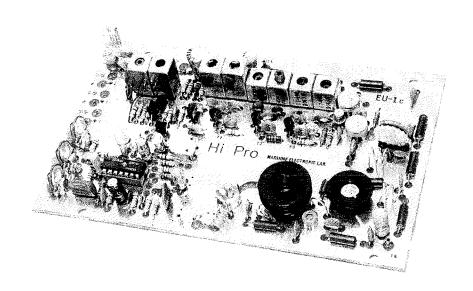
# MAGGIORE ELECTRONIC LABORATORY

## Hi Pro

# OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE MANUAL



**Hi Pro EU1 TRANSMITTER** 

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- 1-1 **DESCRIPTION.** The Maggiore Electronic Laboratory Model EU-1 is a solid-state, completely self-contained reliable and versatile FM (frequency modulated) communications in the specified frequency range. The transmitter is supplied in the narrow-band configuration from the factory. The construction of the board is designed for rugged commercial, 100% duty cycle service.
- 1-2 <u>APPLICATION</u>. The unit may be used with other FM equipment provided: (1) equipment is tuned to the same frequency, (2) equipment is adjusted to the same modulation deviation, and (3) equipment is operated in an FM system using common antenna polarization. This would insure maximum efficiency.
- 1-3. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION. The dimensions of the board are 6 1/8" long x 3 7/8" wide x 7/8" deep.
- 1-4 OPERATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS. Communication coverage in the operating frequency of the transmitter is a function of the following characteristics: (1) antenna height above average terrain, (2) receiver sensitivity, (3) voltage source and power output. Maximum range can be obtained with both the transmitter and receiver antenna free from large intervening objects between them and the use of high gain antennas.

- 2-1 TRANSMITTER SPECIFICATIONS. Table 2-1 lists the performance specifications for the Model EU-1.
- 2-2 CRYSTAL SPECIFICATIONS. Crystal specifications for the EU-1 are provided in Table 2-2.
- **2-3** TRANSISTOR AND DIODE COMPLEMENT. Table 2-3 lists the transistors, IC's and Diodes used in the EU-1. The type and drawing number are listed for rapid identification.

### TABLE 2-1 PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATIONS.

### **GENERAL**

**Operating Frequency\***UHF 406 To 512 MHz.

Input Voltage 13.8 VDC NOMINAL, 11 VDC MIN.

15 VDC MAXIMUM.

Current Drain 0.80 AMPS MAX. @ 2.5 WATTS OUTPUT.

Operating Temperature Range -20°C to +60°C

Antenna Impedance 50 OHMS

Type Of Modulation Frequency Modulation

### TABLE 2-2 CRYSTAL SPECIFICATIONS

### TRANSMITTER

Type Minature Plug-in

Holder Mil Type HC-25/U

Mode Of Operation Fundamental, Parallel Resonance.

Load Capacity 40 pF.

**Effective Resonance Resistance** 20 Ohms Nominal.

Frequency Tolerance Calibration: + 0.002% Of Exact Specified Frequency At

Room Temperature. (25 °C Reference)

Drift: Over Temperature Range (-30°C to +60°C) Within

0.002% ( 25°C Reference)

Crystal Frequency Determined By Formula:

UHF 406 - 512 MHz Frequency ÷24

\*NOTE: NOT ALL FREQUENCIES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE U.S.

### TABLE 2-3 TRANSISTOR AND DIODE COMPLIMENT

### TRANSISTORS

Q1	2N5770 or MPS918	Oscillator
Q2	2N5770 or MPS918	Buffer
Q3	2N5770 or MPS918	Doubler
Q4	2N5770 or MPS918	Tripler
Q5	2N5770 or MPS918	Doubler
Q6	2N5770 or MPS918	Doubler
$\mathbf{Q7}$	MRF901	Buffer Amplifier
Q8	2N4427	Driver
<b>Q</b> 9	MRF629/SD1444	Power Amplifier
	IC	
IC1	LM324	Audio Amplifier
	DIODES	
CR1 CR2 & CR3	7.5 Volt Zener MV840 or MV2209	Voltage Regulator Modulator

- 3-1 <u>UNPACKING.</u> The equipment may be shipped in either export or domestic packing cases. In either event, carefully unpack and check the contents against the shipping list before discarding any packaging materials. The unit has been thoroughly tested and inspected at the factory. Should any damage be apparent upon receipt of shipment, immediately report the damage to the carrier or responsible party.

