

Antenna System Field Service Report

Cumulus Broadcasting, Inc.

**WKMQ-FM
96.7 Mhz
Loves Park, IL**

Antenna Model- DCR-H-2E-5RE
Transmission Line- Andrew HJ7 1-5/8" x 425'

prepared for:

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This report has been prepared for Dielectric Communications and contains tests and measurements performed at the Cumulus Broadcasting station WKMQ-FM located near Rockford, IL. The attached data plots were taken on April 3, 2002 between the hours of 5:00 and 6:30 PM.

The test equipment utilized for this report was a Hewlett-Packard 8753 E Network Analyzer. This instrument was calibrated on-site for the frequency specific to WKMQ and in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. The ISO 9002 calibration certificate for this Analyzer is on file with Dielectric Communications. To ensure maximum accuracy and data plot clarity the test instrument was set to the 1601 point mode and the generator was set to +20 dbm to overcome incoming signals from the existing WKMQ site.

WKQM was relocating to a new tower site. They purchased a new Dielectric DCR-H directional antenna and new Andrew Corp. HJ-7 transmission line. The antenna installation was looked over from the ground with binoculars and compared with the factory installation drawings. Attached at the end of the report is a Directional Antenna Installation Affidavit to confirm that the antenna was installed in accordance with the factory drawings. Connection to the 1-5/8" transmission line for the system measurements was made with a test transition provided by this office.

The data plots in this report were taken under two conditions. Plots #1-#10 show the antenna initial readings with the fine-matcher plungers pulled out. Plots #11-#21 are the final measurements performed after coordinating tuning of the antenna fine-matcher with the assistance of personnel on the tower. The next section provides a discussion of each data plot.

Discussion of Individual Plots

The 1st Plot is an initial measurement of the antenna system VSWR in the Frequency Domain with a 10 Mhz pulse span. Marker One was placed on the center of the stations carrier and had a value of 1.231. Marker Two was set 100 Khz below the carrier and had a reading of 1.231. Marker Three was placed 100 Khz above the center carrier and had a VSWR of 1.263.

Plot #2 is a Log Magnitude measurement in the Frequency Domain. Marker was placed at 96.7 Mhz and had a Return Loss reading of 19.6 db. The Second Marker was set to 96.6 Mhz had a value of 20.9 db. Marker Three was located on 96.8 Mhz and had a reading of 18.6 db.

The 3rd Plot is a Smith Impedance Chart with a 10 Mhz span. Marker One detailed the center of carrier initial impedance with a measurement of $56.8 + j 9.2 \Omega$. The Second Marker was located 100 Khz below Marker One and had a value of $50.0 + j 9.0 \Omega$. Marker Three detailed the impedance 100 Khz above Marker One and had a reading of $62.7 + j 3.07 \Omega$.

Plots #4 and #5 are Time Domain measurements with a 10 Mhz pulse width. Marker One was set at the antenna-end of the system and had an average VSWR of 1.27, which was a reflection of 11.9%. The Second Marker was placed approximately 350' from the test connection and had a value of 1.006. Marker Three was set near the 10' point of the system and had a VSWR of 1.01.

Plot #6 is a Frequency Domain measurement in the VSWR mode with a 1 Mhz span for a closer view of the antenna system's initial response. Marker One was set to 96.7 Mhz and had a VSWR of 1.213. The Second Marker was placed 100 Khz below the center frequency and had a reading of 1.197. Marker Three detailed the initial VSWR 100 Khz above the station's frequency, and had a value of 1.26.

Plot #7 is a Log Magnitude measurement in the Frequency Domain. The Markers are placed as in Plot #6 and showed readings of 19.93 db, 20.91 db and 18.67 db respectively.

Plot #8 is a Smith Impedance Chart over a 1 Mhz span. Marker One showed the initial impedance at the center carrier to be $56.67 + j 8.7 \Omega$. The Second Marker was placed on 96.6 Mhz and had an initial reading of $49.94 + j 9.0 \Omega$. Marker Three detailed the initial impedance 100 Khz above the center frequency and had a value of $62.7 + j 3.15\Omega$.

Plots #9 and #10 are Time Domain measurements with a 1 Mhz pulse width. Marker One was set near the antenna input and had an average VSWR of 1.22, which had a reflection 10 %. as shown in Plot #10. The Second Marker was placed approximately 200' from the test connection and had a value of 1.17. Marker Three was located near the tower base and showed a reading of 1.11.

The 11th Plot is the first of eleven final measurements performed after adjusting the antenna's input fine-matcher. Marker One was set to 96.7 Mhz and had a final reading of 1.033. The Second Marker was placed 100 Khz below Marker One and had a value of 1.033. The Third Marker was set 100 Khz above Marker One and had a VSWR of 1.044.

Plot #12 is a Log Magnitude measurement in the Frequency Domain with a 10 Mhz pulse span. The Markers are set as in Plot #11 and showed final Return Loss readings of 34.94 db, 35.7 db and 33.1 db respectively.

The 13th Plot is a Smith Impedance Chart over a 10 Mhz pulse span. Marker One, at the station's carrier, had a final impedance of $49.98 + j 1.41 \Omega$. The Second Marker was placed on 96.6 Mhz and had a reading of $48.4 + j 0.2 \Omega$. Marker Three detailed the impedance at 96.8 Mhz to have been $52.09 + 0.7 \Omega$.

Plots #14 and #15 are Time Domain measurements of the antenna system. Marker One was set at the antenna-end of the system and had an average VSWR of 1.22 over the 10 Mhz pulse width. Marker Two was placed approximately 339' from the test transition and had a reading of 1.003, which was a reflection of .1% as shown in Plot 15. The Third Marker was located near the tower base and had a value of 1.01, which was a reflection of .5%.

The next four plots are measurements with a 1 Mhz pulse width for closer clarification of the antenna system after being tuned. Plot #16 is a VSWR measurement in the Frequency Domain. Marker One was set to the station's carrier and had a final VSWR of 1.03. Marker Two was placed 100 Khz below the center frequency and had a reading of 1.033. The Third Marker was set 100 Khz above the carrier and had a value of 1.044.

The 17th Plot is a Log Magnitude measurement in the Frequency Domain. The markers were placed as in Plot #16 and had readings of 36.4 db, 35.8 db, and 33.1 db respectively.

Plot #18 is a Smith Impedance Chart with a 1 Mhz pulse span. The relative shape of the chart shows the antenna system to be very well centered on the chart with the upper and lower frequencies circling around the center point, which is the optimum placement for a properly tuned system. Marker One had a final impedance of $50.1 + j 1.3 \Omega$. The Second Marker was set to 96.6 Mhz and had a reading of $48.3 + j 0.17 \Omega$. The Third Marker was located on 96.8 Mhz and had a value of $51.9 + j 0.6 \Omega$.

The next data plot, #19, is a Time Domain measurement. Marker One was placed near the antenna input and had a VSWR reading of 1.02. Marker Two was set approximately 212' from the test connection and had a reading of 1.004. Marker Three was placed near the tower base and had a value of 1.01.

The final two data plots, #20 and #21, are Time Domain measurements with a 100 Mhz pulse width to check over the transmission line run. Marker One was set at the top of the line run and had a VSWR reading of 1.002, which was a reflection of .1% as shown in Plot #21. Marker Two was set in the line vertical run and had a reading of 1.0008. The Third Marker was placed 34' feet from the test connection and had a VSWR of 1.0027, which was a reflection of .1% as shown in Plot #21. The Fourth Marker was located near the test connection and had a reading of 1.007.

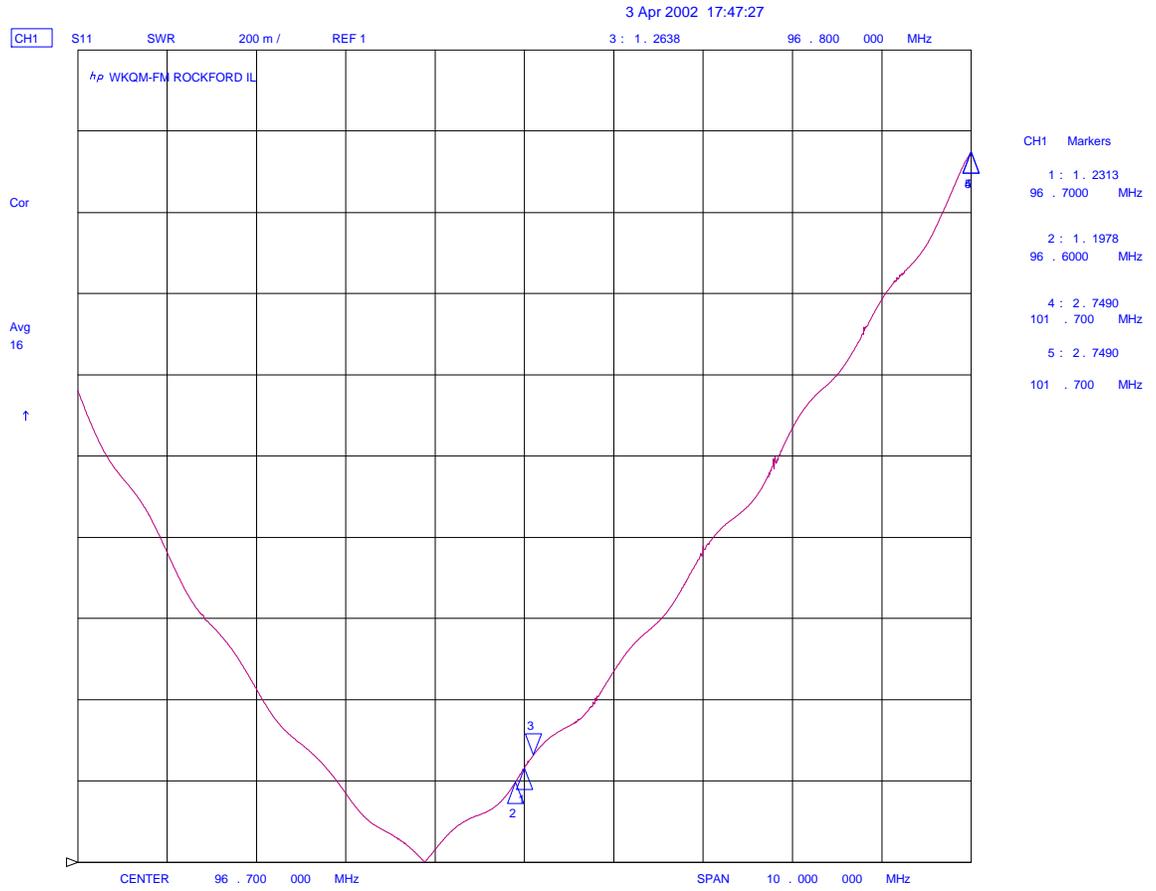
Conclusion

By the tests and measurements performed on the WKMQ-FM antenna system it appeared to be well below the typical VSWR specification of 1.1 to 1. At the carrier frequency the transmission line and antenna showed a combined VSWR of 1.03 and plus or minus 100 Khz of the carrier center the VSWR was 1.04 and 1.03 respectively. The proceedings described in this report were witnessed by the station's Chief Engineer, Joe McCall, and met with his approval.

