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# trouble shooting tips

# for Service Station Maintenance

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#### No. 1 Gilbarco Pump Error Codes

This first of our "trouble shooting tips" was originally published in 1988 and since that time we have discovered some errors that we made, plus we have learned of some new codes which have been added since that time, therefore we are now updating and reissuing the "tip".

It should be noted to avoid any confusion this bulletin is a summary of all the various codes that we at ERI are aware of, and are our interpretation of those codes.

While we are going to summarize the Codes in this bulletin along with the causes of the Errors, we will be dealing with some of these in greater detail in future "trouble shooting tips".

There are three basic generations of logic development in Gilbarco pumps and we will detail each generation in succession in this "tips".

IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THESE ERROR CODES SHOW UP ON THE PRICE PER UNIT DISPLAY OF THE PUMP ITSELF! They do not show up on the Console except for the Transac 12G.

IT SHOULD ALSO BE NOTED THAT THE "ERROR CODE" WILL BE FLASHING BACK AND FORTH WITH THE PRICE SET ON THE PUMP.

All of the "Error Codes" will stop the pump from operating and some will result in loss of communication with the older Consoles. i.e. When the operator selects the pump on the Console it will not be there!

#### IMPORTANT!!!!!! - TURN OFF POWER TO THE PUMP (AFTER ISOLATING IT ON SELF SERVE SYSTEMS) BEFORE CHANGING ANY COMPONENTS IN THE PUMP

You should carry out trouble shooting in the order that we detail it, from "over the phone to highest number. In other words easiest and most likely to most difficult & least likely.

#### FIRST GENERATION: 8080 LOGIC BUILT FROM DAY 1 TO FALL OF 1985 IN HIGHLINE 111B AND TO FALL OF 1987 IN MULTI PRODUCT. (DOES NOT APPEAR IN SALESMAKER 4) IN ALL RETROPAC COMPUTERS.

This generation only had two (2) "error codes".

#### 1. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "BLANK" (DISPLAY GOES OUT) THEN THE "PRICE" AGAIN, AND SO ON.

**DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM:** A Pulsing System failure. It can happen on only one hose or on all hoses on a pump. It is important to find out "over the phone" if it is occurring on one hose



only, or on all hoses.

#### **CAUSES: ONE HOSE ONLY**

- A power spike.
- A bad plug connection or moisture on a connection.
- A faulty Pulser.
- A faulty Barrier.
- A break in wiring to the Pulser.

CAUSES: ALL HOSES (Multi Product Pumps it may be only all the hoses on one side, all the time.) - Faulty Power

- Faulty Regulator/Interface Board. (These are separate boards on a Multi Product.)

#### **CURES: OVER THE PHONE**

- 1. Have the operator turn off "Control" power to the pump (after isolating it at a self serve). Check with operator to make sure the displays on the pump have gone out, then have them turn power back on. (put back on console at Self Serve)
- 2. Have them try operating the pump again. (You may have to do this a number of times on a Multi Product with each hose to determine if any hose on the side ever functions)
- 3. If the "error code" occurs again you must go to site.

#### **CURES: ON SITE - ONE HOSE**

- 4. Check all exposed wires to pulsers and check all plug connections for security and moisture.
- 5. Swap the Pulser with a known good Pulser (The one on the next hose for example). Try unit again. If it works replace pulser.
- 6. Swap the Barrier with a known good Barrier. Try unit again. If it works change Barrier.
- 7. Check wiring in pump column, conduit and all plug connections in the head of the pump.
- 8. Swap Regulator/Interface with know good boards.
- 2. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "888.8" THEN "PRICE" AGAIN, AND SO ON (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING EIGHTS)
- DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM: This problem is referred to as "Logic Lock Up", or in newer books as "Non Existent Memory" which is actually what it is. Technically what happens is that a voltage spike is induced on the Logic Board causing a Non Existent memory location to be received by the Microprocessor. It then refuses to do anything else until it finds that location. If left alone it will eventually blow its own memory. This means the flashing eights may no longer be happening when you get the service call, the pump may just appear to have lost memory. Memory loss on its own is extremely rare!

#### CAUSES:

- A power spike or Static Electricity.
- Faulty Fluorescent Tubes or Ballast, either in the Pump itself or external Fluorescent or Mercury Vapor lights (Any that have a Ballast). (We will deal with this in more detail in an other "tips")
- Faulty Neutral wiring or Faulty grounding of the Pump.



- Faulty Logic Board (extremely unlikely, if it is the fault it is usually locked up to the point where it will not do anything including flash eights, reset, or allow you to blow its memory. Occurs, in our experience, less than 1 in 500 occurrences of Logic Lock Up.)

#### **CURES: OVER THE PHONE**

- 1. Have the operator turn off "Control" power to the pump (after isolating it at a self serve). Check with the operator to make sure the displays on the pump have gone out, then have them turn power back on. (put back on Console at Self Serves) The pump should now operate until whatever caused the Logic Lock up causes it again. (Remember if the pump lost memory and has no price on it, it will not run until the operator sets the price again.)
- 2. Have the operator check the fluorescent in the pump for flickering, darkened ends or totally out. If any are noted you will have to go the site to change them. Make sure you use proper Tubes with grounds strips on them. If the problem was a Voltage Spike it may never occur again (however a Voltage Spike usually locks all of the pumps up at the site and you usually recognize it from this, they also lock up the Consoles easier). CURES: ON SITE
- 3. If after some time the "Lock Up" occurs again you must take some action. Change the Fluorescent Tubes in the pump first (even if they do not look bad). Let them run the pumps again, if the "lock up" does not occur again in roughly the same time as from their first call to the second call you have probably cured the problem.
- 4. If it occurs again check out all wiring to the pump. Pay particular attention to Neutral and Grounding.
- 5. If wiring checks O.K., then change the Ballast and also be suspicious of other lighting near the Pump. Have repaired any that looks suspicious. Have them run pumps again.
- 6. If problem occurs again, change Regulator Board. Have them run pumps again.
- 7. If problem occurs again, Change Logic Board.

# SECOND GENERATION: Z80 LOGIC HIGHLINE 111B PUMPS FROM FALL OF 1985 AND ALL SALESMAKER 4 PUMPS TO THE FALL OF 1987. (NO MULTI PRODUCT).

# 1. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "002.0" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 20)

This is the same problem as Problem 1. in the First Generation, a Pulsing System Failure. Description, Causes and Cures are exactly the same, so refer back to it.

#### 2. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "002.1" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 21)

This is the same problem as Problem 2. in the First Generation, a "Logic Lock Up". Description, Causes and Cures are exactly the same, so refer back to it.

3. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "002.2" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON.



DESCRIPTION: This is a Volume/Money buffer failure. In other words the Microprocessor checks that the Volume amount times the Price should equal the Money amount but finds it does not, so it shuts the Pump down. (See Servicemen are not the only ones who make mistakes.)

**CAUSES: - Power Spike** 

- Static Electricity

- Faulty Logic Board

**CURES: OVER THE PHONE** 

1. Have the operator power the pump down and back up as in previous cures. Have them run the pump again. If the problem does not occur again assume the problem was a power spike or static and there is nothing wrong with the unit.

CURES: ON SITE

- 2. If it occurs again, check all wiring in the pump for proper Neutral and Grounding. Check the door to the operator panel on the pump to make sure no part of the door or its lock is touching the command module plug, allowing static to the Logic Board.
- 3. If all this checks O.K., then change the Logic Board.
- 4. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "002.3" THEN "PRICE, AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 23)
- DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM: A Grade assignment has changed after the Pump was powered up last. The operator when calling in will probably complain the Pump has lost memory as their totals will have reset to zero. In fact the totals are still there it is just that the pump is now running on the totalizers for another Grade.

