# TECHNICAL AND MANTEINANCE MANUAL

## VJ15000-TR

## 15KW Power Triode Amplifier 87.5-108 MHz



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## I - PRELIMINARY INSTRUCTIONS AND WARRANTY INFORMATION

Please observe safety precautions when handling this unit. This equipment contains dangerous currents and high voltages.

This manual is written as a general guide for those having previous knowledge and experience with this kind of equipment. It is not intended to contain a complete statement of all safety warnings which should be observed by personnel in using this or other electronic equipment.

**R.V.R.** doesn't assume responsability for injury or damage resulting from improper procedures or practices by untrained/unqualified personnel in the handling of this unit.

Please observe all local codes and fire protection standards in the operations of this unit.

**CAUTION**: always disconnect power before opening covers or removing any part of this unit. Use appropriate grounding procedures to short out capacitors and high voltage points before servicing.

Any damage to the goods must be reported to the carrier in writing on the shipment receipt. Any discrepancy or damage discovered subsequent to delivery, shall be reported to **R.V.R.** within five (5) days from its receipt.

**R.V.R.** extends to the original end-user purchaser all original manufacturers warranties which are transferable and all claims are to be made directly to **R.V.R.** per indicated procedures.

All manufacturers warranties will be supported by **R.V.R.** to ensure precise and speedy service where possible.

**R.V.R.** shall not be liable for any damage of whatsoever nature, arising out of or in connection with the product or its use thereof.

**R.V.R.**'s warranty shall not include:

- a. Re-shipment of the unit to **R.V.R.** for repair purposes
- b. Any unauthorized repair/modification
- c. Incidental/consequential damages as a result of any defect
- d. Nominal non-incidental defects
- e. Re-shipment costs or insurance of the unit or replacement units/parts

Warranty shall come into force from invoice date and for the period of the manufactures warranty.

To claim your rights under this warranty:

a. Contact the dealer or distributor where you prchased the unit. Describe the problem and ask if he has an easy solution. Dealers and Distributors are supplied with all the information about problems that may occur and usually they can repair the unit quicker than what the manufacturer could do. Very often installing errors are discovered by dealers.

b. If your dealer cannot help you, contact **R.V.R.** in Bologna and explain the problem. If it is decided to return the unit to the factory, **R.V.R.** will mail you a regular authorization with all the necessary instructions to send back the goods.

c. When you receive the authorization, you can return the unit. Pack it carefully for the shipment, preferably using the original packing and seal the package perfectly. The customer always assumes the risks of loss(i.e., **R.V.R.** is never responsible for damage or loss), untill the package reaches **R.V.R.** premises. For this reason, we suggest you to insure the goods for the whole value. Shipment must be effected C.I.F. (PREPAID) to the address specified by **R.V.R.**'s service manager on the authorization.

DO NOT RETURN UNITS WITHOUT OUR AUTHORIZATION AS THEY WILL BE REFUSED.

Be sure to enclose a written technical report where mention all the problems found and a copy of your original invoice establishing the starting date of the warranty.

Replacement and warranty parts may be order from the following address. Be sure to include the equipment model and serial number as well as part description and part number.

**R.V.R. Elettronica S.p.a.** - Broadcasting Equipment -

Via del Fonditore, 2/2c Zona Roveri 40138 Bologna - Italy International Phone: +39 - 51 - 6010506 FAX Number: +39 - 51 - 6011104

**R.V.R.** reserves the right to modify the design and specifications of the equipment in this manual without previous

## **II - TUBE WARRANTY INSTRUCTIONS**

## VARIAN POWER GRID PRODUCT LIMITED WARRANTY

Varian products are warranted to be free from defects in workmanship and materials only. The warranty involves both calendar time and filament (or heather) operation time. Specifically involved are: time since the product was shipped from varian time since delivery to the user, and operation time.

#### WHICHEVER ELAPSES FIRST CONCLUDES THE WARRANTY.

The warranties are determined by the codes shown in the price schedule.

	TIME SINCE SHIPMENT	TIME SINCE SHIPMENT	TIME SINCE HEATER-ON
Code	from EIMAC	To The User	Time
Т	36 MONTHS	24 MONTHS	10.000 HOURS
R	24 MONTHS	12 MONTHS	5.000 HOURS
Р	24 MONTHS	12 MONTHS	4.000 HOURS
Ν	24 MONTHS	12 MONTHS	3.000 HOURS
K	24 MONTHS	12 MONTHS	1.000 HOURS
L	LIFE TESTED AT FACTO	RY IN LIEU OF AN OTHER	WARRANTY
12	24 MONTHS	12 MONTHS	

The last category is for hardware or accessory items where only calendar time is involved. An Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) or an authorized Varian Distributor can hold an item in his stock for 12 months and the end user still receiver full warranty. As an example, warranty code T is for 36 months from the date of the shipment from EIMAC, or 24 months from the date of delivery to the user, or 10.000 hours of filament-on time, whichever elapses first.

A product which fails (because of faulty workmanship or materials) in the first 10% of the warranty-time hours will be heither replaced at no charge by Varian or 100% of the purchase price will be credited through the original authorized Varian Distributor or OEM. If a failure occurs in the remaining 10-100% of the warranty time hours a prorated adjustment will be calculated and credit issued. This can only be done through the original OEM or authorized Varian Distributor

A prorated credit is calculated as follows:

Warranty (hours) - Use Time (hours)

Warranty (hours)

= % Credit

Thus for failure Code N (3000 hours) if failure occurred after 600 hours and was found to be workmanship or materials related:

3000 - 600

= 80%

3000

Tubes being returned on a warranty claim are normally sent to authorized Varian distributor or OEM from whom originally purchased. If returned directly to the Varian plant of manufacture, the authorized Varian Distributor or OEM from whom purchased should be notified in case there are some special instructions.

All products returned on a warranty claim must be shipped via prepaid freight and include a completed copy of a service report form, a copy of which is included with every shipped product. A warranty claim cannot be processed without this form. A copy of the original invoice, bill of sale, or other purchase document should be included with the executed service report form to establish purchase date and price.

The original Varian shipping carton and packing material should always be used for any warranty claim return. Shipping damage because of poor packing will normally preclude any warranty adjustment since the damage will usually make any testing or measuraments impossible.

PARCEL POST SHOULD NEVER BE USED FOR SHIPMENT OF TUBES.

## **III – SAFETY REGULAMENT!**

#### WARNING!

The currents and voltages in this equipment are dangerous! Personnel must at all times observe safety regulation!.

This manual is intended as a general guide for trained and qualified personnel who are aware of the dangers inherent in handling potentially hazardous electrical and electronic circuits.

It is not intended to contain a complete statement of all safety precautions which should be observed by personnel in using this or other electronic equipment.

The installation, operation, maintenance and service of this equipment involves risks both to personnel and equipment, and must be performed only by qualified personnel exercising due care. **R.V.R. ELETTRONICA s.r.l.** shall not be responsible for injury or damage resulting from improper procedures or from the use of improperly trained or inexperienced personnel performing such tasks.

During installation and operation of this equipment, local building codes and fire protection standards must be observed.

#### WARNING!

Always disconnect power before opening covers, doors, enclosures, gates, panels or shields. Always use grounding sticks and short out high voltage points before servicing. never make internal adjustments, perform maintenance or service when alone or when fatigued.

Do not remove, short-circuit or tamper with interlock switches on access covers, doors, enclosures, gates, panels or shields.

Keep away from live circuits, know your equipment and don't take chances.

#### WARNING!

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In case of emergency ensure that power has been disconnected.

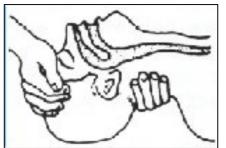
## TREATMET OF ELECTRICAL SHOCK

1) If victim is not responsive follow the A-B-C's of basic life support.

#### PLACE VICTIM FLAT ON HIS BACK ON A HARD SURFACE

#### A) AIRWAY

## IF UNCONSCIOUS, OPEN AIRWAY



LIFT UP NECK, PUSH, FOREHEAD BACK, CLEAR OUT MOUTH IF NECESSARY, OBSERVE FOR BREATHING.

## B) **BREATHING**

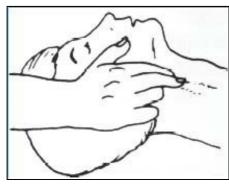
IF NOT BREATHING, BEGIN ARTIFICIAL BREATHING



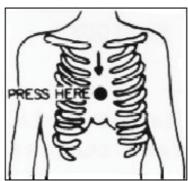
TILT HEAD PINCH NOSTRILS, MAKE AIRTIGHT SEAL, 4 QUICK FULL BREATHS. REMEMBER MOUTH TO MOUTH RESUSCITATION MUST BE COMMENCED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

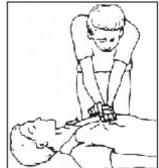
## C) CIRCULATION

#### CHECK CAROTID PULSE



IF PULSE ABSENT, BEGIN ARTIFICIAL CIRCULATION





APPROX. 80 SEC. : ONE RESCUER, 15 COMPRESSIONS, 2 QUICK BREATHS. APPROX. 60 SEC. : TWO RESCUERS, 5 COMPRESSIONS, 1 BREATH

## NOTE: DO NOT INTERRUPT RHYTHM OF COMPRESSION WHEN SECOND PERSON IS GIVING BREATH.

#### Call for medical assistance as soon as possible.

2) If victim is responsive:

- a. Keep them warm.
- b. Keep them as quiet as possible.

## DEPRESS STERNUM 1 1/2" TO 2"

c. Loosen their clothing (a reclining position is recommended).

## FIRST-AID

Personnel engaged in the installation, operation, maintenance or servicing of this equipment are urged to become familiar with first-aid theory and practices. The following information is not intended to be a complete first-aid procedure, it is brief and is only to be used as a reference. It is the duty of all personnel using the equipment to be prepared to give adequate Emergency First Aid and thereby prevent avoidable loss of life.

## TREATMENT OF ENECTRICAL BURNS

#### 1) Extensive burned and broken skin.

- a. Cover area with clean sheet or cloth. (Cleanest available cloth article).
- b. Do not break blisters, remove tissue, remove adhered particles of clothing, or apply any salve or ointment.
- c. Treat victim for shock as required.
- d. Arrange transportation to a hospital as quickly as possible
- e. If arms or legs are affected keep them elevated.

#### NOTE

If medical help will not be available within an hour and the victim is conscious and not vomiting, give him a weak solution of salt and soda: 1 level teaspoonful of salt and 1/2 level teaspoonful of baking soda to each quart of water (neither hot or cold). Allow victim to sip slowly about 4 ounces (half a glass) over a period of 15 minutes. Discontinue fluid if vomiting occurs (Do not give alcohol).

#### 2) Less severe burns - (1st & 2nd degree)

- a. Apply cool (not ice cold) compresses using the cleanest available cloth article.
- b. Do not break blisters, remove tissue, remove adhered particles of clothing, or apply salve or ointment.
- c. Apply clean dry dressing if necessary.
- d. Treat victim for shock as required.
- e. Arrange transportation to a hospital as quickly as possible.
- f. If arms or legs are affected keep them elevated.

## **CHAPTER 1**

## **VJ15000-TR GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

## 1.1 MECHANICAL DESCRIPTION

The VJ15000-TR is allocated in a 19" rack, 40H, 7 of which are free and can be used to insert an exciter, a receiver or any other equipment. Two analog instruments are placed on the hinged frontal panel (FIG. 1) with all other controls and commands.

The rear panel (FIG. 2) hasn't any connectors but only the air input for the cooling blower, completed with the air filter and the hole for power supply and external exciters cables.

A chimney is placed on top section of the rack (FIG. 3) that allows to push out hot air. The antenna connector is placed on the top part too. The type of connector for the ouput is 1"+ 5/8 or 3" 1/8 (optional).

## **1.2 ELECTRICAL DESCRIPTION**

The VJ15000-TR is a tube amplifier, with grounded grid configuration, working on the frequency range 87.5-108 MHz.

This amplifier is able to operate at 15KW output power with a driving power of about 500 W. The amplifier has motorized plate, load and input tuning, and is able to cover the completely frequency range. The VJ15000-TR is been projected to use a three-phases mains voltage (monphase only on request).

## **1.3 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

See as reference the Table A for electrical specifications and Table B for mechanical and environmental specifications.

