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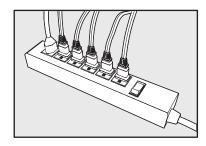
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#### Section 1

#### Introduction

This manual provides instructions to install the Motorola DCT2500 digital cable set-top box. The DCT2500:

- Supports 64 and 256 QAM digital signal formats
- Is compatible with existing Motorola analog and digital set-tops, which are not affected by the new data the addressable controller sends to the DCT2500s
- Uses digital compression technology to provide new revenue generating services
- Supports interactive services such as Video on Demand (VOD)

#### Features, Options, and Interfaces

The Motorola DCT2500 offers the following standard features:

- 54 to 860 MHz integrated tuner
- Integrated RF return (using built-in STARVUE II module)
- RF and baseband audio/ video ports
- IR Blaster port
- Switched accessory outlet
- RS 232 serial data port (provides a high speed serial data interface)
- Coaxial digital audio output

Optional features include:

- A/B In switch
- RF Bypass switch
- IR Blaster cable
- S-Video output
- TOSlink optical digital audio output

Figure 1-1 illustrates front and rear views of the DCT2500:

Figure 1-1
Front and rear views





# **Using This Manual**

This manual provides instructions to install and configure a DCT2500:

Section 1	<b>Introduction</b> provides a product description, a list of related documentation, the technical helpline telephone number, and the repair/return procedure.
Section 2	<b>Overview</b> describes the DCT2500 and provides an overview of its use. This section also identifies the front-panel displays and switches and describes the rear-panel features.
Section 3	<b>Installation</b> provides instructions on how to install the DCT2500 in a subscriber location and perform operational tests.
Section 4	<b>Adding the IR Blaster Option</b> provides instructions on how to install the IR Blaster option for controlling VCR recording through the DCT2500.
Section 5	Troubleshooting provides guidelines for troubleshooting the equipment.
Appendix A	Specifications provide the technical specifications for the DCT2500.
Appendix B	Diagnostics provide instructions on accessing and interpreting the built-in diagnostics.
Abbreviations and Acronyms	The <b>Abbreviations and Acronyms</b> list contains the full spelling of the short forms used in this manual.

#### **Related Documentation**

Seperate instruction manual for the Seaside Universal Remote Control is available for download.

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#### **Documents Conventions**

Before you begin working with this manual and using the DCT2500, familiarize yourself with the stylistic conventions used in this manual:

SMALL CAPS Denotes silk screening on the equipment, typically representing front- and rear-panel

controls, input/output (I/O) connections, and LEDs

\* (asterisk) Indicates that several versions of the same model number exist and the information

applies to all models; when the information applies to a specific model, the complete

model number is given

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#### If You Need Help

For technical assistance, please call Seaside Communications: 539-6250

### Calling for Repairs

If repair is necessary, please call Seaside Communications: 539-6250

#### **Overview**

This section provides illustrations and tables showing the controls, displays and connectors. Before you begin to install the DCT2500, familiarize yourself with its controls and displays.

#### **Front Panel**

The front panel contains selection keys, tuning keys, various displays, and the power switch. These controls provide minimum yet functional capability if the remote control is lost or temporarily out of service. Functions requiring a numeric entry are not available without a remote control.

Figure 2-1 Front panel

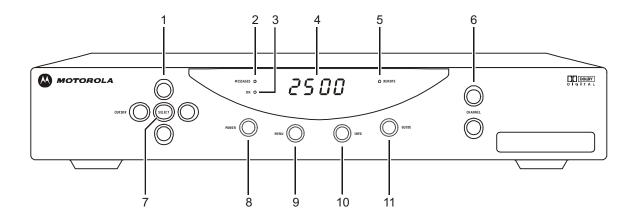
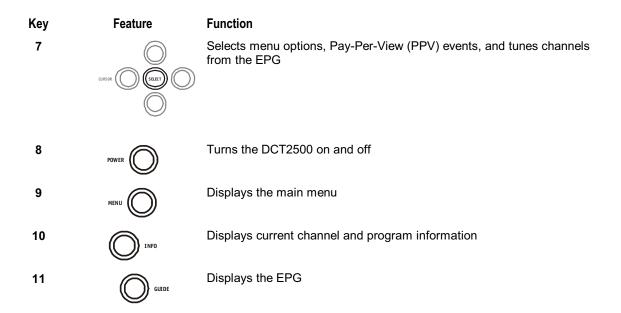


Table 2-1 Front panel controls and LEDs

Key	Feature	Function
1	CURSOR (CUSCURT)	Moves the cursor in menus and electronic program guide (EPG) screens
2	MESSAGES •	Lights to indicate that a message is present
3	ON 🌣	Lights when the unit is turned on
4	2500	Displays current channel number or time of day
5	• REMOTE	Flashes when a signal is received from the remote control
6	CHANNEL	Changes the channel up and down



#### **Rear Panel**

The rear panel contains a switched power outlet and connectors for video, audio, RF cabling, data output, and the IR Blaster:

Figure 2-2 Rear panel

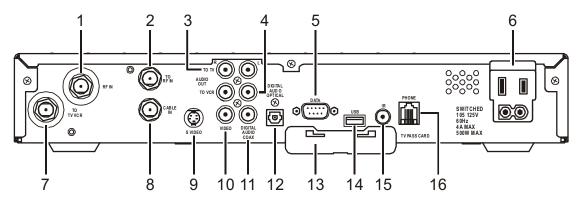


Table 2-2 Rear panel features

Key	Item	Function
1	RF IN	A coaxial input that is connected to the TO RF IN.
2	TO RF IN	A coaxial input that directs the cable signal to other connections on the DCT2500.

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Key	Item	Function
3	TO TV   AUDIO OUT TO VCR	Right/left RCA stereo outputs connect the DCT2500 to the TV. The audio output to the TV is volume controlled.
4	TO TV   AUDIO OUT TO VCR	Right/left RCA stereo outputs connect the DCT2500 to the VCR. The audio output to the VCR is line level.
5	O CONTRACTOR DATA	A high-speed serial interface for connecting an optional external high definition TV decoder (do not connect the PC to this interface)
6	SWETCHED GOILE GOILE SOUR MAX SOUR MAX	<ul> <li>This is a two-plug AC power connector:</li> <li>The bottom plug is an input for the AC power cord</li> <li>The top plug is a switched power outlet for another device such as a TV or VCR into</li> </ul>
7	TO TVVCR	A coaxial output to connect the DCT2500 to the TV or VCR.
8	CABLE IN	A coaxial input for the incoming signal from the wall outlet.
9	S-VIDEO	An S-Video connector for sending high quality video to external devices (high-end VCR or TV) that accept S-Video. (Optional)
10	VIDEO	This RCA video output connects the DCT2500 to an input on a TV, VCR, or other device.
11	DIGITAL AUDIO COAX	A coaxial audio output to connect the DCT2500 to a digital home theater receiver or A/V receiver.
12	DIGITAL AUDIO OPTICAL	A Toslink connector to connect the DCT2500 to a digital home theater receiver. (Optional)
13	TV PASS CJ	Reserved for future use
14	USB	The Universal Serial Bus (USB) is used to connect to devices such as keyboards, joysticks, scanners, disk storage, PCs, printers, and digital cameras, if supported. (Optional)
15	IR IR	A stereo mini-phone connector connecting the optional Infrared (IR) Blaster attachment for the DCT2500.
16	PHONE	RJ-11 telephone modem output to connect to the telephone line for systems using telco-return. (Optional)

