

N3381A-02A

S E R V I C E N O T E

Supersedes:
N3381A-02

N3381A PNA Microwave Network Analyzers

Serial Numbers: US00000000/US99999999 and MY00000000/MY00000000 [All]

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To Be Performed By: Agilent-Qualified Personnel

Parts Required:

E8364-00020	Bracket	1
0515-0372	Screws	2

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

SERVICE NOTE CLASSIFICATION:			
MODIFICATION RECOMMENDED			
ACTION CATEGORY:	IMMEDIATELY ON SPECIFIED FAILURE X AGREEABLE TIME	STANDARDS LABOR:	0.25 Hours [Assumes PNA front panel is already removed for other work – see abstract above.]
LOCATION CATEGORY:	CUSTOMER INSTALLABLE ON-SITE X SERVICE CENTER	SERVICE INVENTORY:	N/A USED PARTS: N/A
AVAILABILITY:	PRODUCT'S SUPPORT LIFE	NO CHARGE AVAILABLE UNTIL: PRODUCT'S SUPPORT LIFE	
AUTHOR:	MF	PRODUCT LINE: WN	
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: This Service Note (written Dec 2005) applies to the following PNA models: E8356/7/8A, N3381/2/3A, E8801/2/3A, E8361/2/3/4A, E8362/3/4B, and N5230A. /-02a: (written June,2008) changed from MA to MR.			

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Situation:

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Solution/Action:

Refer to the PNA Service Guide for instructions on removing the PNA front panel. To view this Service Guide information online, use the following steps:

1. Go to <http://www.agilent.com>.
2. Enter your PNA model number (Ex: E8356A) in the **Search** box and click **GO**.
3. Scroll down to the heading **Manuals & Guides** and click on the title/hyperlink for the Service Guide. If you don't find your Service Guide listed on the Web page that is displayed initially, click on the **More** hyperlink.
4. When the PDF of the Service Guide is displayed, look at the bookmarks in the left column. Expand the Contents section by clicking on the plus sign next to its bookmark.
5. Scroll through the Contents section bookmarks to locate "Repair & Replacement Procedures."
6. Click on the title/hyperlink for the section "Removing & Replacing the Front Panel Assembly."
7. Follow the instructions in the subsection "Removal Procedure."

NOTE: It is NOT necessary to remove the A3 Front Panel Interface Board Assembly to install the bracket.

Use the following procedure to install the bracket on the A3 Front Panel Interface Board Assy.

1. Refer to Figure 1 in this document:
 - Press down firmly on the ribbon cable's black connector.
 - Locate the two tapped holes for the bracket screws.
2. As shown in Figure 2 in this document, position the bracket so that its holes line-up with the two holes you located in the previous step.
3. Hand-start the two screws, and then torque both to 9 in-lbs.
4. Reinstall the PNA Front Panel by following the Service Guide instructions in the "Replacement Procedure." This is located on the same page as the "Removal Procedure" used previously in step 7.

