibrations are indicated in the Cal-Required column. Instruments that do not require calibration are those not used to verify performance requirements and are not connected to flight instrumentation. The status column is to be filled in with the due date of the instrument calibration sticker and verified to be in calibration by QE or QE designee. Serial numbers are to be updated as appropriate.

**Table 1. Required Instrumentation and Calibration Status**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>User Name</b>	<b>Serial No.</b>	<b>Cal Required</b>	<b>Status Cal due date</b>
1	DAS	Power Supply, H-P 6627A	A1, A2, A3, A4	3452A01975	Yes	
2	DAS	Power Supply, H-P 6627A	B1, B2, B3, B4	3452A01956	Yes	
3	DAS	Data Acquisition/Control Unit H-P 3497A	-	2936A245539	No	-
4	DAS	Digital Multimeter H-P 3458A	-	2823A15047	Yes	
5	EM	Vacuum Gauge Controller Granville-Phillips Model 316	EG-1a, -1b	2827	No	-
6	EM	Vacuum Gauge Controller Granville-Phillips Model 316	AG-2a, -2b	2826	No	-
7	EM	Vacuum Gauge Controller Granville-Phillips Model 316	EG-3	2828	No	-
8	EM	MKS PDR-C-2C	EG-2, FCG	92022108A	No	-
9	EM	Flow meter – Matheson 8170	EFM-1	96186	No	-
10	EM	Flow meter totalizer Matheson 8124	EFM-1	96174	No	-
11	EM	Liquid Helium Level Controller American Magnetics, Inc. 136	LLS Main Tank	96-409-11	No	-
12	EM	Liquid Helium Level Controller American Magnetics, Inc. 136	LLS Guard Tank	96-409-10	No	-
13	EM	Liquid Helium Level Controller American Magnetics, Inc. 136	LLS Well	96-409-9	No	-
14	EM	Liquid Helium Level Controller American Magnetics, Inc. 136	LLS Axial Lock	96-409-12	No	-
15	EM	Pressure Controller – MKS 152F-92	EV-7a, -7b	96203410A	No	-
16	EM	Power Supply HP 6038A	H08D Tank Heater	96023407A	Yes	
17	EM	Power Supply HP 6038A	H09D Tank Heater	3511A-13332	Yes	
18	EM	Power Supply HP 6038A	RAV Power Supply	3329A-12486	Yes	
19	EM	Vac Ion Pump power supply	SIP	5004N	No	-

<b>No.</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>User Name</b>	<b>Serial No.</b>	<b>Cal Required</b>	<b>Status Cal due date</b>
		Varian 929-0910, Minivac				
20	EM	Flow meter totalizer Veeder-Root	PFM-1	576013-716	No	-
21	GM	Pressure Gauge, Heise	AG-1	CC-122077	No	-
22	GM	Pressure Gauge, Marshall Town	AG-3	N/A	No	-
23	GM	Main Tank Heat Exchanger: a) Thermocouple, b) Current meter, c) Temperature set point controller	EH-1	C-19950	No	-
24	GM	Guard Tank Heat Exchanger: a) Thermocouple, b) Current meter, c) Temperature set point controller	EH-2	C-09920	No	-
25	VM	Vacuum Gauge readout, Granville-Phillips 316	VG-3 VG-4	2878	No	-
26	VM	Vacuum Gauge readout, Granville-Phillips 360	VG-1, VG-2 VG-5	96021521	No	-

### E.5. Configuration Requirements

#### E.5.1. Main Tank

Liquid in the Main Tank is subatmospheric. The actuator control valve for EV-9 (located on the Gas Module, this valve switches the state that EV-9 defaults to, should a power failure occur) should be placed in the "Subatm He." position

#### E.5.2. Guard Tank

The Guard-Tank liquid level (Guard Tank LLS-B) must be greater than 15% to adequately precool the internal fill line.

#### E.5.3. Well

The Well is evacuated.

#### E.5.4. SMD Vacuum Shell

The Vacuum Shell pressure must be less than  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  torr. Document No. P0213, *Connect Vacuum Module to SMD*, contains the procedure for connecting to and pumping on the SMD vacuum shell.

#### E.5.5. Alarm System

1. The DAS alarm system must be enabled and contain the following alarm set-points:
  - a. Station 200 temperature (CN 01) set at  $T \leq 2.2$  K.
  - b. Top of lead bag temperature set (CN 28) at  $T \leq 2.2$  K.
  - c. Relative Guard Tank Pressure (CN 46) set at  $\Delta P \geq 0.3$  torr.
2. The Facility Main Alarm System must be armed.

## E.5.6. GSE and Non-flight Hardware

1. A relief valve is installed in place of the SMD fill-line burst disk.
2. GSE cabling must be connected between the SMD and the Electrical Module (P/N 5833812) and between the SMD and the Data Acquisition System (P/N 5833811).
3. The Main Tank vent line must be connected to the Gas Module with a vacuum insulated line. Document No. P0674, *Connect Main Tank Vent Line to Gas Module – Main Tank at NBP*, contains the procedures for connecting the Main Tank vent line.
4. The Guard Tank vent line must be connected to the Gas Module with a vacuum insulated line (P/N 5833813). Document No. P0676, *Connect Guard Tank Vent Line to Gas Module*, contains the procedures for connecting the Guard Tank vent line.
5. The Fill Cap Assembly must be installed at SV-13 (Figure 3)
6. The ion-pump magnet must be installed.
7. The thruster vent port may be flanged to a relief assembly.
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E.6. **Optional Non-flight Configurations**

The following non-flight modifications of the basic SMD and optional GSE configurations are incidental to the performance of this procedure. Any combination represents an acceptable configuration.

1. The SMD maybe installed in its transportation and test fixture.
2. A foreign object and debris shield may cover the upper cone of the SMD. If it is not present, any object that could cause damage to the payload, if dropped, must be tethered.
3. The Vacuum shell pump out port at SV-14 may be connected to the Vacuum Module (P/N 5833816) via a 2-in valve and pumping line, with the valve in either the closed position or in the open position. The Vacuum Module pump may be off, actively pumping the pumping line up to a closed SV-14, or actively pumping the vacuum shell.

