# GRAVITY PROBE B PROCEDURE FOR SCIENCE MISSION DEWAR

# CONNECT GUARD TANK VENT LINES TO GAS MODULE

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## **List of Abbreviations and Acronyms**

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

Connect Guard Tank Vent Lines to Gas Module

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#### A. SCOPE

This procedure provides the necessary steps to remove the Guard Tank Vent Cap and connect the Guard Tank Vent Line to the Gas Module. The steps include:

Close off vent line at Guard Tank Vent Valve (GTV-V)

Remove Vent Cap

Install and leak check Guard Tank vent line

The procedure is applicable when the Guard Tank contains liquid, as well as, when it is depleted. The Main Tank vent line may be connected or disconnected from the Gas Module. The Main Tank liquid may be at normal boiling point or subatmospheric.

#### 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

In LM facilities there may be an oxygen deficiency monitor that alarms when the oxygen level is reduced to 19.5%. Additional temperature and pressure alarms, provided by the DAS, warn of potential overpressure conditions. Emergency vent line deflectors are installed over the four burst disks on the SMD vacuum shell.

Only authorized and trained LM and SU personnel are allowed in LM facilities without escort. All personnel working at a height 30 inches or more off the floor are required to have an LM approved air tank within easy reach. In the unlikely event of a large LHe spill all employees have been instructed to evacuate the room and contact LM safety.

The following additional requirements apply to all personnel involved directly 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 cryogens 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 cryogens exists.

#### 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. Mishap Notification

#### B.3.1. Injury

In case of any injury obtain medical treatment as follows LM Call 117

#### B.3.2. Hardware Mishap

In case of an accident, incident, or mishap, notification is to proceed per the procedures outlined in Lockheed Martin Engineering Memorandum EM SYS229.

#### B.3.3. Contingency Response

Responses to contingencies (e.g., power failure) are listed in Appendix 3.

#### C. QUALITY ASSURANCE

#### C.1. **QA Notification**

The NASA 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. The Test Director will perform Pre-Test and Post-Test Briefings in accordance with P0875 "GP-B Maintenance and Testing at all Facilities." Checklists will be used as directed by P0875

#### 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

Test Director	Test Engineer
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Dave Murray	Ned Calder
Ned Calder	Dave Hipkins
	Bruce Clark

#### 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, 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 Module (Figure 1), the Pump Module (Figure 2), and the Electrical Module (Table 1).

#### 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

Description
Utility Turbo System (UTS, see Figure 3)
Helium leak detector
Helium leak detector calibrated leak; cal. due date:

#### E.3.5. Additional Hardware

Guard Tank Vent Line

#### E.3.6. Tools

No additional tools are required.

#### E.3.7. Expendables

Description	Quantity	Mfr./Part No.
Ethanol	AR	N/A
99.99% pure gaseous helium	AR	N/A

Vacuum Grease	AR	Apeizon N or Dow Corning
		High Vacuum Grease

#### **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.

Table 1. Required Instrumentation and Calibration Status

No.	Location	Description	User Name	Serial No.	Cal Required	Status Cal due date
1	DAS	Power Supply, H-P 6627A	-	3452A01975	Yes	
2	DAS	Power Supply, H-P 6627A	-	3452A01956	Yes	
3	DAS	Data Acquisition/Control Unit H-P 3497A	-	2936A245539	No	1
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 Varian 929-0910, Minivac	SIP	5004N	No	-

No.	Location	Description	User Name	Serial No.	Cal Required	Status Cal due date
20	EM	Flow meter totalizer Veeder-Root	PFM-1	576013-716	No	1
21	GM	Pressure Gauge, Heise	AG-1	CC-122077	No	-
22	GM	Pressure Gauge, Marshall Town	AG-3	N/A	No	i
23	GM	Main Tank Heat Exchanger: a) Thermocouple, b) Current meter, c) Temperature set point controller	-	C-19950	No	1
24	GM	Guard Tank Heat Exchanger: a) Thermocouple, b) Current meter, c) Temperature set point controller	-	C-09920	No	1
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 may be at normal boiling point (NBP) or subatmospheric. When subatmospheric, the initial configuration of the Gas Module may be such that the bath is being actively pumped or is set up in a non-vented mode.