# **Options**

The following options enable you to meet individual subscriber needs:

Figure 2-3 Options available for the DCT2500

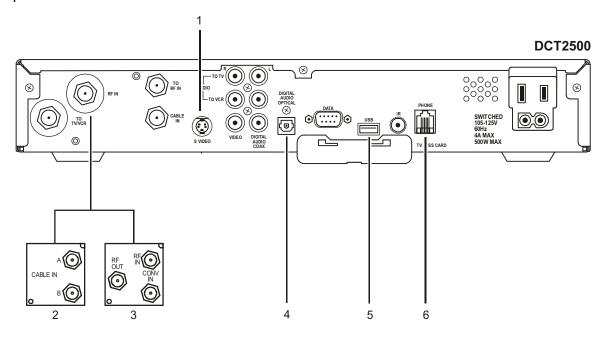


Table 2-3 Options

Key	Option	Name	Function
1	S-VIDEO	S-VIDEO	An S-Video connector for sending high quality video to external devices (high-end VCR or TV) that accept S-Video.
2	CABLE IN B	A/B In	Used in a dual cable system to receive both cables; verify the location of the A and B connectors on the A/B In module
3	RF RF ON CONV	RF Bypass	Enables the cable signal to bypass the DCT2500 and go directly to a TV or VCR
4	DIGITAL AUDIO OPTICAL ③	Optical	A Toslink connector to connect the DCT2500 to a digital home theater receiver.
5	USB	USB	USB is used to connect to devices such as keyboards, joysticks, scanners, disk storage, PCs, printers, and digital cameras, if supported.

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Key	Option	Name	Function
6	PHONE	PHONE	RJ-11 telephone modem output to connect to the telephone line for systems using telco return

# **Audio Output Modes**

For audio assistance, please call Seaside Communications at 539-6250.

#### Section 3

#### Installation

This section provides installation and cabling instructions. To complete the installation, you must:

- Connect the cables
- Supply power to equipment
- Download configuration information and software
- Run operational check and diagnostics

#### **Before You Begin**

Before you begin, review the installation instructions, gather the required items, and complete the following tasks:

- Determine if the subscriber requirements include an A/B In, or RF Bypass module. You can
  install these options before leaving the office following the instructions provided with each
  module.
- Verify that you have 75-ohm coaxial cables with F-type connectors and RCA baseband phono-type cables.
- Determine if you are connecting the DCT2500 to a standard TV or a composite (baseband) monitor.
- Place the DCT2500 on a smooth, flat surface and remove any obstructions that could interfere with the free flow of air over, under, or around it. Advise the subscriber not to place anything on top of the unit.

#### **Installing the DCT2500**

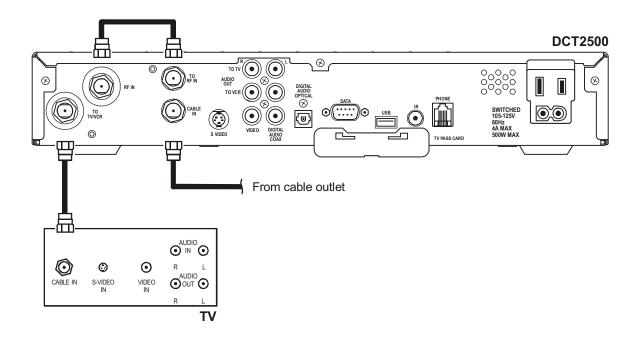
To install the DCT2500:

- 1 Determine if you are connecting the DCT2500 to a conventional TV or to a monitor. To install the video connection:
  - For a conventional TV, use a 75-ohm coaxial cable with F-type connectors.
  - For a monitor, use an RCA phono cable to connect the VIDEO connector to the monitor.
- **2** Locate the cabling diagram that most closely matches the subscriber's configuration requirement.
- **3** Connect the cables as illustrated in the diagram.
- 4 Perform the basic operational check in this section after the DCT2500 is installed.
- 5 If you are using the Telco return option, connect the DCT2500 to the subscriber's phone line.

# **Standard Cabling Diagram**

The DCT2500 outputs on channel 3 or 4, depending on the configuration from the addressable controller:

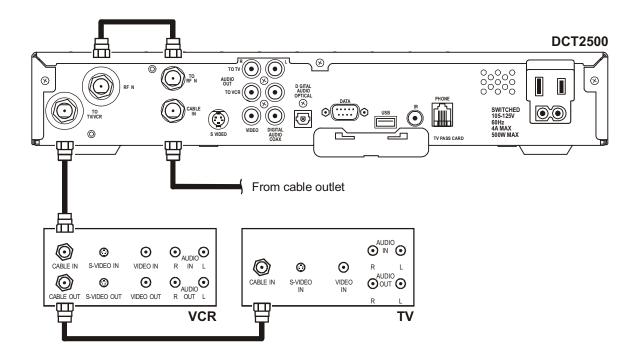
Figure 3-1 Standard cabling to a TV using RF connectors



#### **Standard VCR Cabling Diagram**

Figure 3-2 illustrates the basic cabling required to record the channel being viewed:

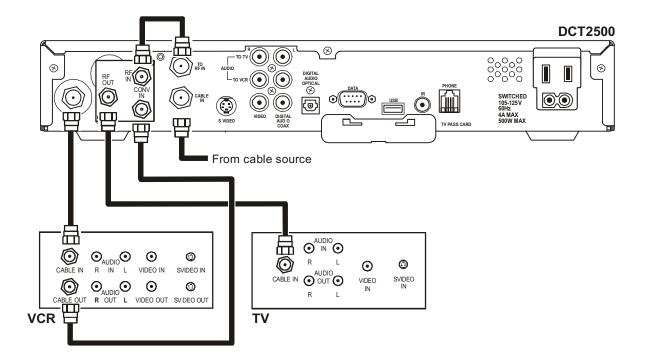
Figure 3-2 Standard VCR cabling



#### VCR Cabling With RF Bypass Switch Diagram

The RF Bypass module enables viewing of an unscrambled analog channel on TV while recording another channel through the DCT2500. Proper RF Bypass operation requires special configuration on the addressable controller and the EPG.

Figure 3-3
Cabling with the RF Bypass module (using RF return)



#### A/B In Module Cabling Diagrams

The A/B In module is commonly used in dual-cable systems.

Figure 3-4 A/B In module on a DCT2500 using optional telco return

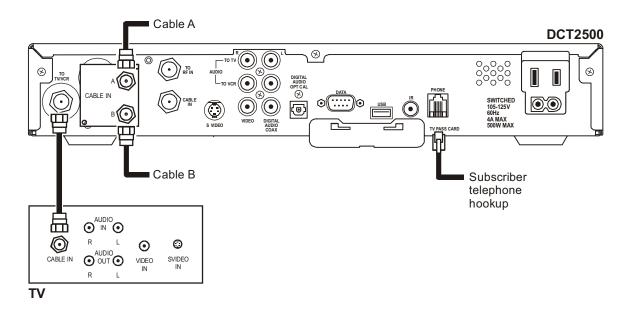


Figure 3-5 A/B In module on a DCT2500 with the return on Cable A

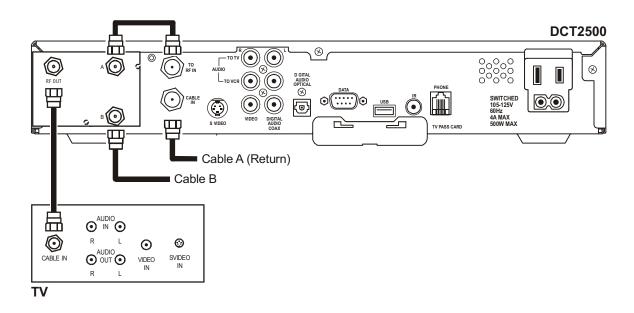
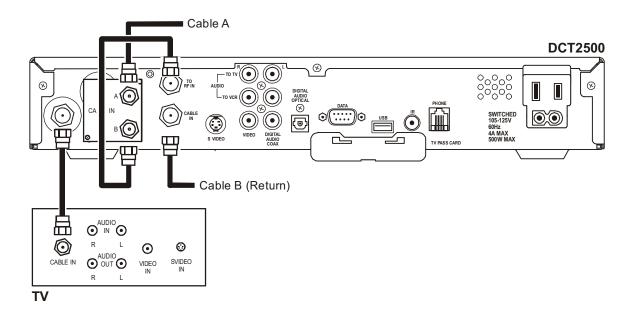