This report has been prepared by myself or under my direction and is true and accurate to the best of my belief and knowledge.

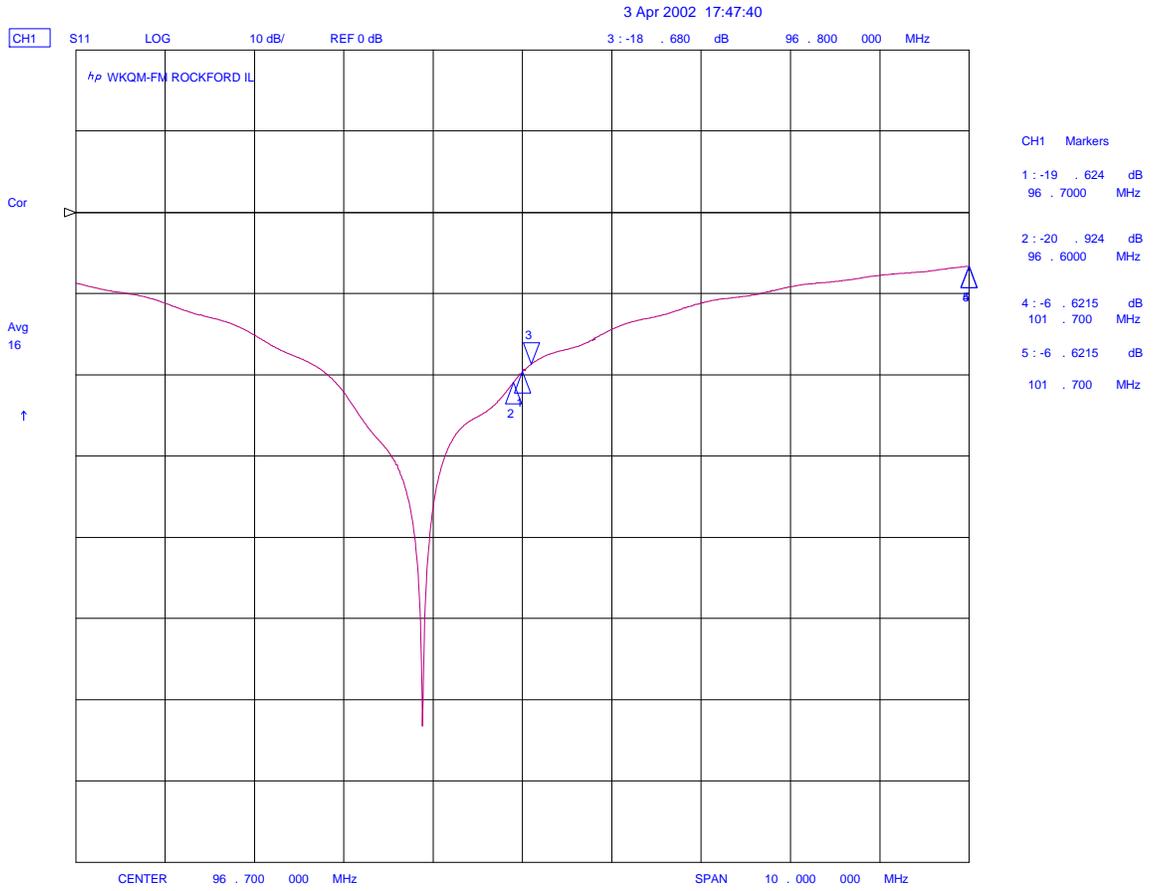
Richard Wood
Staff Engineer
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April 5, 2002

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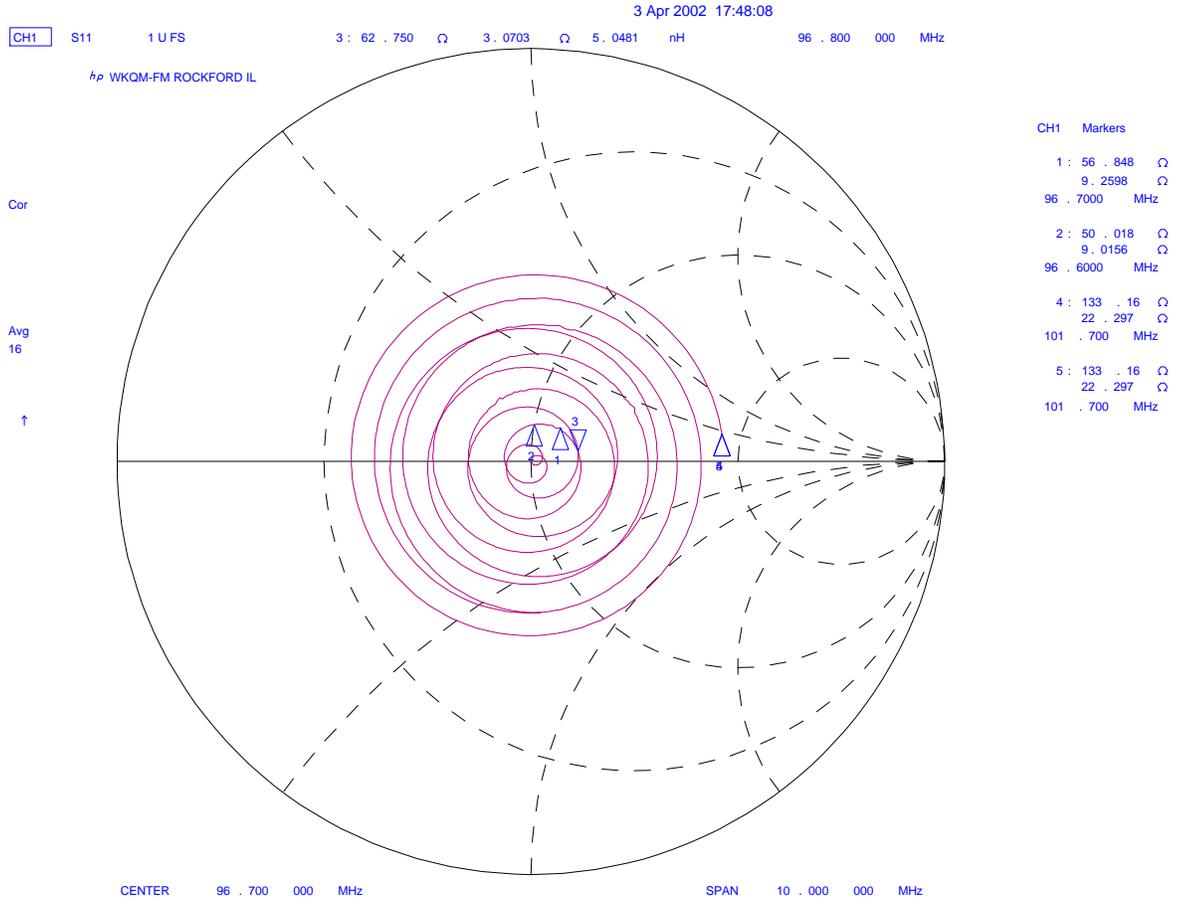
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10 Mhz Pulse**

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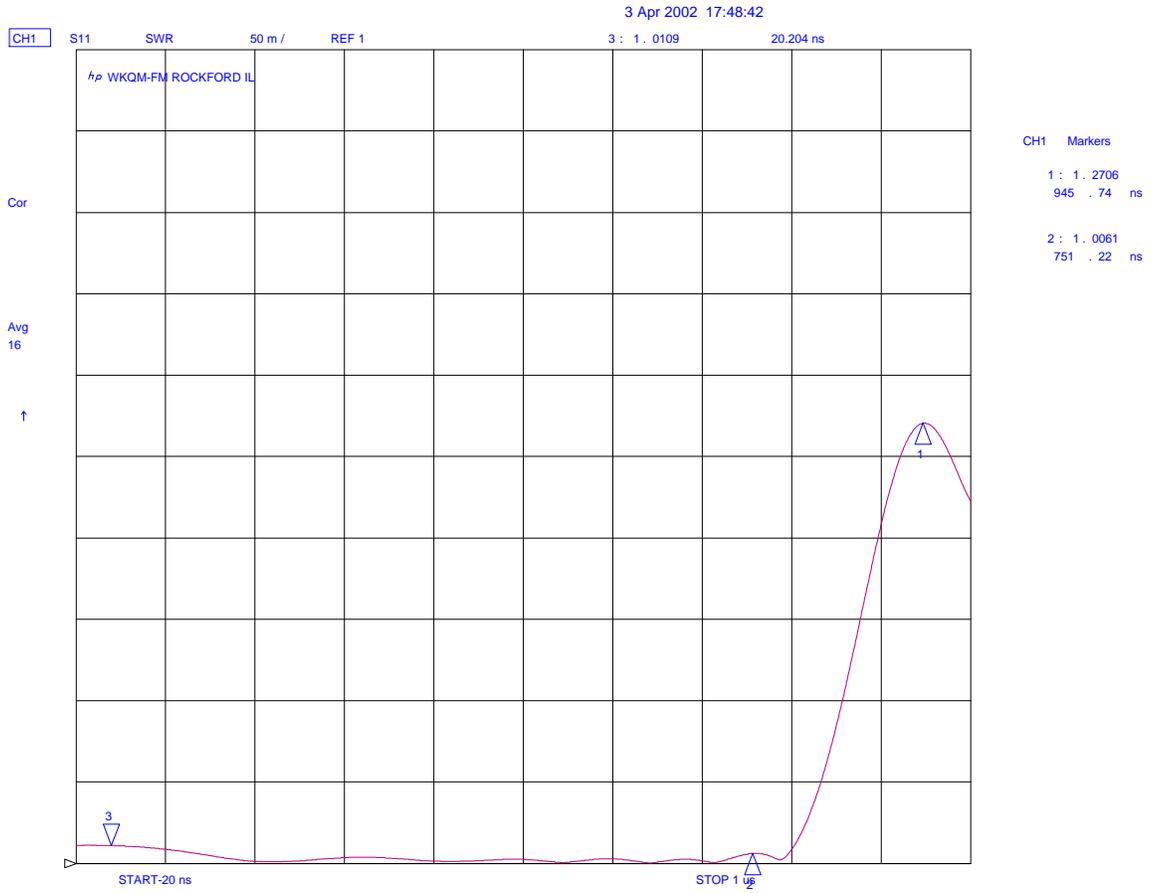
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10 Mhz Pulse**

