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FOR

DUAL SPECTRUM[®]
FIRE SENSOR MODEL PM-6



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INTRODUCTION

The Santa Barbara Research Center (SBRC) Dual Spectrum[®] Fire Sensor Model PM-6 is a Factory Mutual Research Corporation listed infrared flame sensor designed to provide long range detection of hydrocarbon fires. The PM-6 (P/N 408858; Figure 1 and Appendix A) is a long-range fire sensor designed for use in aircraft hangers, fuel storage areas or other large, open areas where hydrocarbon-fueled fires are a threat.

The PM-6 will detect a 1 ft² gasoline fire from 100 feet away, and has a 90° field-of-view. The sensor is encapsulated and sealed providing a rugged assembly that is rated NEMA 4X.

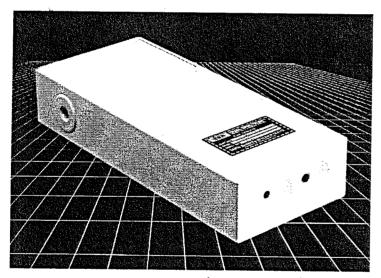


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Figure 1. PM-6 Sensor.

(See Appendix A, drawing number 408858 for detailed information. Drawing number 409000, Appendix B, is a detailed drawing of the optional mounting bracket.)

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Factory Mutual has certified the performance of the PM-6 fire sensor, the compliance with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standard 72 and the installation described in this document. The PM-6 is listed for use hazardous (classified) locations as described below.

The PM-6 is enclosed in a cast aluminum housing approximately 8 x 3.5 x 1.6 inches. A bracket assembly (P/N 409000; Appendix B) for mounting the sensor is available that allows adjustment on two axes. The sensor housing has an integral junction box with three 3/4 inch conduit ports, available for connecting to hard or flexible conduit. Electrical connections are made via a terminal block mounted inside the junction box at the rear of the sensor. A partition is installed in the junction box to separate the power and initiating-device circuits in an intrinsically safe installation.

NOTE: This sensor is specifically tuned and tested to respond to the fires described in this manual. The sensor response to other fuel sources not described in this manual may vary. Please contact Santa Barbara Research Center for further information.

SENSOR USE IN HAZARDOUS AREAS

The SBRC Dual Spectrum[®] Model PM-6 fire sensor is a Factory Mutual Approved flame detector suitable for use in Class I, Division 1, Groups C-D, Class I, Division 2, Groups A-D, Class II, Division 1, Groups E-G; Class II, Division 2, Groups F-G; and Class III, Division 1 and 2 hazardous (classified) locations. This certification depends on proper installation which is described in this Installation Manual. See the following sections and Control Drawing Configuration (Drawing 409664, Appendix C) for installation and component selection criteria.

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ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

The PM-6 is designed to interface to an NFPA 72 compatible fire alarm control panel. Normally-open, dry-relay contacts provide the alarm signal. The alarm contacts latch closed when a fire is detected and remain closed until the sensor is powered down or the sensor junction box cover is removed and replaced. An internal supervision-status relay closes when the sensor powers up and opens if a sensor fault, such as loss of power, low power supply voltage, or a sensor malfunction, is detected. In NFPA class A or B circuits (Appendices D to F), such a fault condition is indicated at the control panel as a trouble signal.

A built-in-test (BIT) is performed at power up and approximately every 15 minutes to verify proper sensor operation. The BIT test checks all the sensor hardware and program integrity. If the sensor fails the BIT then the supervision relay will open, generating a trouble signal.

Supply voltage:

20 to 28 VDC (Observe Polarity) Including line drops and ripple

NOTE: Sensor output is not guaranteed below 20 VDC and is locked out below 19 VDC. The supervision relay will reflect this condition.

Input Current:

30 milliamps at +24 VDC quiescent

40 milliamps at +24 VDC in alarmed state

Alarm Output:

Relay contacts latch closed.

Trouble Output:

Opening of normally-closed relay contacts.

Relay Contact Ratings:

1 Amp, 30 VDC

0.5 Amp, 125 VAC

Reset:

After sensor is powered down and up or after junction

cover is removed and replaced.

