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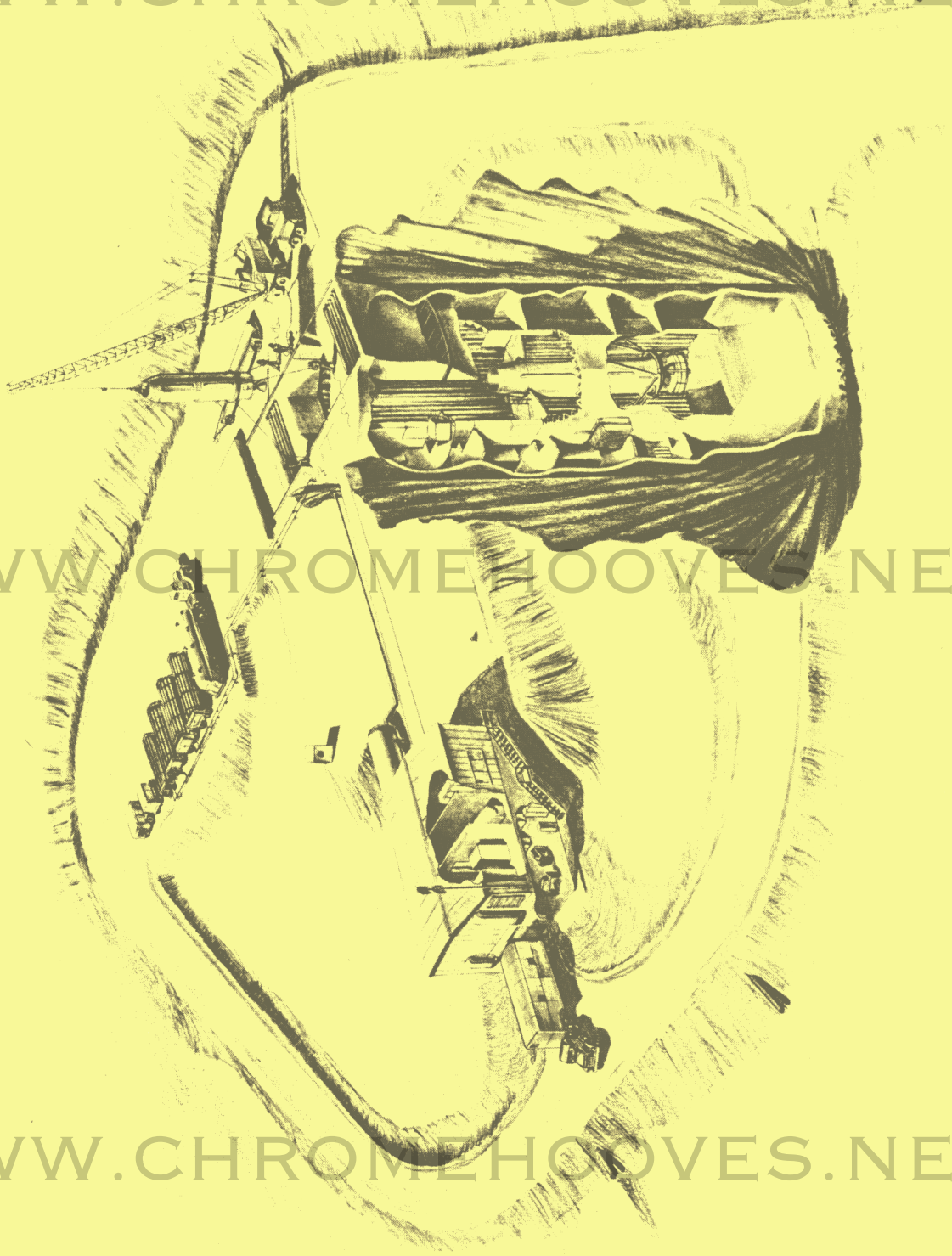
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1.0

INTRODUCTION

The test program to be conducted at the Silo Launch Test Facility (SLTF) located at Vandenberg Air Force Base (VAFB), consists of five major tests as outlined in the program requirements (Ref 1). These tests, listed in the sequence in which they will be conducted, are: facility/utilities performance tests; missile installation and removal tests; propellant loading and pressurization system tests; captive tests; and flight tests. This program is designed to determine the feasibility of launching a Titan missile from within an underground (silo) launcher facility.

This report describes the propellant loading and pressurization system tests that will be conducted as an integral part of the test program. The purpose of the propellant loading and pressurization system tests is to demonstrate the ability of the propellant loading and pressurization system (PLPS) to supply and control the loading of gases, propellants, and water into the VS missile.

During these tests, Stage II lox and fuel tanks will be loaded with water ballast. The tanks will then be pressurized, vented, and unloaded. The Stage I fuel tanks will be loaded with RP-1. The lox tanks will then be loaded with liquid nitrogen (LN_2) to provide a safe handling medium for the initial checkout of the PLPS. The lox tank will be unloaded using both normal and emergency methods; emergency procedures will be practiced.

2.0

TEST OBJECTIVES

The SLTF propellant loading system tests will:

- 1) Demonstrate that missile tanks can be loaded and unloaded with fuel, LN_2 , and gases from mobile carriers connected to the SLTF propellant loading system, within a reasonable period of time;

- 2) Demonstrate the ability of the ground operational equipment (GOE, in this case PLPS subsystem) to control the operation of the propellant loading and pressurization system;
- 3) Check out the main propellant lines disconnect and drain capability;
- 4) Demonstrate the operation to design specification (Ref 11) of the water loading system;
- 5) Demonstrate the operation to design specification (Ref 12) of the fuel loading system;
- 6) Demonstrate the operation to design specification (Ref 14) of the N₂ loading system;
- 7) Demonstrate the operation to design specification (Ref 13) of the lox loading system utilizing LN₂;
- 8) Demonstrate the operation to design specification (Ref 15) of the He loading system;
- 9) Verify the SLTF propellant loading and pressurization system procedures are adequate for loading and unloading a VS missile without damage to the missile on the facility;
- 10) Verify emergency procedures;
- 11) Determine silo air temperatures in the vicinity of the Stage I engine compartment during lox tank loading.

3.0

PREREQUISITES

Prior to commencement of the SLTF propellant loading system tests, the following prerequisites will have been accomplished:

- 1) Tests at the Propulsion Laboratory at The Martin Company, Denver Division, using a simulated SLTF lox loading system (Appendix A) will have verified the design assumptions on which the SLTF lox loading system is based. During these tests, hardware units (valves, pumps, etc) identical to the SLTF units will have been tested under simulated operating conditions.

Component and signal input failures will have been simulated, and potential hazards and problem areas will have been identified. Propellant loading and unloading procedures and emergency procedures will have been verified;

- 2) The operation of the accessory supply system, launch sequencer, propellant loading and pressurization system, television system, disconnects, umbilical controls, and the CO₂ fire protection system GOE will have been verified, using Ground System Test Procedures (Appendix B2, numbers [327R92030: 13, 16, 20, 21, 24, 27, 28, and 29]) and using Calibration Procedures (Appendix B3 [327R92031: 13, 21, and 24]);
- 3) The operation of all facility-alarm subsystems will have been verified during functional checks, in accordance with Test Procedure 327R9030502-2 (Appendix B1);
- 4) The VS missile will have been installed in the silo in accordance with Procedures 327R9030500-2 and 327R9030501-2 (Appendix B1);
- 5) The missile emplacement tests outlined in Reference 2 will have been completed;
- 6) The inspection tests, proof pressure tests, leak tests, and cleanliness tests in accordance with test specifications for propellant systems (Ref 3 through 7) will have been accomplished. Performance tests under these specifications will then be run as a part of the test runs in this plan.

