

SANDIA REPORT

SAND2001-1642
Unlimited Release
Printed June 2001

LIST/BMI Turbines Instrumentation and Infrastructure

Perry L. Jones, Herbert J. Sutherland, and Byron A. Neal

Prepared by
Sandia National Laboratories
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87185 and Livermore, California 94550

Sandia is a multiprogram laboratory operated by Sandia Corporation,
a Lockheed Martin Company, for the United States Department of Energy under Contract DE-AC04-94AL85000.

Approved for public release; further dissemination unlimited.



Issued by Sandia National Laboratories, operated for the United States Department of Energy by Sandia Corporation.

NOTICE: This report was prepared as an account of work sponsored by an agency of the United States Government. Neither the United States Government, nor any agency thereof, nor any of their employees, nor any of their contractors, subcontractors, or their employees, make any warranty, express or implied, or assume any legal liability or responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or usefulness of any information, apparatus, product, or process disclosed, or represent that its use would not infringe privately owned rights. Reference herein to any specific commercial product, process, or service by trade name, trademark, manufacturer, or otherwise, does not necessarily constitute or imply its endorsement, recommendation, or favoring by the United States Government, any agency thereof, or any of their contractors or subcontractors. The views and opinions expressed herein do not necessarily state or reflect those of the United States Government, any agency thereof, or any of their contractors.

Printed in the United States of America. This report has been reproduced directly from the best available copy.

Available to DOE and DOE contractors from
U.S. Department of Energy
Office of Scientific and Technical Information
P.O. Box 62
Oak Ridge, TN 37831

Telephone: (865)576-8401
Facsimile: (865)576-5728
E-Mail: reports@adonis.osti.gov
Online ordering: <http://www.doe.gov/bridge>

Available to the public from
U.S. Department of Commerce
National Technical Information Service
5285 Port Royal Rd
Springfield, VA 22161

Telephone: (800)553-6847
Facsimile: (703)605-6900
E-Mail: orders@ntis.fedworld.gov
Online order: <http://www.ntis.gov/ordering.htm>



LIST/BMI Turbines Instrumentation and Infrastructure

Perry L. Jones and Herbert J. Sutherland

Wind Energy Technology Department
Sandia National Laboratories
P.O. Box 5800
Albuquerque, NM 87185-0708

Byron A. Neal

USDA-Agriculture Research Service
Conservation and Production Research Laboratory
Bushland, TX 79012-0010

ABSTRACT

In support of two major SNL programs, the Long-term Inflow and Structural Test (LIST) program and the Blade Manufacturing Initiative (BMI), three Micon 65/13M wind turbines have been erected at the USDA Agriculture Research Service (ARS) center in Bushland, Texas. The inflow and structural response of these turbines are being monitored with an array of 60 instruments: 34 to characterize the inflow, 19 to characterize structural response and 7 to characterize the time-varying state of the turbine. The primary characterization of the inflow into the LIST turbine relies upon an array of five sonic anemometers. Primary characterization of the structural response of the turbine uses several sets of strain gauges to measure bending loads on the blades and the tower and two accelerometers to measure the motion of the nacelle. Data are sampled at a rate of 30 Hz using a newly developed data acquisition system. The system features a time-synchronized continuous data stream and telemetered data from the turbine rotor. This paper documents the instruments and infrastructure that have been developed to monitor these turbines and their inflow.

TABLE OF CONTENTS

	Page
Abstract.....	3
Table of Contents.....	4
List of Tables.....	7
List of Figures.....	8
Introduction.....	10
Test Site.....	11
Site Plan.....	12
Buildings.....	12
The Turbines.....	14
The LIST Turbine.....	15
Sister Turbines.....	15
Instrumentation.....	16
Instrumentation Summary and Nomenclature.....	16
Inflow Instrumentation.....	19
Cup Anemometer.....	20
Wind Vane.....	20
Sonic Anemometers.....	20
Temperature.....	21
Differential Temperature.....	21
Barometric Pressure.....	22
Structural Instrumentation.....	22
Strain Gauge Circuits.....	22
Blade Strain Gauges.....	22
Hub Strain Gauges.....	22
Main Shaft Strain Gauges.....	22
Tower Strain Gauges.....	23
Nacelle Acceleration.....	23
Additional Instrumentation.....	23
Yaw Position.....	24
Rotor Azimuth and Velocity.....	24
Turbine Monitor.....	24
Power Production.....	25
Data Acquisition System.....	25
ATLAS.....	25
ADAS II.....	27

Data Archival	27
Wiring Diagrams	28
Instrument Enclosure	28
Lightening Protection.....	28
Cables.....	29
Junction Boxes	31
Ground Grid	31
Concluding Remarks.....	31
References.....	32
Appendix A.....	33
Detailed Diagrams of the Meteorological Towers.....	33
Center Meteorological Tower	34
North & South Meteorological Towers.....	35
Far-North, Far-South and Off-Axis Meteorological Towers	36
Appendix B.....	37
Instrumentation Specifications.....	37
Met One Instrumentation	37
Cup-and-Vane Anemometry	37
Cup Anemometer	37
Wind Vane	37
Mounting Hardware	37
Temperature Measurements	38
Absolute Temperature.....	38
Differential Temperature.....	38
Mounting Hardware	38
Barometric Pressure	38
Sonic Anemometer.....	39
Strain Gauges	39
Blade Gauges.....	40
Hub Gauges	40
Main Shaft.....	41
Tower Bending.....	41
Accelerometers.....	41
Additional Instruments.....	42
Yaw Position	42
Rotor Azimuth and Velocity	42
Power.....	42
Control Switch.....	43
Appendix C.....	44

Wiring Diagrams.....	44
Instrument Enclosure	44
AC Power Supply.....	44
DC Power Supplies	44
Lightning Protection.....	45
Instrument Rack	46
Turbine Junction Boxes and Wiring	49
Turbine A Junction Box	51
Turbine B Junction Box	51
Turbine C Junction Box	54
Met Tower Junction Boxes and Wiring	56
Center Met Tower Junction Box	56
North Met Tower Junction Box	57
South Met Tower Junction Box	58
Far South Met Tower Junction Box	59
Far North Met Tower Junction Box	60
Off Axis Met Tower Junction Box.....	61
Wiring Diagram for the Accelerometers.....	62
Wiring Diagram for the Met One Back Panel.....	63
Instrumentation Enclosure Wiring Diagram	64
Lightning Protection.....	64
Sonic Anemometers	67
Cups & Vanes.....	68
Strain Gauges	69
Data Acquisition.....	70
Appendix D.....	71
Infrastructure.....	71
Meteorological tower cable types, lengths, and junction boxes.....	73
Turbine instrument wires and junction boxes	76
AC Transformer Power	79
Grounding Grid	81
AC Power in Instrument Building.....	82

LIST OF TABLES

	Page
Table I. Inflow Instrumentation	17
Table II. Turbine Instrumentation	18
Table III. Rotor Instrumentation	18
Table IV. Strain Gauge Circuits.....	23
Table V. Turbine Instrument Cables.....	28
Table VI. Inflow Instrumentation Cables	29
Table VII. Data Acquisition and Turbine Control Cables	29
Table VIII. AC Power Cables.....	29

LIST OF FIGURES

	Page
Fig. 1. Topographical Map of the USDA-ARS Site in Bushland , TX.....	11
Fig. 2. A Schematic Overview of the Test Site.....	12
Fig. 3. Site Plan with Detailed Dimensions	13
Fig. 4. The Test Turbines at the USDA-ARS Site in Bushland, TX	14
Fig. 5. The LIST Turbine.....	15
Fig. 6. Schematic Diagram of the Inflow Instrumentation for the LIST Turbine.....	16
Fig. 7. Schematic Diagram of the Structural Instrumentation for the LIST Turbine.....	16
Fig. 8. Mounting of the Inflow Instrumentation on an Extension Arm	20
Fig. 8a. Front View	20
Fig. 8b. Side View.....	20
Fig. 9. Tower-Top Mounting of a Sonic	21
Fig. 10. Tower-Top Mounting of a Cup and Vane	21
Fig. 11. Mounting of the Temperature & Delta Temperature Probes.....	21
Fig. 12. Rotor Azimuth, Velocity and Nacelle Yaw Position.....	24
Fig. 13. Instrument Enclosure.....	27
Fig. A-1. Symbols used on the Diagrams of the Meteorological Towers.....	32
Fig. A-2. Center Meteorological Tower.	33
Fig. A-3. North and South Meteorological Towers	34
Fig. A-4. Far-North, Far-South and Off-Axis Meteorological Towers	35
Fig. B-1. Blade Strain Gauges	39
Fig. B-2. Hub Strain Gauges.....	39
Fig. B-3. Accelerometers & Main Shaft Strain Gauges.....	40
Fig. B-4. Strain Gauges Main Shaft.....	40
Fig. B-5. Tower Strain Gauges	41
Fig. C-1. Power Supplies & Back Panel of the Instrument Enclosure.	43
Fig. C-2. AC Power Distribution in the Instrument Enclosure.....	43
Fig. C-3. Lightning Protection Panels in the Instrument Enclosure.	44
Fig. C-4. Typical Lightning Protection Circuit Board.....	44
Fig. C-5. Front View of the Instrument Rack.	45
Fig. C-6. Rear view of the Instrument Rack.	45

Fig. C-7. Junction Box for Turbine A.....	46
Fig. C-8. Junction Box for Turbine B.....	47
Fig. C-9. Junction Box for Turbine C.....	48
Fig. C-10. Junction Box on the Center Met Tower.....	49
Fig. C-11. North Met Tower Junction Box.....	50
Fig. C-12. South Met Tower Junction Box.....	51
Fig. C-13. Far South Met Tower Junction Box	52
Fig. C-14. Far North Met Tower Junction Box	53
Fig. C-15. Off Axis Met Tower Junction Box	54
Fig. C-16. Accelerometer Wiring Diagram	55
Fig. C-17. Wiring Diagram for the Met One Back Panel	56
Fig. C-18. Lightning Protection Wiring Diagram.....	57
Fig. C-18a. Panel 1 : Lightning Protection Wiring Diagram.....	57
Fig. C-18b. Panel 2: Lightning Protection Wiring Diagram.....	58
Fig. C-18c. Panel 3: Lightning Protection Wiring Diagram.....	59
Fig. C-19. Sonic Anemometers Wiring Diagram	60
Fig. C-20. Cup and Vane Wiring Diagram.....	61
Fig. C-21. Accelerometer, Strain Gauge Wiring Diagram	62
Fig. C-22. Data Acquisition Wiring Diagram.....	63
Fig. D-1. Conduit Schedule for the Site.....	64
Fig. D-2. Instrumentation Wires from the Met Towers	65
Fig. D-3. Instrument Wires from the Towers.	66
Fig. D-4. Grid Connections and Auxillary AC Power.....	67
Fig. D-5. Ground Grid	68
Fig. D-6. AC-Power Wiring Diagram for the Instrument Building and Enclosure.	69

INTRODUCTION

In support of two major SNL programs, three Micon 65/13M wind turbines have been erected at the USDA Agriculture Research Service (ARS) center in Bushland, Texas. The inflow and structural response of these turbines are being monitored in support of the Long-term Inflow and Structural Test (LIST) program and the Blade Manufacturing Initiative (BMI). The former is collecting long-term, continuous inflow and structural response data to characterize the extreme loads on wind turbines.¹ The latter is developing new design and manufacturing techniques for reducing costs and increasing reliability of wind turbine blades.² As BMI blades are produced, they will be tested at this site.

The inflow and structural response of these turbines are being monitored with an array of 60 instruments: 34 to characterize the inflow, 19 to characterize structural response and 7 to characterize the time-varying state of the turbine. The primary characterization of the inflow into the LIST turbine relies upon an array of five sonic anemometers. Primary characterization of the structural response of the turbine uses several sets of strain gauges to measure bending loads on the blades and the tower and two accelerometers to measure the motion of the nacelle. Data from the various instruments are sampled at a rate of 30 Hz using a newly developed data acquisition system that features a time-synchronized continuous data stream that includes data telemetered from the turbine rotor.

This paper documents the instruments and infrastructure that has been developed at this site in support of LIST and BMI projects.

TEST SITE

The three turbines used in this experiment are located on the USDA-ARS site in Bushland, TX. This site is characteristic of a Great Plains site with essentially flat terrain. The test site is surrounded by farmland. On the NNW corner of the site is a reservoir with an approximately 1.2 m (4 ft) berm. As illustrated in the topographic map shown in Fig. 1, the site slopes down approximately 1 m (3 ft) to the SSE across the span of the turbine bases.

The primary wind direction at the site is from 215° with-respect-to True North.* The wind rosette for this site shows a secondary peak for winds from approximately due North.

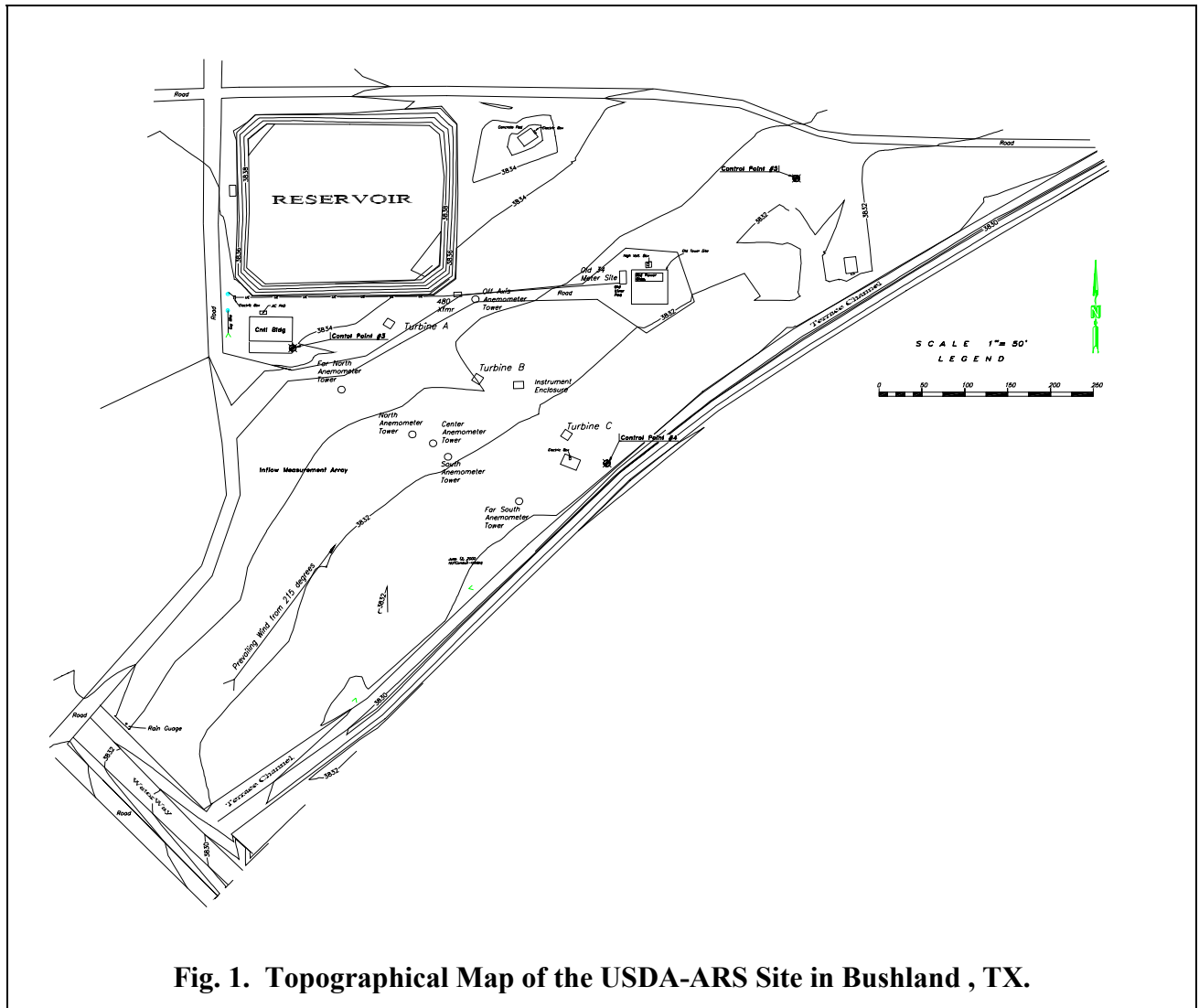


Fig. 1. Topographical Map of the USDA-ARS Site in Bushland , TX.

* All compass headings are given with-respect- to True North.

Site Plan

As shown in Fig. 2, the three turbines have been placed on this site in a straight line across the prevailing wind direction of 215° . The turbines are labeled A, B and C for convenience. The most heavily instrumented turbine is B. This turbine is the primary test turbine for the LIST portion of this experimental campaign.

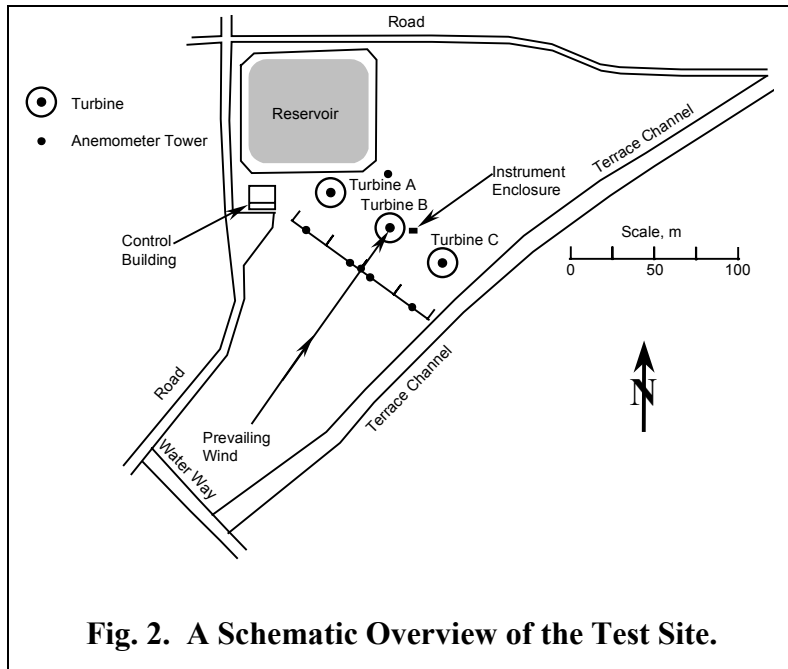


Fig. 2. A Schematic Overview of the Test Site.

Upwind of the turbines (with respect to the prevailing winds) are five meteorological towers. As discussed in detail below, these towers are equipped with a large array of instrumentation that is designed to characterize the inflow. In the secondary direction (approximately North) is a sixth meteorological tower. The nomenclature used to designate each of these towers is given in Fig. 3.

A detailed dimensional drawing of the position of the turbines and the meteorological towers are also given in Fig. 3 .

Buildings

Two buildings are on the test site, see Fig. 2. The first is the main “Control Building” that is west of the turbines. The second is a small instrumentation building that is located east of Turbine B. The latter building provides environmental protection for the “Instrument Enclosure” that houses the data system. Neither the reservoir nor the buildings obstruct the inflow to the turbines from the prevailing wind direction. For inflow from the secondary wind direction (North), the LIST turbine will also have an essentially unobstructed inflow.