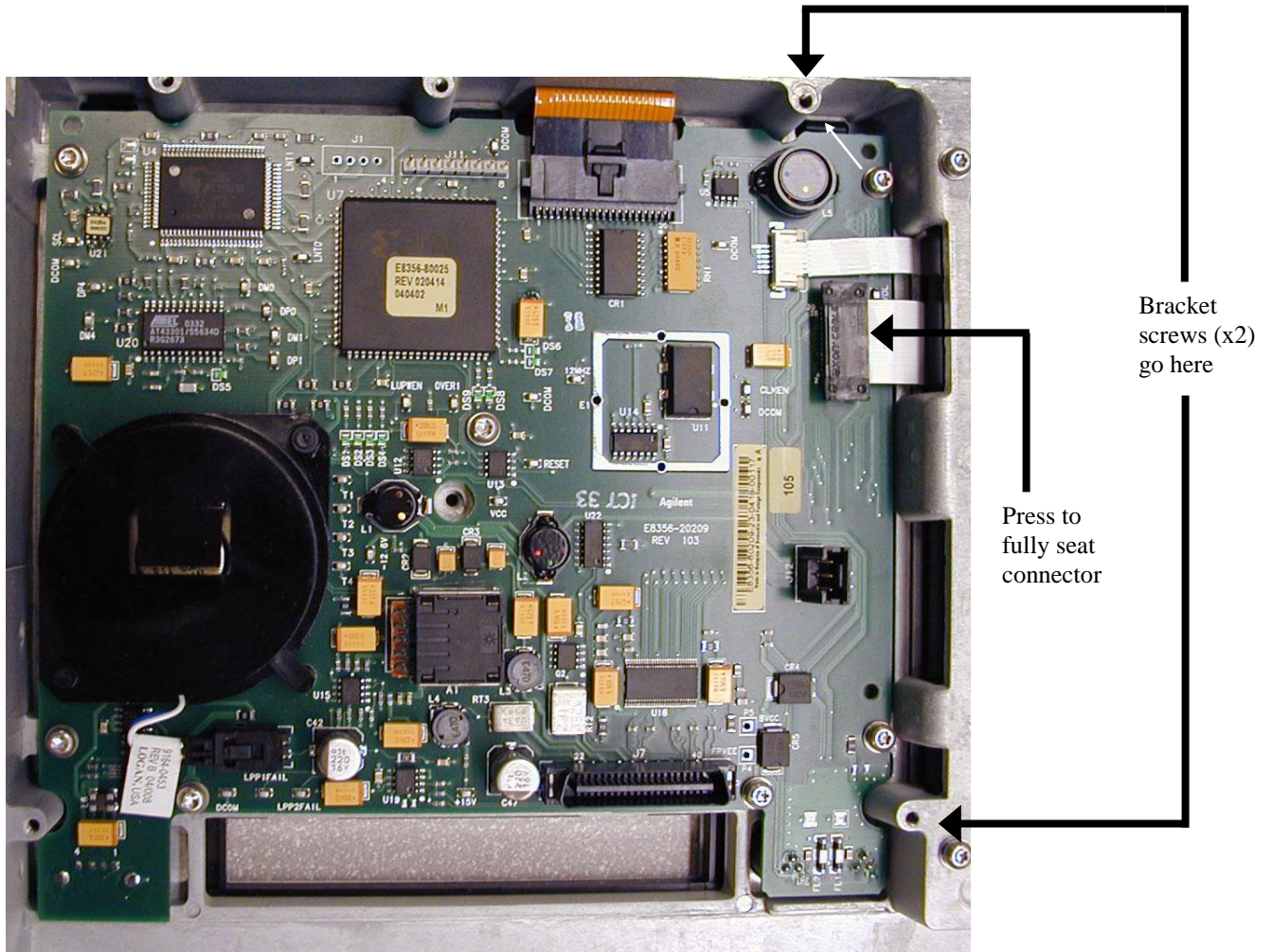


Figure 1: A3 Front Panel Interface Board Assy without the Bracket

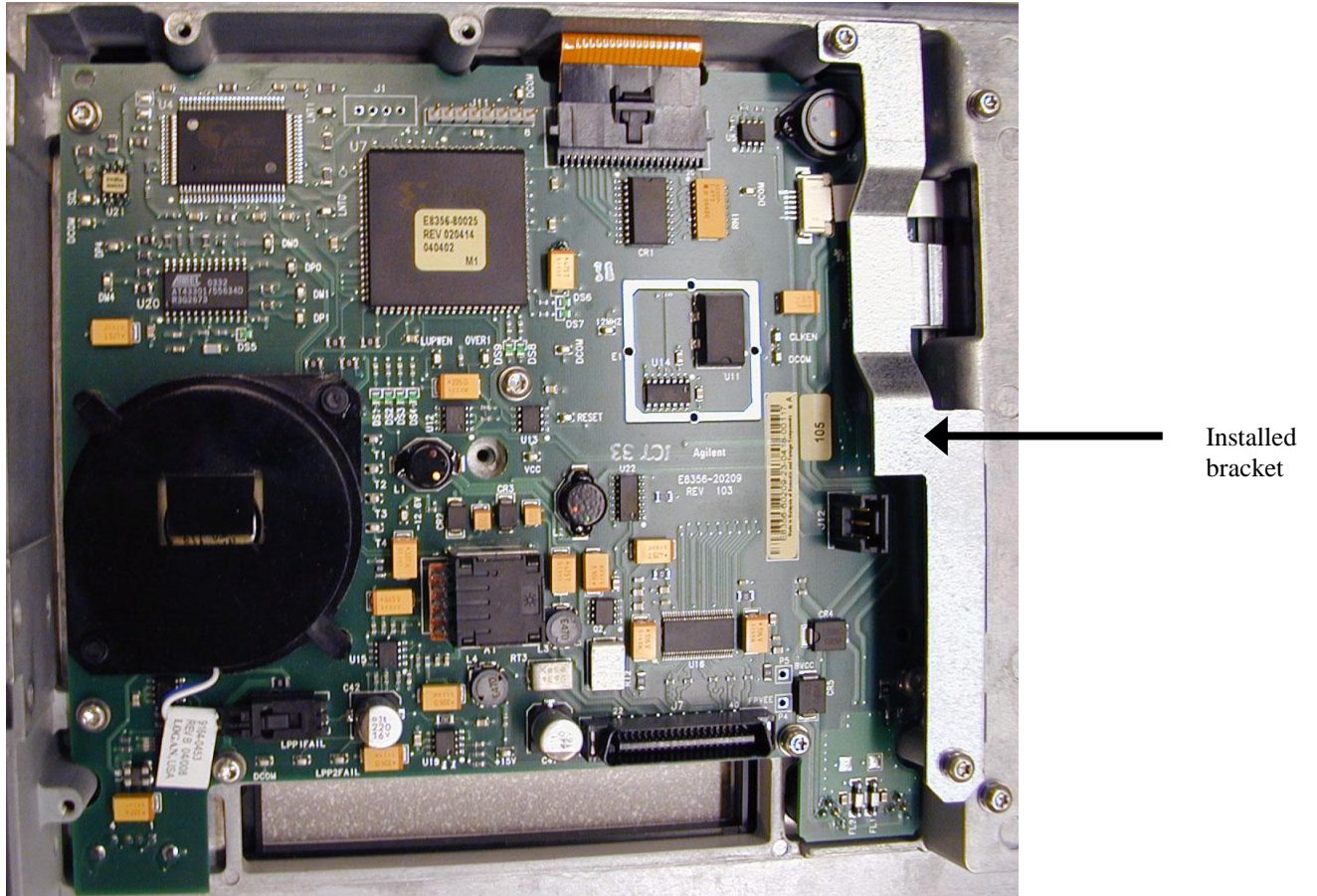


Figure 2: A3 Front Panel Interface Board Assy with the Bracket Installed