4.0

TEST CONFIGURATION

The test configuration consists of:

- 1) A VS missile;
- 2) The SLTF;
- 3) The propellant loading and pressurization system (GOE);

- 4) The accessory supply system (GOE);
- 5) The launch sequencer (GOE);
- 6) The commodity carriers;
- 7) The launch control and checkout system test set (CP 3500).

4.1 MISSILE CONFIGURATION

A Lot VS missile will be utilized in the SLTF for propellant loading system tests. The Lot VS missile configuration is defined in Reference 8, which specifies differences between the Lot VS and Lot J missile configurations. The major Lot VS missile characteristics that affect the SLTF propellant loading system tests follow.

4.1.1 Stage II Tanks

Provision is made for water ballasting the Stage II fuel and lox tanks. Because both the lox and fuel tank fill and drain connectors are the fuel tank connector type, they can both be manually connected and disconnected.

4.1.2 Pressurization

The Stage II tanks will be pressurized through the airborne pressurization system, using the 1500 psig ground-supplied N_2 .

4.1.3 Stage I Tanks

The Stage I fuel tank is loaded through a manual connect, manual disconnect umbilical. The quantity of fuel loaded is controlled by a flowmeter in the PLS fuel loading system that stops loading after a preset quantity of fuel has been loaded.

The Stage I lox tank is loaded through a manually connected pneumatically disconnected probe type umbilical. The quantity of lox loaded is controlled by monitoring Bogue liquid level sensors of the missile tank.

4.1.4 Missile Umbilicals

The Lot VS missile is equipped with all Lot V (OSTF) umbilical receptacles. However, the SLTF provides only for umbilical connections required for Lot VS. These umbilicals and their positions are listed in Table 1.

4.2 FACILITY CONFIGURATION

The facility consists of an underground silo (with top cover) and a control structure, interconnected by a lined and covered trench. Access roads are provided, and also a parking area to accommodate propellant tank and gas storage trailers required for propellant loading. Fuel and lox loading system hydrants are provided near the mouth of the silo.

The facility layout is shown in the Frontispiece.

4.3 PROPELLANT LOADING AND PRESSURIZATION SYSTEM CONFIGURATION

The SLTF propellant loading and pressurization system permits loading of propellants and gases directly from mobile commodity carriers (located above ground) into a Lot VS missile (located in the silo).

Control of the propellant loading system is partly manual (using verbal commands to operators at manual valves or manually initiated remote valves) and partly automatic.

The water subsystem transfers domestic water from a facility water header to the Stage II fuel and lox tanks for ballast (Fig. 1). A flowmeter in the system is equipped with an automatic shutoff valve to stop the flow of water into the missile when a preset quantity is reached. The system is also capable of unloading water from Stage II and returning it to a facility sump.

The fuel subsystem is designed to transfer fuel from tank trailers located at ground level to the Stage I fuel tank (Fig. 2). After connection of the tank trailers to aboveground hydrants in the parking lot, the fuel fill operation is initiated manually. A flowmeter in the system is equipped with an automatic shutoff valve to stop the flow of fuel when a preset quantity is reached. Unloading is accomplished by a transfer pump, which pumps fuel from the missile back through the transfer system to the fuel tank trailers.

The lox loading subsystem is designed to transfer lox from tank trailers located at ground level to the Stage I lox tank. Initially, the PLPS-GOE will put valves in the facility and missile in proper positions for missile loading. Aboveground, two lox tanks will be manifolded together and connected to the lox hydrant. On verbal command from the PLPS operator, a lox truck operator at the lox hydrant will open a cooldown valve permitting an initial flow of from 80 to 100 gal per minute to enter the fill line and missile. Gaseous oxygen from lox boiloff will pass through the missile tanks and out of the tank vent. After a timed cooldown period, which is to be determined during SLTF lox loading system simulation tests at Denver (Appendix A), the normal flow loading valve at the hydrant will be opened and loading will continue at a rate of from 300 to 350 gal per minute.

The two lox trucks will be expended before the tanks are full. When the trucks are empty, they will be disconnected; two full trucks will be attached, and the loading will be resumed. The Bogue liquid level system will be monitored during fill. When the level reaches 100.5% of nominal, loading is to be stopped by the PLPS operator. (The SLTF lox loading system does not provide for topping or overflow bleed.)

Normal lox unloading will be achieved through the lox probe umbilical, a facility catch pot, and a facility pump that returns the lox to groundlevel. Emergency unloading after the probe has been retracted will be achieved through the engine OSBV's via the same catch pot and pump.

Helium will be supplied for anti-geysering and Stage I tank pressurization.

Helium injection for geysering suppression will be initiated automatically as soon as normal lox loading is verified.

The missile He storage system will be prepressurized with 500 psig He to set the primary and secondary regulators, and to prevent blowing of the He accumulator burst disc. This prepressurization will be initiated manually on verification that one truckload of lox (sufficient to cool down the He sphere) has been loaded aboard the missile. When the Stage I He accumulator lower limit pressure switch actuates, the PLPS will automatically open the He fill valve to pressurize the sphere to 3000 psig.

The N₂ subsystem will deliver N₂ from two aboveground tube-bank trailers to the silo for Stage II missile pressurization, GOE, and GSE. Nitrogen gas is to be provided at the following pressures (Fig. 5):

- 1) 1500 psig - for electrical disconnect actuation, degreaser operation, half-pressure check of the He sphere, and the 750-psig system;
- 2) 750 psig - for purging the Stage I gas generator, Stage I pneumatic operation, oxidizer suction bleed valve (OSBV) actuation, and gas generator oxidizer purge valve (GGOPV);
- 3) 150 psig - for cylinder-operated valves, purge gas for Stage I fuel and lox tanks, and blanket pressure for the fuel and lox system.

A separate N₂ system with storage cylinders in the equipment area at level No. 6 in the silo, will provide 3000 psig N₂ for engine start.

4.4 ACCESSORY SUPPLY SYSTEM

The accessory supply system (ASS) will provide power to all other GOE subsystems during launch control and checkout system operation, and will be required for PLPS testing.

4.5 LAUNCH SEQUENCER

The launch sequencer will provide timing functions and input signals required to permit sequential operation of the PLPS-GOE during propellant loading and unloading and during pressurization operations.

4.6 LAUNCH CONTROL AND CHECKOUT SYSTEM TEST SET (CP 3500)

The CP 3500 test set is designed to provide missile and facility loads and simulated response signals to the launch control and checkout equipment (GOE) to verify correct GOE functioning.

During the SLTF-PLPS tests, it will be necessary to operate the PLPS, ASS, and launch sequencer GOE independent of the other GOE subsystems. Portions of the CP 3500 test set will be utilized to simulate the absent subsystems.

