

STAT

29 Dec. 1951.

Requested info on status and location of production prototypes - Called [redacted] who reported that the prototypes shipped from Motorola on 27 Dec. were for the first 500 and not for the production quantity. This was confirmed by [redacted] to call Motorola today (Sat) if possible and get a promise as to when the Prod. Proto's can be expected.

STAT

STAT

STAT

29 Dec. 1951.

Conference This date - P.M.

STAT

Agenda -

[redacted] of R&D. Troubles encountered in RS-6 rework were reviewed, particularly the noise problem. [redacted] reported that rework was being done by a few inexperienced people. Sets were then given to the inspectors, after check by inspectors, the sets go to the final inspectors, then the supervisors, and finally to [redacted]. This is 3 inspections before submission to [redacted] who still rejects 60 to 80% of the sets. - Many of the rejects are caused by careless re-work, i.e., when one defect is repaired another one is caused. Three of the 15 sets submitted by Motorola were checked in the lab for noise. These three sets did not show excessive vibrator hash. [redacted] reports that the hash noise in the sets he rejected at Chicago ^{was} ~~was~~ considerably more than that in the sets here.

STAT

STAT

STAT

STAT

STAT

In the interest of getting RS-6 sets that can be used in the field, and in view of [redacted] inability to produce sets, and in view of the fact that [redacted] enough

STAT

It was recommended by [redacted] that the better sets be selected by [redacted] at Chicago and be shipped out here for rework. [redacted] stated he could furnish 4 men, RSD could assign [redacted] for Design & Test respectively. This procedure would supply equipment for a critical need but would put the Agency in the embarrassing position of accepting recognized ~~def~~ and admittedly defective equipment. This would be a dangerous precedent and would leave us open to [redacted] charges that we had accepted a quantity of defective equipment.

[redacted] wanted an accurate noise test with numbers on the tolerances. Inasmuch as [redacted] has, in general, failed to use any of our recommended testing procedure, the request appears excessive, however a procedure will be worked out. [redacted] is to return to [redacted] on Wed - 2 Jan 1952 and will report in by phone [redacted]

This plan for rework by the agency was submitted verbally to the Commo Executive officer who reserved judgement on this procedure.

[redacted]

[redacted] called [redacted] above date. Discussed noise problem on D.C. operation. He was told that measurements taken here showed that the additional capacity need to ground did not appreciably help when the set is taken out of irradiated field such as encountered in screen room or reinforced concrete building. If the screen room is grounded to the set and a short antenna be wrapped about the plug and power supply, comparative hash measurements can be taken. [redacted] was

also informed that the three sets set up by our inspectors were satisfactory. He was told that engineering wise it had no objection to putting in the additional ^{capacity} if by so doing, he could ~~also~~ get some of the muggers out of the woodpile and stabilize production; that it would greatly facilitate testing under conditions met in the plant. [redacted]

2 Jan. 1952 - 430 PM

[redacted] called - [redacted] called him & reported that the target date for submission of production prototypes ~~was~~ and specs for the RS-6 had been advanced to 11 Jan 1952. [redacted]

3 Jan. 1952

[redacted] Called - 1400 pm. - He has rec'd TWX [redacted] STAT
 saying that they will put in a .5 mf cond. to filter the STAT
 back noise at an additional cost of \$1. [redacted]
 Think that the \$1.00/set cost not justified. The Original Design of
 RP-6 did not show any filter cap. from vibrator rec'd to gnd.
 The Design in The RP-6 book shows a .02 from rec'd to gnd.
 This indicates that Motorola was aware of the noise. Attempted
 to get [redacted] for an opinion on whether to authorize
 the additional expenditure but no luck due to staff meeting. STAT

3 Jan. 1600 pm.

[redacted] called - he had a call from [redacted] A conference was
 held at [redacted] this AM. [redacted] reported that it was
 decided to rework ~~to~~ all defective sets again and really make
 them perform satisfactorily. [redacted] was reported to have
 recommended the addition of the .5 mf cond. from rec'd
 to ground. [redacted] was asked for an O.K. authorizing
 its use. [redacted] stated he had no objection to its ~~use~~
 inclusion providing that there was no additional cost
 to the govt. [redacted] stated that the condenser could be
 incorporated without additional cost to the govt. STAT
 [redacted] made it very plain that [redacted] did not authorize
 any additional cost. STAT