Stabilization Time:

Approximately 3 seconds after power up.

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TABLE I. PM-6 Terminal Block Identification

Terminal A	Dual	+24 VDC
Terminal B	Dual	DC return
Terminal C	Single	Supervision Relay Contact, Trouble + Signal
Terminal D	Single	Supervision Relay Contact, Trouble - Signal
Terminal E	Dual	Alarm + Relay Contact
Terminal F	Dual	Alarm - Relay Contact

ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS

TEMPERATURE AND HUMIDITY

Operating and Storage Temperature Range: -40° F to +158° F

-40° C to +70° C

Relative Humidity:

0% to 99%, non-condensing

Enclosure Rating:

NEMA 4X

VIBRATION

The PM-6 is designed to withstand severe vibration and shock as defined in FM Approval Standard 3260.

ELECTROMAGNETIC INTERFERENCE

The PM-6 is designed to be highly immune to radiated and conducted Electromagnetic Interference (EMI). The sensor is immune to radiated fields of five volts per meter including amplitude and frequency modulated (AM & FM) signals in the frequency range of 1 MHz to 1 GHz. The sensor can operate in the presence of conducted noise levels up to 1.0 VRMS in the frequency range of 30 Hz to 250 kHz. The PM-6 meets or exceeds the requirements for conducted and radiated emissions, per FCC Regulations, Part 15, Subpart J, for Class A computing devices.

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SENSOR PERFORMANCE

DETECTION RANGE AND RESPONSE TIME

Best performance of the PM-6 sensor is achieved when the sensor is mounted so that the protected area is within the range, or detection-threshold distance, given in Table II for various flammable hazards, and within the 90° field-of-view of the sensor. The step-response time of the PM-6 to the threats shown in Table II is typically five seconds. The PM-6 responds most quickly to closer or larger fires and more slowly to smaller fires or fires that are further away.

TABLE II. PM-6 Detection-Threshold Distances For 5 Second Typical Response Time.

Flame Fuel	Range (ft)
1 sq. ft. Gasoline	100 ft.
1 sq. ft. JET-A	75 ft.
1 sq. ft. No. 2 Diesel	50 ft.

The range is smaller for sources when they are close to the edge of the field-of-view of the sensor. At the edge of the $\pm 45^{\circ}$ field-of-view the range is reduced no more than 50%.

Mounting sensors so that they do not view very brightly illuminated areas will help ensure optimum sensitivity. For example, mounting locations where the sensors look out doors or windows should be avoided where possible. The PM-6 may be used outdoors but its sensitivity could be reduced by bright sun or artificial light.

NOTE: The sensor range to fires not listed in Table II will vary and should be verified by fire tests using the fuel in question. Please contact Santa Barbara Research Center for further information.

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FALSE-ALARM IMMUNITY

The PM-6 is extremely false-alarm immune. However, no fire sensor is perfect — a fire-alarm output due to non-fire stimuli is possible. Table III lists common sources and the false-alarm immunity distance for those sources; no false alarms occur for larger distances in laboratory measurements.

TABLE III. PM-6 False-Alarm Immunity Distances.

Stimulus (Chopped or Unchopped)	Range (ft)
Sunlight	No Response
Brightly Colored Clothing	No Response
Flash Light (3 D-Cell Maglite)	No Response
Fluorescent Light (40 W)	No Response
Vehicle Head Lights	No Response
Incandescent Light (100 W Frosted)	1
Electronic Flash (Sunpak 411)	No Response
Flood Light (Sungun-II, 650 W)	No Response
Arc Welding (5/32" Steel Rod, 140 A)	4
Sodium -Vapor (70 W)	No Response
Radiation Heater (1500 W)	No Response
Lighted Cigar Or Cigarette	No Response
Large Wooden Match Flare-Up	<1/2
Aircraft Running Lights	No Response
Aircraft Strobe Lights	No Response

For best performance, the sensor should be mounted so that any exposure to these sources occurs at distances larger than those given in Table III. In addition, to ensure optimum performance, sensors should be mounted so that they do not view very brightly illuminated areas. For example, mounting locations where the sensors look out doors or windows should be avoided where possible. The PM-6 may be used outdoors but its sensitivity could be reduced by bright sun or artificial light.