Figure 3-6 A/B In module on a DCT2500 with return on Cable B

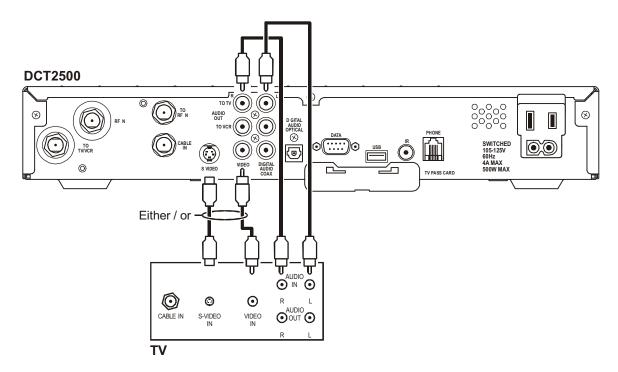


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#### **Composite Baseband and S-Video Cabling Diagrams**

Connecting the DCT2500 using the baseband RCA type outputs enables the subscriber to experience stereo and Dolby Surround sound on digital channels when available.

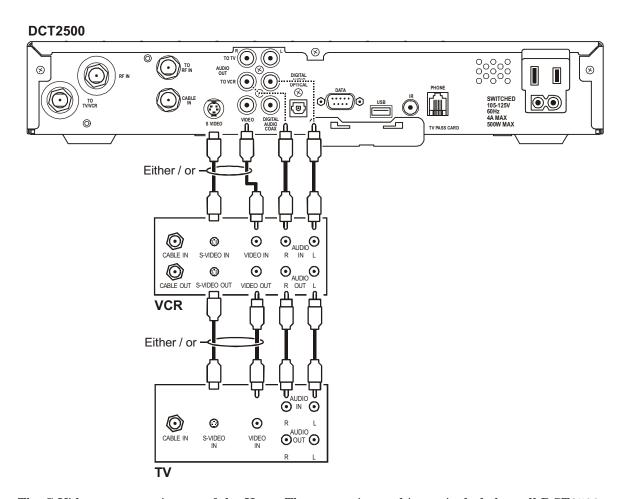
Figure 3-7
Standard baseband audio and video outputs



The S-Video connector is part of the Home Theatre option and is not included on all DCT2500s.

Figure 3-8 illustrates the DCT2500 baseband audio and video outputs for connecting to a VCR:

Figure 3-8 Composite VCR cabling

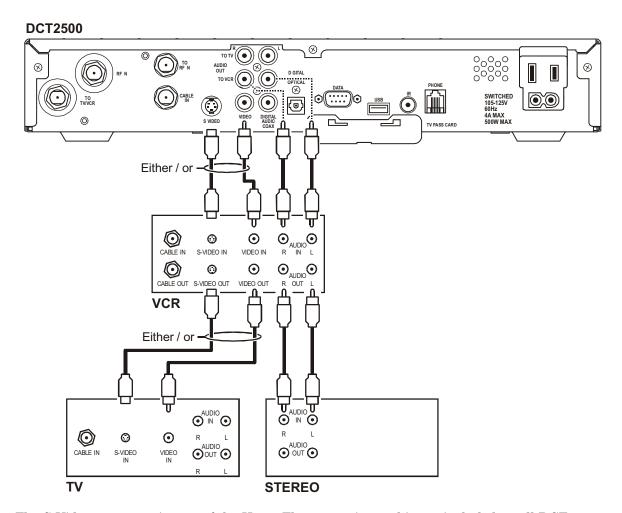


The S-Video connector is part of the Home Theatre option and is not included on all DCT2500s.

#### **Stereo Cabling Diagram (Baseband)**

This audio configuration does not provide for a TV playing through the stereo:

Figure 3-9 Connecting the DCT2500 to a stereo using the audio connectors on the VCR

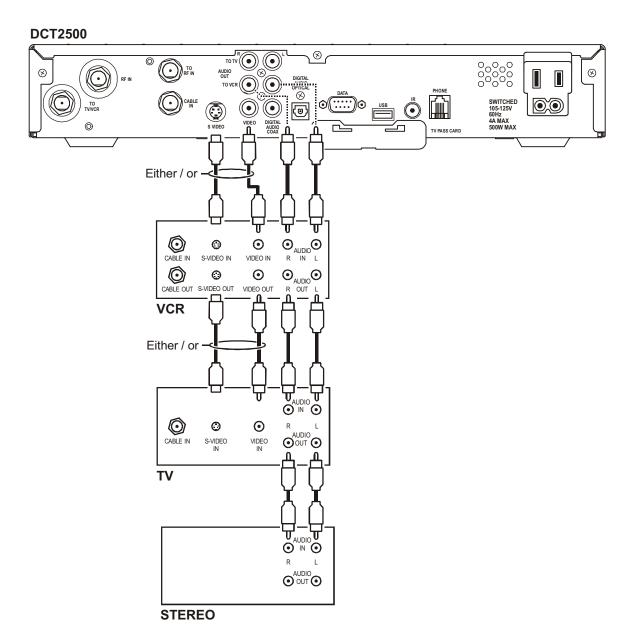


The S-Video connector is part of the Home Theatre option and is not included on all DCT2500s.

Figure 3-10 shows connecting the DCT2500 to a stereo to enable the TV to play through the stereo:

- Audio loop-through connectors on the VCR
- Audio output ports on the TV monitor

Figure 3-10
Audio on VCR/audio output on TV



The S-Video connector is part of the Home Theatre option and is not included on all DCT2500s.

#### **Home Theater Receiver Cabling Diagram**

Figures 3-11 and 3-12 show cabling for digital audio output. The DIGITAL AUDIO COAX and DIGITAL AUDIO OPTICAL connectors provide the same functionality.