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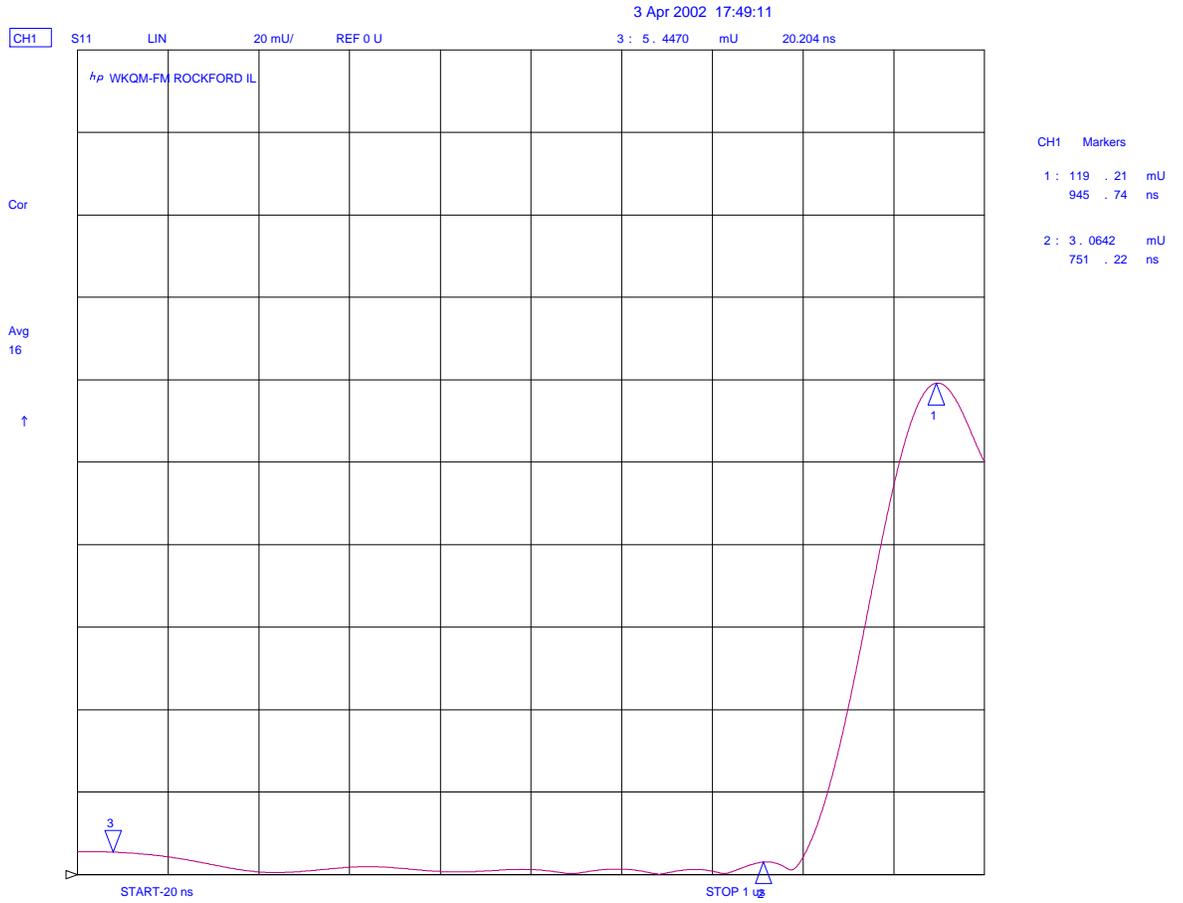
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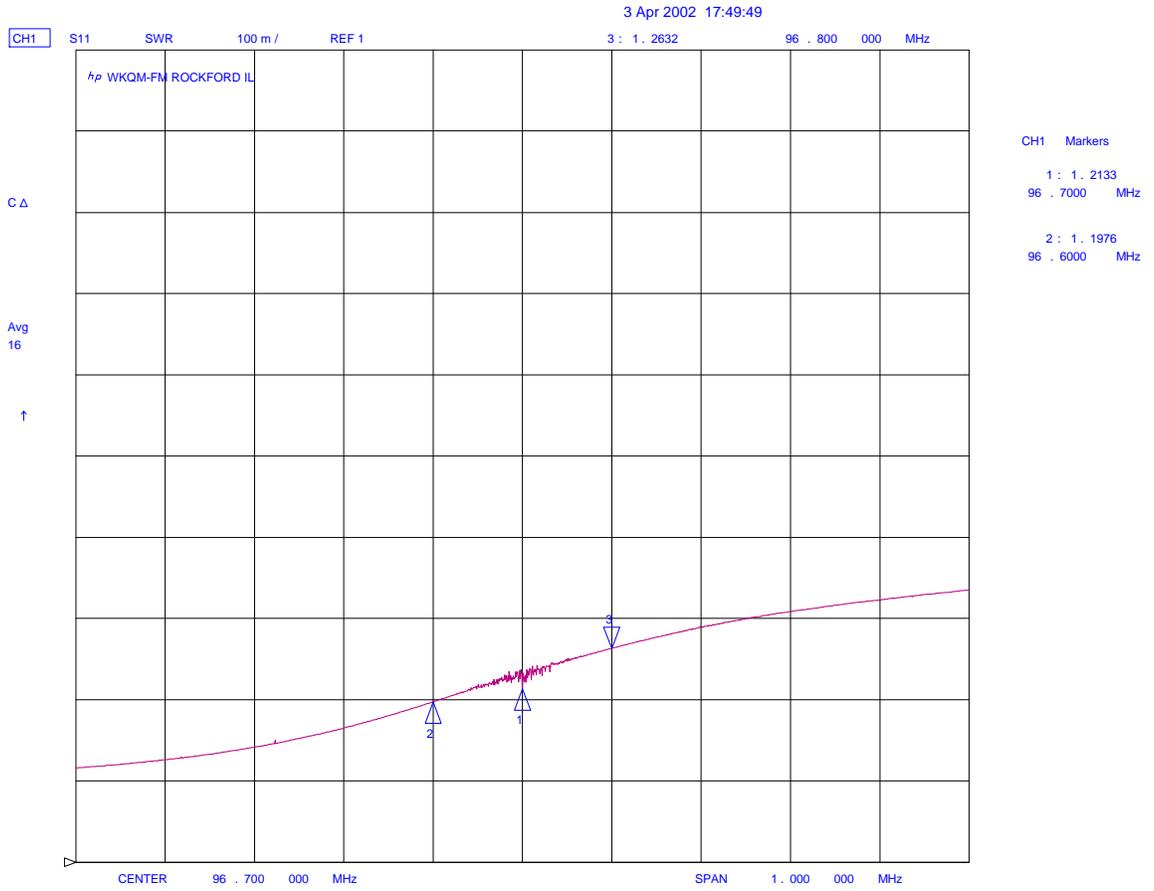
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10 Mhz Pulse**

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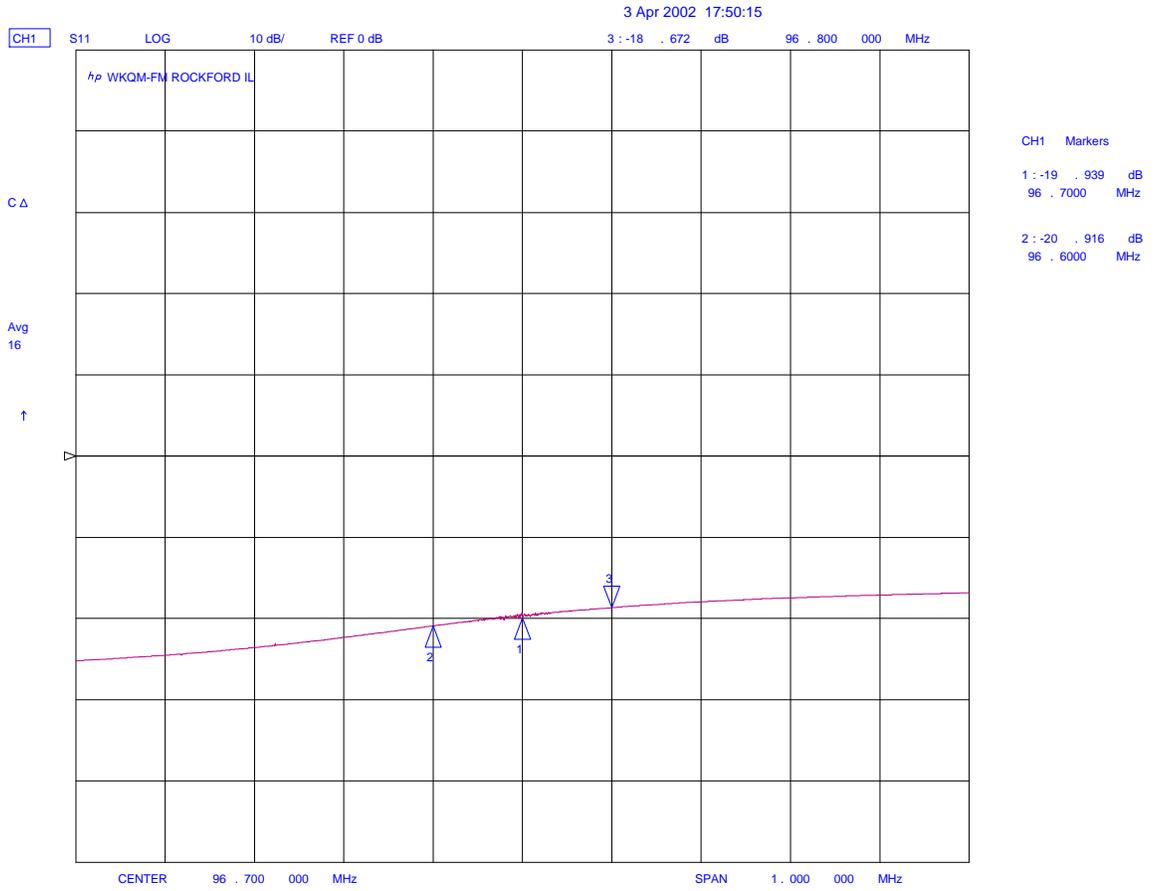
**Plot #5 Initial Time Domain Linear Magnitude
10 Mhz Pulse**

