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2000781M MKII MLB OPERATING PROCEDURE

Only personnel directly trained and approved by PSC via 3000224 MLB Training Record are authorized to operate a Lightband for any purpose.

Name of Performing Organization	
MLB Size (XX.XXX-XX)	
MLB Assembly Number & Revision	
MLB Serial Number	
Operation Purpose (electrical verification, final integration, etc.)	
Location of Operation	

This procedure does not involve any high-energy liquids, solid fuels, or any material with inherently hazardous physical or chemical properties.

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1. Revision History

Rev	Issued	Created	Reviewed	Change Description			
-	02Nov06	RW	RH	Initial document		Initial document	
А	11May07						
to	to	Varies	Varies	See prior revisions for details.			
К	300ct20						
L	4Apr24	ND	AO	1) Section 4: Added Part Marking language.			
М	15Nov24	DT		 Entire document: general formatting and grammatical improvements. 7.1.10& 7.1.12: added instruction to ensure removal of FLH alignment screws. 9.4.2 (Various): reminders to remove any GSE that inhibits subsequent operation. 7.1.13: Figure, table, and equation clarified. 8.1.11: Step added to ensure safe stow operations when connectors present. Figure 8-6, Figure 8-7: Added figures for connector inspection. Various: mA/V changed to mV/A to align with current probe labels. Section 17: clarified language. Replaced instance of DB-9 with DE-9 to align with industry Section 3: Added Ground Operation note Section 11.1.5: Modified Deploy Parameters to allow deploy at 17.15 V with both motors. Table 11-1: Added notes Added new support email to header 			

2. Acronyms and Abbreviations

- A (or Amps) Ampere (SI unit of electric current)
- AR As required
- Atm Standard atmospheric pressure (unit of pressure)
- AWG American wire gauge
- C Celsius (unit of temperature)
- CG Center of gravity
- Ch Channel
- CMM Coordinate measuring machine
- DE-9 Common name for a specific electrical connector (used interchangeably with size DB-9)
- div Division (scale on oscilloscope)
- Doc Document (referring to a PSC internal document number)
- DOF Degrees of freedom
- DMM Digital multimeter
- ESD Electrostatic discharge
- FLH Flathead (type of screw head, conical shape)
- I Current (measured in Amps)
- IAW In accordance with
- in Inch (unit of length)
- Ib Pound force (unit of force)
- LCT Lightband Compression Tool
- LV Launch vehicle
- MBA Motor Bracket Assembly (a subassembly of the MLB)
- Mk II Mark II, a model designation of the Motorized Lightband
- MLB Motorized Lightband (used interchangeably with Lightband)
- mtr Motor
- NC Normally closed (the switch terminal that permits current flow when the switch is in its free state/not activated)
- NO Normally open (the switch terminal that permits current flow when the switch is depressed/activated)
- NTP Normal temperature and pressure (20°C and 1 Atm)
- OD Outer diameter
- Ohm (Ω) SI unit of resistance
- PS Power supply or power source
- PSC Planetary Systems Corporation
- QA Quality assurance
- R Resistance (measured in Ohms)
- Rev Revision
- s Second (SI unit of time)
- SFF Set-For-Flight, a Lightband specific operation
- SHC Socket head cap (type of screw head)
- SI International System of Units
- SN Serial number
- SV Space vehicle
- TVAC Thermal vacuum (an environmental test)
- typ. Typically
- V Volt (SI unit of electric voltage)
- V_{DC} Voltage direct current (measured in volts)
- W Watt (SI unit of power)

3. Introduction

3.1 Scope

This document describes the steps required to adjoin and operate the MKII Motorized Lightband (MLB); it is intended for ground operations only. Training and certification by Planetary Systems Corp (PSC) – verified via PSC document *3000224 MLB Training Record* – is required to operate any Lightband. The Training Record also specifies the certification's expiration date.

Ensure this is the latest version of the document by visiting the PSC by Rocket Lab web page at <u>www.rocketlabusa.com</u> under Space Systems. If the version trained on was older than that on the website, contact PSC to discuss the changes before continuing.

Read this entire document before attempting any procedures. This document shall be completed in order. Steps shall never be skipped unless specifically permitted otherwise

Contact PSC to clarify any ambiguity or to answer any other questions.

3.2 Lightband Description

The Lightband is comprised of two separable halves. The Lower Ring contains the Hinged Leaves, Retaining Ring, Motor Bracket Assembly (MBA), and Separation Springs. The Upper Ring, smaller and lighter, contains both the Leaf engagement grooves and the spring plungers that help the Leaves disengage from the accepting groove. Typically, the Lower Ring is attached to the launch vehicle (LV) and the Upper Ring is attached to the space vehicle (SV). The electrical interface to operate the Lightband is a DE-9 socket connector on the outside of the MBA. See Figure 3-1 to Figure 3-6. For more information on the Lightband see PSC document *2000785 Mkll MLB User Manual*.

The Lightband is not ESD-sensitive.

There are four Lightband operations that shall always be performed in order. The Lightband shall always be attached to adjoining structures per Section 7 prior to performing any of these operations.

Operation	Description	Requires electrical power to the motors?	Applicable Section
Mate	Placing the Upper Ring on the Lower Ring and then compressing the Separation Springs.	No	8
Stow	The electric motors drive components in the Lightband that mechanically lock together the Lower Ring and Upper Ring.	Yes	9
	The electric motors move internal components of the Motor Bracket Assembly at low voltage to minimize separation time and standard deviation. This also verifies motor torque margin prior to Deploying.	Yes	10
(separate)	The electric motors drive components that mechanically release the Lower and Upper Rings. In flight, the Separation Springs will then elongate and impart relative velocity between the two Rings. On the ground, the Springs may not elongate due to compressive weights.	Yes	11

Table 3-1: Lightband operations

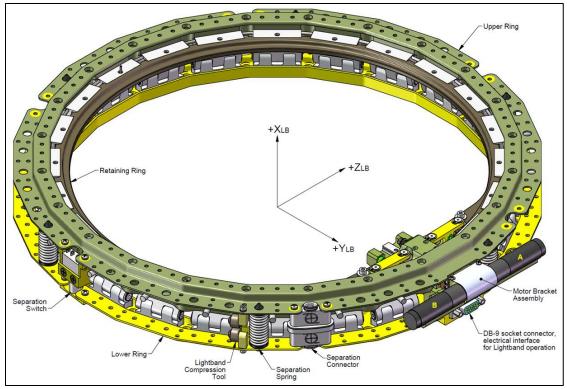


Figure 3-1: MLB15.000-24, Stowed

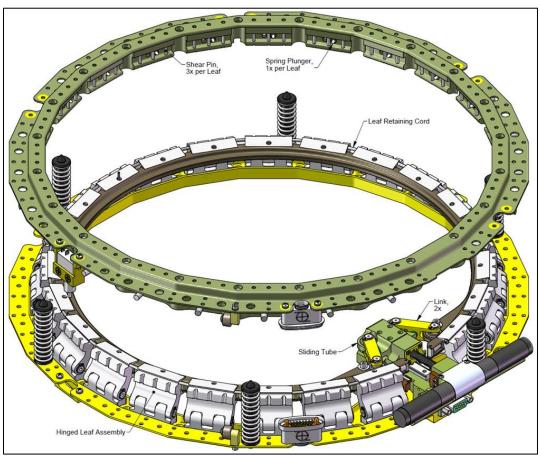


Figure 3-2: MLB15.000-24, Deployed (also referred to as separated)

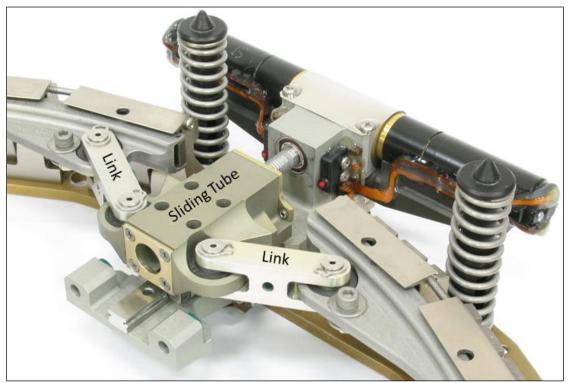


Figure 3-3: Motor Bracket Assembly, internal view

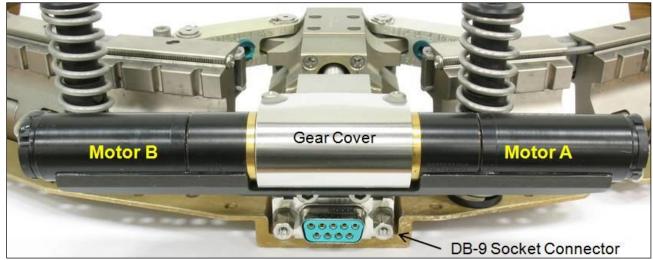


Figure 3-4: Motor Bracket Assembly, external view

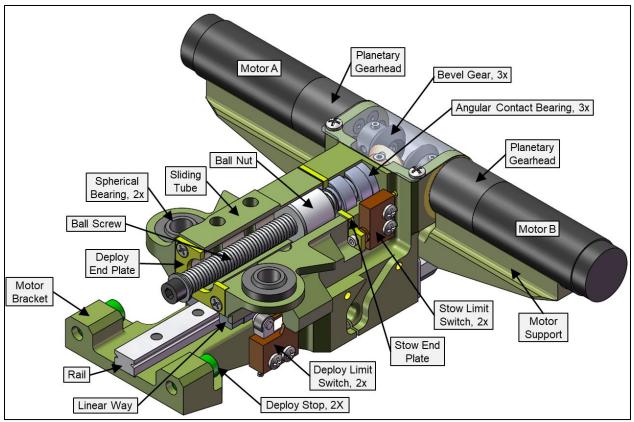


Figure 3-5: Motor Bracket Assembly components, Stowed

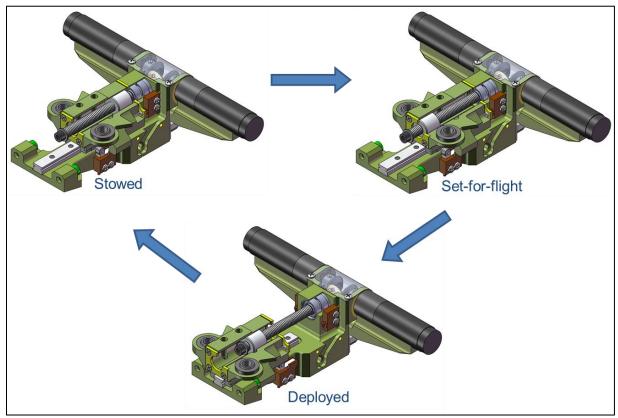


Figure 3-6: Motor Bracket Assembly operations

3.3 Referenced Documents

The following documents are referenced throughout the procedure. Check <u>www.rocketlabusa.com/space-systems/separation-systems/motorized-lightband/</u> to ensure the latest revision.

Document	Necessary For	
2000785 MkII MLB User Manual	Adjoining structure flatness, Lightband circularity, LCT qty., detailed Lightband description	
3000224 MLB Training Record	Verify approval to operate Lightband(s)	
1001015 MLB Warranty	-	
2001025 Separation Connector Data Sheet	Attaching Separation Connectors	
2002204 Separation Switch Data Sheet	Attaching Separation Switches	

Table 3-2: Referenced documents

3.4 Required Equipment

The items listed below are proven to properly operate the Lightband as presented in this procedure. PSC strongly recommends using this equipment. All procedure steps listing recommended settings assume the PSC Typically Used equipment. All equipment substitutions shall be thoroughly vetted prior to use with the Lightband. For instance, some customers create a custom data acquisition system, thereby negating the need for an oscilloscope. Further, all electrical paths and Lightband switch states shall be considered. See Section 17.

Qty	ltem	Make & Model Typically Used by PSC
1	Adjoining structure for Upper Ring	PSC 2000741 Transition Ring or
1	Adjoining structure for Lower Ring	PSC 2003310 I-Beam Transition Ring
AR	0.25 inch SHC fastener (to attach Lower and Upper Rings to adjoining structure)	NAS1351N4-XX or PSC 4000845 Reduced Head SHC Screw
AR	<0.50 inch OD washer (to attach Lower and Upper Rings to adjoining structure)	NAS620C416
AR	0.25 inch nut (if applicable, to attach Lower and Upper Rings to adjoining structure)	NASM21043-4
1	3/16 inch hex key (minimum 1.5 inch shank length) with interface for torque wrench	-
1	Torque wrench, 150 in·lb capability	Sturtevant Richmont CCM-1501
1	Small tweezers to aide in fastener handling	-
AR	lsopropanol (to clean adjoining structure and Lightband interfacing surfaces)	-
AR	Lint Free Wipes (to clean adjoining structure and Lightband interfacing surfaces)	-
AR	Ability to measure flatness of adjoining structures (granite table and thickness gages, CMM, laser, etc.)	Starrett 66 Thickness Gage and granite table
AR	Ability to maintain and measure circularity of Lower and Upper Rings after attachment (custom flat head screws or gage pins along with known precise adjoining structure, caliper that spans MLB, etc.)	PSC 2002753 FLH Alignment Screw and 2000741 Transition Ring

Table 3-3: Mechanical attachment (Section 7)

Table 3-4: Mating (Section 8)

Qty	Item	Make & Model Typically Used by PSC
AR	Ability to compress Lightband (payload, weights, compression fixture, LCTs). See note 1 below.	-
1	 Ability to verify Lightband pre-Stow flange distance. Either a) Telescoping Gauge and Caliper to measure Lightband flange separation (1.3 to 2.1 inch range), or b) Go-no go gauge 	Starrett 229C and Mitutoyo 500-175- 30 or PSC 2002486 MLB Go No Go Stow Gauge
1	Torque wrench capable of indicating 1 in·lb	Seekonk SL-6 or Capri CP21075S
1	7/64 inch ball hex key to fit on torque wrench (regular hex end and universal joint may be substituted for ball driver)	-

1) An in-line load cell is highly recommended if using a crane to raise and lower a payload. This allows real-time monitoring of the Lightband's net Separation Spring force.