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SENSOR INSTALLATION

PHYSICAL MOUNTING

The PM-6 sensor must be installed in conformance with the proper Control Drawing, as described in the next section, NFPA 72, the NEC, and all local codes for the hazard classification of the location to be protected.

The PM-6 sensor can be mounted on an optional bracket assembly (SBRC P/N 409000; Appendix B), or equivalent, mounted to any solid surface. The bracket assembly can be adjusted on two axes and, once correctly positioned, can be locked in place.

The PM-6 has three 3/4 inch conduit ports which can be used to connect to rigid or flexible conduit. Torque conduit connectors between 70 and 80 inch pounds. Two ports are plugged with the supplied conduit plugs using Teflon tape on the threads. The rear junctionbox cover can be removed to connect the wiring to the terminal block.

CAUTION

THE FACTORY SEALED FRONT COVER IS ESSENTIAL TO THE CERTIFICATIONS OF THE SENSOR. REMOVING THIS COVER WILL COMPROMISE THE PERFORMANCE OF THE SENSOR.

The rear cover has a built-in gasket which provides a seal for the rear-junction box. Make sure the gasket is undamaged when re-installing the cover. Hand tighten all six cover screws to 8 in-lb to insure a good seal.

WARNING

SUBSTITUTION OF COMPONENTS IN THE JUNCTION BOX MAY IMPAIR INTRINSIC SAFETY.

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The number of sensors required to protect a given area will depend upon the size of the area, the distance from the sensor, unavoidable obstructions and the size and type of the threat fire. Certain factors need to be considered when designing an installation:

- 1. The sensors should be mounted so that objects do not block their field-of-view. This includes glass, plexiglass and other visibly transparent materials.
- 2. Whenever possible, sensors should be mounted so their ranges and fields-of-view overlap.
- 3. Sensors should be mounted so they will not be blocked by moving machinery or human operators during normal operations within the area.
- 4. To ensure optimum sensitivity and performance, sensors should be mounted so they do not look at brightly illuminated areas.
- 5. The sensors should be mounted so that they are easily and safely accessible for inspection and maintenance.
- 6. If mechanical or high-temperature damage, or window contamination is likely in the installed location, then the sensors should be protected. However, the protection method cannot obstruct the sensors field-of-view with any material, including visibly transparent materials, such as glass and plexiglass.
- 7. The sensors can be mounted in any orientation, so long as the manufactured mounting point is the point of support.
- 8. Mounting the sensors so that they point below horizontal is recommended as this normally results in minimized window contamination.

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ELECTRICAL WIRING CONNECTION

An approved installation of the PM-6 fire sensor should be in accordance with the approved SBRC Control Drawings included as appendices to this manual. The required Control Drawing for specific hazardous (classified) or non-hazardous locations can be determined from the Control Drawing Configuration (Drawing 409664; Appendix C). Sensors may be wired in a standard NFPA 72 class B, style B configuration or in a class A, style D configuration. Approved initiating device circuits may be either intrinsically safe or nonincendive as required.

WARNING

DO NOT REMOVE THE PM-6 JUNCTION BOX COVER WHILE THE CIRCUIT IS ALIVE UNLESS THE AREA IS KNOWN TO BE NON-HAZARDOUS

INTRINSICALLY SAFE CIRCUITS

Intrinsically safe installations require the use of suitable and approved barriers, an approved fire alarm control panel that is compatible with the barriers, and wiring methods consistent with ANSI/ISA-RP12.6 and other code. The Control Drawing 409458 calls out the type and quantity of barriers required for installation in hazardous (classified) locations and show the electrical interconnection to an NFPA compliant fire alarm control panel. Wiring that passes from the non-hazardous location to the hazardous location should pass through a seal appropriate for the type of hazard. All control room instrumentation must operate at less than 250 VRMS.

The barriers may be located in the main control panel, or in a separate enclosure, but adequate separation between intrinsically safe and non-intrinsically safe wiring must be observed as defined by ANSI/ISA-RP12.6. Barrier grounds should be connected separately to

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the same grounding location. All interconnecting wiring should be run in conduit or raceways and kept separate from non-barrier wiring.