  DO NOT ATTEMPT TO PLACE DAMAGED EQUIPMENT INTO SERVICE.
- 3-2 PRELIMINARY PROCEDURES. The unit is normally furnished completely aligned and tested with crystals installed. A general pre-installation checkout procedure should be followed to bench check the unit before placing it into service. Extensive system trouble shooting can be avoided if the equipment is bench-checked prior to installation to avoid impending malfunction or uncover invisible damage caused during shipping. If crystals are not included in the unit, then the proper crystals must be installed and the unit completely aligned as outlined elseware in this manual. Refer to Section 2 for crystal specifications. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO USE OTHER TYPES OF CRYSTALS.
- **3-3 PRE-INSTALLATION NOTES.** Before installing the equipment, plan the installation ahead of time, and install the unit keeping in mind that all front panel and rear panel controls should provide easy access for the operator and service personnel. The following procedures should serve as a basic guide in planning the installation; it will vary, however, with the types and number of accessories used.
  - A. Select the location where the equipment will be installed. Carefully avoid where the equipment will be subject to excessive heat or cold or adverse weather conditions. This will avoid shortened and early equipment failure.
  - B. Determine the source of operating power from which the unit will be operating. Locate the unit close to a surge protected power source. Avoid lengthy power cables, as this will cause excessive power loss and exposure to power surges.
  - C. For fixed-station installation, determine the antenna site and locate the unit in close proximity to the antenna to avoid excessive loss due to coaxial cable length. The antenna should be referenced to ground with no loose connections and water tight.
- **3-4** <u>SITE SELECTION.</u> For optimum results it will be necessary to select a location where the antenna will be free from obstructions and blocking. It is desirable to elevate the antenna as high as pratical to further increase the range of the equipment.
- 3-5 <u>ANTENNAS AND ADJUSTMENTS.</u> Antennas used with the EU-1 can be of two basic types: i.e., the single-frequency, pretuned, non-field adjustable and the field adjustable. The field adjustable types generally have joints which after a period of time become noisy and develop an increase in SWR. With this type of antenna, as well as with the pretuned antenna, a proper match is essential. It is desirable, for proper measurement, to check the VSWR on the cable by using a thruline type VSWR bridge. A VSWR in excess of 2.1 generally indicates that the antenna had not been pretuned to the correct frequency. When using the unit in a repeater system it is important to keep the VSWR below 1.2 to reduce the effect of desensing.

**4-1 INTRODUCTION.** The EU-1 Transmitter was specifically designed for repeater and critical service and provides features for this application.

THE FEATURES ARE:

- 1. 100% duty cycle at rated output.
- 2. Low sideband noise.
- 3. Adjustable power output.
- 4. Excellent attenuation of harmonics.
- 5. Master deviation control.
- 6. Three adjustable audio inputs.
- 7. Separate supply input to oscillator for added stability.
- 8. Extensive RF bypassing.
- 9. Excellent electrical and thermal stability. No oven needed in oscillator.
- 10. Expandable up to 6 channels.
- 11. Very cool operation.

### 4-2 TRANSMITTER WIRING CONNECTIONS.

J1. Supply to oscillator.
 J1a. Supply input.
 J2. Audio input -30db.
 J3. Audio input -50db.
 J4. Audio input 0 to +20db.
 J5. Direct audio access to modulator.

J6. Alternate supply input.

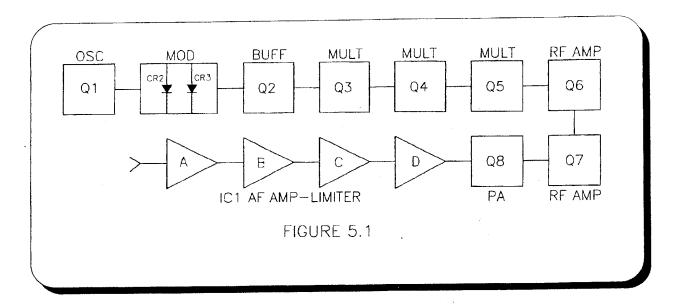
J7. RF output.