Qty (2)	Item	Make & Model Typically Used by PSC	
1	Power source, adjustable, 32 $V_{\scriptscriptstyle DC}$ and 6.5 A capability	BK Precision 1687B	
12, 26	Patch cord (to create power and measurement and test circuits, minimum 3.5 A per line, recommend black and red colors)	Pomona, Banana-to-Banana, 18 AWG	
1	Oscilloscope, 4 isolated channels	Tektronix TPS2014B (3), Fluke 190 series Rohde & Schwarz RTH1004	
1	Ability to save oscilloscope data and transfer to computer	Compact flash card and reader	
2	Current probe for oscilloscope, 0.05 to 4.0 A range	Tektronix A622	
1	Adjustable timer relay with trigger, 0.5 to 1.5 s with 0.1 s or finer increments	Macromatic TD-78122	
1	Trigger switch (minimum 7 A & 32 V)	-	
2, 6	10 Ω power resistor, ≥100 W, used to simulate Lightband motor	Dale HL-100-06Z-10R00-J-J	
1	Digital Multimeter (DMM) with leads	Fluke 77IV	
1	DE-9 pin breakout cable to connect to Lightband	custom made	
1, 3	DE-9 socket breakout cable for Test Circuits	custom made	
1	Digital camera and video camera to record operation	-	

Table 3-5: Operating (Sections 9, 10, 11)

2) Items with dual numbers are the minimum required quantity followed by the recommended quantity. Having the recommended quantity will save time.

3) This procedure includes recommended display settings for the Tektronix TPS2O14B Oscilloscope.

Table 3-6: Using LCTs (Section 18)

Qty	ltem	Make & Model Typically Used by PSC
1	Caliper and telescoping gage to measure Lightband flange separation (1.3 to 2.1 inch range)	Mitutoyo 500-175-30 & Starrett 229C
AR	4000637 Lightband Compression Tool	-
AR	Nylon cable tie, minimum 50 lb breaking strength, 7 inch long (qty. 1 per LCT pair is required but recommend having extras)	MS3367-1-0 (The 'O' specifies the color. Any final number is acceptable.)
1	Cable tie tool with adjustable force	Ty-Rap ERG 50
1	1/4 inch open end wrench	-
1	Dial torque wrench (not break-over), 12 in·lb capability	Precision Instruments DS1F15CHNM
1	3/32 inch hex key attachment for torque wrench	-
1	Wire cutter (to cut cable tie)	-
1	Optional: break-over torque wrench with 3/32 inch hex key, 12 in·lb capability (useful if access to LCTs is limited)	

4. Warnings

Violating any of the below shall void PSC document 1001015 MLB Warranty.

- 1. All technicians completing this procedure shall be trained directly by PSC and given authority to operate the Lightband(s) stated in PSC document *3000224 MLB Training Record*.
- 2. The Lightband shall only be operated using this procedure. This procedure shall be filled out for every operation of the Lightband. Steps shall not be skipped or modified unless they specifically permit otherwise.
- 3. If a Lightband ever fails to operate correctly, PSC shall be contacted for recommendations and troubleshooting techniques. Subsequent operations shall not be attempted without first understanding the cause of the failure. See Section 5 Anomaly Reporting for instructions.
- 4. The Lightband shall always be attached to adjoining structures per this procedure prior to Stowing.
- 5. All fasteners shall be used when attaching the Lightband to adjoining structures. Fasteners shall not be omitted from any mounting hole in the Lightband.
- 6. Never power the Lightband in the Stow direction without the Upper Ring Mated per Section 8. This would cause damage by repeatedly slamming the MBA drivetrain against a hard stop at high speed and force.
- 7. The tolerance on the pre-Stowed Lightband distance is not the same as the Stowed tolerance. Ensure objects, like wiring harnesses, routed between the Lightband flanges do not inhibit proper operation. Also do not leave stiff objects, like gage blocks, between the flanges during Stow.
- 8. The Upper Ring shall be physically separated from the Lower Ring after every Deployment. A Stow operation shall not be attempted without first inspecting the Lightband.
- 9. Both motors shall always be powered when operating the Lightband.
- 10. The Lightband shall only be Stowed within the temperature range of 10 to 32 °C (50 to 90 °F).
- 11. PSC sends power to both motors simultaneously (via a single relay) in all operations. The customer may power each motor via separate circuits provided the timing is synchronized within 0.005 s. This applies to power on and power off.
- 12. Do not attempt to remove or otherwise tamper with any part markings (engravings, stickers, ink, etc.). PSC shall be contacted if there is any visible damage to the part marking.

5. Anomaly Reporting

If an anomaly occurs, contact <u>psc.support@rocketlabusa.com</u> with all the below requested data. Providing all data will avoid confusion and substantially expedite PSC's response.

- 1. Stop immediately and maintain the existing configuration (if safe).
- 2. Thoroughly document the Lightband's state with pictures and notes. Pictures of the MBA, Hinged Leaves, and Upper Ring internal leaf grooves are often valuable when troubleshooting. Verify the quality and focus of every picture prior to sending.
- 3. Provide the three prior operation's electrical profiles (if applicable to anomaly) as an Excel file.
 - Ensure all data is properly formatted, titled, graphed, and labeled. Sending only the raw oscilloscope .CSV files will significantly increase PSC's response time.
 - Ensure all date labels correspond to the actual event date.
- 4. Provide a copy of this as-run procedure.
- 5. Provide any relevant operation details including, but not limited to:
 - Adjoining structures. To what is the Lightband bolted?
 - To date, how many Lightband operations have been performed?
 - Reason for operation. Was it an environmental test, avionics verification, integration, or other?
 - Are all components accessible? Are there any access restrictions? Is the Lightband in a clean room?
 - All of the above inform potential failure modes.

6. Handling Precautions

Lower Ring

- 1. Do not touch the ball screw. Be especially careful when installing fasteners adjacent the Motor Bracket Assembly. See Figure 6-1.
- 2. Do not touch the portion of the Hinged Leaves that engage the Upper Ring. Do not wipe off the grease during cleaning. See Figure 6–2.
- 3. Do not grab the motors or use them to rotate the Lower Ring.
- 4. Do not allow the motors to contact anything. This is especially crucial when rotating the Lower Ring. See Figure 6-3.
- 5. Do not touch the gear cover on the Motor Bracket Assembly. See Figure 6-4.
- 6. Do not grab the Separation Springs or use them to rotate the Lower Ring. See Figure 6-5.
- 7. Do not touch the Leaf Retaining Cord. This is especially applicable when attaching the Lower Ring to adjoining structures. See Figure 6-6.

Upper Ring

- 1. Do not touch the Leaf groove. Do not remove grease from the groove when cleaning. See Figure 6–2.
- 2. Do not touch the spring plungers. Do not allow the spring plungers to contact anything. See Figure 6-7.
- 3. Do not place the Upper Ring "face down" on a surface if there are Separation Connectors or Separation Switches installed. Doing so could damage or contaminate Connector pins, Switch plungers or the Upper Ring flange. See Figure 6–8

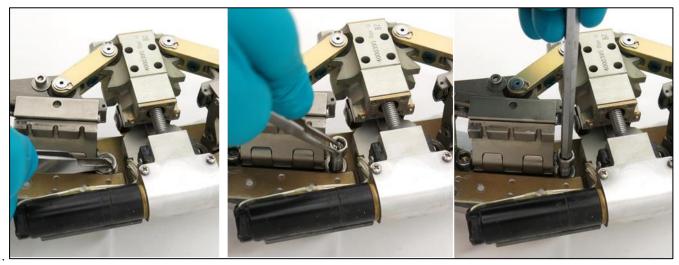


Figure 6-1: Carefully install fasteners immediately adjacent the MBA

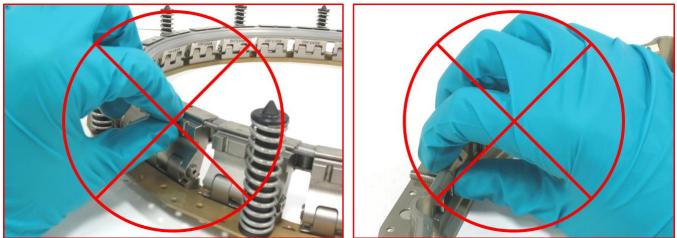


Figure 6-2: Do not touch the Leaf lip or its corresponding groove in the Upper Ring

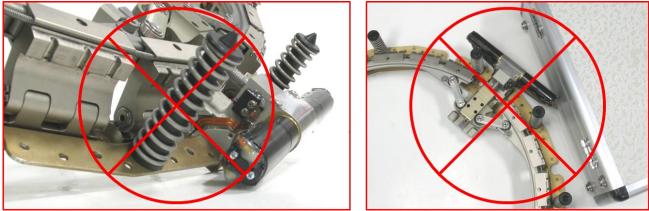


Figure 6-3: Do not allow the motors to contact the table or any other objects

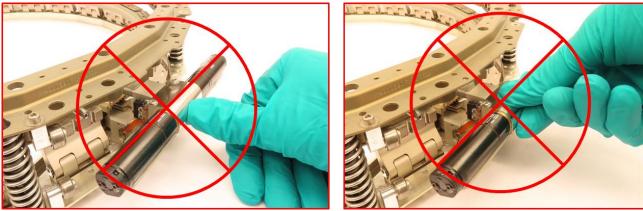


Figure 6-4: Do not touch the gear cover



Figure 6-5: Do not touch the Separation Springs



Figure 6-6: Ensure the Leaf Retaining Cord is not contacted

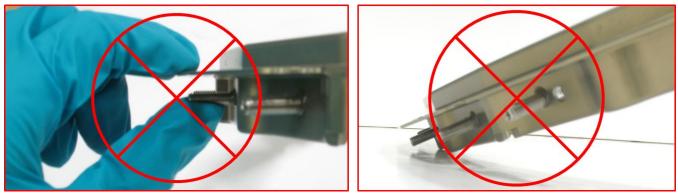


Figure 6-7: Do not touch spring plungers or allow them to contact anything

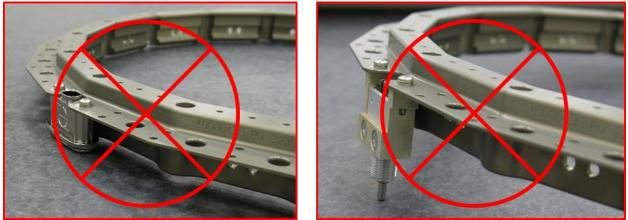


Figure 6-8: Do not allow Upper Ring accessories to contact anything

Safely handle the Lightband by grabbing the flanges on the Lower Ring and Upper Rings as shown in Figure 6-9.

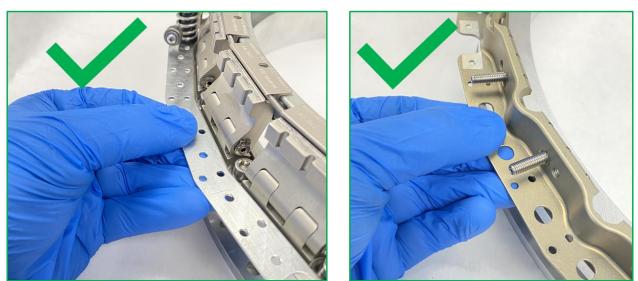


Figure 6-9: Uses flanges to handle the Lightband

7. Lightband Mechanical Attachment

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
7.1.1	 Ensure the SN on the Upper Ring corresponds to the SN on the Lower Ring. Record all Lightband info on the cover page. The assembly number and revision can be found on both the Upper and Lower Rings, typically adjacent the Motor Bracket Assembly. PSC document 3000224 MLB Training Record also lists the MLB sizes and numbers. 		
7.1.2	 The Lightband is designed to accommodate 0.25 inch socket head cap (SHC) screws and small pattern washers (< 0.50 inch OD). Have ready the required tools and hardware necessary to attach the Lightband to both upper and lower adjoining structures. See Table 3-3 and Section 15 for equipment. 		N/A
7.1.3	Verify the flatness of the Lower Ring's adjoining structure complies with the most recent version of PSC document 2000785 Mkll MLB User Manual. See note 1 below.		
	Structure Description: Required Flatness [in]: Measured Flatness [in]:		
7.1.4	Verify the flatness of the Upper Ring's adjoining structure complies with the most recent version of PSC Document 2000785 MkII MLB User Manual. See note 1 below.		
	Structure Description:		
	Required Flatness [in]:		
	Measured Flatness [in]:		

1) **IMPORTANT**: Measured Flatness is the final assembled flatness, not the flatness of the individual part.

(a) Assembly will often warp structures so it is imperative to measure flatness after assembly.

- (b) Measurement does not have to be real-time.
- (c) Referencing a prior inspection is acceptable provided it was for the identical configuration.

		Date &	Initials
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
7.1.5	After attachment, the Lower and Upper Rings must meet the circularity requirement (may be specified as bolt circle tolerance) in PSC document 2000785 MkII MLB User Manual and Step 7.1.15. Plan out the method that will be used to ensure the requirement is met. Also ensure the circularity of both adjoining structure bolt circle patterns is known. Forcing the Lightband to align with non-circular mounting holes will cause an anomaly.		
	 Alignment method examples for attachment of Upper and Lower MLB rings to adjoining structures with: Threaded bolt hole patterns – use 3X or more Flat Head Alignment Screws (description in Table 15–1. Bolt circle circularity <i>must</i> be known to meet requirement.) Thru-hole bolt hole patterns – use 3X or more gage pins to maintain circularity during attachment (structure's bolt circle circularity must be known to meet requirement and thru holes must of similar size as Lightband, ~.281 in) Bolt hole patterns that were not measured after final assembly – use calipers or a CMM to measure diametric distance across Lower Ring and Upper Ring flanges after attachment. 		N/A
	What method will be used to ensure circularity?		
7.1.6	Will Separation Switches or Separation Connectors be attached to the Lightband?		
	If so, carefully review PSC documents 2001025 Separation Connector Data Sheet and 2002204 Separation Switch Data Sheet for unique attachment requirements. Also ensure sufficient tool access will be available as adjoining structures often overhang the Lightband and restrict access.		N/A
7.1.7	The mating surfaces of both adjoining structures and the Lightband interface surfaces shall be visibly clean, to the normal unaided eye, of all particulate matter and non-particulate film matter. If not, clean with isopropanol-soaked lint free wipes.		
7.1.8	Lower Ring attachment to adjoining structure for all Lightbands except the MLB 15.000-24 (unless using reduced head fasteners).		
	Place the Lower Ring on the adjoining structure. Insert fasteners and washers through mounting holes. It is often easier to place the washer on the Lower Ring prior to inserting the screw. Tighten fasteners until hand tight. See Figure 7-2 & Figure 7-4. Then skip to step 7.1.11.		