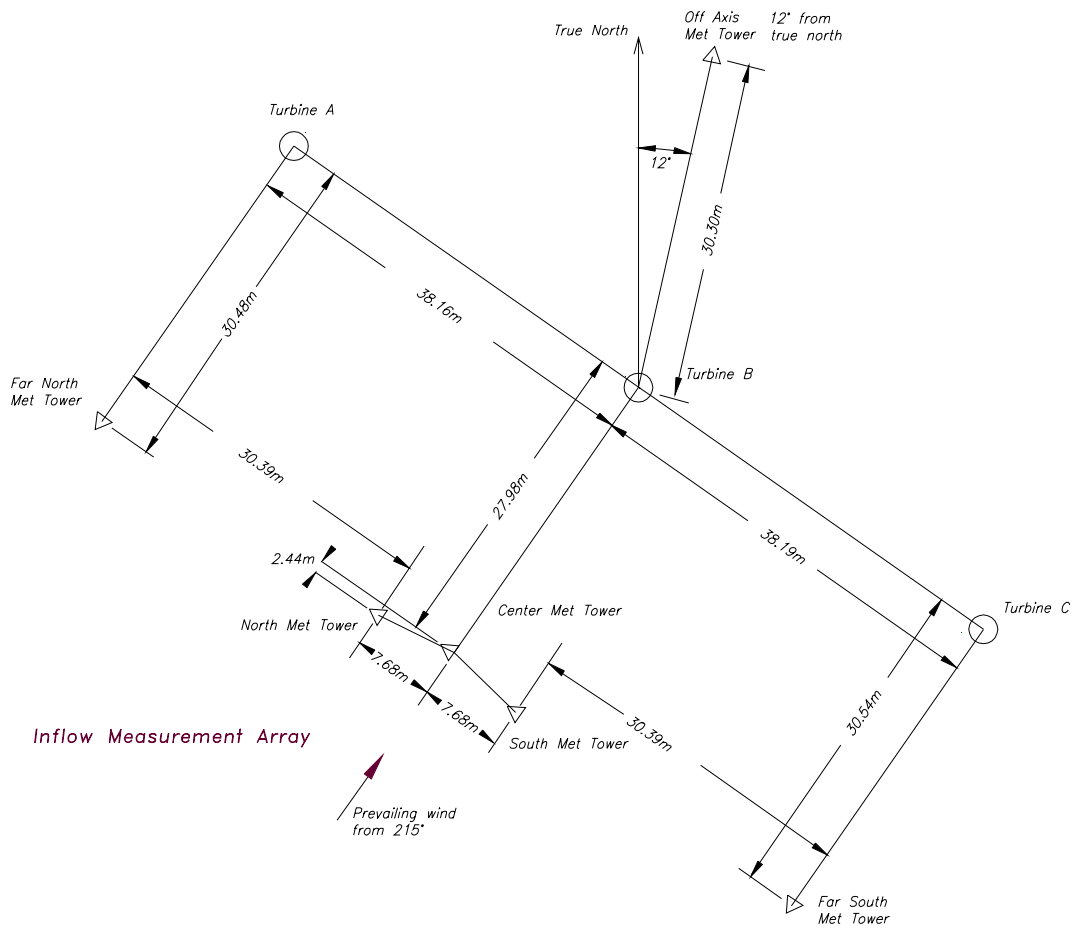


Fig. 3. Site Plan with Detailed Dimensions.

THE TURBINES

The turbines used in this experimental investigation are a modified version of the Micon 65/13 turbine (65/13M), see Fig. 4. This turbine is a fixed-pitch, 3-bladed up-wind turbine with an asynchronous generator. At hub height, the turbine stands 23 m (75 ft) tall on a tubular, 3-piece steel tower that weighs approximately 64.5 kN (14,500 lbs). The nacelle weight is approximately 42.7 kN (9,600 lbs).

The turbines are used machines that ran in the Palm Springs (CA) area for approximately 15 years. During that period, several turbine subsystems were modified to increase performance and reliability. These subsystems include the brakes, gearbox, generator and blades. The new drive train is built around an asynchronous, three-phase 480v generator rated at 115 kW. The generator operates at 1200 rpm while the blades turn at a fixed 55-rpm (the standard Micon 65/13 turbine rotates at a fixed 45 rpm). A detailed description of the placement of the turbines is provided in Fig. 3



Fig. 4. The Test Turbines at the USDA-ARS Site in Bushland, TX.



Fig. 5. The LIST Turbine.

The LIST Turbine

The LIST Turbine or Turbine B is the center and primary turbine used in this experimental campaign, see Fig. 5. From a mechanical standpoint, the main difference between this turbine and its sister turbines is the blade configuration. The LIST turbine is fitted with Phoenix 8-m blades that are based on Solar Energy Research Institute (SERI)[†] airfoils. These “SERI” blades are 7.9 m (312 in) long, yielding a rotor diameter of 17.1 m (55.9 ft). The blades are equipped with tip brakes. The split line for these brakes is located at 6.5 m (256 in) from the blade flange. The hub flange for mounting the blades is located 599 mm (23.6 in) from the centerline of the low-speed shaft. The blades are a fixed-pitch design. They were set to approximately 2.2° pitch towards feather at the 75 percent span line, per the recommendations of J. Tangler.³

Sister Turbines

The other two Micon 65/13M turbines erected at this test site, Turbines A and C, are equipped with Aerostar 7.5 m (292 in) blades, yielding a rotor diameter of 16 m (52.6 ft). These blades are also a fixed-pitch design and equipped with tip brakes. The blades were pitched to their maximum power position.

[†] SERI is now the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL).

INSTRUMENTATION

The turbines and the inflow at the Bushland site are being monitored with a total of 60 instruments: 34 to characterize the inflow, 19 to characterize structural response and 7 to characterize the time-varying state of the turbine. The primary characterization of the inflow into the LIST turbine relies upon an array of five sonic anemometers. Primary characterization of the structural response of the turbine uses several sets of strain gauges to measure bending loads on the blades and the tower and two accelerometers to measure the motion of the nacelle. Most of these instruments are concentrated on the LIST turbine, see the schematic diagrams shown in Figs. 6 and 7.

Instrumentation Summary and Nomenclature

A complete list of the 60 instruments used here is presented in Tables I, II and III. These tables divide the instruments into three general classifications: inflow, nacelle and rotor instrumentation. The nomenclature used to identify each gauge circuit is also included in these tables.

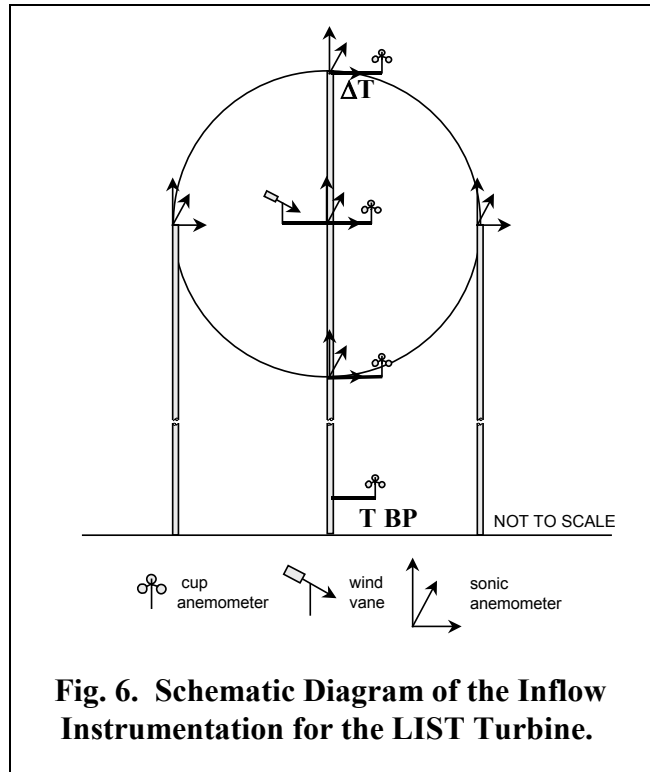


Fig. 6. Schematic Diagram of the Inflow Instrumentation for the LIST Turbine.

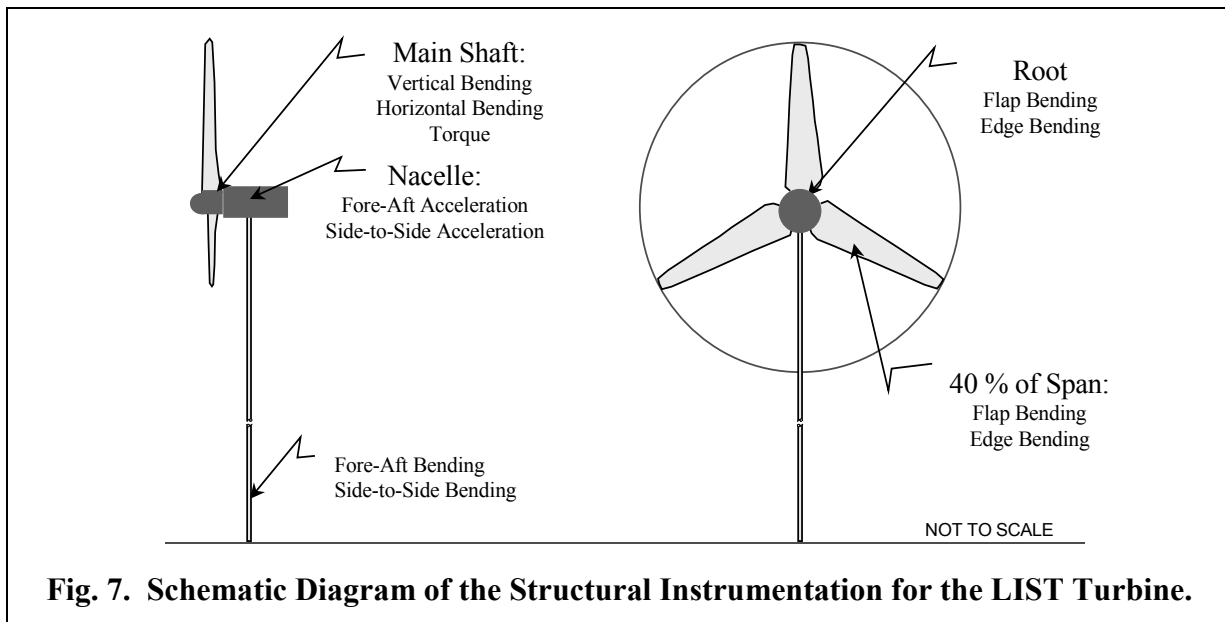


Fig. 7. Schematic Diagram of the Structural Instrumentation for the LIST Turbine.

Table I. Inflow Instrumentation.

Name	Instrument	Placement	Met Tower	
BACTATI	Ultrasonic Anemometer	U	Top of Rotor	Center
		V		
		W		
		T		
BACTC	Cup	Hub Height		
BACCC	Cup			
BACCV	Wind Vane			
BACCATI	Ultrasonic Anemometer			
BACBATI	Ultrasonic Anemometer	U	Bottom of Rotor	
		V		
		W		
		T		
BACBC	Cup	2m		
BAC2C	Cup			
BACTP	Temperature			
BACDTP	Differential Temperature	2m to Top		
BANATI	Ultrasonic Anemometer	U	Hub Height	North
		V		
		W		
		T		
BASATI	Ultrasonic Anemometer	U	Hub Height	South
		V		
		W		
		T		
AANC	Cup	Hub Height	Far-North	
AANV	Wind Vane	Hub Height		
CASC	Cup	Hub Height	Far-South	
CASV	Wind Vane	Hub Height		
OC	Cup	Hub Height	Off-Axis	
OV	Wind Vane	Hub Height		
EPR	Barometric Pressure	2m	Instrument Building	

Table II. Turbine Instrumentation.

Turbine	Name	General Type	Measurement	Placement
Turbine B	BTBFA	Tower Bending	Fore-Aft	Tower Bottom
	BTBSS		Side-to-Side	
	BTOO	Turbine Monitor	On/Off	Controller
	BTP	Total Power Production	Electric Power	
	BTYAW	Yaw Position		Tower Top
	BTAFA	Acceleration	Fore-Aft	Nacelle
	BTASS		Side-to-Side	
	BTRA	Rotor Azimuth		Main Shaft
	BTRS	Rotor Speed		
A Turbine	ATP	Total Power Production	Electric Power	Controller
C Turbine	CTP			

Table III. Rotor Instrumentation.

Name	Blade/Shaft	General Measurement	Position
BTB1RFB	Blade 1	Flap Bending	Root
BTB1REB		Edge Bending	Root
BTB1SFB		Flap Bending	40% of Chord
BTB1SEB		Edge Bending	40% of Chord
BTB2RFB	Blade 2	Flap Bending	Root
BTB2REB		Edge Bending	Root
BTB2SFB		Flap Bending	40% of Chord
BTB2SEB		Edge Bending	40% of Chord
BTB3RFB	Blade 3	Flap Bending	Root
BTB3REB		Edge Bending	Root
BTB3SFB		Flap Bending	40% of Chord
BTB3SEB		Edge Bending	40% of Chord
BTMSVB	Main Shaft	Vertical Bending	Outside Main Bearing
BTMSHB		Horizontal Bending	
BTMST		Shaft Torque	

Inflow Instrumentation

The inflow into the three turbines is heavily monitored with both sonic and cup anemometers and with wind vanes, see Fig. 6. As noted above, this instrumentation is mounted on six meteorological towers. Figure 3 provides a detailed description of the position of each meteorological tower and its nomenclature. Appendix A provides a detailed diagram of each tower.

Most of the anemometry is located at approximately 30.7 m (101 ft) upwind (with respect to the prevailing wind) of the turbines. This dimension is equivalent to 1.9 diameters for the standard Aerostar blade set and 1.8 diameters for the SERI blade set.

There are three towers directly in front of the LIST turbine, see Fig. 6. The center tower is directly upwind, with-respect-to the prevailing wind, of the LIST turbine. The other two towers are one rotor-disk radius to the left and right, respectively, of the center tower. Four cup anemometers are mounted to the center tower (designated the “Center Met Tower”): one is mounted at the height of the top of the rotor circle (hub height plus one rotor-disk radius), the second at the bottom of the rotor circle (hub height minus one rotor-disk radius), the third at hub height and the fourth at approximately 1.6 m (5.1 ft) above ground level. A wind vane is mounted to this tower at hub height. Five sonic anemometers are also mounted to the three towers. On the center tower, one each is mounted at the top, middle (hub height) and bottom of the rotor circle. On the other two towers, the anemometers are mounted at hub height. Thus, the sonic anemometers are mounted in a circular pattern equal to that of the turbine rotor 1.8 diameters in front of the LIST turbine.

The inflow into the other two turbines is monitored with hub-height cup anemometers and wind vanes. They are located 1.9 rotor diameters, 30.5 m (102.6 ft), upwind of each turbine.

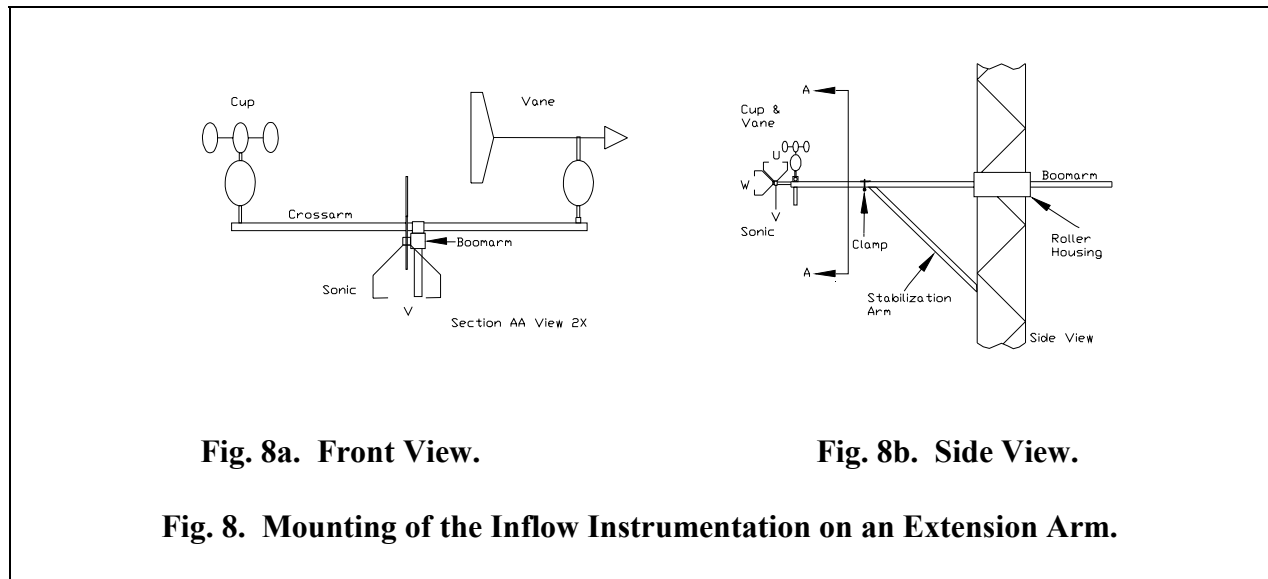
To monitor the secondary wind direction, a cup anemometer is mounted at hub height on a tower that is located at approximately 30.3 m from the LIST turbine, see Fig. 3.

On the center meteorological tower, the inflow instrumentation is mounted on the end of an extension arm to preclude blockage effects of the tower, see Fig. 8. This extension or boom arm holds the instrumentation approximately 2.4 m (7.9 ft), in front of the meteorological tower, with-respect-to the prevailing winds. This is equivalent to 5 anemometer tower diameters. The arm is mounted in a roller support housing that permits the instrumentation to be rolled to the tower for maintenance. The arm is stabilized vertically and horizontally with 2 supporting brackets. To place all of the anemometry in the same plane with-respect-to the prevailing winds, the center tower is set back to compensate for the extension provided by this boom, see Fig. 3. The inflow instrumentation on the other towers are mounted on the top of the tower, and therefore no extension arms are required, see Figs. 9 and 10 for diagrams of typical installations.

Cup Anemometer

Seven cup anemometers are used to monitor the inflow into the three turbines. Three are placed at hub height in front, (with-respect-to the prevailing winds), of each turbine and another is placed at hub height with (respect-to the secondary wind direction). The remaining three are mounted in front of the LIST turbine and aligned with the top and bottom of its rotor, and at 1.6 m (5.1 ft) above ground level, see Fig. 6.

The cup anemometer used in this measurement campaign is a Wind Speed Transmitter (cup), Model 1564B provided by Met One Instruments Incorporated.⁴ A complete description of this instrument is provided in Appendix B. The two types of mounting methods are shown in Figs. 8 and 10.



Wind Vane

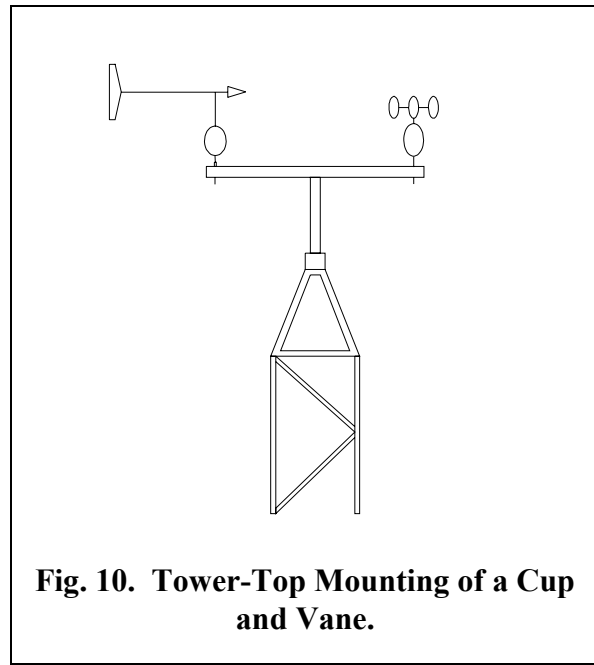
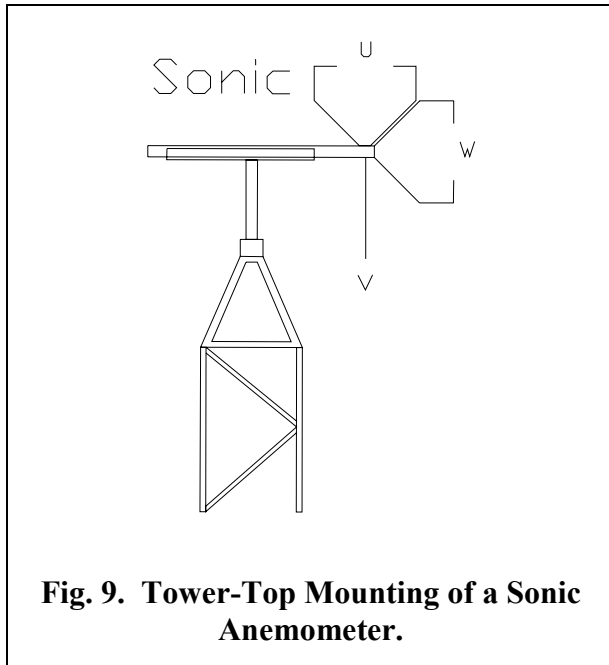
A total of 4 wind vanes are used in this installation. All are placed at hub height. One each is placed in front of each turbine (with-respect-to the prevailing winds), and the fourth is placed in the direction of the secondary wind direction.

The wind vane installations are shown in Figs. 8 and 10. The system used here is a Wind Direction Transmitter (vane), Model 1565C provided by Met One Instruments Incorporated,⁴ see Appendix B.

Sonic Anemometers

A total of 5 sonic anemometers are used in this installation. All are located in front (with-respect-to the prevailing winds), of the LIST turbine. These anemometers form a circular pattern as shown in Fig. 6. The diameter of the circle is the same as the diameter of the turbine rotor. All of these instruments are aligned with the prevailing wind direction of 215°.

The sonic anemometer installations are shown in Figs. 8 and 9. The system used here is a model SATI/3K, Applied Technologies Incorporated,⁵ see Appendix C. Each unit measures three velocity components and the “sonic” temperature (calculated from the wind speed). The positive wind direction for the “U” component is 215°, the positive wind direction for the “V” component is 125° and the positive up wind direction is the “W” component.