Alternate mains voltage	Three phases:	220-240V ±15%, 50-60 Hz 380-415V ±15%, 50-60 Hz
	Mono phase:	$220-240V \pm 15\%$ , 50-60 Hz
Frequency Range		87.5 - 108 MHz (other on request)
Output Power		11000 W max, 10000 W typical
RF Output Impedance		EIA 1+5/8" connector, 50 Ohm
RF Input Impedance		7/16 connector, 50 Ohm
RF Driving Power		700 W max
Tube		EIMAC 3CX15000A7
Cooling		Forced air cooling
Spurious and harmonics supp	ression	Exceed or equal to FCC an CCIR requirements
Power consumption		about 18-20 KW

## **TABLE A - ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

## TABLE B - MECHANICAL AND ENVIROMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS

40 HE Rack Dimension	565 mm (22.24") W 850 mm (33.46") D 1894 mm (74.56") H
Panel Dimension	483 mm (19") W 1779 mm (71.11") H
Weight	470 Kg (770 Lbs)
Working extreme temperatures	from -10° to +50°C
Umidity	max 90%, Without condensing

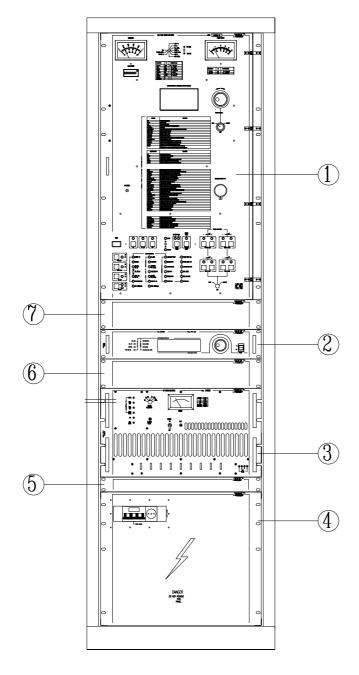
## **CHAPTER 2**

## **ELECTRICAL DESCRIPTION**

## 2.1 INTRODUCTION

This chapter describes accurately the VJ15000-TR electrical components. For an easy understanding, the equipment is been divided in modules, each of them is described completely as follows. **FIG. 1** 

## FRONTAL VIEW



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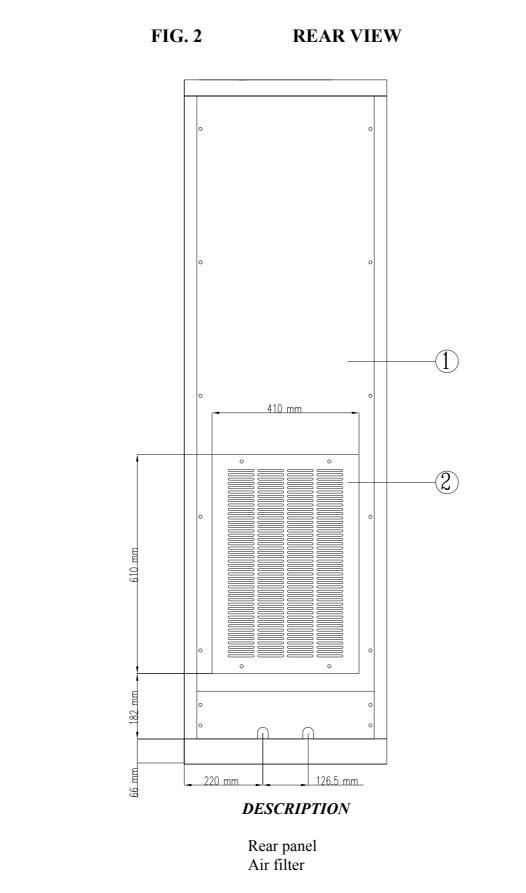
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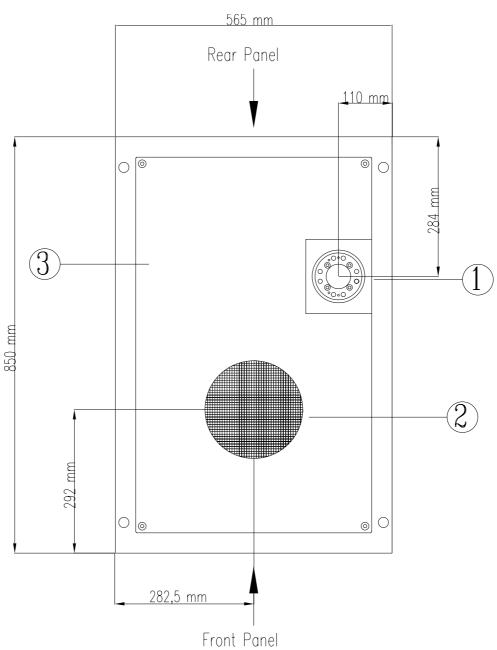
Protections panel (18U)
Exciter (2U)
Driver (3H)
High Voltage Panel (9H)
Free panel (1HE)
Free panel (3HE)
Free panel (2HE)
Free panel (2HE)

REF.

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2)







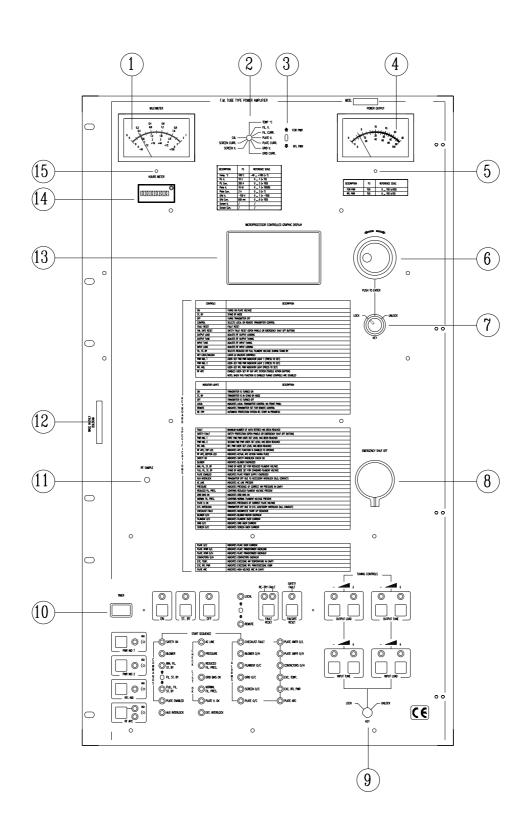
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## **DESCRIPTION**

RF output connector (1+5/8")
 Output air chimney
 Upper panel

**FIG. 4** 

## HINGED FRONTAL PANEL WITH TELEMETRY

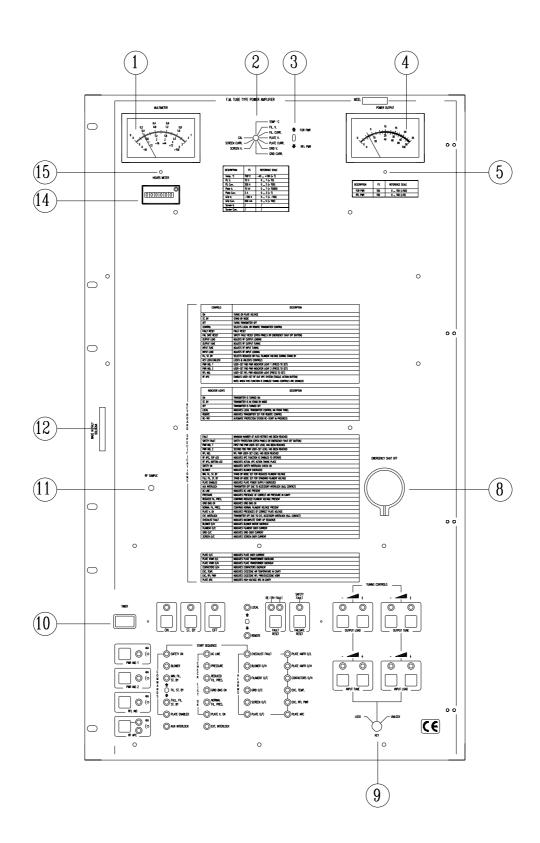


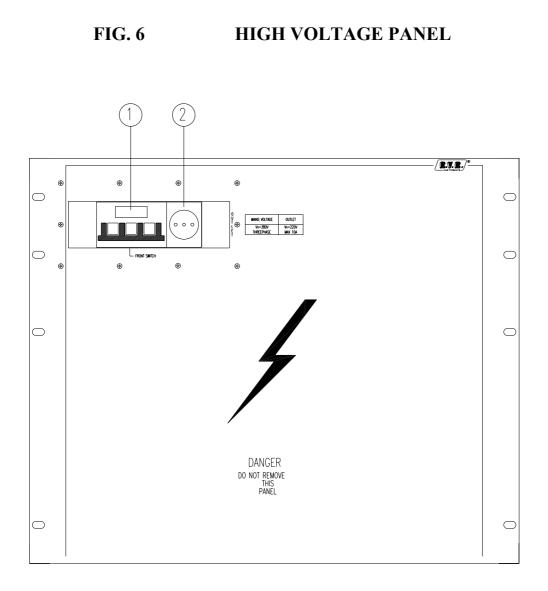
REF.		DESCRIPTION
1)	MULTIMETER:	Analog instrument for the measures of temperature, filament voltage and current, anode voltage and current and grid voltage.
2)	<b>VOLTAGES SELECTOR</b> :	Voltages selector for the measures of the following.
3)	FWD/REF SELECTOR:	Selector for forward / reflected power measure.
4)	<b>POWER INSTRUMENT</b> :	Analog instrument for the measure of the forward and reflected power
5)	INSTRUMENT RESET:	Mechanical reset of analog instrument for the measure of the forward and reflected power.
6)	ENCODER:	Encoder for telemetry connection (optional).
7)	<b>ENCODER SWITCH</b> :	Key switch to enable the telemetry (optional).
8)	<b>EMERGENCY PUSH SWITCH:</b>	Emergency push switch to stop the equipment.
9)	TUNING KEY SWITCH:	Key switch to enable the motorized tuning.
10)	TIME FILAMENT DISPLAY:	Display for the screening of the pre-heating filament time.
11)	R.F. SAMPLE:	Connector for R.F. signal test.
12)	HANDLE:	Handle to open the hinged panel
13)	DISPLAY:	Display for the screening of the equipment and telemetry parameters (optional).
14)	HOURS COUNTER:	Equipment working hours counter
15)	VOLTAGES RESET:	Mechanical reset of analog instrument.

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## HINGED FRONTAL PANEL WITHOUT TELEMETRY



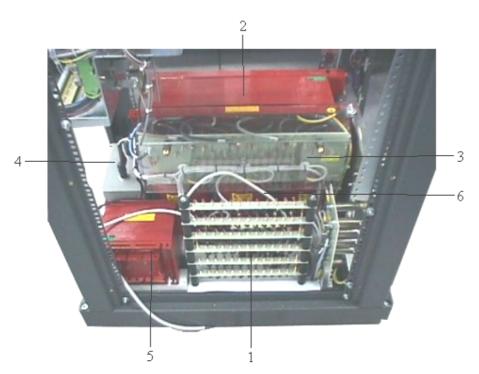


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1)	Quadripole main switch
2)	Service outlet.

## **FIG. 7**

## **P1 POWER SUPPLY SECTION VIEW**



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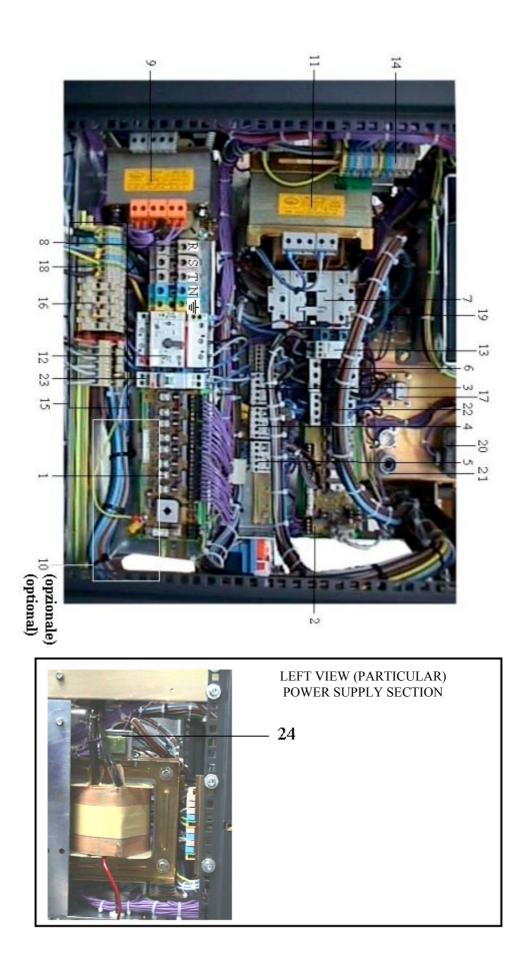
4)

- 1) Rectifier diodes bridge for plate voltage.
- 2) Plate voltage power supply transformer. 3)
  - Plate Voltage transformer socket.
    - Plate voltage filtering capacitor.
- 5) Inductance.
- Discharge resistor for high voltage capacitor. 6)

REF.

