S E R V I C E N O T E

SUPERSEDES: 34401A-05

34401A Multimeter

Serial Numbers: 3146A24000 / 3146A33500

Excessive time drift of ohms function calibration

To Be Performed By: Agilent-Qualified Personnel

Parts Required:

Part No. Description

0699-3404 Resistor 400K (A1R201) 0699-3405 Resistor 40K (A1R202)

Situation:

Some of the current source resistors used to manufacture the 34401A Multimeter exhibit sufficient change in value with time to cause some of the "Ohms Function" ranges to be out of tolerance. There are two reference resistors. Either resistor or both may be changing value with time.

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DATE: October 1994

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

SERVICE NOTE CLASSIFICATION:						
MODIFICATION RECOMMENDED						
ACTION CATEGORY:	☐ IMMEDIATELY ■ ON SPECIFIED FAILURE ☐ AGREEABLE TIME	STANDARDS: Labor 0.5 hrs				
LOCATION CATEGORY:	☐ CUSTOMER INSTALLABLE☐ ON-SITE☐ SERVICE CENTER	SERVICE ☐ RETURN USED ☐ RETURN INVENTORY: ☐ SCRAP ☐ SEE TEXT ☐ SEE TEXT				
AVAILABILITY:	PRODUCT'S SUPPORT LIFE	AGILENT RESPONSIBLE UNTIL: October 1996				
AUTHOR: DL	ENTITY: 0940	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:				

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Solution/Action:

Replace R201 or R202 as appropriate based on the performance of the "Ohms Function" (see table below). The resistors need time to stabilize after being soldered in the pc board. Allow a minimum of four hours of "powered on" time before recalibration.

NOTE
R201 and R202 are through-hole resistors located between
U101 and U150 on the 34401-66501 (main pc assembly).

			Error From Nominal•	
34401A Range	Reference Resistor	Test Resistor Value	90 Day Specs	1 Year Specs
100 Ohms	R202	100 Ohms	0.012 Ohms	0.014 Ohms
1 K-Ohms	R202	1 K-Ohms	0.09 Ohms	0.11 Ohms
10 K-Ohms	R202	10 K-Ohms	0.9 Ohms	1.1 Ohms
100 K-Ohms	R202	100 K-Ohms	9 Ohms	11 Ohms
1 M-Ohms	R202	1 M-Ohms	90 Ohms	110 Ohms
10 M-Ohms	R201	10 M-Ohms	2.1 K-Ohms	4.1 K-Ohms
100 M-Ohms	R201	100 M-Ohms	810 K-Ohms	810 K-Ohms

^{*} Specifications are for 4-wire Ohms Function, Autozero "on", Temperature between 18 and 28 degrees Centigrade.