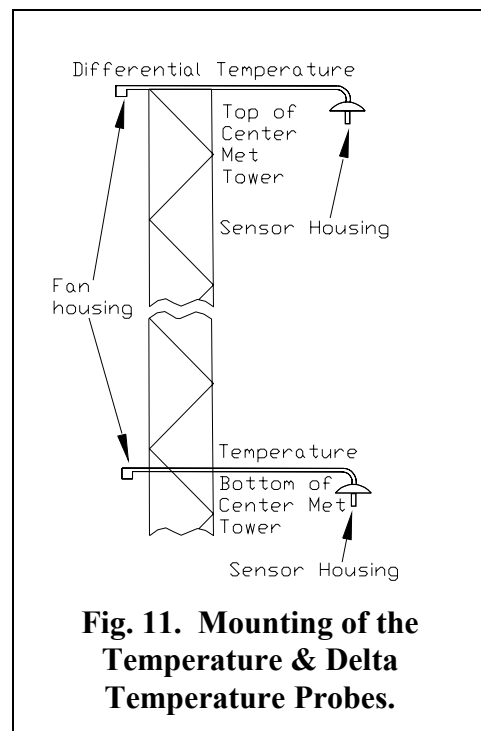


Temperature

The absolute temperature is measured at the center meteorological tower, [approximately 1.6 m (5.1 ft) above ground level] by a 4 wire platinum resistance temperature detector (PRT), Met One Model No. 0631.⁴ The temperature sensor is mounted on the end of a tubular arm with a solar shield over the sensor at about 1 m from the tower and aligned with the prevailing wind direction of 215°, see Fig. 11 and Appendix B.

Differential Temperature

The differential temperature is measured on the center meteorological tower, between the top of the tower [33.6 m (110 ft)] and ground level (1.6 m) by a 4 wire platinum resistance temperature detector (PRT), Met One Model No. 063-1.⁴ The temperature sensor is mounted on the end of a tubular arm with a solar shield over the sensor at about 1 m from the tower and aligned at 215° see, Fig. 11 and Appendix B. A



positive differential temperature reading indicates that the temperature at the top of the rotor is higher than the temperature at ground level.

Barometric Pressure

The barometric pressure is measured at approximately 2.13 m (7 ft) above ground level, inside the Instrument Building, see Appendix B, using a sensor manufactured by Yellow Spring Instruments.⁶

Structural Instrumentation

The structural response of the turbine is measured with a variety of gauges, primarily strain gauges. A schematic of the structural gauges and their placement is shown in Fig. 7.

Most of the strain gauge circuits are placed on the rotor. Each blade is instrumented at its root and at the 40 percent span station with strain gauge sets that measure flap and edgewise bending. The tower is instrumented with bending gauge sets located approximately 3.9 m (154 in) above the turbine base. These gauge sets measure tower bending fore-and-aft (along the prevailing wind direction) and side-to-side bending (across the prevailing wind direction). The main shaft is instrumented with gauges that measure vertical and horizontal bending and torque. In addition two accelerometers are mounted in the nacelle to measure motion along and across the primary axis of the nacelle.

All strain gauges were calibrated using static loading.

Strain Gauge Circuits

A total of 17 strain gauge circuits are used here, see Fig. 7. A complete list of these circuits is given in Table IV. All circuits used here are full-bridges.

Blade Strain Gauges

The strain gauges are dual element encapsulated 1000-ohm gauges (Micro Measurements WK-06-250PD-10C)⁷ located at 40% of span on each blade, see Fig. 7 and Appendix B.

Hub Strain Gauges

The strain gauges are dual element encapsulated 350-ohm gauges (Micro Measurements WK-06-250PD-350)⁷ located on each arm of the hub, see Fig. 7. and Appendix B.

Main Shaft Strain Gauges

The strain gauges on the main shaft are single element 350 ohm encapsulated weldable gauges. The bending circuits use Micro Measurements LWK-06-250B-350 and the torque circuit use LWK-06-250D-350.⁷ The bending gauges were orientated on the main shaft to provide vertical and horizontal bending with-respect-to Blade 1 in the vertical position, see Fig. 7, see Appendix B.

A problem was encountered with the main shaft gauges. When the three turbines were modified to their current configurations, the diameter of the main shaft was increased using a sleeve. When strain gauges were placed on the sleeve, they did not provide consistent readings because the sleeve has some motion relative to the underlying (original) main shaft. Thus, accurate measurements of shaft bending are not provided by this instrumentation. However, these gauges are in place and are being monitored to demonstrate capabilities and to ascertain if useful data may be obtained from them.

Table IV. Strain Gauge Circuits.

Type	Active Elements	Position	Gauge Type	Resistance (ohms)	Gage Factor	Name	Direction
Bending	2	Tower	WK-06-250TM-350	350	1.96 ± 4.5%	BTBFA	Fore-Aft
						BTBSS	Side-to-Side
	4	Root 1	WK-06-250PD-350	350	2.03 ± 1%	BTB1RFB	Flap
						BTB1REB	Edge
		Blade 1	WK-06-250PD-10C	1000	2.055 ± 0.5%	BTB1SFB	Flap
						BTB1SEB	Edge
		Root 2	WK-06-250PD-350	350	2.03 ± 1%	BTB2RFB	Flap
						BTB2REB	Edge
		Blade 2	WK-06-250PD-10C	1000	2.055 ± 0.5%	BTB2SFB	Flap
						BTB2SEB	Edge
		Root 3	WK-06-250PD-350	350	2.03 ± 1%	BTB3RFB	Flap
						BTB3REB	Edge
		Blade 3	WK-06-250PD-10C	1000	2.055 ± 0.5%	BTB3SFB	Flap
						BTB3SEB	Edge
Main Shaft	LWK-06-250B-350	350	2.02 ± 1%	BTMSVB	Vertical		
				BTMSHB	Horizontal		
Torque		LWK-06-250D-350	350	2.02 ± 1%	BTMST		

Tower Strain Gauges

The tower is instrumented with dual element encapsulated 90° tee rosette 350 ohm gauges. These bending circuits use Micro Measurements WK-06-250TM-350 strain gauges,⁷ see Fig. 7 and Appendix B. The gauges are located approximately 3.9 m (154 in) above the turbine base. One set measures tower fore-and-aft bending (along the prevailing wind direction) and the other measures side-to-side bending (across the prevailing wind direction).

Nacelle Acceleration

The nacelle is instrumented with two semiconductor strain gauge type accelerometers. They are single axis accelerometers attached to the nacelle frame. They measure horizontal acceleration parallel and perpendicular to the current yaw position of the turbine. The accelerometers are Endevco, model number 2262A-25,⁸ and are located on the nacelle frame next to the gearbox, see Fig. 7 and Appendix B.

Additional Instrumentation

In addition to the instrumentation cited above, several other turbine parameters are measured, see Table II. These include yaw position, rotor position, rotor speed, turbine monitor (on-off switch) and power production. The yaw and rotor positions are measured directly with 360° angle encoders. The rotor speed is derived from the rotor position using a dedicated, differentiating analogue circuit. The turbine monitor indicates the state of the grid/turbine connection, i.e., whether or not the turbine is connected to the grid. The power production for each of the three turbines is monitored using 3-phase power transducers.

Yaw Position

Nacelle yaw position is measured using a brushless rotary encoder, Computer Conversions Corporation, model HSTDCC-PB16S-SE.⁹ The encoder is located on the yaw drive gear box inside the nacelle, see Fig. 12. The encoder shaft is connected to the yaw drive using a sprocket-chain drive gear system. The sizes of the gears in this system were chosen to yield a 1:1 rotation ratio between the encoder and the yaw position, see Appendix B. The unit was calibrated to yield yaw measurements with respect to true north.

Rotor Azimuth and Velocity

Rotor azimuth and velocity are measured by a brushless rotary encoder (Model No. EVSTDCC-PB16VIC-SIRPS from Computer Conversions Corporation).⁹ The encoder is located by the main shaft inside the nacelle, see Fig. 12. The encoder shaft is connected to the main drive shaft using a sprocket-chain drive gear system. The sizes of the gears in this system were chosen to yield a 1:1 rotation ratio between the encoder and the main shaft, see Appendix B. The unit was calibrated to yield a 0° signal when Blade 1 is vertically up. The blade sequence for this turbine is 1-3-2 clockwise from up wind.

The rotor speed is derived from the rotor position using a dedicated, differentiating analogue circuit, designed specifically by Computer Conversions Corp. to be used with the EVSTDCC-PB16VIC-SIRPS unit.

Turbine Monitor

The turbine monitor circuit is an on/off signal that indicates when the turbine is connected to the grid; i.e., the turbine is up to speed, producing power and connected to the utility grid. This signal is derived from the controller signal that engages the generator-to-grid connection. An auxiliary power supply, driven by the control signal, is used supply an on/off voltage signal to the data system. The relay is located in the turbine control junction box at the base of the turbine tower.

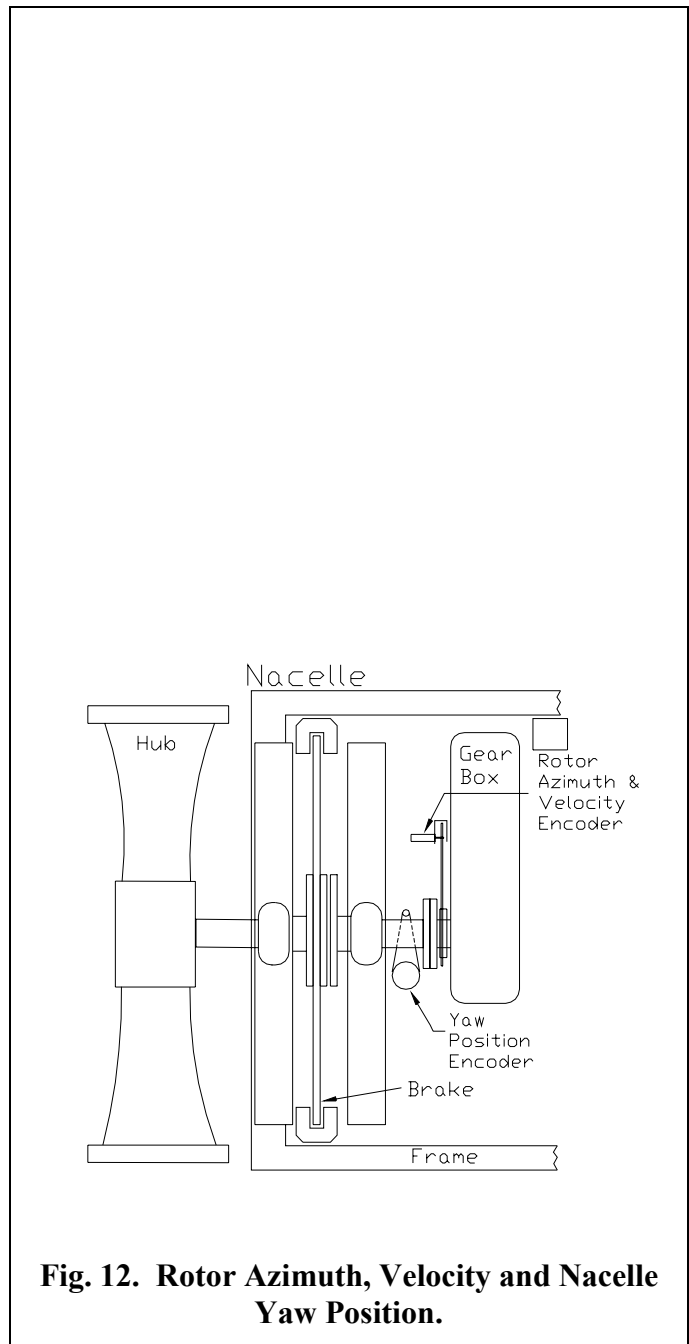


Fig. 12. Rotor Azimuth, Velocity and Nacelle Yaw Position.

Power Production

The power produced by each of the three turbines is monitored using precision self-powered voltage, watt VAR, and current transducers from Ohio Semitronics.¹⁰ For this installation, only the total power (3-phase) is being recorded. However, current instrumentation also permits measurement of the power and voltage on the individual phases, the current and the VARS. As warranted, additional measurements may or may not be added to the data record. One each of these instruments is located in the turbine control junction boxes at the base of each turbine tower, see Appendix B.

DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEM

Berg, Rumsey and Zayas¹¹ have developed the unique data acquisition and analysis system used on these turbines. The hardware system, called ATLAS, (Accurate, Time-Linked Data Acquisition System), is designed to acquire long-term, continuous, time synchronized, multi-channel time series data from an operating wind turbine. The 16-bit data stream from the ATLAS hardware system is acquired and recorded using the Advanced Data Acquisition System (ADAS) II software. ADAS II segments the data into 10-minute blocks, converts the data to engineering units, and stores them for future processing. The final step in the acquisition of continuous data is handled by the Smart Data Acquisition System (SDAS) which automatically archives the data and provides the researcher with the tools needed to organize and process the data.

For this series of experiments, the data rate was chosen to be 30 Hz. This yields a Nyquist frequency of 15 Hz, which is sufficient for capturing the behavior of the inflow and the structural response of the turbine.

ATLAS

For this experiment, 3 data acquisition units are used in the ATLAS. The first two are ground-based units (GBU's) that are hard-wired together. These units are located in the Instrument Enclosure near the base of Turbine B, see Fig. 2. The third is a rotor-based unit (RBU) that is mounted to the rotor.

The GBU's are mounted to the top of the "Instrumentation Rack" inside the Instrument Enclosure, see Appendix C. These two units are wired in a master/slave combination. They monitor the instrument circuits cited in Tables I and II; i.e., all instruments except the strain gauge circuits on the rotor. For this test series, the slave unit is sampling all of the analog data and the master unit is sampling the strain gauge and accelerometer data. The former is filled to capacity with five 8-channel analog cards, and the latter contains a single 8-channel bridge circuit card. The bridge and analog circuits use a second-order anti-aliasing active filter followed by a programmable fifth-order Butterworth filter. The cut-off frequency for the latter filter was set to 15 Hz, the Nyquist frequency.

The rotor strain gauges are monitored with the RBU. This unit, called "WINDY," contains three 8-channel bridge circuit cards that monitor the strain gauge circuits described in Table III. These cards are identical to the one used in the master GBU. Data from the RBU are telemetered to the master GBU. The GBU integrates the RBU data stream into the main data stream to form a single data stream that is then transmitted to the system computer (running ADAS II software).

All three units are timed using GPS synchronized clocks. This timing technique insures that the clocks in the RBU and the GBU's are maintained within 1 microsecond of each other.

A total of 75 channels (timing, measurement and synchronizing channels) is monitored with this system.

All of these units are programmed using ATLAS software package developed by Berg, Rumsey and Zayas.¹¹ The ATLAS program is run on the main PC that downloads the data acquisition program to the ATLAS units over a fiber optic connection. The RBU has an additional capability that permits it to be programmed via a telemetry link.

ADAS II

The data stream from ATLAS is acquired by the ADAS II data acquisition system. This system is run on a dedicated PC using a specialized version of the original code developed for NREL. The current version is designed to acquire and store continuous time-series data from the ATLAS hardware.

The PC is located in the Control Building, see Fig. 2. It was originally hard wired to the master GBU. However, to provide additional lightning protection, the hard-wired connection has been replaced with a fiber optic link.

ADAS II acquires the data from the ATLAS system in a PCM format. It then decodes these data, converts them into engineering units via a user-defined calibration table, and records the data to hard disk. Each data file is assigned a unique name based upon the date and time the data was acquired. All data files are stored in a collimated ASCII format. A header file is included with each data file and contains all of the pertinent information, including the calibration table that belongs to that specific data file.

The ADAS II system is takes a continuous stream that is divided into 10-minute blocks for convenience. All data acquisition and data archival activities are accomplished with no loss of data between the data blocks.

Data Archival

The ADAS PC is networked to a data archival PC, also located in the Control Building. This PC automatically reads each 10-minute ADAS II data file, after it has been stored to disk. It then “zips” the file and stores it on a large hard disk. When the process is completed, the original file is removed from the ADAS PC to free space for forthcoming data files.

Approximately once a week the site engineer downloads the zipped data files to C-DR’s for permanent storage and analysis. When complete, the archived files are removed from the hard disk to free space for the next set of data files.

WIRING DIAGRAMS

The 60 instrument channels that are monitored in this measurement campaign are hardwired to one of the three ATLAS units. The myriad of cables and function boxes that are required to power and monitor the instrumentation are described here. Appendix C presents a complete set of the wiring diagrams for each cable and junction box.

Instrument Enclosure

The confluence of the wires, “black boxes,” power supplies, lightning protection, terminal strips and telemetry signals takes place in the Instrument Enclosure, see Fig. 13. To insure maximum protection of the instrumentation, this enclosure is sealed to protect the instruments from rain, dust, rodents, etc. Most of the hard-wired circuits into and out of the enclosure are protected with lightning protection. The instrument enclosure is a large electrical junction box 1.83 m (6 ft) wide by 1.83 m (6 ft) high by 0.61 m (2 ft) deep with circulation fans and environment seals around its doors.

The enclosure is located in a small metal shed near the base of Turbine B, see Fig. 2. The shed is heated and cooled by a wall-mounted heat pump.

The enclosure is divided into two primary sections. The left side contains a slide-out instrument rack for mounting the data system and associated black boxes (converters) and power supplies. The rack is mounted on slides to permit the rack to be pulled out for easy access to front and rear control panels and wiring connections. The right side contains connection boards and the lightning protection.

The enclosure also houses auxiliary power supplies and the uninterruptible power supply (UPS) unit that supplies AC power to all of the instrumentation and data systems.

The instrument rack, instrument enclosure and the instrument building all are grounded through a grounding grid that is connected to the turbine towers, meteorological towers, guy wires, and test site buildings, see Appendix D.

Lightening Protection

Because the Bushland site is often subject to severe lightning storms, particular attention was paid to protecting the system from lightning damage. The first line of defense was the placement of an extensive ground grid that circled the site and each piece of equipment, see Appendix D. All grounds



Fig. 13. Instrument Enclosure.

and shields are connected to this ground grid.

Almost all of the electrical leads into and out of the enclosure are protected with commercial high-speed gas tube/diode lightning protection circuits (Citel Inc.).¹² The specifications for these circuits are in Appendix C. The only circuit without lightning protection is a low-power data reception antenna lead connected to the data system.

The data acquisition system (located in the Instrument Enclosure) was originally connected to its controlling computer (located in the Control Building, see Fig. 2) via a hard wire connection. However, this link proved susceptible to lightning. To alleviate this problem and to gain added electrical isolation for the instruments inside the enclosure and for the computers in the control room, the hard wire connection was replaced with a fiber optic link (Fiberplex).¹³

All circuits in the data acquisition system on the rotor are protected using commercial high-speed gas tube/diode lightning protection circuits (Citel Inc.).

Cables

A large array of cables is used to power and monitor the various instruments. These cables were laid in conduits that range over the site, see Appendix D. All of the instrumentation cables are 18-gauge twisted-pair cables with an overall shield and ground wires. In addition to the cables used for this measurement campaign, additional cables were laid in selected conduits to support future measurement campaigns on these turbines. A complete list of the instrument cables is provided in Tables V, VI and VII. Wiring diagrams for these cables is provided in Appendix C.

Power cables used to connect the instrument building, center meteorological tower, and the turbines to the grid are laid in conduit separate from the conduit used for the instrumentation cables. The AC power cables are listed in Table VIII. Wiring diagrams and specifications are provided in Appendix D.

Appendix D also provides conduit schedules for the cable system.

Table V. Turbine Instrument Cables.

Turbine Instrument Cables			
Turbine	Name	Description	Routing
Turbine A	ATI1	15 Pair cable	Turbine A to Instrument Enclosure
	ATI2	15 Pair cable (spare)	Turbine A to Instrument Enclosure
	ATI3	15 Pair cable (spare)	Turbine A to Instrument Enclosure
Turbine B	BTI1	15 Pair cable	Turbine B to Instrument Enclosure
	BTI2	15 Pair cable (spare)	Turbine B to Instrument Enclosure
	BTI3	15 Pair cable (spare)	Turbine B to Instrument Enclosure
Turbine C	CTI1	15 Pair cable	Turbine C to Instrument Enclosure
	CTI2	15 Pair cable (spare)	Turbine C to Instrument Enclosure
	CTI3	15 Pair cable (spare)	Turbine C to Instrument Enclosure

Table VI. Inflow Instrumentation Cables.

Inflow Instrument Cables			
Met Tower	Name	Description	Routing
Center Met Tower	BACI1	15 Pair cable	Center Met Tower to Instrument Enclosure
	BACI2	15 Pair cable	Center Met Tower to Instrument Enclosure
	BACI3	15 Pair cable (spare)	Center Met Tower to Instrument Enclosure
North Met Tower	BANI	9 Pair cable	North Met Tower to Center Met. Tower
South Met Tower	BASI	9 Pair cable	South Met Tower to Center Met. Tower
Far North Met Tower	AANI	9 Pair cable	Far North Met Tower to Instrument Enclosure
Far South Met Tower	CASI	9 Pair cable	Far South Met Tower to Instrument Enclosure
Off Axis Met Tower	OANI	9 Pair cable	Off Axis Met Tower to Instrument Enclosure

Table VII. Data Acquisition and Turbine Control Cables.