#### E.5.2. Guard Tank

The Guard-Tank may contain liquid, or be depleted. When the Guard Tank is depleted, its pressure must be independently regulated from a source of 99.999% pure helium gas and its pressure must be continuously monitored and maintained at a positive value relative to that of the atmosphere. Monitoring is accomplished by placing the relative pressure (GTV-G), as read at the Guard Tank Vent Valve Assembly, on the DAS alarm list.

#### E.5.3. Well

The Well is evacuated.

#### E.5.4. SMD Vacuum Shell

The Vacuum Shell pressure must be less than 5\*10^-5 torr.

#### E.5.5. Alarm System

- 1. The DAS alarm system must be enabled and contain the following alarm set-points:
  - a. Top of lead bag temperature set (CN 28 and CN 29) at T  $\leq$  6.0 K.
  - b. Relative Guard Tank Pressure (CN 46) set at  $\Delta P \ge 0.3$  torr.

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

1. 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).

#### E.6. Optional Non-flight Configurations

The following modifications or non-flight arrangement of the basic SMD configuration may also be in place. They are incidental to the performance of this procedure and not required.

- 1. The SMD/Space Vehicle is installed in the Tilt dolly.
- 2. A foreign object and debris shield covers the upper cone of the SMD.
- 3. The ion-pump magnet is installed.
- 4. The Main Tank Vent Line may be connected to the Gas Module, or it may be disconnected either at the Bayonet at the end of the short line or the Bayonet at SV-9.

- 5. When the Well contains liquid, it vents through the Gas Module unless Well operations are being performed (e.g., Probe insertion). Venting through the Gas module is accomplished via a pumping line attached to the Well vent manifold installed at the Well pump-out port.
- 6. The Vacuum shell pump out port at SV-14 may be connected to the Vacuum Module (P/N 5833816) via a 2-in valve operator and pumping line, with the valve in the closed position or in the open position with the Vacuum Module actively pumping the vacuum shell.
- 7. The thruster vent port is flanged to a GSE or Flight shut-off valve.
- 8. The Fill Cap Assembly is installed at SV-13.

#### F. REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

#### F.1. **Drawings**

Drawing No.	Title
LMMS-5833394	Instrumentation Installation

#### F.2. Supporting documentation

Document No.	Title
LMMC-5835031	GP-B Magnetic Control Plan
GPB-100153C	SMD Safety Compliance Assessment
SU/GP-B P0141	FIST Emergency Procedures
LMSC-P088357	Science Mission Dewar Critical Design Review
SU/GP-B P0108	Quality Plan
LMMS GPB-100333	Science Mission Dewar Failure Effects and Causes Analysis
SU/GP-B P059	GP-B Contamination Control Plan
EM SYS229	Accident/Mishap/Incident Notification Process

#### F.3. Additional Procedures

Document No.	Title
SU/GP-B P0674	Connect Main Tank Vent Line to Gas Module – Main Tank at NBP
SU/GP-B P0676	Connect Guard Tank Vent Line to Gas Module
SU/GP-B P0879	Accident/Incident/Mishap Notification Process
SU/GP-B P0213	Connect Vacuum Module to SMD
SU/GP-B P0875	GP-B Maintenance and Testing at all Facilities

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	G.1.	Pr	e-Operations Ve	erifications			
		o	Verify SU QA n	otified.			
			Record: Individ	ual notified		,	
			Date/time				
		o	Verify NASA re	presentative n	otified.		
			Record: Individ	ual notified		,	
			Date/time	/	·		
		o	Record calibration due dates in Table 1 (Sections. E.3.4, E.4)				
		0			his procedure sho Director should be	uld initial their names in Sec e circled.	
		o	Verify completion	st (Appendix 1).			
		0	Verify Guard Ta connected term			uard Tank Vent Line is	
	G.2.	Ve	erify Purity of All	I Sources of H	lelium Gas		
		G.	2.1. Record seri				
					3		
			4	5	6		
		Verify helium bottle/s have been tested for purity and record C Number.					
			Op. Numb	oer:	Record Step N	lumber:	
						OA Witness:	

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G.3.