Figure 3-11
Connections to a home theater receiver using DIGITAL AUDIO COAX

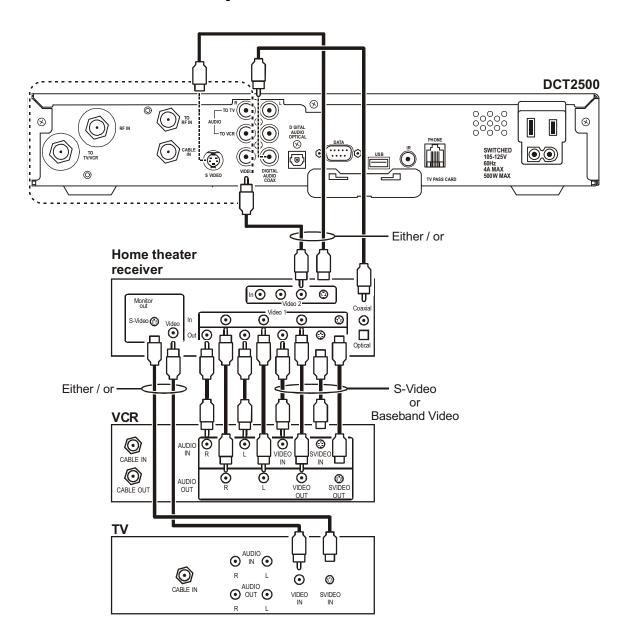
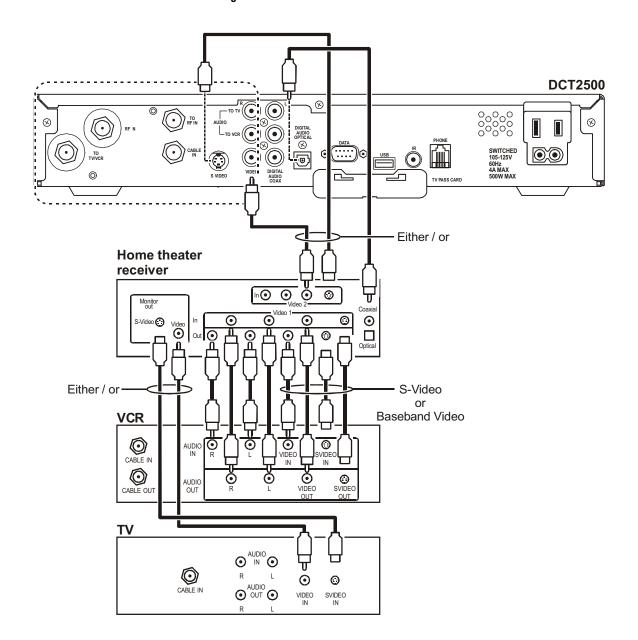


Figure 3-12 Connections to a home theater receiver using DIGITAL AUDIO OPTICAL



Installation 3-13

# **Operational Check**

The operational check tests the communication link between the remote control and the DCT2500 to verify the DCT2500 response to remote control commands:

Table 3-1 Operational check procedures

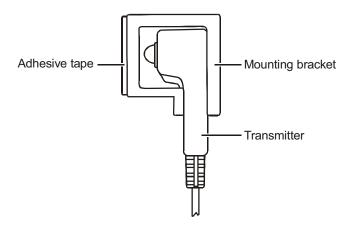
Feature	Testing Procedure	
Power on	<ul> <li>Press POWER to turn on the DCT2500.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Turn the TV on and tune it to the DCT2500 output channel 3 or 4.</li> </ul>	
Channel Selection	<ul> <li>Scan through the channels using the CHANNEL ▲ ▼ keys on the DCT2500 and the CHANNEL + - keys on the remote control.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Tune to several channels by entering the channel number with the numeric keys on the remote control.</li> </ul>	
Volume Control	<ul> <li>Use the TV volume control to adjust the sound volume to a moderate level.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Press VOLUME + - on the remote control to increase the volume to its upper limit, lowest level, and to a comfortable level.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Press MUTE to turn the sound completely off. Press MUTE again to restore the sound.</li> </ul>	

If the DCT2500 does not operate properly, refer to Section 5, "Troubleshooting."

#### Adding the IR Blaster Option

The IR Blaster provides control of the subscriber's VCR from the DCT2500. It consists of a low-power infrared transmitter attached to a six-foot cord and a mounting bracket. The mounting bracket is a clear plastic holder with a pad of adhesive tape for installing the IR Blaster near the VCR IR receiver. A mini-pin connector at the end of the cord connects the IR Blaster to the DCT2500.

Figure 4-1 IR transmitter installed in mounting bracket



The IR Blaster is controlled by the interactive program application on the DCT2500. Not all applications support the optional IR Blaster.

The IR Blaster is automatically activated through the EPG. Individual VCR codes are broadcast through the out-of-band data channel and are updated periodically as new codes are added.

#### Locating the IR Receiver on the VCR

The IR receiver is not visible on some VCRs.

To locate the receiver:

- 1 Obtain a piece of opaque material, such as a 3- by 5-inch index card.
- 2 Use the card to block areas of the VCR where the receiver might be located. Turn the VCR on and off, while pointing the remote control at the card blocking the VCR. Be sure the remote control is close to the VCR to reduce reflections the receiver may pick up.
- Note the area where the VCR is unresponsive to the remote control. This region contains the receiver and can be marked by loosely taping the index card to the area.

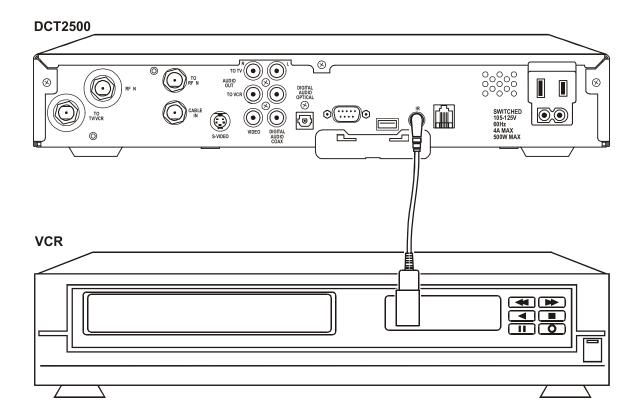
Because the IR Blaster radiates an area approximately 40 degrees wide, it is not necessary to be precisely on target with the remote control. Offset the location of the IR Blaster transmitters from the VCR receiver to reduce interference with operation of the VCR remote control.

#### Installing the IR Blaster

To install the IR Blaster:

- **1** Fit the transmitter into the mounting bracket (refer to Figure 4-1).
- 2 Plug the mini-phone connector into the IR jack on the rear panel of the DCT2500 rear panel (refer to Figure 4-2).

Figure 4-2 IR Blaster installed



- **3** Remove the adhesive tape cover from the mounting bracket.
- 4 Position the IR receiver off center of the VCR receiver and then press firmly attaching the mounting bracket on the VCR. Be careful to route the wire so that it does not prevent loading videotapes.

#### **Checking the Installation**

The IR Blaster is now located near the receiver and the VCR can be controlled through the DCT2500. As a final check, operate the VCR using the remote control from various positions in the room. If the IR Blaster is obstructing the IR receiver on the VCR, move it slightly.

# **Troubleshooting**

This section provides information to help you quickly detect, isolate, and resolve errors that might occur when using the DCT2500. If you need assistance, call Seaside Communications:

#### **539-6250**

Table 5-1 lists possible problems and solutions:

Table 5-1	
Troubleshooting	guidelines

Problem	Possible Solution
No power to the	Check the power outlet for AC power.
DCT2500	Be sure the TV is tuned to the output channel of the DCT2500 (channel 3 or 4).
	Verify that cable connections are correct from the TV set or monitor to the DCT2500.
	Check that the power cord is properly plugged into the outlet and DCT2500.
Remote control is not responding	Check for an obstruction between the remote control and the DCT2500. Aim the remote control directly at the DCT2500, not the TV or VCR.
	Be sure you firmly and deliberately press and release operation keys one at a time.
	Verify that channels can be changed using the keys on the front panel and then check that the batteries have been installed properly. Replace with new batteries if necessary.
	Check that the DCT2500 has been initialized correctly; refer to Diagnostics.
The DCT2500 is not	Check the cable connections and hand-tighten if necessary.
receiving a cable signal	Verify that the cable connections are correct.
orginar	Verify the TV is working and has a clear picture.
Guide has no data	Unplug the power to the DCT2500 and plug in the unit again. Wait for the DCT2500 to collect the data.
VCR did not record	Turn the VCR off when you are not using it.
	Be sure the IR Blaster is correctly placed.
	Check the Scheduled Events list to be sure programs are scheduled for recording.