E.7. **Verification/Success Criteria**

N/A

E.8. **Payload Constraints and Restrictions**

N/A

F. **REFERENCE DOCUMENTS**F.1. **Drawings**

<b>Drawing No.</b>	<b>Title</b>
LMMS-5833394	<i>Instrumentation Installation</i>

F.2. **Supporting documentation**

<b>Document No.</b>	<b>Title</b>
LMMS-5835031	<i>GP-B Magnetic Control Plan</i>
GPB-100153C	<i>SMD Safety Compliance Assessment</i>
SU/GP-B P0141	<i>FIST Emergency Procedures</i>
LMSC-P088357	<i>Science Mission Dewar Critical Design Review</i>
SU/GP-B P0108	<i>Quality Plan</i>
LMMS GPB-100333	<i>Science Mission Dewar Failure Effects and Causes Analysis</i>
SU/GP-B P059	<i>GP-B Contamination Control Plan</i>

F.3. **Additional Procedures**

<b>Document No.</b>	<b>Title</b>
SU/GP-B P0213	<i>Connect Vacuum Module to SMD</i>
SU/GP-B P0672	<i>Connect Main Tank Vent Line to Gas Module – Main Tank Subatmospheric</i>
SU/GP-B P0676	<i>Connect Guard Tank Vent Line to Gas Module</i>

Operation Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Initiated: \_\_\_\_\_

Time Initiated: \_\_\_\_\_

**G. OPERATIONS**

**G.1. Verify Appropriate QA Notification**

- o Verify SU QA notified.

Record: Individual notified \_\_\_\_\_,

Date/time \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_.

- o Verify ONR representative notified.

Record: Individual notified \_\_\_\_\_,

Date/time \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_.

**G.2. Verify Configuration Requirements**

G.2.1. Ensure Facility Main Alarm System enabled.

G.2.2. Verify GSE cabling connected between SMD and Electrical Module and between SMD and Data Acquisition System.

G.2.3. Verify Main Tank vent line connected to Gas Module. If not perform procedure P0672, *Connect Main Tank Vent Line to Gas Module – Main Tank Subatmospheric*, to connect Main Tank vent.

G.2.4. Verify Guard Tank vent line connected to Gas Module. If not, perform procedure P0676, *Connect Guard Tank Vent Line to Gas Module*, to connect Guard Tank vent.

G.2.5. Verify Fill Cap Assembly installed at SV-13.

G.2.6. Verify ion-pump magnet installed.

G.2.7. Verify Main Tank subatmospheric. Record Main Tank temperature, CN [09] \_\_\_\_\_ K and verify < 4.2 K.

G.2.8. Verify DAS alarm system enabled and record set points.

1. **Station 200 temperature** – verify CN [01] on DAS alarm list and set to alarm at  $T \leq 2.2$  K.  
Record set point. \_\_\_\_\_ K

2. **Top of lead bag temperature** – verify CN [28] on DAS alarm list and set to alarm at  $T \leq 2.2$  K. Record set point. \_\_\_\_\_ K

3. **Relative Guard Tank Pressure** – verify CN [46] on DAS alarm list and set to alarm at  $\Delta P \geq 0.3$  torr.  
Record set point. \_\_\_\_\_ torr

G.2.9. Ensure DAS watchdog timer and alarm enabled.

G.2.10. Ensure liquid-level alarms enabled and record set points.

1. **Main Tank** – ensure alarm set  $\geq 20\%$ . Record set point. \_\_\_\_\_%
2. **Guard Tank** – ensure liquid-level alarm set  $\geq 20\%$ .  
Record set point. \_\_\_\_\_%

G.2.11. If Guard Tank is expected to drop below 20% during precool, switch Guard Tank level alarm off

G.3. **Verify Gas-Module Configuration and Record Initial Conditions**

G.3.1. Verify valve states are as indicated in following Table. Record config. by checking appropriate box, then verify corresponding valve states.

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o Main Tank pumped by Gas Module (AP-1)

1. Verify SV-9 open.
2. Verify open EV-7a/b, EV-10, EV-13, EV-17.
3. Verify all other EV valves closed.
4. Verify AP-1 on.
5. Verify AV-6 open.
6. Verify all other AV valves closed.
7. Verify open PV-2 and PV-4.
8. Verify closed PV-1, PV-3, PV-5 and PV-6.

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o Main Tank pumped by Pump Module (PP-1/2)

9. Verify SV-9 open.
10. Verify open EV-4, EV-7a/b, EV-10, EV-13, EV-17, EV-21/22.
11. Verify all other EV valves closed.
12. Verify all AV valves closed.
13. Verify PP-1/2 on.
14. Verify open PV-1, PV-2, PV-3, and PV-4.
15. Close/verify closed PV-5 and PV-6.

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o Main Tank not pumped (SV-9 closed).

16. Verify SV-9 closed.
  17. Verify EV-10, EV-17, and EV-13 open.
  18. Verify all other EV valves closed.
  19. Verify all AV valves closed.
  20. Verify open PV-2 and PV-4.
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 21. Verify closed PV-1, PV-3, PV-5 and PV-6.
 

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- G.3.2. Record position of EV-7a: \_\_\_\_\_ % EV-7b \_\_\_\_\_ %
- G.3.3. Verify Actuator Control Valve for EV-9 in “Subatm He” position.
- G.3.4. Record status of Well (e.g., manifold installation, valve positions etc.)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- G.3.5. Verify Vacuum Shell Pressure  $< 1 \times 10^{-4}$  torr.
1. Turn on Vac-ion pump and record time of day \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Use DAS [Monitor Data] for CN 99.
  3. When value is steady, record pressure (IP) \_\_\_\_\_ torr. If pressure is above  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  torr, turn off Vac-ion pump and perform procedure P0213, *Connection of High Vacuum Pumping Module*, to connect Vacuum Module and pump out SMD vacuum shell.
  4. Exit [Monitor Data] and collect data with [Set Data Interval] to 5 min.
  5. When data cycle is complete, turn off Vac-ion pump.
- G.3.6. Record initial liquid helium levels.
1. **Main Tank** \_\_\_\_\_ %
  2. **Guard Tank** – verify level  $\geq 15\%$  to precool internal transfer line. \_\_\_\_\_ %
- G.3.7. Record initial temperatures
1. Station 200 CN [01] \_\_\_\_\_ K.
  2. Top of Lead Bag CN [28] \_\_\_\_\_ K.
- G.3.8. Record pressures.
1. Guard Tank (GTV-G): \_\_\_\_\_ torr (relative to atm.).
  2. Main Tank (EG-2): \_\_\_\_\_ torr.
  3. Main Tank (EG-1a) \_\_\_\_\_ torr.
  4. Main Tank (STG) CN [49] \_\_\_\_\_ torr diff.
- G.3.9. Record Fill Cap Assembly pressure and verify that it reads  $> 760$  torr.  
Fill Cap Assembly pressure (PFCG): \_\_\_\_\_ torr.
- G.3.10. Record Vacuum Module Pressure (if connected): (VG-1): \_\_\_\_\_ torr.