G.4.

Verify	Configuration Requirements	
G.3.1.	Verify proper sealing of Well. Record closure (cover plate, Hole cutter, Probe etc.).	
G.3.2.	Ensure DAS alarm system enabled and record set points.	
	<ol> <li>Top of lead bag temperature – ensure CN [28] and CN [29] on DAS alarm list with alarm limit at T ≤ 6.0 K. Record set point.</li> </ol>	
	<ol> <li>Relative Guard Tank Pressure – ensure CN [46] on DAS alarm list with alarm limit at ΔP ≥ 0.3 torr. Record set pointtorr</li> </ol>	
G.3.3.	Ensure liquid-level alarms set, as appropriate, and record set points.	
	<ol> <li>Main Tank – ensure liquid-level alarm set ≥ 20%.  Record set point.</li> </ol>	
	2. <b>Guard Tank</b> – ensure liquid level alarm set ≥ 10% (if liquid in GT). Record set point%	
G.3.4.	Ensure GSE cabling connected between the SMD and the Electrical Module (P/N 5833812) and between the SMD and the Data Acquisition System (P/N 5833811).	
	Section Complete QA Witness:	
Recor	rd Initial Configuration and Conditions	
	Record initial liquid helium levels as appropriate.	
G.4.1.	1. Main Tank (LL-1D or LL-2D)%	
	2. Guard Tank (LL-5D or LL-6D) <u>%</u>	
G 4 2	Record initial pressures, as appropriate.	
G.4.Z.	Main Tank – Subatmospheric (EG-2/STG): torr.	
	2. Main Tank – NBP (EG-3/STG): torr.	
	3. Guard Tank – (GTV-G) torr relative to 1 atm.	

- G.4.3. Record condition of Main Tank (*one* of the following) and ensure corresponding valve configurations.
- o Main Tank not connected to Gas Module
  - 1. Ensure all EV valves closed.
  - 2. Ensure all AV valves closed.

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- Main Tank connected to Gas Module liquid at NBP.
  - 1. Ensure EV-9 open.
  - 2. Ensure all other EV valves closed.
  - 3. Ensure all AV valves closed.
  - o Main Tank connected to Gas Module liquid sub-atmospheric and pumped by Pump Module (PP-1/PP-2).
    - 1. Ensure EV-10 and EV-17 open.
    - 2. Ensure EV-4, EV-7a/b, and EV-21 open.
    - 3. Ensure all other EV valves closed.
    - 4. Ensure all AV valves closed.
    - 5. Ensure PV-1, PV-3, and PV-4 (or PV-1, PV-3, PV-5 and PV-6) open.
    - 6. Ensure PP-1 and PP-2 on.
  - Main Tank connected to Gas Module liquid sub-atmospheric and pumped by Gas Module (AP-1).
    - 1. Ensure EV-10 and EV-17 open.
    - 2. Ensure EV-7a/b open .
    - 3. Ensure all other EV valves closed.
    - 4. Ensure AP-1 on
    - 5. Ensure AV-6 open.
    - 6. Ensure all other AV valves closed

- G.4.4. Record condition of Guard Tank
  - Guard Tank contains liquid.
  - Guard Tank depleted and pressure independently regulated at GTV-Va-

<b>QA Witness</b>	<b>:</b> :
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#### G.5. Remove Guard Tank Vent Cap and Install Vent Line

- G.5.1. Close/verify closed GTVC-V.
- G.5.2. Close GTV-V
- G.5.3. Enter comment in DAS "Closed Guard Tank vent valve GTV-V."
- G.5.4. Remove Guard Tank Vent Cap Assembly
- G.5.5. Remove o-ring from bayonet receptacle and inspect for defects or damage. Replace if any found and record results in o-ring log.
- G.5.6. Clean and grease o-ring with Apeizon N high vacuum grease before replacing.
- G.5.7. Install Guard Tank Long Vent Line at GTV-V.
- G.5.8. Ensure black marks on nut line up with black marks on threads.
- G.5.9. Connect Guard Tank Vent line at Gas Module (at inlet to Guard Tank heat exchanger).