## FIG. 8 P2 POWER SUPPLY SECTION VIEW

1)	Tuning relays card.
2)	Power relays card.
3)	Filament solenoid switch 1.
4)	Filament solenoid switch 2.
5)	Blower solenoid switch.
6)	High tension solenoid switch 1.
7)	High tension solenoid switch 2.
8)	Three phase input socket (mono phase on request).
9)	Services transformer.
10)	Electromechanism telemetry card (optional).
11)	Filament transformer.
12)	Blower overload cutout.
13)	Three phase checking presence.
14)	Blower and filament stabilizer power socket (optional).
15)	Fuses service socket.
16)	I/O for external interlock.
17)	Tuning motor input (LOAD).
18)	Driver power supply.
19)	Tuning motor grid (TUNE).
20)	Pressure switch.
21)	RF cavity input.
22)	Driver solenoid power supply.
23)	Power supply selection.
24)	Insulator transformer for filament readings.



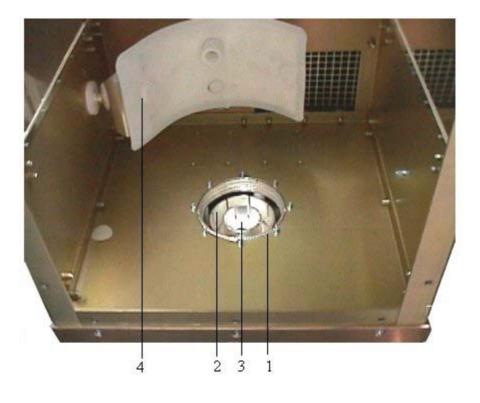
## FIG. 9 R.F. CAVITY FRONTAL VIEW



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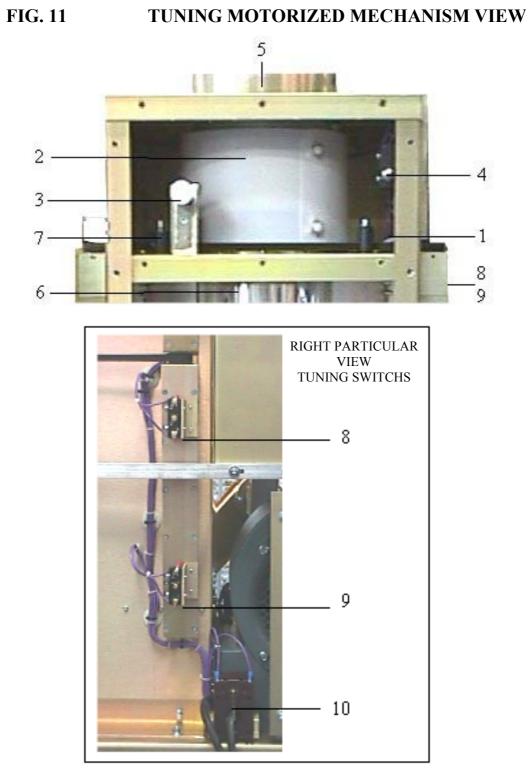
1)	Threaded bar for motorized tuning.
2)	Sliding plane with fingers.
3)	Plate pipe.
4)	Wrapper.
5)	Plate ring.
6)	Wrapper.
7)	Blower air input.
8)	Load capacitor.

## FIG. 10 R.F. CAVITY FRONTAL VIEW



## REF.

1)	Plate ring.
2)	Tube Socket filament contact.
3)	Tube Socket filament contact.
4)	Load capacitor.



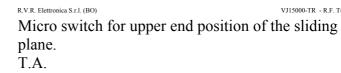
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## **DESCRIZIONE**

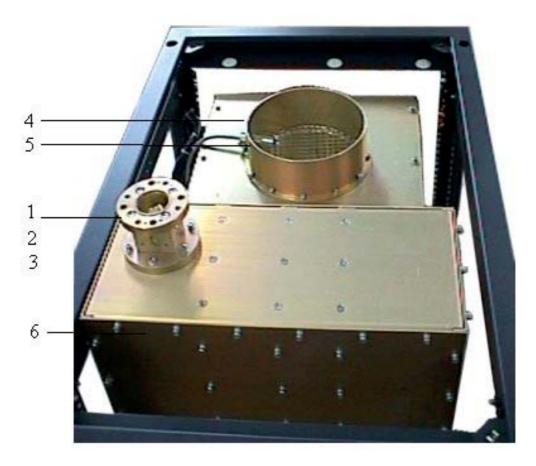
1)	H.T. cable.
2)	Plate pipe isolator.
3)	Horn gap arrester.
4)	Micro switch for R.F. cavity protection.
5)	Plate pipe.
6)	Moving strap plane.
7)	Micro switch for top end position of the sliding
	plane.

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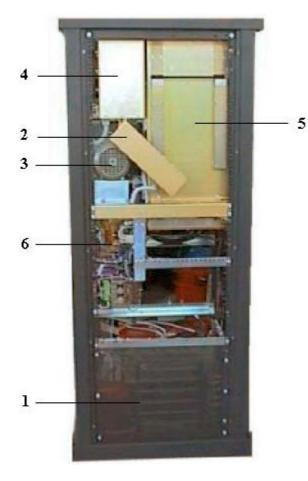
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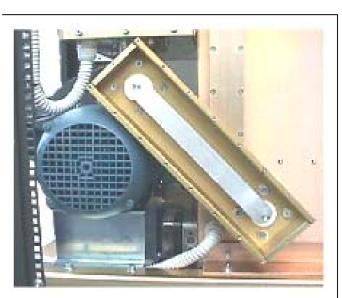
#### **DESCRIZIONE**

1)	EIA 1+5/8" flange (R.F. output connector).
2)	Wattmeter.
3)	Directional coupler.
4)	Output air chimney (diameter 180 mm).
5)	Temperature strobe.
6)	Low-pass filter.

## FIG. 13

## **R.F. CAVITY LEFT LATERAL VIEW**





VIEW DISSASEMBLED STRIPLINE

# RIF.

- 1) 2)
- 3)
- 4)
- 5)
- 6)

7)

Cavity input air. Electro mechanical plane.

**DESCRIZIONE** 

Finger. Stripline.

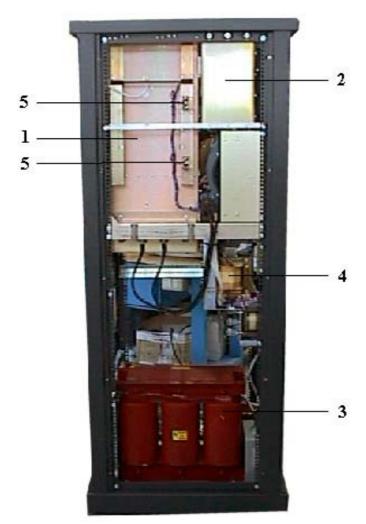
Cavity RF.

Low pass filter.

Power supply plane.

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## FIG. 14R.F. CAVITY RIGHT LATERAL VIEW

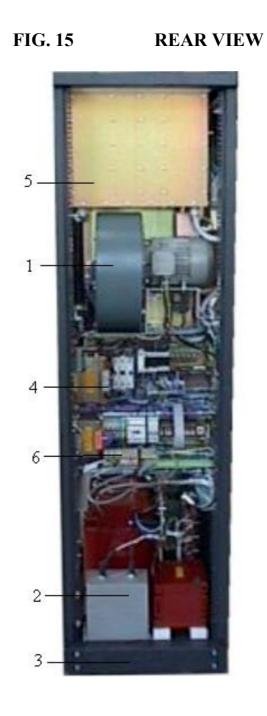


## RIF.

## DESCRIZIONE

1)	Cavity Rf view.
2)	Low pass filter view.
3)	Power sypply section
4)	Electro mechanical plane.
5)	Power switchs for tuning motors.

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#### RIF.

## **DESCRIZIONE**

1)	Blower.
2)	Power supply plane.
3)	Power transformer support.
4)	Electro mechanical plane.
5)	Low pass filter.
6)	Service calmps.

## **CHAPTER 3**

## **EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION**

#### **3.1 INTRODUCTION**

This chapter contains the necessary information for the installation and the preliminary checks of the VJ15000-TR amplifier.

#### 3.2 UNPACKING

Remove the equipment from its packing, Verify that the unit that isn't damaged during the transport. Controls all parts on the front panel are operative.

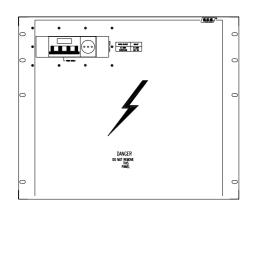
First: remove the transformer from the packing.

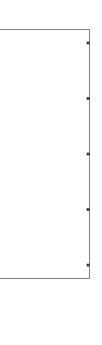
Second: remove the lateral ant frontal pannel.

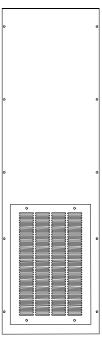
The necessary equipment are: a screwdriver with cross head , a soket wrench 7 mm and 10 mm, a setscrew wrench M6, M8.

Make sure to have a container where put all the screws. Remount all screws and to make sure that isn't component outside the appropriate position.

Then insert the power transformer support into rack, to make sure to have removed the screws with the setscrew wernch M6. Now remove the plexiglass protection and connect the appropriate contacts, use for this operation setscrew wrench M8, and a setscrew pipe M6.





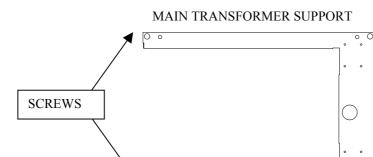


#### MAIN PANNEL

LATERALE PANNEL

**REAR PANNEL** 

After, insert the cart of the transformer interior shot the back rack, make sure to have removed first the four screws M6 with the key to setscrew wrench M6.



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Once inserted the cart to the inside, to pass on the anterior part and to get off the plexiglass of protection and to lace the threads to the terminal board protection and to lace the threads of the terminal board (see drawings) with:

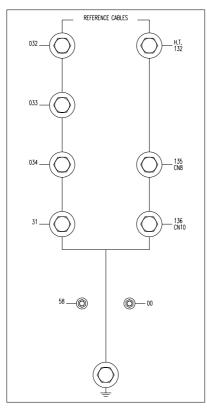
n° 1 key soket wrench M8

n° 1 setscrew wrench M6

n° 1 screwdriver

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#### POWER SUPPLY SOCKET



When the connections are connected, reassemble the plexiglas protection and the anterior 9 unities panel, close again the other panels, and proceed with the valve installation. Is advisable close the back panel only before working.

## 3.3 TUBE INSTALLATION

For the tube installation is necessary to execute the following procedure:

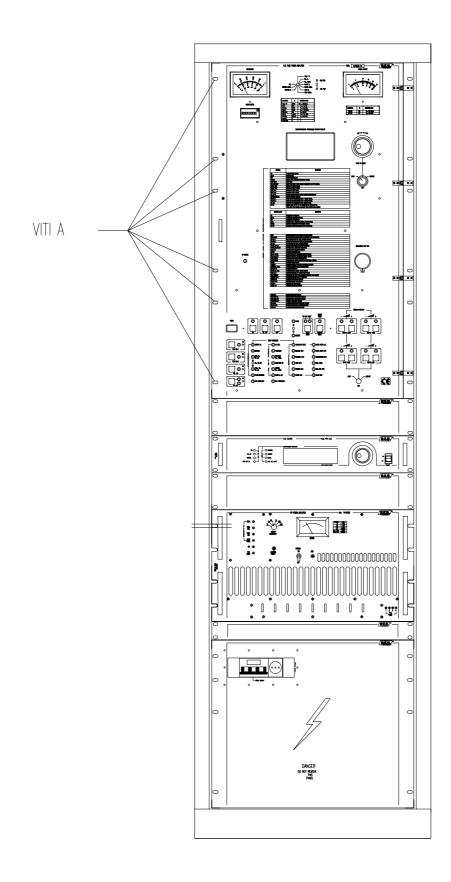
- 1) Connect the power supply cable in the relative socket paying attention to exact position of the phases and neutral. The mains voltage must be the same for that is been set the equipment (see as reference the test control card). Verify that the ground is very good. Connect a dummy load with adequate power, or the antenna, to the amplifier's output.
- 2) Open the hinged frontal panel placed on the R.F. section, unscrewing the screws "A" (FIG. 16) and then remove the frontal panel of the cavity.
- 3) Switch on the equipment through automatic interrupter and/or trough selector pressed OFF.
- 4) Now, enable the tuning push switches through the key selector and then push OUPUT TUNE to lift up the plane with fingers until the top position. If the button RF APC is turned on the tune motors don't works. Then, switch off again the equipment.
- 5) Loosen the clamp that fixes the plate ring and move it to the top limit (FIG. 17). Then, insert the tube and at the same time turn it until the grid ring is perfectly on the fixed socket ring of the cavity. To be sure of the correct insertion of the tube is necessary that the GRID 1 contact, that is the nearest to the plate, is totally inserted into the fingers mounted on the socket plane.

