

Calibration of the NASA LaRC NTF flow meters used for AFC and PAI.

There are 4 flow meters that are part of the new NTF "Model Flow Control and Propulsion" Air Station (ref. NTF drawing 1266872). There are two parallel legs that provide air to the Semi-span Model Support System (SMSS), a high mass flow (0 – 20 lbm/sec) and a low mass flow (0 – 10 lbm/sec). Each of these legs is subdivided into parallel lines to achieve an accurate control and low uncertainty of the mass flow measurement. Normal operations of the flow meters are for air at 1600 psia.

Calibration Requirements

The 4 vortex meters and associated piping will be presented for calibration as a system, (ref. NTF simplified drawing by GSJ).

Calibrations will be traceable to NIST and NVLAP/ISO 17025

- 1) Run a reduced uncertainty calibration with the calibrated transmitters and our measurement instrumentation over the full velocity range of each meter
- 2) Each flow meter calibration will be calibrated at constant pressure of 1600 psia.
- 3) Improved uncertainty will be achieved through calibration (measured mass flow (lbm.sec) uncertainty < 0.35% of reading) at least 12 data points and 6 repeat points will be taken across the velocity range (~ 5.0 to 100 ft/sec).
- 4) Each flow meter will be calibrated with associated pressure and temperature transmitters (GFE). The pressure and temperature transmitters will be calibrated prior to flow meter calibration.
- 5) Provide calculations for the NASA flow computer or data acquisition system. The calibration will include a 4th order polynomial equation relating the flow meter output with mass flow rate (lbm/sec).
- 6) Provide an option of adjusting the k-factor. If an adjustment of the k-factor is made then a verification test will be performed similar to the "initial calibration (steps 1 -5)".

GFE Flow Meter Information

(2 each) Rosemount 8800D VORTEX FLOWMETER

Rosemount Description: 8800DR010SA7N1D1M5

Flange/Alignment Ring Size: ASME B16.5 (ANSI) RF Class 900

Line Size: 1 in. (25mm)

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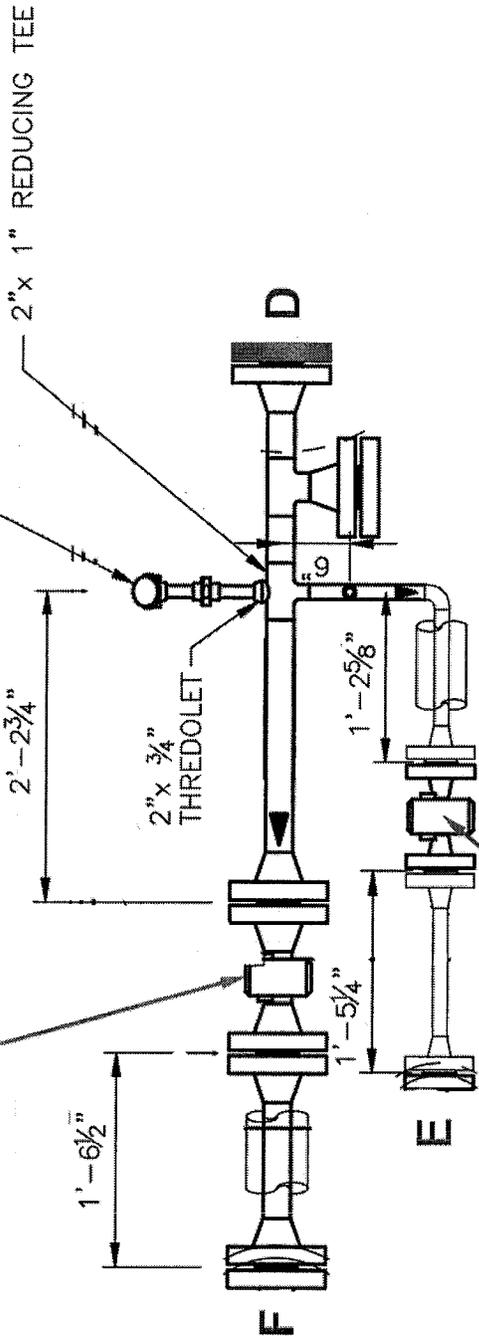
Rosemount Description: 8800DF020SA7N1D1M5

Flange/Alignment Ring Size: ASME B16.5 (ANSI) RF Class 900

Line Size: 2 in. (50mm)

**0 - 20 lbm/sec
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**0 - 1.0 lbm/sec
FLOW METER**

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