

S E R V I C E N O T E

SUPERSEDES: None

8672A Synthesized Signal Generator

Serial Numbers: 0000A00000 / 3119A99999

Duplicate Service Notes:

8671B-08

8672A-25

Modification to improve power supply reliability

To Be Performed By: Agilent-Qualified Personnel

Situation:

It has been determined that connectors (P/N 1251-2313) may not have been installed correctly during the fabrication process of the Synthesized Signal Generator. This results in intermittent opens between the connectors and transistor leads which then results in blown fuses.

The connectors have been eliminated on newer instruments and the transistor leads are being soldered directly to the mother boards.

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DATE: 15 September 1991

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

SERVICE NOTE CLASSIFICATION:					
MODIFICATION RECOMMENDED					
ACTION CATEGORY:	<input type="checkbox"/> IMMEDIATELY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ON SPECIFIED FAILURE <input type="checkbox"/> AGREEABLE TIME	STANDARDS:	Labor 0.5 Hours		
LOCATION CATEGORY:	<input type="checkbox"/> CUSTOMER INSTALLABLE <input type="checkbox"/> ON-SITE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SERVICE CENTER	SERVICE INVENTORY:	<input type="checkbox"/> RETURN <input type="checkbox"/> SCRAP <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SEE TEXT	USED PARTS:	<input type="checkbox"/> RETURN <input type="checkbox"/> SCRAP <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SEE TEXT
AVAILABILITY:	PRODUCT'S SUPPORT LIFE	RESPONSIBLE ENTITY: 0400	UNTIL: September 1993		
AUTHOR: D.H.	ENTITY: 0400	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:;			

Solution:

A fix for intermittent fuse blowing has been made available. Check the Single Contact connectors (P/N 1251-2313) for proper mechanical fit. The emitter and base leads of the power supply pass transistors (A3Q1 through A3Q4) may make intermittent contact with the surface of the connectors, causing current surges, which open up the power supply fuses.

If it is determined that the connectors are at fault, the pass transistor leads should be soldered directly to the board assembly. Because one faulty connector probably means that all of the connectors were installed wrong, we recommend that the leads of all four transistors be soldered.

There are no parts needed and no inventory involved with this modification.