Data Acquisition Cables			
Control Building	Name	Description	Routing
Junction. Box	ECI1	15 Pair cable	Control Building to Instrument Enclosure
Junction. Box	ECI2	15 Pair cable	
Junction. Box	ECI3	15 Pair cable	
Junction. Box	ECI4	9 Pair cable (spare)	
Junction. Box	ECI5	6 Pair cable	
Junction. Box	ECIO1	Fiber Optic	
Junction. Box	ECIO2	Fiber Optic (spare)	

Table VIII. AC Power Cables.

AC Power Cables			
Turbine	Name	Description	Routing
Turbine A	ATP	4 ea. # 1 & 3 ea. # 10	Main Switch to Turbine A
Turbine B	BTP	4 ea. # 1 & 3 ea. # 10	Main Switch to Turbine B
Turbine B	BEP	6 ea. # 10	Transformer in Turbine B to Inst. Bldg.
Turbine B	BACP	3 ea. # 10	Transformer in Turbine B to Center Met Tower
Turbine C	CTP	4 ea. # 1 and 3 ea. # 10	Main Switch to Turbine C

Junction Boxes

At intermediate junctions, the instrumentation cables were connected to one another at various junction boxes typically placed at the base of the towers. The location of these boxes is outlined in Appendix D and a wiring diagram for each is provided in Appendix C.

Ground Grid

An extensive ground grid was placed about the site. Each turbine, each meteorological tower and its top guy-wires, the control building and the instrument enclosure are all tied to this grid. The ground for the power grid is also tied to this grid. A diagram of this grid is presented in Appendix D.

CONCLUDING REMARKS

This report describes the instrumentation and infrastructure that has been developed to monitor the LIST & BMI turbines and their inflow at the Bushland test site. It also provides a detailed reference manual for those who choose to use these data in their studies of wind turbine behavior.

REFERENCES

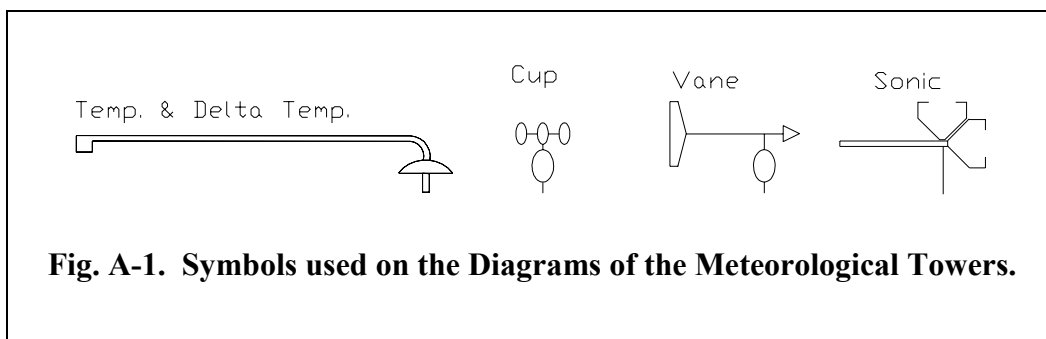
1. Sutherland, H.J., P.L Jones, and B. Neal, "The Long-Term Inflow and Structural Test Program," *2001 ASME Wind Energy Symposium*, 2001, in publication.
2. BMI, Blade Manufacturing Initiative, Sandia National Laboratories, Albuquerque, NM.
3. Tangler, J., National Renewable Energy Laboratory, National Wind Technology Center, private communication.
4. Met One, Met One Instruments Inc., Grants Pass, Oregon
5. Applied Technologies, Applied Technologies Inc., Longmont, Co.
6. Yellow Springs Instrument, Inc., Yellow Spring, OH.
7. Micro Measurements, Vishay Measurements Group Inc., Micro Measurements Division, Raleigh NC.
8. Endevco, Endevco Corporation, San Juan Capistrano, Ca.
9. Computer Conversions, Computer Conversions Corporation, East Northport, NY.
10. Ohio Semitronics, Ohio Semitronics Inc., Hilliard, Ohio
11. Berg, D.E., M.A. Rumsey and J.R. Zayas, "Hardware and Software Developments for the Accurate Time-Linked Data Acquisition System," *2000ASME Wind Energy Symposium*, 200, p. 306.
12. Citel Inc. Citel Inc., Miami, Fl.
13. Fiberplex, Fiberplex Inc., Annapolis, Md.
14. Tower Systems, Watertown, South Dakota.

APPENDIX A

DETAILED DIAGRAMS OF THE METEOROLOGICAL TOWERS

As noted above, there are a total of six meteorological towers used in this experiment. Their locations at the site are described in Fig. 3. Tower nomenclature is presented in Fig. 3. This appendix describes in detail the position of the various instruments mounted on these towers.

Figure A-1 defines the symbols used on the met towers.



Center Meteorological Tower

A significant portion of instrumentation that characterizes the inflow is mounted on the center meteorological (met) tower. This tower is located directly in front, with-respect-to the prevailing wind of the LIST turbine, see Fig. 3. The instrumentation includes 3 sonic anemometers, 4 cup anemometers, one wind vane, temperature and differential temperature. The position of all of these instruments is summarized in Fig. A-2.

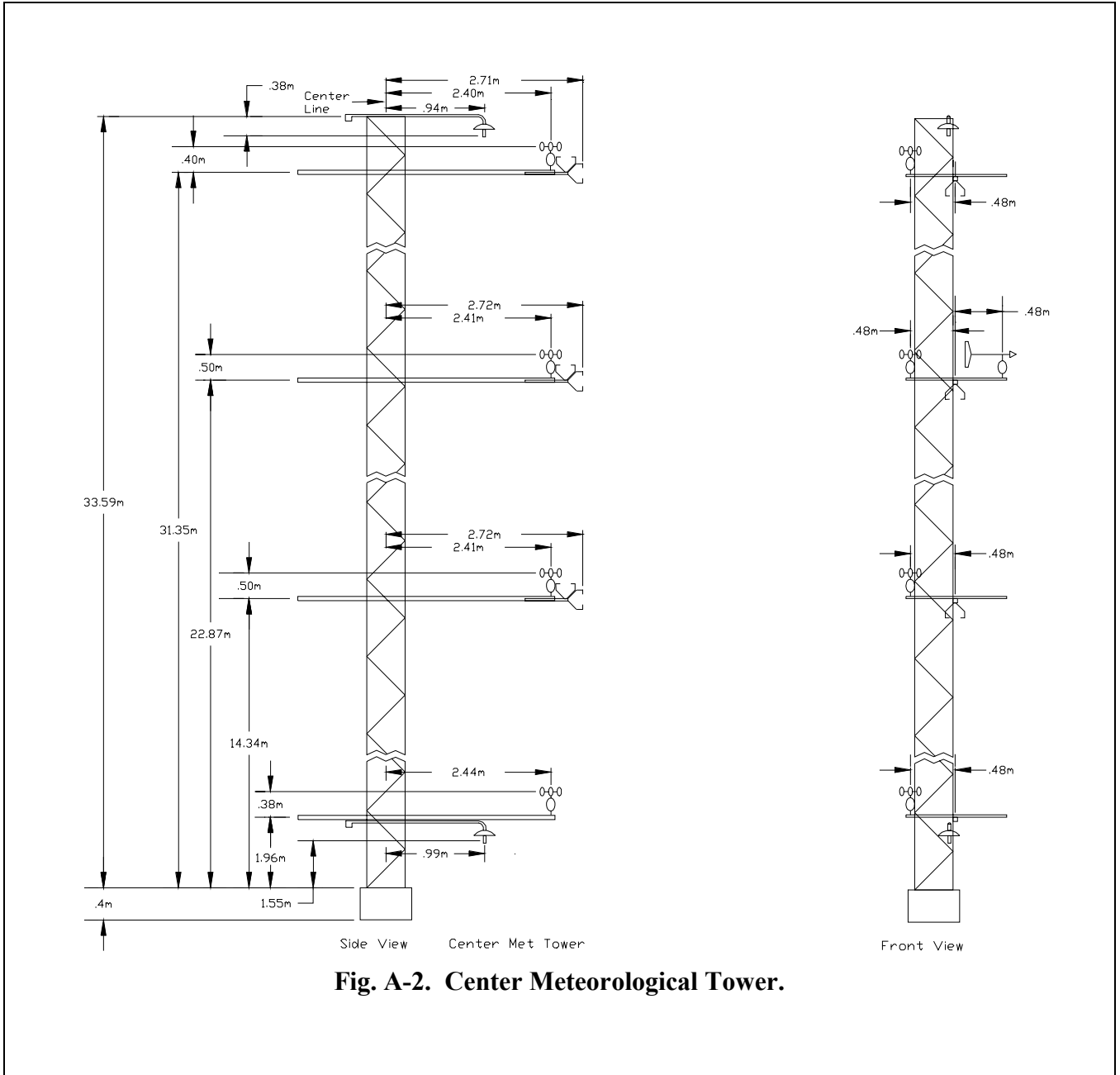


Fig. A-2. Center Meteorological Tower.

North & South Meteorological Towers

The North and South Meteorological Towers are the two meteorological towers located closest to the Center Meteorological Tower, see Fig. 3. They are orientated across the prevailing wind and are approximately one blade radius to either side of the Center Meteorological Tower. Each has a sonic anemometer mounted on its top. The position of these instruments is summarized in Fig. A-3

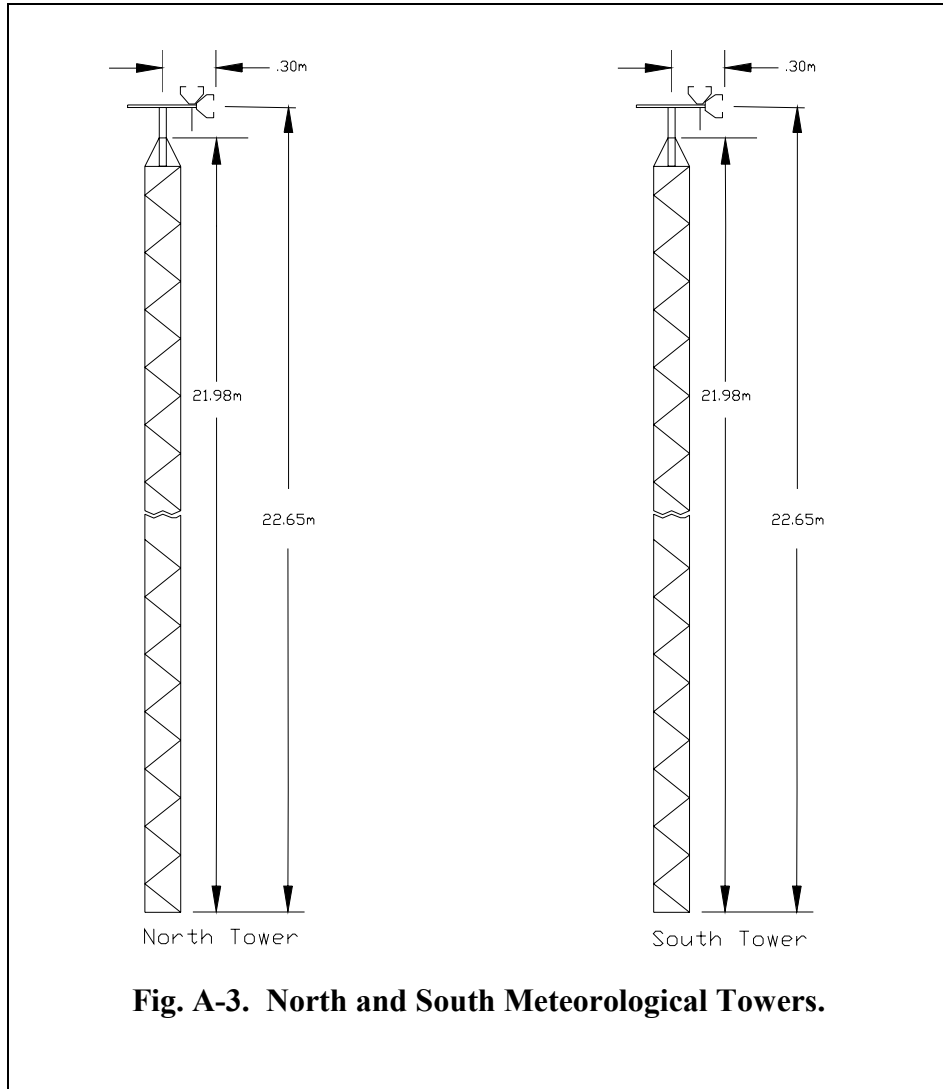
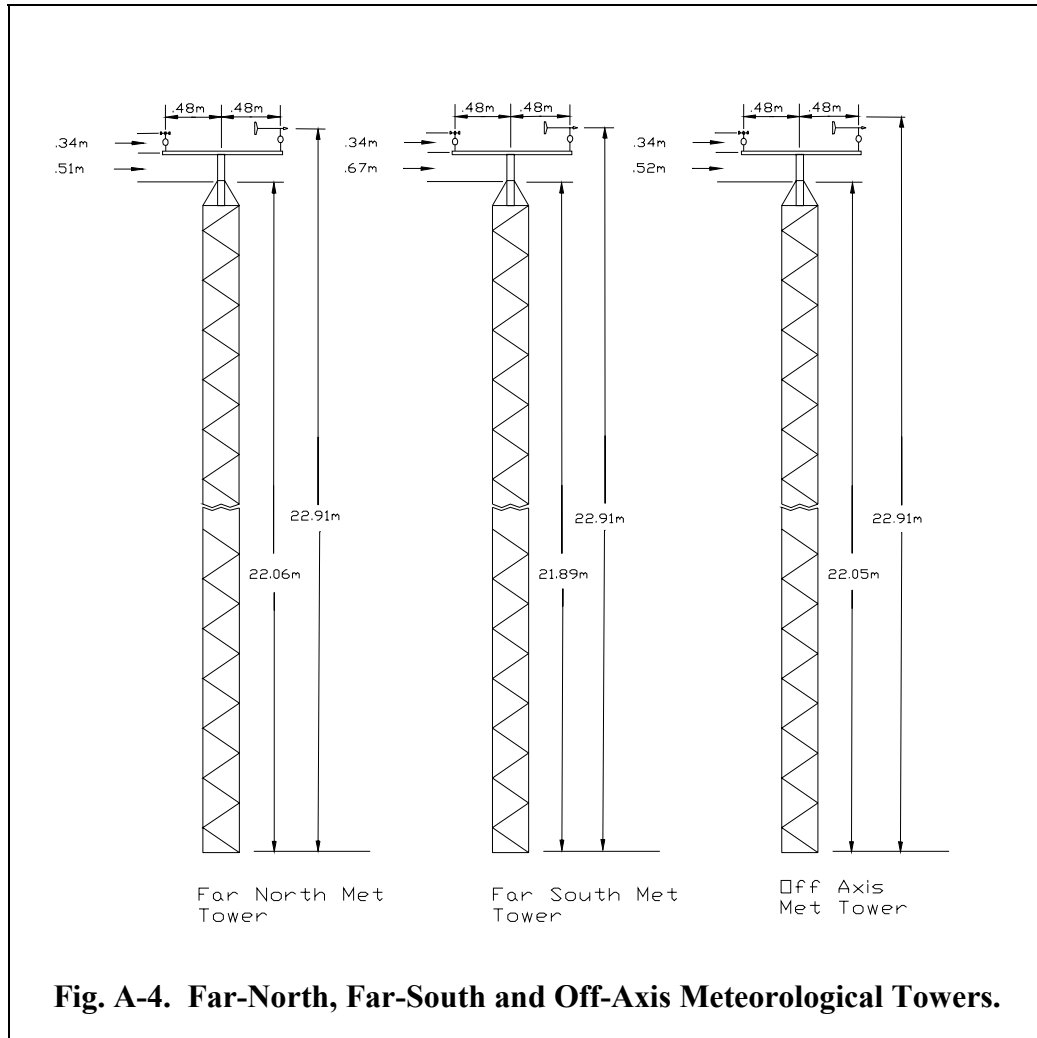


Fig. A-3. North and South Meteorological Towers.

Far-North, Far-South and Off-Axis Meteorological Towers

The remaining three towers, see Fig. 3, have a cup anemometer and a wind vane mounted on their top. The position of these instruments is summarized in Fig. A-4.



APPENDIX B

INSTRUMENTATION SPECIFICATIONS

A complete list of the instrumentation circuits is given in Tables I, II and III. This appendix describes the instruments, their specification and their placement.

Met One Instrumentation

Met One Instruments Incorporated⁴ wind speed, wind direction, temperature, differential temperature and atmospheric pressure sensors are used here for the “standard” characterization of the inflow. The electronic packages that drive and process these sensors are rack mounted units that are located in the Instrument Enclosure, see Appendix C.

The accuracy of the wind speed processor is $\pm 0.1\%$ of full scale and the accuracy of the wind direction processor is $\pm 0.1\%$ of full scale.

Cup-and-Vane Anemometry

Cup Anemometer

Met One Model 1564B Wind Speed Transmitters⁴ (cup) are used here for standard horizontal wind speed measurements. The accuracy of the instrument is ± 0.067 m/s or 1% whichever is greater. The wind speed sensor uses highly reliable solid state optical sensing that is permanently aligned. The output of the sensor, a variable frequency signal is sent to the signal processor. The output of the signal processor is an analog 0 to 5 VDC signal. For this installation, a 5 VDC output calibrates to a corresponding wind speed of 44.7 m/s (100 mph).

The cup anemometers are hard wired through junction boxes at the base of the met towers to the instrument enclosure. The signal processors for all of the cup anemometers are mounted in the bottom section of the instrumentation rack in the instrument enclosure inside the instrumentation building, see Appendix C.

Wind Vane

Met One Model 1565C Wind Direction Transmitters⁴ (vane) are used for the standard horizontal wind direction measurements. The accuracy of the instrument is $\pm 2\%$. The output of the sensor is a constant amplitude variable phase signal that is sent to the signal processor. The output of the signal processor is an analog 0 to 5 VDC signal, with 5 VDC corresponding to a full rotation of the probe.

The vanes are hard wired through junction boxes at the base of the met towers to the instrument enclosure. The signal processors for all of the cup anemometers are mounted in the bottom section of the instrumentation rack in the instrument enclosure inside the instrumentation building, see Appendix C.

Mounting Hardware

On the Center Tower, the cups and vanes are mounted on cross arms that rotate 360° horizontally and adjust 0.52 m (1.5 ft.) vertically. The cross arms are mounted at the end extendable boom arms made of aluminum tubing 5.08 cm (2 inches)square by 0.635 cm (0.25 inch) wall by 3.048 m (10 ft.) long. The boom arms are mounted on the tower end in a roller housing (Tower Systems Inc.)¹⁴ that allows the boom arm to roll in and out of the roller housing.

The arm is braced with 5.08 cm (2-inch) aluminum angle attached at the tower and clamped at about 1.22 m (4 ft.) out on the arm, see Fig. 8.

On the other towers (Far-North, Far-South and Off-Axis), the cup and vane cross-arms are mounted directly to the top of the tower, see Fig. 10.

Temperature Measurements

Absolute Temperature

The temperature is measured at approximately 1.6 m (5.1 ft) above ground level by a 4-wire platinum resistance temperature detector (PRT), Met One Model No. 063-1.⁴ The PRT produces a large output resistance change for a small input temperature change. The range of the PRT is $\pm 50^{\circ}\text{C}$ with a quoted linearity of $\pm 0.15^{\circ}\text{C}$ and an accuracy of $\pm 0.1^{\circ}\text{C}$. The output of the signal processor is an analog 0 to 5 VDC signal, with 0 volts corresponding to -50°C and 5 VDC corresponding to 50°C .

The temperature sensor is hard wired through a junction box at the base of the Center Tower to the instrument enclosure. The signal processor is mounted in the bottom section of the instrumentation rack in the instrument enclosure inside the instrumentation building, see Appendix C.

Differential Temperature

The differential temperature is measured between the top of the rotor [33.6 m (110 ft)], and the ground level temperature [1.6 m (5.1 ft.)], with two 4 wire platinum resistance temperature detectors (PRT), Met One Model No. 063-1,⁴ see the discussion above (the lower differential temperature sensor is also the temperature sensor). The two signals are processed using a differential signal processor. The output of the signal processor is an analog 0 to 5 VDC signal, with 0 volts corresponding to -5°C and 5 VDC corresponding to 15°C .

The temperature sensors are hard wired through a junction box at the base of the Center Tower to the instrument enclosure. The signal processor is mounted in the bottom section of the instrumentation rack in the instrument enclosure inside the instrumentation building, see Appendix C.