All fire sensor wiring should be run in its own separate conduit or raceway using the minimum wire sizes and maximum distances shown in Table IV. Each sensor contains two separate intrinsically-safe circuits which must be separated per ANSI/ISA-RP 12.6. This can be accomplished by using shielded cables or running the initiating device and power circuits in separate conduit that terminates on the appropriate side of the junction box partition. Figure 2 illustrates a proper wiring method for intrinsically safe circuits in the PM-6 as described in Appendix D.

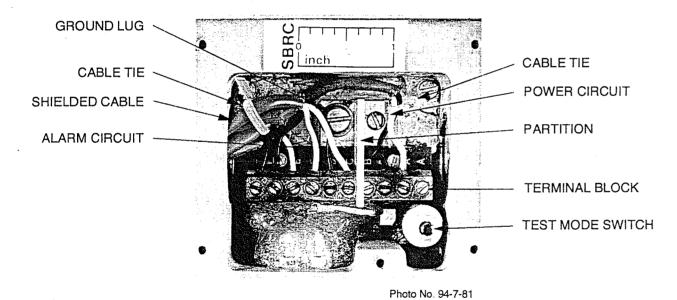


Figure 2. PM-6 Junction Box Connections.

TABLE IV. Maximum Wiring Distances.

AWG Solid #	Maximum One-Way Wiring Distance (ft)
14	2500
16	1500
18	1000
20	600
22	400

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The power and initiating-device circuits use shielded UL 2464 power limited fire-protection signaling circuit cables with the shields grounded at the source. The installed partitions in the junction box of the PM-6 must be in place to provide separation of the power and initiating device circuits in their junction boxes.

CIRCUITS WITH NONINCENDIVE SENSORS

In Class I, Division 2 Group A-D, Class II, Division 2, Group F-G, or Class III, Division 1 & 2 hazardous (classified) or non-hazardous locations the NEC allows less stringent wiring methods. The PM-6 fire sensor is nonincendive and where allowed by the NEC and local code may be installed in otherwise incendive circuits in the preceding hazardous locations. In this case the terminal strip partition must be removed from the PM-6 to allow unobstructed wiring of power and initiating device circuits. Installations require the use of an approved fire alarm control panel that is compatible with the Class B, Style B and/or Class A, Style D initiating device circuits.

SYSTEM TEST

After the fire protection system is installed it should be tested for correct operation. The sensors may be tested with live fires or by using the hand-held SBRC model PSS-X test set (Drawing 409027; Appendix G). The details of this sequence will vary with particular installations, but the procedure must include the following steps:

WARNING

A FULL SYSTEM TEST RESULTS IN AN ALARM OUTPUT. THIS WILL RESULT IN THE AUTOMATIC SUPPRESSION SYSTEM BEING ACTIVATED IF IT IS NOT DISABLED PRIOR TO PROCEEDING.

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1. <u>Suppression system.</u> Disable the suppression system if its activation is not desired during this test.

WARNING

DO NOT USE THE PSS-X TEST SET UNLESS THE AREA IS KNOWN TO BE NON-HAZARDOUS

2. <u>PSS-X Test Set.</u> Check the battery condition of the PSS-X test set by pressing the start button. A green "in progress" indicator signifies that the battery is good. A red indicator signifies that the battery is weak and should be replaced. Do not change the battery in hazardous (classified) locations. For valid test results, the PSS-X test set and the PM-6 sensor under test must be at approximately the same temperature. Under some circumstances it may be necessary to hold the test set against the front of the sensor for 15 seconds to allow the sensor to stabilize before testing. See Appendix G, Drawing 409027 for more detailed information.

WARNING

DO NOT REMOVE THE PM-6 JUNCTION BOX COVER WHILE THE CIRCUIT IS ALIVE UNLESS THE AREA IS KNOWN TO BE NON-HAZARDOUS.