**G.4. Verify SMD Configuration**

G.4.1. Using the RAV log book verify that the dewar's internal valves are in the following positions. If not, investigate to ensure previous RAV operations properly recorded. If necessary, note resolution in D-log.

1. **Open:** RAV-6B.
2. **Closed:** RAV-1, RAV-2, RAV-5, RAV-6A, and RAV-7.
3. **Record** position of Rav-3 \_\_\_\_\_.

G.4.2. Verify that SMD external valves are in the following positions.  
**Closed:** SV-13 and FCV.

**G.5. Set Up Data Acquisition System**

**Note:** refer to DAS operating instructions for information on configurations and mechanics of keyboard/mouse operation.

G.5.1. Verify DAS configuration set to 4m.

G.5.2. Set DAS to fast scan mode using [other menus], [data config], [fast scan]

G.5.3. Start "Special Data Cycle" by using [Other Menus] + [Special Data Col] + [Select CN [01], [09], [28], [42], and [46]] + [Init. Collectn] + [Enter] (=use default file)

G.5.4. Set Guard Tank Liquid Level Sensor sampling interval to 1 min.

G.5.5. Ensure printer is displaying special Data Cycle data.

**G.6. Transfer Pumping of Main Tank to Pump Module**

**Note:** this operation is to be performed if Main Tank is being pumped by Gas Module pump (AP-1) and it is desired to transfer pumping to the Pump Module . It is assumed that the plumbing between the Pump Module the Gas Module has been successfully leak checked.

- o Main Tank is pumped by AP-1, perform this section
- o Main Tank is already pumped by Pump Module or is closed out, skip this section
- o Main Tank is not vented (SV-9 closed), skip this section.

G.6.1. Verify open PV-2 and PV-4.

G.6.2. Verify closed PV-1, PV-3, PV-5, and PV-6.

## G.6.3. Initiate the Pump Module

1. Turn on/verify turned on water cooling of pump module.
  - a. Check oil level in Vane Pump (PP-2), record time \_\_\_\_\_ and initial \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. If oil level is low add new oil to PP-2 per specification in Pump Module Manual.
2. Verify closed EV-4, EV-14, and EV-21/22.
3. Turn on rotary vane pump PP-2.
4. Open PV-1.
5. Once pressure PG-1 has come to equilibrium (< 1 torr), turn on roots pump PP-1 and verify PG-1 < 15 mtorr.
6. Record PG-1 \_\_\_\_\_ mtorr.
7. Record pressure at AG-2b \_\_\_\_\_ torr.

## G.6.4. Transfer pumping to Pump Module.

1. Verify closed AV-8.
2. Open EV-21 and EV-4.
3. Close AV-6.
4. Open PV-3.
5. Record time of day : \_\_\_\_\_

## G.6.5. Verify valve configuration:

<b>Open</b>	EV-4, EV-10, EV-17, EV-13, EV-21 EV-7b (partial) PV-1, PV-2, PV-3, PV-4 RAV-3, RAV-6b
<b>Closed</b>	All other EV, PV, and RAV valves All AV valves

G.7. **Check Initial Pressure in Fill Line**

- G.7.1. Install a pumping line between valve FCV on the Fill Cap Assembly and the Access Port #1 of the Auxiliary gas section.
- G.7.2. Turn on/verify on pump AP-1.
- G.7.3. Open AV-8 and AV-3.
- G.7.4. Open valve FCV and evacuate to 20 mtorr as measured at AG-2.
- G.7.5. Close AV-8 and FCV.
- G.7.6. Once the pressure in the Fill Cap Assembly has stabilized, record Fill Cap Assembly pressure (PFCG): \_\_\_\_\_ torr.
- G.7.7. Open valve SV-13 to bring Fill Cap Assembly up to SMD Fill line

pressure and record PFCG \_\_\_\_\_ torr.

**G.8. Raise Pressure in Fill Line**

G.8.1. Open RAV-2 to bring Fill line up to Guard Tank pressure as follows.

1. Ensure all RAV selection switches in OFF position.
2. Turn on RAV power supply and adjust current limit to 1.95 A.
3. Adjust power supply to 28 VDC.
4. Power up RAV controller #2.
5. Position controller #2 RAV selection switch to RAV-2.
6. Record initial switch status: Open:  $\theta$   $\theta$  Closed:  $\theta$   $\theta$ .
7. Activate controller #2 to open RAV-2 and record:
  - a. Run time: \_\_\_\_\_ seconds.
  - b. Current draw: \_\_\_\_\_ amp.
  - c. Time of day: \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Record final switch status: Open:  $\theta$   $\theta$  Closed:  $\theta$   $\theta$ .
9. When convenient, record operation in RAV log book.

G.8.2. Verify that the Fill Cap Assembly pressure rises to the Dewar Guard Tank pressure.

1. Record Fill line pressure (PFCG): \_\_\_\_\_ psig/torr.
2. Record Guard Tank Pressure (GTV-G) \_\_\_\_\_ torr diff.

**G.9. Check Guard Tank Vent Line Flow Impedance:**

G.9.1. If necessary adjust SV-13 to minimize oscillations in the fill line as read at PFCG. Make sure, however, that SV-13 is still open enough to read the Guard Tank pressure.

G.9.2. Open EV-24 and remove/verify removed any cap on the atm. Side.

G.9.3. Verify that SV-13 is not fully closed by ensuring that the Guard Tank pressure measured at PFCG drops to ambient (approximately 760 torr)  
Record PFCG: \_\_\_\_\_ torr

G.9.4. Turn on power supply for Guard Tank heater (H-3D or H-4D)

G.9.5. Set power supply current limit to 0.07 amps.

G.9.6. Set to 50 VDC and record: V \_\_\_\_\_ Vdc and I \_\_\_\_\_ A.