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
7.1.9	Lower Ring attachment to adjoining structure for the MLB 15.000-24 only. (If using reduced head fasteners per Section 15 follow step 7.1.8 instead.)		
	 The spacing between Leaves is tight and requires a unique attachment procedure. Elevate the Lower Ring off the table. This will permit the screws to protrude below. Place only the washer on the Lower Ring. Insert the screw. If the screw head rubs, push on each adjacent Leaf Pin to move it out of the way slightly. If the adjoining structure has through holes place the Lower Ring on the structure allowing all screws to drop in the holes. If the adjoining structure has threaded holes, the screws must be threaded gradually. Work around the Lightband, turning each screw a few turns at a time until hand tight. Take care to prevent the screw heads from jamming up into the Leaf Pins. 		
	See Figure 7-1 to Figure 7-4.		



Figure 7-1: Pushing Leaf Pin to side to make room for SHC screw (15.000-24 only).



Figure 7-2: Inserting a SHC screw between Leaves on Lower Ring.



Figure 7-3: SHC screw and washer inserted between Leaves on elevated Lower Ring.



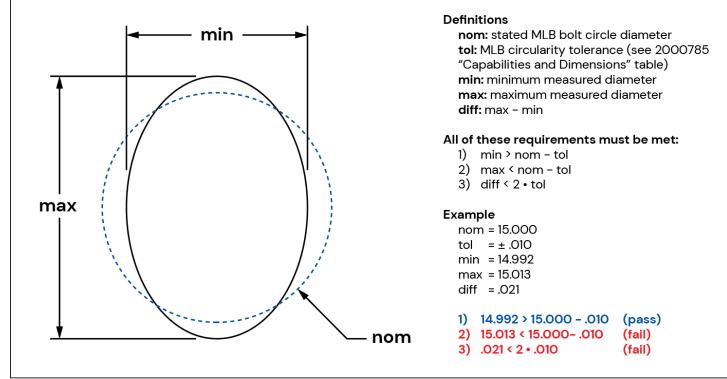
Figure 7-4: Separated Lightband halves attached to adjoining structures.

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Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
7.1.10	Lower Ring: If used, replace Flat Head Alignment Screws or Gage Pins with appropriate attachment hardware. This step may be skipped if Flat Head Alignment Screws or gage pins were not used.		N/A
7.1.11	Lower Ring: Torque all fasteners on the Lower Ring. Minimum allowable torque is 70 in·lb. PSC typically torques 100 to 115 in·lb. Higher torque is allowable for high line-loading. See note 2.		
7.1.12	Upper Ring: Attach the Upper Ring to its adjoining structure by inserting fasteners and washers through the counterbores. Tighten fasteners until hand tight. Do not contact the Lightband with the wrench. See Figure 7-4.		
7.1.13	Upper Ring: If used, replace Flat Head Alignment Screws or Gage Pins with appropriate attachment hardware. This step may be skipped if Flat Head Alignment Screws or gage pins were not used.		N/A
7.1.14	Upper Ring : Torque all fasteners on the Upper Ring. Minimum allowable torque is 70 in·lb. PSC typically torques 100 to 115 in·lb. Higher torque is allowable for high line-loading. See note 2.		

2) Customer shall always perform a thorough bolted-joint analysis to ensure sufficient margin on material strength, joint slipping, and joint gapping.

				Date &	Initials
Step	Procedur	re in the second se		Tech.	QA
7.1.15	Verify the circularity of both the Lower and L document 2000785 Mkll MLB User Manual.	Jpper Rings compl	lies with PSC		
	 If verifying circularity by post-attachment m Measurement frequency shall be sufficie diameters are determined (typically each If measuring a feature other than the bolk Figure 7-5. Record results in table below. 	nt to ensure minin h bolt location, or	each flange flat).		
	Parameter	Lower Ring	Upper Ring		
	Circularity tolerance, ±tol [in]				
	Maximum measured value, max [in]				
	Minimum measured value, min [in]				
	Difference, max-min [in]				
	All requirements of Figure 7-5 met?				

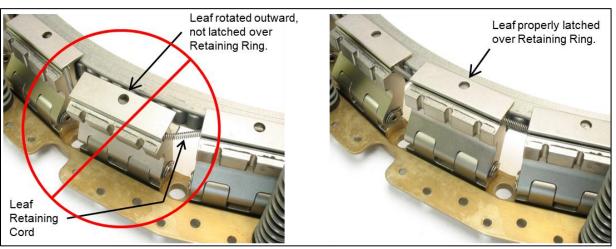
3) If measuring a feature other than the bolt circle diameter (e.g. the distance across the flats of diametrically opposing flanges) the difference between the minimum and maximum values shall correspond to the total circularity tolerance. For example, a circularity tolerance of ±X implies the flange difference, max-min, shall be ≤2X.





8. Mating the Lightband

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
8.1.1	Verify the Upper and Lower Rings are attached to adjoining structures per Section 7. Also see Section 4 warning #4.		
8.1.2	Orient the Lightband such that the wiring will reach the DE-9 electrical connector. Also ensure 1 ft minimum radial clearance around the Lightband for pre-Stow distance measurements.		N/A
8.1.3	 Inspect the Lightband to verify: It is visually free from damage. All Hinged Leaves are properly latched over the Retaining Ring. See Figure 8-1 for proper orientation. The Leaf Retaining Cord is seated in the groove of every Hinged Leaf. 		
8.1.4	Verify the Sliding Tube can move fully radially inward such that it contacts the Motor Bracket Deploy hard stops per Figure 8-2. If it cannot, proceed to step 8.1.5.		



a) Incorrect Leaf position. b) Correct Leaf position. Figure 8-1: Verifying Leaf positions



a) Incorrect position (Stowed) b) Correct position (Deployed) Figure 8-2: Verifying pre-Mate Sliding Tube position

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
8.1.5	This step shall only be performed if required by Step 8.1.4. This is typically only necessary prior to the first mate (after unpacking the Lightband).		
	 Contacting only the top surfaces, push the Sliding Tube radially outward (towards the motors). 		
	 Then, while maintaining force on the Sliding Tube, use a 7/64 inch hex key to rotate the ball screw clockwise as shown in Figure 8-3. The Ball screw should rotate smoothly with very low running torque. If torque exceeds 1 in·lb, stop and investigate. 		
	 Continue rotating the ball screw until there is approximately a 0.1 inch gap between the Sliding Tube and Motor Bracket as shown in Figure 8-4. Note this will require approximately 35 full revolutions. 		

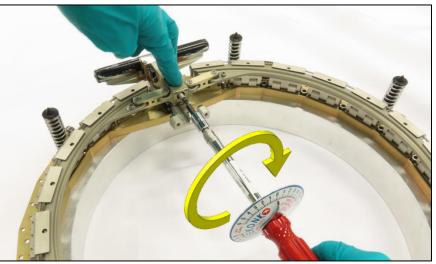


Figure 8-3: Rotating ball screw to allow Sliding Tube travel

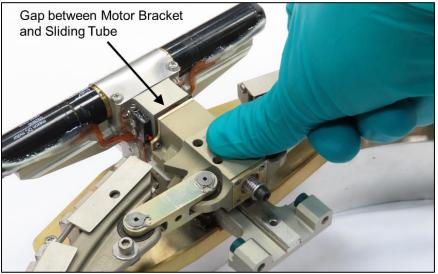


Figure 8-4: Gap after rotating ball screw

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
8.1.6	Consider how the Lightband will be compressed.		
	 The Separation Springs may be distributed asymmetrically around the Lightband to induce tip-off or compensate for an offset CG. In this case, using a central single compression point may not be adequate and Lightband Compression Tools (LCTs) are effective. See Section 18 for details on the use of LCTs. 		N/A
8.1.7	For horizontal integration, skip to Section 13.		N/A
8.1.8	 Verify the system being used to compress the Lightband has a total axial (X_{LB}) stiffness less than 2,000 lb/in (the entire loop from the Upper Ring around to the Lower Ring). This compliance ensures the Lightband is able to self-align while Stowing. If the system is overly stiff, the Lightband motors will not be able to impart the necessary power required to quickly move the Upper Ring into alignment. This applies to a crane system offloading a mass, a compression clamp fixture, etc. An isolation system (if attached to the Lightband) can be included in this stiffness calculation. See Figure 8-5. 		

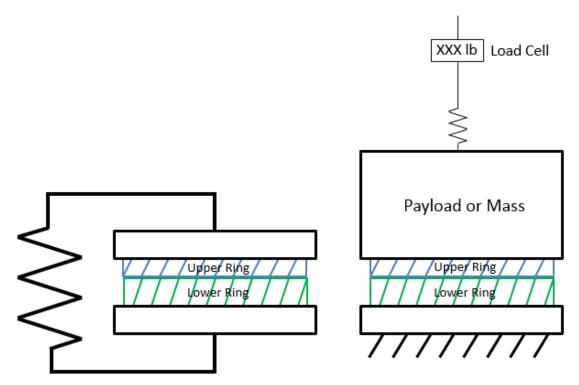


Figure 8-5: Verifying compliance in Lightband compression system. Two common methods shown.

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Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
8.1.9	 Verify the lateral (Y_{LB} & Z_{LB}) stiffness between the Upper and Lower Rings is less than 100 lb/in. This compliance ensures the Lightband can self-align while Stowing. If the system is overly stiff, the Lightband motors will not be able to impart the necessary power required to quickly move the Upper Ring into alignment. 		
8.1.10	Ensure the Lower Ring is on a stable and visually level surface.		
8.1.11	May skip this step if no Separation Connectors have been installed or moved since the last Stow/Set-For-Flight/Deploy operation.		
	 Ensure the fasteners of any attached Separation Connectors are loosened approximately one quarter turn from snug. Both connector halves shall be able to translate but not roll. Inspect the connector halves: With the unaided eye, do Separation Connector pins have acceptably uniform free pin heights and appear free of debris that could inhibit nominal travel? Are all Separation Connector EMI gaskets present and free of yield or damage? Is the pin-matrix fully seated in the connector housing? (see Figure 8-6 and Figure 8-7 for examples). 		
8.1.12	 Move the Upper Ring close to the Lower Ring for alignment checks. Verify alignment before any force is applied to compress the Lightband. Per Figure 8-8 ensure: Cutout in Upper Ring aligns over Motor Bracket Assembly on Lower Ring. All Separation Connector/Switch cutouts align. All Separation Spring tips protrude through appropriate holes in the Upper Ring. 		
	IMPORTANT: if using a crane to lower a payload, perform all crane adjustments with the Upper Ring entirely above the Separation Spring tips to prevent damage due to excess crane movement.		



Figure 8-6: Examples of Upper and Lower Connectors – damaged and poorly assembled. Upper Connector (left) exhibits damaged EMI gasket and unseated pin matrix (brown). Lower Connector (right) exhibits damaged (stuck) pin and unseated matrix.



Figure 8-7: Examples of Pristine Upper and Lower Connectors with properly installed matrices. Note that the face of the Upper Connector (left) Matrix is inset from the connector face when fully installed. Note that the face of the Lower Connector (right) Matrix is flush with the inner face of the connector body.

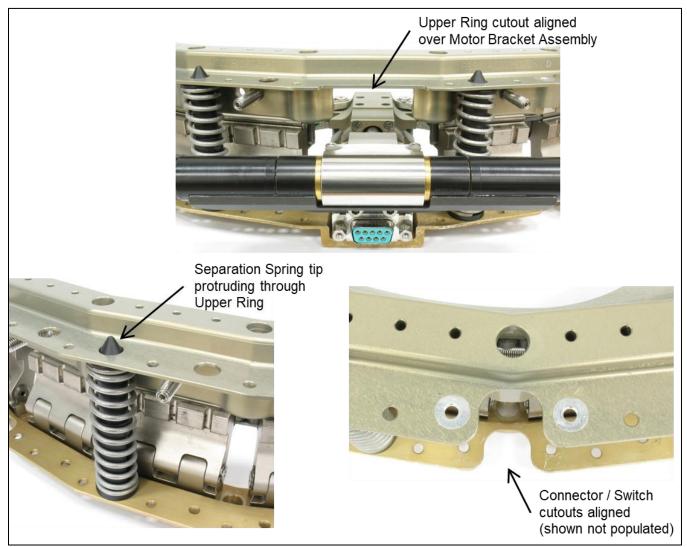


Figure 8-8: Aligning the Lower and Upper Rings.