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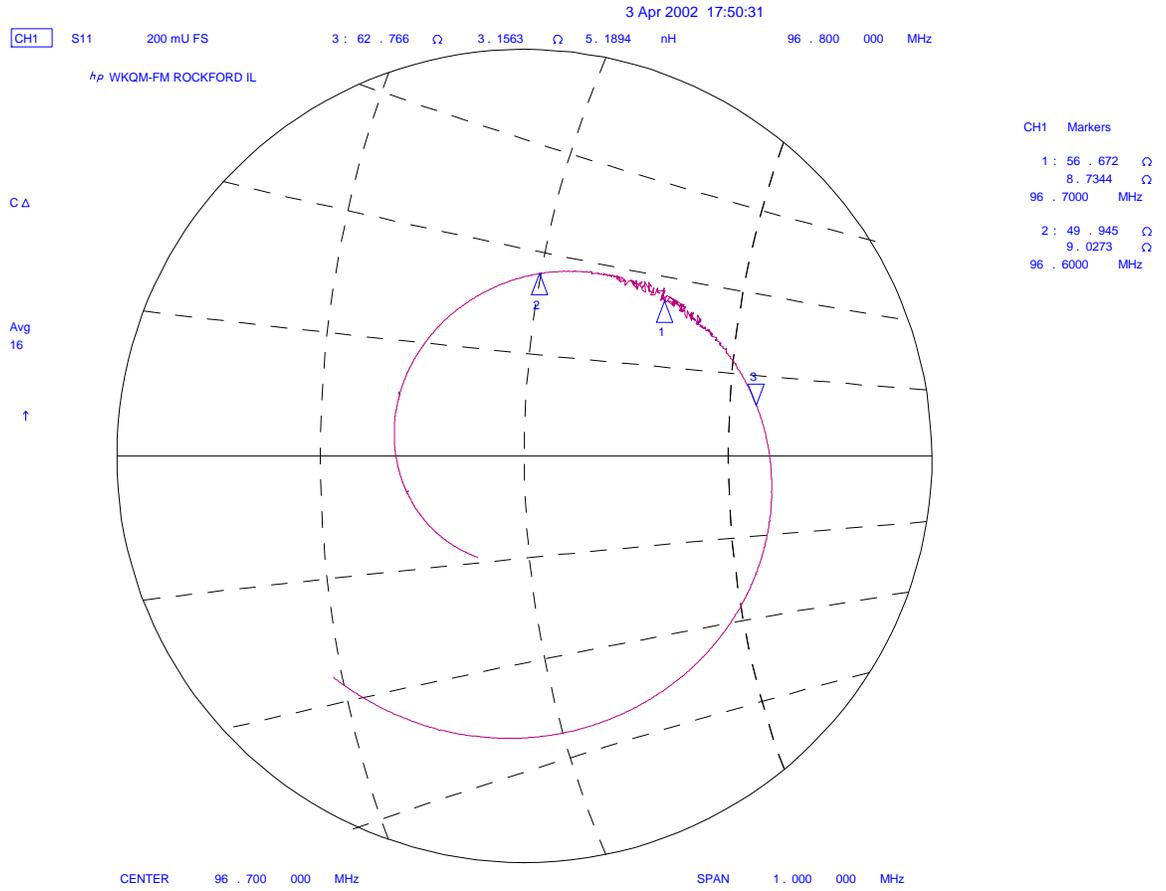
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1 Mhz Pulse**

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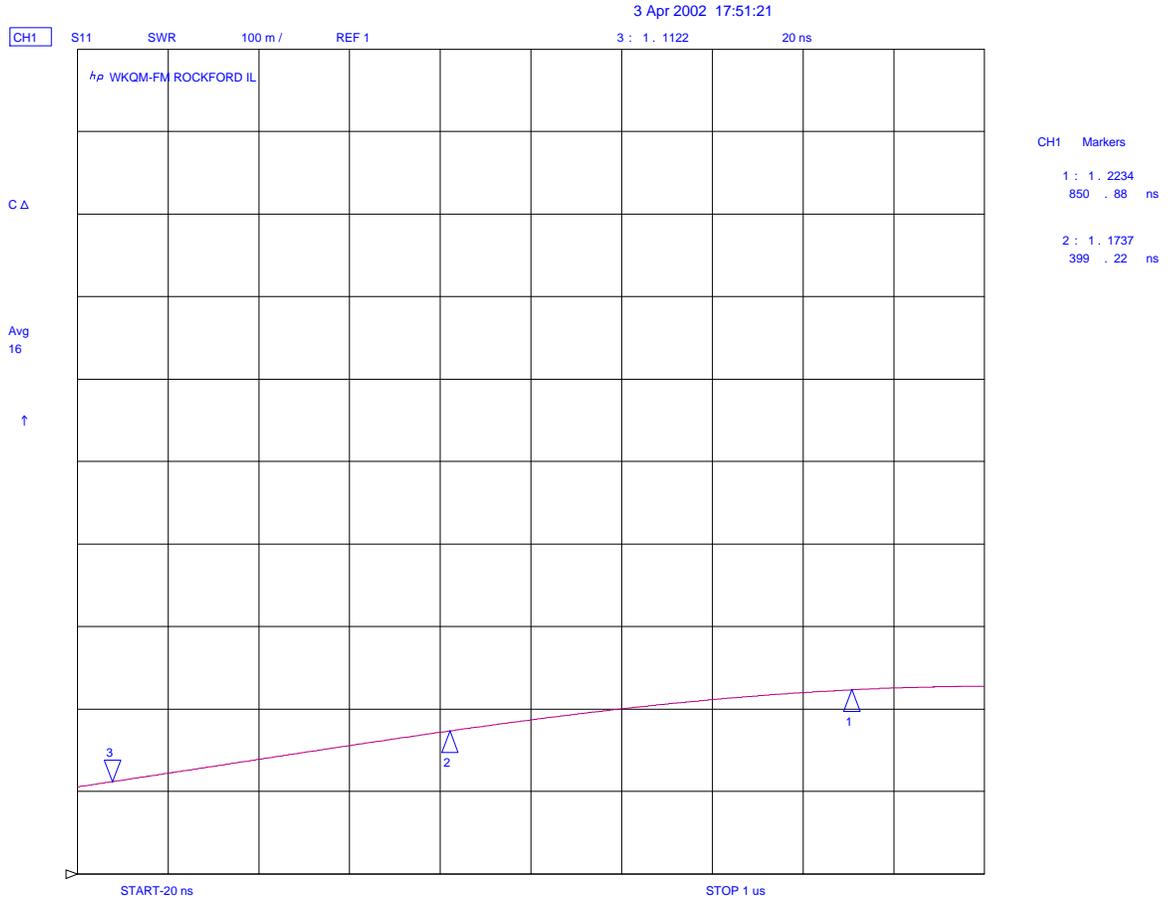
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1 Mhz Pulse**

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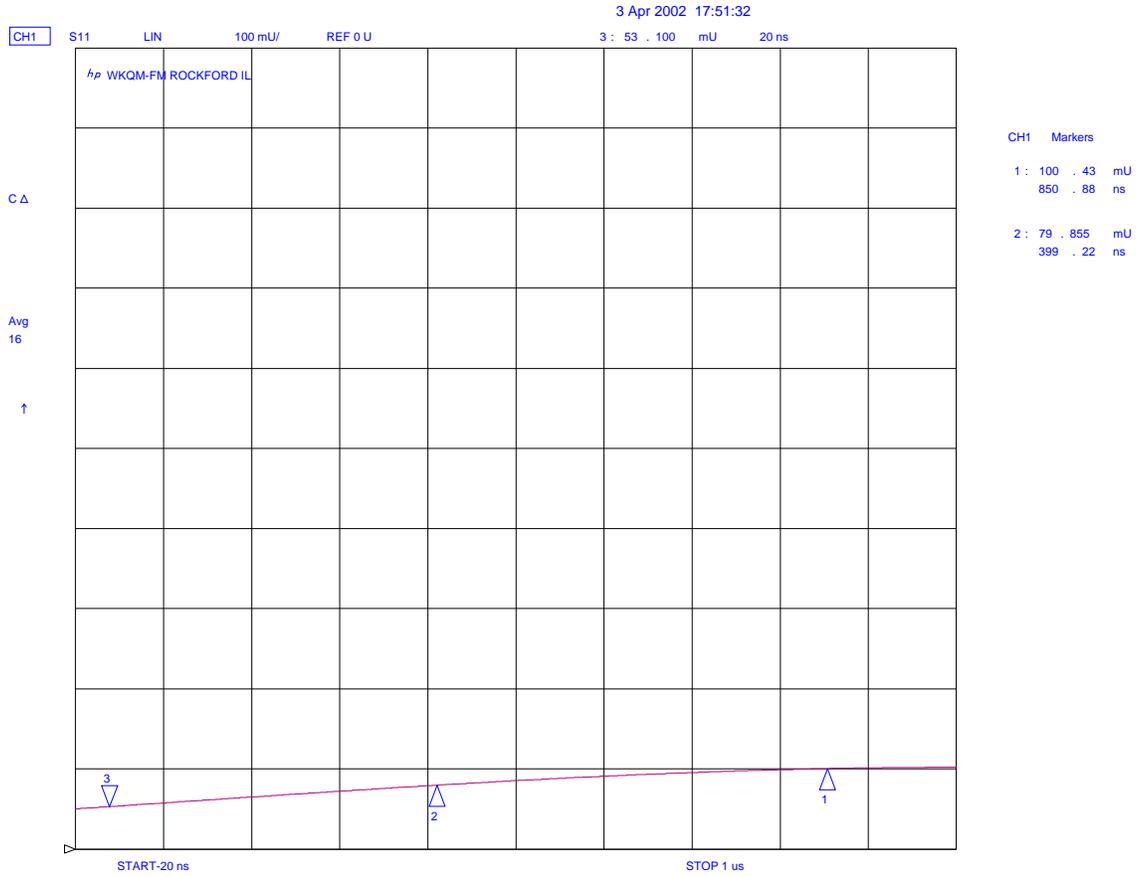
**Plot #8 Initial Frequency Domain Smith Chart
1 Mhz Pulse**