# NOTE: Don't touch the tube ceramic with hands to avoid to leave traces of greasy; in case, wash the part with trichlorethylene or acetone.

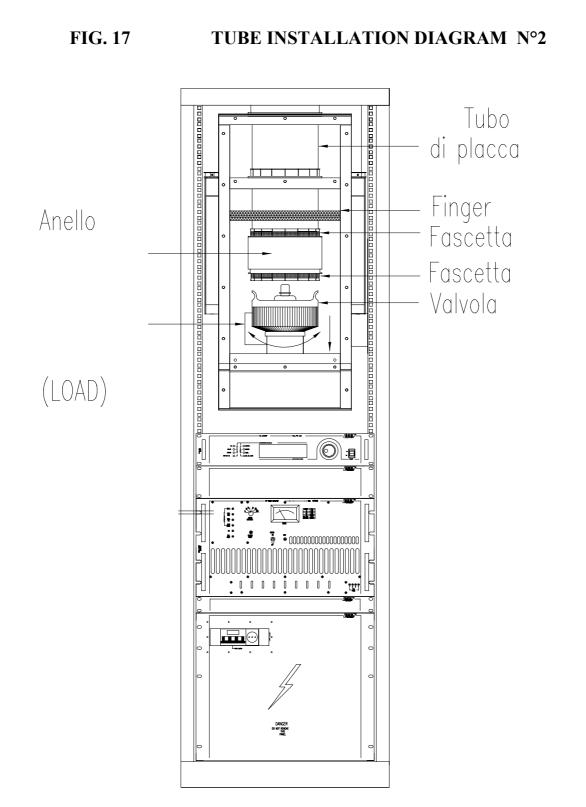
- 6) Once the tube is been inserted, fix the high tension block on the top part of the tube (FIG. 19). It's very important to close this block correctly (using a setscrew wrench M5), so that the tube doesn't go out..
- 7) Then, decrease the plate ring until is perfectly connected to the tube as indicated in the FIG. 21, and then fix it with the apposite clamps both on the tube and on the plate ring.
- 8) Restart the amplifier, pressing OFF botton and contemporany OUPUT TUNE, to adjust frequency before working (see related pages above this chapter).
- 9) When you have checked that all these operations are been executed correctly, close the front panel. To make sure to not have left inside: utensils or bolts.

**FIG. 16** 

## **TUBE INSTALLATION DIAGRAM N°1**



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**FIG. 18** 

## **TUBE INSTALLATION REFERENCE VIEW N°2**



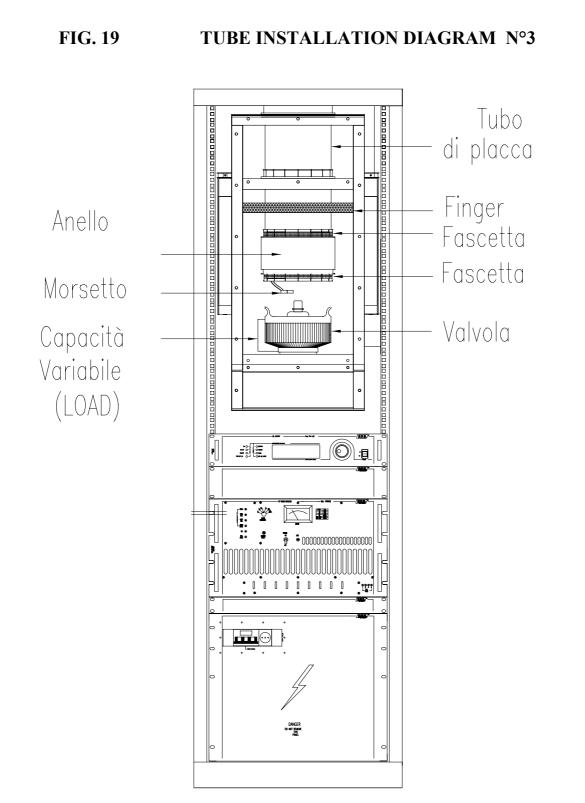
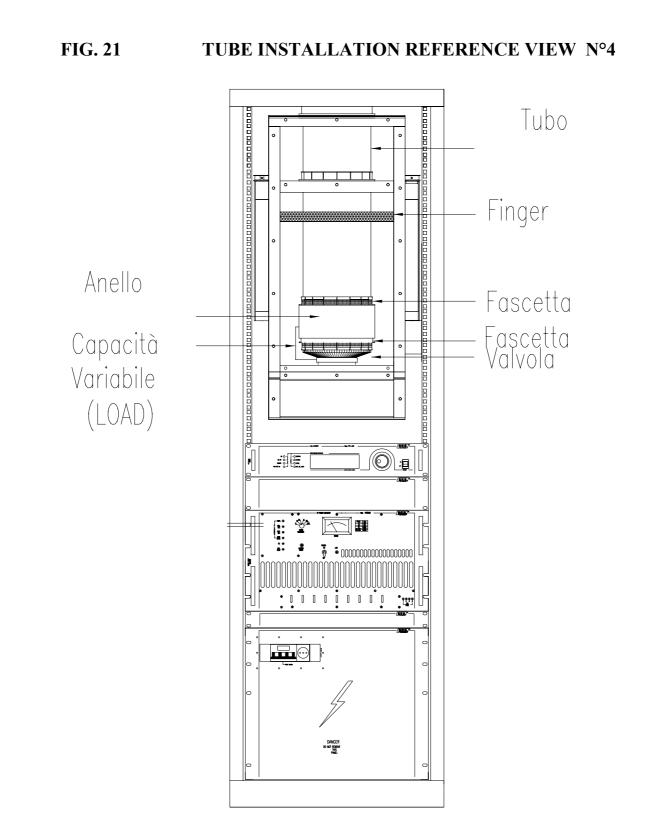


FIG. 20

### TUBE INSTALLATION REFERENCE VIEW N°3







### FIG. 22

### TUBE INSTALLATION REFERENCE VIEW N°4



See for reference distance above tuning adjusting. (the distance correspondly to the MHz)

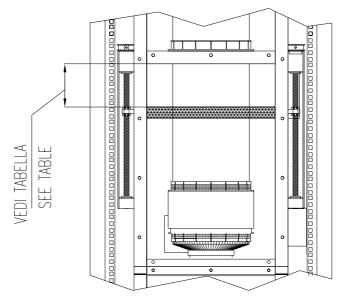


FIG. 23	<b>REGULATION RF - MHZ</b>
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Height Cm	Frequence (Mhz)
9.5	88
10.5	89
11.5	90
12.5	91
13.5	92
14.5	93
15.5	94
16.5	95
17.5	96
18.5	97
19.5	98
20.5	99
21.5	100
22.5	101
23.5	102
24.5	103
25.5	104
26.5	105
27.5	106
28.5	107
29.5	108

### TABLE C - FREQUENCIES REFERENCE

### 3.4 EQUIPMENT SETTING AT WORK

To set at work the amplifier VJ15000 it's necessary to execute the following operations:

- 1) The equipment is set for a mains voltage of 380 Vac (other on request), three phases with neutral. It's very important connect the neutral on the terminal marked N (blue), while for the versus of the phases it's necessary to respect the sequence R, S, T so that the MAINS led is on, and since the blower is three phases type in any case to be sure the right rotation version of the blower. For the connection of the exciter and driver use the apposite auxiliary terminals (FIG. 8); to be sure to connect them to the relative terminals to avoid tube and amplifier irreparable damages. After the tube mounting as showed in the previous paragraph, connect again the mains voltage. All the panels owe being closed, or the tube amplifiers doesn't start (safety condiction).
- 2) Set the exciter at the minimum power and place the ST: BY/H.V. ON on the ST. BY position.
- 3) Place the driver ON/OFF switch to OFF position. Switch on the equipment through the main switch and wait for the heating time. The number on the display shows the relative heating time. This time can be set between four values by internal jumpers on the protection card as described in the protection logic specifications.

**NOTE**: Pay attention to don't broke the Interlock micro switches that stop the equipment.

- 4) Check with the multimeter that filament current is about 160 A.
- 4) Now, using the panel multimeter, verify that the filament voltage is  $6.3V \pm 0.37$  V; if the correct sequence is follow starting the Timer for pre-heating previous to chenge in anodic voltage.

# If it doesn't work, follow the instructions to pag. 42 to verify the absence of signals on the measures card.

Ended to count of the Timer, the button is put in ON and must depart the electromagnetic switch HT1 and HT2 if the electromagnetic switch departing HT1 is not turn the led: there is a short circuit on the H.T.

Check to have installed the valve correctly.

Once starts the electromagnetic switchs HT1 and HT2 and the valve has been installed correctly must be present an anodic current of 350-400 MA (it depends on the valve) without pilotage. The valve has been installed correctly and that the amplifier is ready.

- 6) Switch on the exciter and when is lock to the set frequency, increase the power until 20-25 W.
- 7) Now, by the motorized tuning commands INPUT TUNE and INPUT LOAD moove the motors of tuning, verify to obtain the minimum SWR readable on the exciter PWR meter; at the same time, verify to obtain a plate current increasing.
- 8) Adjust the OUPUT TUNE command to obtain the maximum value of the output power and execute the same sequence to OUPUT LOAD command.

- 9) Increase the driving power and then execute a new adjustment through the OUPUT TUNE and OUPUT LOAD commands until you have the maximum exciter output power. Using only the modulator is possible to reach an output power of 600-700 W (with 3CX15000A7).
- 10) Decrease at minimum power the exciter and then connect in series the driver amplifier.
- 11) Switch on again the exciter, and repeat the tuning operations sequence of INPUT TUNE and INPUT LOAD for the least output power and consequently of OUPUT TUNE and OUPUT LOAD for the maximum output power, increasing gradually the input power; in case that increasing driving power increases the input SWR of the VJ15000, adjust the input tuning by INPUT LOAD and INPUT TUNE for the minimum SWR value.
- 12) Adjust now, the driving power level and OUPUT TUNE and OUPUT LOAD tuning to obtain a output power of 15 KW. For all other parameters see as reference the CHECK TEST TABLE enclosed to equipment, keeping in mind that the maximum value are the following::

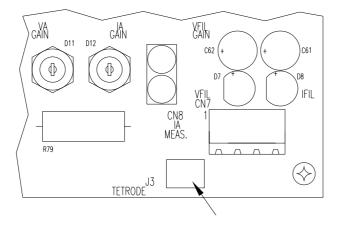
IA = 3 A	Ig = 1 A
VF = 6.3 VAC	If = 160 A
ROS o RFL = 1000 W	

### **CHAPTER 4**

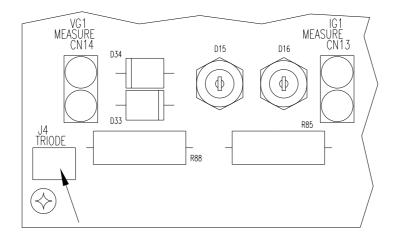
### **TUBE MEASURES CARD CALIBRATION**

### 4.1 NOTICE

Pay attention, this calibration is been executed initially on the final power amplifier during the checking test, only in case of card replacement, after that is been verified that is the cause of the equipment anomaly, is necessary to proceed to the calibration of the card as described later on. Before to proceed to the calibration, check on the card if J3 is in short circuit, and if it's verified, the card is been configured for a tetrode amplifier.



If the short-circuit is on J4 the card is been set for a triode amplifier.



