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Transmission System - Total Cost of Ownership

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- High interest among broadcasters / RF network operators to reduce overall transmission facility cost of ownership
- Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) includes more than initial cost, energy cost, and maintenance of transmission equipment
- Acquisition, maintenance, operating, training costs of all required systems in transmission facility including cooling and floor space, must be considered to arrive at lowest TCO



- Definition of "Total Cost of Ownership" (TCO)
- All elements that determine the real, long term, "Total Cost of Ownership"
- Besides the reduction in direct operating costs, the benefits of reduced (TCO) include a reduction of carbon footprint in support of green technology.
- Comprehensive analysis is required including:
 - Trade off's between air and liquid cooling systems
 - Impact on the overall facility, floor space requirements, size, and the thermal efficiency of the transmitter building
- New evaluation process / analysis tool to design transmission facility for lowest (TCO) (work in progress)
- Example of the findings from a real world, transmission site (TCO) analysis



- Acquisition cost of transmission equipment
- Installation cost of transmission equipment
- Operating cost of transmission equipment
- Maintenance cost of transmission equipment
- Acquisition cost of facility cooling system (HVAC, etc.)
- Installation cost of facility cooling system (HVAC, etc.)
- Operating cost of facility cooling system (HVAC, etc.)
- Maintenance cost of facility cooling system (HVAC, etc.)
- Periodic replacement cost for facility cooling system (HVAC, etc.)
- Acquisition or recurring lease cost of floor space required
- Training costs

OTHER FACTORS AFFECTING TCO



- Average outside air temperature at facility location
- Cost of energy at facility location
- Size, construction, and thermal efficiency of facility



- Physical size and foot print (FT²)
- Power density of transmitter (Watts / FT³)
- Type of cooling air or liquid
- Operating efficiency (AC to RF) of the transmitter
- AC power requirements (1) phase or (3) phase (polyphase may be more expensive to bring to some sites)
- AC input voltage and voltage regulation requirements
- Maintainability hot swappable modules, air or liquid filter replacement, and all other maintenance tasks
- Commonality of transmitter types spares sharing, common training, and operational requirements
- N+1 transmitter system architecture can reduce number of backup transmitters required



- Choice between air or liquid cooling of transmission equipment makes a significant difference in TCO
- Initial purchase cost of liquid cooled transmitter is typically higher than an equivalent air cooled transmitter
- Elimination of most air conditioning costs make breakeven period short and provide significant long term operational savings
- Typical air conditioning units require ongoing maintenance and replacement on a 5 to 8 year cycle
- Liquid cooled transmitters have significantly lower energy consumption than combined energy consumption of air cooled transmitter and required air conditioning

TRANSMITTER EFFICIENCY OPTIMIZATION



- 50v LDMOS power amplifier technology
- 95% efficient power supplies
- Advanced Real Time Adaptive Correction (RTAC)
- Advanced Crest Factor Reduction
- Variable speed cooling system air or liquid
- Sharing liquid cooling across multiple transmitters



Attribute	si VMOS	28V RF- LDMOS	50V RF- LDMOS
CW eff. at P1dB	3	5	5
Power Gain	3	5	5
Thermal resistance	3	4	5
CW Packaged Power Density	3	3	4
High Intrinsic Zin / Zout (wideband)	3	3	4
On-Die Passives Integration	2	4	4
Variability / Performance spread	2	4	4
Technology Maturity	5	5	4
Reliability	4	5	5

Comparison of RF Power Attributes vs. Technology



FET TECHNOLOGY COMPARISON





* Ref. Freescale Semiconductor White Paper: "50 Volt LDMOS – An Ideal RF Power Technology for ISM, Broadcast and Radar Applications"

TCO ANALYSIS TOOL



- Harris has developed prototype tool to analyze and calculate TCO for a broadcast transmission facility
- Visited Riverview ATC site to test tool
- Consider all elements in power consumption budget
- Transmitter make / model
- Transmitter cooling air vs. liquid
- Cooling system percent of total cost
- Transmitter percent of total cost
- Payback period (OPx vs. CAPx)