Section Complete QA	Witness:
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#### G.6. Leak Check Guard Tank Vent Line

- G.6.1. Turn on and verify calibration of leak detector. Record
  - 1. calibrated leak value \_\_\_\_\_ sccs
  - 2. measured leak value \_\_\_\_\_ sccs
- G.6.2. Connect leak detector to the UTS at access port (LD).
- G.6.3. Ensure EV-5 closed
- G.6.4. Install UTS/Leak detector to Access port #3 of Gas Module and start the UTS (Figure 3) pumping up to closed EV-5, as follows:
  - 1. Place valve interlock switch in "over-ride" position.
  - 2. Turn on vane pump and converter (Note: converter switch provides power to turbopump controller and pirani and cold-cathode vacuum-gauge display.
  - 3. Push the red "reset" button to activate the interlock over-ride circuit. (the yellow-orange indicator light will come on).
  - 4. Turn "foreline" switch on, to open TV-2, and verify that the switch is

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illuminated.

- 5. Push the "Sensor" button on the vacuum gauge display to read the foreline pressure (TG-4). This is the pirani gauge. The "Pir" annunciator will appear in upper left corner of the display).
- 6. Slowly open TV-4.
- 7. When foreline pressure (TG-4) < 1 torr, push "Start" button on turbo controller.
- 8. When the "Normalbetrieb" light illuminates on turbo controller, indicating turbopump is up to speed, close TV-4 and open gate valve TV-1.
- 9. Switch the valve interlock switch to the "protected" position.
- 10. Push the "Sensor" button on the vacuum gauge readout so that the "Hi-Vac" annunciator shows, and push the "Emis" button to turn on the cold cathode gauge (TG-1).
- 11. Record the pumping line pressure (TG-1) \_\_\_\_\_ torr.

#### **CAUTION**

If the Main Tank is connected to the Gas Module and being pumped, the next step will stop the pumping and put the Main Tank in a non-vented mode. During the period of Main Tank vent closure the temperatures at Station 200 and the top of the lead bag are to be continuously monitored.

G.6.5.	Close/verify closed AV-6, EV-10, EV-17, and EV-21/22.		
G.6.6.	Open/verify open EV-4, EV-14, and EV-16.		
G.6.7.	Record settings of EV-7a and EV-7b and open fully.		
G.6.8.	Evacuate Guard Tank vent plumbing with Gas Module		
	1. Ensure AP-1 on.		
	2. Open AV-6 and AV-8.		
	3. Once pressure is < 25 mtorr as measured at AG-2b, close AV-6 and AV-8.		
G.6.9.	Bake out Gas Module		
	1. Open EV-5, now pumping up to closed GTV-V with UTS		
	Record TG-1:torr		
	Record Time:		
	2. Turn on Guard Tank heat exchanger and set to 50C		
	3. Bake out heat exchanger until TG-1 < 5*10^-6 torr		
	Record TG-1:torr		
	Record Time:		

	4. Turn off Guard Tank heat exchanger						
	5. When TG-1 pressure stablizes proceed to section G.6.10						
		F	Record TG-	1:	_torr		
		F	Record Time	e:	_		
G.6.10	. Le	ak check all <sub>l</sub>	olumbing ar	nd connection	ons		
	<ol> <li>Verify that leak detector is operational and pumping up to closed valve TV-3.</li> </ol>						
	2.	Leak check TV-3	all plumbing	g and conne	ections betw	reen leak de	etector and
	3.	Slowly oper	TV-3 and	close the fo	reline valve	(TV-2)	
	4.	Pump until	background	d level is on	the 1x10 <sup>-5</sup> s	scc/s range.	
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G.6.11	. Ва	ag seals of ve	ent line, pur	ge bags wit	h GHe for 2	minutes an	d record:
	1.	O-ring locat	ion:				
	Tin	ne (min)	0	1/2	1	1 1/2	2
	LD	(ssc/s)					
	2.	Pass/Fail: _	(P	ass= <b>no</b> ind	crease from	initial backo	ground)
					C	QA Witness:	
	3.	O-ring locat	ion:				
	<b>T</b> :		•	1/0		4.4/0	•
	HIN	ne (min)	0	1/2	1	1 1/2	2
		(ssc/s)	(5				D.
	4.	Pass/Fail: _	(P	ass= <b>no</b> ind	rease from	initiai backę	grouna)
						QA Witness	· ·
						QA Willies	o
G.6.12	. Clo	ose EV-4, EV	'-5, and EV-	-14. Re	cord Date/T	ime	
G.6.13. Remove UTS/leak detector (if not going to use for more operations), as follows:				ations), as			
	1.	Close valve	TV-3 and o	pen foreline	e Valve (TV-	-2)	
	2.	While monit	• .			ode gauge	(TG-1),
	3.	Close UTS	gate valve (	TV-1).			
	4.	Turn turbo p	oump off.				