### 4.2 INTRODUCTION

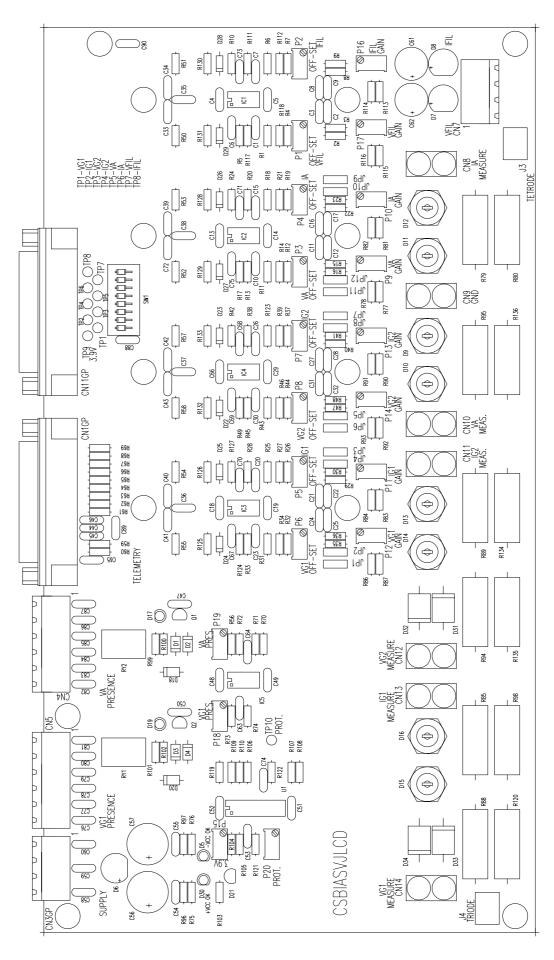
To calibrate the measures card for tube amplifiers, placed near to mains voltage switch in the rear part of the high tension panel 9H (Fig.3), it's necessary to have:

-N\_1 power supply 0-20V, 0-10 adjustable both in tension and in current.

- -N\_1 multimeter.
- -N\_1 DC ammeter.

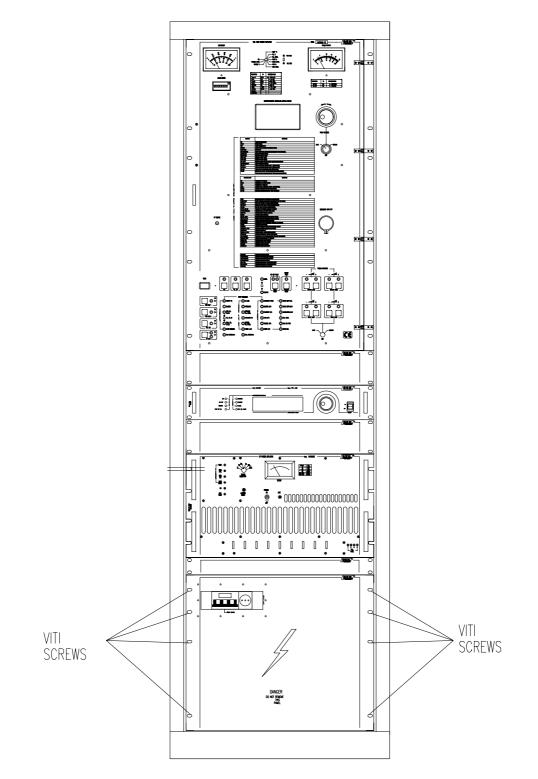


### **MEASURES CARD REFERENCE VIEW**



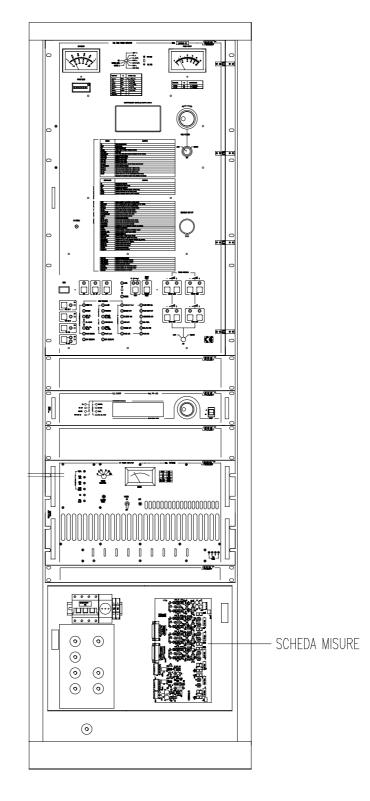
**FIG. 25** 

### **MEASURES CARD REPLACING DIAGRAM N°1**



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FIG. 26
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### MEASURES CARD REPLACING DIAGRAM N°2



Before to proceed, check the test resistors values in according to the amplifier type that is used (in this case the type is VJ15000-TR that uses 3CX15000A7 tube, see as reference TABLE D and FIG. 39).

Since, the protections intervention on the equipment is set at 3.9 V, is necessary that at maximum voltage or current value of the tube corresponds to 3.9 V, to allow the protections intervention.

### Example:

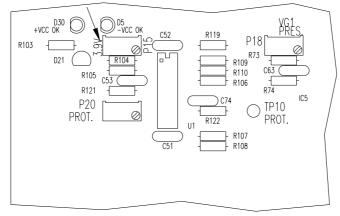
A value for VJ15000-TR, tree-phases version, with 3CX15000A7 tube. IA max set to 2.5 A corresponds to 3.9 V on the TP6 test point output. In this way if the current exceeds 2.5 A value the protections intervene.In the manual there is a table with all input and output voltage of the card:

IA = 3 A	Ig = 1 A
VF = 6.3 VAC	If = 160 A
ROS o RFL = 1000 W	

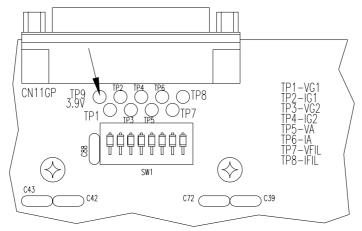
### 4.3 MEASURES CARD ADJUSTING OPERATIONS

Adjusting procedure of the card at first switch on of the equipment in case of card replacement.

The first operation that must be executed is that to calibrate the card reference voltage (3.9 V), using P15 trimmer.



To measure it using a multimeter connect the negative to ground and the positive to TP9 test point.

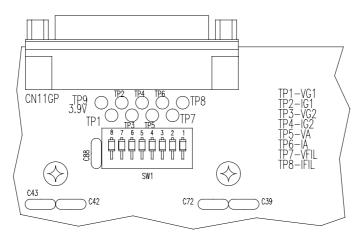


P2 for IF P6 for VG1 P3 for VA P7 for IG2 P4 for IA P8 for VG2 R123 R2F C1 C19 R39 R37 R112 R34 R32 R46 R44 R14 R12 P۶ P3 IG2 OFF •• P16 FIL Gain VFIL GAIN GAIN

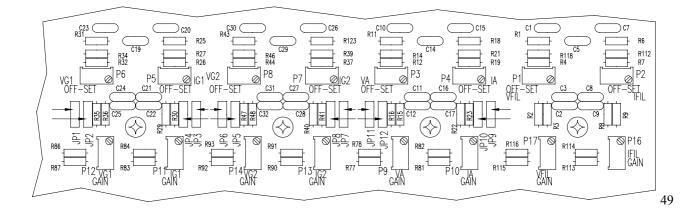
Now, it's necessary calibrate the voltage value nearest to zero using the following trimmers:

P5 for IG1

For reading the voltage values using always the multimeter with the negative connected to ground and the positive connected to relative test point in according to the value that you want calibrate.

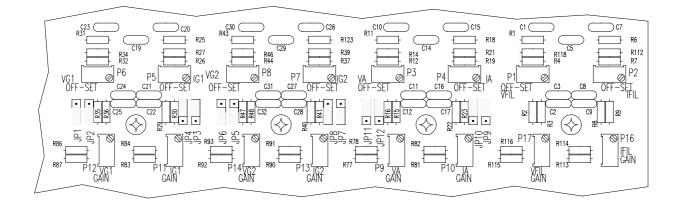


Because of the various tube type on which can be connected this card, can happen that the voltages measured, can be both positive and negative, but it's always necessary to have a positive voltage on the test point output. To obtain this, it is necessary to intervene moving some couple jumpers on the card on the ground of the negative value of the measure.

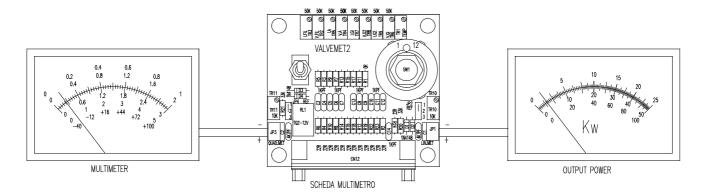


P1 for VF

In this manual is furnished the jumpers position for the 3CX15000A7 tube installed on the VJ15000-TR

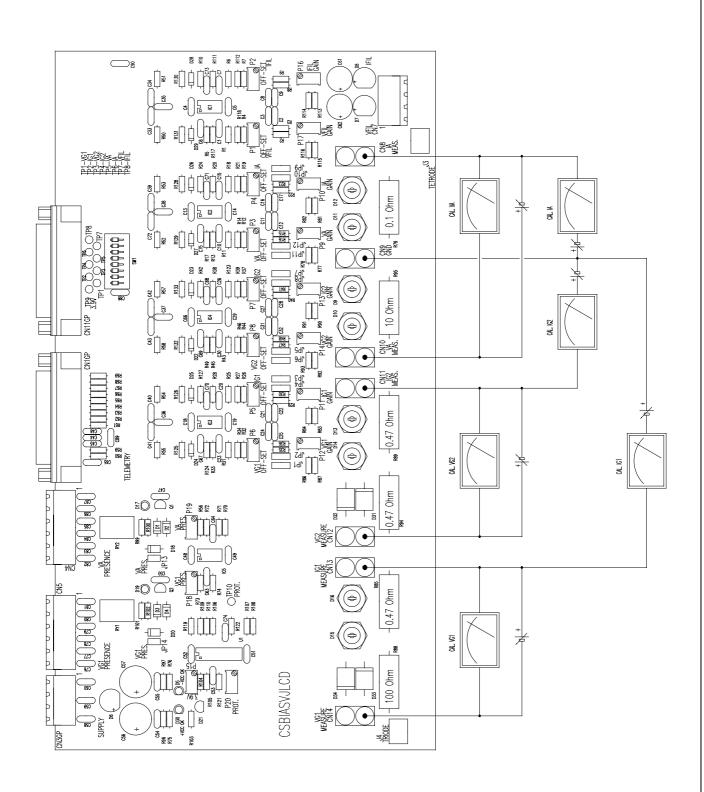


Once finished the previous operations it's necessary to connect a power supply with an ammeter in series (as shows in the following figure) to calibrate the IA and IG1 maximum current (IG2 not present in this equipment because triode version, present on the tetrode version). After the test point output voltages through the trimmers placed on the multimeter card, verify that the instrument, placed on the hinged front panel, read correctly.



If the reading of the multimeter corresponds to preset value, verify that the selector is on CAL position and the instrument read the full scale, otherwise turn TR10 trimmer to calibrate the instrument. Now, it's possible to calibrate the measures using trimmers placed on the measures card that correspond to the requested measure. After the current calibration is possible to calibrate the voltage reading, using a multimeter to read the input voltage values too. VG1, VG2 and VA voltages is naturally measured on the test points and to simulate the equipment working is necessary to refer to voltage values indicated on the relative TABLE D.

# FIG. 27 POWER SUPPLIES CONNECTION FOR THE CALIBRATION OF TEST POINT VOLTAGES



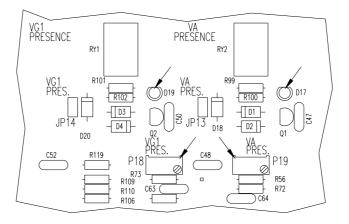
Model VJ15000-TR	Volt Fil.	Current Fil.	VA	IA	VG1	IG1	VG2	IG2
I° STEP input	3,9 VAC	1,665 VAC	107,0 mV	-	-	-	-	-
II° STEP input	6,250 VAC	1,775 VAC	171,0 mV	249 mV	141 mV	2,397 VDC	-	-
I° STEP Out Test Point	2,254 VDC	2,639 VDC	2,450 VDC	-	-	-	-	-
II° STEP Out Test Point	3,9 VDC	3,029 VDC	3,9 VDC	3,9 VDC	3 mV	3,9 VDC	-	-
I° STEP Strument Measure	3,8 VAC	140 A	5000 VDC	-	-	-	-	-
II° STEP Strument Measure	6,3 VAC	160 A	7500 VDC	3 A	71 VDC	1,0 A	-	-
I° STEP LCD Measure	3,7 VAC	140 A	5000 VDC	-	-	-	-	-
II° STEP LCD Measure	6,3 VAC	160,0 A	7500 VDC	3 A	71 VDC	1,0 A	-	-
I° STEP Fluke Measure	3,9 VAC	140 A	5000 VDC	-	-	-	-	-
II° STEP Fluke Measure	6,250 VAC	160 A	7500 VDC	3 A	71 VDC	1,0 A	-	-

### TABLE D - MEASURE TESTS CARD

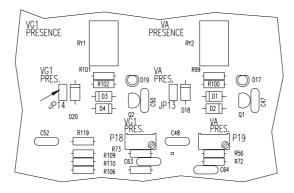
On the measure card there are n°2 trimmer P18 corresponding to VG1 voltage presence and P19 for VA voltage presence.

These two trimmers set the thresholds for the VG1 and IA voltage presence on the equipment.