G.9.7. When a steady state is reached, record the following

1. Guard Tank pressure as measured by PFCG: \_\_\_\_\_ torr
2. Atmospheric pressure \_\_\_\_\_ torr
3. SMD Hex-1 temperature \_\_\_\_\_ K
4. SMD Hex-2 temperature \_\_\_\_\_ K

5. SMD Hex-3 temperature \_\_\_\_\_ K

6. SMD Hex-4 temperature \_\_\_\_\_ K

When convenient, record results (a) through (f) in the *Guard Tank Vent Line Flow Impedance Log*

G.9.8. Close EV-24 and install the cap, if previously installed.

G.9.9. Set the Guard Tank heater power supply voltage to zero volts.

G.9.10. Close SV-13 and torque to 60 in-lbs  $\pm$  5 in-lbs.

G.9.11. Open AV-1.

G.9.12. Open AV-9 until pressure at AG-1 is 0.5 torr, then close AV-9.

G.9.13. Close AV-1.

#### G.10. **Install Stinger in LHSD**

**Note:** Use appropriate extension for the LHSD being used and clean all O-rings and mating surfaces.

G.10.1. Reduce LHSD pressure to < 1.0 psig by opening low-pressure relief.

G.10.2. Open valve VF-1 (Liquid withdrawal valve) on the stinger.

G.10.3. Slowly insert the stinger into the LHSD while allowing it to be purged.

G.10.4. Close valve VF-1 just as cold gas is expelled from stinger.

G.10.5. Close the primary (low-pressure) relief valve on the LHSD.

G.10.6. Increase LHSD ullage pressure builder to 8 to 10 psig via one of:

1. Power on the electric pressure builder **or**,
2. Attach external source of GHe to ullage inlet per the following:
  - a. Ensure that the external source of GHe is in fact helium gas.
  - b. Attach a GHe hose to the VENT outlet of the LHSD while purging the hose and the VENT outlet.
  - c. Adjust pressure regulator to obtain 8 to 10 psig LHSD driving pressure.

G.10.7. Record LHSD data:

Date / time: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Liquid level \_\_\_\_\_ %

LHSD serial number: \_\_\_\_\_

#### G.11. **Install Transfer Line Assembly**

**Note:** in the following steps the fill line is connected from the LHSD stinger at VF-1 to the SMD. Two transfer lines are available for use. One has an integrated filter and connects directly to bayonet B3 at the dewar. The other has a separate filter that is first installed at bayonet B3, after which the fill line is connected to the filter.

- G.11.1. Remove the Fill Cap Assembly.
- G.11.2. If using Transfer Line Filter, install it in Dewar Fill Bayonet B3.
- G.11.3. Install Transfer Line as follows:

**CAUTION**

**Be sure to provide adequate Fill Line support to avoid damaging Filter and Stinger.**

- 1. Mate the Fill Line (P/N 5833804) with the LHSD Stinger at VF-1.
  - 2. Mate VF-2 end of transfer line with Transfer Line Filter or B3 as appropriate.
  - 3. Ensure VF-2 and relief valve stems pointed upward.
  - 4.
  - 5. (Optional) Start chart recorder to record pressure-spike history at fill-line burst disk. Record pressure FLG.
- G.12. **Condition Transfer Line/Filter/Stinger Assembly**
  - G.12.1. Configure Pumping Line as follows:
    - 1. Ensure 1.5-in flexible pumping line mated to Access Port #1 of Auxiliary Gas section.
    - 2. Mate other end to outlet of VF-2.
  - G.12.2. Evacuate Transfer Line:
    - 1. Close/verify closed VF-3.
    - 2. Open valve VF-2.
    - 3. Open/verify open AV-3.
    - 4. Open AV-8.
    - 5. Close AV-8 when pressure reaches less than 50 mtorr as read on gauge AG-2.
  - G.12.3. Backfill Transfer Line:
    - 1. Open AV-1.
    - 2. Open AV-9 until pressure reaches 0.5 psig as read on gauge AG-1 and then Close AV-9.
    - 3. Close AV-1.
  - G.12.4. Evacuate Transfer Line (second time):
    - 1. Open AV-8.
    - 2. Close AV-8 when pressure reaches less than 50 mtorr as read on gauge AG-2.
  - G.12.5. Backfill Transfer Line (second time):
    - 1. Open AV-1.

2. Open AV-9 until pressure reaches 0.5 psig as read on gauge AG-1 and then Close AV-9.
3. Close AV-1.

G.13. **Start Transfer**

**Note:** This section starts the transfer by pre-cooling the SMD internal Fill Line by pushing liquid up from the Guard Tank.

**CAUTION**

**Transfer startup is a critical operation. All potentially interfering operations must be suspended. A qualified test director/engineer must be assigned to monitor temperatures at Station 200 and the top of the lead bag during precool and initial startup of transfer.**

- G.13.1. Turn on Guard Tank vent line heat exchanger (EH-2).
- G.13.2. Ensure VF-3 closed.
- G.13.3. Ensure VF-2 open.
- G.13.4. Open SV-13.
- G.13.5. Record Guard Tank pressure (GTV-G): \_\_\_\_\_ torr (relative to atm).
- G.13.6. Turn on power supply for Guard-Tank heater (H-3D or H-4D)
  - 1. Set power supply current limit to 0.07 amps.
  - 2. Set to 50 VDC and record: V \_\_\_\_\_ Vdc and I \_\_\_\_\_ A.
- G.13.7. Open VF-3.
- G.13.8. Close EV-13
- G.13.9. Enter comment to DAS “Start Precool.”

**Note:** Precool internal fill line until a dense plume is evident at VF-3 and Fill Valve (SV-13) temperature CN [42], is < 75 K. If the initial Guard Tank level is < 25% attempting to cool SV-13 below 75 K may result in depletion of the Guard Tank.
- G.13.10. When a dense plume is evident from VF-3 and Fill Valve (SV-13) temperature T-24D, CN [42], is < 75 K,
  - 1. Power off Guard Tank heaters.
  - 2. Close SV-13.
  - 3. Immediately open VF-1.
- G.13.11. Open EV-13
- G.13.12. When a dense plume is evident from VF-3:
  - 1. Close VF-2 and immediately
  - 2. Open SV-13.
- G.13.13. Open EV-6 and EV-18.
- G.13.14. Close VF-3 when it thaws out.