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- 5. Close foreline valve (TV-2) and turn off vane pump.
- 6. Install GHe to UTS valve TV-5 upstream of gate valve and backfill to 760 torr, as read at TG-3.
- 7. Disconnect UTS from access port 3 at EV-5..

G.6.14. Backfill Gas	Module to	one atmosp	here
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- 1. Open EV-10 and EV-12.
- 2. Open AV-9 and pressurize to 760 torr as read at gauge EG-1a and close AV-9.
- 3. Close EV-10, EV-12, and EV-16.

Section	Complete	ΩA	Witness:	
Section	COMPLETE	$Q \cap$	VVIII 1000.	

#### G.7. Establish Final Configuration

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- 1. Date/time of day:\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_
- 2. Main Tank Temp (T-9D):\_\_\_\_ K
- 3. Guard Tank Temp (T-15D)\_\_\_\_ K
- 4. Vacuum Module pressure (VG-1) if connected:\_\_\_\_\_ torr

Guard Tank pressure GTV-G\_\_\_\_\_ torr (relative to atm.

G.7.2. Place Gas Module valves in initial configuration:

Note: before reestablishing Guard Tank venting place the Gas Module valves in the same states they were in to start with (i.e., the states established in Paragraph G.3.3. Those states are repeated below.

- o Main Tank not connected to Gas Module.
  - 1. Ensure all other EV valves closed.
  - 2. Ensure all AV valves closed.
- o Main Tank connected to Gas Module liquid at NBP.
  - 1. Ensure EV-9 open.
  - 2. Ensure all other EV valves closed.
  - 3. Ensure all AV valves closed.

- o Main Tank connected to Gas Module liquid sub-atmospheric and pumped by Pump Module (PP-1/PP-2).
  - Slowly release pressure in Guard Tank thru GTVVA until CN 46 drops to 120 torr
  - 2. Ensure EV-10 and EV-17 open.
  - 3. Ensure EV-4, EV-7a/7b, and EV-21 open.
  - 4. Ensure all other EV valves closed.
  - 5. Ensure all AV valves closed.
  - 6. Ensure PP-1 and PP-2 on.
  - 7. Ensure PV-1, PV-3, and PV-4 (or PV-1, PV-3, PV-5 and PV-6) open..
- Main Tank connected to Gas Module liquid sub-atmospheric and pumped by Gas Module (AP-1).
  - 1. Ensure EV-10 and EV-17 open.
  - 2. Ensure EV-7a/7b open .
  - 3. Ensure all other EV valves closed.
  - 4. Ensure AP-1 on
  - 5. Ensure AV-6 open.
  - 6. Ensure all other AV valves closed.

#### G.7.3. Establish one of the following Guard Tank vent configurations:

- Guard Tank contains liquid establish venting (Because the GT may be at much higher pressure than the MT, venting is established through EV-20.)
  - 1. Close/verify closed EV-13, EV-23, and GTV-Va.
  - 2. Open EV-20
  - Open GTV-V
  - 4. Enter comment into DAS "GT venting through EV-20."
  - 5. Only if Main Tank not subatmospheric, open EV-16.
- o Guard Tank depleted pressure must be independently regulated.
  - 1. Ensure EV-13 and EV-20 closed.
  - 2. Close GTV-Va
  - 3. Open GTV-V.
  - 4. Verify certified helium supply attached to APR-2.
  - 5. Ensure APR-2 adjusted to 1-2 psid.
  - 6. Open EV-23 fully.