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Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
8.1.13	If using LCTs ensure they are properly attached per Section 18.2 then proceed to Section 18.3.		N/A
8.1.14	Compress the Lightband. This can be achieved by placing weights on the Upper Ring, using the weight of the payload, compressing in a fixture, etc. The total applied force shall be within the range calculated below. Separation Spring quantity =		
	Minimum force =Springs x 20 lb =lb		
	Maximum force =Springs x 30 lb =lb		
	Apply the force gradually and verify all Hinged Leaves rotate inside the Upper Ring as it compresses.		
	Stop once the minimum force is applied.		
8.1.15	 Once the minimum compressive force has been applied, verify the Lightband is properly compressed. Figure 8-9 shows a cross section of the Stowed Lightband. Verify the pre-Stow flange distance in at least 6 locations evenly spaced around the Lightband. If any measurement is not in specification, verify proper alignment and compressive force. The force center may need to be translated slightly to better align with the Separation Springs' net center of force. 		
	 Increase compressive force as necessary, up to the maximum allowable per Step 8.1.14, until all measurements are in specification 		

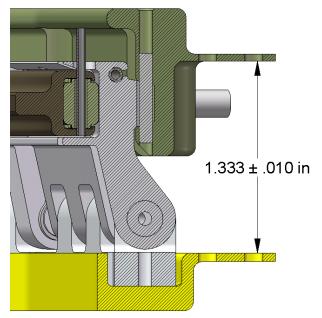


Figure 8-9: Lightband pre-Stow distance

9. Stowing the Lightband

This section will Stow the Lightband. During the Stow operation the Lightband's internal switches experience three collective switch states. Prior to Stowing, three test circuits will be operated to verify proper power and data acquisition. Emulating each switch state reduces the probability of an anomaly. In order, the states are:

- 1. Deployed (full voltage and current draw for entire duration)
- 2. Intermediate (full voltage and current draw for entire duration)
- 3. Stowed (no voltage or current draw as this state emulates the stow switches cut power)

9.1 Stow Test Circuit #1 (Deployed State)

		Date &	Initials
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
9.1.1	 Oscilloscope shall record voltage and current per the following requirements: 1. Sample rate: ≥ 1,000 Hz 2. Voltage resolution: ≤ 0.2 V 3. Current resolution: ≤ 0.02 A 		N/A
9.1.2	Set up the Stow Power and Measurement Circuit portion of <i>Stow Test Circuit</i> #1 per Figure 9-1.		
9.1.3	 Excessively long harnesses and/or thin wires have significant resistance which will reduce the voltage at the motors. Verify the resistance between the power source and Lightband connector is acceptable. This applies to the complete loop (power and return). PSC recommends the following method Ensure power source output is off. Set the timer relay function to <i>D: One Shot'</i> and 5 s duration. Set a DMM to measure resistance and connect it across the power source. Jumper pin 2 to pin 3 on a DE-9 socket connector and connect to the <i>Stow Power and Measurement Circuit</i>. Activate the timer relay and read the DMM resistance measurement. It shall be < 1.0 Ω. This verifies the Motor A portion of the circuit. Remove the pin 2 to pin 3 jumper and connect pin 6 to pin 7. Activate the timer relay and read the DMM resistance measurement. It shall be < 1.0 Ω. This verifies the Motor B portion of the circuit. 		
9.1.4	Set up the Test Circuit: Deployed circuit per Figure 9-1		
9.1.5	Connect Test Circuit: Deployed to the Stow Power and Measurement Circuit.		

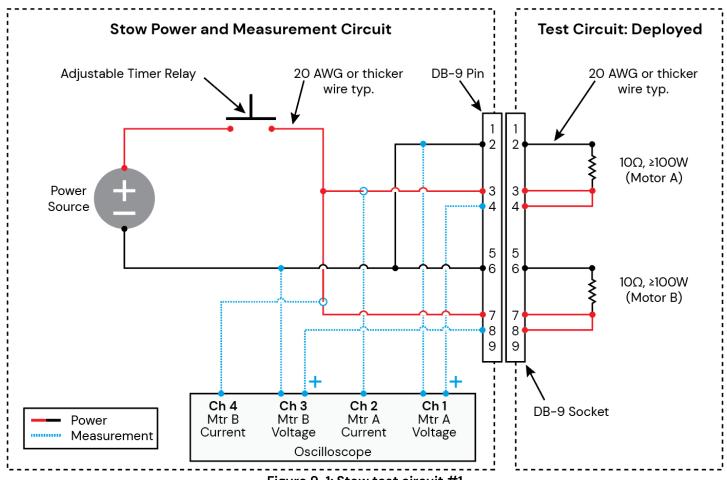
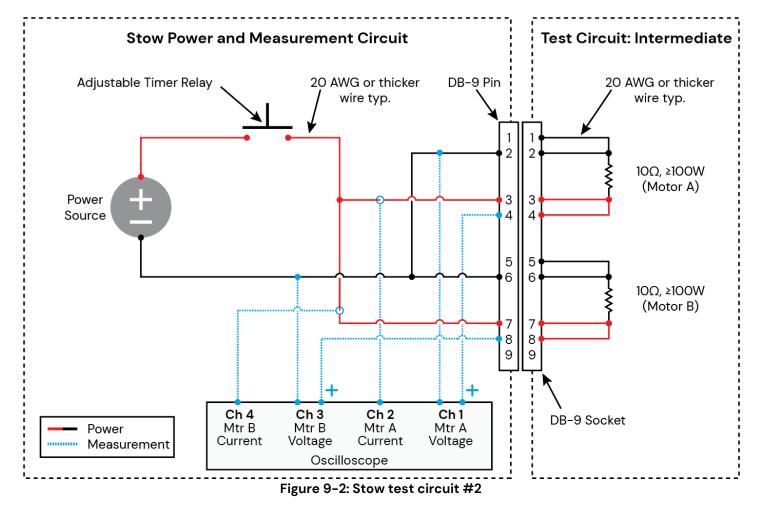


Figure 9-1: Stow test circuit #1

		Date &	Initials
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
9.1.6	Set the power source voltage according to Lightband size: Diameter < 31.0 inch: 27 to 28 V _{DC} Diameter ≥ 31.0 inch and greater: 30 to 31 V _{DC}		
9.1.7	Set the current limit on the power source to 6.5 ± 0.1 A .		
9.1.8	Set the timer relay to apply power for $1.50 \pm 0.05 \text{ s}$.		
	If using the recommended timer, set its function to 'D: One Shot'.		
9.1.9	 Adjust oscilloscope to properly capture all channels. Verify Current probe scale matches oscilloscope on Ch. 2 & 4 (10A/V on oscilloscope & 100 mV/A on current probes) Current probes are zeroed Voltage scales on Ch. 1 & 3 (recommend 5 V/div) Vertical positions on Ch. 1 & 3 (recommend zero at 1.5 div from bottom of screen) Current scales on Ch. 2 & 4 (recommend 500 mA/div) Vertical positions on Ch. 2 & 4 (recommend zero at 1 div from bottom of screen) Horizontal time scale will capture entire duration (recommend 250 ms/div) Horizontal trigger position (recommend 1 div from left of screen) Vertical trigger level and channel (recommend Ch. 1 set to 2 V) 		
9.1.10	 Perform the following to operate the test circuit. 1. Turn on the power source output. 2. Verify the oscilloscope trigger is active and ready to acquire data. 3. Activate the timer relay. 4. Verify the following occurred: 4.1. Voltage and current recorded per step 9.1.1 4.2. Measured voltage meets requirement in step 9.1.6 for Channels 1 & 3 4.3. Measured current values are approximately 1/10th of applied voltage for Channels 2 & 4 4.4. Timer relay applies power per step 9.1.8 4.5. Data saves and is readable on a computer 5. If positions or scales were altered to examine data, ensure they are returned to their original values. 6. Turn off the power source output. If any parameters are not met, make the required changes and repeat this step.		
	not be changed.		
9.1.11	Disconnect the Test Circuit: Deployed from Stow Power and Measurement Circuit shown in Figure 9-1.		N/A

9.2 Stow Test Circuit #2 (Intermediate State)

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
9.2.1	Set up the Test Circuit: Intermediate per Figure 9-2.		
9.2.2	Connect Test Circuit: Intermediate to Stow Power and Measurement Circuit.		



		Date &	Initials
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
9.2.3	 Perform the following to operate the test circuit. 1. Turn on the power source output. 2. Verify the oscilloscope trigger is active and ready to acquire data. 3. Activate the timer relay. 4. Verify the following occurred: 4.1. Voltage and current recorded per step 9.1.1 4.2. Measured voltage meets requirement in step 9.1.6 for Channels 1 & 3 4.3. Measured current values are approximately 1/10th of applied voltage for Channels 2 & 4 4.4. Timer relay applies power per step 9.1.8 4.5. Data saves and is readable on a computer 5. If positions or scales were altered to examine data, ensure they are returned to their original values. 6. Turn off the power source output. 		
	If any parameters are not met, make the required changes and repeat this step.		
	Any change to the <i>Stow Power and Measurement Circuit</i> shall also require re- running <i>Stow Test Circuit #1</i> per Section 9.1.		
9.2.4	Disconnect the Test Circuit: Intermediate from Stow Power and Measurement Circuit shown in Figure 9-2.		N/A

9.3 Stow Test Circuit #3 (Stowed State)

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
9.3.1	Set up the Test Circuit: Stowed per Figure 9-3.		
9.3.2	Connect Test Circuit: Stowed to the Stow Power and Measurement Circuit.		

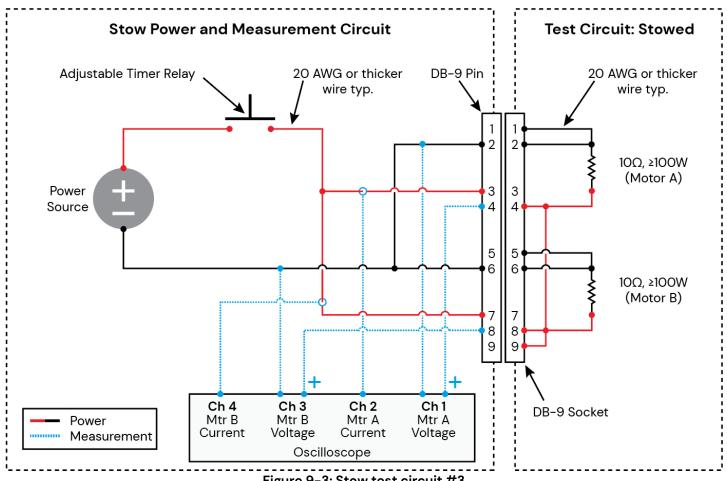
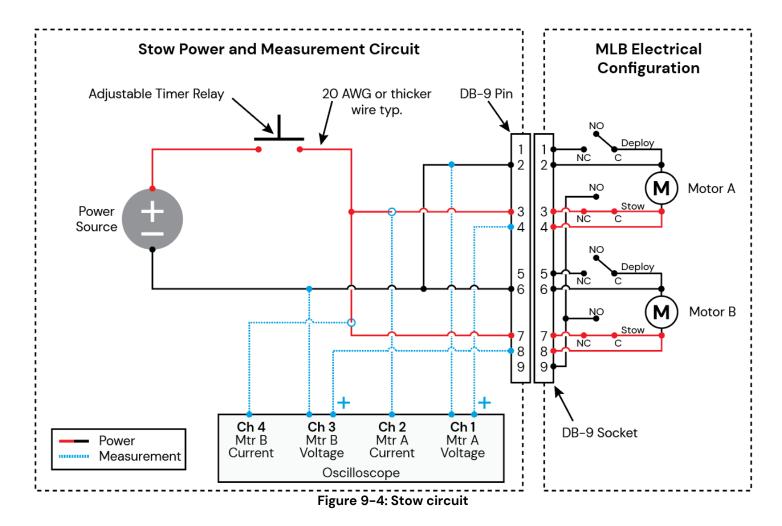


Figure 9-3: Stow test circuit #3

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
9.3.3	 Perform the following to operate the test circuit. 1. Designate a person to watch the power source output display (watch responsibility detailed in #5.2.) 2. Turn on the power source output. 3. Verify the oscilloscope trigger is active and ready to acquire data. 4. Activate the timer relay. 5. Verify the following occurred: 5.1. All four measurement channels (voltage and current) remained at zero. The oscilloscope should not trigger. 5.2. The power source's current indicator remained at zero. This ensures even a small voltage or current, below the oscilloscope's trigger level, did not pass through. 6. If positions or scales were altered to examine data, ensure they are returned to their original values. 7. Turn off the power source output. If any parameters are not met, make the required changes and repeat this step. Any change to the Stow Power and Measurement Circuit shall also require rerunning Stow Test Circuit #1 per Section 9.1 and Stow Test Circuit #2 per Section 9.2. 		
9.3.4	Disconnect the Test Circuit: Stowed from Stow Power and Measurement Circuit shown in Figure 9–3.		N/A

9.4 Stow

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
9.4.1	Verify the DE-9 pin connector of the Stow Power and Measurement Circuit in Figure 9-4 is visibly clean. Any debris could detrimentally contaminate the Lightband's mating socket connector.		
9.4.2	 Ensure power source output is off. Connect the Lightband to the Stow Power and Measurement Circuit per Figure 9-4. 		



		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
9.4.3	Prior to Stowing, verify the Lightband is in the allowable temperature range per Section 4, note 10.		
9.4.4	 As weights can shift, LCTs can creep, and because there is often significant time between the previous measurement and this step, Re-verify pre-Stow flange distance still complies with step 8.1.15. If flange distance check fails, repeat step 8.1.15 (or step 18.3.5 if using LCTs). 		
9.4.5	PSC recommends recording video and audio of the Stow operation. This is not required but has proven very helpful in determining root cause in the unexpected event of an anomaly.		N/A
9.4.6	 To Stow the Lightband: Read through this entire step. Assign personnel and responsibilities prior to start of operation. See Figure 9-5 and Table 9-1 for the anticipated current draw and power duration. Designate a person to watch the power source output display. Manually cut power if the current limit is reached or the timer relay runs longer than specified. Turn on the power source output. Verify the oscilloscope trigger is active and ready to acquire data. Activate the timer relay. This will send power to the motors and Stow the Lightband. If the designated person needed to manually cut power, contact PSC per Section 5. A visual inspection of the Lightband may be performed, but do not change configuration.		
9.4.7	Take a picture of the oscilloscope screen in case data inadvertently gets erased.		
9.4.8	Turn off the power source output.		
9.4.9	Save the voltage and current profiles for both motors and verify the data is readable.		
9.4.10	Figure 9–5 shows example Stow voltage and current profiles. Complete Table 9–1 to verify all parameters are within tolerance. Single data point exceedances are acceptable. Also, a slow sample rate may alias data. Do not filter data. Contact PSC if a discrepancy is found.		
	Remember to account for non-zero offsets in the voltage or current measurements.		