G.14. **Verify Start of Transfer****CAUTION**

**Do not exceed 100 LL/hr transfer rate as read on PFM-1 (scale B) as this exceeds the capacity of the vent line heat exchanger (EH-2) in the Gas Module.**

- G.14.1. Verify flow meter (PFM-1) reading of 50 to 100 liquid liters/hour.  
PFM-1 (scale B) reading: \_\_\_\_\_  
Start Time: \_\_\_\_\_
- G.14.2. Record LHe level of LHSD: \_\_\_\_\_ %
- G.14.3. Input comment to DAS “Starting External Fill of Guard Tank”.
- G.14.4. Record all fill data on the attached data sheet every 5 minutes.
- G.14.5. Adjust LHSD pressure:
1. Close pressurization valve at the LHSD and adjust the gas supply pressure regulator to the desired pressure not to exceed 8 psig.
  2. Reopen pressurization valve at the LHSD.
- G.14.6. Select desired Guard Tank fill level \_\_\_\_\_ %
- G.14.7. When Guard Tank is at desired level, record Guard Tank level and proceed to terminate transfer.  
Guard Tank Level (LL-5D or LL-6D) \_\_\_\_\_ %

G.15. **Terminate Transfer**

- G.15.1. Stop the flow of liquid helium:
1. Close VF-1 and record time of day \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. Close SV-13 and torque to 60 in-lbs  $\pm$  5 in-lbs and **immediately open** VF-2.
  3. Close EV-6 and EV-18.
- G.15.2. Enter comment to DAS “Stop Transfer.”
- G.15.3. Remove the pumping line from the Gas Module at valve VF-3.
- G.15.4. Remove the Transfer and Filter Lines from the Dewar fill bayonet B3 and immediately install the Fill Cap Assembly.

**G.16. Condition SMD Internal Fill Line**

- G.16.1. Connect a pumping line between the Fill Cap Assembly at valve FCV and the Auxiliary Gas Section access port no. 1.
- G.16.2. Ensure valves AV-1 and AV-9 closed.
- G.16.3. Open AV-8 and AV-3.
- G.16.4. Open valve FCV and evacuate Fill Cap Assembly to <25 mtorr measured at AG-2B.
- G.16.5. Close FCV.
- G.16.6. Open SV-13.
- G.16.7. Close RAV-2 as follows: (**Note:** relief of fill line is through Fill Cap Assembly)
  - 1. Verify that RAV controller #2 is already on and that controller #2 selection switch is already set to RAV-2. if not perform the following steps:
    - a. Ensure controller #2 selection switch in off position
    - b. Power up controller #2.
    - c. Position controller #2 selection switch to RAV-2.
  - 2. Record initial switch status: Open:  $\theta$   $\theta$  Closed:  $\theta$   $\theta$
  - 3. Activate controller #2 to close RAV-2 and record:
    - a. Run time: \_\_\_\_\_ seconds
    - b. Current draw: \_\_\_\_\_ amp
    - c. Time of day: \_\_\_\_\_
  - 4. Record final switch status: Open:  $\theta$   $\theta$  Closed:  $\theta$   $\theta$
  - 5. When convenient, record operation in RAV log book.
- G.16.8. Turn OFF RAV controller #2 as follows:
  - 1. Turn controller #2 selection switch to OFF.
  - 2. Power off controller #2.
  - 3. Turn off RAV power supply.
- G.16.9. Open FCV and evacuate the Dewar fill line to < 25 mtorr as measured at AG-2b.
- G.16.10. Record pressure AG-2b \_\_\_\_\_ torr.
- G.16.11. Close SV-13 and torque to 60 +/- 5 in-lbs.
- G.16.12. Close FCV.
- G.16.13. Close AV-8.
- G.16.14. Open AV-1.
- G.16.15. Open AV-9 until pressure reaches 1.5 psig as read on gauge AG-1

and then close AV-9.

G.16.16. Close AV-1.

G.16.17. Monitor the pressure in the Fill Cap Assembly PFC for 15 minutes to be assured that no gas is leaking into the Fill Cap Assembly (i.e. it maintains vacuum) and record:

Time of day \_\_\_\_\_. PFCG pressure: \_\_\_\_\_ torr.

Time of day \_\_\_\_\_. PFCG pressure: \_\_\_\_\_ torr.

G.17. **Place Data Acquisition System in Standard Configuration**

**Note:** refer to DAS operating instructions for information on configurations and mechanics of keyboard/mouse operation.

G.17.1. Input comment to DAS “Completed External fill of Guard Tank”.

G.17.2. Stop Special Data Cycle by using [Other Menus] + [Special Data Col] + [ Stop Data Col].

G.17.3. Set DAS to normal scan using [other menus], [data config], [normal scan].

G.17.4. Set DAS data cycle interval to 15 minutes.

G.17.5. Set Guard Tank liquid level sampling interval to 10 minutes.

G.17.6. Ensure Main Tank liquid level sampling interval set to 10 minutes.

G.17.7. Ensure Well and Axial Lock liquid level sensors are turned off.

G.17.8. Ensure the Vac-ion pump is off.

G.17.9. Ensure all RAV operations recorded in log book.

G.17.10. Ensure DAS alarm enabled and record set points if changed

o Thermal conditions substantially unchanged, alarm set points for Station 200 and lead bag are unchanged and set to alarm.

o Thermal conditions substantially changed, temperature alarm points reset as follows:

a. Station 200 set point [CN 1] \_\_\_\_\_ K ( $\leq 6.5$  K)

b. Top of Lead Bag set point [CN 28] \_\_\_\_\_ K ( $\leq 6.0$  K)

G.17.11. Ensure liquid level sensor alarms enabled on Main Tank, Guard Tank, and Well (**if liquid in Well**) and record set points if changed.

1. Main Tank Level Set Point \_\_\_\_\_%

2. Set Point \_\_\_\_\_%

3. Guard Tank Set Point \_\_\_\_\_%

G.17.12. Ensure Guard Tank pressure on DAS alarm list and set to alarm at 0.3 torr differential.

G.17.13. Ensure DAS watchdog timer and alarm enabled.

G.17.14. Ensure Facility Main Alarm System enabled.

**G.18. Verify Gas-Module Final Configuration**

G.18.1. Verify valve states are as indicated in following Table. Record configuration by checking appropriate box, then verify corresponding valve states.