5.0 TEST DESCRIPTION

The PLPS test program, to be conducted at the VAFB-SLTF, is composed of two test parts.

Test Part I will be conducted after the VS missile has been installed and checked out according to procedures in Appendix B. Test Part I will verify the readiness of the SLTF-PLPS.

Test Part II will be a functional verification of the SLTF-PLPS and consists of three tests. The first Part II test will verify operation of the water ballast system. The second will demonstrate capability to fuel the missile. The third will verify operation of the lox system using LN₂.

Test procedures to be used in conducting these tests are listed in Appendix B. In addition to satisfying the test objectives of this plan, these tests will satisfy the performance tests of the test specifications (Ref 3 through 7).

5.1 TEST PART I -- PROPELLANT LOADING AND PRESSURIZATION SYSTEM READINESS

Readiness testing of the PLPS will be accomplished by manual and automatic checkout of the missile propellant and pressurization system, facility lox and He systems, the facility N₂ system, and the PLPS launch control equipment, in accordance with procedures listed in Appendix B.

5.1.1 Manual Checkout Operations

Manual checkout operations will be performed on each of the following systems.

5.1.1.1 Lox System

Manual checkout of the lox system will verify operation of the following missile-borne and facility components:

- 1) Missile lox and ballast vent valves;
- 2) Missile lox fill and drain valves;
- 3) Missile pressure regulators;
- 4) Facility lox valves;
- 5) Facility disconnects;
- 6) Lox unloading pump.

5.1.1.2 Gas System

Manual checkout of the gas system will verify operation of the facility He and N₂ valves.

5.1.1.3 Fuel System

Manual checkout of the fuel system will verify operation of the following:

- 1) Missile fuel and ballast vent valves;
- 2) Facility fuel valves;
- 3) Fuel unloading pump.

5.1.2 Automatic Checkout Operations

Automatic checkout operations controlled by the PLPS-GOE will perform a dry launch sequence checkout of the lox system and the gas system. During these dry run operations, emergency procedures that have been developed during SLTF lox-system simulation tests in Denver will be practiced.

5.2 TEST PART II -- PROPELLANT LOADING TEST

These tests will be conducted to verify operation of the water ballast system, the fuel transfer system, the lox loading and vent system, and the pressurization system (see Fig. 1 through 5). During these tests, the adequacy of the SLTF communication systems to support propellant loading operations will be assessed, and emergency procedures will be verified.

5.2.1 Water Ballast Transfer Test

This test will consist of sequentially loading the Stage II fuel and lox tanks with water, then pressurizing, venting, and sequentially unloading the tanks. The PLPS-GOE will have manually operated controls to position the missile valves and regulators in the configuration necessary to load ballast (water) into the missile; the PLPS operating mode switch will be in the checkout position.

Water will be supplied from the facility domestic water supply and will be loaded aboard the missile by a gravity feed system through a flowmeter and flexible hose. The flowmeter will automatically stop the flow when a preset quantity of water is loaded. The fuel and

lox tanks will be loaded with 16,780 lb and 25,100 lb of water, respectively. Connectors will be provided to couple the water hose to the 3B4F and 3B1L airborne umbilical sockets. Each tank will be loaded separately. After both tanks are filled with the required quantity of water ballast they will be pressurized with N_2 to verify the operating of the Stage II pressurization system. After venting the tanks, each tank will be sequentially unloaded by disconnecting the hose from the flowmeter and draining the water into the silo sump.

Stage II ballasting details are contained in the procedures in Appendix B1.

5.2.2 Fuel Transfer Test

This test will consist of fueling the Stage I tank with 51,500 lb of fuel. Fuel will be supplied from mobile tank trailers located at ground level and loaded aboard the missile by gravity feed assisted by the pressure system on the tank trailers. The PLPS-GOE will orient the missile valves and regulators to the position necessary to load fuel into the missile with the PLPS operating mode switch in the checkout position. When the necessary prerequisites are met, the loading operation will be manually initiated. The amount of fuel loaded will be controlled by a flowmeter that will shut off when a predetermined amount of fuel has been loaded aboard the missile. On completion of fuel loading, checks will be conducted to ensure that the missile and facility are in a safe condition. The fuel will not be unloaded until the LN_2 tests (para 5.2.3) are complete.

5.2.3 Lox Transfer System Tests (Using N_2)

These tests will verify operation of the lox transfer system. Liquid nitrogen will be substituted for lox during these tests to reduce the hazards in case of malfunction.

Liquid nitrogen will be supplied from mobile tank trailers located at ground level and will be loaded aboard the missile by gravity feed assisted by the pressure system on the tank trailer. Approximately 83,000 lb LN₂ will be loaded for each test. The load-

ing sequence will be manually initiated and will be controlled by the PLPS operator. The loading operation consists of precooling for a timed interval, followed by normal loading until the Bogue liquid level system indicates that the tank is full*. Helium loading will be initiated manually by the PLPS operator when at least one trailer full of LN₂ has been loaded into the missile.

The Stage I missile tanks will be pressurized and vented, and Stage I lox tank unloaded.

The LN₂ will be unloaded through the lox fill and drain line to the lox catch pot, and pumped by the lox unloading pump back to the tank trailer or the spill pond as directed. The unloading operation will also be controlled by the PLPS operator.

The PLPS-GOE will be operated with the operating mode switch in the launch position during the lox loading and pressurization sequences.

After completion of the above normal loading and unloading sequences, additional sequences will be conducted during which shutdowns will be initiated and emergency procedures will be evaluated. The emergency lox unloading operation will be verified by unloading the LN₂ through the missile OSBV to the lox catch pot, and pumping it back to the tank trailer or spill pond.

After the above sequences are completed, all propellants will be unloaded.

The missile and facility will then be recycled. The loading of lox will be accomplished during the captive test (Ref 8) which follows these PLPS tests.

*Use of the Bogue sensor for loading LN₂ will require the addition of a correction factor to the indicated load.

6.0

DATA REQUIREMENTS

The only function requiring instrumentation during these tests is the silo air temperature measurement in the vicinity of the Stage I engine compartment. This temperature will be monitored during and after LN₂ loading to determine silo cooldown.

Flow rates during loading and unloading will be determined from time measurements and facility flow meters.

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TEST EVALUATION

The general success of these tests will depend on the completion of the tests listed in Section 5.0 without injury to personnel or damage to the missile, facility, or support equipment.

