86100C-12

SERVICE NOTE

Supersedes: NONE

86100C Digital Communications Analyzer Mainframe

Serial Numbers: MY45030387/MY47440886, SG45030106/SG47440118

Motherboard board mounting modification improves product reliability related to boot up issues.

Parts Required: NONE

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

SERVICE NOTE CLASSIFICATION:			
MODIFICATION RECOMMENDED			
ACTION CATEGORY:	[[]] ON SPECIFIED FAILURE x AGREEABLE TIME	STANDARDS LABOR: 0.5 Hours	
LOCATION CATEGORY:	[[]] CUSTOMER INSTALLABLE [[]] ON-SITE x SERVICE CENTER [[]] CHANNEL PARTNER	SERVICE [[]] RETURN INVENTORY: [[]] SCRAP [[]] SEE TEXT	USED [[]] RETURN PARTS: [[]] SCRAP [[]] SEE TEXT
AVAILABILITY:		NO CHARGE AVAILABLE UNTIL: EOS Date	
AUTHOR: djs		PRODUCT LINE: 8F	
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:			

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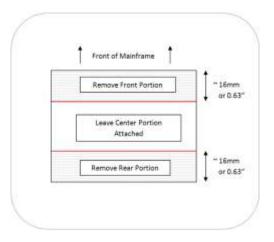
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Situation:

Foam mounted underneath the microprocessor board to prevent vibration during shipment may flex the board more than desired on some units, resulting in intermittent power-on failures. Modifying the foam as described reduces the flex and improves reliability.

Solution/Action:

Modify the foam as described below. The modification will remove roughly half of the foam, equally from the front and rear, leaving a strip in the center.



Instructions:

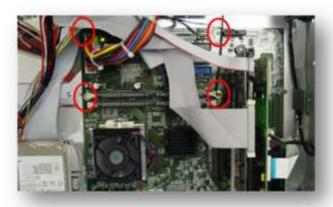
The most common symptom is a boot up error as shown here. The mainframe will come to the point where all LEDs are lighted but will not progress through the boot sequence.

This can be either a hard failure or very intermittent.



To verify the problem is related to the board flexing issue:

- 1. Power the instrument off and remove the cover.
- 2. Loosen the four screws indicated here.
- 3. Re-boot the instrument.
- 4. If it boots normally, then board flex caused by the foam is a likely cause.



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Instructions (continued):

To modify the mounting foam:

- 1. Completely remove the mother board and locate the mounting foam underneath the processor. (refer to 86100A/B/C Service Guide for detailed instructions)
- 2. Use a straight edge and pen to mark the foam with a line approximately 16mm from the front and rear edges of the foam as shown here.
- 3. Use a knife to cut and remove the front and rear portions leaving the center strip of foam intact
- 4. There will be some adhesive left on the mounting tray as shown.
- 5. Re-install the motherboard and verify proper operation.