TCO ANALYSIS TOOL



Transmitter	Model		Total Transmitter Acquisition Cost	HVAC Acquisition Cost	HVAC Installation Cost	Annual HVAC Maintenance (Per Ton)	Heat Is Ducted?	HVAC SEER Level	HVAC SEER Annual Rental Fee Level		e	Annual Preventative Maintenance	per visit Rate for Preventative Maintenance	First Year Training Cost
Maxiva ULX ATS	C ULX-2400ATi		\$153,600.00	\$500.00	\$2,500.00	\$150.00		12	Price:	Pe	r:	No. of Visits	Wantenance	
	Television	Installation	\$22,400,00			\$150 parton is	No		\$0.00	ft	2	4	\$400.00	\$2,000.00
	relevision	Commisioning	\$11,200.00			industry standard								
		Unit Cost	\$120,000.00											
				Product Descintion		1								
Region	Country/State			Froduct Desription										
USA	Texas		Liquid-Cooled	UHF Multimedia T	/ Transmitter									
Price Per kW/h:	\$0.065													
Source - IEA "Ele	ctricity Information 2010"					1								
First Year TCO														
(includes acquistition	Annual OPEX	Five Year TCO	Ten Year TCO	Fifteen Year TCO	Twenty Year TCO			Lifetir	ne Total	Cost o	f O	wnership		
costs & training)														
<u>\$165,890.32</u>	\$7,290.32	\$195,051.60	\$231,503.21	\$267,954.81	\$304,406.41									
Transmitter	Model	TX Power Output	TX Typical Power	Typical Efficiency					Mod	el Spe	cific	ations		
Maxiva ULX ATSC		Before Filter	Consumption											
	ULX-2400ATi	2,500 W	9,617 W	26.00%										
Total Heat Output	Heat Output Indoors	Annual Air Cooling	Total Cooling	Total Cooling	Annual HVAC Maintenance	Annual Cooling	Annual Cooling Costs			Air Co	olir	νσ		
		Hr)	Needed (BTU/H)	Needed (Tons)	Costs	Costs (100% AC)	(var. AC)	An cooling						
0 W	0 W	0 kW-Hr	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00							
		Heat Output	Annual Cooling	Annual Cooling	Total Cooling	Total Cooling	Annual HVAC							
	Total Heat Output	Indoors	Liquid +HVAC	Costs	Needed (BTU/H)	Needed (Tons)	Costs	^{ce} Liquid Cooling						
4	7,117 W	550 W	3,210 kW-Hr	\$207.98	1,876.68	0.16	\$23.46							
Annual Total Elect	rical Annual Carbon	How Many Cars	Annual Transmitter	Annual Electricity	Annual Electricity									
Usage	Emissions (tons)	on the Road	Consumption Cost	Costs (100% AC)	Costs (var. AC)				(Consur	npti	on		
87.452 kW-Hr	52.47	9.9	\$5,458.88	\$5.666.86	\$5.458.88									
					Efficient Volume	Power Density	Footprint							
Height (RU)	Height	Width	Depth	Volume (m ³ /ft ³)	(m ³ /ft ³)	(KW per m ³ /ft ³)	(m^2/ft^2)			Dime	nsio	ns		
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450.3	in 1145.1	370.3	682.3	1550.52	405.00	0.00	1754.45							
		Annual Service &					2.0							
MTBF	Rental Costs	Maintenance								Ser	vice			
		Costs												
125548	\$0.00	\$1,600.00	1											



	Harris #1	Harris #2	Competitor A	Competitor B
	Transmitter	Transmitter	RF Output Before Filter	RF Output Before Filter
	Maxiva UAX Digital	Maxiva ULX ATSC	2,500 W	2,500 W
[Model	Model	Power Consumption	Power Consumption
	UAX-2000	ULX-2400ATi	13,820 W	14,000 W
Transmitter Installed Cost	\$135,000.00	\$155,600.00	\$130,000.00	\$125,000.00
HVAC Acquisition Cost	\$5,200.00	\$500.00	\$3,657.71	\$3,715.87
HVAC Install Cost	\$7,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
Heat Ducted?	No	No	No	No
Cooling Method?	Air	Liquid	Air	Air
Annual Rental cost	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Annual TX Maintenance Cost	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00
Annual HVAC Maintenance per ton	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
\$150 per ton is industry standard				