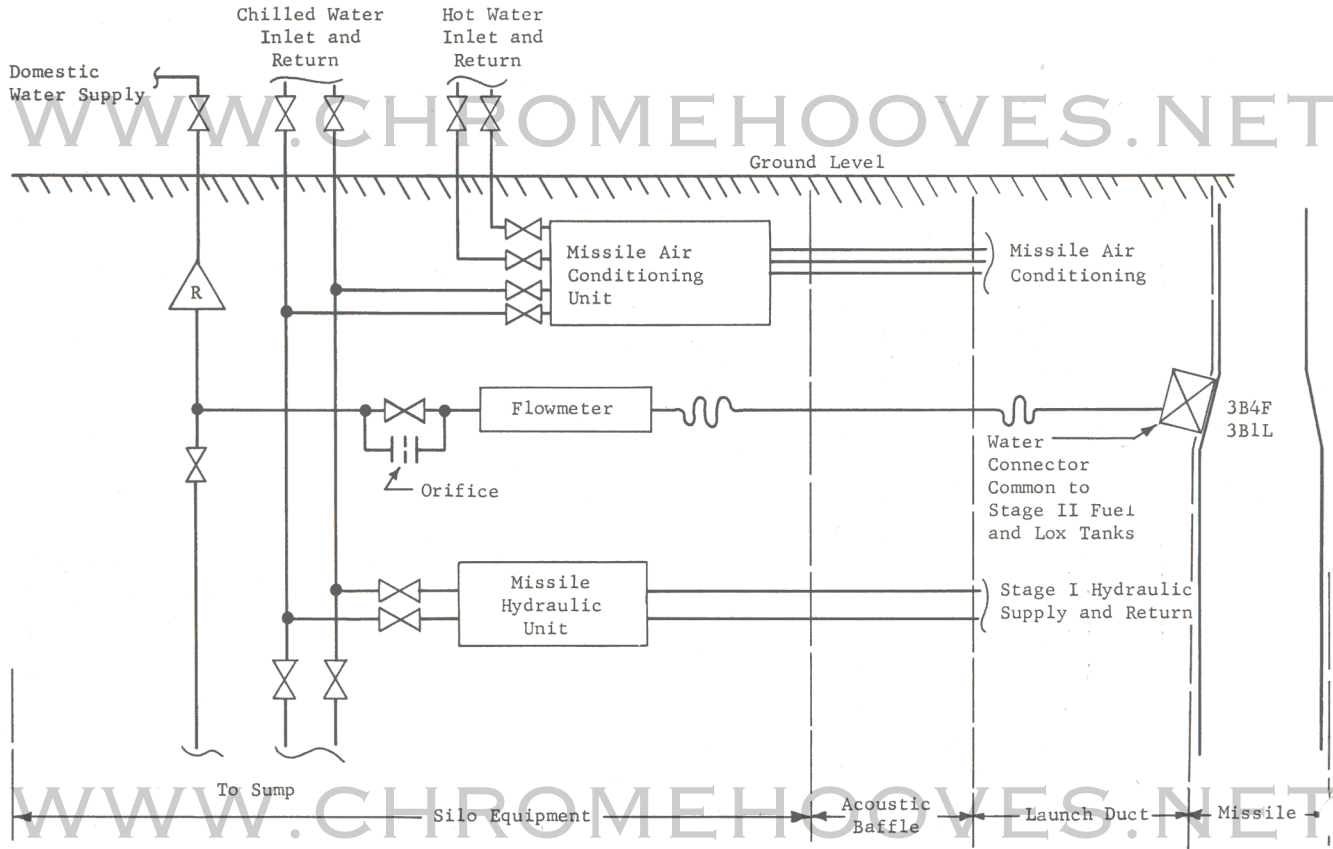
The specific criteria for success are listed in Table 2.

Table 1. SLTF Umbilical and Vent Locations

| Compartment | Code | Size (in.) | Type | Station | Quadrant | Angle Off BLO | Remarks |
|--------------------|-------|------------|--------------------------|----------|------------|---------------|-------------------------------|
| Guidance | 1B1A | 5 | Air conditioning | 137.838 | II | 62° 35' | |
| | 1B1E | - | Electrical | 137.650 | II | 45° 47' | FCS. Stage II fuel vents. |
| | 1B2E | - | Electrical | 137.650 | II | 39° 37' | Power. gyro heaters. |
| | 1B3E | - | Electrical | 153.369 | II | 39° 37' | IRSS. battery temp. power |
| Missile Safety | 2B1A | 5 | Air conditioning | 219.129 | II | 45° | |
| Sustainer Engine | 3B1E | - | Electrical | 371.815 | II | 15° | APS |
| | 3B2E | - | Electrical | 371.815 | II and III | ON BLO | APS. IRSS |
| | 3B3E | - | Electrical | 371.815 | II | 60° | IRSS arming |
| | 3B4E | - | Electrical | 371.815 | II | 75° | Vent control |
| | 3B1A | 8 | Air conditioning | 382.258 | I and II | ON WL60 | |
| | 3B1HE | 1/2 | He fill | 428.133 | II | 63° 28' | N ₂ pressurization |
| | 3B2N | 3/8 | N ₂ pneumatic | 428.133 | II | 56° 23' | Vent actuation |
| | 3B4F | 3 | Water fill | 392.758 | I | 60° | Manual |
| | 3B1L | 3 | Water fill | 392.633 | III | 15° | Manual |
| | 3B1T | - | Instrument | 377.883 | I | 45° | Flyaway umbilical |
| Transition | 1C1LV | 6 | Lox vent | 499.958 | III and IV | ON WL60 | |
| Booster Engine | 3D1E | - | Electrical | 972.914 | II | 81° 06' | Checkout and kill parameters |
| | 3D2E | - | Electrical | 972.914 | II | 85° 12' | Checkout and kill parameters |
| | 3D1HE | 1/2 | He fill | 971.854 | I | 84° 23' | |
| | 3D5N | 3/8 | N ₂ pneumatic | 989.321 | II | 75° 14' | |
| | 3D3HE | 3/8 | He | 981.165 | II | 75° 14' | Anti-geysering |
| | 3D1H | 5/8 | Hydraulic supply | 980.946 | II | 66° 06' | |
| | 3D2H | 3/4 | Hydraulic return | 988.884 | II | 66° 24' | |
| | 3D1N | 3/8 | N ₂ | 989.758 | II | 79° 51' | Gas generator purge |
| | 3D2N | 3/8 | N ₂ | 989.758 | II | 61° 34' | Valve actuation |
| | 1E1F | 3 | Fuel fill | 1008.633 | IV | 9° 42' | |
| Under-Engine Skirt | 1E1L | 6 | Lox fill | 1013.133 | II and III | ON BLO | |
| | 1E1N | 2 | N ₂ Start | 1036.071 | II | 66° 33' | |
| | 1E2L | 1 1/2 | Lox | 1036.071 | I | 66° 33' | OSBV bleed and drain |
| | 1E1T | - | Instrument | - | - | - | Pull away landline |