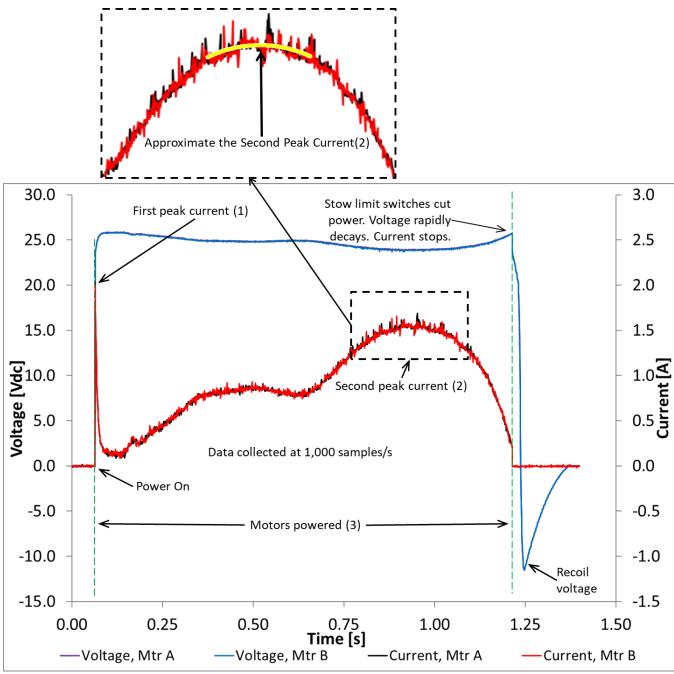


Figure 9-5: Example Stow voltage and current profiles at NTP

Stow Electrical Parameters							
				Allov	vable		sured
						Motor	Motor
MLB Size	Item	Description (1)	Units	Min	Max	A	В
0.000.10	1	First peak current	A/mtr	1.9	3.0		
8.000-12	2	Second peak current	A/mtr	0.4	1.4		
	3	Motors powered duration	S	0.5	1.1		
	1	First peak current	A/mtr	1.9	3.0		
11.732-18	2	Second peak current	A/mtr	0.7	1.6		
	3	Motors powered duration	S	0.5	1.1		
	1	First peak current	A/mtr	1.9	3.0		
13.000-20	2	Second peak current	A/mtr	0.8	1.7		
	3	Motors powered duration	S	0.6	1.1		
	1	First peak current	A/mtr	1.9	3.0		
15.000-24	2	Second peak current	A/mtr	0.9	1.8		
	3	Motors powered duration	S	0.6	1.1		
	1	First peak current	A/mtr	1.9	3.0		
18.250-28	2	Second peak current	A/mtr	1.0	1.9		
	3	Motors powered duration	S	0.6	1.2		
	1	First peak current	A/mtr	1.9	3.0		
19.848-28	2	Second peak current	A/mtr	1.0	1.9		
	3	Motors powered duration	S	0.6	1.2		
	1	First peak current	A/mtr	1.9	3.0		
23.250-32	2	Second peak current	A/mtr	1.1	2.1		
	3	Motors powered duration	S	0.65	1.3		
	1	First peak current	A/mtr	1.9	3.0		
24.000-36	2	Second peak current	A/mtr	1.1	2.1		
	3	Motors powered duration	S	0.65	1.3		
	1	First peak current	A/mtr	2.1	3.2		
31.600-48	2	Second peak current	A/mtr	1.4	2.3		
	3	Motors powered duration	s	0.65	1.3		
	1	First peak current	A/mtr	2.1	3.2		
38.810-60	2	Second peak current	A/mtr	1.5	2.3		
	3	Motors powered duration	S	0.65	1.3		

Table 9-1: Stow electrical verification (values only apply at NTP)

1) Use the current channels to determine Motors powered duration.

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
9.4.11	Disconnect the Stow Power and Measurement Circuit in Figure 9-4 from the Lightband's DE-9 connector.		
	Using a DE-9 breakout harness with visibly clean pins, measure resistances directly at the Lightband's DE-9 socket connector and complete Table 9-2. Contact PSC if a discrepancy is found.		
9.4.12	PSC recommends using a DMM. It will not cause damage to or operate the Lightband. If using a milliohm meter (four wire Kelvin probe system) ensure the test current is <0.01 A to prevent rotating the motors.		
	See Figure 14-1 for the Stowed Motor Bracket Assembly switch state.		

Table 9-2: Stowed resistance measurements (values apply only at NTP)

		Pin	Resistance [Ω]		
Lightband State	Object Being Measured	Connections	Allowable (1)	Measured	
	Motor A	2 , 4	8.0 to 11.0		
	Motor B	6,8	8.0 to 11.0		
	Deploy Limit Switch A	1,2	< 0.3		
Channed	Deploy Limit Switch B	5,6	< 0.3		
Stowed	Stow Limit Switch A	3 , 4	> 1E7		
	Stow Limit Switch B	7,8	> 1E7		
	Stow Limit Switch A	4 , 9	< 0.3		
	Stow Limit Switch B	8,9	< 0.3		

1) Ensure the over limit (OL) indication on the resistance measurement device complies with the maximum tolerance. This is the case for the DMM referenced in Table 3–5.

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
9.4.13	If weights or a fixture were used to compress the Lightband, they may be removed at this time. If LCTs were used, remove cable ties per Section 18.5.		

10. Setting-For-Flight the Lightband

This section will Set-For-Flight (SFF) the Lightband. During the SFF operation the Lightband's internal switches experience two collective switch states. Prior to Setting-For-Flight, two test circuits will be operated to verify proper power and data acquisition. Emulating each switch state reduces the probability of an anomaly. In order, the states are:

- 1. Stowed (full voltage and current draw for entire duration)
- 2. Intermediate (no voltage or current draw as this state emulates the stow switches cut power)

10.1 SFF Test Circuit #1 (Stowed State)

		Date &	Initials
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
10.1.1	Oscilloscope shall record voltage and current per the following requirements: 1. Sample rate: ≥ 1,000 Hz 2. Voltage resolution: ≤ 0.2 V 3. Current resolution: ≤ 0.02 A		N/A
10.1.2	Set up the SFF Power and Measurement Circuit per Figure 10–1. Caution: If oscilloscope channels share common ground be cognizant of their effect on the circuit (see Section 17). Also, do not connect the negative voltage probe to ground as this will bypass the Lightband's limit switches and allow it to		
10.1.3	Deploy. May skip this step if no components/wiring were added or changed since Stowing.		
	Excessively long harnesses and/or thin wires have significant resistance which will reduce the voltage at the motors. Verify the resistance between the power source and Lightband connector is acceptable. This applies to the complete loop (power and return).		
	 PSC recommends the following method Ensure power source output is off. Set the timer relay function to 'D: One Shot' and 5 s duration. Set a DMM to measure resistance and connect it across the power source. Jumper pin 1 to pin 9 on a DE-9 socket connector and connect to the SFF Power and Measurement Circuit. Activate the timer relay and read the DMM resistance measurement. It shall be < 1.0 Ω. This verifies the Motor A portion of the circuit. Remove the pin 1 to pin 9 jumper and connect pin 5 to pin 9. Activate the timer relay and read the DMM resistance measurement. It shall be < 1.0 Ω. This verifies the Motor B portion of the circuit. 		
10.1.4	Set up the Test Circuit: Stowed per Figure 10-1.		
10.1.5	Connect the Test Circuit: Stowed to the SFF Power and Measurement Circuit.		

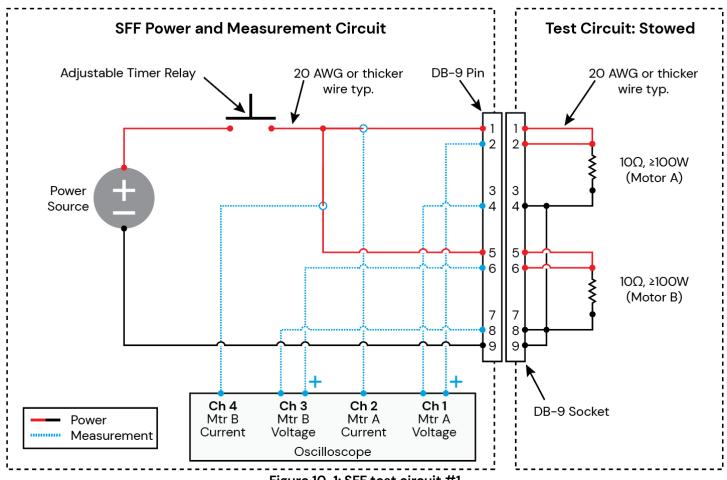


Figure 10-1: SFF test circuit #1

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
10.1.6	Set the power source voltage at 15 to 16 V_{DC} .		
10.1.7	Set the current limit on the power source to $3.5 \pm 0.1 A$.		
10.1.8	Set the timer relay to apply power for 1.40 ± 0.05 s .		
	If using the recommended timer, set its function to 'D: One Shot'.		
10.1.9	 Adjust oscilloscope to properly capture all channels. Verify Current probe scale matches oscilloscope on Ch. 2 & 4 (10A/V on oscilloscope & 100 mV/A on current probes) Current probes are zeroed Voltage scales on Ch. 1 & 3 (recommend 5 V/div) Vertical positions on Ch. 1 & 3 (recommend zero at 3 div from bottom of screen) Current scales on Ch. 2 & 4 (recommend 500 mA/div) Vertical positions on Ch. 2 & 4 (recommend zero at 3 div from bottom of screen) Horizontal time scale will capture entire duration (recommend 250 ms/div) Horizontal trigger position (recommend 1 div from left of screen) Vertical trigger level and channel (recommend Ch. 1 set to 2 V) 		
10.1.10	 Perform the following to operate the test circuit. 1. Turn on the power source output. 2. Verify the oscilloscope trigger is active and ready to acquire data. 3. Activate the timer relay. 4. Verify the following occurred: 4.1. Voltage and current recorded per step 10.1.1 4.2. Measured voltage meets requirement in step 10.1.6 for Channels 1 & 3 4.3. Measured current values are approximately 1/10th of applied voltage for Channels 2 & 4 4.4. Timer relay applies power per step 10.1.8 4.5. Data saves and is readable on a computer 5. If positions or scales were altered to examine data, ensure they are returned to their original values. 6. Turn off the power source output. If any parameters are not met, make the required changes and repeat this step.		
	not be changed. Disconnect the <i>Test Circuit: Stowed</i> from <i>SFF Power and Measurement</i>		
10.1.11	<i>Circuit</i> shown in Figure 10–1.		N/A

10.2 SFF Test Circuit #2 (Intermediate State)

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
10.2.1	Set up the Test Circuit: Intermediate per Figure 10-2.		
10.2.2	Connect the Test Circuit: Intermediate to the SFF Power and Measurement Circuit.		

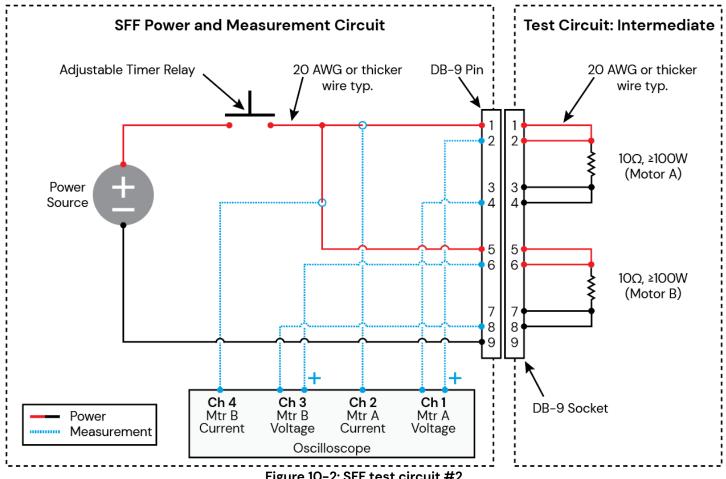
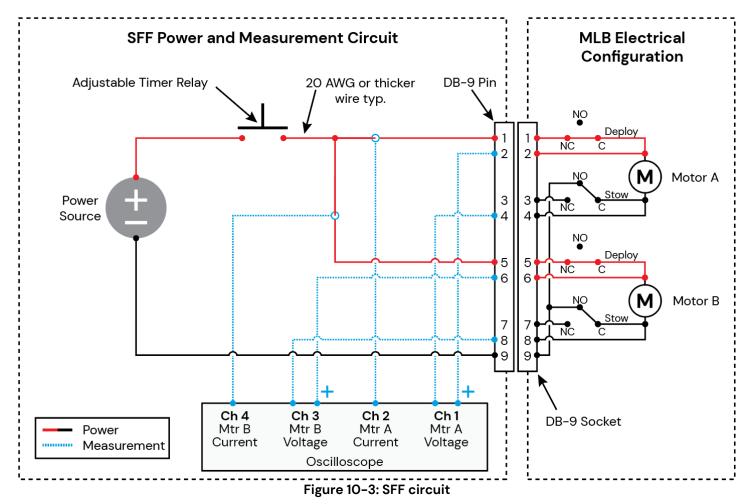


Figure 10-2: SFF test circuit #2

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
10.2.3	 Perform the following to operate the test circuit. 1. Designate a person to watch the power source output display (watch responsibility detailed in #5.2.). 2. Turn on the power source output. 3. Verify the oscilloscope trigger is active and ready to acquire data. 4. Activate the timer relay. 5. Verify the following occurred: 5.1. All four measurement channels (voltage and current) remained at zero. The oscilloscope should not trigger. 5.2. The power source's current indicator remained at zero. This ensures even a small voltage or current, below the oscilloscope's trigger level, did not pass through. 6. If positions or scales were altered to examine data, ensure they are set back to their original values. 7. Turn off the power source output. If any parameters are not met, make the required changes and repeat this step. Any change to the SFF Power and Measurement Circuit shall also require rerunning SFF Test Circuit #1 per Section 10.1. 		
10.2.4	Disconnect the Test Circuit: Intermediate from SFF Power and Measurement Circuit shown in Figure 10–2.		N/A

10.3 Set-For-Flight

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
10.3.1	Verify the DE-9 pin connector of the SFF Power and Measurement Circuit in Figure 10-3 is visibly clean. Any debris could detrimentally contaminate the Lightband's mating socket connector.		
10.3.2	 Ensure power source output is off. Connect the Lightband to the SFF Power and Measurement Circuit per Figure 10-3. 		