- 3. Enter Test Mode. Place the PM-6 in the test mode by removing the junction cover at the rear of the sensor housing. The result, in an approved wiring scheme, will be a trouble-signal indication at the control panel.
- 4. False-alarm Immunity. Correct Dual Spectrum® system operation can be verified by using a properly aligned SBRC PSS-X set in the "FAR" mode. See Figure 3 for correct alignment. The control panel should not indicate an alarm condition. Repeat this test with the PSS-X set in the "NEAR" mode. If a test fails, wait 15 seconds and repeat the test. More than two failures usually indicates a problem. Consult Troubleshooting Guide.

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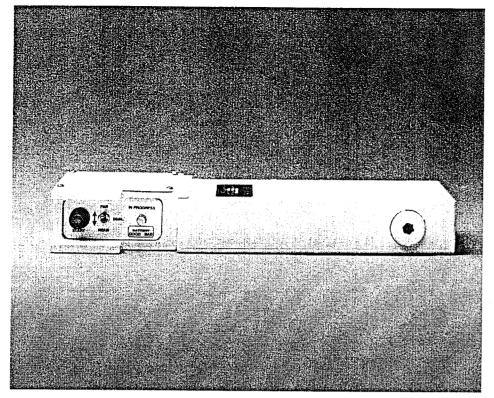


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Figure 3. Correct Alignment of PSS-X Test Set with the PM-6.

- 5. <u>Fire Response.</u> Expose the sensor under test to a properly aligned SBRC PSS-X set in the "DUAL" mode. The control panel should indicate an alarm condition for the position or zone corresponding to the sensor. If a test fails, wait 15 seconds and repeat the test. More than two failures usually indicates a problem. Consult Troubleshooting Guide.
- 6. <u>Leave Test Mode.</u> Replace the PM-6 junction cover at the rear of the sensor housing. The trouble-signal indication at the control panel will cease.
- 7. Interconnection Wiring. Correct interconnection wiring should be checked by removing any wire attached to the sensor terminal block and replacing the PM-6 junction cover. The result, in an approved wiring scheme, should be a trouble-signal indication at the control panel.

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8. <u>Restore fire protection system</u>. Restore the system to an operational condition after all tests have been completed.

Optional Test Method:

With the sensor in operational mode, i.e., junction cover installed, the following tests can be done. False-alarm immunity can be checked using stimuli and distances shown in Table III. Fire response can be check by exposing the sensor under test to a live fire source. Momentarily turn off power to reset the alarm output of the sensor. Follow all required precautions when testing in this manner.

TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

SYMPTOM	PROBABLE CAUSE	CORRECTIVE ACTION
Trouble light on at fire alarm control panel.	Incorrect wiring.	Check circuit installation.
	Low or no voltage to sensor	Check voltage at Pins A and B. Should be 20-28 VDC.
	Sensor malfunction. Replace sensor.	
Sensor does not alarm during FIRE RESPONSE test.	Incorrect wiring.	Check circuit installation.
	PSS-X temperature different from sensor.	Allow sensor and PSS-X temperatures to stabilize.
	Sensor not in test mode.	Remove junction box cover. Trouble light will light at panel.
	Sensor malfunction.	Replace sensor.
Sensor alarms during NEAR and FAR test.	PSS-X source not recovered.	Wait 15 seconds and retest at least twice.
	PSS-X temperature different from sensor.	Allow sensor and PSS-X temperatures to stabilize.
	Sensor malfunction.	Replace sensor.

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MAINTENANCE

ROUTINE VISUAL INSPECTION

A properly installed SBRC Dual Spectrum® sensor system is highly resistant to being blinded by contamination build-up on the sensor front face windows. However, a thick enough build-up will begin to reduce the performance of the sensors. This can be prevented by periodically inspecting installed sensors visually for contamination build-up on the sensor front face. If such a build-up is observed, it should be removed by cleaning the sensor front face windows with a soft cloth or lens tissue. The minimum inspection period should be compatible with appropriate regulating agency requirements.

PERIODIC SYSTEM TEST

The authority having jurisdiction and internal facility requirements generally call for routine testing of safety systems at defined intervals, which, at a minimum, should conform to the requirements of NFPA 72. These tests should include visual inspections and the steps listed in the System Test section above.

