N8957A-01

# Modification Recommended Service Note

Supersedes: NONE

## N8957A - Autoranging System DC Power Supply, 1500V, 30A, 15000W, 400 VAC

Serial Numbers: DE14290000 - DE15369999 without manufacturing ID Version "B"

#### The Problem:

Operation of like model numbered products, in a Master/Slave current sharing configuration could result in a non-uniform distribution of the total output current amongst the configured units. Disparate current division may also cause individual instruments to oscillate.

\*\* NOT Customer Serviceable. Return to Keysight for Service Modification.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

| ACTION CATEGORY:      | [X] ON SPECIFIED FAILURE [[]] AGREEABLE TIME   | STANDARDS<br>LABOR: 0.75 Hours   |  |  |
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| LOCATION<br>CATEGORY: | [[]] CUSTOMER INSTALLABLE [[]] ON-SITE (active On-site contract required) [X] SERVICE CENTER [[]] CHANNEL PARTNERS | SERVICE: [[]] RETURN USED [[]] RETURN INVENTORY: [[]] SCRAP PARTS: [X] SCRAP [[]] SEE TEXT |  |  |
| AVAILABILIT           | Y: PRODUCT'S SUPPORT LIFE  | NO CHARGE AVAILABLE UNTIL: 12/2019   |  |  |
|                       | [[]] Calibration Required<br>[X] Calibration NOT Required  | PRODUCT LINE: [SP] AUTHOR: [JFOC]  |  |  |

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:



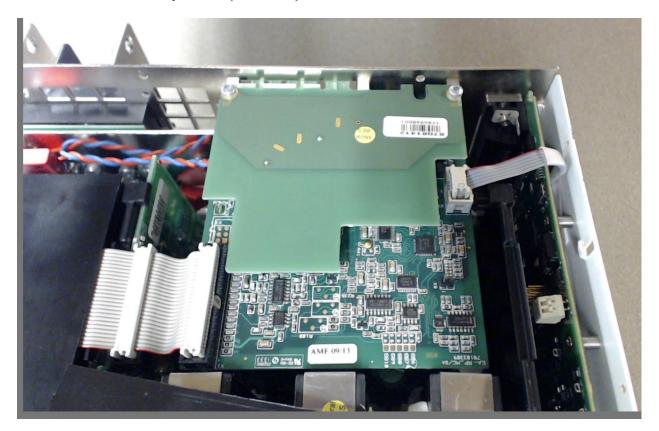
#### Situation:

Resistors R93 and R94 must be removed, no replacement parts are required for modification.

### Solution/Action: \*\* NOT Customer Serviceable. Return to Keysight for Service Modification.

Removal of two (2) surface mount resistors, R93 and R94, will correct this problem:

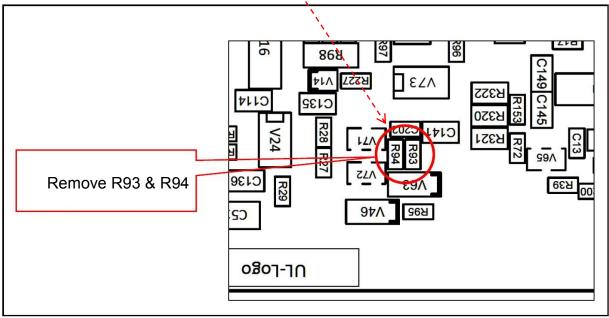
- 1) Remove acMains cable from power source.
- 2) Wait 5 minutes
- 3) Remove top cover from instrument.
- 4) In the 5kW units (viewed from the front of the unit), a small SMT assembly located at the right-rear of instrument will be readily visible (see below):



In the 10kW & 15kW units; although found in the same location, a black plastic cover will have to be removed to gain visibility and access to the SMT assembly. Plastic cover snaps-on and can be removed with a small screwdriver.

5) SMT resistors R93/94 are located in red circle shown below:





6) After removal of R93 & R94, re-install all covers. Instrument does NOT require recalibration after the removal of R93 & R94.

7) On the acMains label, on the rear of the instrument; use an indelible marker, to add the suffix letter "B" after the Version ID. This will assist in the tracking of modified instruments.





#### **Revision History:**

| Date        | Service<br>Note<br>Revision | Author | Reason for Change |   |
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| 07 Jun 2016 | 01                          | JFOC   | As Published      |   |
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