TP1. 1st mult. output test point.

TP2. 2nd mult. test point. TP3. 3rd mult. test point. TP4. 4th mult. test point.

### 4-3 **GETTING IT TO WORK.** Typical set-up procedures.

- A. THE OSCILLATOR CIRCUIT. The crystal used in the oscillator should be a high grade to insure maximum stability and reliability. Be sure to use crystals conforming to specifications supplied. To net the crystal, adjust the trimmer capacitor located next to the crystal socket.
- B. THE BOARD HAS TWO OPTIONS FOR SUPPLY VOLTAGE.
  - #1. Common supply of +13.8 volts for the oscillator and all other stages attached to "J1 & J1a". Transmitter will key-up when voltage is applied to these two terminals.
  - #2. A Separate supply to the oscillator to insure maximum stability is accomplished by applying a constant voltage to "J1" the oscillator and a switched (PTT) voltage to "J1a". The oscillator will run constantly and may be heard when a receiver on the same frequency is placed next to the transmitter housing.
- C. The RF output circuit requires a load of 50 ohms into a unbalanced coaxial cable. The RF output power may be controlled by adjusting "R25". Use this control to reduce power by no more then 30%, especially if higher power amplifiers are used in the system. The board will work on a supply voltage of 11 volts, but there will be a noticable reduction in power.
- D. Audio may be attached to any of 4 inputs: "J2, J3" (usually connected to a low impedance mic.), "J4" (usually connected to the 8 ohm receiver audio output through a decoupling resistor capacitor network, typically a .1 uf cap. across a 4.7K resistor) or "J5" (direct coupling to the modulator without any processing,, using a 1uf decoupling cap.) "J2, J3 & J4" have controls which are located adjacent to the corresponding pin inputs to adjust for audio level. Control "R47" adjusts for max. audio deviation.



- 5-1 <u>INTRODUCTION</u>. Rapid and efficient application of service and maintenance techniques require complete and thorough understanding of the circuits used and the theory of operation. The subsequent paragraphs describe the theory of operation of the circuits used in the EU-1 transmitter. For ease of understanding, the circuits are described in the order of signal flow. References are made to the block diagram (fig. 5-1) and the schematic diagram (fig. 10-1).
- 5-2 TRANSMITTER CIRCUITS. The crystal oscillator employed in the unit is of the standard Miller configuration. It uses a fundamental mode crystal and compensation components to obtain a high degree of frequency stability. Over the temperature range of -20°C to +60°C the crystal and associated components provide temperature stability needed in repeater service. A small value trimmer capacitor is placed across the crystal for exact adjustment of the channel frequency. The channel determining crystal is multiplied by multiplier stages as follows:

  UHF 406 to 512 MHz x2 x3 x2 x2 = x24.

This provides for the following output: UHF 406 - 512 Mhz.

The audio section consist of a four stage amplifier. The processed audio from the amplifier is fed to the modulator via an active filter designed to reduce the distortion generated by the limiting action. The modulator circuit is an advanced design. It consist of a pair of varactor diodes designed to produce modulation as a function of phase differences. The transistor "Q2" serves as a buffer to isolate the oscillator from the first multiplier. The Transistors "Q3", "Q4", "Q5" and "Q6" multiply the determining frequency by "12". "Q7" and "Q8" amplify the signal delivered to "Q9", the power output RF amplifier.

The RF power amplifier stage incorporates an output network comprised of a variable LC circuit, which is variable to allow matching of the transistor impedance to the filter matching network and that networks into 50 ohms output impedance. The first variable section and the second section which follows also serves to attenuate harmonics. When used as the sole transmitting element in a station, the unit is connected to the antenna system via its own lowpass filter as indicated above to supress spurious outputs. This unit can be used as a driver for a higher power amplifier. In these instances an additional filter should be included as a part of that amplifier or subsequent thereto as is used in the Hi Pro PAU-1.

### 6-1 TRANSMITTER ALIGNMENT. Equipment required.

- 1. 5W RF wattmeter with coaxial 50 ohm load.
- 2. D.C. test meter with a range of 0 15 volts and 0 1 amps.
- 3. Frequency counter or service monitor covering the proper range being checked.
- **4.** Deviation monitor.
- 5. Audio sine-wave generator.
- 6. Audio voltmeter.
- 7. Tuning tools.
- **8.** Spectrum analyzer.