WARNING

A FULL SYSTEM TEST RESULTS IN AN ALARM OUTPUT. THIS WILL RESULT IN THE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM BEING ACTIVATED IF IT IS NOT DISABLED PRIOR TO TESTING.

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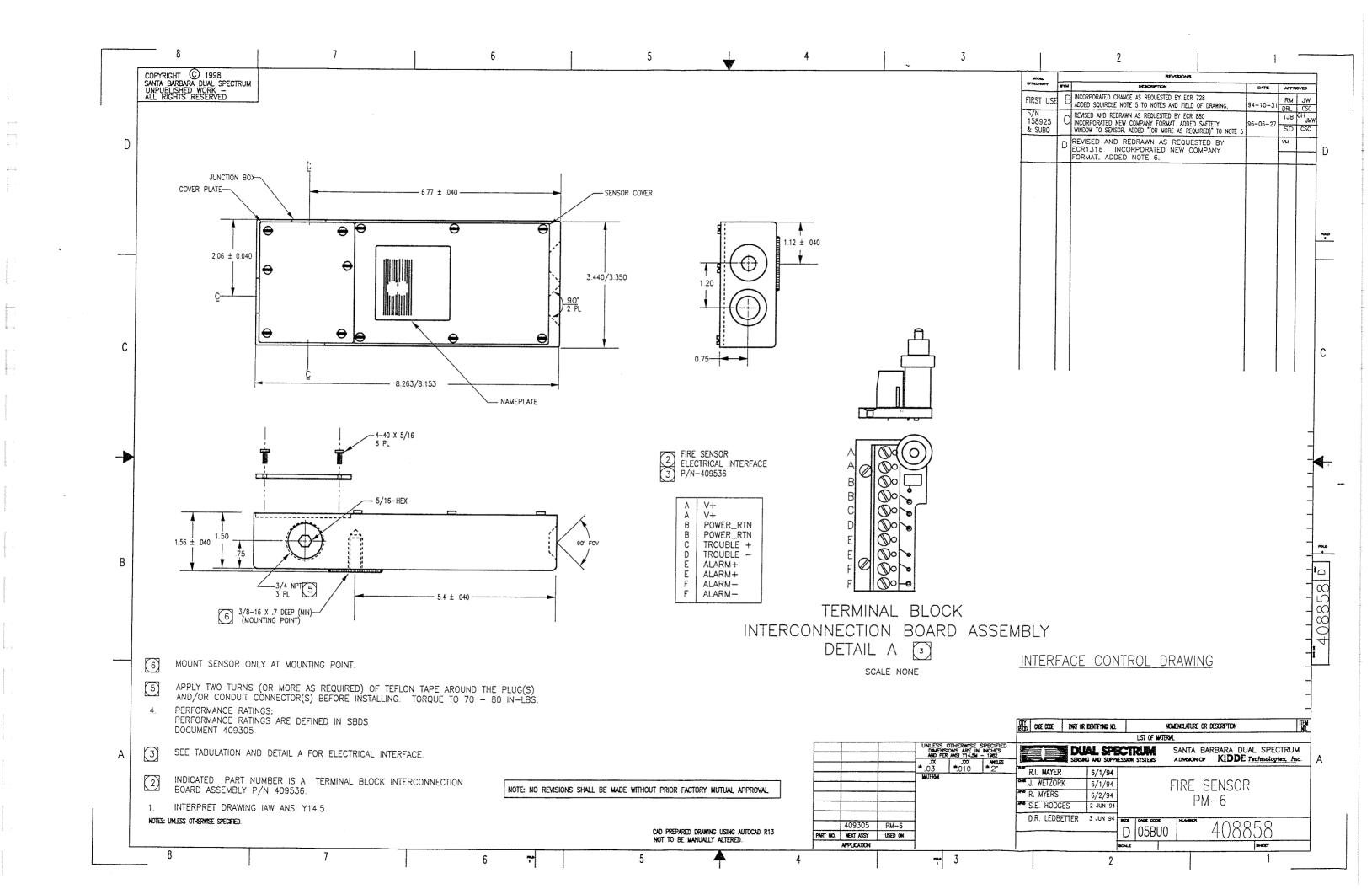
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PM-6 FIRE SENSOR