Called [redacted] back and explained the situation to him,
 pointing out that we have no objections to the condenser,
 in fact we believe it will be good insurance against
 noise. also stated that [redacted] told Motorola we would
 OK the inclusion of the .5 mf. but did not ~~as~~ request
 to [redacted] STAT

additional cost. The TWX rec'd [redacted] requesting
 the #1 cost was signed by [redacted]. The statement that
 the condenser would be included without cost was
 made by [redacted]

16 20 ~~hrs~~ hrs - 3 Jan 52
 STAT

3 Jan -

[redacted] Called - wanted to know how long after we had
 rec'd the proto's & specs for the prod. equip would we be
 prepared to have a conference. [redacted] I told

[redacted] that we would want a week to study the spec.
 prior to a discussion. Also told him that not less than
 6 weeks would be required to conduct complete Prototyp.
 tests [redacted] - 3 Jan 1952

4 Jan 1952

The plan for agency rework of the RS-6 sets was
 laid before the Deputy Chief Engineer today with
 no indication of eventual acceptance or rejection x
 [redacted]

4 Jan 1952

Called [] for clarification
 on cost of putting the 1/2 mf. Cond in vib. pur supp.
 I told [] that we had a report that Motorola
 was going to install the condenser at no cost to Govt.
 [] denied knowledge of this and re-iterated that
 he considered this to be additional work and
 warranted additional cost, particularly since []
 had submitted 5 prototype to The Agency representative
 and had been approved. He said the approval was
 in writing from contracting officer and stated that
 the 500 should be like the 5 proto. units. He
 basis his contention for additional pay on this
 written ok. [] said that [] stated that
 we do not want the condenser - I sat
 on the same wire and called [] bluff.
 [] said he would like the condenser but
 couldn't justify the expenditure of agencies
 funds. I told [] that considerable time may
 elapse in getting an approval for the additional
 * 1.00/set. It was agreed between []
 and [] that [] would report all
 sets considered too noisy. The disposition of
 the noisy sets will await future decisions.
 [] asked [] if a screened room for
 noise tests, similar to our San I-225 setup
 could be made available to []
 [] thought this could be arranged.
 after talking to [] called.

[redacted] talked to [redacted] & told him of our discussions with [redacted] reiterated the previous statement that [redacted] would fix the noise. He further stated that [redacted] said that [redacted] himself had been in on the noise problem and informed his engineers that their reputation in the Car Radio business would suffer if this vibrator noise squabble got out - Therefore fix the thing! [redacted] to call [redacted] and tell him about the screen room [redacted]

STAT

STAT

STAT

Jan 15 1952

called [redacted] on length of plugs in RR-6. [redacted] reports [redacted] production breaking off plugs in reassembly and refiling slots. Told [redacted] that the maximum allowable screw length above collar shall be $\frac{1}{16}$ " and our inspector has been advised to reject any sets with less plug length.

STAT

STAT

STAT

[redacted] also agrees to our contention that the addition of the 5 af endures on the vibrator need only serves in the main to reduce the radiated noise as encountered in the plant. That outside that artificial field there is very little operational improvement.

STAT

The pin alignment of some of the four pin ^{production} Amphenol plugs is off to such a degree that it is possible to plug them in 3 three ways. This variation of tolerances shall have to be more carefully watched by the contractor's quality control. Four specific instances of this sloppyness has been reported and Motorola which has in the past been requested to index the plugs shall be again urged to control the plug spacing and index the plugs.

STAT

Jan 18 1952

 called and cited the following situation: Phasers are not adjusting circuits ~~on~~ for maximum calibration accuracy. If the alignment is within acceptable limits they do not try to bring circuits into optimum adjustment. We have asked the Contractor's design unit repeatedly to take sample sets from the line and check accuracy of calibration in an effort to control the quality of the phaser. It is suggested that Works Manager Scott be informed.

STAT

- ① The minimum allowable slug after final phasing shall be $\frac{1}{16}$ " between the bottom of the coil bushing and the plug slot.

② That phase be instructed to set into ^{or} calibration alignment as closely as possible.

STAT