7. **Only** if Main Tank **not** subatmospheric, open EV-16.

G.7.4	4. Ensure DAS alarm enabled	and record set points if ch	anged
	o Thermal conditions substated lead bag is unchanged	antially unchanged, alarm s	set point for the
	o Thermal conditions substated reset as follows:	antially changed, temperati	ure alarm points
	a. Top of Lead I [CN 28 and C	Bag set point CN 29]	K ( ≤ 6.0 K)
G.7.5	<ol><li>Ensure liquid level sensor a points if changed.</li></ol>	ılarms enabled, as appropr	iate, and record set
	1. Main Tank Level	Set Point	%
	2. Guard Tank Level	Set Point	%
G.7.6	<ol> <li>Ensure Guard Tank pressured differential.</li> </ol>	re on DAS alarm list and se	et to alarm ≥0.3 torr
G.7.7	7. Once conditions have stabi	lized, record the following:	
	1. Date/time of day:		
	2. Flowrate EFM-1		
	3. Main Tank Temp (T-9D)	) CN [09] K	
	4. Guard Tank Temp (T-15	5D) CN [24] K	
	5. Guard Tank pressure (6	GTV-G) torr relat	ive to atm.
	6. Main Tank pressure		
	a. If connected t	to GM (EG-2 or EG-3)	torr
	<ul><li>b. If disconnecte atm.</li></ul>	ed from GM(STG)	_ torr relative to
	7. Vacuum Module pressu	re (VG-1) if connected:	torr
G.7.8	3. Verify Completion of Post P	rocedure Checklist.	
	9	Section Complete QA Witne	ess:
Section H.			
Witnessed by:			
Date:			
Time:			

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Quality Manager	Date	
Payload Test Director	Date	