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- o Main Tank pumped by Pump Module (PP-1/2)
  1. Verify SV-9 open.
  2. Verify open EV-4, EV-7a/b, EV-10, EV-13, EV-17, EV-21/22.
  3. Verify all other EV valves closed.
  4. Verify all AV valves closed.
  5. Verify PP-1/2 on.
  6. Verify open PV-1, PV-2, PV-3, and PV-4.
  7. Close/verify closed PV-5 and PV-6.

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- o Main Tank not pumped (SV-9 closed).
  8. Verify SV-9 closed.
  9. Verify EV-10, EV-17, and EV-13 open.
  10. Verify all other EV valves closed.
  11. Verify all AV valves closed.
  12. Verify open PV-2 and PV-4.
  13. Verify closed PV-1, PV-3, PV-5 and PV-6.

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**G.19. Perform Final Closure of SV-13 and Condition Dewar Fill Cap Assembly**

Once SV-13 has warmed sufficiently to try final closure perform the following steps. **Note:** The time required to warm upsufficiently may be a few hours.

G.19.1. Verify that the Fill Cap Assembly is still evacuated and record:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time of day \_\_\_\_\_

PFCG pressure: \_\_\_\_\_

G.19.2. Retorque SV-13 to  $60 \pm 5$  in-lbs.

G.19.3. Open FCV.

G.19.4. Open/Verify open AV-3.

G.19.5. Open AV-8 and evacuate to  $< 25$  mtorr as measured at AG-2b.

G.19.6. Close AV-8.

G.19.7. Ensure EV-12 closed.

G.19.8. Open AV-1.

G.19.9. Open AV-9 until pressure reaches 1.5 psig as read on gauge AG-1 and then close AV-9.

G.19.10. Close FCV.

G.19.11. Close AV-1 and record:

Time of day: \_\_\_\_\_ / PFCG pressure: \_\_\_\_\_

G.19.12. Open AV-8 and evacuate to  $< 25$  mtorr as measured at AG-2b.

G.19.13. Close AV-8.

G.19.14. Verify closure of SV-13 by observing the pressure in the Fill Cap Assembly (PFCG) until satisfied that no gas is leaking into the Dewar Fill line. Record:

Time of day \_\_\_\_\_, PFCG pressure \_\_\_\_\_ torr

G.19.15. After 30 minutes record:

Time of day \_\_\_\_\_, PFCG pressure \_\_\_\_\_ torr.

**Note:** If PFCG drops by more than 0.5 torr in 30 minutes, repeat steps G.18.2 through G.18.14.

G.19.16. Open AV-1.

G.19.17. Open AV-9 until pressure reaches 0 psig as read on gauge AG-1 and close AV-9.

G.19.18. Close AV-1.

G.19.19. Close AV-3.

G.19.20. Turn off pump AP-1

G.19.21. Remove pumping line from Fill Cap Assembly.

G.19.22. Install KF-25 blank-off cap on valve FCV.

**G.20. Establish Final Configuration**

- G.20.1. (Option) Return Pumping of SMD to Gas Module Pump :
- o Main Tank is to be pumped by AP-1, perform this section
  - o Main Tank to continue being pumped by Pump Module or is not vented (SV-9 closed), skip this section
1. Verify closed all AV valves.
  2. Verify on/turn on AP-1.
  3. Open AV-8.
  4. When AG-2b < 50 mtorr, open AV-6.
  5. Close EV-4.
  6. Shut down pump module
    - a. Close EV-21.
    - b. Close PV-1.
    - c. Power down PP-1 and PP-2.
    - d. Close PV-3.
- G.20.2. Record final liquid levels:
1. Main Tank level(LL-1D or LL-2D): \_\_\_\_\_ %
  2. Guard Tank Level (LL-5D or LL-6D): \_\_\_\_\_ %
- G.20.3. Record Main Tank pressure (EG-2): \_\_\_\_\_ torr.
- G.20.4. Record Guard Tank pressure (GTV-G) \_\_\_\_\_ torr (relative to atm).
- G.20.5. Turn off Guard Tank vent line heat exchanger (EH-2).
- G.20.6. Verify final valve configuration:
1. Verify open EV-7a/b, EV-10, EV-13, EV-17.
  2. Record position of EV-7a \_\_\_\_\_ % EV-7b \_\_\_\_\_ %.
  3. Verify all other EV valves closed.
  4. Verify AV-6 open.
  5. Verify all other AV valves closed.
  6. Verify open PV-2 and PV-4.
  7. Verify closed PV-1, PV-3, PV-5 and PV-6.



H. **PROCEDURE COMPLETION**

**Completed by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Witnessed by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Time:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Quality Manager** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Payload Test Director** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_