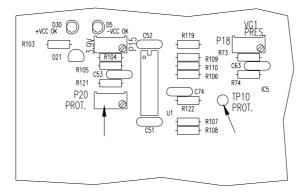
Once that is been verified the voltages presence, the relays are closed to enable the protection box and leds D17 and D19 are light on to signal the controlled voltage presence.



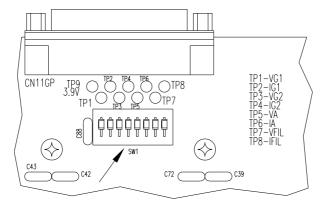
In case that on the equipment is installed a triode tube, the checking of the VG1 is excluded because this voltage is created automatically when the tube is in power and is created inserting the jumper JP14 to have a short circuit so that the starting sequence is ok, otherwise the equipment never go in high tension.



Another possibility to check it, if the protection logic works correctly, is that to generate an justable voltage of 3.95 V by trimmer P20 and to measure it on test point TP10.



Working on dip switch SW1 it's possible to have the preset tension on the chosen output.

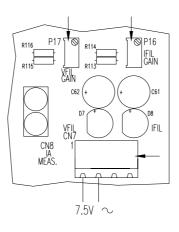


The correspondence on the dip switch SW1 is the following:

SW1	Test Point	Measure
1	TP8	I Filament
2	TP7	V Filament
3	TP6	I Anode
4	TP5	V Anode
5	TP4	IG2
6	TP3	VG2
7	TP2	IG1
8	TP1	VG1

The calibration of the filament voltage and current cannot be executed with power supply, because the measures must be executed in alternate voltage.

To calibrate the filament voltage is necessary to apply on CN7 sockets a voltage like as that of the tube (for example with 3CX15000A7 is necessary a voltage of 6.3V) and through trimmer P17 adjust the Test Point output voltage for the value indicated on the table at TABLE D.



The filament current measure is obtained by a TA and then the voltage is included between 2.5Vac and 3.5Vac.

For the calibration of the trimmer P16 proceed as follows:.

1) Insert the tube in the socket and close again the RF cavity so that is possible to switch on it

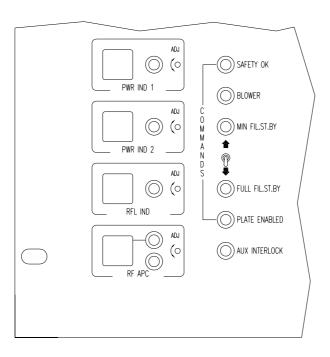
2) Place an amperometric clamp so that to include one of the two power supply wires of the filament that are connected to the socket.

3) Switch on the equipment and place the selector switch "MIN. FIL. ST.BY" to FULL FIL. position.

4) Verify that led FIL 2 is lighted on.

5) Verify on the amperometric clamp the absorbed current is that of nominal working of the tube.6) Adjust P16 trimmer until to read on the test point a voltage value of 2,9 Vdc.

If it's impossible to find quickly the voltage level, the protection could go in FAULT for CHECK LIST ERROR; repeat the operation more times until to reach the correct value on the Test Point output as indicated on the measure TABLE D.



XX:XX	ORA	D,	TEMP °C		-	-
XX:XX:XX	DATA:	1000 W	RFL PWR	-		-
END TESTS	FINE COLLAUDO / END TESTS	15000 W	FWD PWR	-		
				4100 V	PROT	TP10
YES NOT	DRIVER	-		3800 V	CAL	TP9
ON 🗌 IS	PILOTI	-	-	-	•	-
		160 A	FIL CURR	3.029 V	IFIL	IP8
YES NOT	TUBE	6.3 V	FIL VOLT	39 V	VFIL.	TP7
ON 🗌 IS	VALVOLA	2.7 A	PLATE CURR	32 V	IA	TP6
		7500 V	PLATE VOLT	39 V	VA	TP5
I	PWR LOWER		SCREEN CURRENT	-	IC2	TP4
500 W	SWR WARNIG		SCREEN VOLT	-	VC2	TP3
3750 W	POWER COOD 2	260 m.A	GRID CURR	2.1 V	IC1	TP2
7500 W	POWER GOOD 1	71 V	CRID VOLI	3 V	VC1	TPI
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# Tube amplifier techniques specifications (end tests)

# Scheda di controllo dell'amplificatore valvolare a fine collando

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### TABLE E - QUIESCENT WORKING PARAMETERS

PARAMETER	3CX15000A7
Anode Current	400-600 mA
Filament Current	160 A
Filament Voltage	$6.3\pm0.37V$
Grid 1 Voltage	Automatic polarization
Anode Voltage	7500 V

### TABLE F - ADVISABLE EQUIPMENT FOR TEST

INSTRUMENT	ADVISABLE MODEL	SPECIFICATIONS
Non inductive dummy load	Bird 50 Ohm	$P \ge 15 \text{ KW}$
By-Pass Wattmeter with sample	Bird Mod. 4715-200	50 Ohm
Power Supply	HP6002A	0-50 V, 0-10 A

### TABLE G - VOLTAGE STABILYZER PARAMETERS

Model	STM0K9/G codice ST1502
Input Power	max. 900 VA
Input Current	max. 4,1 A
Sensibility	adjustable from 0.5 to 5 %
Input Voltage Variation	max. ± 15 %
Efficiency	98 %
Stabilizzation	with a precision indipendent from load and power factor (cos)
Harmonic Distorsion	Not appreciable
Answer speed	> 30 V/sec (33 msec/V)
Precision	$\pm 0.5 \%$
Dimensions	12.38" (315 mm) W 5.97" (152 mm) D 5.50" (140 mm) H
Working temperature	da - 10°C a + 45°C
Weight	17.6 Lbs (8 Kg)

### **CHAPTER 5**

### MAINTENANCE

### 5.1 SAFETY RULES

### PAY ATTENTION ! PAY ATTENTION ! PAY ATTENTION ! PAY ATTENTION !

When the amplifier is working on, and the rear panel is been removed, inside of equipment are present dangerous high tensions. Use isolated tools for any type of adjustment and don't touch any internal components of equipment when this is switched on. Verify that the equipment internal high tensions are been short circuited (eventually use a switch hook). Verify to disconnect the mains voltage of the amplifier before to execute any maintenance operations.

### MAINTENANCE FIRST LEVEL

### 5.2 SAFETY RULES

Only routine maintenance that is necessary for amplifier are the periodic checking of the fans, the replacing of the air filter and the cleaning inside the tube cavity and the air filter. The periodicity of this maintenance depends from the working conditions of equipment, environmental temperature, the dust level of the air, humidity. It's advisable to execute a preventive checking each three months and to replace the blowers that has some problems as noise or friction. Then, at regular period, is necessary the replacing of the tube. The numbers of the tube life hours depends from the working conditions, example: mains voltage with variations greater than  $\pm$  5%, environmental temperature greater than 30°C, high humidity, dust presence and not corrected adjustment of the amplifier, are the causing of high reduction of the tube life.

### MAINTENANCE SECOND LEVEL

### 5.3 MODULES REPLACING

## NOTE: TO REMOUNTING THE MODULES EXECUTE THE PROCEDURE WITH INVERSE SEQUENCE.

### NOTE: THESE OPERATIONS MUST BE EXECUTED BY VERY QUALIFIED TECHNICIANS AND EQUIPPED

WITH NECESSARY INSTRUMENTS. UNCORRECTED OPERATIONS CAN CUASE A SERIOUS DAMAGE OF THE EQUIPMENT AND CAUSE AUTOMATICALLY THE RESOLVING OF THE WARRANTY.

### 5.4 TUBE REPLACING

- 1) Through the command Ouput tune, move the sliding plane with fingers until the upper end position (threshold bars completely exctracted)..
- 2) Disconnect the mains voltage from equipment.
- 3) Verify that the tube that must be replaced is cold sufficiently to avoid very serious burns.
- 5) Verify that all internal tensions are decreased to 0 V, eventually short circuit by a switch hook.
- 6) Open the hinged front panel unscrewing the relative screws (FIG. 16).
- 7) Unscrew the fixing screws of the internal panel of the RF cavity.
- 8) Loosen the plate ring and raise it until the top position and then fix it in this position.
- 9) Remove the high tension block from the top part of the tube.
- 10) Remove the tube from its socket, exerting a perpendicular traction from the base (upwards) and contemporary turn the tube to right and left side to reduce the frictions.
- 11) To remount the tube executed the same operations from point 6) of the 3.3. paragraph "Tube mounting".

### 5.5 AIR FILTER REPLACING

- 1) It isn't necessary to switch off the equipment.
- 2) Open the rear grid of the air filter (FIG. 2) unscrewing the relative fixing screws.
- 3) Replace the air filter (felt), cleaning very accurately the internal part. Close the rear grid of the air filter with its screws

### **CHAPTER 6**

### **ADJUSTMENTS**

### NOTE: THESE OPERATIONS MUST BE EXECUTED BY VERY QUALIFIED TECHNICIANS AND EQUIPPED WITH NECESSARY INSTRUMENTS. UNCORRECTED OPERATIONS CAN CUASE A SERIOUS DAMAGE OF THE EQUIPMENT AND CAUSE AUTOMATICALLY THE RESOLVING OF THE WARRANTY.

### 6.1 FREQUENCY CHANGE

To execute a frequency change on a tube amplifier, it's necessary to execute the following operations:

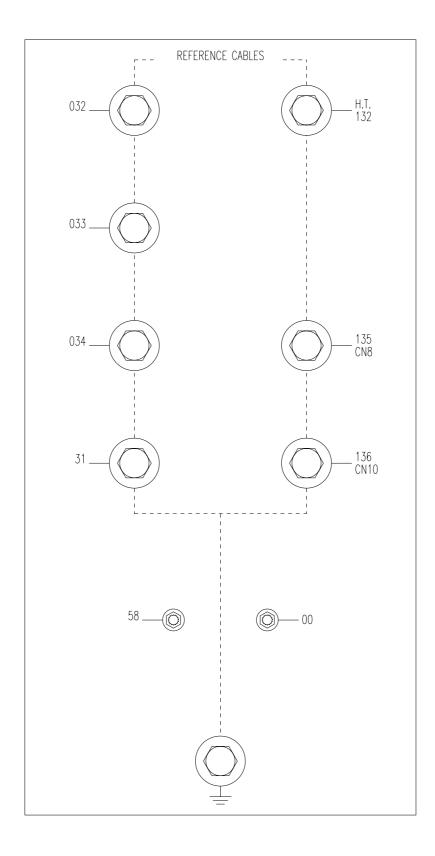
- 1) Connect, at first time, only the exciter (30 W max, example PTX30-UHT) to the input of the VJ15000 amplifier, excluding eventual drivers.
- 2) Adjust the power control of the exciter for minimum output power.
- 3) Switch on the amplifier and preset the command Ouput tune in function of the working frequency.
- 4) After the heating time and obtained the exciter locking on the working frequency, increase the output power of the exciter until 20 W.
- 5) Enable and act on INPUT LOAD and INPUT TUNE commands to reset the input reflected power.
- 6) The last operation will be able to cause an increasing of the anode current; now, act on OUPUT TUNE and OUPUT LOAD commands to obtain the maximum output power readable on the wattmeter. Place the DIR/REF selector on DIR position. Verify that the threshold bar move to internal position of RF cavity each time that we are near to the 108 MHz frequency and to external position respect the cavity when we are near to 87.5 MHz frequency.
- 7) Increase the input power and adjust the OUPUT TUNE and OUPUT LOAD commands to obtain again the maximum output power.
- 8) Replace at the minimum value the output power of the exciter and switch off it.
- 9) Insert the driver between the exciter and amplifier.
- 10) Switch on both the exciter and the driver.
- 11) Increase the output power of the exciter and execute again a fine OUPUT LOAD and OUPUT TUNE adjustment and INPUT LOAD and INPUT TUNE adjustment until to obtain 15 KW of output power.
- 12) When the 15KW is obtained, execute small adjustment with the same procedure until to obtain the same output power with the minimum value of the plate absorption, eventually decrease the exciter power.