Mounting Hardware

The temperature sensors are mounted on the end a tubular arm with a solar shield over the sensor at about 1 m from the tower and aligned with the prevailing wind direction of 215° , see Fig. 11. The temperature sensor is kept at ambient temperature by a 110 VAC fan at the opposite end of the tubular arm. Air is drawn over the sensor and exits at the fan end. The tubular arm is held in place by “U” bolts that attach it to the tower. The PRT is hard wired to a junction box at the base of the met tower and then wired to the instrument enclosure.

Barometric Pressure

The barometric pressure is measured at approximately 2.13 m (7 ft) above ground level, inside the instrument building. The instrument is a Yellow Springs Instrument Inc. Model 2014-75/1050.⁶ The instrument range is 74.5 to 105 kPa with an accuracy of $\pm 0.125\%$ of full scale.

The sensor is hard wired directly to the instrument enclosure. A Met One⁴ signal processor is used to monitor this gauge. The processor is mounted in the bottom section of the instrumentation rack in the instrument enclosure inside the instrumentation building, see Appendix C.

Sonic Anemometer

Five each Applied Technologies Incorporated Sonic Anemometer/thermometers⁵ model SATI/3K, are used here for the “detailed” inflow measurements. Each of these units measures three velocity components (two horizontal, U and V, and one vertical, W) and the sonic temperature. Their accuracy is ± 0.05 m/sec on wind velocity and $\pm 1^\circ$ above 2 m/sec on wind direction, $\pm 0.05^\circ$ C on sonic temperature, and $\pm 2^\circ$ absolute temperature. Resolution is 0.01 m/sec on wind velocity, 0.1° on wind direction, and 0.01° C on temperature. The sample rate is 200 Hz with 12 bit resolution digital output. The output of its analogue signal processor ranges from -5 VDC to +5 VDC. For the U and V components of wind speed, 5 volts corresponds to a 50 m/s (111.85 mph) wind speed. For W, it corresponds to 15 m/s (33.55 mph).

The sonic anemometers are hard wired through junction boxes at the base of the met towers to the instrument enclosure. The signal processors for the sonic anemometers are mounted in the middle of the instrumentation rack, see Appendix C.

The sonic anemometers on the Center Tower are mounted on extendable boom arms made of aluminum tubing 5.08 cm (2 inches) square by 0.635 cm (0.25 inch) wall by 3.048 m (10 ft.) long. The boom arms are mounted at the tower in a roller housing (Tower Systems Inc.)¹⁴ allowing for the arm to freely roll in and out. The arm is braced with 5.08 cm (2-inch) aluminum angle attached at the tower with “U” bolts and clamped at about 1.22 m (4 ft.) out on the arm with a toggle clamp, see Fig. 8. The sonic anemometers on the North and South Towers are mounted on the top of the tower on 2-inch steel angle and held in place with “U” bolts, see Fig. 9.

Strain Gauges

A total of 17 strain gauge circuits and two accelerometers are used here to monitor the structural performance of the LIST turbine, see Fig. 7. A complete list of the strain gauge circuits is given in Table IX. All of these circuits use full bridges built from strain gauges manufactured by Micro Measurements (Measurements Group).⁷ The accelerometers, Endevco model number 2262A-25,⁸ use bridge circuits to monitor the acceleration of the nacelle.

The strain gauge circuits use internal bridge card circuitry in the ATLAS units.¹¹ This circuitry supplies both the excitation voltages and the balancing circuits for the strain gauge bridges. For the circuits used here, excitation voltages are ± 5 , ± 3.75 or ± 2.5 VDC. The monitoring circuits used multipliers of 2000, 1000 or 50. The choice of excitation voltage and multiplier for each circuit was based on the excited output of that circuit. Offsets for the monitoring circuits were set individually.

All strain-gauge circuits were calibrated using static pull tests with ATLAS reading the circuit output. Back-up calibrations were conducted using a Micro Measurements Digital Strain Indicator, Model P-3500.⁷

The strain-gauge circuits that are mounted to components of the rotor were hard wired to WINDY, the rotor-based unit of ATLAS.¹¹ Wire runs for gauges on the hub and the main shaft were approximately one meter long. For the blade gauges, the runs were approximately of 4.5 m (14.76 ft). As these distances are relatively short, the excitation voltage was monitored at WINDY, rather than at the bridge. The gauges mounted to the tower are hard-wired to one of the GBU's in the Instrument Enclosure. As this run is approximately of 35 m (114.84 ft), the excitation voltage to each bridge was monitored at the “completion tabs” for the bridge, using the “6-wire” bridge circuit capabilities of the ATLAS bridge circuit cards.

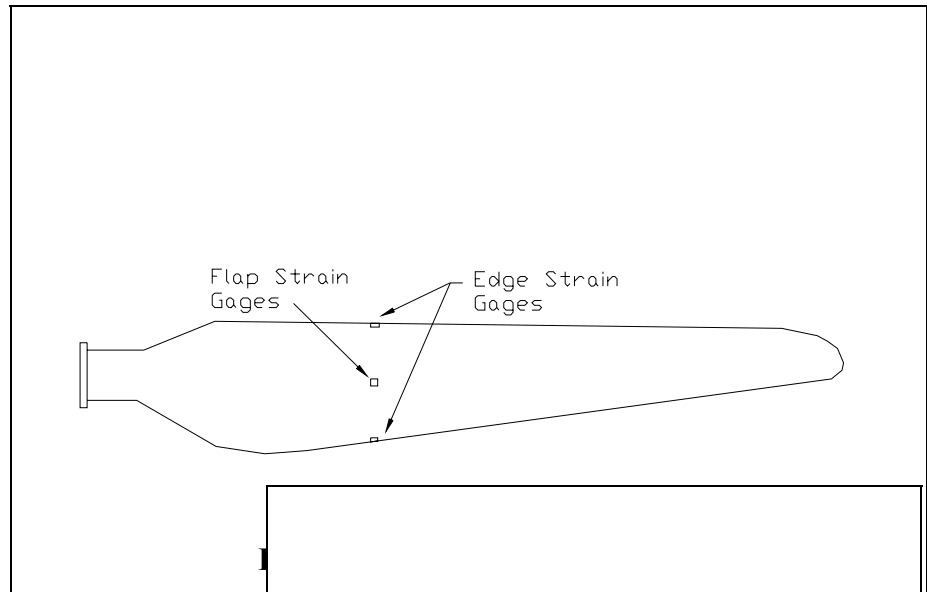
The accelerometers are also strain-gauge circuitry. The two used here are hard-wired to one of the GBU's in the Instrument Enclosure. As this run is approximately 45 m (147.65 ft), the

excitation voltage was monitored using the “6-wire” bridge circuit configuration. An excitation voltage of 2.5 VDC with a 500 multiplier was used for these instruments.

Blade Gauges

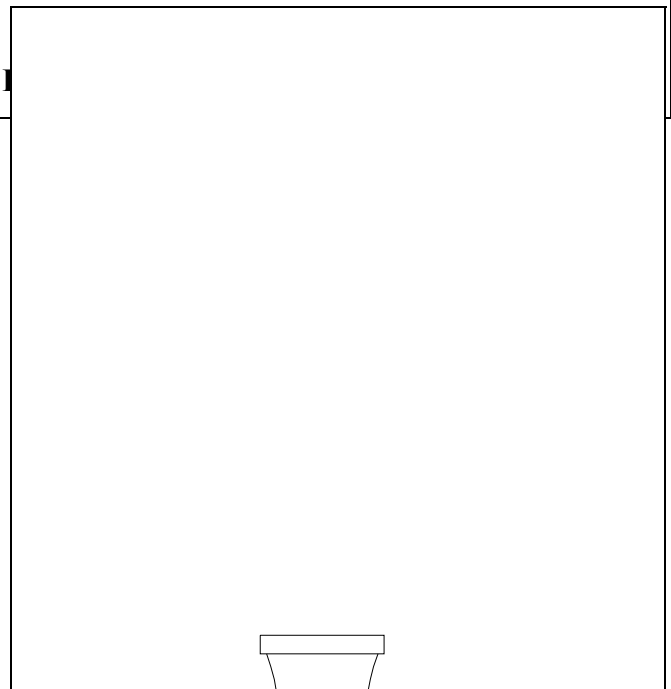
Each turbine blade on the LIST turbine was instrumented with two bending strain circuits wired to measure bending stresses, one each in the primary flap and edge directions of the blade. The gauges used for these installations are dual element, encapsulated 1000 ohm gauges (WK-06-250PD-10C). The gauges are located on each blade at the 40 percent span station [3.4 m (station 134 in)], see Fig. B-1. The flap gauges are mounted at the position of maximum thickness of the airfoil; namely, at the 30 percent of chord position, 0.3 m (11.8 in) from the leading edge. The edge gauges are mounted to the leading and trailing edges.

The strain gauge circuit for each set is wired as a full bridge with 4 active elements. Wiring between the gauges and WINDY is routed through the interior of the blades.



Hub Gauges

The hub on the LIST turbine was instrumented with six bending strain gauge circuits: one each used to measure the flap and edge bending in each of the three blade mounting arms, see Fig. B-2. Dual element, encapsulated 350 ohm gauges (WK-06-250PD-350) are used for these bending bridge circuits. The strain gauges are located on the exterior of the hub at approximately 0.165 m (6.5 in) from the blade-mounting flange. This dimension corresponds to 435 m (17.1 in) from the centerline of the main shaft.



Main Shaft

The main shaft is instrumented with 3 strain gauge circuits: one to measure vertical bending, one to measure horizontal bending and the third to measure torque. The two sets of bending gauges are orientated with Blade 1 vertically up. The gauges are located on the main shaft mid way between the main bearing and the hub, see Fig. B-3. Single element 350 ohm encapsulated weldable gauges (LWK-06-250B-350) are used for the bending circuits. They are located at 0° and 180° for vertical bending and at 90° and 270° for horizontal bending, see Fig. B-4. Dual element bi-axial encapsulated weldable 350 ohm gauges (LWK-06-250D-350) are used for the torque measurement. They are located at 45° and 225°, see Fig. B-4.

Tower Bending

Tower Bending is measured with dual element encapsulated 90° tee rosette 350 ohm gauges (WK-06-250TM-350). One set measures fore-aft bending and the other side-to-side bending. They are aligned with the prevailing winds at 215°. The gauges are mounted inside of the tower at about 3.9m (154 in) above the turbine base, see Fig. B-5.

Accelerometers

The nacelle is instrumented with two accelerometers, Endevco model number 2262A-25.⁸ They are piezoresistive, fluid dampened, semiconductor strain gauge elements. One instrument is aligned along the rotational axis to the turbine and the second is aligned across the rotation axis. These units have a 25g full scale range. At the 2.5 VDC excitation used here, full-scale output is 83.33 millivolts. They have an operating range of - 18°C to + 93°C (0°F to 200°F).

The accelerometers are located in a small junction box on the nacelle frame next to the gear box on the turbine, see Fig. B-3. The units are hard wired through a junction box located in the base of the turbine to the instrument enclosure.

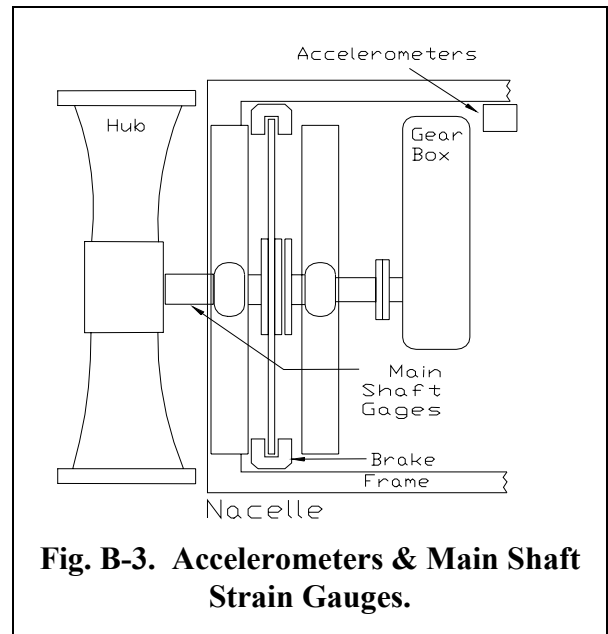


Fig. B-3. Accelerometers & Main Shaft Strain Gauges.

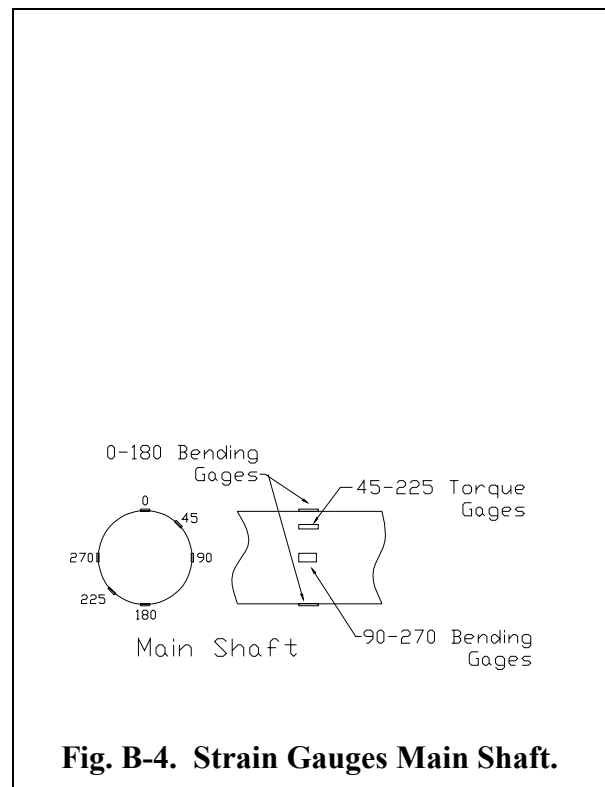


Fig. B-4. Strain Gauges Main Shaft.

Additional Instruments

Yaw Position

The angular position of the nacelle, i.e., the yaw position, is measured with a brushless rotary encoder, model number HSTDCC-PB16S-SE, Computer Conversions Corporation.⁹ Its resolution is 0.025% with an accuracy of ± 12 arc-minutes. Uni-directional repeatability is 0.028%; bi-directional is $\pm 0.028\%$. Output ripple is 5 millivolts peak to peak maximum.

The encoder is mounted to the top of the yaw drive gear box inside the nacelle. Pulleys, connected using a toothed belt, are used to attached the encoder to the yaw drive, see Fig. 12. The size of the pulleys was chosen to yield a yaw position that is directly proportional to the output of the encoder.

The encoder is hard wired through a junction box in the bottom of the tower to a servo-loop signal processing decoding card in the instrument enclosure. The decoder card converts the angle signals from DC signal voltage. The output voltage ranges from 0 to 5 during a revolution of the nacelle. Excitation for the encoder is ± 15 VDC. The power supply and the signal processing decoder are located near the bottom of the instrument enclosure, see Appendix C.

Rotor Azimuth and Velocity

The angular position, rotor azimuth, and velocity are measured by a brushless rotary encoder, model EVSTDCC-PB16VIC-SIRPS, Computer Conversions Corporation.⁹ Uni-directional repeatability is 0.028%; bi-directional is $\pm 0.028\%$. Output ripple is 5 millivolts P-P maximum. A 5 volt output corresponds to a angular velocity of one rps with an accuracy of 0.1% over one revolution

The encoder is mounted to the nacelle near the front of the gear box, see Fig. 12. Sprockets, connected with a roller chain, are used to attach the main shaft to the encoder. The size of the sprockets was chosen to yield a rotor position that is directly proportional to the output of the encoder.

The encoder is hard wired through a junction box in the bottom of the tower to a servo-loop signal processing decoding card in the Instrument Enclosure. The decoder card converts the angle signals from DC signal voltage. The signal for rotary position ranges from 0 to 5 during a revolution of the blades. Excitation for the encoder is ± 15 VDC. The power supply and the signal processing decoder are located near the bottom of the instrument enclosure, see Appendix C.

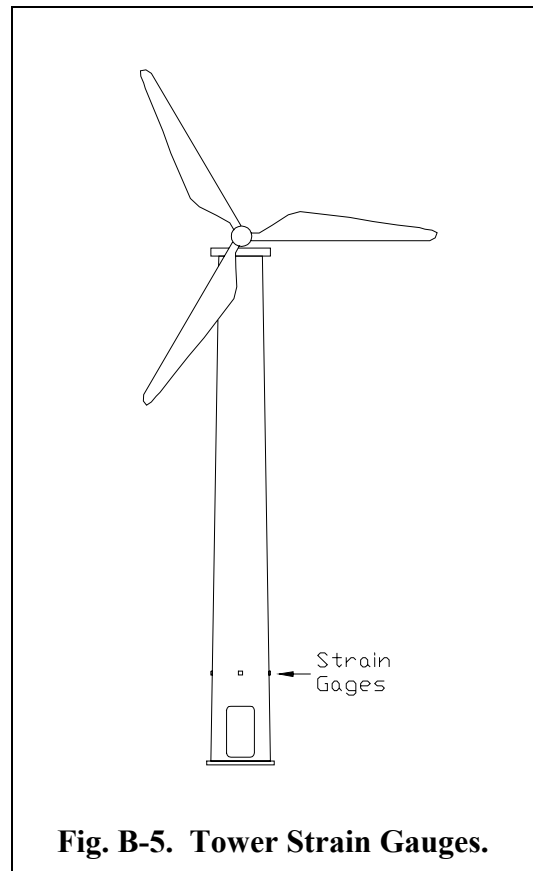


Fig. B-5. Tower Strain Gauges.

Power

The power produced by the turbines is monitored using a model GWV5-006AY precision WATT/VAR transducer by Ohio Semitronics Inc.¹⁰ The instrument is designed for three phase operation at 380-550 volt, 0-100 amp, and 0-80 KV/VAR. The instrument measures three-phase

voltage and current and total power and VAR (Volts Amps Reactive). For this installation, the unit is only used to monitor the total power produced by the turbine. A 5 VDC output from the transducer is equal to 600 VAC and 4000 WATT/VAR with an accuracy of $\pm 0.2\%$ of reading and $\pm 0.05\%$ full scale.

The non-contact current transformers (coils), the primary sensors used by this instrument, are placed around the 3-phase, 480-volt power wires that connect the turbine generator to the grid. The coils, located inside the turbine control panel at the base of the turbine, are hard wired to a monitoring unit also located inside the control panel. The units are hard wired through the junction box in the base turbine to the Instrument Enclosure.

Control Switch

The Control Switch is a signal that indicates when the turbine is up to speed, producing power and connected to the utility grid. Using the controller signal that connects the generator to the grid, an auxiliary relay is used supply an on/off signal. A 5 VDC power supply output is switched through the relay to provide the on/off signal to the data acquisition system. The relay and the power supply are located in the turbine control junction box in the base of the turbine tower.

APPENDIX C

WIRING DIAGRAMS

Instrument Enclosure

The instrument enclosure is a large metal junction box 1.83 m (6 ft) wide by 1.83 m (6 ft) high by 0.61m (2 ft) deep with two doors and is located in the instrument building. This unit was designed so that it can be utilized at other wind turbine sites by disconnecting the input signal lines at the lightning protection interface. It then can be transported to another site with all the interconnections intact and then be reconnected to the instrumentation at the new site. It is shown in Fig. 13.

AC Power Supply

AC power is provided to all instrumentation via a UPS (uninterruptable power supply). The unit used here is a Model BC Pro 1400 manufactured by Tripp Lite. It supplies 940 watts or 1400VA.

DC Power Supplies

The ATLAS power and the ATIs' power are provided by two ± 12 volt power supplies. The yaw position, rotor velocity, rotor position encoders and their electronics boards are powered by a ± 15 volt power supply, see Fig. C-1 and Fig. C-2.

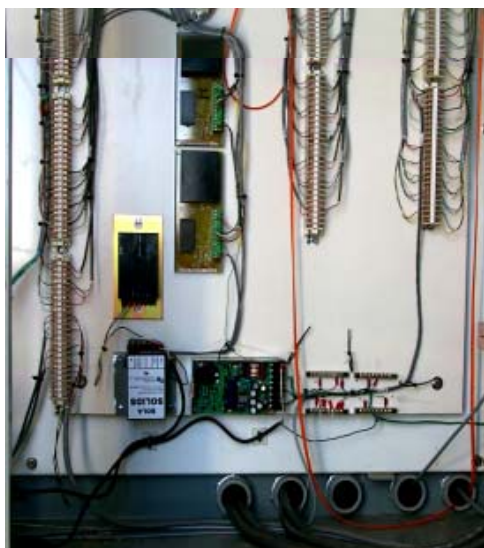


Fig. C-1. Power Supplies & Back Panel of the Instrument Enclosure.



Fig. C-2. AC Power Distribution in the Instrument Enclosure.

Lightning Protection

Lightning protection is provided for all of the instrumentation and electronic equipment used at the site due to the extreme weather. The majority of the lightning protection is mounted in the instrument enclosure, see Fig. C-3 and Fig. C-4. All of the data and signal lines have shield wires that are grounded to a common ground before the data and signal lines are passed through the lightning protection circuit.