**CAUSES: - A Jumper failure on the Logic Board.** 

- CURES: ON SITE (NO OVER THE PHONE CURE, DO NOT LET THEM POWER THE UNIT DOWN AS IT WILL RUN ON THE WRONG GRADE.)
  - 1. Check Jumpers for setting the Grades on the Logic Board and repair as necessary.
  - 2. Make sure the Grades are set correctly before powering up the Pump.
- 5. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "002.4" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 24)
- DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM: The Conversion Factor has changed after Power up. This means the pump is no longer calculating in Litres but may be U.S. or Imperial Gallons or something totally different.

**CAUSES: - A Jumper failure on the Logic Board.** 

#### CURES: ON SITE (NO OVER THE PHONE CURE, DO NOT LET THEM POWER THE PUMP DOWN AS IT WILL PUMP IN WRONG UNIT OF MEASURE WHEN POWERED UP.)



- 1. Check Jumpers for setting the Conversion Factor and repair as necessary.
- 2. Make sure the correct conversion factor is set before powering up the Pump.
- 6. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "002.5" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 25)

DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM: The "Two Wire" switch has changed after Power up of the Pump.

- CAUSES: A Customer in an attempt to steal Gas has opened the operator panel door on the Pump They all have common keys on each model of Pump) and switched the Pump "off Console". (This would only occur at self serves.)
  - A faulty Two Wire Switch.

**CURES: OVER THE PHONE** 

1. Have the Operator open the Operator Panel Door on the Pump and check to make sure switch is in the correct position ("On Console at a Self Serve). Even if it is the correct position have them move it to the other position and then back a few times just in case its is dirt in the switch. Then power the pump down and back up again and see if it now functions correctly. If it will not operate in self serve but operates on it own you will have to go to site.

#### **CURES: ON SITE**

- 2. Check the switch on the Display Board or Display Interface Board, if it is not functioning change the board.
- 7. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "002.6" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 27)
- **DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM:** The Single/Dual Option setting has changed on the pump after power up of the Pump. This will usually only occur on a Dual, as you must set Jumper "on" to make a single pump a dual.
- **CAUSES: A Jumper failure on the Logic Board.** 
  - Faulty Logic Board.
- **CURES: ON SITE (NO OVER THE PHONE CURE, POWERING DOWN AND UP WILL ONLY GET ONE SIDE FUNCTIONING.)** 
  - 1. Check the Single/Dual Option Jumper and repair as necessary.
  - 2. If unable to repair or no fault found, change the Logic Board.
- 8. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "002.7" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 27)
- DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM: The "A" side Pump I.D. Number has changed after power up of the Pump.



- CAUSES: The Pump Number setting Jumpers on the Logic Board have failed. - Faulty Logic Board.
- CURES: ON SITE (NO OVER THE PHONE CURE, POWERING DOWN AND UP WILL ONLY HAVE IT RUNNING ON THE WRONG PUMP NUMBER, WHICH WILL CONFUSE THE CONSOLE.)
  - 1. Check the A side pump number Jumpers and repair as necessary.
  - 2. If no fault can be found change the Logic Board.
- 9. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "002.8" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 28)
- DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM: The "B" side Pump I.D. Number has changed after Power up of the Pump.
- CAUSES: Same as Flashing 27 above.
- **CURES: Same as Flashing 27 above.**
- 10. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "002.9" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 29)
- DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM: Only on Salesmaker 4, it is an invalid Grade assignment or configuration change.
- CAUSES: A Jumper failure on Logic Board. - Faulty Logic Board.
- CURES: ON SITE (NO OVER THE PHONE CURE) 1. Check Jumpers and repair as necessary. 2. Change Logic Board.
- 11. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "003.0" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 30)
- DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM: Only on Highline 111B, is an invalid Grade Assignment or configuration change.

CAUSES: same as Flashing 29 above.

**CURES:** same as Flashing 29 above.

THIRD GENERATION: MODULAR ELECTRONICS ALL UNITS FROM THE FALL OF



1987 AND SPRING OF 1988 ON.

# FLASHING CODES 20 TO 28 ARE IDENTICAL TO FLASHING CODES 20 TO 28 IN THE SECOND GENERATION ABOVE, FOLLOW PROCEDURES FOR THESE.

1. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "002.9" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 29)

**DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM:** Pump Time-Out Error.

- CAUSES: The unit has been inactive beyond the specified time limit. The transaction is stopped and it will be necessary to turn the pump handle off to clear the error (no power down is needed). Note! this only occurs with software version 50.2 or higher.
- CURE OVER THE PHONE: have the operator turn the pump handle off and back on. (Leave off if the hose is not being used)
- CURE ON SITE: It may be that the site is not supposed to have a "no flow time-out".
  - In this case the pump configuration has changed and you will have to re configure the pump to "No pump Time-out" as per Function Code 12 of Command Code 10.
- 2. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "003.0" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 30)
- **DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM:** Vapor Sense unit is programmed for Vapor Sense and switch is not hooked up. (This should only occur with version V53.3 software).

CAUSES: Incorrect programing.

- CURES ON SITE: Re program Command Code 10 Function Code 7 to "0" (No vapor sense)
- 3. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "003.1" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 31)
- DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM: Is a Totals Data Error. It means that the pump totals memory may be corrupted and should not be trusted.

CAUSES: - Voltage spike.

- Static Electricity.
- Faulty Controller Board.
- Dead Battery (or disconnected Battery) when unit powered down and Microprocessor does not go through normal shut down.
- Disconnecting plugs to boards without first powering the unit down and then turning of the Battery by pressing "Clear" and then "Enter" on the keypad.



#### **CURES: OVER THE PHONE**

- 1. Have the Operator Record the Pump Totals.
- 2. Have the Operator perform a Memory Reset as per Command Code 6 on page 19 of their MDE 2022 User Manual.
- 3. The Totals could be put back in by the Operator on a Multi Product or a Salesmaker 4 by performing Command Code 7 on page 21 of MDE 2022, however as this will not work on a Highline 111B unless both sides are Grade 1 or the unit is temporarily re configured to an MPD or Salesmaker 4 under Command Code 10 we do not recommend you even attempt to have the Operator do. Just have them do a shift end and tell them their pump totals for that pump are reset to zero.

4. Have the Operator set the prices on the pump in their normal fashion.

#### **CURES: ON SITE**

5. If this code persists in coming up change the Controller Board.

- 4. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "003.2" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 32)
- DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM: Pulser Count Failure (Do not confuse this with Pulser Failure). The Microprocessor has detected an error between the two pulses coming from the Pulser.

**CAUSES: - Voltage Spike.** 

- Defective Pulser.
- Defective Interface Board.
- Defective Controller Board.

#### **CURES: OVER THE PHONE**

Have Operator Power the Pump Down and Back up. (No need to isolate with Modular)
 Have them try the Pump again. If it occurs again, go to site.

**CURES: ON SITE** 

- 3. Replace Pulser with known good unit and try the Pump again. If it occurs again go to 4.
- 4. Change Hydraulic Interface Board with known good one and try again.
- 5. Change Controller Board.

# 5. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "003.3" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 33)

**DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM: -** The Heaters for the Displays are on at Power Up.

- CAUSES: The Displays in the Pump where too cold at Power up to Light and the Heaters have been turned on.
  - Defective Heater.
  - Bad Connection between Power Supply and Display (Trace as per appropriate schematic).
  - Defective Power Supply
  - Defective Controller Board.