#### Appendix A

#### **Diagnostics**

This appendix describes the on-screen diagnostics used to confirm proper DCT2500 installation, including:

- Checking error states and signal integrity
- Identifying the set-top on the network
- Verifying communications with the headend

For the diagnostics provided here:

- All indicators are in decimal notation, unless otherwise noted.
- All signal-level and quality indicators are on a 0 to 100% scale, unless otherwise noted.
- All screens self-refresh at a minimum rate of once every five seconds.
- All sample displays are illustrative; actual data will differ from the examples.
- The screens are available for V1.08 code and higher.

#### **Using Diagnostics**

To operate the set-top, use the Motorola universal remote control. To access and navigate the diagnostic mode:

- 1 Press POWER on the remote control to turn on the set-top.
- 2 Wait five seconds and then press POWER again to turn off the set-top.
- To enable diagnostic mode, press SELECT/OK on the remote control within two seconds after powering off. The DIAGNOSTICS main menu is displayed on the OSD:

DIAGNO	STICS
01	GENERAL STATUS
02	OOB STATUS
03	IN BAND STATUS
04	AUDIO/VIDEO STATUS
05	UNIT ADDRESS
06	FIRMWARE VERSION
07	CURRENT CHANNEL STATUS
08	RENEWABLE SECURITY
09	UPSTREAM MODEM
10	APP CODE MODULES
11	MEMORY CONFIG
12	INTERACTIVE INFO
13	MAC FREQUENCY TABLE
14	CONTROL CHANNELS
15	MESSAGE TYPES
16	IN BAND PAT
17	IN BAND PMT
18	TASK STATUS
19	USB STATUS
20	IB MCA STATUS
21	KEYBOARD / LED

- 4 Use the CHANNEL keys on the remote control to select the desired diagnostic.
- 5 Press cursor <, cursor >, select, or enter to run the selected diagnostic.
- **6** To exit the diagnostic mode, press **POWER** on the remote control. The set-top exits the diagnostic mode and powers off.

Diagnostics A-3

The complete list of remote control buttons you can use to navigate the diagnostics is:

Button	Function using the diagnostics main menu	Function using a diagnostic
POWER	Exits diagnostic mode and enters OFF state	Exits diagnostic mode and enters OFF state
CH/CUR +, CURSOR UP	Moves the cursor up	Displays the DIAGNOSTICS main menu
CH/CUR - , CURSOR DOWN	Moves the cursor down	Displays the DIAGNOSTICS main menu
CURSOR RIGHT, CURSOR LEFT, SELECT, ENTER	Runs the selected diagnostic	Displays the DIAGNOSTICS main menu
GUIDE	None	None
MENU	None	None
INFO	None	None

#### d 01: General Status

This diagnostic displays the error code and description, purchase count, and other information:

DCT2500 STATUS					
ERROR	:	E 00			
NO ERROR					
PURCHASES		0			
Platform ID:		0x0060			
Family ID	:	0x0000			
Model ID	:	0x008F			
TUNER	:	V860DL			
Remod Channel	:	3			
Time Zone					
(hhhhhhhh)		MMMM min			
DS Entry Time					
1/1/1999		00:00 GMT			
DS Exit Time					
1/1/1999		00:00 GMT			
Current GPS Time					
1/1/1999		00:00 GMT			

#### The General Status fields are:

Field Description

**Error Codes** When there is a problem, the error code is displayed and LEDs on the unit flash, as

described in "Error Codes." E 00 means there is no error.

Connected State The state of the set-top is connected or disconnected. The connected state of the

set-top is set by a DCT-operations connect or disconnect message. The OSD displays DISCONNECTED when the set-top is in the disconnected state and CONNECTED

when it is in the connected state.

Platform ID A 16-bit hexadecimal number used to differentiate between digital platform images in

the field. It is also called the ROM ID.

**Family ID** A hexadecimal number that indicates the set-top manufacturer and product family.

**Model ID** A hexadecimal number that indicates the set-top model.

**Remod Channel** The Remod Channel number can be 3 or 4 (NA systems). The output port

configuration displays the configuration of the set-top output or re-modulated (remod) port. The output port/remod port is the interface from the set-top to the subscriber TV.

**Time Zone** The time zone offset (in minutes) relative to GMT.

DS Entry Time The daylight savings entry time.

DS Exit Time The daylight savings exit time.

Current GPS Time The current time.

#### **Error Codes**

The front panel of the DCT2500 displays error codes when error conditions occur. The errors, causes, and remedies are:

	,		
Code	OSD	Cause	Remedy
E 00*	NO ERROR	Indicates normal condition after initialization	None
E 01*	NOT CONNECTED	The set-top did not receive a connect message	Restore out-of-band signal Send a connect message
E 02	PWR CYCLE	Init Error	The set-top needs a power cycle to recover
E 03	DRAM	DRAM error	Not used
E 04	DPSRAM	DP-SRAM error	Not used
E 07	ROM	ROM verification failure	Power cycle the set-top; if repetitive, return for repair
E 08	RAM	Faulty RAM, ROM, EEPROM, or POST failure (this is a hardware failure)	Return the set-top for repair
E 09	BATTERY	Dead battery or memory has not been initialized; occurs if battery fails to keep the RAM alive during power-down; disconnects the set-top	Return the set-top for repair; requires factory initialization message
E 10	SERIALNO	Invalid serial number	Not used
E 11	INVALID UNIT ADDRESS	Invalid unit address	Return the set-top for repair; requires a unit creation message
E 12	POST ERROR	POST failed	Not used
E 13	воот	Sys_boot initialization failure	Power cycle the set-top; if repetitive, return for repair
E 14	STARTUP	System startup failure	Power cycle the set-top; if repetitive, return for repair
E 15	TSI INVALID	TSI structure is corrupted	Power cycle the set-top; if repetitive, return for repair
E 16	FLASH BAD NUMBER	Bad flash number specified for Initiate Flash Platform	Error logged, ignore
E 17	BAD PLATVAL	Bad platform validation step number	Error logged, ignore

 $<sup>\</sup>star$  E 00 and E 01 cannot be displayed on the LED when the set-top is off. All other errors display on the LED when the set-top is off.

Only the V860DL and ACD2204 tuner appear on the on-screen display.

#### V860DLd 02: Out-of-Band (OOB) Diagnostic

This diagnostic indicates the status of the out-of-band control channel:

OOB DIAGNOSTIC					
DATA	*	SNR	23	dВ	GOOD
EMM DATA	*				
CARRIER LOCK	YES	COUNT			1
HUNT MODE	None				
CUR FREQ					
LKC					
EMM PRVDR ID	0x0001				

The OOB Diagnostic fields are:

Field Description

**Data** The OSD indicates with a "\*" that data has been received. The indicators cover all packet

processors regardless of which stream they are monitoring and are cleared when you enter

the diagnostic.