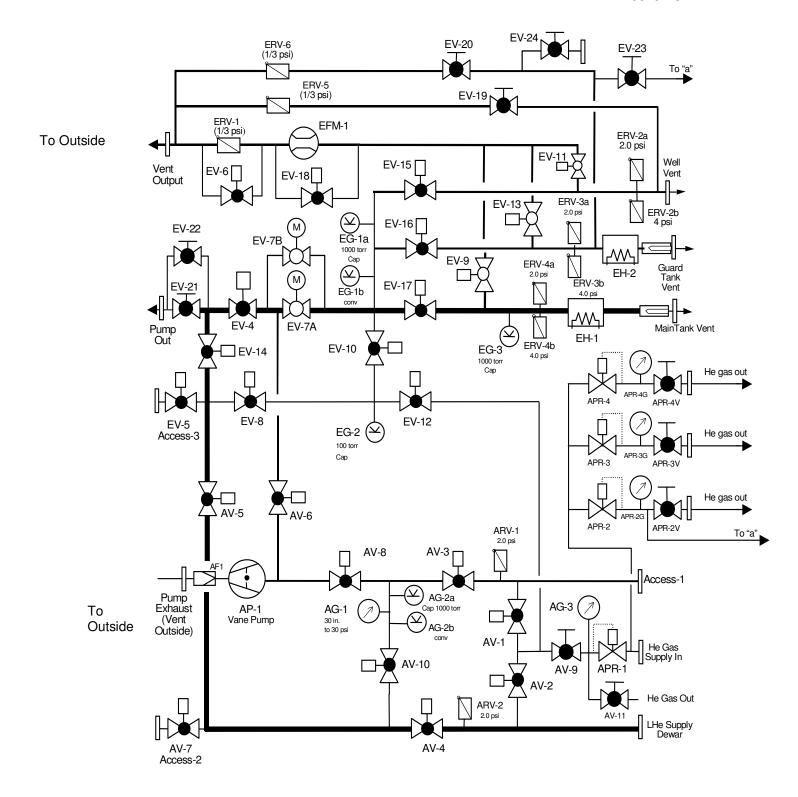


Figure 1. Gas Module

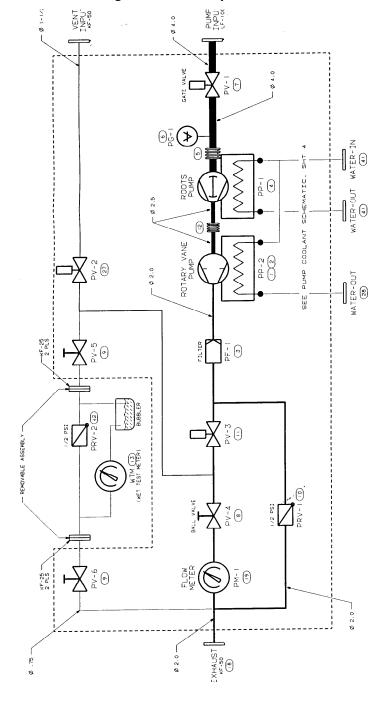


Figure 2-Schematic diagram of the Pump Module

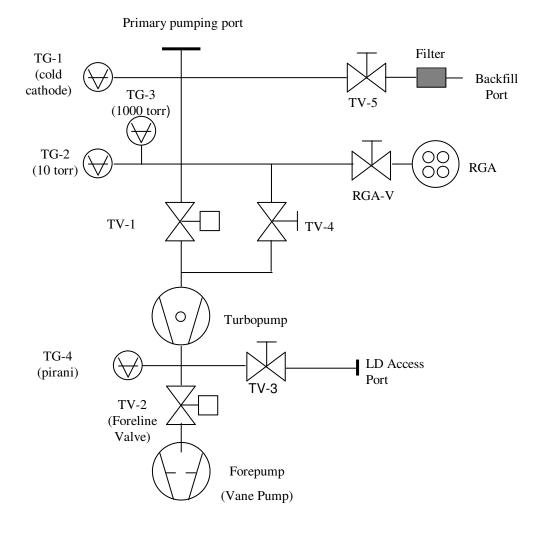
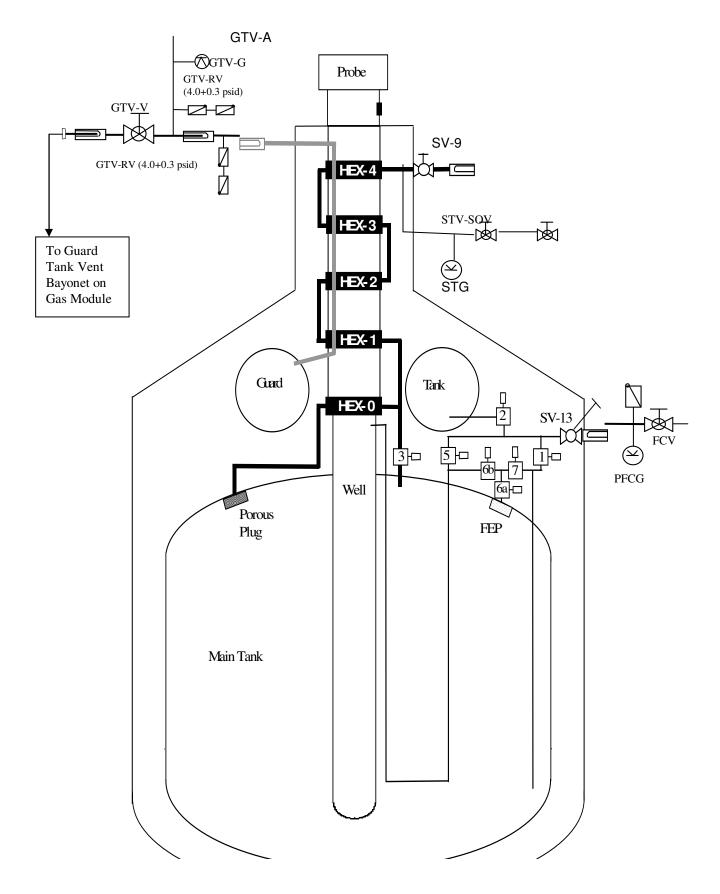