Citel Inc.¹² manufactured the lightning protection units. Each unit consists of a base circuit board that can hold up to 8 plug-in modules. Each module protects two pairs of wires. The circuitry incorporates high-speed gas tube/diodes with a one-nanosecond surge arrest time. They can dissipate up to 10,000 amperes. Modules come with clamping voltages of 6 and 12 volts, and they can be interspersed about the circuit board as required.



Fig. C-3. Lightning Protection Panels in the Instrument Enclosure.

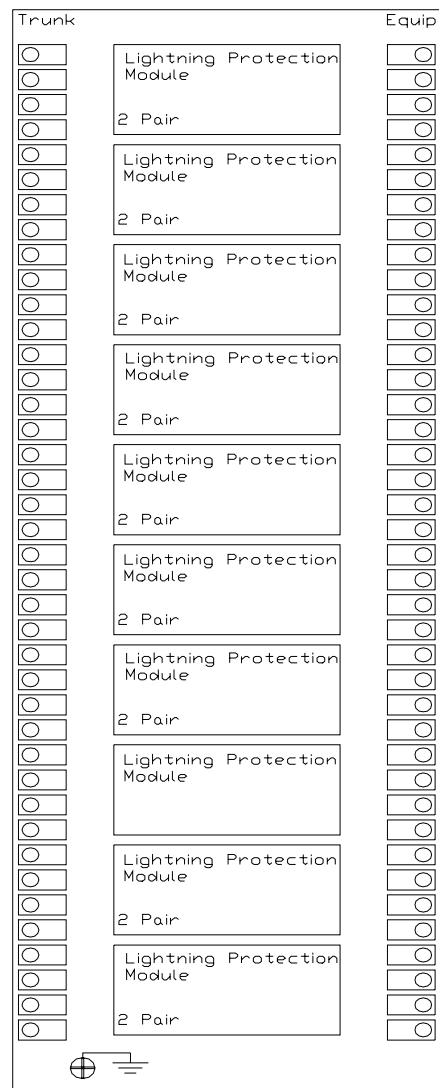


Fig. C-4. Typical Lightning Protection Circuit Board.

Instrument Rack

The slide out rack (see Fig. C-5 and Fig. C-6) houses the DAS/ATLAS system, the Met One⁴ signal processing and power supply racks,



Fig. C-6. Rear view of the Instrument Rack.

and the ATI sonic anemometers digital-to-analog converters. Power strips located in the bottom of the rack provide AC power. The rack is on slides that allow the rack to move in and out 24 inches to gain access to the front and back of the rack and the AC power distribution located on the left wall of the enclosure.

Turbine Junction Boxes and Wiring

A-Turbine JB

Cable ATP1 Cable ATI1

	n/c	1	1 blk pr	
	n/c	2	2 red 1	
	n/c	3	3 blk pr	
	n/c	4	4 red 2	
	n/c	5	5 blk pr	
	n/c	6	6 red 3	
ATP	V out +	red 7	7 blk pr	Vout+
<i>From Micon</i>	V out-	blk 8	8 red 4	Vout-
<i>controller</i>	I out +	red 9	9 blk pr	Iout+
	I out -	blk 10	10 red 5	Iout-
	Watt out +	red 11	11 blk pr	Watt+
	Watt out -	blk 12	12 red 6	Watt -
	Var out+	red 13	13 blk pr	Var+
	Var out -	blk 14	14 red 7	Var-
		15	15 blk pr	
		16	16 red 8	
		17	17 blk pr	

To LP-6 Inst. Enclo.

Turbine A Junction Box

The junction box at the base of Turbine A connects the instrument that monitors the power produced by this turbine to the Instrument Enclosure. Cable ATP1 is connected to cable AT11 in this junction box. Cable AT11 is connected to the lightning protection in the Instrument Enclosure, see Fig. C-7. Spare wires in the cables are terminated on the terminal strips.

Turbine B Junction Box

The junction box for Turbine B contains the turbine power monitoring wiring, yaw nacelle position, rotor velocity & position, nacelle accelerations fore-and-aft and side-to-side, tower strain fore-and-aft and side-to-side, and turbine-state (on/off), see Fig. C-8. Cables BT11 and BT12 connect this junction box to the lightning protection in the Instrument Enclosure.

B-Turbine JB

BT11

BTBFA	Exc+	red	1	blk	pr	Exc+	To
Fore & Aft	Exc-	blk	2	red	1	Exc-	LP-5 Instr
Strain from		shield	3				Endo.
Twr Base	Sig+	gn	4	blk	pr	Sig+	
	Sig-	wht	5	red	2	Sig-	
Exc+ is jumped	n/c		6			shield	
to Mon+	n/c		7	bl	pr	Mon+	
Exc- is jumped	n/c		8	red	3	Mon-	
to Mon-	n/c		9			shield	
BTBSS	Exc+	red	10	blk	pr	Exc+	To
Side to Side	Exc-	blk	11	red	4	Exc-	LP-5 Instr
Strain from		shield	12				Endo.
Twr Base	Sig+	gn	13	blk	pr	Sig+	
	Sig-	wht	14	red	5	Sig-	
Exc+ is jumped	n/c		15			shield	
to Mon+	n/c		16	blk	pr	Mon+	
Exc- is jumped	n/c		17	red	6	Mon-	
to Mon-	n/c		18			shield	
BTOO	Sig+	blk	19	bl	pr	Sig+	To
From Moon	Sig-	wht	20	red	7	Sig-	LP-5 Instr
controller	n/c		21			shield	Endo.
BTYAW	RH	wht	22	blk	pr	RH	
Yaw position	RL	blk	23	red	8	RL	
from encoder		shield	24				
on yaw drive	S1	red	25	blk	pr	S1	
	S3	blk	26	red	9	S3	
		shield	27				
	S2	blk	28	blk	pr	S2	
	S4	gn	29	red	10	S4	
		shield	30				
BTAFA	Exc+	blk	31	blk	pr	Exc+	To
Nacelle accel	Exc-	red	32	red	11	Exc-	LP-5 Instr
Fore and Aft		shield	33				Endo.

								1	1
								2	2
								3	3
								4	4
								5	5
								6	6
								7	7
						BT11		8	8
								9	9
						Sig+	blk	34	34 blk pr Sig+
						Sig-	wht	35	35 red 12 Sig-
								shield	36 36 shield
						BTASS	Exc+	blk	37 37 blk pr Exc+
						Nacelle accel	Exc-	gn	38 38 red 13 Exc-
						side to side		shield	39 39 shield
							Sig+	blk	40 40 blk pr Sig+
							Sig-	blu	41 41 red 14 Sig-
								shield	42 42 shield
							n/c	43	43 blk pr
							n/c	44	44 red 15
							n/c	45	45 shield
							n/c	34	34 blk pr
							n/c	35	35 red 12
							n/c	36	36 shield
							n/c	37	37 blk pr
							n/c	38	38 red 13
							n/c	39	39 shield
							n/c	40	40 blk pr
							n/c	41	41 red 14
							n/c	42	42 shield
							n/c	43	43 blk pr
							n/c	44	44 red 15
							n/c	45	45 shield

BT12

BTRA & RS	RH	wht	1	blk	pr	RH	To
Rotor position	RL	blk	2	red	1	RL	LP-5 Instr
Rotor speed		shield	3				Endo.
from mains	S1	red	4	blk	pr	S1	
	S3	blk	5	red	2	S3	
		shield	6				
	S2	blk	7	blk	pr	S2	
	S4	gn	8	red	3	S4	
		shield	9				
BTP	Vout+	red	10	blk	pr	Vout+	To
From Moon	Vout-	blk	11	red	4	Vout-	LP-5 Instr
controller		shield	12				Endo.
	I out+	red	13	blk	pr	I out+	
	I out-	blk	14	red	5	I out-	
		shield	15				
	Watt out+	red	16	blk	pr	Watt+	
	Watt out-	blk	17	red	6	Watt-	
		shield	18				
	Var out+	red	19	blk	pr	Var+	
	Var out-	blk	20	red	7	Var-	
		shield	21				
	n/c		22	blk	pr		
	n/c		23	red	8		
	n/c		24			shield	
	n/c		25	blk	pr		
	n/c		26	red	9		
	n/c		27			shield	
	n/c		28	blk	pr		
	n/c		29	red	10		
	n/c		30			shield	
	n/c		31	red	pr		
	n/c		32	blk	11		
	n/c		33			shield	

BT12-15



Turbine C Junction Box

C-Turbine JB

Cable CTP1 Cable CT11

	n/c	1	1 blk pr	
	n/c	2	2 red 1	
	n/c	3	3 blk pr	
	n/c	4	4 red 2	
	n/c	5	5 blk pr	
	n/c	6	6 red 3	
CTP	/ out +	red 7	7 blk pr	Vout +
<i>From Micon</i>	V out -	blk 8	8 red 4	Vout -
<i>controller</i>	I out +	red 9	9 blk pr	I out +
	I out -	blk 10	10 red 5	I out-
	Watt- out	red 11	11 blk pr	Watt +
	Watt- out	blk 12	12 red 6	Watt -
	Var - out	red 13	13 bl pr	Var +
	Var - out	blk 14	14 red 7	Var -
		15	15 blk pr	
		16	16 red 8	
		17	17 blk pr	
		18	18 red 9	
		19	19 blk pr	
		20	20 red 10	

To LP-6 Inst. Enclo.

North Met Tower Junction Box

The junction box at the base of the north meteorological tower contains the wiring from the sonic anemometer on the north met tower to the center met tower junction box. Cable BANI in this junction box is connected to the center met tower junction box, see Fig. C-11.

North Met Tower JB							
Cable BANI			TB-1				
BANATI	12 volt	blk	1	1	red	12 volts	BANATI
<i>cable</i>	gnd	red	2	2	blk	gnd	<i>Instrument</i>
<i>To Cntr Met</i>		shield	3	3			<i>From ATI</i>
<i>Twr JB</i>	receive	blk	4	4	blk	receive	<i>Top of Twr</i>
	transmit	wht	5	5	wht	transmit	
		shield	6	6			
	sig gnd	blk	7	7	gr	sig gnd	
	n/c	grn	8	8	blk	n/c	
		shield	9	9			
		blk	10	10			
		blu	11	11			
		shield	12	12			
		blk	13	13			
		brn	14	14			
		shield	15	15			
		blk	16	16			
		yel	17	17			
		shield	18	18			
		blk	19	19			
		org	20	20			
		shield	21	21			
		red	22	22			
		grn	23	23			
		shield	24	24			
		red	25	25			
		wht	26	26			
		shield	27	27			
			28	28			
			29	29			
			30	30			

Instrument side gnd shields tied to JB gnd. Cable side gnd shields left open

Fig. C-11. North Met Tower Junction Box.

South Met Tower Junction Box

The junction box at the base of the south meteorological tower contains the wiring from the sonic anemometer on the south met tower to the Center Met Tower Junction Box. Cable BASI in this junction is connected to the center met tower junction box, see Fig. C-12.

South Met Tower JB							
Cable BASI			TB-1				
BASATI	12 volts	blk	1	1	red	12 volts	BASATI
<i>cable</i>	gnd	red	2	2	blk	gnd	<i>Instrument</i>
<i>To Cntr Met</i>		shield	3	3			<i>From ATI</i>
<i>Twr JB</i>	receive	blk	4	4	blk	receive	<i>Top of Twr</i>
	transmit	wht	5	5	wht	transmit	
		shield	6	6			
	sig gnd	blk	7	7	gr	sig gnd	
	n/c	grn	8	8	blk	n/c	
		shield	9	9			
		blk	10	10			
		blu	11	11			
		shield	12	12			
		blk	13	13			
		brn	14	14			
		shield	15	15			
		blk	16	16			
		yel	17	17			
		shield	18	18			
		blk	19	19			
		org	20	20			
		shield	21	21			
		red	22	22			
		grn	23	23			
		shield	24	24			
		red	25	25			
		wht	26	26			
		shield	27	27			
			28	28			
			29	29			
			30	30			

Instrument side gnd shields tied to JB gnd. Cable side gnd shields left open

Fig. C-12. South Met Tower Junction Box.

Far South Met Tower Junction Box

The junction box at the base Far South meteorological tower contains the wiring from a cup anemometer, and a wind direction vane on the Far South met tower. Cable CASI in this junction box is connected to the lightning protection in the Instrument Enclosure, see Fig. C-13.

Far South Met Tower JB							
Cable CASI				TB-1			
CASC cable To Instrument Enclosure LP-2	Exc+	blk	1	1	red	Exc+	CASC Instrument From Cup Top of Twr
	Sig+	red	2	2	wht	Sig+	
		shield	3	3			
	sig com	blk	4	4	blk	Sig com	
	n/c	wht	5	5	brn	n/c	
	shield	6	6				
CASV cable To Instrument Enclosure LP-2	Exc+	blk	7	7	red	Exc+	CASV Instrument From Vane Top of Twr
	Sig+	grn	8	8	wht	Sig+	
		shield	9	9			
	Sig com	blk	10	10	blk	Sig com	
	n/c	blu	11	11	grn	n/c	
		shield	12	12			
		blk	13	13			
		brn	14	14			
		shield	15	15			
		blk	16	16			
		yel	17	17			
		shield	18	18			
		blk	19	19			
		org	20	20			
		shield	21	21			
	red	22	22				
	grn	23	23				
	shield	24	24				
	red	25	25				
	wht	26	26				
	shield	27	27				
		28	28				
		29	29				
		30	30				

Instrument side gnd shields tied to JB gnd. Cable side gnd shields left open

Fig. C-13. Far South Met Tower Junction Box.

Far North Met Tower Junction Box

The junction box at the base Far North meteorological tower contains the wiring from a cup anemometer and wind direction vane on the Far North met tower. Cable AANI in this junction box is connected to the lightning protection in the Instrument Enclosure, see Fig. C-14.

Far North Met Tower JB								
Cable AANI				TB-1				
AANC cable To Instrument Enclosure LP-2	Exc+	blk	1	1	red	Exc+	AANC Instrument From Cup Top of Twr	
	Sig+	red	2	2	wht	Sig+		
		shield	3	3				
		sig com	blk	4	4	blk		Sig com
		n/c	wht	5	5	brn		n/c
			shield	6	6			
AANV cable To Instrument Enclosure LP-2	Exc+	blk	7	7	red	Exc+	AANV Instrument From Vane Top of Twr	
	Sig+	grn	8	8	wht	Sig+		
		shield	9	9				
		Sig com	blk	10	10	blk		Sig com
		n/c	blu	11	11	grn		n/c
			shield	12	12			
			blk	13	13			
			brn	14	14			
			shield	15	15			
			blk	16	16			
			yel	17	17			
			shield	18	18			
			blk	19	19			
			org	20	20			
			shield	21	21			
			red	22	22			
			grn	23	23			
			shield	24	24			
			red	25	25			
			wht	26	26			
		shield	27	27				
			28	28				
			29	29				
			30	30				

Instrument side gnd shields tied to JB gnd. Cable side gnd shields left open

Fig. C-14. Far North Met Tower Junction Box.

Off Axis Met Tower Junction Box

The junction box at the base Off-Axis meteorological tower contains the wiring from a cup anemometer and wind direction vane on the Off Axis met tower. Cable OANI in this junction box is connected to the lightning protection in the Instrument Enclosure, see Fig. C-15.

Off Axis Met Tower JB							
Cable OANI				TB-1			
OC cable To Instrument Enclosure LP-3	Exc+	blk	1	1	red	Exc+	OC
	Sig+	red	2	2	wht	Sig+	Instrument
		shield	3	3			From Cup
	sig com	blk	4	4	blk	Sig com	Top of Twr
	n/c	wht	5	5	brn	n/c	
		shield	6	6			
OV cable To Instrument Enclosure LP-3	Exc+	blk	7	7	red	Exc+	OV
	Sig+	grn	8	8	wht	Sig+	Instrument
		shield	9	9			From Vane
	Sig com	blk	10	10	blk	Sig com	Top of Twr
	n/c	blu	11	11	brn	n/c	
		shield	12	12			
		blk	13	13			
		brn	14	14			
		shield	15	15			
		blk	16	16			
		yel	17	17			
		shield	18	18			
		blk	19	19			
		org	20	20			
		shield	21	21			
	red	22	22				
	grn	23	23				
	shield	24	24				
	red	25	25				
	wht	26	26				
	shield	27	27				
		28	28				
		29	29				
		30	30				

Instrument side gnd shields tied to JB gnd. Cable side gnd shields left open

Fig. C-15. Off Axis Met Tower Junction Box.

Wiring Diagram for the Accelerometers

This wire list covers the wiring from the accelerometers to the DAS in the Instrument Enclosure, see Fig. C-16.

Name	B Turbine Accelerometer Fore-Aft				2262-25G SN KL03										
Inst	Accel Cable	Nacelle JB/TB-1	Nacelle JB/Conn	Turb base JB/TB1	Inst Encl/LP-5-in	Inst Encl/LP-5-out	Inst Encl/Strain-in	Inst Encl/Strn-upro							
Exc +	Red	Red	Red	A	Black	31	Black	pair 1	Black	Exc +	Black	Exc +	Black	Exc +	
Exc -	Black	Black	Black	B	Red	32	Red	pair 1	Red	Exc-	Red	Exc-	Red	Exc-	
Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	E	Gnd	33	Gnd		Black	Sig +	Gnd	shield	Gnd	shield	
Sig (+)	Green	White	White	C	Black	34	Black	pair2	Wht	Sig -	Black	Sig +	Black	Sig +	
Sig (-)	Wht	Black	Black	D	White	35	Red	pair 2	Black	Mon +	Wht	Sig -	Wht	Sig -	
			Gnd	E	Gnd	36	Gnd		Grn	Mon-	Gnd	shield	Gnd	shield	
Junction Box on Nacelle												Black	Mon +	Black	Mon +
											Grn	Mon-	Grn	Mon-	
											Gnd	shield	Gnd	shield	
Name	B Turbine Accelerometer Side-Side				2262-25G SN TJ45										
Inst	Accel Cable	Nacelle JB/TB-1	Nacelle JB/Conn	Turb base JB/TB1	Inst Encl/LP-5-in	Inst Encl/LP-5-out	Inst Encl/Strain-in	Inst Encl/Strn-upro							
Exc +	Red	Brn	Green	F	Black	37	Black	pair 1	Black	Exc +	Black	Exc +	Black	Exc +	
Exc -	Black	Black	Black	G	Green	38	Red	pair 1	Red	Exc-	Red	Exc-	Red	Exc-	
Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	K	Gnd	39	Gnd		Black	Sig +	Gnd	shield	Gnd	shield	
Sig (+)	Green	Blue	Blue	H	Black	40	Black	pair2	Wht	Sig -	Black	Sig +	Black	Sig +	
Sig (-)	Wht	Black	Black	J	Blue	41	Red	pair2	Black	Mon +	Wht	Sig -	Wht	Sig -	
			Gnd	K	Gnd	42	Gnd		Grn	Mon-	Gnd	shield	Gnd	shield	
Junction Box on Nacelle												Black	Mon +	Black	Mon +
											Grn	Mon-	Grn	Mon-	
											Gnd	shield	Gnd	shield	

Fig. C-16. Accelerometer Wiring Diagram.

Wiring Diagram for the Met One Back Panel

The Met One back panel has all the wiring associated with the cups, vanes, temperature, delta temperature, and barometric pressure, see Fig. C-17.