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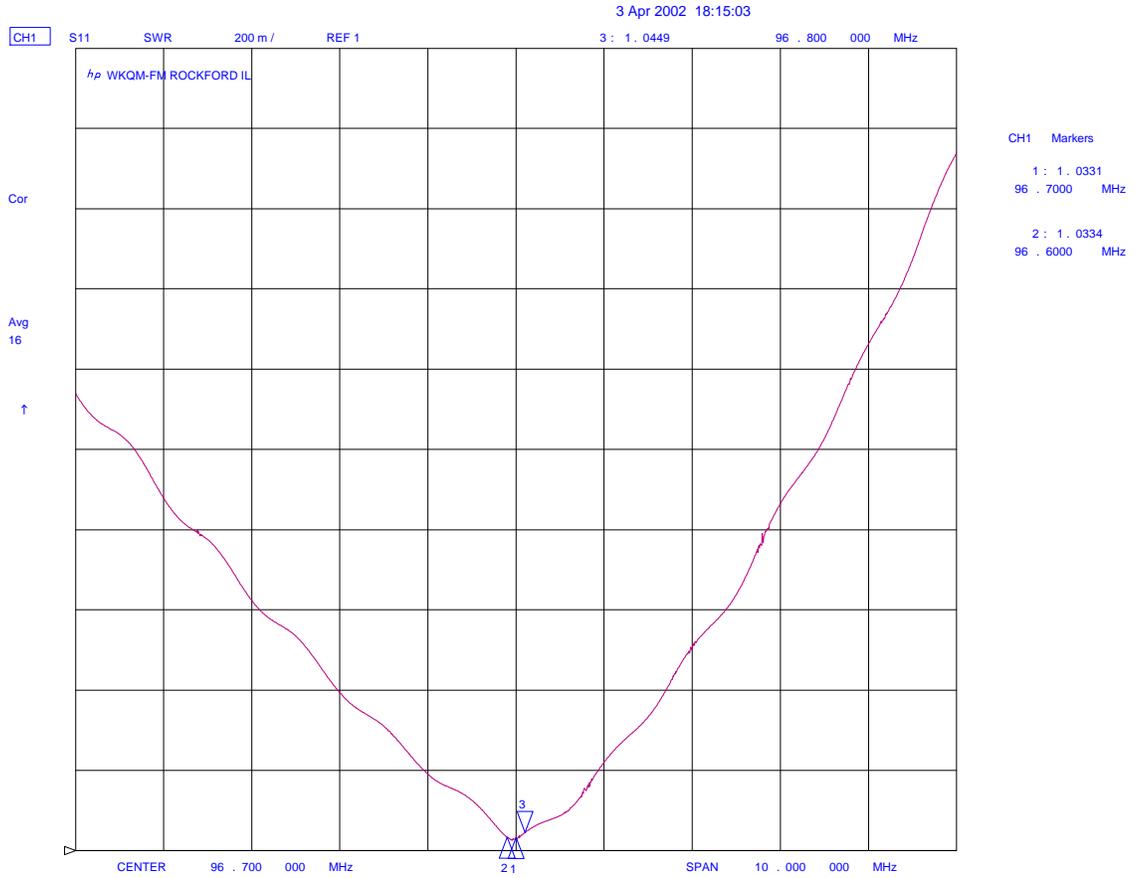
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1 Mhz Pulse**

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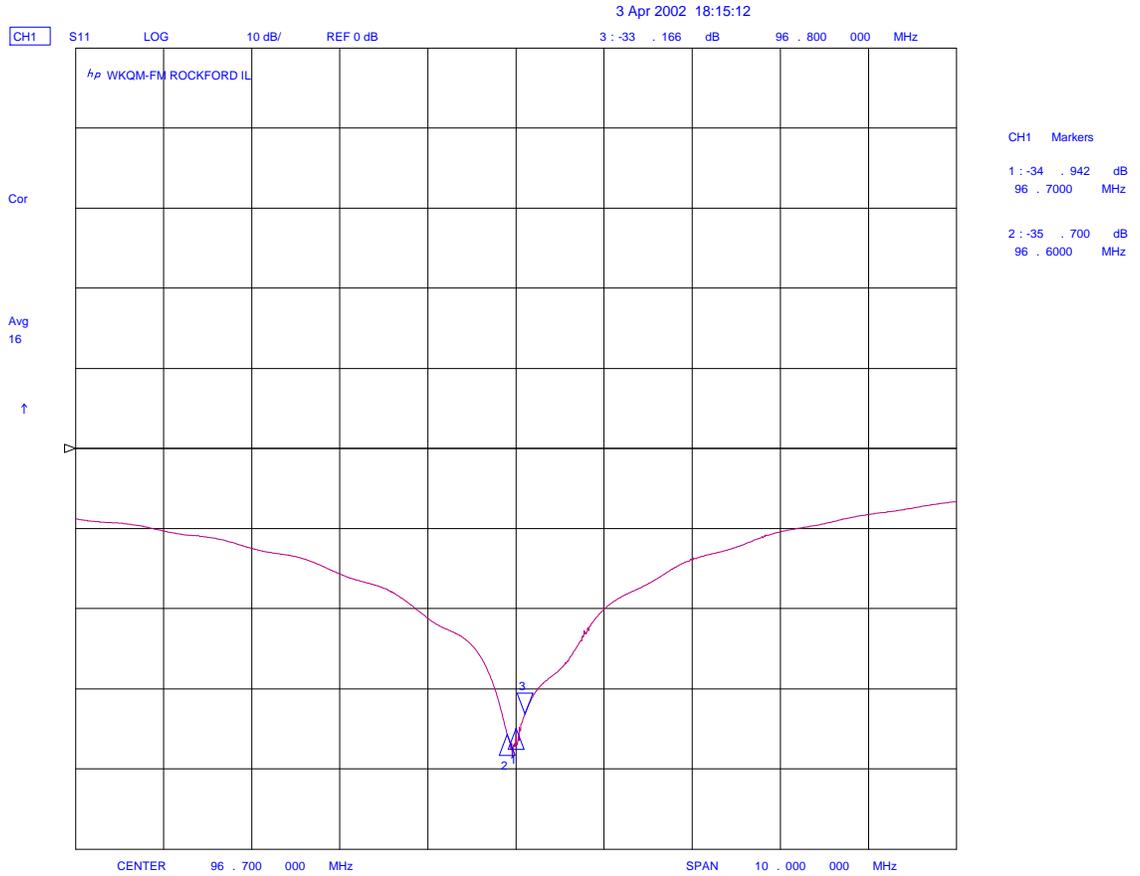
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1 Mhz Pulse**

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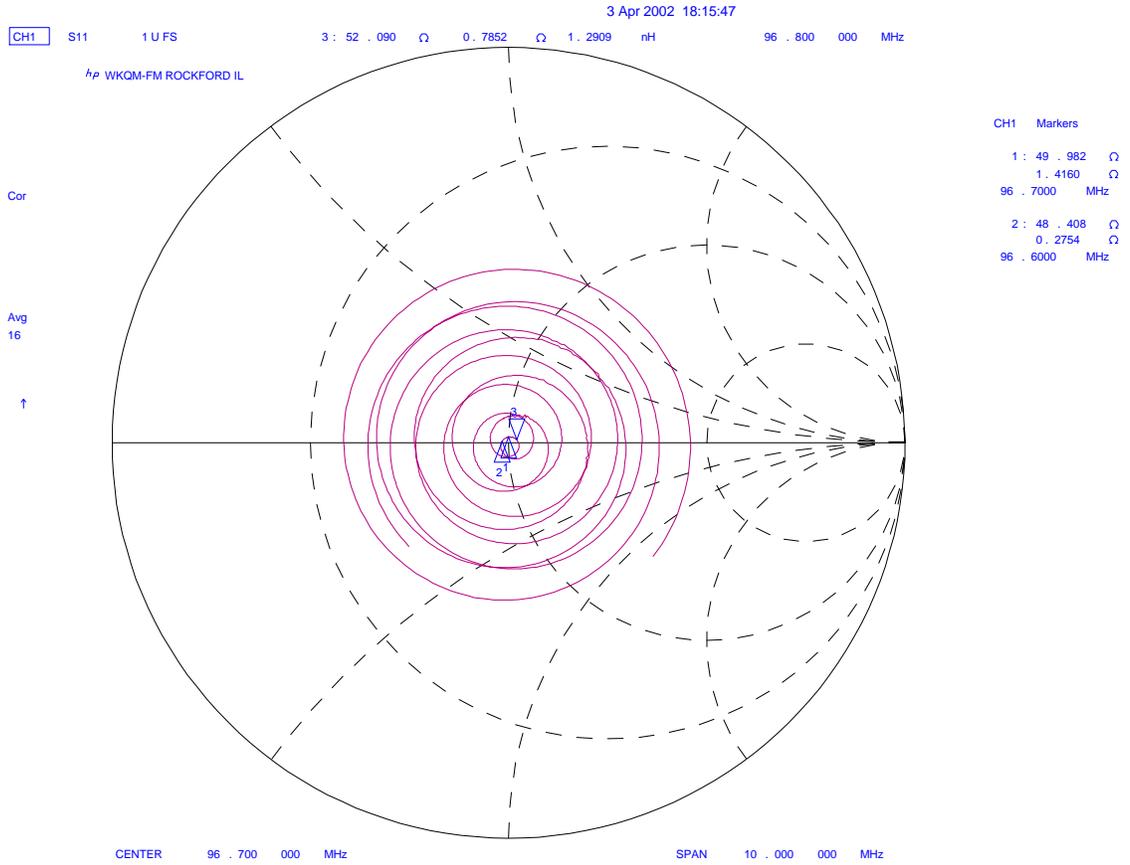
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10 Mhz Pulse**