**ALIGNMENT.** The slug tuned coils in the exciter should always be adjusted with the proper tuning tool. A loosely fitting or rounded tool may crack the slugs. The variable capacitors should be adjusted with a small, insulated metal blade alignment tool. All adjustments should start with the cap or slug set at the middle of its range.

**NOTE:** The following are some ground rules to help avoid trouble. Adhering to these guidelines will net superior results.

- 1. Do not operate without a 50 ohm load.
- 2. For continuous duty, 100 % operation, do not exceed 2.5 watts output or a current drain of 0.8 amps. Power is controlled by variable resistor "R25" and should be adjusted to limit the total output of the final transistor. Adequate heat sinking of the final output transistor is also required.
- 3. If unit goes into self oscillation or otherwise draws excessive current for any reason and reducing drive will not reduce excessive current draw, immediately remove power and resolve the problem.
- 4, Always follow alignment procedures exactly. Do not repeak previous stages unless directed to do so, as each stage has its own best operating point once tuned.
- 5. RF power transistors will run hot at full drive. They should run cold without drive or when the crystal is removed. Never run the unit without propper heat sinking.
- 6. There should be a heat sink on "Q8" and on "Q9".

### 6-2 ALIGNMENT INSTRUCTIONS.

- **a.** Connect a 50 ohm load and wattmeter to the antenna output terminals.
- **b.** Install the crystal of the proper operating range.
- c. Be sure power supply is off. Observe polarity and connect EU-1 to B+ of the supply. There should be a 0-1 amp meter in line with this lead to monitor current of the exciter. This is important to indicate potential trouble in the exciter.
- d. Turn on the power supply, and confirm the voltage is +13.8 volts. With a volt meter, measure +7.5 volts at the top of "CR1", the voltage regulator.

**NOTE:** Meter readings may vary due to many factors not related to performance.

- e. Connect meter to test point "TP1" (first multiplier). Adjust "L1" and "L2" for maximum reading on volt meter. Reading should be about 1 to 1.5 volts with crystal installed and the reading should drop considerably if crystal is removed. This change in level indicates crystal is oscillating. Using the proper tuning tool adjust coil "L3" for a dip. If there is no dip go to next step.
- f. Connect meter to "TP2" (second multiplier). Peak "L4" (and "L3" if no dip occurred in previous step) for maximum indication, then adjust "L5" for a dip. Typical reading is about 1 to 1.5 volts. If there is no dip when adjusting "L5" then go to next step.
- g. Connect meter to "TP3". Peak "L6" (and "L5" if no dip occurred in previous step) for maximum indication, then adjust "L7" for a dip. Typical reading is 1 to 1.5 volts and no voltage indication with crystal removed. If no dip when adjusting "L7" go to next step.
- h. Connect meter to "TP4". Adjust "L8" for maximum indication.
- i. Observe output of transmitter on wattmeter. Alternately adjust "C31", "C37", "C41" and "C44" for maximum output. Connect a spectrum analyzer to the transmitter output to monitor for spectral purity. At full drive, the total current drawn by the board should be approximately 0.8 amps. Under no circumstances should the current exceed 1.0 amps.

The PA is tuned for maximum output indicated on wattmeter and NOT FOR MAXIMUM CURRENT on amp meter. Current will dip somewat at resonance; but dip cannot be used for tuning, only output peak. As you get the feel of the results of adjusting the output, you will see that at one side of resonance, current may dip slightly and at the other side it will go up steeply. At proper tuning, maximum output will occur with moderate current.

Also, note that full output may not be possible with less than 13.8 volts. Power output falls rapidly as B+ is reduced. This does not necessarily mean that the unit cannot be used; however, since it is hard to distinguish even a 2:1 reduction in power on the air.

After tuning the exciter output into a known good 50 ohm dummy load, it may require retunning when later connected to the antenna or external power amplifier. Of course, the antenna or PA should present a good 50 ohm load to the exciter.

j. With crystals installed, adjust the corresponding oscillator trimmer to net each crystal to the proper frequency.