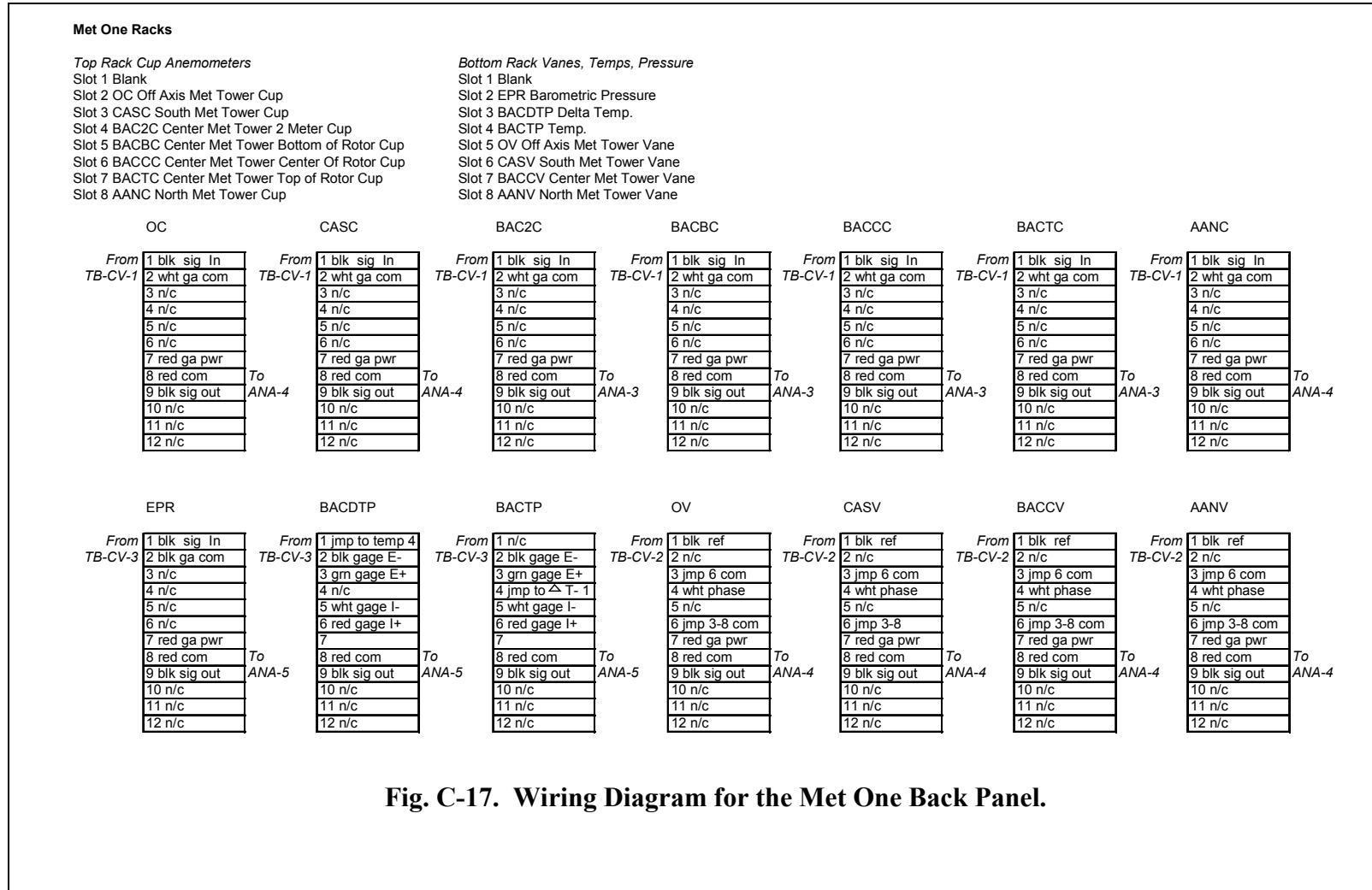


Fig. C-17. Wiring Diagram for the Met One Back Panel.

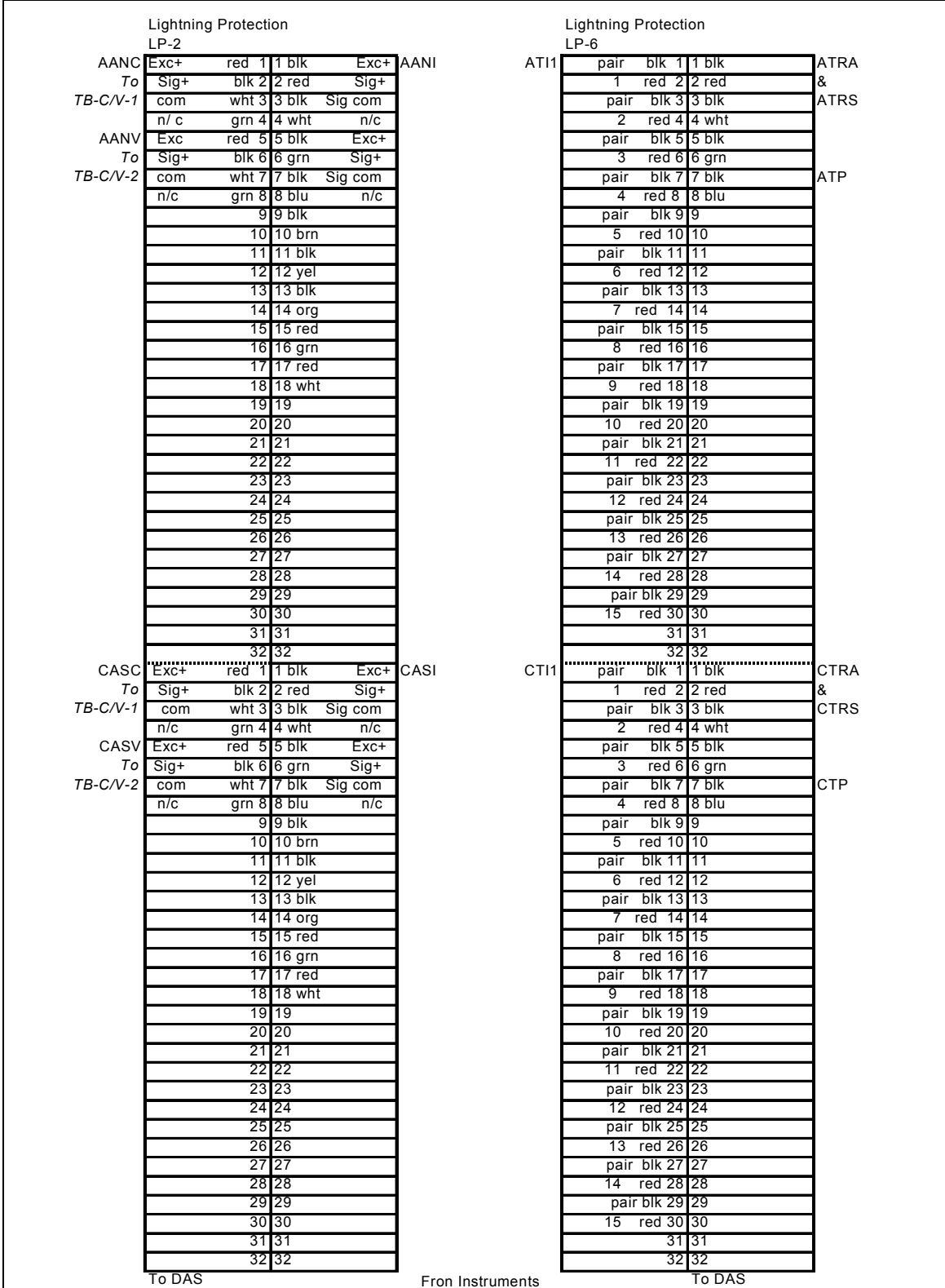


Fig. C-18b. Panel 2: Lightning Protection Wiring Diagram.

Sonic Anemometers

The sonic anemometers input signal wiring from the lightning protection comes in the right side of the terminal blocks and out the left side to the signal conditioning. Then the return signals from the signal conditioning come in the left side and out the right side to the data acquisition system, see Fig. C-19.

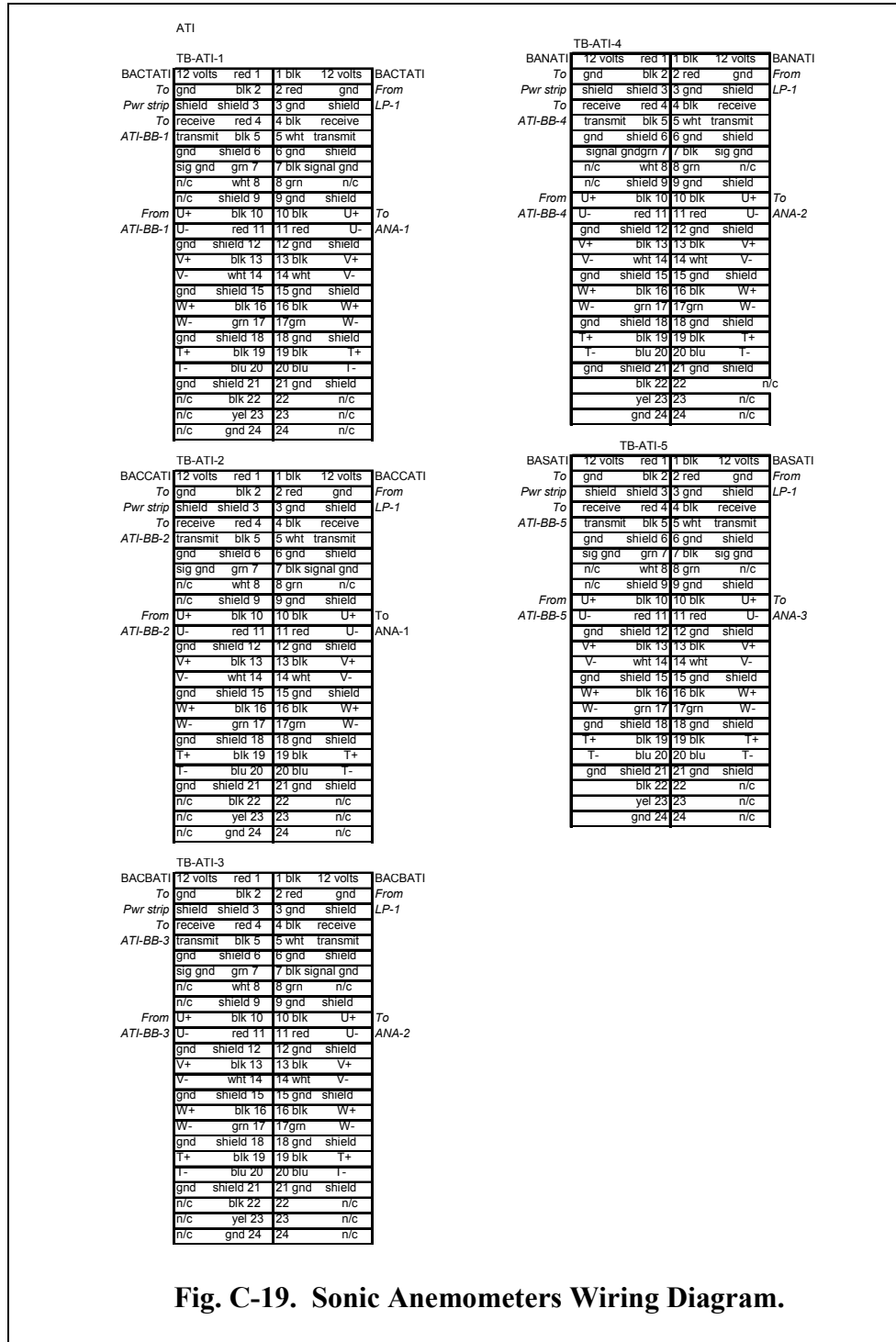


Fig. C-19. Sonic Anemometers Wiring Diagram.

Cups & Vanes

The cup anemometers and wind vanes input signal wiring from the lightning protection comes in the right side of the terminal blocks and out the left side to the signal conditioning. Then the return signals from the signal conditioning come in the left side and out the right side to the data acquisition system, see Fig. C-20.

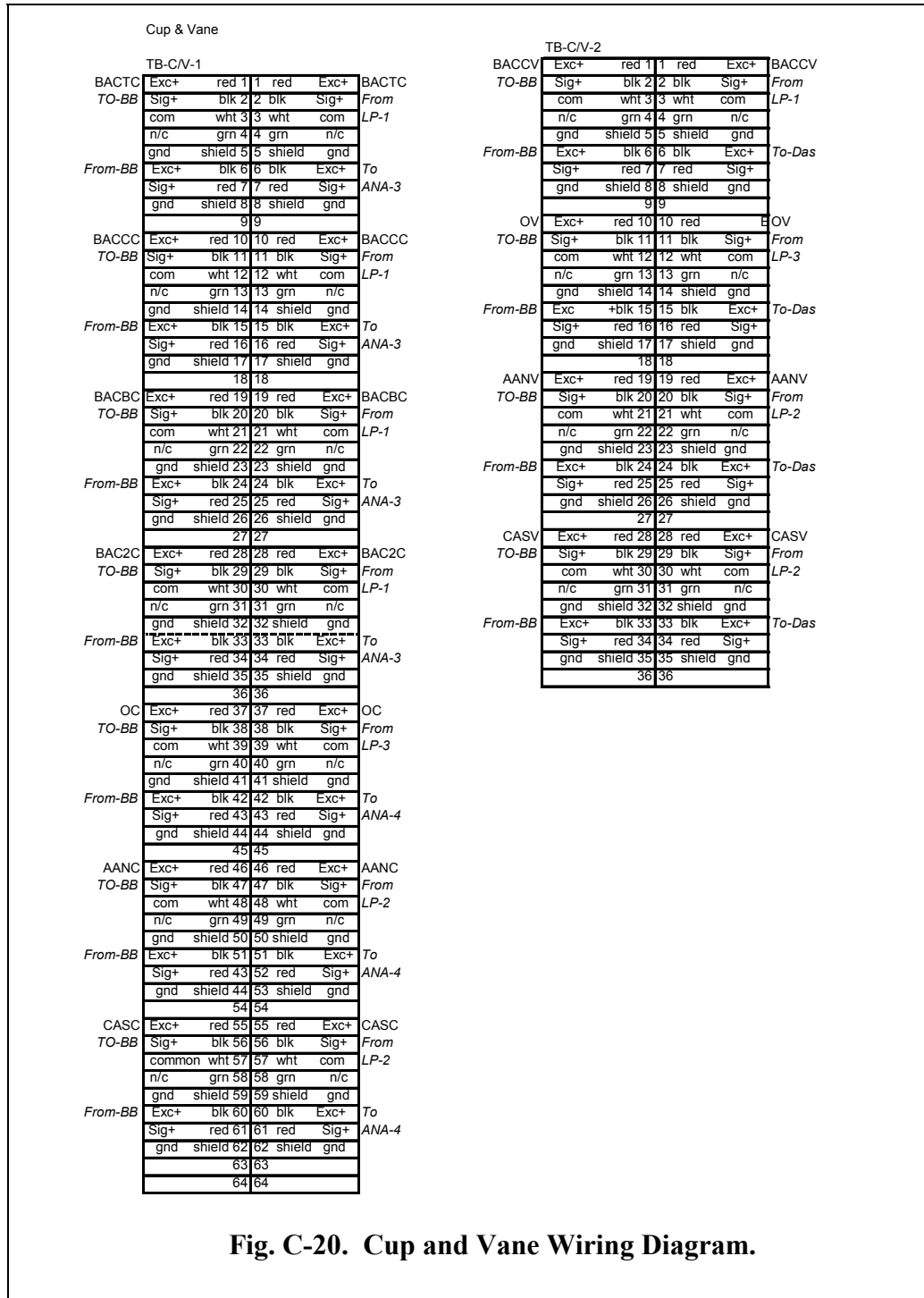


Fig. C-20. Cup and Vane Wiring Diagram.

Strain Gauges

The strain gauges, accelerometers, nacelle azimuth, rotor velocity/azimuth, temperature/delta temperature, barometric pressure, and turbine power input signal wiring from the lightning protection comes in the right side of the terminal blocks out the left side to the signal conditioning. Then the return signals from the signal conditioning come in the left side and out the right side to the data acquisition system, see Fig. C-21.

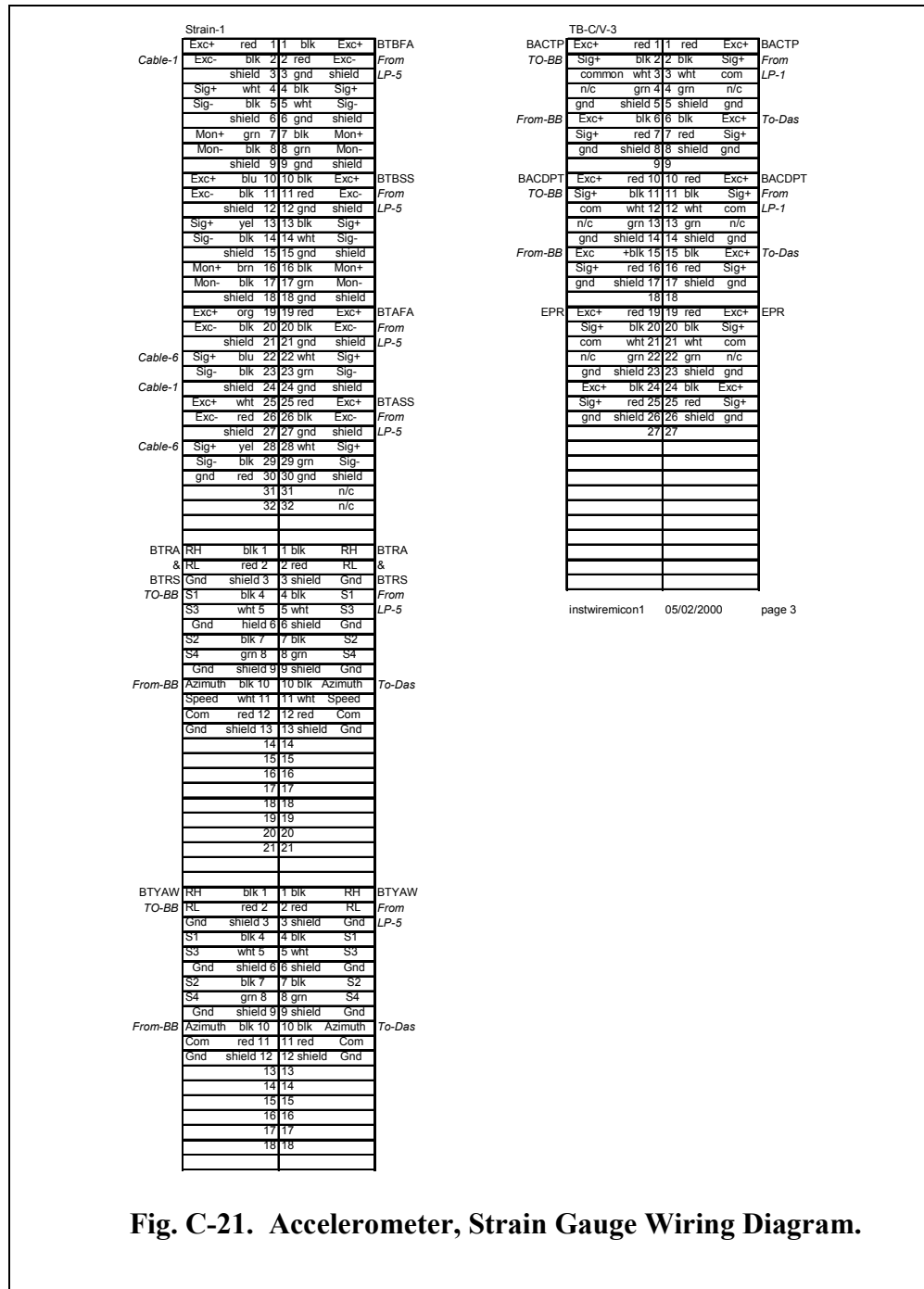


Fig. C-21. Accelerometer, Strain Gauge Wiring Diagram.

Data Acquisition

All of the signal wiring from the sensors and the signal conditioning comes in the right side of the terminal block and out the left side to the data acquisition system, see Fig. C-22.

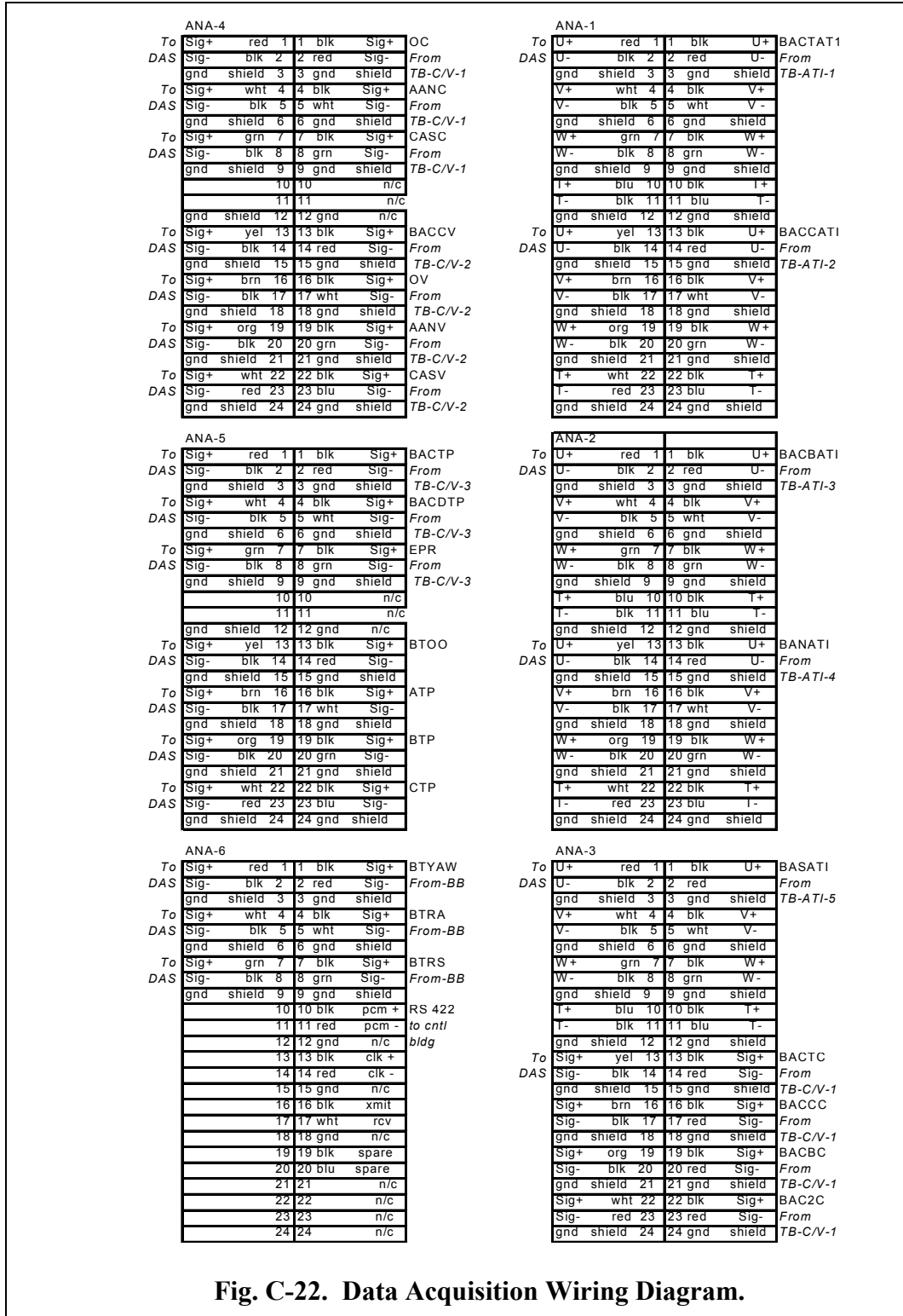


Fig. C-22. Data Acquisition Wiring Diagram.