Table 2. Criteria for Success

| Test Objective | Test Function | Success Criteria |
|----------------|---|--|
| 1 | Fuel and LN ₂ transfer tests | The PLPS is to be capable of loading and unloading the missile with fuel, lox, and gases in the required quantities without damage to missile or facility or injury to personnel. |
| 2 | All tests | The PLPS-GOE is to be capable of controlling the missile-borne and facility components as described in Reference 9. |
| 3 | Fuel, N ₂ , and lox transfer tests | The lox fill and drain line is to be capable of manual connection and automatic disconnection; the fuel fill and drain line is to be capable of manual connect and disconnect. |
| 4 | Water ballast transfer test | The water system is to be capable of flowing a maximum of 350 gpm into the missile and shutting off after a predetermined amount has been reached; the water system is to be capable of unloading the missile at a flow rate of 130 gpm. |
| 5 | Fuel-transfer test | The fuel system is to be capable of delivering a maximum of 350 gpm to the missile at a pressure of approximately 20 psig and shutting off after a predetermined amount has been reached. |
| | LN ₂ transfer test | The fuel system is to be capable of unloading the missile at a flow rate of 250 gpm. |
| 6 | All tests | The N ₂ system is to be capable of providing the N ₂ required for the conduct of these tests. |
| 7 | LN ₂ transfer test | The lox system is to be capable of delivering LN ₂ at a maximum cooldown rate of 100 gpm and subsequently increasing to a maximum of 350 gpm during normal loading. Delivery temperature is not to exceed -314°F at a fluid pressure of 20 psig. This system is to be capable of unloading the missile at flow rates between 60 (OSBV unloading) and 250 gpm (normal unloading) to the surface-based trailer or holding pond. |
| 8 | Fuel, N ₂ , and LN ₂ transfer tests | The He system is to be capable of supplying the He required for the conduct of these tests. |
| 9 | Verify loading and unloading procedures | Procedures are adequate to load and unload propellants and gases without damage to missile or facility. |
| 10 | Verify emergency procedures | Procedures are adequate to cope with all foreseeable emergencies. |
| 11 | Determine silo air temperatures | Temperature 0°F minimum. |



Legend:

Note: This legend applies to Figures 1 through A-1.

















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| X000 lb - pounds of pressure in line shown |  | vent line |
|  |  | reducer (reduction in pipe size) |
|  |  | flow-control valve |
|  |  | remotely-operated solenoid valve |
|  |  | missile connector |
|  |  | flexible hose |
|  |  | quick disconnect |
|  |  | burst disc |
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Fig. 1 Schematic of SLTF Propellant Loading System (Water)

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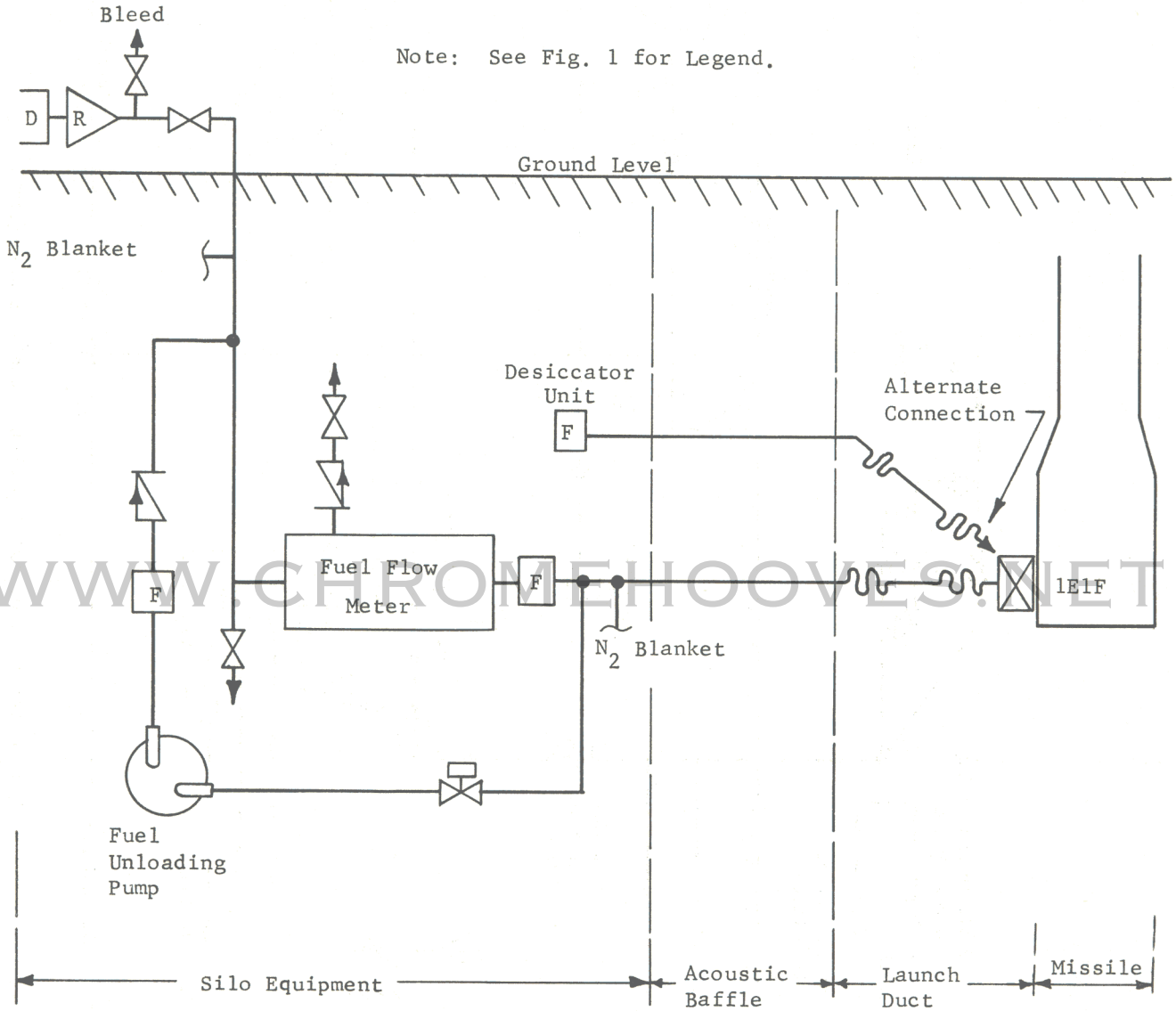


Fig. 2 Schematic of SLTF Propellant Loading System (Fuel)