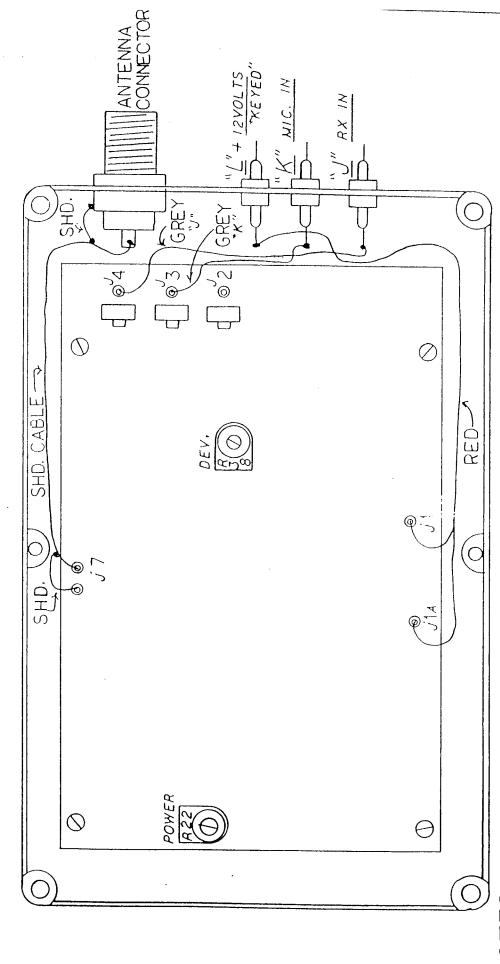
### 6-3 AUDIO ADJUSTMENTS.

- a. Tune the deviation monitor to the transmitter output frequency. Connect audio signal generator output to "J4", audio input, and ground. Adjust "R28" audio input level control for maximum audio with minimum clipping, with the audio deviation control (R47) set at mid-range. Audio signal generator level to be set at 100 mV RMS at a frequency of 1000 Hz.
- b. Adjust the deviation pot. (R47) for a maximum deviation of +5 KHz. Now increase audio input level (R28) to maximum and observe deviation. Deviation should not exceed +5 KHz. If deviation exceeds +5 KHz adjust "R47", the deviation control to +5 KHz maximum.

**NOTE:** It is possible to voice modulate the transmitter and make the deviation adjustment; however, this method will not produce results as reliable or uniform as those obtained with an audio generator.