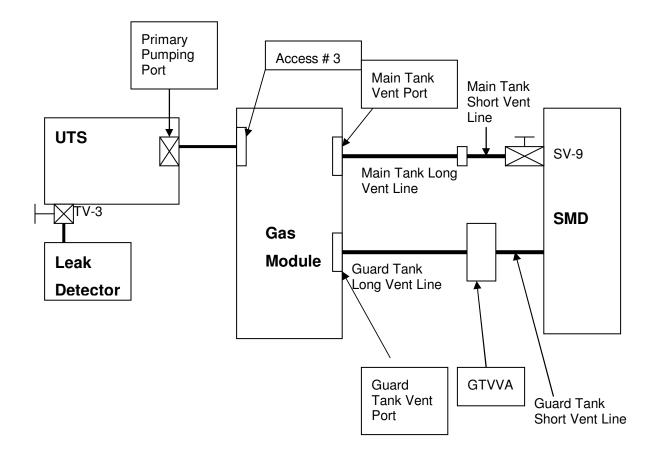
Figure 3. Schematic diagram of Utility Pumping System (UTS)



**Figure 4.** Schematic of Science Mission Dewar plumbing.

Figure 5- Possible Main Tank and Guard Tank Vent Configurations \*note-dashed arrows indicated an option **Bayonet Fitting** Vacuum Clad Vent Line Endevco 2 psid Gauge To Room Circle Seal 532B-4MP-Circle Seal Main Tank Main Tank 1(1 psid) Short Vent 532B-4M-.5 Line Vent Cap Assy (0.5 psid) 2 Main Tank Long Vent Line ▶To Gas Module SV-9 Main Tank Long Vent ▶To Gas Module В To Room Circle Seal Circle Seal **SMD** 532B-4MP-1(1 psid) 532B-4M-.5 (0.5 psid) GTVC-RV a,b To GTV-Va Room GTVC-V GTV-V **Guard Tank** Short Vent Line **GTVC-Fill Vent** GTVC-G **Guard Tank Vent Cap GTVG** Guard Tank Long Vent GTV-RV To Gas **GTVVA** Module 4.0+0.3 psid GTSL-RV 4.0+0.3 psid Page 25

Figure 6: Block Diagram of GSE and SMD-See individual diagrams for more detail



# Appendix 1 **Pre Operations Checklist**

DATE	CHECKLIST ITEM	COMPLETED	REMARKS
	1. Verify the test procedure being used is the latest revision.		
	2. Verify all critical items in the test are identified and discussed with the test team.		
	3. Verify all required materials and tools are available in the test area.		
	4. Verify all hazardous materials involved in the test are identified to the test team.		
	5. Verify all hazardous steps to be performed are identified to the test team.		
	6. Verify each team member knows their individual responsibilities.		
	7. Confirm that each test team member clearly understands that he/she has the authority to stop the test if an item in the procedure is not clear.		
	8. Confirm that each test team member clearly understands that he/she must stop the test if there is any anomaly or suspected anomaly.		
	9. Notify management of all discrepancy reports or d-log items identified during procedure performance. In the event an incident or major discrepancy occurs during procedure performance management will be notified immediately.		
	10. Confirm that each test team member understands that there will be a post-test team meeting.		
	Team Lead Signature:		

# Appendix 2 Post Operations Checklist

DATE	CHECKLIST ITEM	COMPLETED	REMARKS
	Verify all steps in the procedure were successfully completed.		
	2. Verify all anomalies discovered during testing are properly documented.		
	3. Ensure management has been notified of all major or minor discrepancies.		
	4. Ensure that all steps that were not required to be performed are properly identified.		
	5. If applicable sign-off test completion.		
	Team Lead Signature:		

# Appendix 3— Contingency Responses

Condition	Circumstance	Response
Temperature limits (CN 1 or 28) exceeded	Any time	Close EV-17 (if open) and open EV-9. Crack open SV-9 to allow MT to vent. Adjust SV-9 as necessary to restore temperature(s) below alarm limits. Open EV-6 and EV-18 if higher flow rate is needed.
Burst disk rupture (MT/GT)	Any time	Evacuate room