### **APPENDIX** A

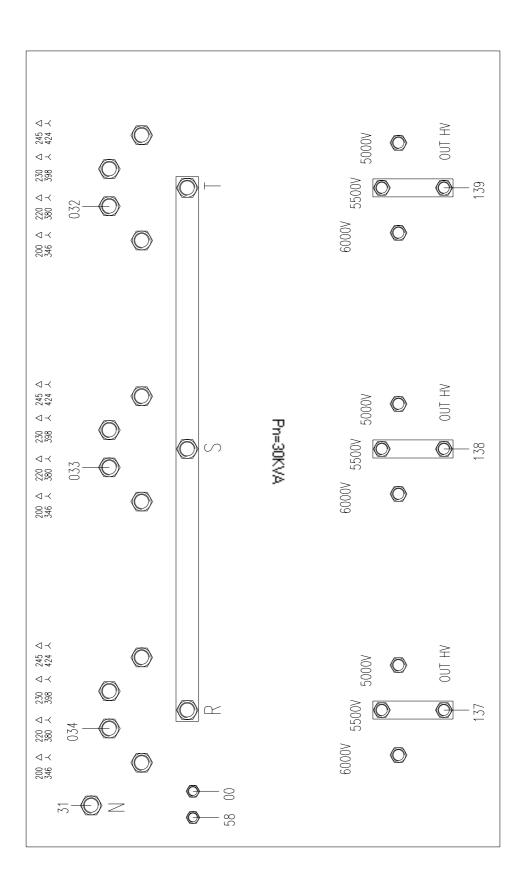
### **CIRCUIT DIAGRAMS AND LAYOUTS**

This section contains circuit diagrams and alyouts of the module which conposing the equipment

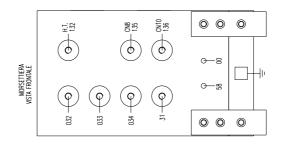
### FIG. 29 POWER SUPPLY SOCKET

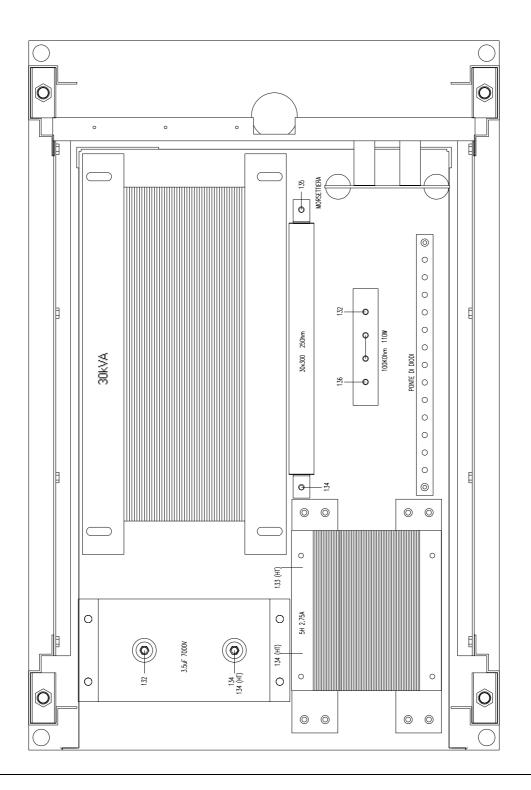


### FIG. 30 ANODE TENSION TRANSFORMER SOCKET

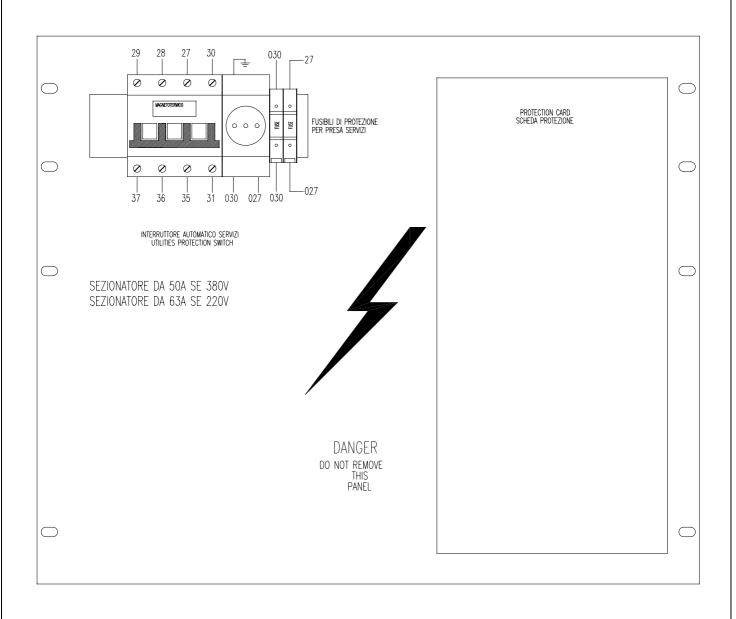


### FIG. 31 RACK POWER SUPPLY BASE

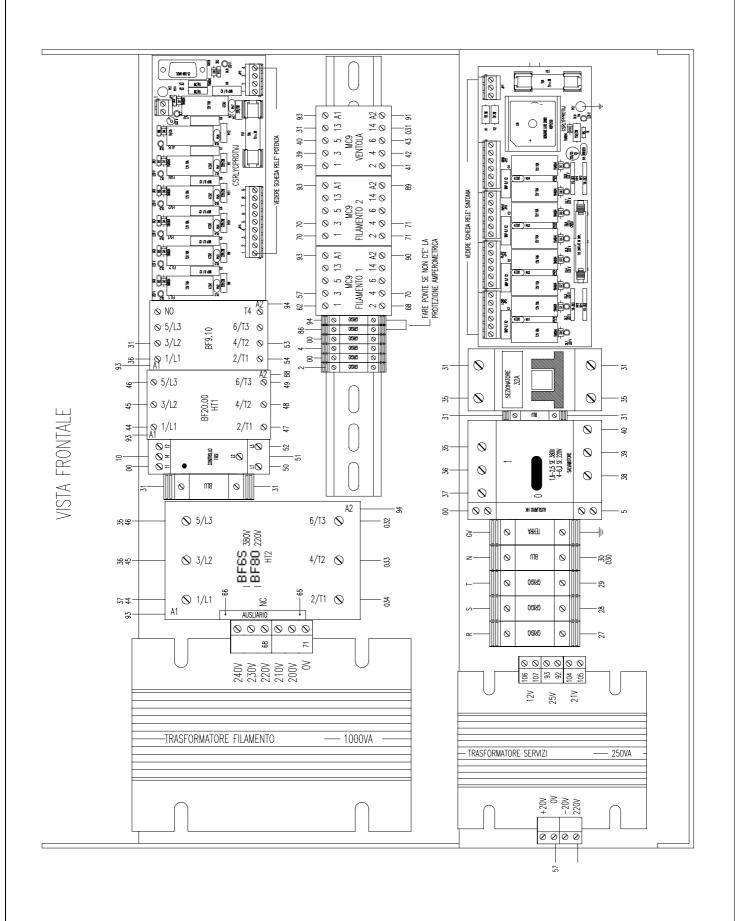




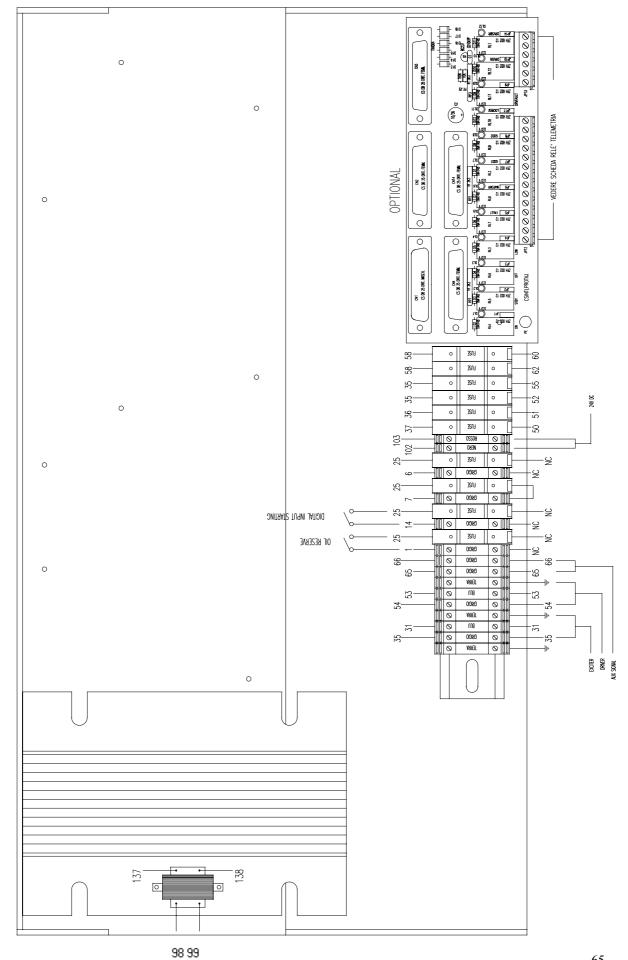
### FIG. 32 HIGH TENSION PANEL

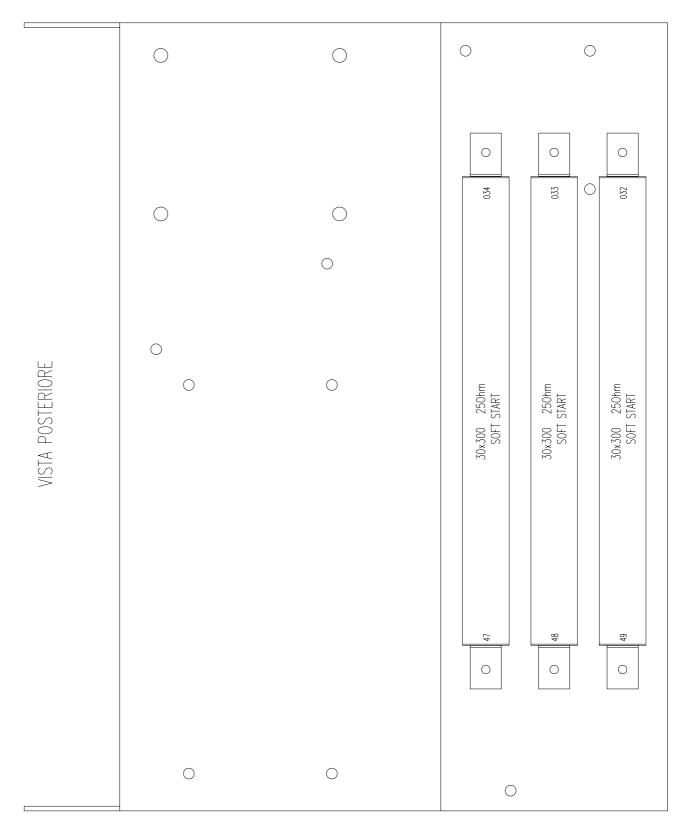


### FIG. 33 ELECTROMECHANICAL PLANE (TRIODE)



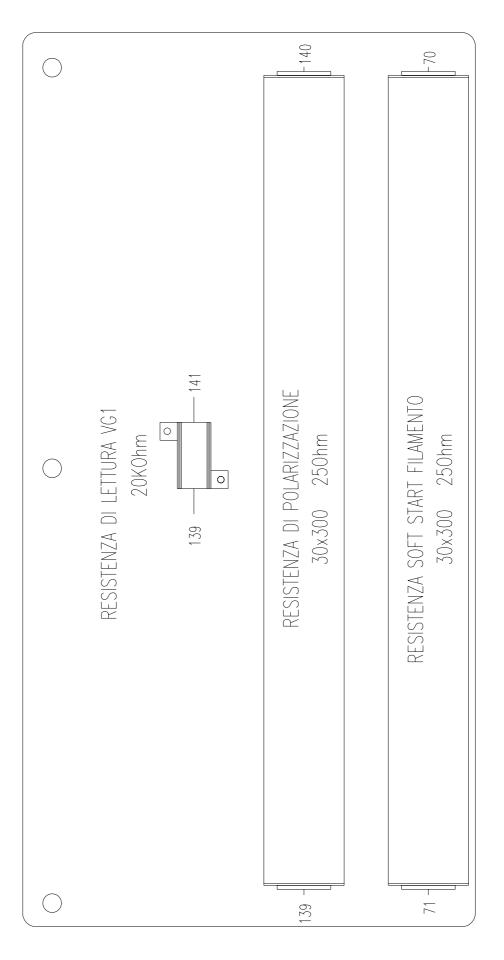
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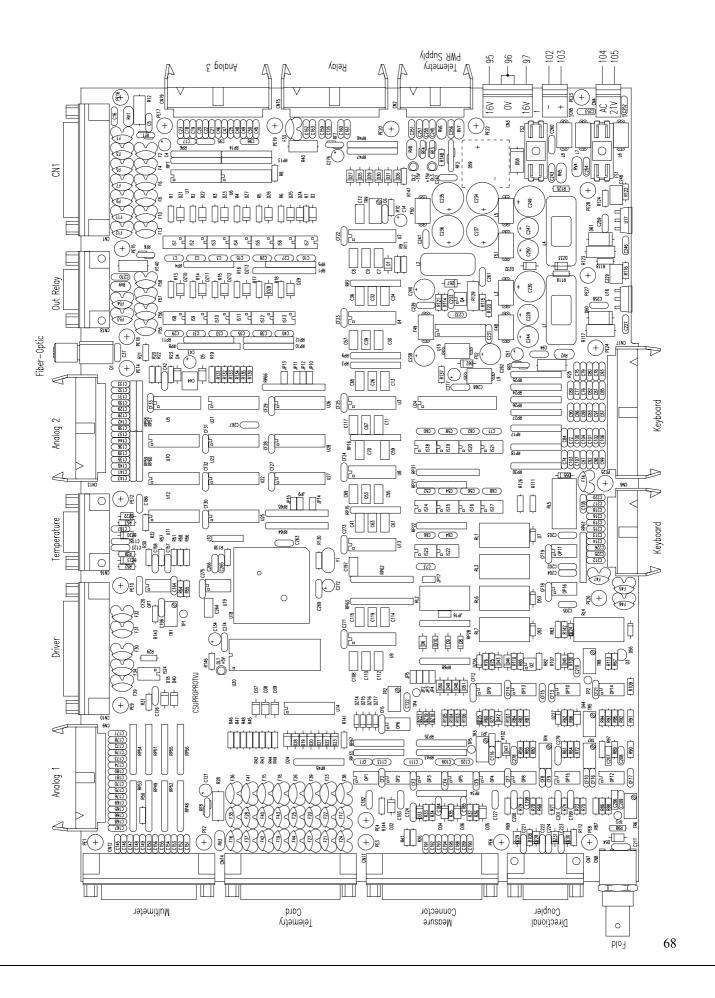