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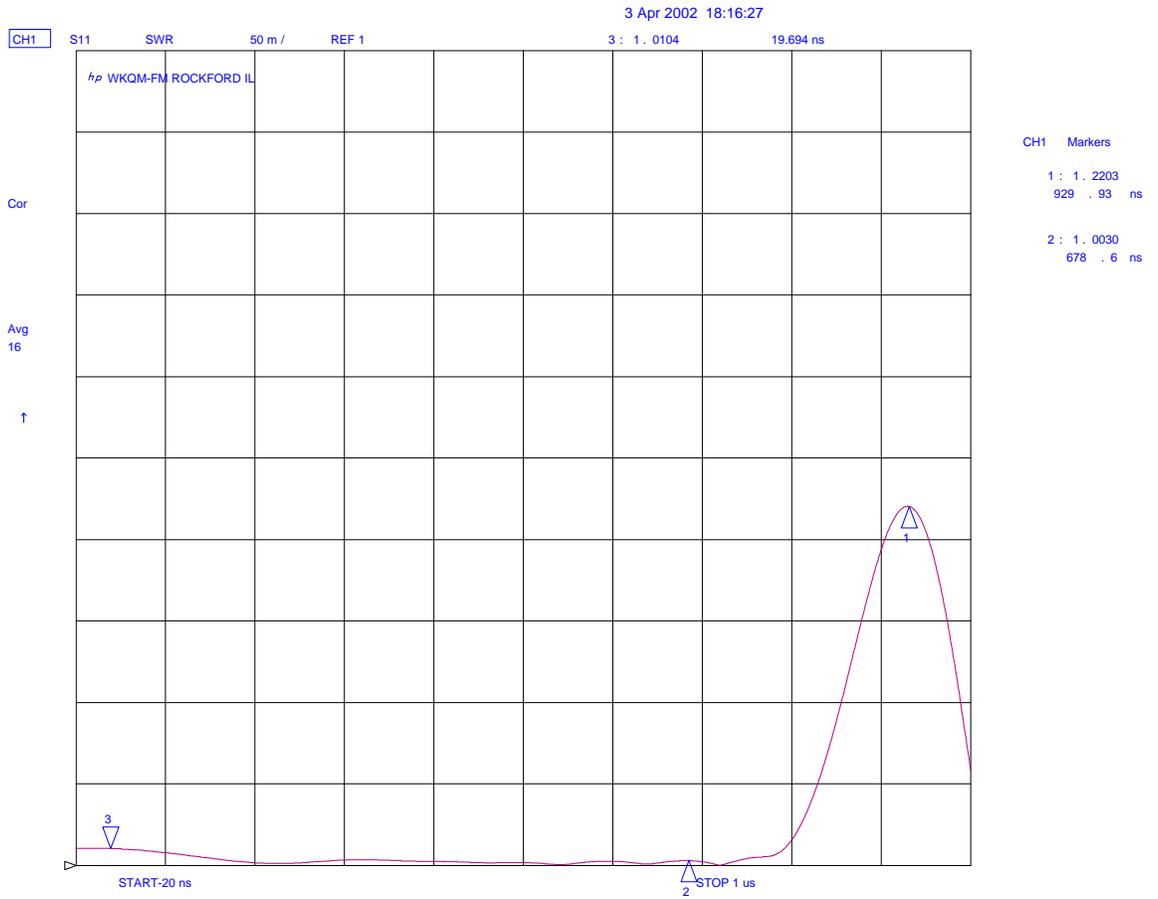
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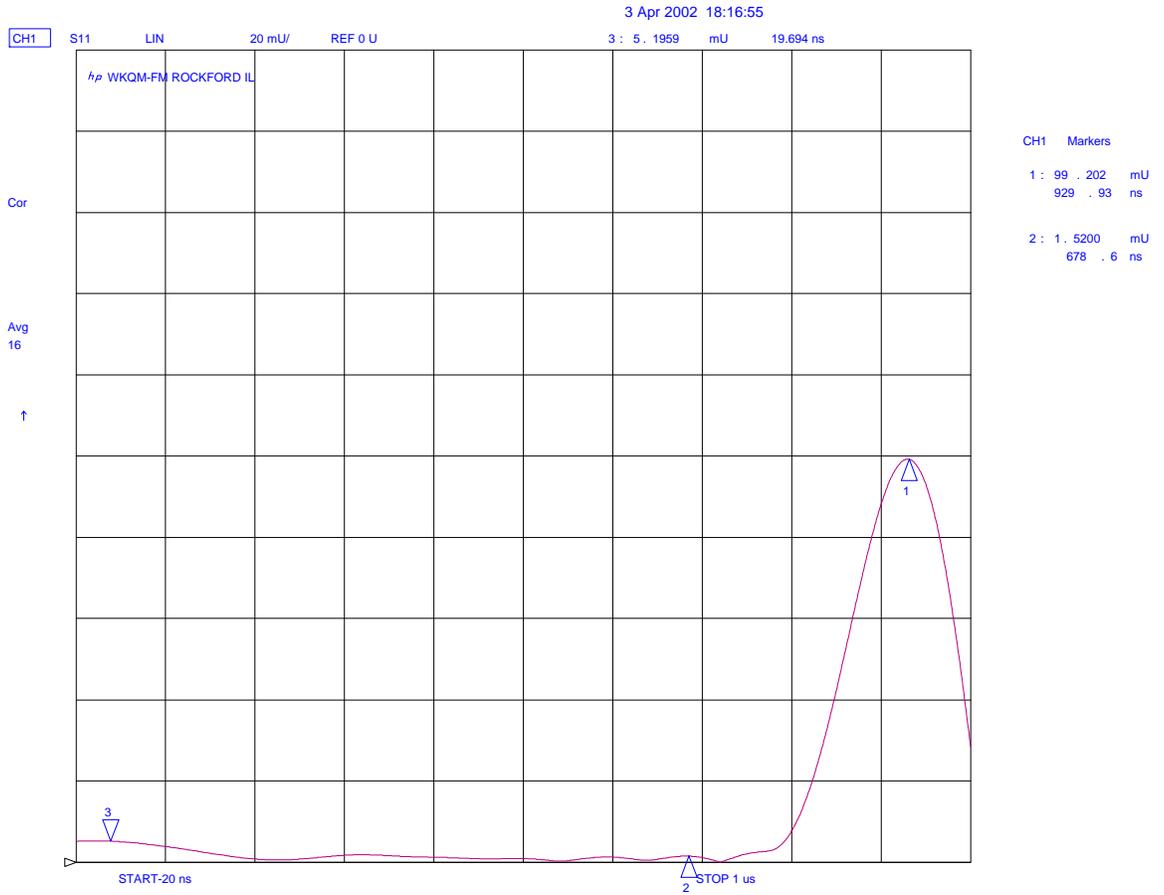
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10 Mhz Pulse**

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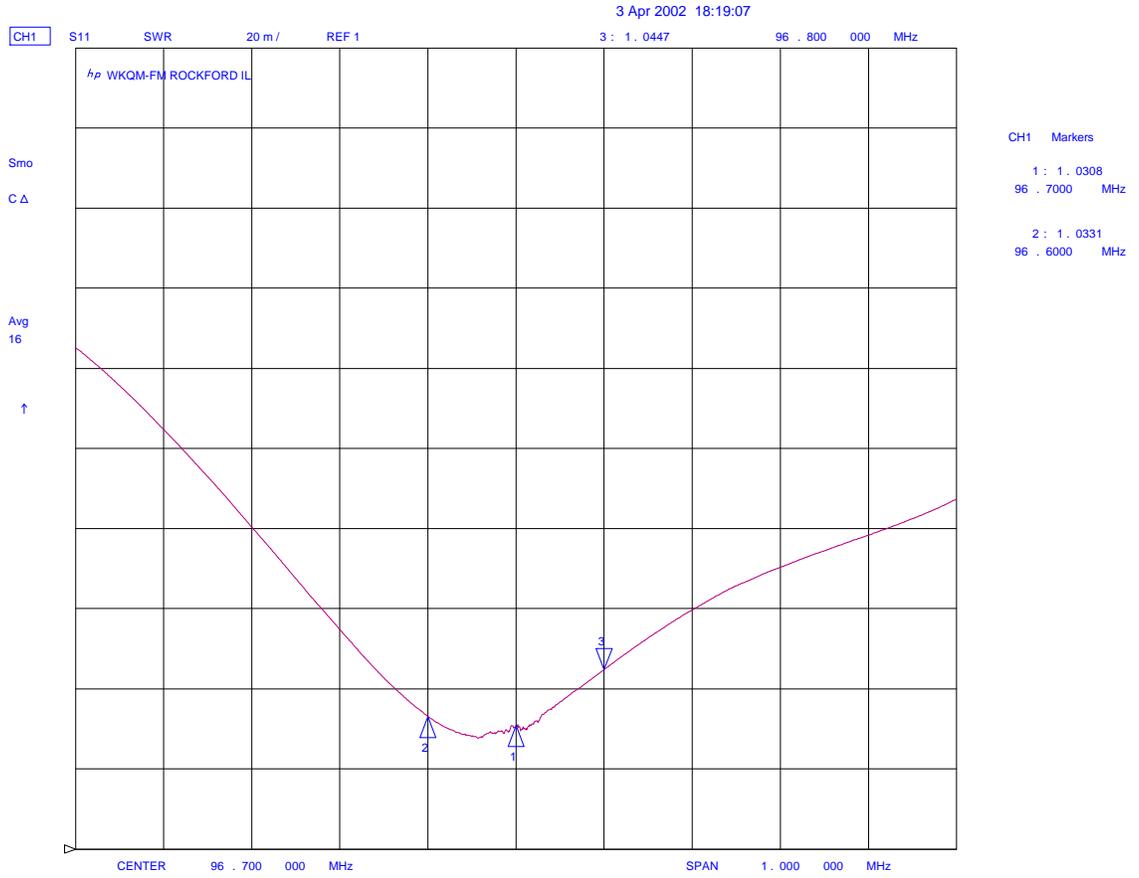
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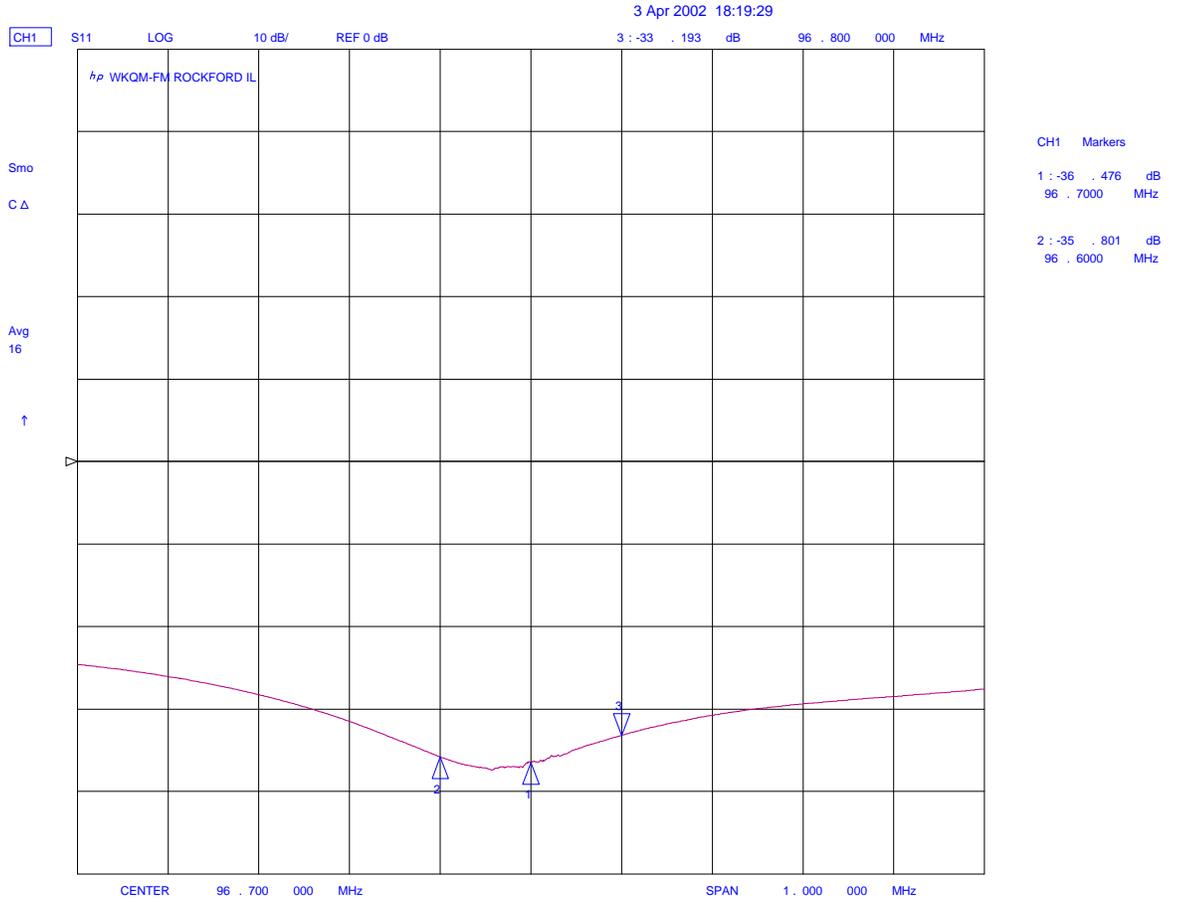
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10 Mhz Pulse**

