S E R V I C E N O T E

SUPERSEDES: None

HP E1400B C-Size VXIbus Mainframe HP E1400T C-Size VXIbus Mainframe

Serial Numbers: 0000A00000 / 9999A99999

Correction for defective backplane connectors.

To Be Performed By: HP-Qualified Personnel

Parts Required:

E1400-67911 Backplane Assembly

Situation:

The E1400-67911 Backplane PC Assembly (A3) is used in the E1400B and E1400T Mainframes. This backplane is a very expensive part that cannot be repaired in the field. It has special connectors that are press-fit into the backplane by the vendor using a dedicated machine (they are not soldered in). This backplane is under warranty to HP and can be repaired and re-used when it has defective connectors. As of this date (8/13/92), the only reported failures on this backplane have involved defective connectors.

Symptoms are usually slot-related and can include solid failures or even intermittent failures.

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DATE: 17 August 1992

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

SERVICE NOTE CLASSIFICATION:		
MODIFICATION RECOMMENDED		
ACTION CATEGORY:	☐ IMMEDIATELY ■ ON SPECIFIED FAILURE □ AGREEABLE TIME	STANDARDS: LABOR: 1.0 Hour
LOCATION CATEGORY:	☐ CUSTOMER INSTALLABLE☐ ON-SITE☐ HP LOCATION	SERVICE ☐ RETURN USED ☐ RETURN INVENTORY: ☐ SCRAP PARTS: ☐ SCRAP SEE TEXT ☐ SEE TEXT
AVAILABILITY:	PRODUCT'S SUPPORT LIFE	RESPONSIBLE UNTIL : 05 February 1995
AUTHOR: KD	ENTITY: 0900	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: None

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Some P1 connectors (the top row) have been known to have faulty white plastic inserts over the auto-bypass pins. If these inserts come out of the connector, the backplane must be replaced.

CAUTION

If white inserts are found to be missing from any P1 connector in an E1400B/T Mainframe, inspect the pins on the last module(s) inserted in that slot before re-inserting that module in any other slot. If the white plastic insert is still clinging to the pins, the module pins may be damaged when re-inserted.

If the operator reports intermittent operation or solid failures of one or more slots in the mainframe, suspect a bad connector. If you can verify the failure, replace the backplane.

Action:

If a solid or intermittent failure can be isolated to backplane connectors, replace the backplane.

If an E1400-67911 backplane is replaced in the field, return the defective backplane to the VXI Systems Division (VXD) at the following address:

VXI Product Support M/S DM402 Hewlett-Packard Company 815 SW 14th Street Loveland, CO 80537 USA

The parts pipeline has been purged of bad parts so all replacement assemblies should contain good connectors.