		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
10.3.3	PSC recommends recording video and audio of the Set-For-Flight operation. This is not required but has proven very helpful in determining root cause in the unexpected event of an anomaly.		N/A
10.3.4	 To Set-For-Flight the Lightband: Read through this entire step. a) Assign personnel and responsibilities prior to start of operation. See Figure 10-4 and Table 10-1 for the anticipated current draw and power duration. Designate a person to watch the power source output display. a) Manually cut power if the current limit is reached or the timer relay runs longer than specified. Turn on the power source output. Verify the oscilloscope trigger is active and ready to acquire data. Activate the timer relay. This will send power to the motors and Set-For-Flight the Lightband. The drivetrain will free run for ~1.1 s and then the Sliding Tube will move off the Stow limit switches. This will be apparent via one or more of the following a) the current spikes b) the Sliding Tube begins to rapidly move off and on the Motor Bracket c) an audible chatter emanates from the Motor Bracket Assembly (the chatter is the electro-mechanical natural frequency of the Motor Bracket Assembly) If the designated person needed to manually cut power, contact PSC per Section 5. A visual inspection of the Lightband may be performed, but do not change configuration. 		
10.3.5	Take a picture of the oscilloscope screen in case data inadvertently gets erased.		
10.3.6	Turn off the power source output.		
10.3.7	Save the voltage and current profiles for both motors and verify the data is readable.		
10.3.8	Figure 10-4 shows example Set-For-Flight voltage and current profiles. Complete Table 10-1 to verify all parameters are within tolerance. Single data point exceedances are acceptable. Also, a slow sample rate may alias data. Do not filter data. Contact PSC if a discrepancy is found. Remember to account for non-zero offsets in the voltage or current		
(1) If	measurements. sing an oscilloscope with common ground the negative voltage probes at pins 4 and		at ad The

(1) If using an oscilloscope with common ground the negative voltage probes at pins 4 and 8 are connected. The current flow can bypass one of the Stow limit switches. Therefore, both Stow limit switches must open before power is cut. This will manifest itself in the current profile as both motors being perfectly synced, when in reality there may be switch activation differences of a few milliseconds. See Section 17 for details.

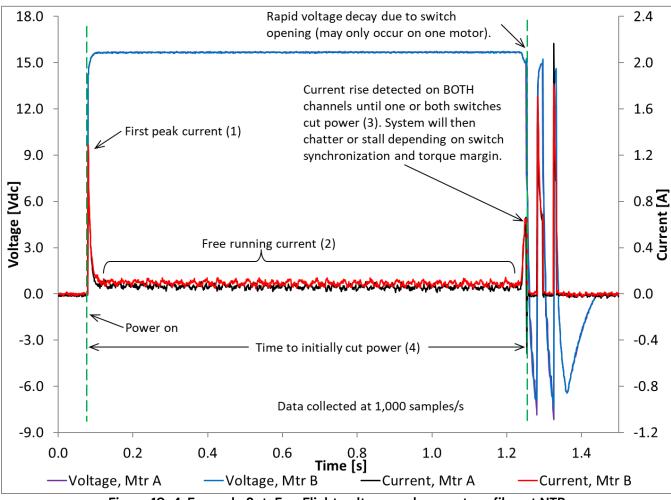


Figure 10-4: Example Set-For-Flight voltage and current profiles at NTP

Table 10-1: Set-For-Flight electrical verification (values apply only at NTF	P)
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Set-For-Flight Electrical Parameters									
			Allowable		Allowable		Meas	sured	
Item	Description	Units	Min	Max	Motor A	Motor B			
1	First peak current	A/mtr	1.05	1.70					
2	Free-running current (average)	A/mtr	0.02	0.18					
3	Post free-run current rise	A/mtr	0.20	1.70					
4	Time to initially cut power (1,2)	S	1.00	1.35					

1) It is acceptable for one motor to exceed the maximum allowable time to initially cut power.

2) Use the current channels to determine time.

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
10.3.9	Disconnect the SFF Power and Measurement Circuit from the Lightband's DE-9 socket connector in Figure 10-3.		
10.3.10	Using a DE-9 breakout harness with visibly clean pins, measure resistance directly at the Lightband's DE-9 socket connector and complete Table 10-2. Contact PSC if a discrepancy is found. PSC recommends using a DMM. It will not cause damage to or operate the Lightband. If using a milliohm meter (four wire Kelvin probe system) ensure the test current is <0.01 A to prevent rotating the motors.		
	See Figure 14-1 for the Set-For-Flight Motor Bracket Assembly switch state.		
10.3.11	If Separation Connectors were moved or installed prior to Mate and Stow, torque connectors 2 to 3 in·lb.		

		Pin	Resistance [Ω]		
Lightband State	Object Being Measured	Connections	Allowable (1)	Measured	
	Motor A	2 , 4	8.0 to 11.0		
	Motor B	6 , 8	8.0 to 11.0		
	Deploy Limit Switch A	1,2	< 0.3		
	Deploy Limit Switch B	5,6	< 0.3		
	Stow Limit Switch A	3 , 4	> 1E7		
Set-For-Flight	Stow Limit Switch B	7,8	> 1E7		
	Stow Limit Switch A	4 , 9	< 0.3		
	Stow Limit Switch B	8,9	< 0.3		
	Motor A Deploy Circuit	1,4	8.0 to 11.0		
	Motor B Deploy Circuit	5 , 8	8.0 to 11.0		

1) Ensure the over limit (OL) indication on the resistance measurement device complies with the maximum tolerance. This is the case for the DMM referenced in Table 3–5.

11. Deploying the Lightband

This section will Deploy the Lightband. During the Deploy operation the Lightband's internal switches experience three collective switch states. Prior to Deploying, three test circuits will be operated to verify proper power and data acquisition. Emulating each switch state reduces the probability of an anomaly. In order, the states are

- 1. Stowed (full voltage and current draw for entire duration)
- 2. Intermediate (full voltage and current draw for entire duration)
- 3. Deployed (no voltage or current draw as this state emulates the Deploy switches cut power)

11.1 Deploy Test Circuit #1 (Stowed State)

		Date &	Initials
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
11.1.1	Oscilloscope shall record voltage and current per the following requirements: 1. Sample rate: ≥ 1,000 Hz 2. Voltage resolution: ≤ 0.2 V 3. Current resolution: ≤ 0.02 A		N/A
11.1.2	Set up the Deploy Power and Measurement Circuit portion of <i>Deploy Test</i> <i>Circuit #1</i> per Figure 11-1.		
11.1.3	May skip this step if no components/wiring were added or changed since Set- For-Flight.		
	Excessively long harnesses and/or thin wires have significant resistance which will reduce the voltage at the motors. Verify the resistance between the power source and Lightband connector is acceptable. This applies to the complete loop (power and return).		
	 PSC recommends the following method Ensure power source output is off. Set the timer relay function to 'D: One Shot' and 5 s duration. Set a DMM to measure resistance and connect it across the power source. Jumper pin 1 to pin 4 on a DE-9 socket connector and connect to the Deploy Power and Measurement Circuit. Activate the timer relay and read the DMM resistance measurement. It shall be < 1.0 Ω. This verifies the Motor A portion of the circuit. Remove the pin 1 to pin 4 jumper and connect pin 5 to pin 8. Activate the timer relay and read the DMM resistance measurement. It shall be < 1.0 Ω. This verifies the Motor B portion of the circuit. 		
11.1.4	Set up the Test Circuit: Stowed per Figure 11-1.		
11.1.5	Connect the Test Circuit: Stowed to the Deploy Power and Measurement Circuit.		

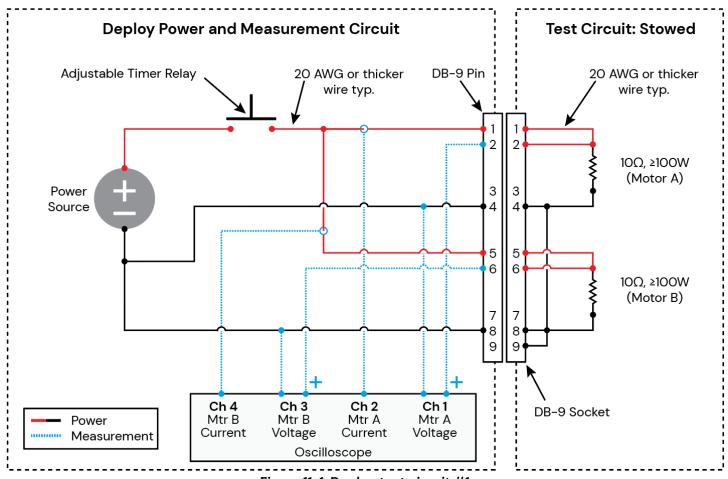


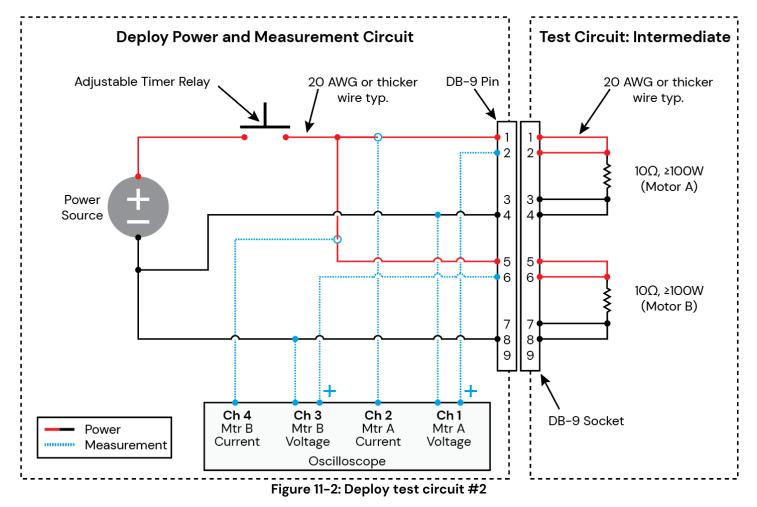
Figure 11-1: Deploy test circuit #1

		Date &	Initials
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
11.1.6	Set the power source voltage at 24 to 32 V _{DC} . When possible, use the minimum voltage as this maximizes the Lightband's operating life and verifies worst-case torque margin.		
	Some Launch Vehicles are unable to supply voltages above 24 V. If the Launch Vehicle supply voltage is known to be below 24 V, it is permissible to set the power source voltage below 24 V. The supply voltage, as measured at the MLB DE-9 connector, shall not be below 17.15 V in this scenario.		
	See 2000785 MKII MLB User Manual for implications of powering below 24 V. All operations shall be performed with both motors powered.		
11.1.7	Set the current limit on the power source to $6.5 \pm 0.1 A$.		
11.1.8	Set the timer relay to apply power for $0.50 \pm 0.05 s$.		
	If using the recommended timer, set its function to 'D: One Shot'.		
11.1.9	 Adjust oscilloscope to properly capture all channels. Verify Current probe scale matches oscilloscope on Ch. 2 & 4 (10A/V on oscilloscope & 100 mV/A on current probes) Current probes are zeroed Voltage scales on Ch. 1 & 3 (recommend 5 V/div) Vertical positions on Ch. 1 & 3 (recommend zero at 1 div from bottom of screen) Current scales on Ch. 2 & 4 (recommend 500 mA/div) Vertical positions on Ch. 2 & 4 (recommend zero at 1 div from bottom of screen) Horizontal time scale will capture entire duration (recommend 100 ms/div) 		
	 8. Horizontal trigger position (recommend 1 div from left of screen) 9. Vertical trigger level and channel (recommend Ch. 1 set to 2 V) 		

		Date &	Initials
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
11.1.10	 Perform the following to operate the test circuit. 1. Turn on the power source output. 2. Verify the oscilloscope trigger is active and ready to acquire data. 3. Activate the timer relay. 4. Verify the following occurred: 4.1. Voltage and current recorded per step 11.1.1 4.2. Measured voltage meets requirement in step 11.1.6 for Channels 1 & 3 4.3. Measured current values are approximately 1/10th of applied voltage for Channels 2 & 4 4.4. Timer relay applies power per step 11.1.8 4.5. Data saves and is readable on a computer 5. If positions or scales were altered to examine data, ensure they are returned to their original values. 6. Turn off the power source output. If any parameters are not met, make the required changes and repeat this step.		
	shall not be changed.		
11.1.11	Disconnect the Test Circuit: Stowed from Deploy Power and Measurement Circuit shown in Figure 11-1.		N/A

11.2 Deploy Test Circuit #2 (Intermediate State)

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
11.2.1	Set up the Test Circuit: Intermediate per Figure 11-2.		
11.2.2	Connect the Test Circuit: Intermediate to the Deploy Power and Measurement Circuit .		



		Date &	Initials
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
11.2.3	 Perform the following to operate the test circuit. 1. Turn on the power source output. 2. Verify the oscilloscope trigger is active and ready to acquire data. 3. Activate the timer relay. 4. Verify the following occurred: 4.1. Voltage and current recorded per step 11.1.1 4.2. Measured voltage meets requirement in step 11.1.6 for Channels 1 & 3 4.3. Measured current values are approximately 1/10th of applied voltage for Channels 2 & 4 4.4. Timer relay applies power per step 11.1.8 4.5. Data saves and is readable on a computer 5. If positions or scales were altered to examine data, ensure they are returned to their original values. 6. Turn off the power source output. 		
	If any parameters are not met, make the required changes and repeat this step.		
	Any change to the <i>Deploy Power and Measurement Circuit</i> shall also require re-running <i>Deploy Test Circuit #1</i> per Section 11.1.		
11.2.4	Disconnect the Test Circuit: Intermediate from Deploy Power and Measurement Circuit shown in Figure 11-2.		N/A

11.3 Deploy Test Circuit #3 (Deployed State)

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
11.3.1	Set up the Test Circuit: Deployed per Figure 11-3.		
11.3.2	Connect the Test Circuit: Deployed to the Deploy Power and Measurement Circuit .		