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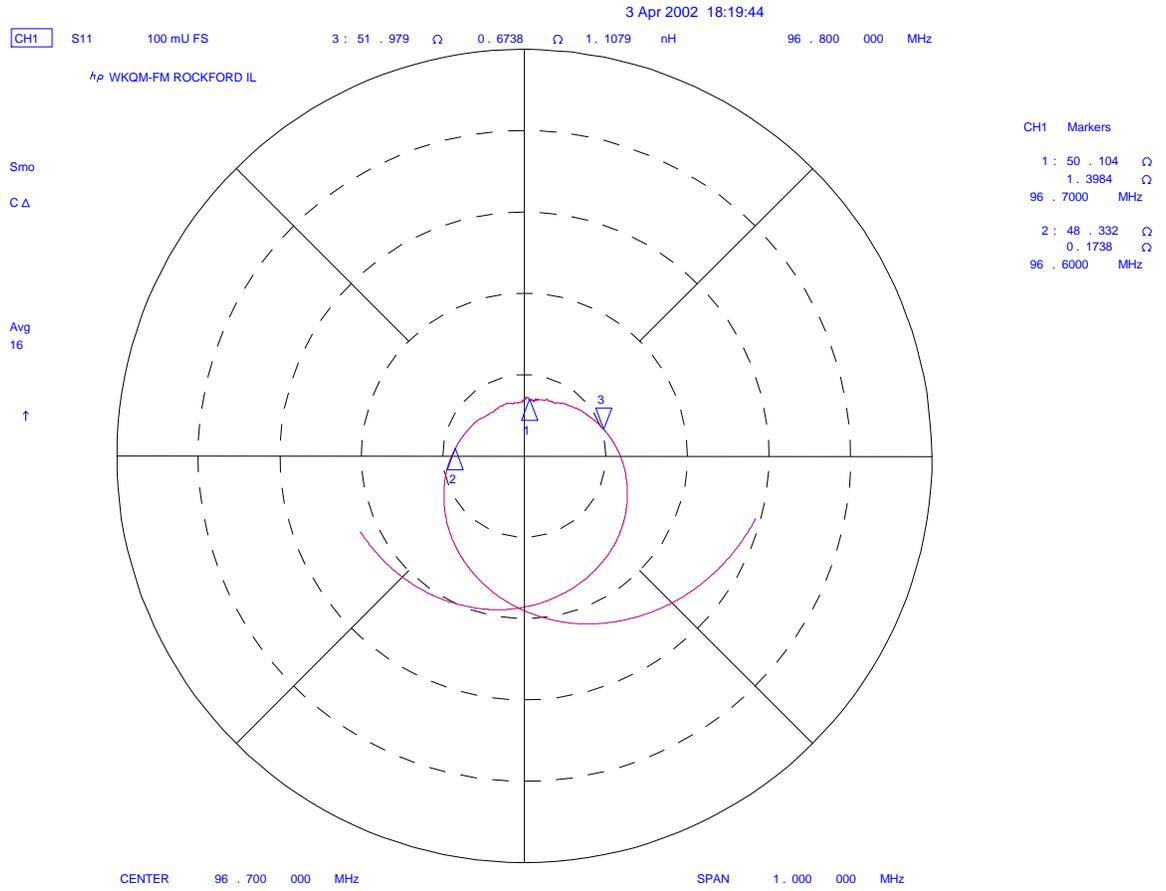
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1 Mhz Pulse**

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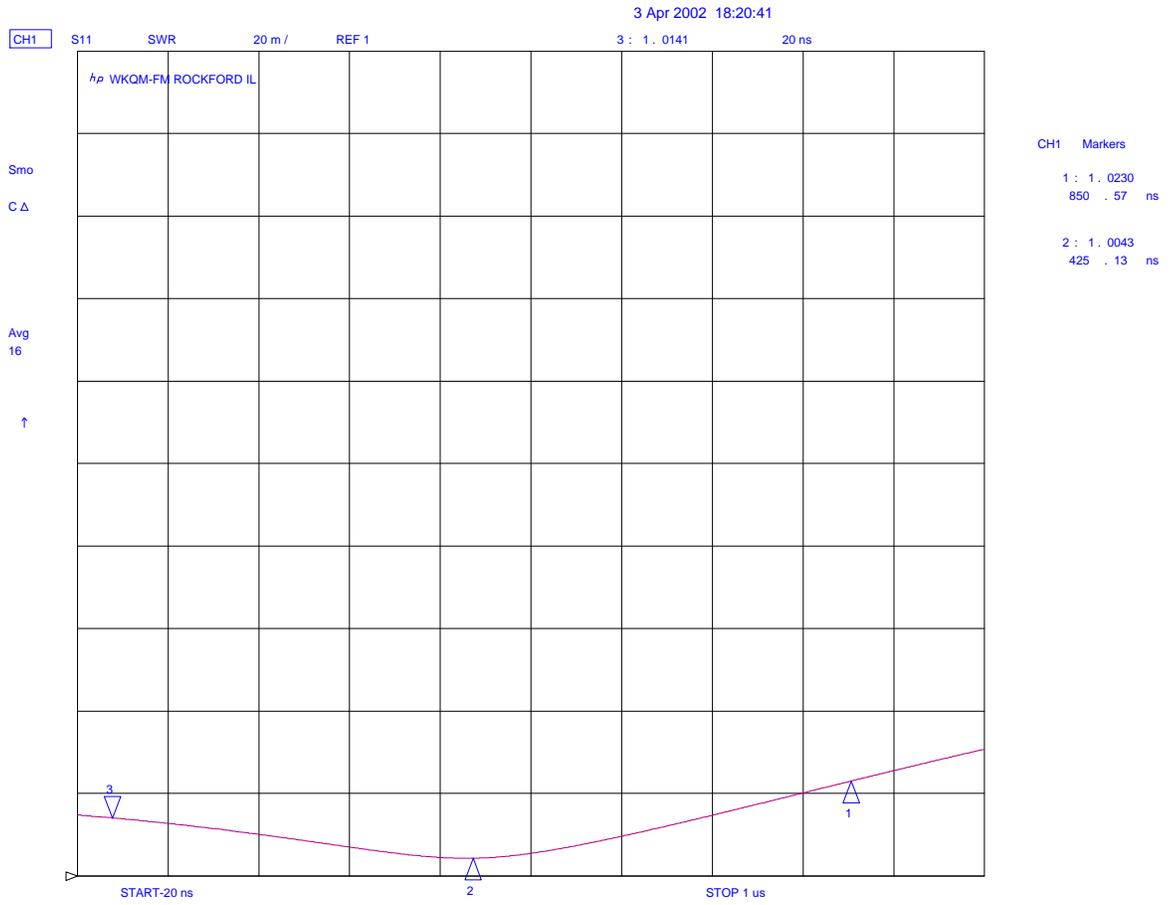
**Plot #17 Final Frequency Domain Log Magnitude
1 Mhz Pulse**