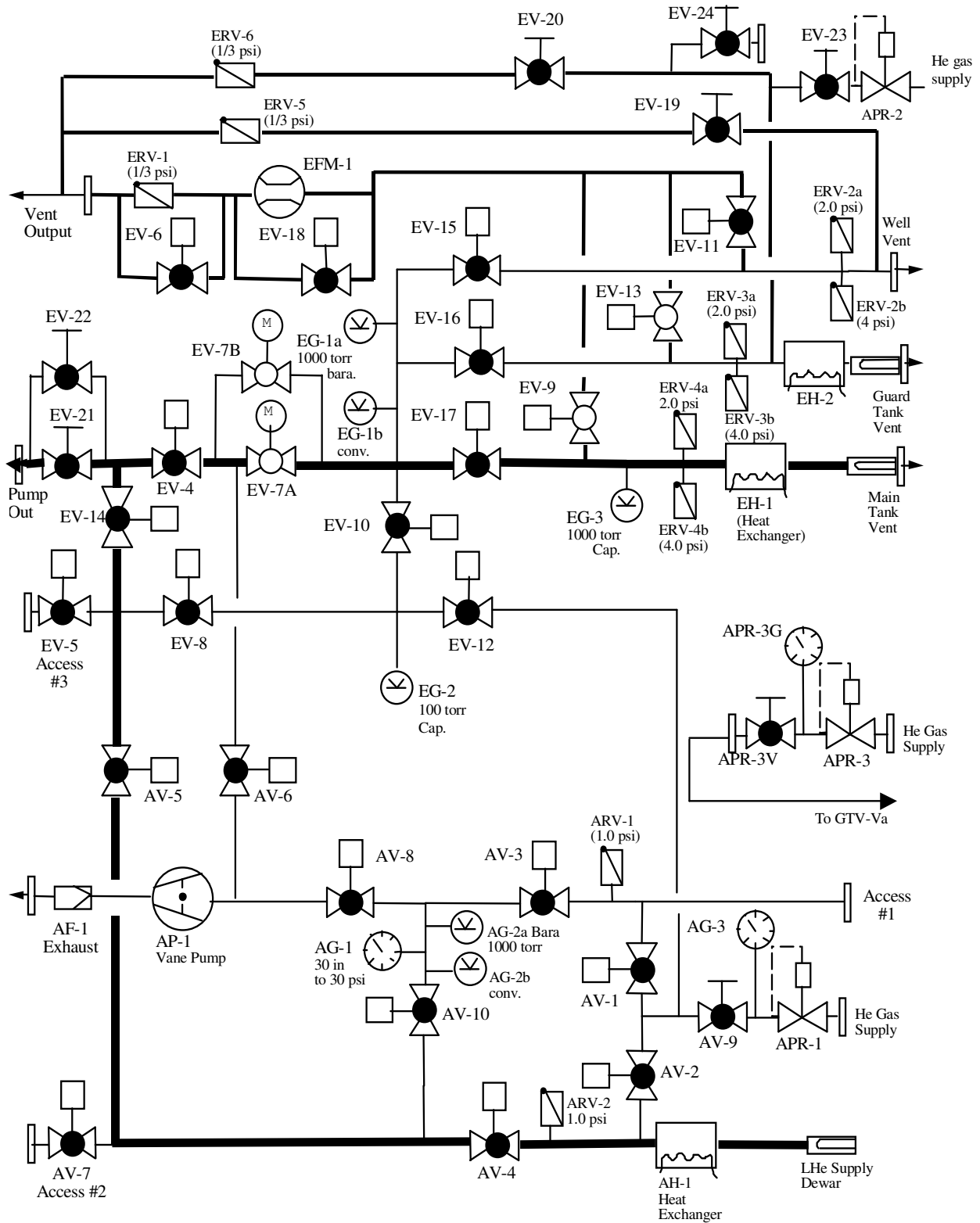


Figure 1. Schematic of Gas Module Plumbing.

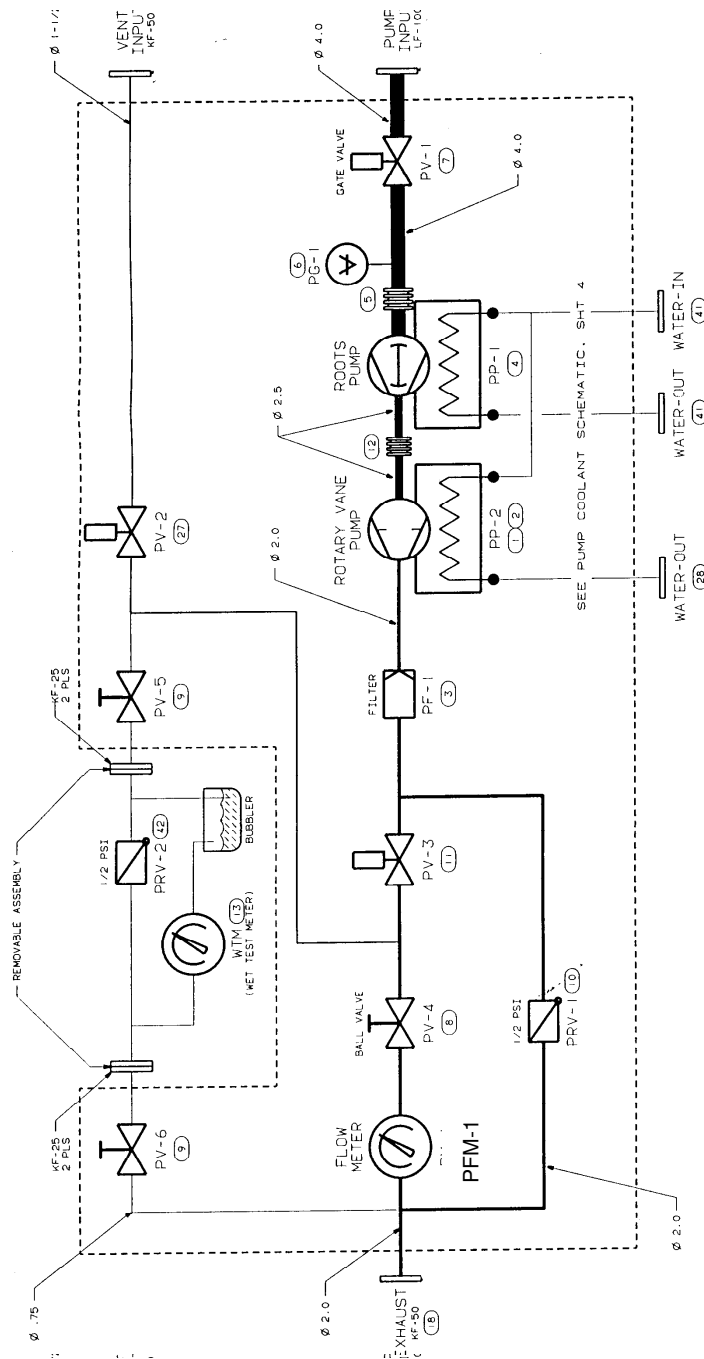
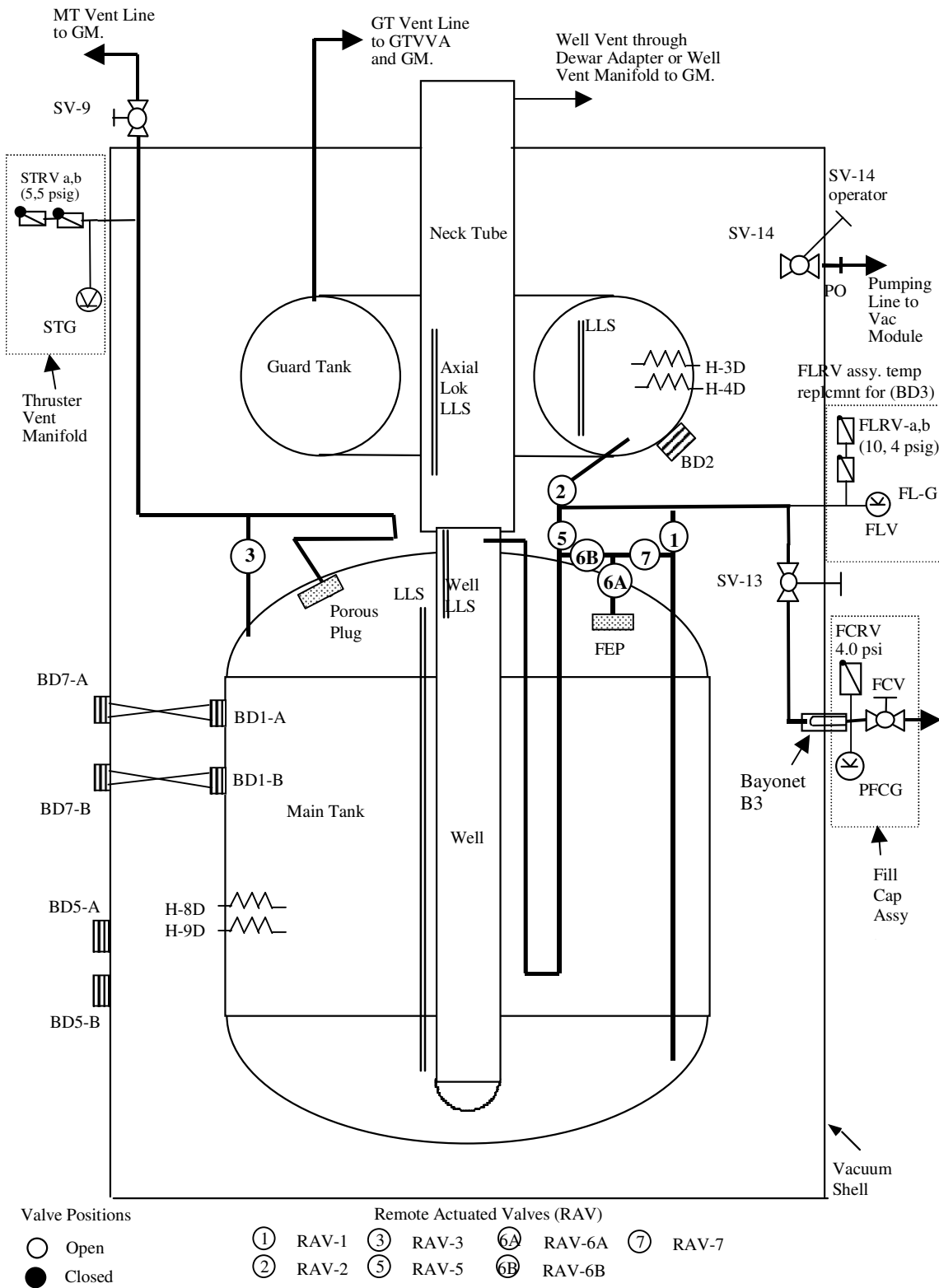