#### **CURES: OVER THE PHONE**

- 1. Have the Operator wait until the displays warm up. If this does not occur within one hour of the Power being applied, go to site.
- **CURES: ON SITE** 
  - 2. Check for Heater Power at appropriate place on Display Boards (Use appropriate schematic for type of Pump). If no Heater Power (24 VAC) at display trace back through wiring to find point you are loosing it. If no Power from Power Supply, replace it.
  - 3. If there is Heater Power (24 VAC) to the Main Display, replace each Main Display with a known good one. Close Bezels to allow to warm up. Be aware that Displays that are cold make take up to an hour to get warm enough to light (at -30 Degrees Celcius this is about a 1/2 hour). If they still do not light after 1 hour go to 4.
  - 4. Replace Controller Board.

NOTE! If the Display Power Supply is Defective the the displays will not flash Code 33.

- 6. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "003.4" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 34)
- **DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM:** A low Battery condition was detected during automatic Battery test. (Refer also to our "trouble shooting tip No.8)

**CAUSES: - Defective Battery Fuse.** 

- Defective Battery.
- Bad Connection between Battery and Regulator Board.
- Defective Regulator board.
- Software older than version 53.4 on Controller Board.
- Defective Controller board.

#### **CURES: OVER THE PHONE**

1. Have operator perform Command Code 9, Function 1 as detailed on page 24 of MDE2022 User Manual. This will override the Error Code until the next Power Up. If it was just a low battery it may not occur again. If it does go to site.

#### CURES: ON SITE

- 2. Check the Battery Fuse and replace if necessary.
- 3. Replace Battery with known good unit.
- 4. Check wiring between Battery and Regulator Board.
- 5. Replace Regulator Board with known good one.
- 6. Replace Controller Board with known good one.
- 7. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "003.5" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 35)
- DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM: Configuration data error. The configuration data telling the Pump what it is has changed.



#### **CAUSES: - Voltage Spike.**

- Operator Programming Error (They may have accessed Command Level 2).
- Faulty Controller Board.

CURES: ON SITE (NO OVER THE PHONE, MEMORY MUST BE RESET AND THE PUMP RE CONFIGURED).

- 1. Record the Pump Totals.
- 2. Perform Command Code 6 as per page 19 of MDE 2022 User Manual.
- 3. Re configure the Pump as per Command Codes 10 through 12 pages 2-1 to 2-17 of MDE2021 Service Manual.
- 4. You may now put the pump totals back in a Multi Product or a Salesmaker 4 by performing Command Code 7 on page 21 of MDE2022 User Manual, however on a Highline 111B that is not Grade 1 on both sides you must first temporarily re configure the pump as Salesmaker 4 or Multi Product as per Command Code 10, Function Code 1 on page 2-7 of MDE2021 Service Manual, then enter the totals as per Command Code 7 on page 21 MDE2022 User Manual, then re configure the pump back to be a Highline 111B as per Command Code 10, Function 1 page 2-7 MDE2021 Service Manual (as this can be difficult to accomplish properly we recommend having the operator do a shift cut and start the pump totals at zero for this pump).
- 5. Reset prices as per normal station procedure.

# 8. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "003.6" THEN "PRICE, AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 36)

#### **DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM: Unit "Type Code" has changed.**

#### CAUSES: Unknown

CURES: ON SITE - Re configure "Unit Type" as per Function 1 of Command Code 10. - If problem repeats, replace Controller board.

# 9. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "003.7" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 37)

DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM: "PIN" code 1 has changed. If what it has changed to is not known (and it probably is not) you can not access Command Level 1 or 2.

#### CAUSES: Unknown

#### **CURES: ON SITE ONLY**

- Record Pump Totalizers.
- Perform Master Reset (see our "trouble shooting tip No. 6")
- Re configure the pump and re enter totals if desired.



#### - If problem repeats change the Controller Board.

- 10. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "003.8" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 38)
- DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM: "PIN" code 2 has changed. This will not allow access to Command Level 2.

CAUSES: Unknown

CURE: ON SITE ONLY - The Same as Flashing 37 in 9. above.

11. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "003.9" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 39)

**DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM:** "Cash/Credit" option has changed.

CAUSES: Unknown

#### **CURES: ON SITE**

- Re configure option as per Function Code 2 of Command Code 12.
- If problem keeps repeating replace Controller Board.
- 12. FLASHIN "PRICE" THEN "004.0" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 40).

**DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM:** "Keylock" Option has changed. (Version V53.0 or higher software only)

CAUSES: Unknown

CURES: ON SITE - Reprogram Keylock Option Command Code 4, Function Code 2 (0 - no keylock, 1 - keylock), then power down, turn off battery and power up again.

#### 12. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "004.1" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 41)

**DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM: "Side Exists" option has changed.** 

CAUSES: Unknown

#### **RES: ON SITE**

- Re configure "Side Exists" option as per Function Code 3 of Command Code 12.



#### - If problem persists replace Controller Board.

#### 13. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "004.2" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 42)

DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM: "Manual Mode" option has changed. (for use with Transac 11 Consoles only option)

CAUSES: Unknown

#### **CURES: ON SITE**

- Re configure the pump as per Function Code 4 of Command Code 12.
- if problem persists replace Controller Board.
- 14. FLASHING "PRICE" THEN "004.4" THEN "PRICE", AND SO ON. (COMMONLY CALLED FLASHING 44)
- **DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM:** The operating handle for the hose flashing is in the "on" position upon power up of the pump.

CAUSES: - The Operating Handle is up.

- The operating handle or its wiring is shorted. (Pump should have been "calling" in or running all the time before power down)
- CURES: OVER THE PHONE Have Operator check to see if handle is down. Have them lift it and put it down again to make sure it is all the way down. If this does not get rid of the Flashing 44, you must go to site.
- CURES: ON SITE Check to make sure switch is adjusted correctly.
  - Disconnect switch if this cures, replace switch.
  - Replace Operating Switch Barrier with known good one. If this cures replace Barrier.
  - Trace all wiring from switch to the Hydraulic Interface look for shorts. Repair as necessary.
  - Replace Hydraulic Interface with known good unit. If this cures replace.
  - Replace Controller Board.

A Master Reset and/or replacement of the Controller Board should only be done as a last resort in each case after all else has failed. However if you do replace a Controller Board make sure you perform a Master Reset on it before configuring it to ensure it has not retained data from any previous test or use.

Good Luck and what ever you do not change everything at once, take it one step at a time.



Remember that we are only a phone call away (403-275-4990).

# No. 2 FLUORESCENT'S AND YOU!

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#### Flourescent Tubes and Pump Logic Problems

Many problems that are deemed to be the fault of the Logic or Processor board, are really caused by fluorescent lights.

This can apply to any piece of electronic equipment but it is especially prevalent in Gasoline Pumps and Dispensers.

To explain what happens; when a fluorescent tube is started a very high voltage is fired down the tube to create a current flow through the Mercury gas in the tube. Once the flow is established the voltage drops. The current passing through the Mercury gas causes it to give off a strong ultraviolet emission which excites the phosphor coating on the inside of the tube causing it to fluoresce and give off visible light.

The initial high voltage current surge through the tube as it starts creates a strong electro-magnetic field. On a single start of the tube this magnetic field has little effect, except to cause some radio interference to any radio device close to it.

Gilbarco on their pumps install a ground strip down the length of their fluorescent tubes to try and prevent this magnetic field from inducing voltage on the tracks of the logic circuit boards in the pump. This is why it is extremely important to only install tubes with the ground strips on them, and to make sure the ground strip is grounded by the metal ground pick up strips in the pump (see Figure 1).

If however the Fluorescent Tubes or the Ballast starting them are faulty, they will be trying to start continually and will continue to fire the high voltage current down the tube. This not only wastes power, but will create a strong enough magnetic field to even overcome the ground strips and induce a voltage on the tracks of nearby boards. If these boards happen to be Logic or Processor boards a "bad or non-existent" memory location could be created causing "Logic Lock Up" or memory loss or both. The Micro is looking for the bad address and can not find it.