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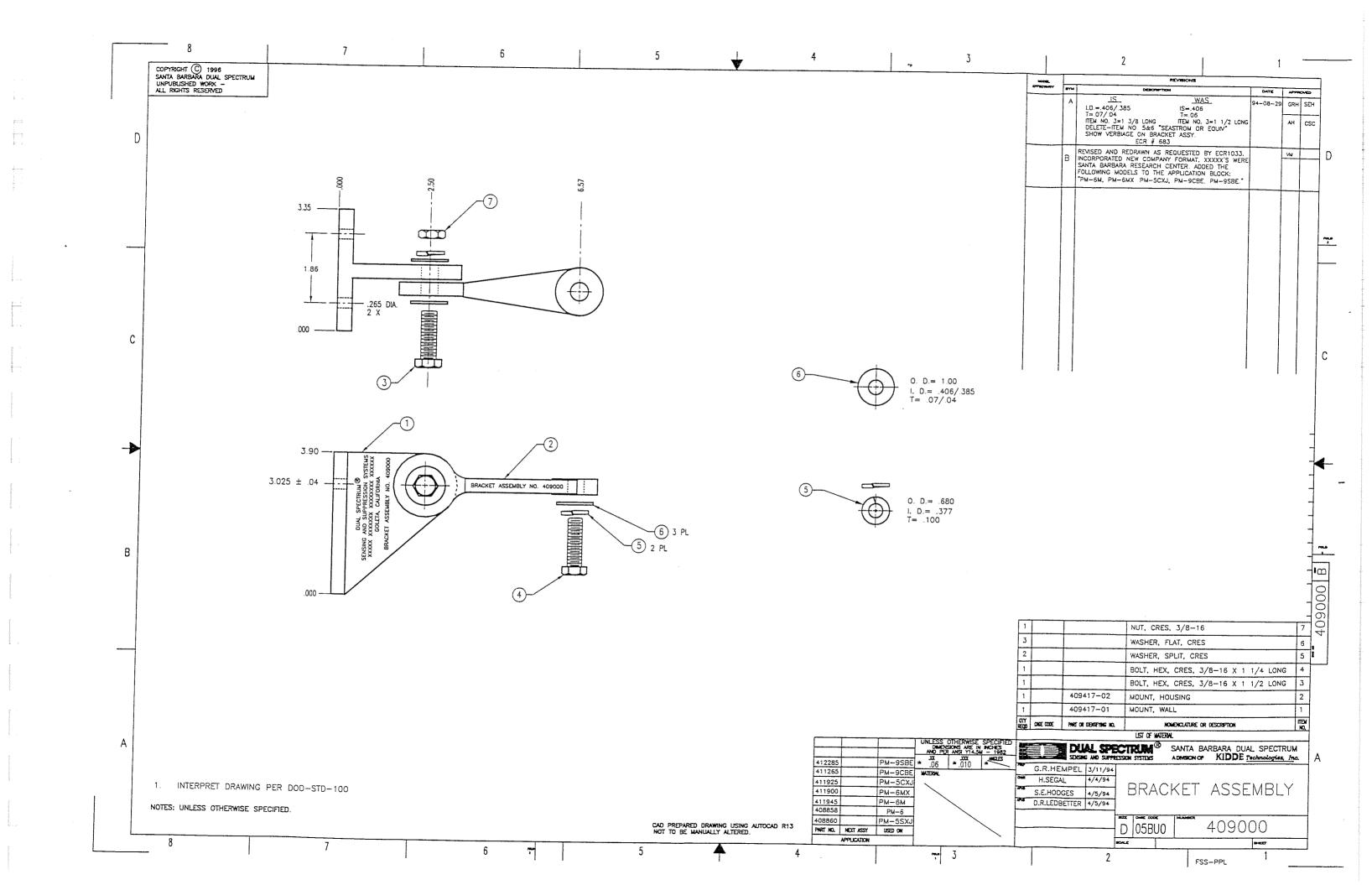