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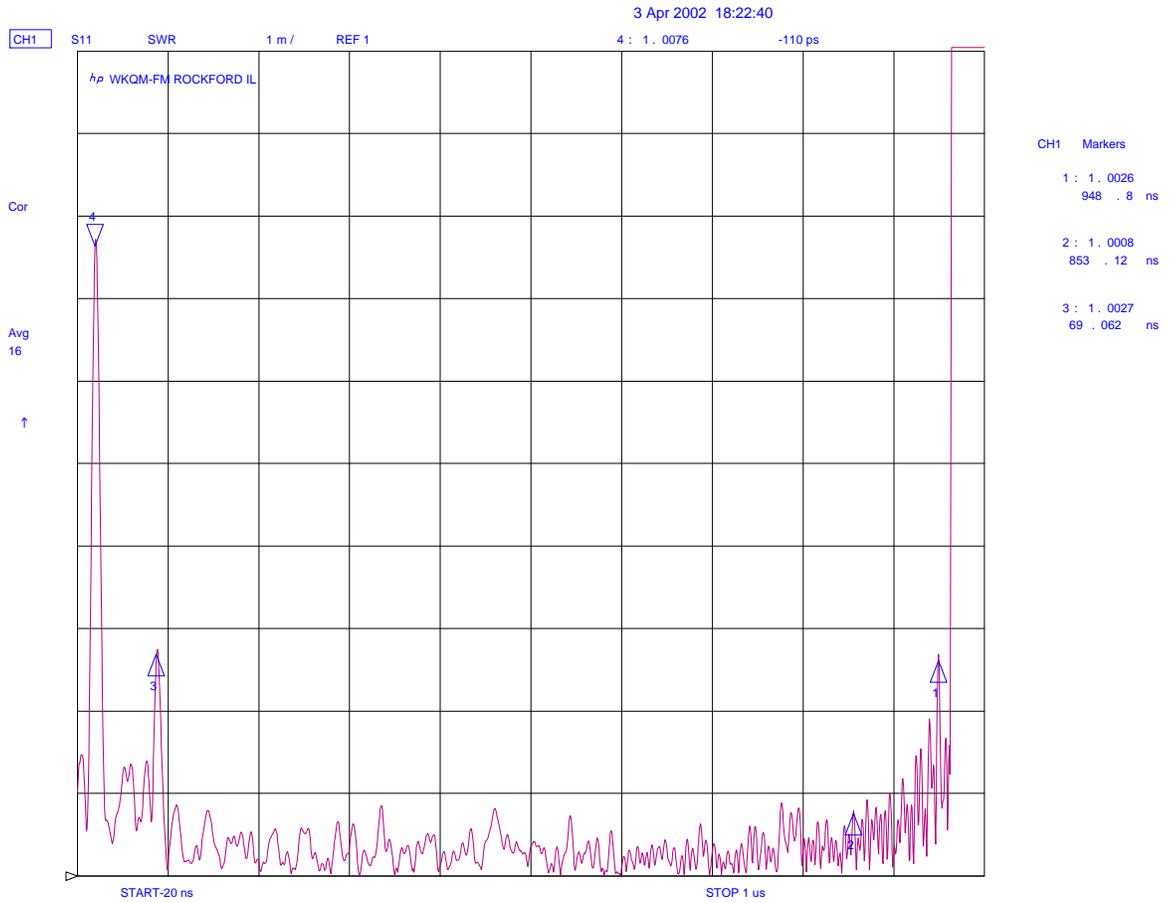
**Plot #18 Final Frequency Domain Smith Chart
 1 Mhz Pulse**

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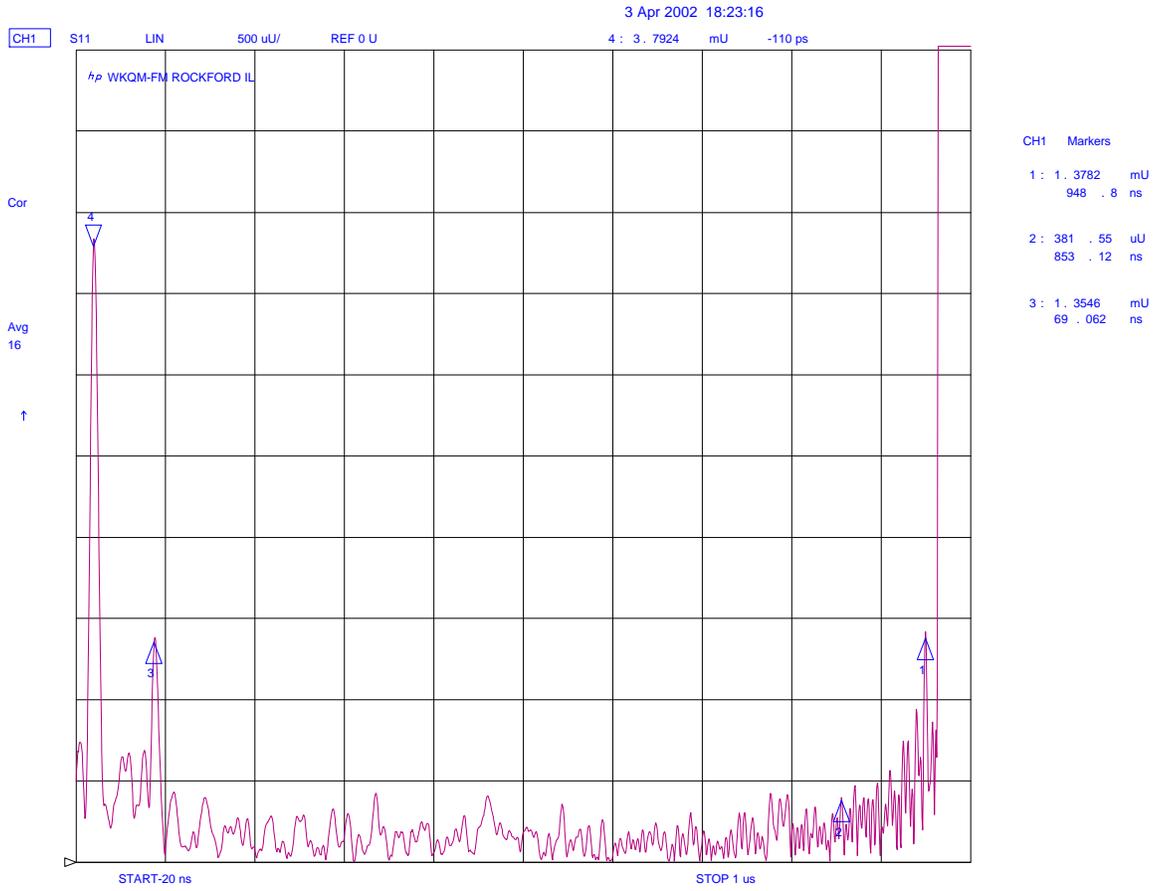
**Plot #19 Final Time Domain VSWR
1 Mhz Pulse**

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**Plot #20 Final Time Domain VSWR
100 Mhz Pulse**

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**Plot #21 Final Time Domain Linear Magnitude
100 Mhz Pulse**

Summary of Antenna System Measurements												
Station: WKMQ Loves Park, IL		Channel: 244		Mode: FM								
Carrier Frequencies 96.7 Mhz						Measurement Date		April,3 2002				
Ex.	Measurement	Vertical	Marker 1		Marker 2		Marker 3		Marker 4		Marker 5	
#	Description	Div.	Location	Value	Location	Value	Location	Value	Location	Value	Location	Value
<u>Initial Measurements Before Adjustments</u>												
1	Frequency Domain VSWR(10Mhz)	200m	96.7Mhz	1.231	96.6Mhz	1.197	96.8Mhz	1.263				
2	Frequency Domain Log Magnitude	10db	96.7Mhz	19.6db	96.6Mhz	20.9db	96.8Mhz	18.6db				
3	Frequency Domain Smith Chart	1UFS	96.7Mhz	56.8+j9.2	96.6Mhz	50.0+j9.0	96.8Mhz	62.7+j3.07				
4	Time Domain VSWR (10 Mhz)	50m	945.74ns	1.27	751.22ns	1.006	20.2ns	1.01				
5	Time Domain Linear Mag(10 Mhz)	20mU	945.74ns	119.2mU	751.22ns	3.06mU	20.2ns	5.44mU				
6	Frequency Domain VSWR (1Mhz)	100m	96.7Mhz	1.213	96.6Mhz	1.197	96.8Mhz	1.26				
7	Frequency Domain Log Magnitude	10db	96.7Mhz	19.93db	96.6Mhz	20.91db	96.8Mhz	18.67db				
8	Frequency Domain Smith Chart	200mU	96.7Mhz	56.67+j8.7	96.6Mhz	49.94+j9.0	96.8Mhz	62.7+j3.15				
9	Time Domain VSWR (1 Mhz)	100m	850.88ns	1.22	399.22ns	1.170	20ns	1.11				
10	Time Domain Lin Mag (1 Mhz)	100mU	850.88ns	100.4mU	399.22ns	79.85mU	20ns	53.1mU				
<u>Final Measurements After Adjustment</u>												
11	Frequency Domain VSWR(10Mhz)	200m	96.7Mhz	1.033	96.6Mhz	1.0330	96.8Mhz	1.044				
12	Frequency Domain Log Magnitude	10db	96.7Mhz	34.94db	96.6Mhz	35.7db	96.8Mhz	33.16db				
13	Frequency Domain Smith Chart	1UFS	96.7Mhz	49.98+j1.41	96.6Mhz	48.4+j0.2	96.8Mhz	52.09+j0.7				
14	Time Domain VSWR(10 Mhz)	50m	929.93ns	1.22	678.6ns	1.003	19.69ns	1.01				
15	Time Domain Lin Mag (10 Mhz)	20mU	929.93ns	99.2mU	678.6ns	1.52mU	19.69ns	5.19mU				
16	Frequency Domain VSWR (1Mhz)	20m	96.7Mhz	1.03	96.6Mhz	1.033	96.8Mhz	1.044				
17	Frequency Domain Log Magnitude	10db	96.7Mhz	36.4db	96.6Mhz	35.8db	96.8Mhz	33.1db				
18	Frequency Domain Smith Chart	100mU	96.7Mhz	50.1+j1.3	96.6Mhz	48.3+j0.17	96.8Mhz	51.9+j0.6				
19	Time Domain VSWR (1 Mhz)	20m	850.57ns	1.02	425.1ns	1.004	20ns	1.01				
20	Time Domain VSWR(100 Mhz)	1m	948.8ns	1.002	853.12ns	1.0008	69.06ns	1.0027	-110ps	1.007		
21	Time Domain Lin Mag (100 Mhz)	500uU	948.8ns	1.37mU	853.12ns	381.5uU	69.06ns	1.35mU	-110ps	3.79mU		
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Directional Antenna Installation Affidavit

Station-WKMQ-FM

Frequency-96.7 Mhz

Channel- 244

Directional Antenna- Dielectric Inc. Model DCR-H-2E-5RE

Sirs:

I have inspected the Directional FM antenna installation for the above listed station and found it to be pursuant with the manufacture's instructions and installation drawings.

Richard Wood

FCC General Class Radio Telephone License # PG-18-28010

Staff Engineer

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April 4, 2002