Caution! When removing tubes that are suspected faulty in a pump with ground strips, turn off power to the ballast first. If you do not the magnetic field is inducing an extremely high voltage in the ground strip, and when you turn the tube to remove it, that strip is no longer grounded and you will get the full benefit of the voltage. So power off unless you enjoy picking yourself off of the ground a



#### number of feet away!

It should be noted that any light driven by a ballast such as fluorescent's, mercury vapour, etc. can cause this problem, and any such light within 20 to 30 feet of the pump can be the guilty party.

Any light that is flickering or has darkened ends, or especially any that are out, can cause the problem.

So when you have a pump problem look to the lights before start changing boards (unless it is an obvious board problem). Station personnel may give you strange looks when you wander around looking at lights instead of the pump that is giving them problems, however they will be your friend for life when after fixing the lights the problem goes away.

Usually you can tell this problem exists because powering the pump down and back up will cause it to operate again for a while. However we have seen extreme case where you actually have to remove the board from the site to get it going again. This is why the work fine when you send them to us for testing.

If you do not fix the lightifig the problem of ficture from an entry belards you change. It will re-occur on a fixed timetable, determined by the severity of the lighting problem, varying from



Figure 1



# No. 3 Re-Occurring problems on Gilbarco Modular Pumps

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This is a Tip that was passed on to us some years ago by a good friend!

Our friend had a relative who was experiencing re-occurring problems with one of his Gilbarco Modular Highline 111B Pumps. The pump displays kept cutting out. The Gilbarco distributor had replaced the Regulator Board once themselves and then every time the problem re-occurred, would send him another. Each time it was replaced it would work for a while and then fail.

On one of his visits our friend agreed to take a look. The only thing he could find was wrong was a green wire (from the description it sounds like the main ground to the modular Power Supply, Plug 601, Pin 1, found on the rear of the Power Supply, behind the right rear display on the Highline) was not in its socket but had been pushed back out. By our friend's description it would appear it had never been inserted properly to begin with during pump assembly.

Our friend inserted it properly and when the unit was powered back up it worked properly and did not fail again, as he checked back in a few weeks. He could not figure out how this had an impact, and neither can we, except that possibly the site had a bad neutral and when combined with no ground it presented problems.

It only confirms our belief that before changing boards, you should ensure there are no power problems, such as low power, bad neutral lines or bad ground lines. Always check power between hot and neutral, and hot and ground. You should always get exactly the same voltage reading.

Our thanks and our tip of the hat to Terry McCartney of Kootenay Valley Petroleum Service!



# No. 4 The Hot Black Head

#### Published: July 1989 <u>HEAT BUILD UP IN GILBARCO HIGHLINE BLACK PAINTED HEADS</u>

We have recently came across a failure on W1513-Gl and W1854-Gl Regulator Interface boards which brought to our attention a possible area of concern.

The problem symptom was a reoccurring Pulser Fail signal (Flashing PPU "Price/Blank" or "Price/020") on a Highline with the Black Painted head (mostly Esso Pumps).

Changing the board cured the problem, however when we were running tests on the board, we found that even new boards with new components were marginal at best. Here is what we found.

On the faulty board we found that the Transistors in the Pulser Fail Circuit gave a Pulser fall signal when they were heated to 49.2 deg. C (120.56 deg. F). We then ran tests on new boards and on the faulty board with new transistors and found that they all gave a Pulser fall signal at approximately 54 deg. C (129 deg. F). All of these temperatures including the lower fail temperature are extremely high, and we wondered how they could get that high in the pump.

We realized that when Exxon originally requested the Black painted head, they were warned by Gilbarco that they would experience a 20 to 30 percent higher failure rate because the temperature would increase by that amount in a vented head.

We however have found the heads are not necessarily vented for two reasons, one of which is curable.

The first reason we have discovered is that during painting of the head, Gilbarco have been covering the vents with a small round sticker in order to mask them. These have not necessarily been removed prior to shipment. (We have a brand new Modular pump in our shop that still has these stickers in place.) These can and should be removed in the field. (It should be checked at commissioning, but do not bet on it. Check it yourself.)

The second reason the vents get covered is by the installation of Customer Preset Panel Boxes. we know of no way of curing this without a design change by Gilbarco. (Field modification is possible but you would be changing a CSA approved design.)

If you run into this situation your only **cures are trying** another board which may have a higher temperature tolerance, make sure the vents are not covered (difficult with Customer Preset), and if at all possible shade the head from direct sunlight.



If none of the above help or can be done, powering the head down whenever this occurs and letting it cool off before powering back up may be your only solution.

# No. 5 The Noisy Pump That Does not Pump

#### VAPOR PRESSURE AND ITS EFFECT ON PUMPING WITH A SUCTION PUMP

There seems to be some confusion and possibly a lack of knowledge over what many call " VAPOR Lock" in pumping systems. We are going to attempt, we hope, to clarify and not confuse the situation, and maybe pass on some information you did not have before.

"VAPOR Lock" is really a misnomer as nothing is "locked". It may seem that the pump has quit pumping but it has not. What has happened is that the Gasoline has turned from a liquid to a gas (or VAPOR). Because the Pump unit can no longer get liquid it "Cavitates", becoming very noisy, with vibration and slows its delivery dramatically.

However as most Service Station Pumps are positive displacement pumps (this means they must move something or something breaks) they are in fact pumping and what they are pumping is the gas or vapor. This gas or vapor is being discharged through the air eliminator if it is working properly, and is visible under right light conditions. It would be highly visible if you ignited it! Therefore it is not a condition where you want to leave the pump running.

Why did the liquid Gasoline turn to a gas? Well each liquid has a given "VAPOR Pressure" at given temperatures. This VAPOR Pressure is the lowest pressure which must be maintained on the liquid for the current temperature to keep it in liquid state.

What makes the situation confusing is that this pressure increases with temperature, and varies from liquid to liquid. Gasolines have a variety of VAPOR Pressures dependent upon the additives in them. Thus unleaded are different than leaded, premiums different than regular and winter grades different than summer grades.

A plus factor however is that at most ambient temperature ranges the VAPOR Pressure of Gasolines is less than normal atmospheric pressure, thus it will stay in liquid state without additional pressure being applied to it. This is not the case with liquids such as Propane which must be kept in a pressurized container to keep them liquid as atmospheric pressure alone will not do it.

Back to our Service Station Pump unit that is noisy and slow; how can we determine if we have gone below VAPOR Pressure?

The pump will cavitate if It can not get liquid. A pump that is cavitating is: Noisy Full of vibration



experiencing a fluctuating or high Vacuum reading on Suction side. experiencing a Low Pressure reading on Discharge side. has extremely low flow If any.

To determine if we in fact are trying to pump below the VAPOR Pressure of the liquid we need the following information:

#### A. The VAPOR Pressure of the Fuel and its current temperature.

The temperature should be measured at the discharge of the pump as the temperature in the pump and the lines will probably be higher than in the tank, particularly if there is not much cover, and asphalt instead of concrete over the lines. However it would be of interest to know the temperature in the tank as well.

The fuel supplier can give us the VAPOR Point of the fuel. They usually express it in terms of Reid VAPOR Pressure which is normally a 1 or 2 digit number. If they can give you a true VAPOR Pressure Curve for Various temperatures it would be better. However our Figure 1 will give you a rough conversion for some of the Reid VAPOR numbers to PSI absolute for some temperatures.