**EMM Data** Indicates whether the set-top is receiving a message on the EMM stream with the following

variables:

Blank No data received

\* Data received

The set-top can receive only six PIDs at once. Data on PIDs can be present

on the out-of-band multiplex that the set-top is not receiving.

**Carrier Lock** The CARRIER LOCK is reset to "1" after an initialization from the DAC 6000 or a power

cycle. Each time the set-top detects a drop in OOB connectivity, the counter increments.

The following Carrier Lock variables can display:

YES Carrier locked

NO Carrier unlocked

**Hunt Mode** The state of OOB stream acquisition. The Hunt Mode can be:

**None** The set-top is locked to an OOB carrier.

RR (Round The set-top is searching OOB frequencies trying to find an EMM Provider of

**Robin)** 0 or 1.

**EMM** The set-top received a Provider ID change and is searching OOB

frequencies for the new ID.

**FIX** The set-top has been commanded to attempt to lock onto a frequency.

SRCH The set-top at some point had a valid Provider ID on the OOB frequency

and is attempting to re-acquire it.

**CUR Freq** The current out-of-band frequency.

**LKC** The last known carrier (OOB frequency that had correct Provider ID).

EMM Provider

The ID of the provider of the Entitlement Management Message (EMM).

ID

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### Selecting the OOB Frequency

To select the OOB frequency:

- 1 From the OOB STATUS diagnostic, press the MENU button to enter the frequency selection mode. The OSD displays a new MANUAL FREQ line at the bottom of the screen, indicating the LKC frequency.
- 2 Press the MENU key a second time to exit the frequency change mode.

Or

Press the UP/DOWN channel or cursor keys to scroll through the frequencies to locate the desired OOB frequency. The frequency selection appears on the MANUAL FREQ line of the OSD.

The first frequency to display is 75.25. The system scrolls through each frequency until it reaches the last, 103.75, and then scrolls back to the beginning. This diagnostic scrolls through the OOB frequencies in the following order:

- 75.25 MHz
- 104.20 MHz
- 72.75 MHz
- 92.25 MHz
- 98.25 MHz
- 107.25 MHz
- 107.40 MHz
- 110.25 MHz
- 116.25 MHz
- 103.75 MHz
- **3** Press **SELECT** search for the OOB frequency.

On the OSD, the MANUAL FREQ line of text clears, the HUNT MODE displays FIX to indicate the fixed frequency search, and the CUR FREQ field changes to the frequency selected to search.

If the frequency is found with the proper EMM Provider ID, the OSD LKC field changes to display the new frequency.

If after 40 seconds the frequency search is not successful, the set-top performs a warm reset and returns to the last known carrier frequency.

4 To abort a search without waiting the 40 seconds, press POWER to cause a warm reset.

## d 03: In-band Status

The in-band diagnostics display for the last attempted channel tune. If a digital carrier is not present, the diagnostics indicate the carrier lock is analog. When the carrier lock is analog, all fields for digital (other than a carrier lock channel) are blank.

IN BAND DIAGNOSTIC		
DATA		*
EMM DATA		*
CARRIER LOCK		YES
PCR LOCK		YES
SNR	36 dB	ssss
MODULATION MODE		QAM 64
SHORT TERM ERROR COUNT		0000
LONG TERM ERROR COUNT		9999
TUNED FREQ		543.000

The In-band Status fields are:

Field	Description		
Data Activity Indicator	Lights when the set-top is receiving data on the in-band channels for all packet processors regardless of which stream they are monitoring. The following variables can display:		
	Blank	No data received	
	*	Data received	
EMM Data Indicator		the set-top is receiving a message on the EMM stream. The indicator is clear when a diagnostic. The following variables can display:	
	Blank	No data received	
	*	Data received	
Carrier Lock	Indicates wh	nether the digital in-band receiver is locked to the carrier with the following variables:	
	YES	Carrier locked	
	NO	Carrier unlocked	
	Analog	Analog channel	
PCR Lock	Indicates a	program-clock-reference lock with the current digital data stream.	
SNR	Displays an estimate, in dB, of the carrier signal-to-noise ratio (SNR). This estimate is based on the QAM cluster variance, which is proportional to the SNR. ssss can be:		
	GOOD	Good signal	
	FAIR	Marginal signal level – check the signal	
	POOR	Unusable signal	
Modulation	tion Displays the following variables:		
Mode	Analog	Analog channel	
	QAM 64 QAM 256	Digital channel	

Field Description

Short Term The FEC errors (maximum count of 65535) at 5-second intervals. The Short Term Error Count is cleared after polling.

Long Term Error Count The accumulation of the Short Term Error Count (maximum count of 65535). The Long Term Error Count is cleared every 24 hours.

Tuned Frequency The actual frequency the tuner is programmed (Carrier Definition Frequency + 1.75 MHz).

#### d 04: Audio/Video Status

This diagnostic displays the audio and video status for the tuned channel.

YES
STEREO
2/0 LFE 0
YES
MUTE BLACK

The Audio/Video Status fields are:

Field Description

ADP Lock The Audio Processor locked status: YES or NO

Audio Mode The audio modes are:

N/A

Mono

Stereo

Surround

**Audio SPDIF** 

For analog channels, SPDIF output is in IEC958PCM format.

For digital channels, the possible Dolby Digital modes are:

■ 1+1 — left is channel 1, right is channel 2

1/0 — center

2/0 — left, right

2/1 — left, center, right

■ 3/1 — left, right, surround

2/2 — left, right, left surround, right surround

3/2 — left, center, right, left surround, right surround

LFE 0 — low frequency effects (subwoofer) channel not available

LFE 1 — low frequency effects (subwoofer) channel available

VP Lock The Video Processor locked status: YES or NO

MPEG Method

The MPEG Method selected:

Unmuted

Mute Still

Mute Black

### d 05: Unit Address

This diagnostic displays the 16-digit (40-bit) unit address of the set-top.

```
DCT2500 UNIT ADDRESS:
000-02831-99902-038
Network Address:
085-14316-55765-159
TVPC:
000-00000-00000-000
Multicast 16 Address:
085.085
        102.102
119.119
          136.136
DATA
068.068
          051.051
034.034
          017.017
Seed Health
                0xFF
```

The Unit Address fields are:

Field	Description
rielu	DESCRIBLION

#### DCT2500 Unit Address

The unit address in decimal format (13 address digits and three check digits)

#### Network Address

The network address in decimal format (13 address digits and three check digits)

# TVPC

The TV Passcard Address in decimal format (13 address digits and three check digits)

#### Multicast 16 Address

The Multicast 16 address numbers change to display the values for each data stream in TCP/IP decimal byte form. Here is a list of Multicast 16 addresses:

- NET
- EMM
- SCC
- DWLD
- DATA
- VCN
- POLL

#### **Seed Health**

This value represents the health of the set-top and should be 0xFF. If it is not 0xFF, see the "Troubleshooting" section for more information.

### d 06: Firmware Version

This diagnostic displays the:

- Dena firmware version or revision number
- Build date and time
- TSODA firmware version number
- CAMEL (CMLBK) firmware version number (always 0000)

The BOOT is the lowest firmware code level that can be used on the DCT2500.

```
FIRMWARE VERSION

1.09 BOOT 1.06

Jun 9, 2003

10:40:21

TSODA t16

CMLBK 0000
```

## d 07: Current Channel Status

This diagnostic displays the status of the last attempted tune on the in-band tuner. It shows channel type (analog/digital), acquisition state, purchasable indicator, preview indicator, parental control status, and mute status.