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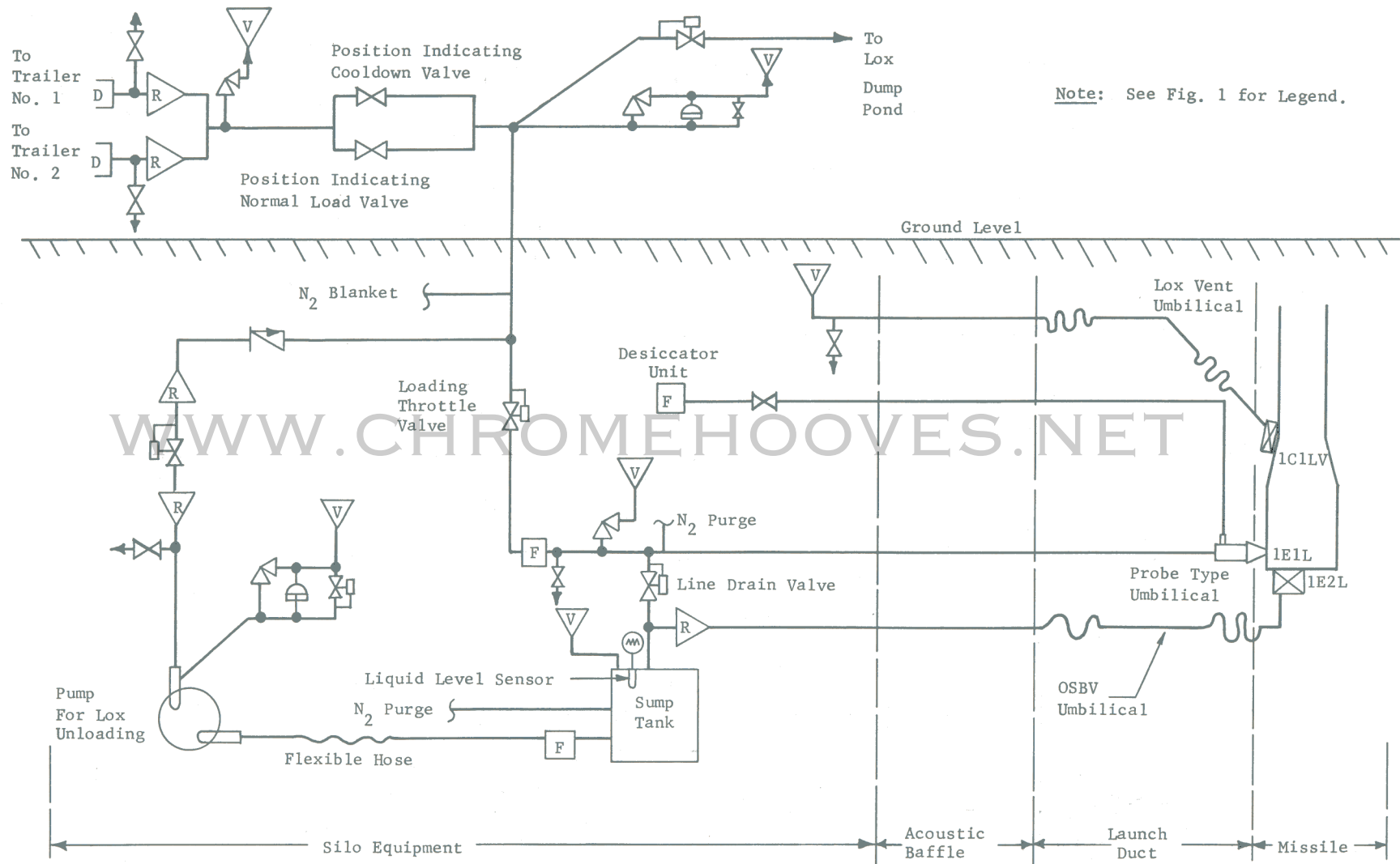
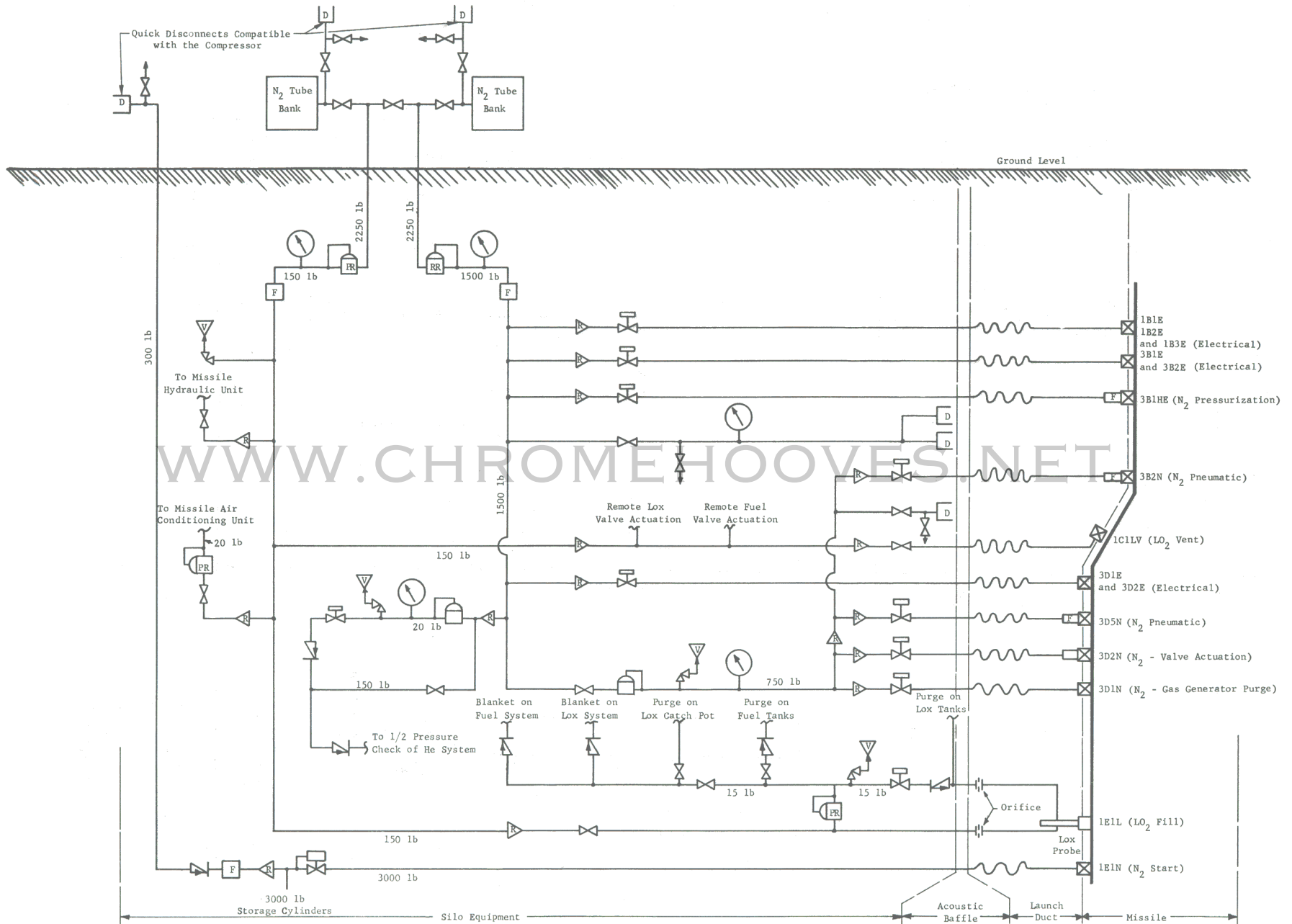
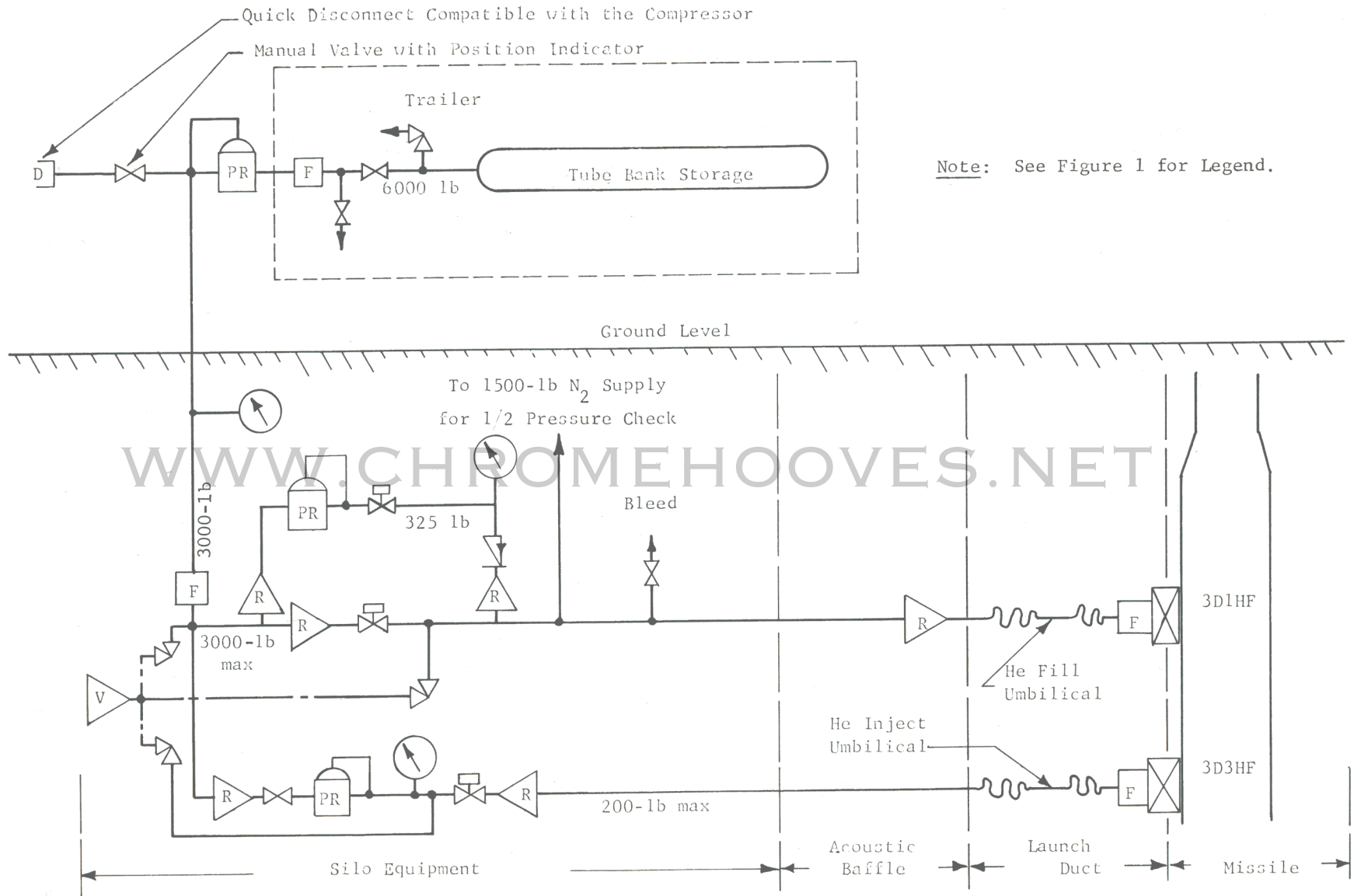