	WINTER	GASOLINE	SUMMER	GASOLINE	AVIATION	JET FUEL
TEMPERATURE	REID VAPOR PRESSURE 14 REID	12 REID	10 REID	8 REID		& KEROSENE
40°F	4.8	4.0	3.4	2.8	2.2	.9
50°F	5.9	4.9	4.1	3.4	2.8	1.0
60°F	7.4	6.0	5.0	4.1	3.5	1.0
70°F	8.9	7.4	6.0	5.0	4.2	1.2
80°F	10.7	9.0	7.1	5.9	5.1	1.4
90°F	12.8	10.6	8.6	7.0	6.2	1.7
100°F	14.0	12.0	10.0	8.0	7.4	2.0

#### **APPROXIMATE VAPOR PRESSURE - PSI Absolute** FUEL CHARACTERISTICS

#### Figure 1

It should be noted that the VAPOR pressures are getting higher in the newer fuels and higher in winter fuels than summer fuels. **Therefore it is a good to idea to check when the fuel was delivered (in some cases the delivery slip will give the Reid VAPOR Pressure of the fuel).** For our example let us say we are given Reid #12 and we measure its temperature as 78 deg. F.

#### **B.** The Suction needed to pull the fuel from the Tank to the Pump.

This can measured directly with Vacuum Gauge but will only be accurate if the problem is a



blocked line or vent where you will get a steady high reading.

It can however be calculated (comparing this to the actual reading will determine if the line is blocked.) To do this we need the following information:

- a. Height from center line of the pump to the level of the liquid in the tank.
- b. The length and size of the suction line including the equivalent length of pipe caused by fittings. (see figure 2 at end of document)
- c. The normal flow rate of the pump.

For our example lets assume (see drawing A at end of document)

a. Height from C/L to liquid level is measured at 11 feet. From Curve (figure 3 at end of document) we see this is equal to 6.6 in. Hg.(Mercury).
b. We determine that there is 60 feet of 2 in. pipe with 6 - 2 in 90 Deg. SR elbows. From Figure 2 we can determine that each elbow is equal to 5 feet of pipe. This gives us: Total pipe = 60 feet
Equiv. pipe from fittings = 6 x 5 = <u>30 feet</u> Total = 90 feet
c. The normal flow rate of the pump from the name plate we find is 10 USGPM

To calculate our suction Lift:

1. Static Lift (C/L pump to liq. level)= 6.6 in.Hg.2. Total equivalent length pipe = 90 feetFrom figure 4 at 10 USGPM we need0.2 in.Hg per 100 feet of pipe to overcomefriction loss in the pipe> Therefore tocalculate 90 feet/100 feet x 0.2 In. Hg.Total su

Total suction lift 6.78 in.Hg.

Using the formula 1 ln.Hg. = 0.489 PSI we get:

6.78 in.Hg. x 0.489 = 3.32 PSI

#### C. The Current Atmospheric Pressure.

A quick phone call to you local weather office will give you this.

A call to our local hot line today gave me a current atmospheric pressure of 100.9 KPa (Kilopascals). The conversion to PSI is: 1 KPa = 0.145 PSI

Therefore our current atmospheric pressure is  $100.9 \text{ KPa} \ge 0.145 = 14.63 \text{ PSI}$ ,



To calculate If we have lowered the Pressure on the Gasoline below its VAPOR Pressure we use the following formula:

ATMOSPHERIC PRESSURE - SUCTION LIFT = PRESSURE ON FUEL

Therefore from our example: 14.63 PSI - 3.32 PSI = 11.31 PSI

Now from our Figure 1 we determine that the VAPOR Pressure of our Reid #12 fuel at 78 deg. F is approx. 8.7 PSI and thus we are 11.31 PSI - 8.7 PSI = 2.61 PSI over the VAPOR Pressure point of the fuel and it should not be turning to a gas.

If However at B. where we calculated our Suction Lift as 6.78 in.Hg. Vacuum, with a Vacuum gauge we actually measured vacuum as high as 12 in.Hg. We would then come to the following result:

12 in.Hg. x 0.489 = 5.87 PSI (Actual Suction Lift)

14.63 PSI - 5.87 PSI = 8.76 PSI (Pressure on liquid)

8.7 PSI - 8.76 PSI = -0.06 PSI (Pressure below VAPOR Pressure)

At this point we should look for a blockage in our Suction or Vent lines, or a high spot in the suction line.

But remember to first determine if there is an appreciable difference between the calculated Vacuum and the Actual Vacuum.

If you do this procedure you will save a lot of time looking for blocked lines that are not there when the problem could simply be a fuel with too high a VAPOR Point being too hot on a day with low atmospheric pressure.

An important note is that the most significant thing affecting the Suction Lift or Vacuum is the Static or Vertical lift and not the length of pipe. This means if you are having the problem on a tank that is low in fuel, simply filling it may eliminate the problem.

A couple of helpful manuals to get your hands on are Blackmer Pump's Bulletin 33 "Hydraulic Data for Pump Applications" and Marlow Pump's ITT "Engineering Manual".

Good luck on figuring these situations out!





Drawing A

Shown in approximate equivalent length of straight pipe in rect			
Type of Fitting	1 1/2in	2in	3in
Gate Valve - Fully Open	0.95	1.2	1.7
Globe Valve - Open	42	51	80
Angle Valve - Open	20	30	40
Standard Tee - through side outlet	9	12	16
Standard Tee - straight through	2.8	3.5	5
Standard Elbow	4.5	5.0	8

#### FRICTION LOSS IN VALVES AND FITTING Shown in approximate equivalent length of straight pipe in feet





Figure 3



#### DIRECT READING FRICTION TABLE FOR 2 IN PIPE

USGM	Gasoline Specific Gravity 0.72 Reading in inches of mercury (in.Hg.)
10	0.2
15	0.2
20	0.4
25	0.8
30	1.0
35	1.4
40	1.8
45	2.4
50	2.9
60	4.1
70	5.5
80	6.9
90	9.0
100	11.0



# No. 6 Gilbarco Pump/Dispenser Resets

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#### Gilbarco Pre-Modular

Pre-Modular pumps can only be Master Reset. This means all memory will be lost. However the only memory these pumps had was in effect the same as the RAM memory on a modular, meaning "price settings" and "totalizer readings". This "Master" reset is accomplished by shorting or jumping points on the Logic Board. It also varies from pump to pump depending on the model. We will deal with the three basic models that were sold in Canada.

#### Highline 111B with T12472-G1 or W1520-G1 or W1520-G2 Logic Board

- a. Turn off Power to the Pump.
- b. Remove Plug P16 from the Bottom Centre of the Board.
- c. Short across the base of capacitor C11 with a knife blade or screwdriver for ten seconds.
- d. Remove the short and replace plug P16.
- e. Turn on power to the pump and observe prices should now be zeroed.

#### Highline 111B or Salesmaker 4 with W2061-G1 Logic Boards

- a. Insert a Jumper Jack in position JP-6 on the Logic Board
- b..Turn off Power to the Pump.
- c. Turn on Power to the Pump.
- d. Remove the Jumper Jack from JP-6.

Caution! Ensure you remove the Jumper. If you leave it in place, the Logic Board will reset every time there is a power failure and it comes back on!

#### MPD-2/C with W1523-G1 Z80 Logic Board

- a. Place a Jumper Jack on the pins marked *Master Reset* or *MR* on the Logic Board.
- b. Turn Off Power to the Pump.
- c. Turn On Power to the Pump.
- d. Remove the Jumper Jack from the Logic Board.

Caution! Ensure you remove the Jumper. If you leave it in place, the Logic Board will reset every time there is a power failure and it comes back on!



# No. 7 - T16226-G Main Display Jumper Settings

Published: Revision 2 January 1995 This revision of our tst No. 7 is the result of our learning all of the Jumper Settings on the T16226-G1and G3 Main Screened Image Display used in Gilbarco Highline 111B and Salesmaker 4 Pumps and Dispensers with Modular Electronics.

We have learned that Jumpers JP 3 through JP 6 affect the operation of the heater circuits and therefore it is important that they be properly set.

