438A-14A

SERVICE NOTE

HP 438A Po	wer Meter	SUPERSEDES: 438A-14			
Serial Numbers	: 0000U00000 / 3513U05	322			
Duplicate Servi	Duplicate Service Notes: 437B-08A				
Modification to Eliminate Loose Reference Oscillator N-type connectors To Be Performed By: HP-Qualified Personnel					
Parts Required	:				
HP P/N	Description	Quantity			
3050-1916 00438-00048 2950-0132	Spring Washer Lock Washer Nut	1 1 1			
		Continued DATE: July 1997			

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

SERVICE NOTE CLASSIFICATION:				
MODIFICATION RECOMMENDED				
ACTION CATEGORY:	 IMMEDIATELY ON SPECIFIED FAILURE AGREEABLE TIME 	STANDARDS: LABOR 1.0 Hours		
LOCATION CATEGORY:	CUSTOMER INSTALLABLE ON-SITE HP LOCATION	SERVICE RETURN USED RETURN INVENTORY: SCRAP PARTS: SCRAP SEE TEXT SEE TEXT SEE TEXT		
AVAILABILITY:	PRODUCT'S SUPPORT LIFE	HP RESPONSIBLE UNTIL: January 1999		
AUTHOR: PN	ENTITY: E600	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:		

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Situation:

Multiple connections of power sensors to the Reference Oscillator, together with the weight of the sensor, have been causing lateral movement on the connector which has distorted the mounting hole on the front panel. This has in turn allowed the retaining nut to rotate backwards and make the connector even looser. Tightening the nut has fixed the problem in the past but the problem has re-occured in some instances because the front panel hole distortion still exists.

Solution / Action:

A new fixing mechanism has been introduced which includes a spring washer and a lock washer. If the hole distortion occurs these two washers ensure that the nut remains under tension and cannot rotate. The connector therefore does not come loose. The instrument will need to be stripped down to give access to the rear of the Reference Oscillator connector on the front or rear panel. See Figure 1. for instructions on how to put on the new fixing hardware.