CURRENT CHANNEL STATUS		
TYPE DIGITAL	aaa bb	
STATUS	cccc	
CONNECTED	ddd	
PREVIEW	NO	
	CURR NEXT	
PURCHASABLE	NO	
PURCHASED	NO	
EPOCH NUM	0x0 1	
EPOCH TYPE	0x0 0x0	
AUTH	0x0 0x0	
SERVICE 0 STATUS 1 ID	0X0004 0X00	
CH 204 TUNED FREQ	543.000	

The Current Channel Status fields are:

Field Description

Type Indicates whether the current channel is analog or digital\*

Status Indicates the channel type\*

Connected Indicates whether the set-top is connected\*

**Preview** Indicates whether the program is in the free preview state: YES or NO.

Purchasable Indicates whether the current or next program can be purchased: YES or NO.Purchased Indicates whether the current or next program has been bought: YES or NO.

**CH** Indicates the channel currently tuned when the OSD appeared.

**Tuned** The actual programmed tuner frequency (Carrier Definition Frequency + 1.75 MHz).

**Frequency** 

The EPOCH Number and Type, Authorization, Service Status, and ID are for Motorola use only.

\* The variables aaa, bb, cccc, and ddd are:

aaa For analog, it is blank. For digital, aaa can be:

ENC – encrypted

UNE – unencrypted

**bb** The current epoch authorization reason in the current\_epoch\_auth\_reason field (hexadecimal):

00 missing program re-key

01 missing working key epoch message

02 missing event blackout message

03 missing category rekey

04 old category sequence in program, rekey message

10 program bought

11 program bought without taping

12 subscribed with taping

13 subscribed without taping

14 subscribed with taping purchasable

15 IPPV with taping

16 IPPV without taping

20 bad seed checksum

21 bad debit buffer checksum

30 IPPV not enabled

31 insufficient credit to purchase

32 show count limit exceeded

33 debit register will overflow

34 no AFP records available

36 maximum package cost exceeded

37 no IPPV overlay in message

40 not subscribed

41 regional blackout

42 event blackout

cccc INIT – Initialized state

CONFI - Configured

ACQUI – Acquiring the program AUTH – Authorized for the program Not A – Not authorized for the program

ddd blank - Connected

NOT - Not connected

# d 08: Renewable Security

The renewable security system includes a TVPC card that returns the security status to current.

RENEWABLE SECURITY	
TVPC NOT REQUIRED	
CRYPTO	NOT MATED
STATUS	00
VERSION	00

The Renewable Security fields are:

Field	Description		
TVPC Required / Not Required	Indicates whether further operation of the set-top requires the TVPC.		
Crypto	Lists t Mated	the current mode as displayed on the CRYPTO OSD ( Stand Alone, Support, or Not $\!$	
Status	Indica	ates the TVPC status with the following variables:	
	00	OK	
	01	TVPC communication problem	
	02	TVPC required	
	03	Validator does not match between GK and TVPC	
	04	Invalid unit key number	
	05	Old TVPC unit address	
	0a	TVPC not mated	
	0b	TVPC /base module unit address mismatch	
	0C	New TVPC, but wrong version number	
	0d	TVPC unit address mismatch	
Version	Indicates the version of renewable security being used.		

## d 09: Upstream Diagnostics

This diagnostic shows the upstream status and operating parameters. They differ depending on whether the STARVUE II RF return or the optional telephone modem return is in use.

#### RF Return (STARVUE II) Diagnostics

STARVUE II DIAGNOSTICS STATUS: DISABLED FREQUENCY: 23.000 MHz LEVEL: IPPV: DISABLED 170 LAST POLL REQ: 6-15-2001 20:49:33 170 LAST POLL ACK: 6-15-2001 20:49:33

The STARVUE II Diagnostic fields are:

Field Description

**Status** Indicates the transmitter status with the following variables:

Idle

t Transmitting

**Frequency** The transmitting frequency.

Level The approximate power value of the STARVUE II transmitter in dBmV. The difference between the power value on the diagnostic screen and the actual power of the STARVUE II

module may be  $\pm$  5 dBmV.

**IPPV** Indicates the Interactive Pay-Per-View status with the following variables:

**ENABLED** IPPV enabled

**UNSENT** – The set-top contains unsent IPPV transactions. The variable –## is the

## number of unsent transactions.

**DISABLED** IPPV disabled

**Last Poll Req.** Indicates the sequence number of the last poll request received by the set-top. The time stamp of the last poll request is displayed under LAST POLL REQ:

- If the set-top has received no poll request, , the sequence number and time stamp fields display N/A.
- If the set-top has received a poll request set-top but its system time has not yet been initialized, the time stamp field displays NOT AVAILABLE.

#### Last Poll Ack.

Indicates the sequence number of the last poll acknowledge received by the set-top. The time stamp of the last poll acknowledge is displayed under LAST POLL ACK.

- If the set-top has received no poll acknowledge, the sequence number and time stamp fields display N/A.
- If the set-top has received a poll acknowledge but its system time has not yet been initialized, the time stamp field displays NOT AVAILABLE.

### **Telephone Modem (STARFONE) Diagnostics**

TELEPHONE MODEM

TYPE: STARFONE 14.4K

PARAMETERS : VALID
BAUD RATE : 300

DATA FRMT : 8, EVEN

PHONE NUMBERS

#1 : 3435556666 #2 : 3435556667

LAST POLL REQ : 170

6-15-2001 20:49:33

LAST POLL ACK : 170

6-15-2001 20:49:33

BUSY COUNT : 0
NO ANSWER COUNT : 0
LOST CARRIER COUNT : 0

CARRIER :

STATUS:

HANGUP-NORMAL

#### The Telephone Modem fields are:

Field Description

**Type** Displays the modem type and speed.

Parameters The telephone parameter status: NOT SET, VALID, or SET

**Baud rate** Displays the modem baud rate (300)

**Data Frmt** Displays the modem protocol.

**Phone Numbers** Displays the numbers that the modem will dial.

Last Poll Req Displays the sequence number of the last poll request received by the set-top. The time of

the last poll request is displayed immediately below LAST POLL REQ. If the set-top received no poll request, the sequence number and time stamp fields display N/A. If a poll request has been received by the set-top but the system time of the set-top has not yet

been initialized, the time stamp field displays "Not available."

Last Poll Ack Displays the sequence number of the last poll acknowledge received by the set-top. The

time stamp of the last poll acknowledge is displayed immediately below LAST POLL ACK. If the set-top received no poll acknowledge, the sequence number and time stamp fields display "N/A." If the set-top received a poll acknowledge but its system time is not yet

initialized, the time stamp field displays NOT AVAILABLE.