KWH	Price:
SEER	Level

N,

\$0.065	
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TCO COMPARISON TOOL



	Harris	Harris	Competitor A	Competitor B		
RF Output Before Filter	2,500 W	2,500 W	2,500 W	2,500 W		
TX Power Consumption	12,437 W	9,617 W	13,820 W	14,000 W		
Annual Transmitter Consumption	108,948 kW-Hr	84,242 kW-Hr	121,063 kW-Hr	122,640 kW-Hr		
Efficiency	20.1%	26.0%	18.1%	17.9%		
Cooling Method	Air	Liquid	Air	Air		
Ducted Heat Output	o w	o w	o w	0 W		
Heat Output Indoors	9,937 W	550 W	11,320 W	11,500 W		
Liquid Cooling	0 kW-Hr	1,840 kW-Hr	0 kW-Hr	0 kW-Hr		
# of PA	0	4	0	0		
Air Cooling	24,752 kW-Hr	1,370 kW-Hr	28,197 kW-Hr	28,645 kW-Hr		
Btu/H	33906	1877	38625	39240		
Tons	2.83	0.16	3.22	3.27		
HVAC Maintenance	\$423.83	\$23.46	\$482.82	\$490.50		
Annual Cooling	24,752 kW-Hr	3,210 kW-Hr	28,197 kW-Hr	28,645 kW-Hr		
Total Annual Power Consumption	133,700 kW-Hr	87,452 kW-Hr	149,260 kW-Hr	151,285 kW-Hr		
Annual Cooling Costs	\$1,603.91	\$207.98	\$1,827.14	\$1,856.19		
Carbon Emissions (Tons)	80.22	52.47	89.56	90.77		
Annual Transmitter Consumption Costs	\$7,059.84	\$5,458.88	\$7,844.90	\$7,947.07		
Annual OPEX	\$10,687.58	\$7,290.32	\$11,754.85	\$11,893.76		
First Year TCO	\$158,387.58	\$165,890.32	\$152,912.56	\$148,109.63		
5 Year TCO	\$201,137.90	\$195,051.60	\$199,931.97	\$195,684.67		
10 Year TCO	\$254,575.80	\$231,503.21	\$258,706.23	\$255,153.46		
15 Year TCO	\$308,013.70	\$267,954.81	\$317,480.49	\$314,622.26		







Pros

- Familiar technology
- Simplicity No concern about liquid spills
- Cons
 - Higher initial cost of A/C equipment
 - Higher total energy cost
 - Higher maintenance cost
 - High replacement cost of A/C equipment shorter life cycle



Pros

- Lower overall energy cost
- Less floor space higher power density
- Lower initial cost of heat exchanger no duct work
- Lower maintenance cost no air filters to clean
- Less frequent replacement cost longer life cycle
- Much lower noise level
- Ratio of heat transported by liquid vs. heat liberated into air
- Can be integrated into facility cooling loop or geothermal cooling loop
- Highly evolved and desired in DTV installations
- Cons
 - Less familiar technology to radio broadcasters
 - Higher initial cost of transmitter quickly offset by power savings
 - Concern about liquid spills unlikely with new technology

LIQUID COOLED UHF PA MODULE





MAXIVA LIQUID COOLED UHF PA MODULE





MAXIVA ULX – FRONT VIEW





MAXIVA ULX – REAR VIEW





COOLING SYSTEM BLOCK DIAGRAM





HIGH EFFICIENCY PUMP MODULE







LIQUID TO AIR HEAT EXCHANGER



- Compact size (Two sizes available, Tx dependent)
- Two Configurations Horizontal or Vertical airflow
- Redundant variable speed fans

(50kW Dissipation unit shown, 12kW system is smaller)





- Selection of transmission equipment
- Consider all acquisition, operating and maintenance costs
- Consider all elements in power consumption budget
- Cooling technology used in transmitter has large impact on TCO
- Volume and floor space of transmission equipment affects TCO
- Building efficiency



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