APPENDIX D

INFRASTRUCTURE

The infrastructure for the test site is made up of underground and aboveground instrumentation cables, DC and AC electrical wiring, grounding grid, power grid, power transformers, junction boxes, and turbine controls. The underground cables are run in PVC conduit in the pattern shown in Fig. D-1. The AC power is run in separate conduit from the instrumentation and DC wires to limit the AC noise that could affect the instrument signals and DC power wiring. A grounding grid is connected to all of the buildings, turbines, and meteorological towers for lightning protection and power ground.

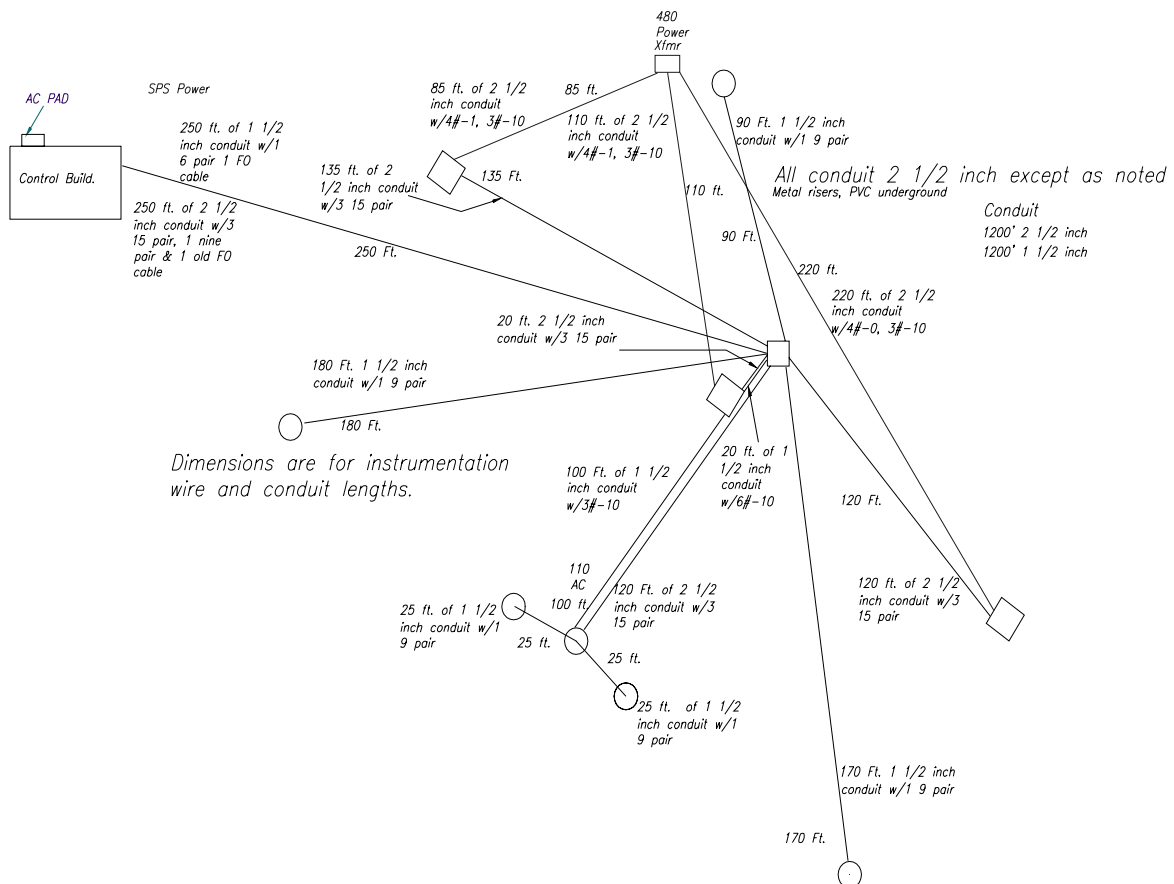


Fig. D-1. Conduit Schedule for the Site.

Meteorological tower cable types, lengths, and junction boxes

A variety of cable lengths and type of cable are used to connect the meteorological instrumentation to the data acquisition system. Wire in the cable is 18 gauge wire with an overall shield and a bare copper ground wire. The junction boxes are utilized for interconnections on terminal strips located in the junction boxes, see Fig. D-2.

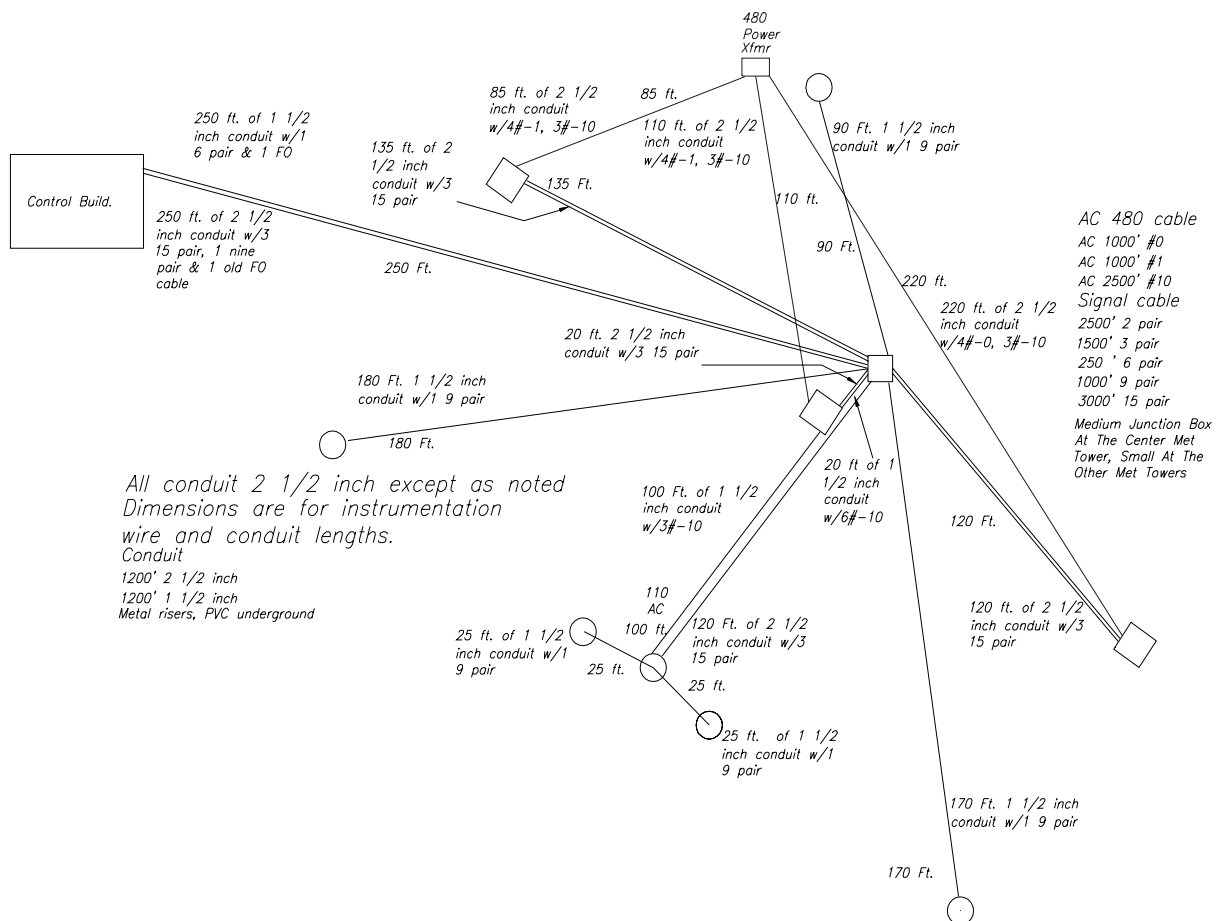
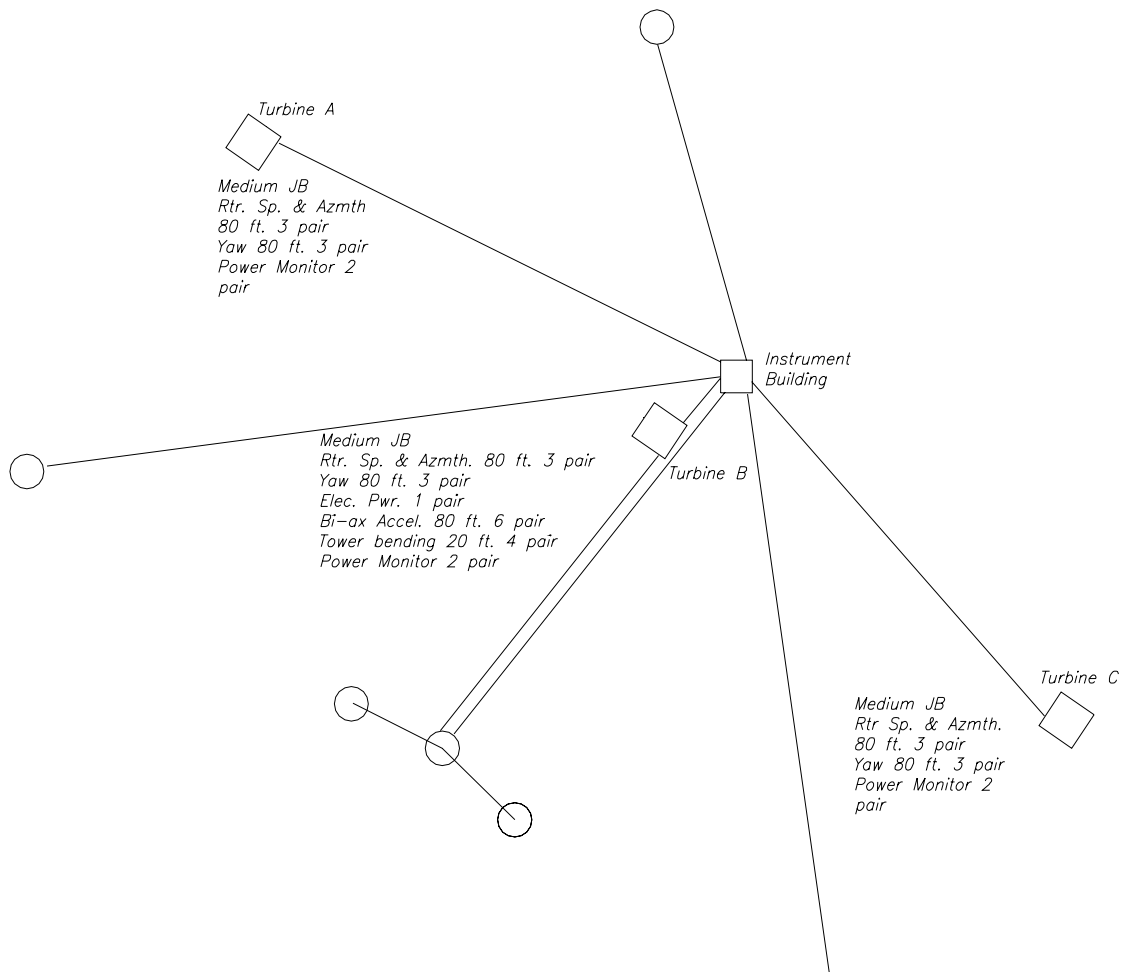


Fig. D-2. Instrumentation Wires from the Met Towers.

Turbine instrument wires and junction boxes



A variety of cables are used to connect the Turbine instrumentation to the data acquisition system. Wire in the cable is 18 gauge wire with an overall shield and a bare copper ground wire. The junction boxes are utilized for interconnections on terminal strips located in the junction boxes, see Fig. D-3.

AC Transformer Power

AC power is brought onto the site from the local utility, Southwest Public Service (SPS) and fed into the main three-phase 480 volt transformer. Power from the 480 volt transformer to the turbine transformers, and the instrument enclosure is run in PVC conduit underground. Each turbine has a separate transformer with a switch and breaker panel. The instrument building heating, and cooling are on one transformer. The instrument enclosure fans, lights, UPS, instrument power, and turbine B are on another transformer. Turbine A and turbine C are on their own separate transformers. Power generated by each of the turbines is sent through the turbine control junction box and then to its respective transformer and out to the SPS power grid, see Fig. D-4.

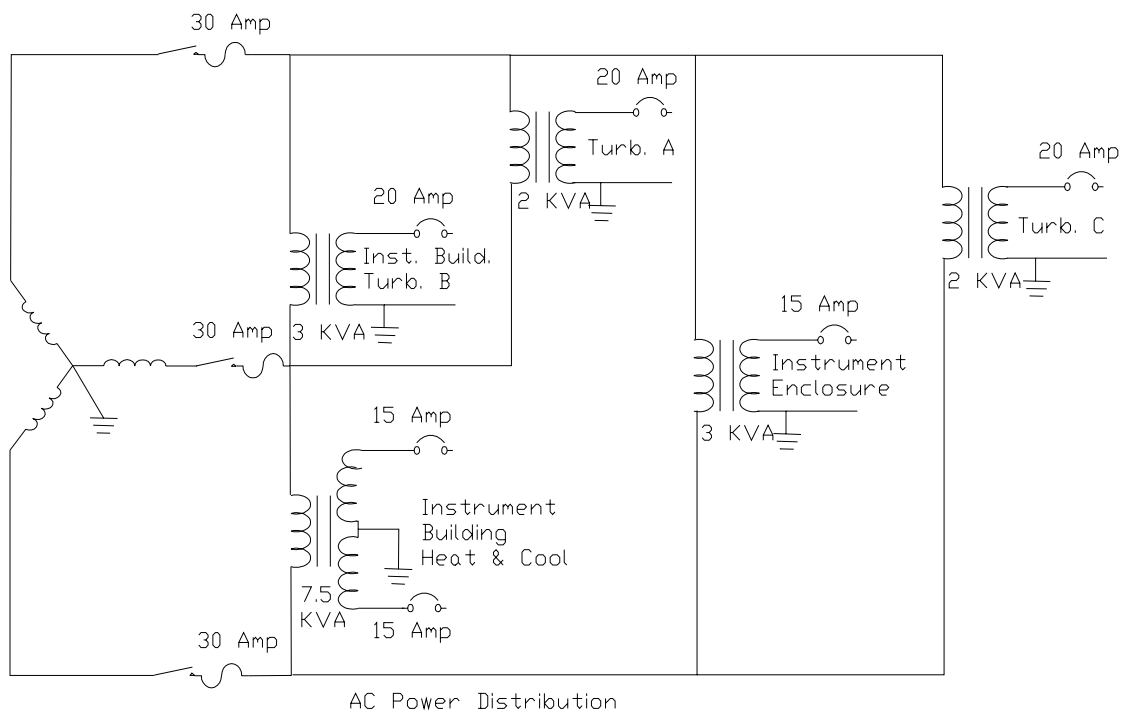
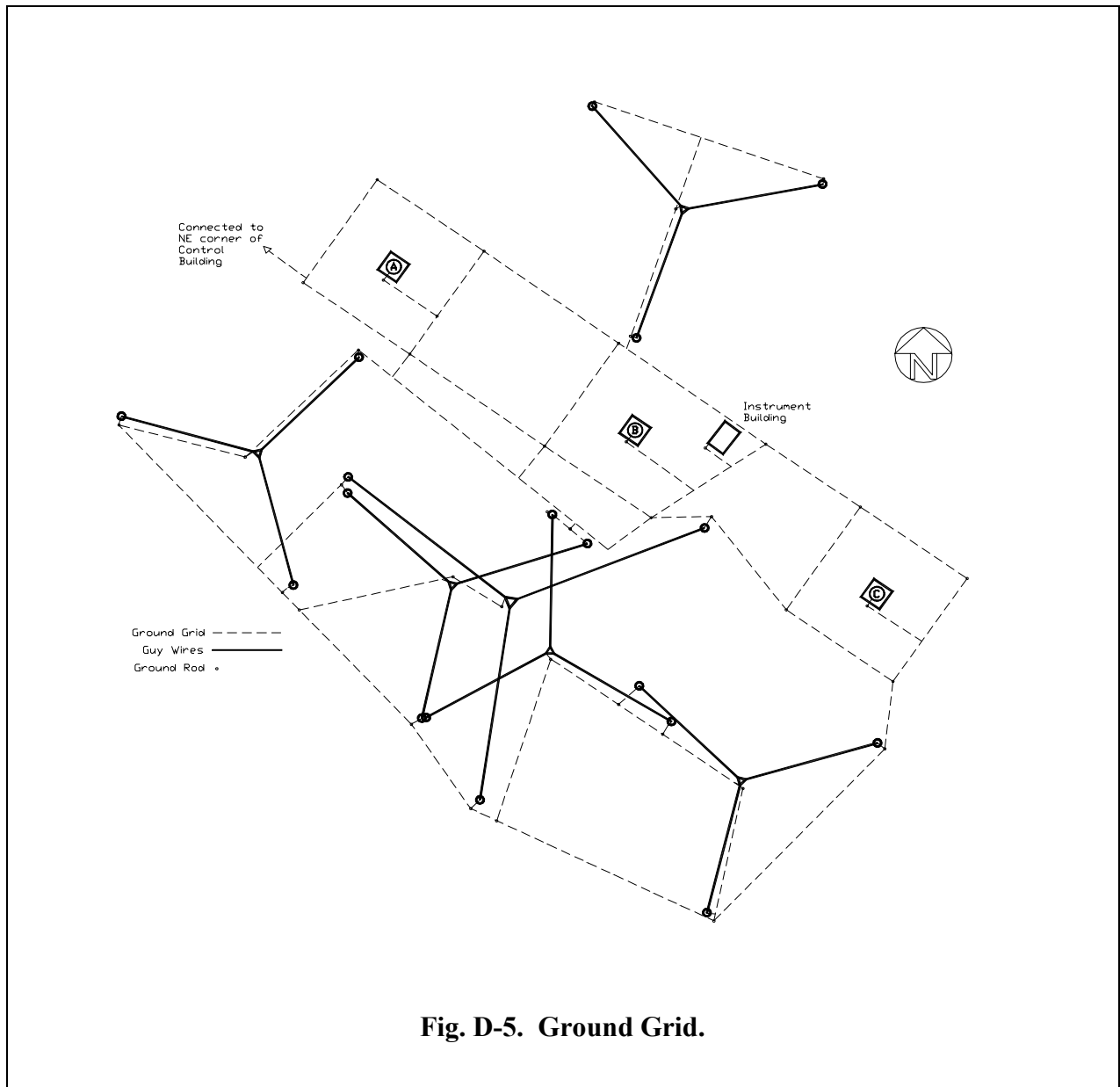


Fig. D-4. Grid Connections and Auxillary AC Power.

Grounding Grid

The grounding grid is made up of bare braided # 00 copper cable cad-welded at each connection, the $\frac{3}{4}$ inch copper clad ground rods, and the grounding lugs. The grounding lugs are bolted to the turbine towers and buildings and clamped to the met tower guy wires. All of the electrical grounds and instrument grounds are connected to the ground grid. The grid layout shows the met tower guy wires and the ground grid, see Fig. D-5.



AC Power in Instrument Building

Instrument Building and Instrument Enclosure power is brought in from the main 480 volt transformer to separate 110 volt and 220 volt transformers, see Fig. D-6. One 110 volt transformer provides the power to the instrument building utility outlets, lights, the instrument enclosure fans, lights, and utility outlets. Another 110 volt transformer is used for power to the uninterruptable power supply (UPS) which is used for the instrumentation power for the Micon turbine. The 220 volt transformer is for the instrument building heating and air conditioning.