- Jumper JP-1 Front Side (Display A1 & A2) "IN", Rear Side (Display B1 & B2) "OUT".
- Jumper JP-2 "OUT" ( only "IN" on power up for RAM reset. Should not be left "IN").
- Jumper JP-3 "IN" on left front display (Display A1). "OUT" on all other positions.
- Jumper JP-4 "IN" on left rear display (Display B1). "OUT" on all other positions.
- Jumper JP-5 "IN" on right front display (Display A2). "OUT" on all other positions.
- Jumper JP-6 "IN" on right rear display (Display B2). "OUT" on all other positions.
- Jumper JP-7 Only found on T16226-G3 Boards; Must be in A position turns Volume Display decimals on.

-			DZ	
	Left Rea	r	Riaht Re	ar
		-	3	
	Left Fro	nt F	Riaht Fro	nt
	A1		A2	
Front of Pump - Keypad and Junction Box are located on				
		Front		

Only one of Jumpers JP-3 through JP-6 should be installed on the board at one time.

#### Note! Please ensure all your service personnel are aware of this information.



# No. 8 - That darn Gilbarco Code 34

**Revised November 1999** 

#### Gilbarco Modular Code 34 - Battery Test Failure

We have been getting a lot of calls lately on Gilbarco Modular pumps showing a flashing code 34 and price, which indicates the battery failed a test. Many Contractors have been changing Controller Boards and Regulator Boards to no avail. If the Controller has version 53.4\* or higher software it is the least likely cause of the problem and the Regulator is probably the second least likely.

\* Controller Boards with a lower software version than 53.4 should have the software changed as there were problems with the battery test circuit on earlier versions. Contact your Gilbarco Distributor for new software.

To understand a little better why it does this let us look at how the code 34 occurs.

The pump periodically does a battery test on its own. In particular, it does one 15 minutes after power up if it has been turned off. This one occurring fifteen minutes after power up is usually the one that causes the code 34. When you power the pump down at night, the pump is under battery power for 15 minutes. This is to enable the display of a last transaction. As a result the Battery may drop from its normal charged voltage (new battery 13.2V) by a couple of volts. When the pump is powered up the Battery starts to charge but at 15 minutes, the pump does a battery test by feeding battery power through a large resistor mounted on the power supply for 15 seconds, simulating a display last transaction. This may drop the Battery voltage by more than one volt. At the end of the test the Controller checks the Battery voltage and if less than 11 volts it fails the test.

Now the Batteries used, are just like a car battery. Their efficiency drops with temperature and with lack of use. So if it is cold the Battery may not charge as high or it may drop more voltage during the test. New Batteries may not be good either unless the supplier's recharge them on his shelves every six months (we do). Therefore cold can be a major factor and shelf life can be a major factor.

To check it, perform a Battery test under Command Code 9. If the test fails, check your battery voltage. If it is low, the Battery needs to be replaced. But before replacing it something else that should be checked is that you have very good connections from the Battery to the Regulator Board and from the Regulator Board to the Battery Test resistor.

To check this turn of power to the pump and then turn off the battery by pressing "Clear" and then "Enter" on the keypad of the pump. Then with an ohmmeter check from Pin 5 of plug J502 (usually an orange plug) on top of the Regulator Board to the + (Positive) terminal of the Battery. You should have less than 1 Ohm resistance. If you do not check Plug J601/P601 at the rear of the Power Supply (make sure pins are not centred in sockets) and then check the top (Battery) fuse on the Power Supply (make sure it is both good, and seated properly).



If this is OK then check from Pin 6 of Plug J502 to the - (Negative) terminal of the Battery. If it is bad, then check plug J601/P601 again.

If these are both OK then check from Pin 6 of plug J502 to the end of the Test Resistor (mounted beside the Battery). Check both ends of the Resistor and one end should be less than 1 Ohm. If bad again check plug J601/P601.

If all are good then try a new Battery, letting it charge to 13 volts before trying a Battery test (the pump will do it automatically 15 minutes after power up). If it still fails then and only then should you try changing the Regulator Board.

The Controller Board should be your last resort!



# *No. 9 - "I changed the Board and Now the Dumb Modular is flashing code 31 or 35"*

Revised December 1999 Flashing Code 31 or 35 on Gilbarco Modular Pumps/Dispensers

Boy! Can this be frustrating or what? You change the board, or Battery or Pulser to cure a problem and then the pump flashes error code 31 or 35 at you, which means you have to do a RAM reset (Command Code 6). This removes Price and Totalizer memory and you have re-enter both.

Unless it was a faulty Battery, blame yourself! You did not turn off the Battery before unplugging something and the Controller Board, because it did not have a chance to go through a normal shut down procedure, figures it screwed up its memory. Thus the error code.

Make the following a hard and fast procedure when changing anything on a Modular pump.

- Step 1. Turn off Power to the head, either with a Circuit Breaker, or by pulling the bottom Fuse on the Power Supply (do not pull the top one as it is the Battery Fuse and will cause your problem). The displays should now only have the decimal places lit (if they are not the Battery was no good or the top Fuse was blown and you can quit blaming yourself).
- Step 2. If they did stay lit, turn off the Battery. To do this press "CLEAR" and "ENTER" on the pump keypad. The decimal places on the displays should now go out.
- Step 3. Now unplug and change anything you have to change.

If the Battery was dead or the Fuse was blown (as indicated in Step 1) or had been disconnected before powering the unit down, you will get error code 31 or 35 after you power the unit up.

#### Of course make sure you have plugged every thing back in before powering the unit back up!

No. 10 Turn off that Power

10 May 1994

# Warning! Turn off

the Power before changing any circuit board or component in

any piece of electronic equipment (this includes Pumps, Dispensers, Consoles and Printers).

We have recently received back a number of boards under warranty which have obviously been changed with power on and accidentally shorted to frame or other metal object. This results in most components on the board being damaged and means they must be changed. This drives up the cost of the board repairs and results in a higher end cost to you.

*However* the cost is the least important thing! The *most important consideration* is *your safety*! On some boards there are high voltages present. In the case of Gilbarco displays this is as high as 180 Volts DC.

If you happened to be between the display and ground you would be picking yourself off of the ground about 50 feet from where you caused the short. *If your heart happened to be in that same path, you would be picked up by a paramedic or the coroner!* 

This also brings up another important point! You should in normal practice be grounded when handling circuit boards to prevent damage from static electricity. *Make sure* that you are grounded with an approved static wrist or ankle strap that has a built in resistor to prevent high current passing through your body in the event you short something that is live.

Also make sure when turning off Power that you use proper shut down procedures for the equipment you are changing to avoid creating yourself other problems.

# Prevent damage to components, yourself and others - Turn off the Power!



# *No. 11 Kraus Type A and B SKIL184 Software Swapping* January 1995

It has come to our attention that Contractors in the field are swapping Type A (CP1.2) Software for Type B (ATC2.4) Software on SKIL 184 ATC Boards, or visa versa, as a result of them changing SKIL 152 Assy 15 Controller Software.

If this is done without changing the resistor closest to the right of the ATC Probe Plug on the SKIL 184 ATC Board (as shown in figure 1) it will result in the plus temperature range being out of compensation. It will be further out the higher the temperature.

The POT on the end of the board adjusts the minus temperature and it also will have to be adjusted in the event of a software type change.



The resistor must be a 784 Ohm for Type A (CP1.2) Software and 1.09K (1090) Ohm for Type B (ATC2.4) Software. Other values will give compensation error.

# ERI can change these resistors for you and test the board for operation with the software you will be putting into service!



# No. 12 - Dead Batteries on Gilbarco® TCR<sup>TM</sup>-G2 Memory Expansion Boards

### February 1995

We have found the main reason for Batteries going dead, on the T16749-G1 Memory Expansion Board on the TCR-G2 Gilbarco Cash Register Consoles, is leakage between the Memory Circuits and the 5 VDC Logic circuits on the W2067 Logic Board during a power down.