Fig. 3 Schematic of SLTF Propellant Loading System (Lox)



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 Fig. 4 Schematic of SLTF Propellant Loading System N₂



Note: See Figure 1 for Legend.

Fig. 5 Schematic of SLTF Propellant Loading System (He)

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APPENDIX A

SIMULATION OF SLTF LOX TRANSFER SYSTEM

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This test will be conducted in the Denver Propulsion Laboratory to support the feasibility study of an in-silo launch configuration for the Titan missile to be conducted at the SLTF located at VAFB.

The purpose of the lox transfer test is to evaluate the design of the lox loading system for SLTF, and to determine the feasibility of unloading the Stage I lox tank through the OSBV. When completed, this test will provide propellant loading procedures and emergency procedures to be used during the SLTF test program.

The lox transfer system will be designed to duplicate, as nearly as possible within limits of the test cell capabilities, the actual configuration of the system that will be installed at the SLTF.

2.0 TEST OBJECTIVES

The objectives to be accomplished during the conduct of this test are as follows:

- 1) Evaluate the design of the lox loading system for SLTF;
- 2) Determine the feasibility of unloading the Stage I lox tank through the OSBV;
- 3) Establish suitable procedures for loading and unloading the missile;
- 4) Establish emergency procedures to be used during lox loading and unloading.

3.0 TEST CONFIGURATION

3.1 FACILITY - PROPULSION LABORATORY

Six cells comprise the main portion of the facility for flow testing of components and complete propulsion systems. All cells are serviced with lox, LN₂, RP-1, process water, high pressure N₂, and high pressure He.

Two of these cells will flow-test complete systems and are located in a high bay area served by a 20-ton overhead crane.

Lox, LN₂, and RP-1 are handled at pressures of 40 to 1000 psi and volume flows of 150 to 3000 gpm. Helium and N₂ are handled at pressures up to 5500 psi. The largest storage units available are tanks for lox and LN₂ (28,000 gal each), a 10,000-gal tank for RP-1, a 20,000-gal tank for process water, and storage for He and N₂ of 360,000 standard cu ft (scf) and 480,000 scf respectively.

A total of 309 instrumentation channels is currently assigned to the test cells and the recording is done on 35 recorders with a total capacity of 1020 channels. Remote control high speed cameras provide additional test records and all tests can be monitored by closed loop television.

3.2

LOX TRANSFER SYSTEM

The system will be designed in general accordance with Figure A-1 insofar as it pertains to component placement, arrangement, and order of occurrence in the system. The system will be capable of transferring lox from a point approximately 100 ft above the missile loading connection at a maximum rate of 300 gpm and a working pressure of 100 psig. A pump will be located below the missile loading connection to provide a capability of unloading the missile under the following simulated conditions:

- 1) Normal - unloading will be accomplished through the missile fill connector. The lox will flow through the piping used for filling and will discharge back to the initial filling point. The maximum unloading rate is 250 gpm.
- 2) Emergency - unloading will be accomplished through the OSBV connector. The lox will flow through the same piping used for filling and will discharge back to the initial filling point. Unloading rate is 60 to 70 gpm.