### Hi Pro EU-1 TRANSMITTER/ EXCITER PARTS LIST 406 to 512 MHz

		~~-	400 EU G	C03	Deleted
C01	220 uF Elec.	C02	4-20 pF Var. Cap.		
C04	62 pF DC NPO	C05	62 pF DC NPO	C06	33 pF DC NPO
C07	6.8 pF DC NPO	C08	.001 uF DC	C09	6.8 pF DC NPO
C10	.001 uF DC	C11	12 pF DC	C12	.001 uF DC
C13	40 pF DC NPO	C14	.02 uF DC	C15	Deleted
		C17	40 pF DC NPO	C18	.001 uF DC
C16	1 pF DC NPO	C20	.001 uF DC	C21	.5 pF DC NPO
C19	15 pF DC NPO	C23	15 pF DC NPO	C24	.001 uF DC
C22	10 uF DC		•	C27	.5 pF DC NPO
C25	3.3 pF DC NPO	C26	.001 uF DC	C30	•
C28	6.8 pF DC NPO	C29	27 pF DC NPO		47 pF DC
C31	2-8 pF VAR.	C32	47 pF DC NPO	C33	2 pF DC NPO
C34	.001 uF DC	C35	.001 uF DC	C36	33 pF DC
C37	2-8 pF VAR.	C38	47 pF DC	C39	33 pF DC
C40	47 pF DC NPO	C41	1-15 pF VAR.	C42	47 pF DC
C43	22 pF DC	C44	1-6 pF VAR.	C45	.001 uF DC
C46	.001 uF DC	C47	10 uF Elec.	C48	.001 uF DC
		C50	.001 uF Elec.	C51	4.7 uF ELEC.
C49	.001 uF DC	C53	1 uF ELEC.	C54	.02 uF DC
C52	.1 uF MYLAR			C57	.1 uF DC
C55	Deleted	C56	l uF Elec.	C62	l uF Elec.
C59	220 pF DC NPO	C61	l uF Elec.		
C63	.1 uF Mylar	C64	18 pF CD	C65	18 pF CD
C67	22 uF Elec.	C68	.001 uF CD		
		D.00	Diad	R03	33K
R01	120 Ohms 1/2 Watt.	R02	Deleted		
R04	33K	R05	10K	R06	10K
R07	10K	R08	18K	R09	18K
R10	100K	R11	33K	R12	4.7K
R13	10K	R14	470 Ohms	R15	1 K
R16	47K	R17	4.7K	R18	330 Ohms
R19	100 Ohms	R20	100 Ohms	R21	1.2K
	33 Ohms	R23	22K	R24	2.2K
R22		R26	50K Pot.	R27	10K Pot.
R25	2K Pot.	R29	10K	R30	10K
R28	5K Pot.			R33	1K
R31	100K	R32	2.7K		
R34	330K	R35	1K	R36	47K
R37	47K	R38	62K	R39	10K
R40	62K	R41	1.8K	R42	5.6K
R43	4.7K	R44	56K Pot.	R45	56K
R46	1K	R47	1K Pot.	R48	100K
					14403
L01	Modulator Coil	L02	Modulator Coil	L03	Mult. Coil
L04	Mult. Coil	L05	Mult. Coil	L06	Mult. Coil
L07	Mult. Coil	L08	Mult. Coil	L09	Mult. Coil
L10	RF Coil	L11	RF Coil	L12	RF Coil
L13	RF Coil	L14	PA Coil	L15	PA Coil
L16	PA Coil	L17	PA Coil	L18	PA Coil
LIO	racon	D17	111000		
Z01	Ferrite	Z02	Ferrite	Z03	Ferrite
Z04	Ferrite	Z05	Ferrite	<b>Z</b> 06	Ferrite
Z07	Ferrite	Z08	Ferrite	Z09	Ferrite
Z010	Ferrite				
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CR1	7.5V Zener	CR2	MV2209	CR3	MV2209
Q01	MPS918/2N5770	Q02	MPS918/2N5770	Q03	MPS918/2N5770
Q04	MPS918/2N5770	Q05	MPS918/2N5770	Q06	MPS918/2N5770
	MRF901	Q08	2N4427	Q9	SD1444
Q07	LM324	4,0		`	
IC1	ENIJ 24				

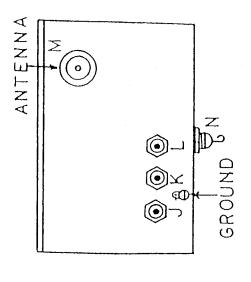


NOTES: "J2" AUX. INPUT. FOR INCREASED STABILITY CONNECT"/14" TO CONSTANT 12 VOLT SUPPLY.

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"J" High Level Audio Input
"K" Microphone Input
"L" P.T.T., Switched + 13.8 V.D.C.
"M" Antenna Connector, 50 Ohm Impedance

"N" P.A. And Oscillator Supply, Continuous + 13.8 V.D.C. NOTE: When Exciter and Power Amplifier are mounted in an rf enclosure, the Exciter Model Number now is followed by an "H".

MUST BE MOUNTED DIRECTLY ON A CHASSIS TO ACHIEVE MAXIMUM HEATSINKING. THIS IS NOT SUFFICIENT THEN A FAN MUST BE USED. EXCESSIVE HEATWILL NOT OPERATE THE TRANSMITTER WITHOUT PROVIDING ADDITIONAL HEATSINKING COOLING. THE HOUSING IS NOT SUFFICIENT FOR STAND ALONE OPERATION, GENERATED ESPECIALLY WHEN USING THE 30 WATT POWER AMP OPTION. 0 N O H H H H H IMPORTANT.

NOTE: TO PROVIDE PROPER HEAT DISSIPATION. THE EXCITER OUTPUT TRANSISTOR "Q8" WHICH IS LOCATED ON THE UNDERSIDE OF THE BOARD MUST MAKE CONTACT WITH A SMALL AMOUNT OF HEAT SINK COMPOUND MUST BE APPLIED TO FLAT SURFACE OF THE TRANSISTOR THAT MAKES CONTACT WITH THE CHASSIS

HI PRO TRANSMITTER HOUSING