Figure 2. Schematic of Pump Module plumbing.



**Figure 3.** Schematic of Science Mission Dewar plumbing.

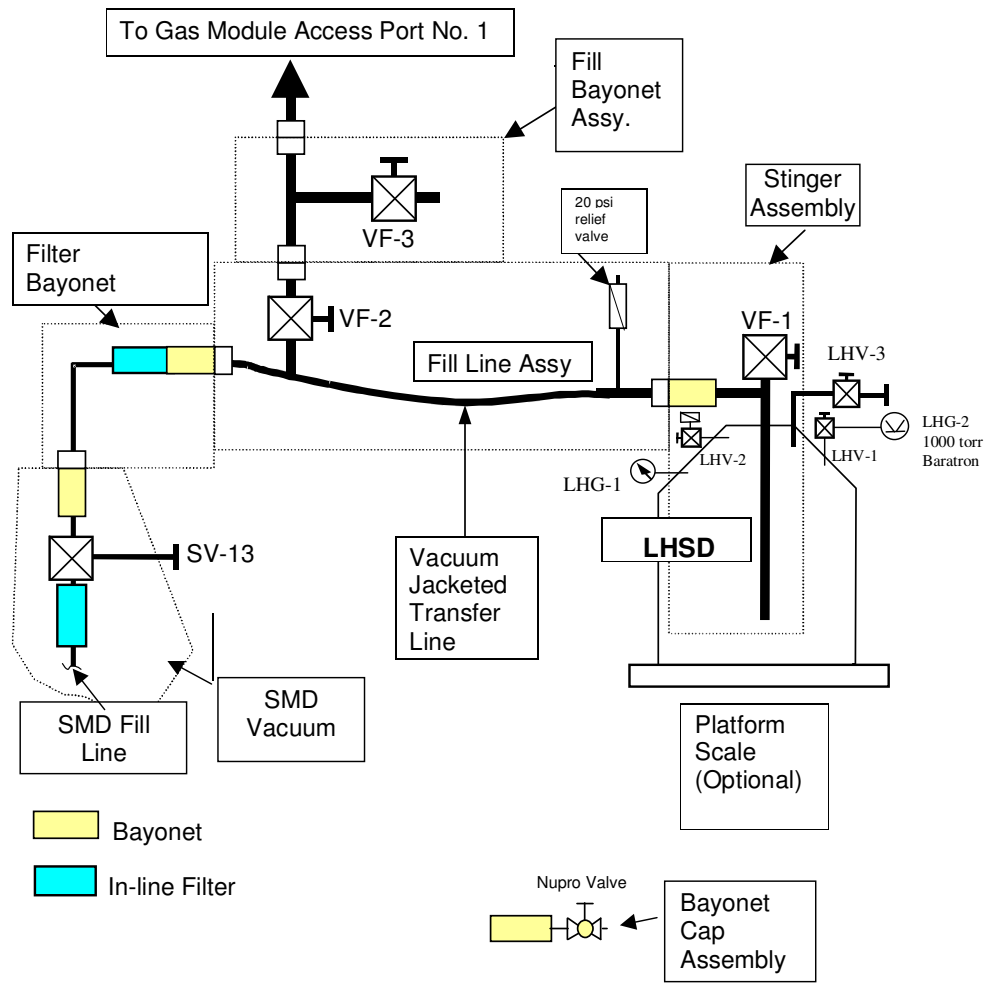


Figure 4 Schematic representation of LHSD and Transfer Line Plumbing