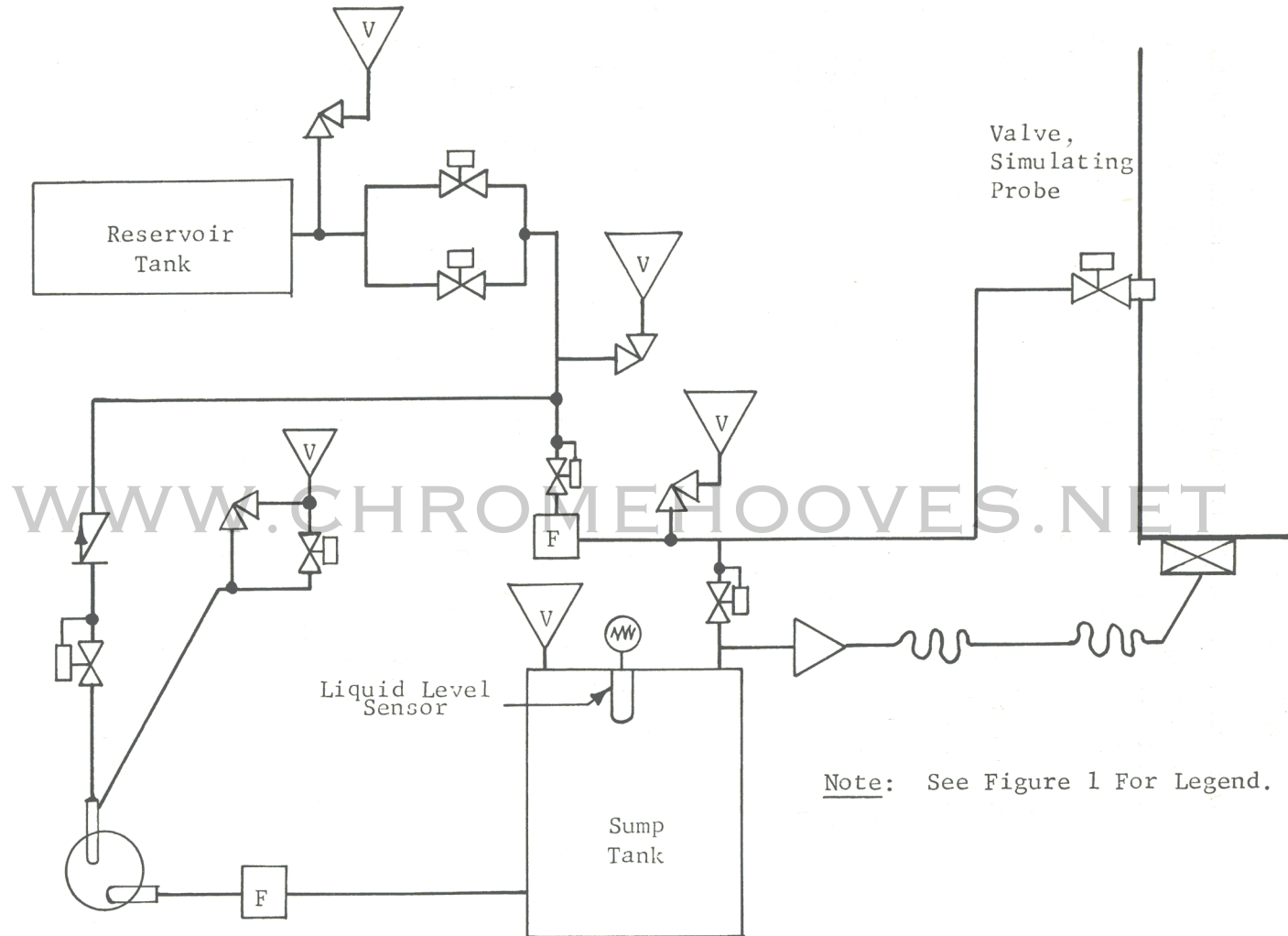


Fig. A-1 Schematic of Denver Test Simulation of SLTF Propellant Loading System (Lox)

The system piping, fittings, valves, flexible hoses, and expansion joints are of the same type as used at the SLTF.

3.3 SYSTEM CONTROL EQUIPMENT

The loading and unloading throttling valves are pneumatically actuated and remotely operated. The loading valve will regulate a constant downstream flow rate of 300 gpm into the missile tanks. The unloading valve is capable of regulating the downstream flow of the unloading pump to prevent cavitation of the pump.

The line drain valve will be remotely operated and the line drain and check valves will be as indicated.

The filters will be installed in the system at the point indicated in Figure A. These filters will be in-line and will be capable of retaining 98% of all foreign particles larger than 10 μ contained in the lox with a maximum pressure drop of 10 psi at rated flow.

The remotely disconnected fill connector will not be used for these tests. In its place a valve of like mass and material for simulating cooldown requirements will be provided.

A stainless steel sump tank, of not less than 100 gal capacity, will be located at the lowest point in the system to provide a liquid head to the unloading pump.

4.0 TEST DESCRIPTION

Five major test runs that will be programmed to test the lox loading system design for SLTF and develop procedures are:

- 1) Normal loading;
- 2) Normal unloading, pressurized;
- 3) Normal unloading, unpressurized (closed system);
- 4) Emergency unloading, pressurized;
- 5) Emergency unloading, unpressurized.

Due to safety requirements, all valves will be remotely controlled; however, all will be manually initiated.

The "SLTF Liquid Oxygen Loading and Unloading Test Procedures" for the above tests will be released soon under Propulsion Laboratory Number 01-AFF.

5.0

DATA REQUIRED

Instrumentation will be included in the system to enable direct or subsequent determination of the following:

- 1) Venting capacities of the lox loading system and the missile tanks. Also the venting characteristics required of the AF dewar trucks when unloading the missile;
- 2) Liquid hammer effect on the fill line and the missile tanks during cooldown;
- 3) Dependable parameters to indicate when transfer line and propellant tanks are cooled down;
- 4) Time required for cooldown of fill lines and missile tanks, for complete loading of the Stage I lox tank, and for unloading through the OSBV and fill connector;
- 5) Delivery pressures of the lox to the missile tanks, and through the system;
- 6) Geysering encountered during the filling operation and during hold periods.

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APPENDIX B

TEST AND OTHER PROCEDURES

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1. SLTF TEST PROCEDURES

- 327R9030500-1 Administrative Procedures - GMAB
- 501-1 Loading and Unloading Missile Trailers
 - 503-1 Propulsion Receiving Inspection
 - 507-1 Electrical Receiving Inspection
 - 510-1 Flight Controls Receiving Inspection
 - 513-1 Instrumentation Receiving Inspection
 - 517-1 Missile Safety System Receiving Inspection
 - 505-1 Ordnance Installation - GMAB
 - 500-2 Administrative - Installation in Silo and Checkout
 - 501-2 VS Missile, Installation and Assembly
 - 502-2 Damage Control System Functional Check
 - 506-2 PLPS Preflight Checkout
 - 509-2 Facility Power Checkout
 - 512-2 Missile Air Conditioning Checkout
 - 515-2 TV System Functional Verification
 - 516-2 Communications System Verification
 - 519-2 Facility Functional Verification
 - 520-2 Propellant Loading - Truck Fill
 - 521-2 Ballasting Stage II
 - 500-4 Administrative Procedure - Post Fire Operations
 - 506-4 PLPS Post Fire Procedure

327R9030509-4 Facility Power Post Fire Procedure

520-4 Propellant Unloading Procedure

506-5 PLPS Maintenance

2. GROUND SYSTEM OPERATING PROCEDURES

327R9203020 Secondary Power

024 TV Systems

026 Missile Release System

016 GOE for Missile Electrical

012 Console Control Circuits (CCC)

025 Camera Control System

018 Engine Control System

022 Missile Hydraulics

021 Missile Auxiliary Air Conditioning

013 Launch Sequencer

014 Propellant Loading and Pressurization System

015 Flight Control System

023 Missile Safety System

027 Propellant Disconnects

028 Umbilical Controls

029 CO₂ Fire Protection System

011 Launch Mode Compatibility

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3. CALIBRATION PROCEDURES

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- 327R9203124 TV System Calibration
- 125 Photo Optic System Calibration
- 121 Missile Auxiliary Air Condition Calibration
- 113 Launch Sequencer Calibration
- 115 Flight Control System Calibration
- 123 Missile Safety System Calibration

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