If this occurs the Battery on the Memory Expansion Board is powering all IC's on the Logic Board and not just the RAM and Clock circuits. The higher the leakage the faster the Battery will drain. If the Battery drains below 1.5 VDC memory loss will occur and the probability that the Battery will recharge on power up is slim. This will then cause memory loss on every power down of the Register.

You can determine, with a simple test, if this leakage was the cause of the Battery failure once you have replaced the Memory Expansion Board (or at least the battery on the board).

- 1. Ensure the Memory Expansion Board is installed properly, plugged solidly into P110 on the Logic Board, and that the Battery Jumper is in the "JP2-B" (ON) position and JP1 is in the "ENABLE" position.
- 2. **<u>Do not</u>** turn on the TCR-G2 power!
- 3. With a digital Voltmeter measure voltage at the +5 VDC Logic Test Point on the W1544-G1 Regulator Board as shown on page 43 of the Gilbarco MDE-2214B Service Manual (Negative lead on the positive, system ground, end of Capacitor C2 and the positive lead on the + end of Capacitor C40). You should read 0 VDC if the Logic Board is good.

If you read any voltage, even as low as 0.5 VDC, there is leakage occuring and the Logic Board should be replaced.

#### Please Note! ERI does test all its rebuilt Logic Boards for this problem.



# *No. 13 - Kraus Micon 200 Boards Modified for Back Light* December 1999

On Kraus SKIL 350 Controllers, transistor Q2 switches power to the heater circuit. The first displays used on the Micon 200, the SKIL 287, had heater circuits and no Back Light. During periods of cold the Controller Board would switch power to the heater circuit. When the SKIL 444 Display with Back Lighting was introduced the heater was not incorporated and instead Kraus used the heater circuit to power the Back Light circuit. As a result they modified the Controller board, as shown in figure 1, to by-pass transistor Q2 and turn the power on constantly so the back light would work. This modification could be also done on the earlier SKIL 252 Controller.

# When changing Displays or Controller boards make sure you have the Controller modified or not modified depending which Display is being used!

It should be noted that second generation (Assy 6) and newer SKIL 444 Back Lit Displays now have a control circuit on the Display Board to turn off the Back Light when the Board gets hot (as it would in bright sunshine).

Thus if you find a Micon with the Back Lights not lit, it may simply mean they have switched off from heat! Let the board cool and try it again before changing it.





# No. 14 Those bugs bite!

#### **Published: December 1998**

One of the summer plagues we face in Canada are a tiny little bug with a big bite we commonly call "No See'ums"! Well these little critters also bite electronics!

They manage to get into pump heads through the tiniest places, unsealed doors or loose panels, through ventilation vents, etc. Once inside the pump head they like to get cozy with warm IC's. These are usually found on Regulator or Power Supply boards, and if there is enough voltage such as in Gilbarco Modular Pumps and to a lesser extent Tokheim Pumps the little fly gets electrocuted and in the process usually causes enough of a short to take out the circuit board.

With a magnifying glass and even sometimes with the naked eye you can find these little fellows on the blown board with their feet up in the air, having committed suicide at the expense of the board.

The only cure to this problem, if you find them on a blown board, is to prevent them getting in. Ensure all openings are sealed. This does present a problem with vents in that they are designed to cool the housing. Most of these vents have a screen or very small openings, but as any of you who have experienced these little fellow know they can get through a window screen. If you put in a finer mesh screen you will restrict air flow.

If the vent opening is less than 3 inch diameter and you have enough room inside the housing, one trick we have learned is to take wire mesh drip coffee filter and glue it in place inside over the vent opening (see figure 1). Because of its cup shape it gives more screen area and even with its very fine mesh screen will allow close to the same air flow and yet prevent these little bugs from getting in. Use this with caution on a dark painted head or one that is in direct hot sunlight, as these certainly do not need any restricted air flow, and there could be some.



figure 1



# *No 15 Sealing D&H Technologies Pulsers to Prevent Water Wicking up Shaft*

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Water is the biggest cause of Pulser Failure on D&H EQ30 Heads! Almost 90 percent of the units being returned under warranty have signs of moisture having been present on their shaft.

We think the problem comes from condensation forming on the metal plate on which the Pulser is mounted, then running down under the Pulser and down it's shaft where it "wicks" up the shaft and into the Pulser.

We suggest sealing the Pulser after it is mounted by running a bead of silicon around it to prevent water getting underneath it (see Figure 1 below). We are ensuring that any Pulsers shipped from National Parts Distributing Ltd. have been sealed at any joints in the Pulser and where the wires enter the Pulser. If you have a Pulser which is not sealed you should also seal all joints on the body and where the wires enter with silicone.



#### Figure 1



#### *No. 16 - Installing DG8340 Esco Printers with Gilbarco Transac Consoles* Date Issued: January 2000

We recently ran into a problem when installing DG8340 Esco Printers with a Transac 12 (G in this case) console.

When trying to print receipts or reports the printer would print a line or 2 lines then carriage return 12 blank lines then print another 2 lines. If you turned off power to the printer without disconnecting its data cable, it would appear to "lock up" the Console. It really had not; it had simply put the Console into a "slow" mode and it would take up to a minute to react to key strokes.

Upon discussion with the station Manager we discovered that this particular Console had originally had an "Esso" Repos unit attached to it, which the station Manager had removed because it was "locking up" the Console. He then had a DOT 2® Printer installed which had also caused "lock ups" and eventually got so worn it needed to be replaced. As the DOT 2® is no longer made and printer mechanism had become obsolete, the manager decided to replace it with the DG8340 and the new problems began. Upon questioning we discovered that he was sure memory had not be blown in the Console when the Repos was removed, and of course it had not when he had the DG8340 installed. After the memory was blown in the Console the DG8340 worked perfectly. Therefore:

# When installing a DG8340, where it is known that either a Repos unit or a DOT 2<sup>®</sup> Printer had previously been installed on the Printer Port of a Transac Console, blow the memory in the Console as follows:

Transac 12A or B

- 1. Remove AC power from the Console.
- 2. Unplug the Battery from the Logic Board.
- 3. Short across the 2 connectors the Battery was plugged into.
- 4. Reconnect the Battery and restore AC power.

Transac 12C with T15899 and T16249 Logic Boards

- 1. Remove AC power from the Console.
- 2. Remove JP3 from the Logic Board.
- 3. Apply AC power for 15 seconds, then remove power again.
- 4. Replace JP3 and restore AC power.

Transac 12C and Transac 12G with T16399 and later Logic Boards.

- 1. Remove AC power from the Console.
- 2. Remove JP3 and move JP69A to JP69B on the Logic Board.
- 3. Apply AC power for 15 seconds, then remove power again.
- 4. Replace JP3 and move JP69B back JP69A.
- 5. Restore AC power to the Console.



**Important Note!** 

Ensure the manager has all information from the console first, and make sure you have noted any Grade mapping and Programming of the Console before performing this procedure!



### No. 17 Esco Genesis and D&H EQ 30 Heads Pulse Rates Published: December 2000

When setting up D&H EQ30 Heads you should set up Code 02 for Penny Console and Code 03 for PennY .004 or Vol .004 depending on wether you are going to pulse off of Money or Volume (The Console can be set to accept Volume Pulses and calculate the Money).

We have found many people setting the head for Vol .008 (D&H Default) or PennY.008. The following will give you and idea of the limitations doing that.