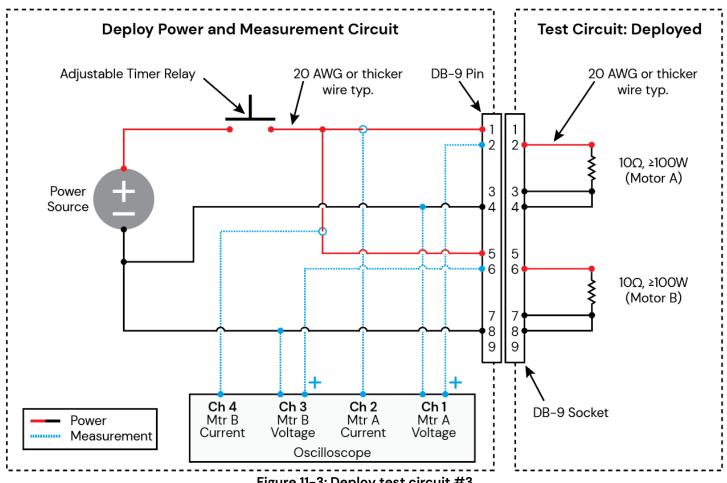


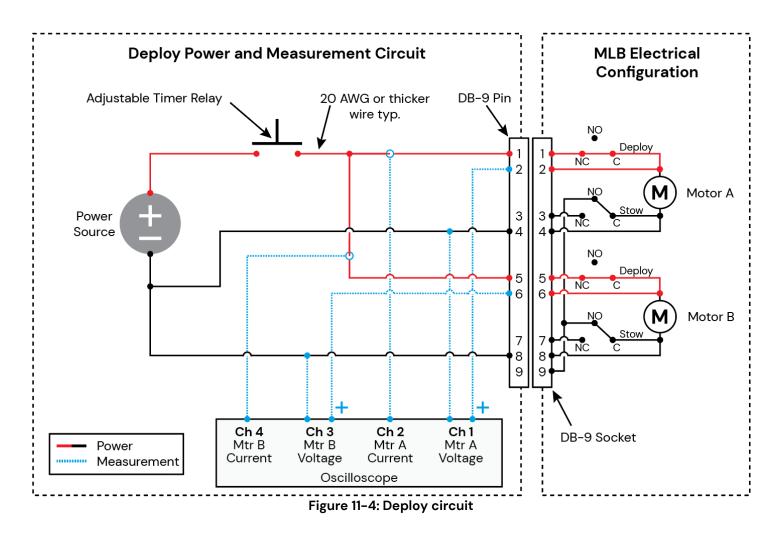
Figure 11-3: Deploy test circuit #3

		Date &	Initials
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
11.3.3	 Perform the following to operate the test circuit. 1. Designate a person to watch the power source output display (watch responsibility detailed in #5.2.) 2. Turn on the power source output. 3. Verify the oscilloscope trigger is active and ready to acquire data. 4. Activate the timer relay. 5. Verify the following occurred: 5.1. All four measurement channels (voltage and current) remained at zero. The oscilloscope should not trigger. 5.2. The power source's current indicator remained at zero. This ensures even a small voltage or current, below the oscilloscope's trigger level, did not pass through. 6. If positions or scales were altered to examine data, ensure they are set back to their original values. 7. Turn off the power source output. If any parameters are not met, make the required changes and repeat this step. Any change to the Deploy Power and Measurement Circuit shall also require re-running Deploy Test Circuit #1 per Section 11.1 and Deploy Test Circuit #2 per Section 11.2. 		
11.3.4	Disconnect the Test Circuit: Deployed from Deploy Power and Measurement Circuit shown in Figure 11–3.		N/A

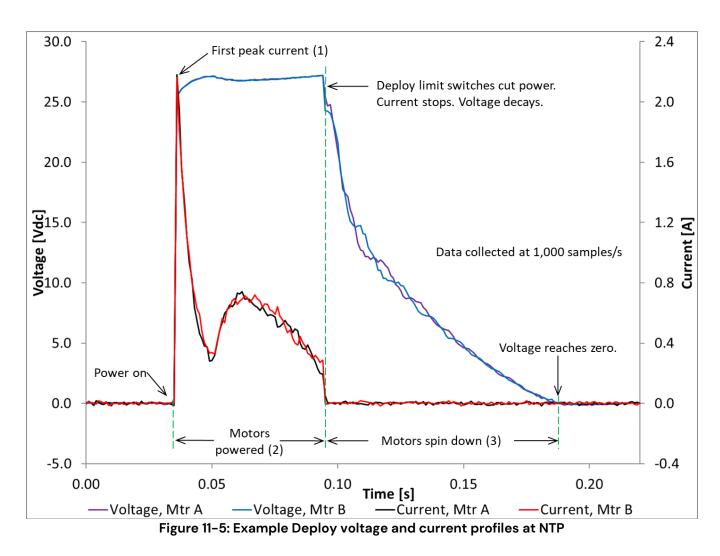
11.4 Deploy

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
11.4.1	The Upper Ring shall be constrained during Deployment. If Separating (allowing the Separation Springs to fully extend) skip to step 11.4.2. If Separating is not required, a force shall be applied to restrain the Upper Ring. Apply a compressive force on the Upper Ring per the calculations below.		
	Separation Spring quantity =		
	Minimum Compressive Force =Springs x 20 lb = lb		
	Maximum Compressive Force =Springs x 30 lb = lb		
	Offload any object heavier than the maximum compression force.		
	Once this step is complete, skip to step 11.4.3.		
11.4.2	If separating (allowing the Separation Springs to fully extend), the following instructions are recommended.		
	 Allow the Lower Ring to drop in the direction of gravity: Allow the Lower Ring to drop onto soft high-damping foam. Ensure re-contact with Upper Ring is not possible. The foam shall be covered to prevent contaminating the Lightband. To prevent Lightband damage, drop distance and energy damping shall be considered. 		

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
11.4.3	Verify the DE-9 pin connector of the Deploy Power and Measurement Circuit in Figure 11-4 is visibly clean. Any debris could detrimentally contaminate the Lightband's mating socket connector.		
11.4.4	 Ensure power source output is off. Connect the Lightband to the <i>Deploy Power and Measurement Circuit</i> per Figure 11-4. 		



			Date & Initials		
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA		
11.4.5	PSC recommends recording video and audio of the Deploy operation. This is not required but has proven very helpful in determining root cause in the unexpected event of an anomaly.		N/A		
11.4.6	 To Deploy the Lightband: Read through this entire step. Assign personnel and responsibilities prior to start of operation. See Figure 11-5 and Table 11-1 for the anticipated current draw and power duration. If a force was applied per step 11.4.1 the Upper Ring will not move. This force will be removed at a later step, allowing the Separation Springs to extend. Designate a person to watch the power source output display. Manually cut power if the current limit is reached or the timer relay runs longer than specified. Turn on the power source output. Verify the oscilloscope trigger is active and ready to acquire data. Activate the timer relay. This will send power to the motors and Deploy the Lightband. The Lightband should Deploy in ≤ 0.1 s and the Deploy limit switches on the Motor Bracket Assembly will automatically cut power to the motors. If the designated person needed to manually cut power, contact PSC per Section 5. A visual inspection of the Lightband may be performed, but do not 				
11.4.7	change configuration. Take a picture of the oscilloscope screen in case data inadvertently gets erased.				
11.4.8	Turn off the power source output.				
11.4.9	Save the voltage and current profiles for both motors and verify the data is readable.				
11.4.10	Figure 11-5 shows example Deploy voltage and current profiles. Complete Table 11-1 to verify all parameters are within tolerance. Single data point exceedances are acceptable. Also, a slow sample rate may alias data. Do not filter data. Contact PSC immediately if a discrepancy is found.				
	Remember to account for non-zero offsets in the voltage or current measurements.				



Deploy Electrical Parameters						
			Allowable		Meas	sured
Item	Description	Units	Min	Max	Motor A	Motor B
1	First peak current (1)	A/mtr	1.7	3.4		
2	Motor powered duration (2,3)	s	0.04	0.10		
3	Motor spin down duration	S	0.03	0.40		

1) If deployed below 24 V, first peak current may be below 1.7 A/mtr, but shall not be below 1.45 A/mtr

2) Use the current channels to determine duration.

3) This is the time to initially cut power. It is acceptable for one or both Deploy switch(es) to temporarily reactivate and permit power to the motor(s). This re-activation duration shall be <0.05 s.

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
11.4.11	Disconnect the <i>Deploy Power and Measurement Circuit</i> from the Lightband's DE-9 socket connector.		
11.4.12	Using a DE-9 breakout harness with visibly clean pins, measure resistance directly at the Lightband's socket connector and complete Table 11-2. Contact PSC if a discrepancy is found.		
	PSC recommends using a DMM. It will not cause damage to or operate the Lightband. If using a milliohm meter (four wire Kelvin probe system) ensure the test current is <0.01 A to prevent rotating the motors.		
	See Figure 14-1 for the Deployed Motor Bracket Assembly switch state.		

Table 11-2: Deploy resistance measurements (values apply only at NTP)

		Pin	Resistance [Ω]	
Lightband State	Object Being Measured	Connections	Allowable (1)	Measured
	Motor A	2 , 4	8.0 to 11.0	
	Motor B	6 , 8	8.0 to 11.0	
Deployed	Deploy Limit Switch A	1,2	> 1E7	
Deployed	Deploy Limit Switch B	5,6	> 1E7	
	Stow Limit Switch A	3 , 4	< 0.3	
	Stow Limit Switch B	7,8	< 0.3	

1) Ensure the over limit (OL) indication on the resistance measurement device complies with the maximum tolerance. This is the case for the DMM referenced in Table 3–5.

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
11.4.13	This step shall be skipped if the Lightband was allowed to Separate (Separation Springs fully elongate).		
	Slowly remove the weight/force on the Upper Ring, allowing the Separation Springs to elongate. Verify the Upper and Lower Rings physically separate.		
	If using a crane, continuously monitor an in-line load cell to ensure the Upper Ring properly releases.		

12. Removing the Lightband from Adjoining Structures

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
12.1.1	Removing the Lower Ring of an MLB 15.000-24 only . All other sizes shall skip this step. Also skip this step if using reduced head fasteners per Section 15.		
	Remove the Lower Ring by reversing step 7.1.9. If adjoining structure holes are threaded, back out the fasteners slowly to prevent jamming the heads against the Leaf Pins. Once all fasteners are loose, hold the washer against the Lower Ring and pull the screw out. Push the Leaf Pins to either side if they rub the screw head. Then remove the washers. See Figure 12–1 & Figure 12–2. Upon completion skip to step 12.1.3.		
12.1.2	Removing the Lower Ring on all Lightbands other than an MLB 15.000-24 or if using reduced head fasteners per Section 7.		
	Remove the Lower Ring by reversing step 7.1.8.		
	It is often helpful to hold the washer against the Lower Ring while pulling the screw out separately. See Figure 12-1 & Figure 12-2.		
12.1.3	Remove the Upper Ring from the adjoining structure by reversing step 7.1.12.		



Figure 12-1: Removing a SHC screw from the Lower Ring, outer view



Figure 12-2: Removing a SHC screw from the Lower Ring, inner view

13. Horizontal Integration (Optional)

Horizontal integration may be necessary due to space vehicle (SV) and/or launch vehicle (LV) limitations. This section describes the steps and precautions necessary to ensure proper Stowing of the Lightband.

		Date &	Initials
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
13.1.1	Is an intermediate structure present between the Lower Ring and LV? If so, it may be easier to Mate the Lightband to SV and intermediate structure, Stow vertically, and then bolt the intermediate structure to the LV. Contact PSC for details.	N/A	N/A
13.1.2	The Lower Ring, mounted to the LV, shall be perpendicular to level within $\pm 0.2^{\circ}$. See Figure 13-1.		
13.1.3	Micro-adjustment of the SV height, pitch and roll is essential. This can be accomplished with a hydro-set, Vernier screws, turnbuckles, etc.		
13.1.4	 The structure supporting the SV (crane, tilt-cart, etc.) shall have sufficient compliance to allow for SV movement when Stowing. The axial (separation direction) stiffness shall be less than 2,000 lb/in. Verify compliance in all 6 degrees of freedom (DOF). For instance, will the crane stretch, the tilt cart compress or even be lifted up? Can the SV pitch, roll or yaw as necessary? 		
13.1.5	A load cell shall be installed in-line with the SV support structure. See Figure 13-1 and Figure 13-3.		
13.1.6	Move the SV close to the LV until the tips of the Separation Springs are close to the bottom edge of the Upper Ring (<0.5 inch) but not yet overlapping.		
13.1.7	 Align the Upper Ring to the Lower Ring in translation and rotation. See step 8.1.12 for alignment features. Ensure the Separation Springs will not be inhibited from engaging their corresponding holes in the Upper Ring flange. It is essential to align all 6 SV DOF prior to actually compressing the Lightband. See Figure 13–2. 		
13.1.8	Verify no part of the Lower Ring is contacting the Upper Ring and then record the SV load cell reading:		
13.1.9	 Move the SV closer to the LV until the conical tips of the Separation Springs are <0.10 in from the Upper Ring flange. All Separation Spring tips shall be centered in their corresponding Upper Ring flange holes. The Lower and Upper Rings shall be parallel within 0.02 inch. Adjust the SV alignment as necessary. The load cell shall remain within 10 lb of the step 13.1.8 reading. 		
13.1.10	 Move the SV closer to the LV until the conical tips of all Separation Springs are engaged and centered in the Upper Ring flange holes. The Lower and Upper Rings shall be parallel within 0.01 inch. Adjust the SV alignment as necessary. The load cell shall remain within 10 lb of the step 13.1.8 reading. 		

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
13.1.11	 Slowly compress the Lightband. See Section 18.3 if using LCTs. Continually monitor the load cell. It shall remain within 10 lb of the step 13.1.8 reading. When fully compressed, the distance between Lightband flanges shall conform to Step 8.1.15. Verify that the flange distance at the top, bottom, left and right of the Lightband are within 0.005 inch of one another. See Figure 13–3. ATTENTION: An improperly aligned SV may translate (up, down, left or right) or rotate (pitch, roll or yaw) during the Stow process, requiring additional power that the Lightband motors cannot generate. Proper alignment is essential. 		
13.1.12	Record final load cell reading:		
13.1.13	Return to Section 9 to Stow the Lightband.	N/A	N/A

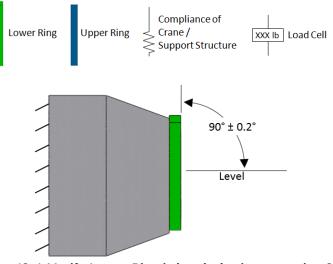


Figure 13-1: Verify Lower Ring is leveled prior to mating SV.

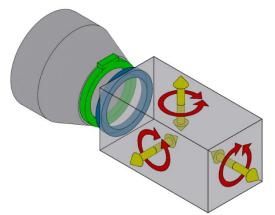
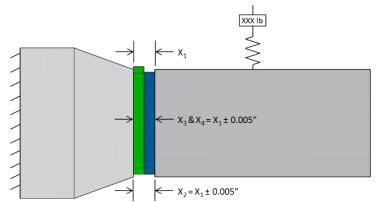
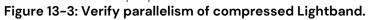


Figure 13-2: Be cognizant of translational and rotational alignment and compliance.