### FIG. 34

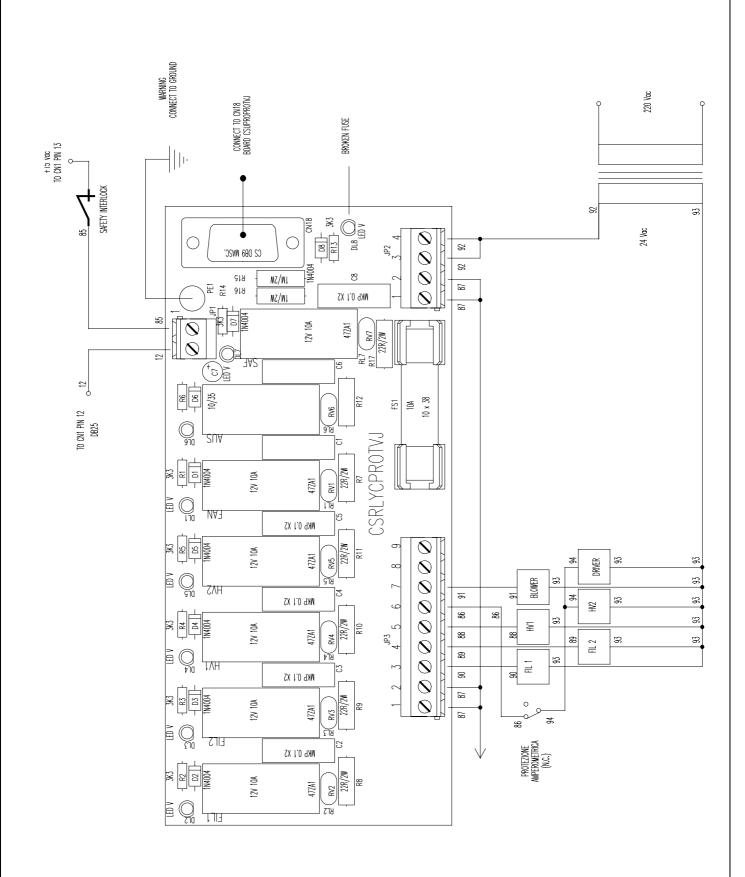






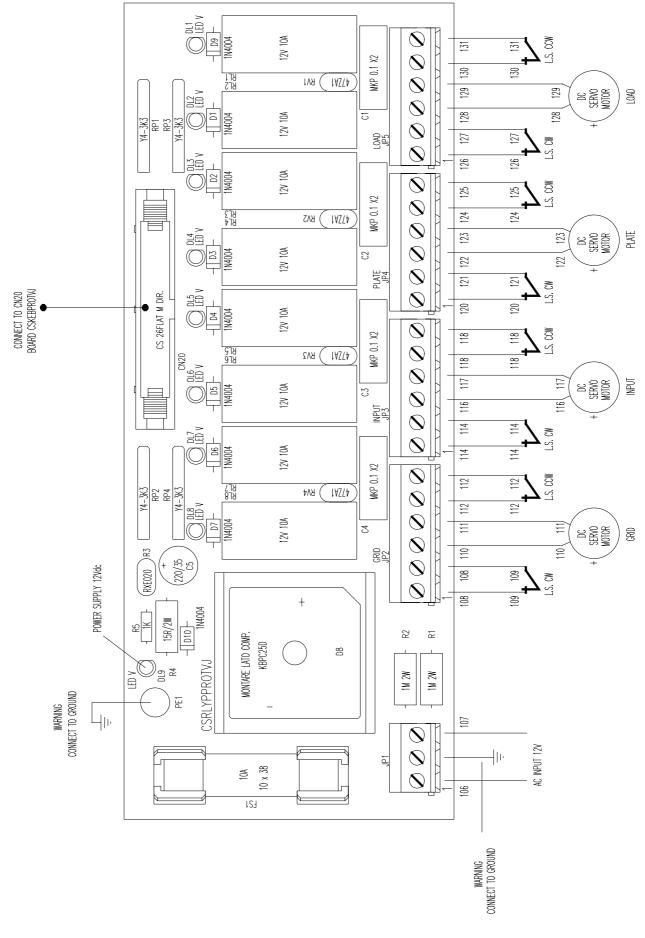


### FIG. 36 HIGH POWER RELAYS CARD

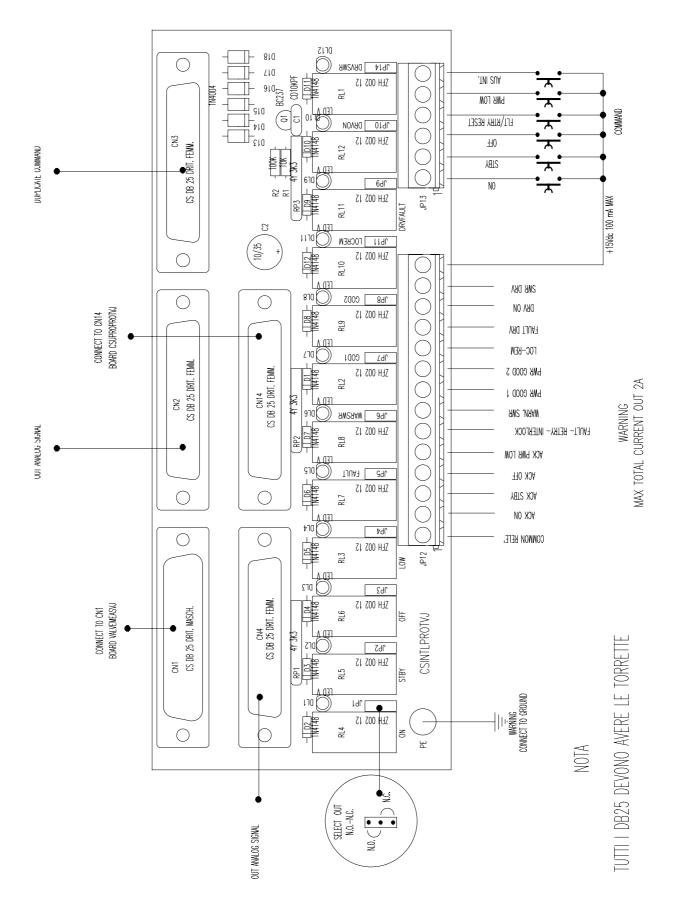


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### FIG. 37 TUNING RELAYS CARD

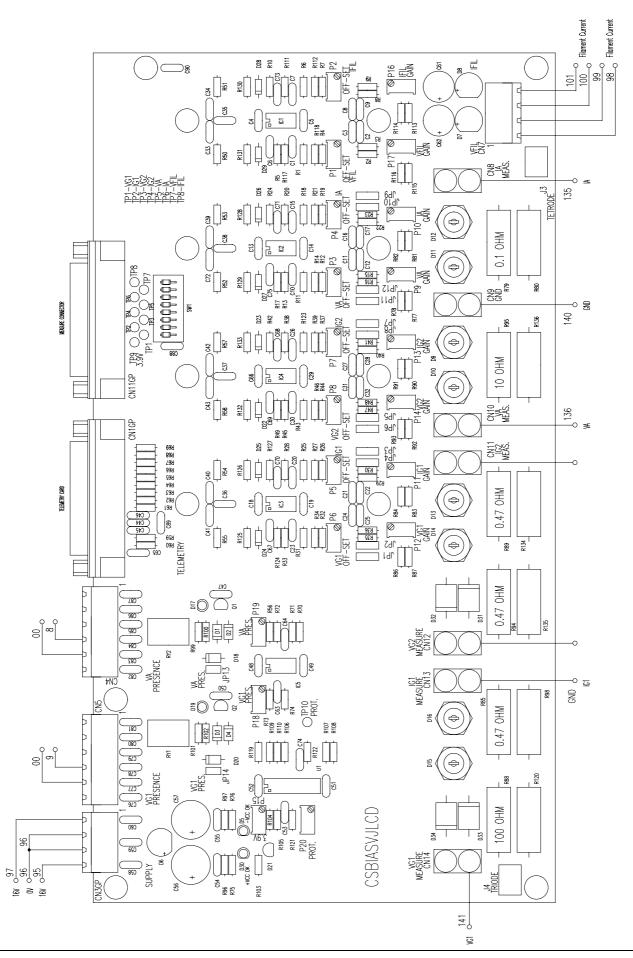


### FIG. 38 TELEMETRY INTERFACE CARD



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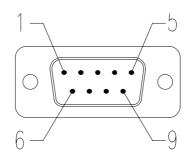
### FIG. 39 MEASURES CALIBRATION CARD



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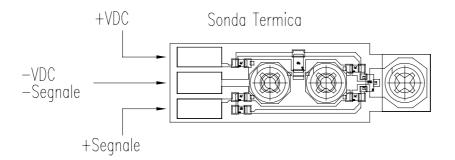
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### FIG. 40 THERMAL STROBE CONNECTOR

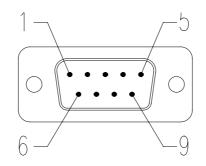


9 Pin Male Connector

	Connettore per Sonda Termica	
Pin n°	Descrizione	Colore Cavo
1	Segnale (-)	Marrone
2	Segnale (+)	Verde
3	Non Connesso	
4	Non Connesso	
5	+VDC	Bianco
6	-VDC	Giallo
7	Non Connesso	
8	Non Connesso	
9	Schermo	Calza



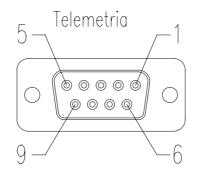
### FIG. 41 P.W.R. MEASURE CONNECTOR



9 Pin Male Connector

C	Connettore per la misura di P.W.R.	
Pin n°	Descrizione	Colore Cavo
1	N.C.	
2	N.C.	
3	N.C.	
4	N.C.	
5	SCHERMO	
6	P. DIRETTA (–)	Rosso/Giallo
7	P. DIRETTA (+)	Blu/Marrone
8	P. RIFLESSA (-)	Verde
9	P. RIFLESSA (+)	Bianco

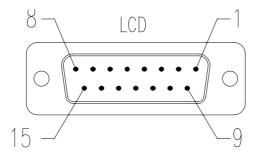
### FIG. 42 I2 CBUS CONNECTOR FOR TELEMETRY BOX



9 Pin Female Connector

I <sup>2</sup> CBUS Scatola Telemetria		
Pin n°	Descrizione	Colore Cavo
1		
2	SEGNALE	Bianco
3	SEGNALE	Marrone
4		
5	GND	
6		
7		
8		
9		

### FIG. 43 PTXLCD CONNECTOR



15 Pin Male Connector

Connettore PTX30LCD		
Pin n°	Descrizione	Colore Cavo
1		
2	CONTROLLO POTENZA	RG58
3	GND	
4	SEGNALE	Bianco
5		
6		
7		
8		
9	GND	
10		
11	SEGNALE	Marrone
12		
13		
14		
15	/	

### FIG. 44 LOW VOLTAGE CIRCUIT DIAGRAM

### FIG. 45 THREE-PHASES CIRCUIT DIAGRAM

### FIG. 46 MEASURES AND ALLARMS CIRCUIT DIAGRAM

### FIG. 47 ELECTRIC SCHEMES

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