The Esco Genesis will start to miss pulses at around 3500 pulses/min (\$35.00 /min) when the head is set at PennY.008 . It wil not start to miss pulses until about 7000 pulses/min (\$70.00 /min) when set at PennY.004 . The higher the Price continues to rise per Litre the more problems you will encounter with the PennY.008 setting. The following will give you a better idea:

#### Setting PennY.008

#### Setting PennY.004

70 lpm = maximum price \$0.50 per l	70 lpm = maximum price \$1.00 per l
60 lpm = maximum price \$0.58 per l	60 lpm = maximum price \$1.16 per l
50 lpm = maximum price \$0.70 per l	50 lpm = maximum price \$1.40 per l
40 lpm = maximum price \$0.875 per l	40 lpm = maximum price \$1.75 per l
35 lpm = maximum price \$1.00 per l	35 lpm = maximum price \$2.33 per l

This is of course based on a 10 PPU per unit setting in the head and the Console at 1 (1 to 1, this is the default setting).

If you run both the head and Console on Volume the accuracy on money suffers due to round off. The higher the price the worse it gets. This is due to the fact the head is calculating the money based on 1/1000 of a Liter, and the Console is calculating it on 1/100 of a litre.

The best accuracy can be achieved by setting the head at Vol.004 and 100PPU and the console at 1 (1 to 1) as you set it for Money. If you set the head at 10PPU the console must be set at /10 (1 to 10), and the round off will be to 1/10 of a liter instead off 1/100 of a liter.

It should be noted that at 100 PPU and Vol.004 you are limiting your maximum flow rate to around 70 lpm so you really do not gain anything.

# NO. 18 Installing C2000-K Progressive International Console with Kraus Micon & MTI (D&H) EQ30 Heads - Issues

Published: October 2001

We have discovered a number of conditions where the C2000-K Console will not work or work correctly with both Kraus Micon Heads and MTI (D&H) Eq30 Heads. We will deal with each of these below:

#### **Kraus Micon Heads**

#### Micon 100

SKIL 152 A15 Boards and must have version DANPMP3.1 or DANPMP3.2 Software.

SKIL 421 Boards must have version V7.03 Software.

#### Micon 200

SKIL 252 Boards must have version V6.3 Software. Note! Will not work on two tier pricing!

SKIL 350 Boards must have version V 7.03 or V1.09 Software. Note! Will not work on two tier pricing!

#### Micon 500

Units must have version V1.33 Software and be equipped with the optional piggyback SKIL 472 MNET Interface Board to provide serial interface. *Note! Will not work on two tier pricing!* 

#### MTI (D&H) EQ30 Heads

#### **CPU Board**

Must have version V1.42 Software in order for shift reports to function properly.

#### **Interface/Power Supply Board**

Must be Revision 3 or 4 or a "Modified" Revision 1 or 2 board to enable Kraus MNET communication.

All boards show revision 2 on the front of the board and the actual revision number is only marked on the rear of the board. Therefore for quick identification refer to Figure 1. Once you have established that you have a revision 1 or 2 board you wil have to remove it from the Explosion Proof housing to determine if it is modified. Modified version 1 or 2 boards will have a transistor and 2 resisters soldered to the back of the board behind Microprocessor U1.

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Figure 1 Wiring to the C2000-K is also different for various revisions.

#### Revision 1, 2, 3 and Revision 4 with JP1 installed:

Com 1 (Red 22 Ga)#11 = DCC (Data Channel Common) Com 2 (Blk 22 Ga)#12 = TTP (Transmit to Pump) Com 3 (Grn 22 Ga)#13 = TTC (Transmit to Console)

#### **Revision 4 with JP1 removed:**

Com 1 (Red 22 Ga)#11 = DCC (Data Channel Common) Com 2 (Blk 22 Ga)#12 = TTP (Transmit to Pump) Com 4 (Yel 22 Ga)#1 = TTC (Transmit to Console)

#### For all Power Supplies Jumper JP4 and JP5 must be set as follows:

JP4 = \*\_\* \* (shunt 1 & 2)(To the left) JP5 = \* \*\_\* (shunt 2 & 3)(To the right)



# No. 19 Kraus SKIL 409A3 I.S. Switch Board Assembly

Published: March 2002

We have found that in some instances the relay on the board will not switch the #14 Brown Authorize wire to authorize the Kraus Head. However the board may not be faulty.

It can be tested as follows:

Check the voltage between the red wire coming from Pin 2 (see Figure 1 below) on the Controller and the ground pad on the board with an accurate multi meter. The voltage should be 7.0 VDC. If the voltage is less than 6.75 VDC the relay will not engage.



If the voltage is low (above 4.5 VDC) the head will probably be trying to reset but because the authorize is not happening the head will not reset. Short the wires connected to J5 and J6 and see if the head will reset. *If it will the board is probably not faulty.* 

If the power is low it will be caused by a faulty battery or by a faulty controller board.

Try the changing the battery first and then if the condition persists change the Controller board.



# No 20 Totalizer Readings from Kraus Micon 100, 200 and 500 and MTI (D&H) EQ30 Retrofit Heads with Progressive International C2000-K Console

#### Published: May 2002

We have learned that all of the above heads, which use Kraus Protocol, do not store a transaction in their Pump Totals so that it can be polled remotely until the next authorization. You can, however, read the correct totalizer at the pump using normal pump totalizer reading methods.

To compensate for this Progressive International have programmed the C2000-K so that it automatically adds the last sale to the polled total. We understand most other manuafacturers of serial equipment have done this as well.

Thus there is no problem unless for some reason you perform a master reset on the Console. The Console then does not have the last sale in its memory.

If at that point you request Pump Totals from the pump without authorizing it and resetting it, you will get a totalizer reading that differs from the pump by the amount of the last sale on the pump.

This will only occur until you reset the pump, after a "Master" reset on the Console.



**No. 21 - Installing C2000 Progressive International Consoles** 

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To avoid communication and Totalizer Problems when installing C2000 Progressive International Consoles, perform a Master reset on the Console, and on the Pumps you are connecting it to, before programming the Console and putting it on line.

Note! The console must be on line and communicating with the pumps before programming it!



### TST No 22 - Checking and Correcting Receptacle Reversed Polarity before connecting a Console, Printer or other Electronic Device. Published: October 2002

What does reversed polarity mean? How can you tell, and what can you do about it.

An outlet should be wired such that the HOT lead is connected to a specific side of the outlet, and the neutral lead to the other. This is done for safety reasons. Also in most systems the Ground and the Neutral are connected together at the Breaker Panel. Most consoles and Printers also reference their Ground to Neutral. Switches on the things you plug into the outlet will open and close the HOT side, so when the switch is off, there will be no voltage inside the device. The HOT side, should be the smaller of the two openings on the outlet. The neutral will be the wider of the two. Cords where it matters will have one of the prongs wider so the neutral side and hot side line up correctly. They will also in most cases have a Ground Pin located correctly.

How can you tell? Use a voltmeter, and check the voltage between the narrow opening and the ground

opening. It should measure about 110-125V. Measure the voltage between the wider opening and the ground. It should be zero. If your readings are reversed, your polarity is reversed.





--Neutral side --Silver colored screws

How do you correct this if your polarity is reversed? Turn the power off to the outlet by opening the breaker or pulling the fuse. Check the outlet again to be sure it is dead. Remove the outlet, the hot wire, (should be the black wire) probably is connected to the silver colored screw. It SHOULD be connected to the brass colored screw. If you look at the outlet, the brass screws are on

the same side of the outlet as the shorter plug opening. Swap the wires that feed the outlet Black (hot) wire to the brass colored screw, and white (neutral) wire to the silver colored screw. Tighten the screws securely. (By the way, wrap the wire around the screw in the clockwise direction, it prevents it from twisting off as you tighten the screw.) Re-install the outlet.

Turn the power back on, and check your work. Normal voltage should be read from the shorter opening to ground, and zero voltage from the wider opening to ground.