Field	Description
<b>Busy Count</b>	Number of detected line busy errors during phone modem dialing
No Answer Count	Number of detected no answer errors during phone modem dialing
Lost Carrier Count	Number of detected carrier lost during modem transmission
Carrier	N/A

The following diagnostics display on the front-panel LED only:

STARFONE transmitter status:

1st Digit	2 <sup>nd</sup> Digit	Meaning
h	*	On hook (* = hang-up code)
t	-	Test for line available
d	-	Dialing
Α	-	Waiting for answer
С	R	Communicating, receiving
С	Т	Communicating, transmitting
С	-	Communicating, idle
r	*	Waiting for retry (* = hang-up code)

Hang-up code

Code	Status
_	Normal hang-up
Α	Answer time-out
r	Phone ringing
С	Carrier loss
L	Line in use
E	Errors (data)
U	User line request
P	Parameters invalid
t	Data timeout
С	Communication protocol fault

IPPV status indicator

OSD	Mode
ENABLED	IPPV enabled
UNSENT	This set-top contains unsent IPPV transactions
DISABLED	IPPV disabled

# d 10: Application (APP) Code Modules

This diagnostic displays the downloaded code modules. This can be a multi-page display. Press SELECT to display additional pages. A sample OSD screen for a set-top containing ROM is:

APP CODE MO	DDULES		
MODULE	VER	STATUS	ID
050-0109	1.09	ENABLED	0001
Appl	02.00	DOWNLD	07DA

The APP Code Modules fields are:

Field	Description			
Module	The object name			
Version	The object version			
Status	The STATUS modes available are:  LOADING  DELETED  ENABLING  ENABLED  DSABLNG  DISABLD  DELETNG  POSTPND  ENNORUN  DISNORUN			
ID	The object AppID			

## d 11: Memory Status

This diagnostic displays the memory status. The format depends on the installed memory types.

MEMORY STATUS		
EEPROM VER.NO.		00.00
	PLATFORM	APPLICATION
NVMEM	236k	20k
DRAM	8192K	8192K
CODE/DATA		
FLASH	1024K	1024K

The Memory Status fields are:

Field Description

EEPROM Ver. No. The EEPROM version (never used, should always be 00.00).
 Platform Indicates sizes of memory types allocated to platform code.
 Application Indicates sizes of memory types allocated to application code.

## d 12: Interactive Info

This diagnostic tool gathers data about your system:

INTERACTIVE INFO		
IP	:	0.0.0.0
UPM	:	0X000021
UPSTREAM ID	:	0X0000
DOWNSTREAM ID	:	0X0000
STATE	:	UNCONFIG
MAC ABORT CNTR	:	0000
GOOD PACKETS:		
ERROR PACKETS:		
SOCKET PORT STATE		
0 UNUSED		
1 UNUSED		
2 UNUSED		
3 UNUSED		
4 UNUSED		
5 UNUSED		

The Interactive Info fields are:

Field Description

**IP** The set-top IP address assigned by the NC 1500, in dotted-decimal format; for example,

xxx.xxx.xxx where each xxx ranges from 000 to 255.

**UPM** The upstream modem address. This UPM value is the same as the terminal ID assigned

by the DAC 6000. The UPM is a unique, system-generated, eight-digit integer between 1

and 16777215 displayed in hexadecimal format.

**Upstream ID** The set-top transmission parameter assigned by the DAC 6000. It is a four-digit value

ranging from 0000 to 9999 displayed in hexadecimal format.

**Downstream ID** The set-top transmission parameter assigned by the DAC 6000. It is a four-digit decimal

value ranging from 0000 to 9999 displayed in hexadecimal format.

State The state mode can be MAC CONNECT, UNCONFIG, INIT WAIT DC OR,

WAIT\_LM\_ACK, WAIT\_SO\_ACK, WAIT\_LA\_OR\_SO, INIT\_STOPPED,

RUN\_WAIT-DC-OR-C, RUNNING, RUN\_STOPPED, or INVALID

MAC Abort Cntr The MAC Abort Counter increments every time the MAC layer reaches the Cell Abort

Count limit. The MAC Abort Counter is reset by the successful upstream transmission of

a cell, for example, when an ACK is received by the set-top.

Good Packets Not implemented.

Error Packets Not implemented.

Socket Port State The Socket Port State can be UNUSED, OPENED, READY, RECVING, or SENDING.

## d 13: MAC Frequency Table

The set-top uses a range of frequencies set by the host for upstream communications. The MAC Frequency Table displays your frequency and signal power:

MAC FREQUENCY TABLE
FREQ POWER

The MAC Frequency Table fields are:

Field Description

**Frequency** The frequency, in Hz, for an upstream channel.

**Power** The power level, in dBmV, used on a particular upstream channel to send data to the

RPD.

### d 14: Control Channels

This diagnostic lists channels, band types, PIDs, and counts.

Control Channel Info						
CHN	BAND	PID	Cnt	Ovfl	Err	
0	INB	0000	1	0	0	
1	INB	00A9	2198	0	0	
8	OOB	0777	15207	1	0	

## d 15: Message Types

This diagnostic lists message types, IDs, and counts:

MESSAGE T	YPES (hex	data)			
Msg	Id	Cnt	Msg	Id	Cnt
0	-	216	9A	E	0
1	2	89	A0	15	0

The Message Types fields are:

Field Description

Msg The message type.

Id The low order byte of the Connection ID.

**Cnt** The number of messages received.

## d 16: In-band Program Association Table (PAT)

This diagnostic displays the Program Association Table Information. (For Motorola use only.)

IN	BAND	PAT	(hex	data)
	PAT		SN	PII
	001		0001	0029

## d 17: In-band Program Map Table (PMT)

This diagnostic displays the Program Map Table information. (For Motorola use only.)

IN	BAND	PMT	(hex	data	)
	PMT		TYPE	]	PID
	001		0800	0:	210

## d 18: Task Status

This diagnostic lists tasks. (For Motorola use only.)

TASK	STATUS	(hex o	data)			
TID	RID	PRI	STARTS	RUNTIME	STK%	
64	00	2	21553	47441	26	
63						
0						

## d 19: USB Diagnostics

This diagnostic is used to verify the functionality of the USB port. (For Motorola use only)

```
USB DIAGNOSTICS
Wind River Systems
OHCI Root Hub
```

## d 20: In-band Multicast Address Filter

This diagnostic displays in-band multicast filter information:

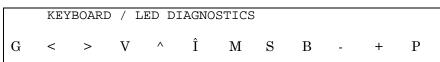
IN BAND MULTICAST ADDRESS FILTER							
Filter	Filter Table:						
	DMCA	MCA	PQ	RQ	APP	CID	1
NA	0000	0000	-01	-01	0000	0000	0000
NA	0000	0000	-01	-01	0000	0000	0000
NA	0000	0000	-01	-01	0000	0000	0000
NA	0000	0000	-01	-01	0000	0000	0000
REGIST	ER VALU	JES:					l
	MCA	PID					I.
	0000	0000					
	0000	0000					
	0000	0000					
	0000	0000					

The In-band Multicast Address Filter fields are:

Field	Description
Filter Table	
DMCA	The default multicast 16 address.
MCA	The current multicast 16 address.
PQ	The preemption notification queue ID.
RQ	The response queue ID.
APP	The application ID.
CID	The connection ID.
Register Values	
MCA	Multicast 16 filter register contents.
PID	PID filter register contents.

# d 21: Keyboard / LED Diagnostics

You can use this diagnostic to verify that the buttons on the set-top front panel are operational. For example, the "<" on the diagnostic should highlight when you press the left CURSOR button on the front panel.



# **Abbreviations and Acronyms**

CSR Customer Service Representative

DCT2500 Digital Consumer Terminal 2500

**EMM** entitlement management message(s)

EPG electronic program guide

HRC harmonically related carriers

IPPV Impulse Pay-Per-View

IR Blaster Infrared Blaster

**IRC** incrementally related carriers

MPAA Motion Picture Advisory Association

**NVOD** Near Video on Demand

**NVRAM** Non-volatile random-access memory

**OSD** on-screen display

PCR program clock reference

PID packet identifier
PPV Pay-Per-View

QAM quadrature amplitude modulation

QPSK quadrature phase shift keying

RSA Return for Service Authorization

TCP/IP Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol

TRC Technical Response Center

TvPC TV PassCard

VOD Video on Demand