14. Lightband Electrical Schematics

Figure 14–1 shows the switch states during and after each Lightband operation. Note that Stowed and Set–For–Flight have the same final switch states. During operation, the switches temporarily change to the Intermediate State shown below. This occurs when the Sliding Tube is not contacting either the Stow or Deploy limit switches.

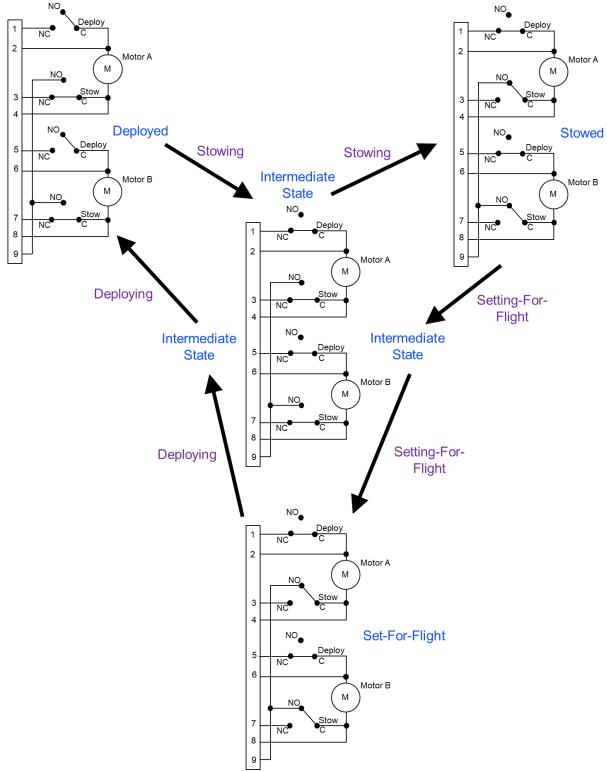


Figure 14-1: Lightband switch states

15. Recommended Support Equipment

The following is a list of equipment PSC has developed over years of Lightband operation and training. This equipment is not required for proper Lightband operation but is very useful. PSC does not supply any of the items listed below. See PSC's website to download drawings of these parts.

Тір	Steps	Best Practice / Lesson Learned	Image
1	7.1.2 7.1.9	On the MLB 15.000-24 PSC uses 0.25-28 SHC screws with the head diameter reduced. This eliminates the interference fit described in step 7.1.9. Part: 4000845 Reduced Head SHC Screw	
2	7.1.3 7.1.4 7.1.5 8.1.1	PSC uses custom aluminum transition rings as adjoining structures for all Lightband operations and testing. They provide the necessary stiffness to operate the Lightband and ease attachment to other structures. They also facilitate Lightband circularity requirements. Part: 2000741 Transition Ring or 2003321A I-Beam Transition Ring	
3	8.1.15	Use of a go/no-go gauge simplifies verification of the Lightband's pre-Stow distance. Part: 2002486 MLB Go No Go Stow Gauge	Go 2002456A MLB GOND.Go Gauge ≥1.323 0000 0000 51.343
5	7.1.5 7.1.8 7.1.9 7.1.12	PSC ensures circularity of Lower and Upper Rings by aligning to adjoining structures with custom flat head screws. They are 82° flat head screws with the head diameter reduced to fit between Leaves. Part: 2002753 FLH Alignment Screw	

Table 15-1: Support equipment

16. Setup Pictures

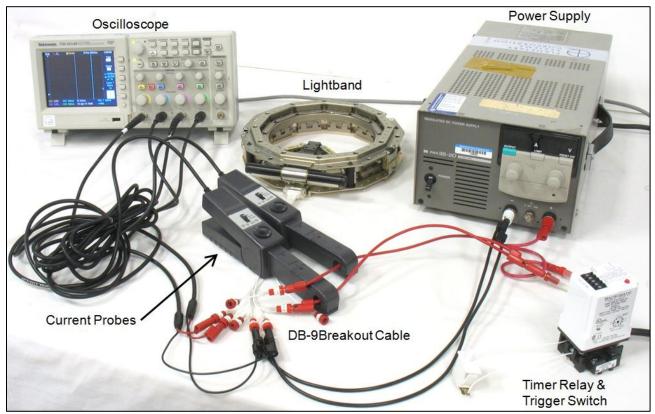


Figure 16-1: Example of equipment used to operate Lightband and record voltage and current.

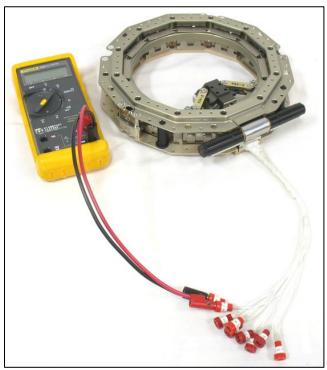


Figure 16-2: DMM and DE-9 breakout cable used to measure Motor Bracket Assembly resistance.

17. Caution - Unintended Electrical Paths

By modifying the Power and Measurement Circuits, several customers have caused anomalies while operating the Lightband. They created unintended electrical paths that bypassed limit switches and/or shorted motors. This inturn permanently damaged, or unexpectedly deployed, the Lightband. The customer shall be extremely confident in any changes to the Power and Measurement Circuits prior to operating a Lightband.

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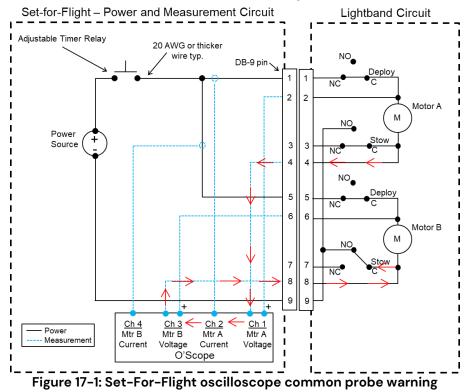
- During the Stow and Deploy operations, the Lightband's switches will change state to a temporary intermediate position as shown in Figure 14-1.
- The Lightband motors share a common pin 9 that can connect them under certain instances.
- Most oscilloscopes have a common ground. Therefore, all 'negative' probes are connected to each other. Consider this when connecting the voltage probes. Reminder PSC strongly recommends using an oscilloscope with isolated channels.

The most common causes for these unintended electrical paths include, but are not limited to:

- The user changed the voltage probe connection pins during Set-For-Flight from those recommended by PSC and inadvertently bypassed the limit switches, Deploying the Lightband.
- The user connected the oscilloscope ground to earth ground and inadvertently bypassed the limit switches. The Lightband thus Deployed instead of the expected Set-For-Flight.
- The user chose to measure current not by current probes but by measuring voltage drop across a resistor and inadvertently bypassed a limit switch.

The figure below shows a Set-For-Flight operation performed using an oscilloscope with common probe grounds. Current can bypass the first open switch and run through the voltage probes to the second Stow switch. The resulting voltage and current profiles will make it appear as if both switches are synced even though they may not actually be. Although this is not detrimental to the Lightband, it is an example of unintended electrical paths.

In the circuit below, the Stow A limit switch changes to NC, but power can still flow from pin 4 back to pin 8 and through the Stow B limit switch to pin 9 until the Stow B switch changes to NC.



18. LCT Procedure

PSC part 4000637 Lightband Compression Tool (LCT) can be used to compress the Lightband prior to Stowing. They are ideal if the satellite weighs less than the total Separation Spring compressive force or during horizontal integration.

Note, an LCT consists of a single assembly. A pair of LCTs, one on the Lower Ring and one on the Upper Ring, are required at each location.

18.1 Equipment

Figure 18-1 shows the individual equipment necessary to operate LCTs and also the LCTs installed on the Lightband. See Table 3-6 for a detailed equipment list.

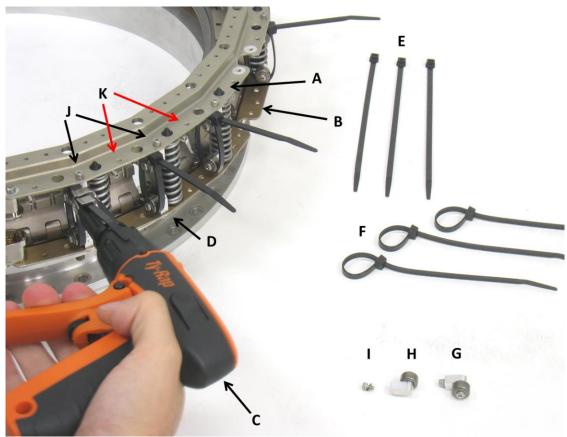


Figure 18-1: LCT Equipment

A: Lightband Upper Ring flange B: Lightband Lower Ring flange C: Ty-Rap ERG 50 cable tie tool D: LCT Pair with cable tie installed E: MS 3367-1-0, 7-inch nylon cable ties (before installation) F: Cable ties (removed after Stowing) G: Single LCT assembly H: Primary portion of LCT I: Attachment screw and washer of LCT J: Correct LCT attachment points K: Incorrect LCT attachment points

18.2 LCT Installation

		Date & Initials	
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
18.2.1	Calculate the quantity of LCT pairs necessary. See PSC document 2000785 MkII MLB User Manual. 		
	Required LCT qty. [pair] =		
	Actual LCT qty. [pair] =		
18.2.2	Attach one half of the LCT pairs to the Lightband Upper Ring flange. Only use the outboard corner holes of the flange shown in Figure 18–1 and locate each LCT as close to a Separation Spring as possible. Restrain the LCT with a 1/4 inch open- end wrench while torquing the screw with a 3/32 inch hex key as shown in Figure 18–2.		
	Torque screws 10 to 12 in lb total. Maximum running torque is 8 in lb.		
	Note: An LCT placed between adjacent Separation Springs must be rotated outward to ensure the LCT's bearing clears both Springs. Since the LCT will now protrude radially outward from the Lightband's default stayout diameter, ensure this protrusion is acceptable for both the payload and LV.		
18.2.3	Attach the other half of the LCT pairs to the Lightband Lower Ring flange directly aft of every Upper Ring LCT. Restrain the LCT with a 1/4 inch open-end wrench while torquing the screw with a 3/32 inch hex key as shown in Figure 18-2.		
	Torque screws 10 to 12 in lb total. Maximum running torque is 8 in lb.		
	Ensure each LCT pair is visually aligned as shown in Figure 18-3.		



Figure 18-2: Attaching an LCT to the Lightband



Figure 18-3: Visually aligned LCT pair

18.3 Mating the Lightband

		Date &	Initials
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
18.3.1	Upper and Lower Rings shall be aligned per Step 8.1.12.		
18.3.2	 Prepare cable tie tool 1. Disable cut-off feature (if present). 2. Ensure force setting does not exceed cable tie break strength. If using referenced tool, set to '8'. 		
18.3.3	Place one cable tie around each LCT pair and pull until just taut. Do not compress the Separation Springs.		
18.3.4	Measure the distance between Upper and Lower Ring flanges (A and B in Figure 18-1) next to each LCT and record in Table 18-1. For reference the nominal uncompressed distance is 2.13 inch for the dimension shown in Figure 8-9. Lightly tighten each cable tie until the flange distance measures 2.00 to 2.05 inch at every LCT (1).		
	Note: Failure to evenly compress the Lightband increases probability of breaking cable ties.		

1) If using a combination of weight and LCTs to compress the Lightband, the initial flange distance will be less than stated above. Record the minimum initial reading and adjust all LCTs until they are within 0.05 inch.

		Date &	Initials
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA
18.3.5	To compress the Lightband tighten the cable ties in maximum increments of 0.05 inch. Work around the Lightband and record all measurements in Table 18–1 after each round of adjustments. The flange distance at all LCTs shall agree within 0.05 inch prior to compressing further. If a cable tie is over-tightened or breaks, remove and replace the cable tie. Repeat this iterative process until the flange distance at every LCT complies with the pre-Stow distance in Figure 8–9.		
18.3.6	Proceed to Section 9 to Stow the Lightband.	N/A	N/A

18.4 Flange Gap Measurements

	Distance Between Upper and Lower Ring Flanges [in]											
Meas.												
#	LCT 1	LCT 2	LCT 3	LCT 4	LCT 5	LCT 6	LCT 7	LCT 8	LCT 9	LCT 10	LCT 11	LCT 12
1												
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Table 18-1: Flange Measurements

18.5 LCT Removal

		Date & Initials		
Step	Procedure	Tech.	QA	
18.5.1	 Remove all cable ties by either sliding them off the LCT bearings or cutting them. Take inventory to ensure all were removed. Also inspect the Lightband near each LCT to ensure no small cable tie pieces broke off. 			
18.5.2	Optional Step: If desired, the LCTs may be removed from the Lightband. To do so hold the LCT with a 1/4 inch wrench and remove the screw with a 3/32 inch hex key. See Figure 18-2. Take care not to lose the small washer.			
	Take inventory and ensure all components were removed and accounted for.			

In unique circumstances the customer may be unable to Stow the Lightband as intended and therefore need to reverse Section 18.3 to un-Mate and Separate the Lightband. The cable ties must be incrementally extended to prevent overstressing the Lightband's thin Lower Ring and Upper Ring flanges. The reversal process is as follows

- 1. Slide a single cable tie off an LCT pair and measure its effective loop length.
- Take a new cable tie and create a slightly longer loop such that the Lightband flange distance will increase ~0.05 inch. Assuming the cable ties are the same length, the exposed length will decrease ~0.1 inch. See Figure 18-4.
- 3. Slide this new cable tie over the LCT pair.
- 4. Work all the way around the Lightband, repeating steps 1 through 3 for each LCT pair.
- 5. Repeat steps 1 through 4 until the Separation Springs are fully extended.

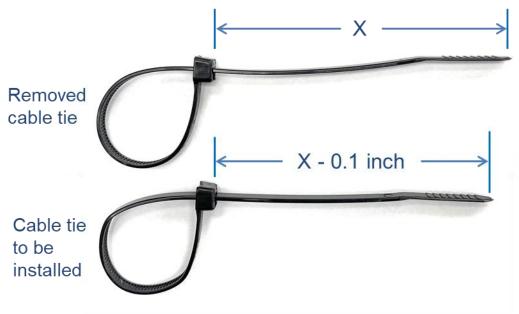


Figure 18–4: LCT reversal length