APPENDIX B

BRACKET ASSEMBLY

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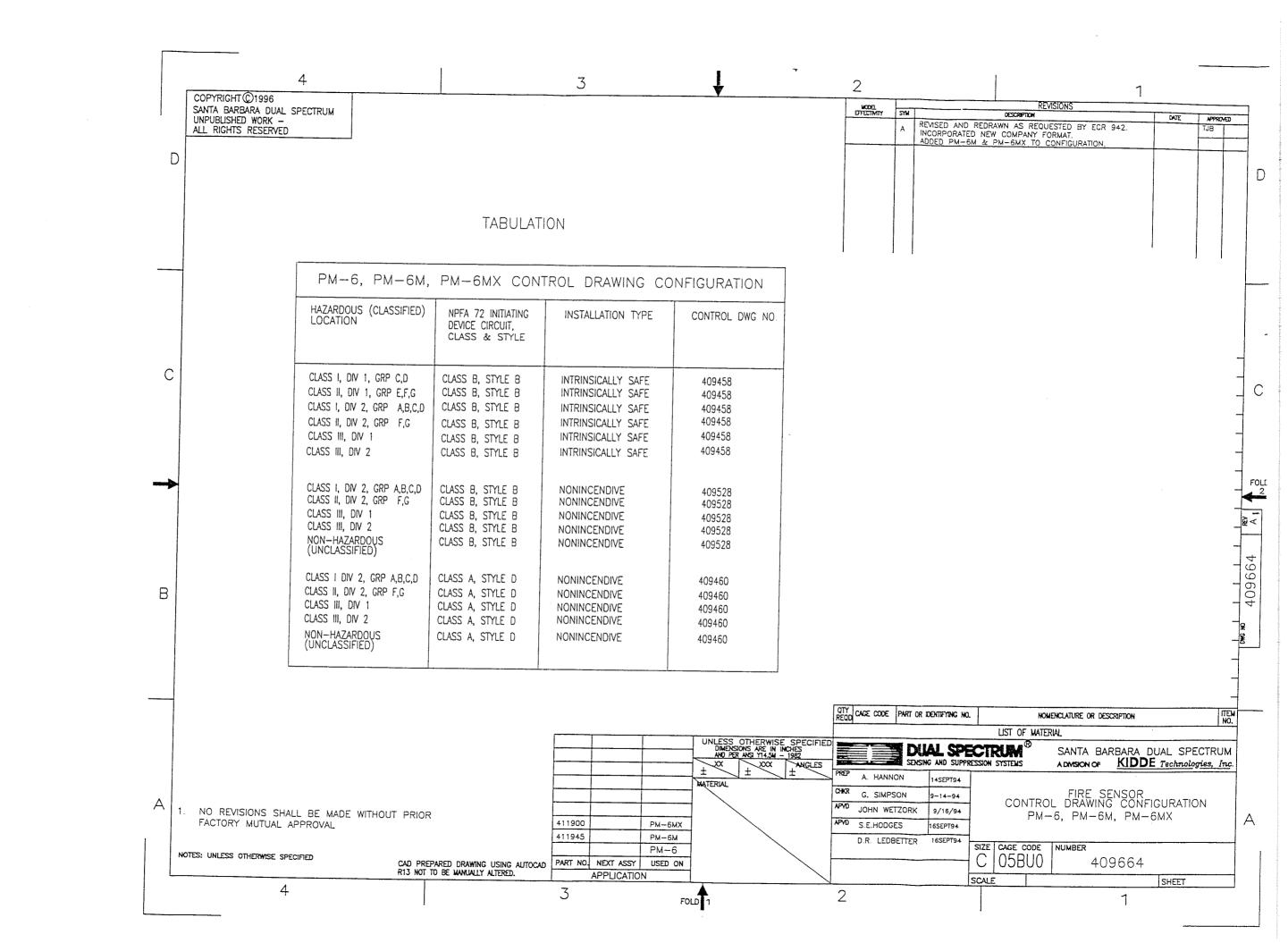




APPENDIX C

CONTROL DRAWING CONFIGURATION

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APPENDIX D

INTRINSICALLY SAFE

CLASS B, STYLE B CONTROL DRAWING

Hazardous (Classified) Locations:

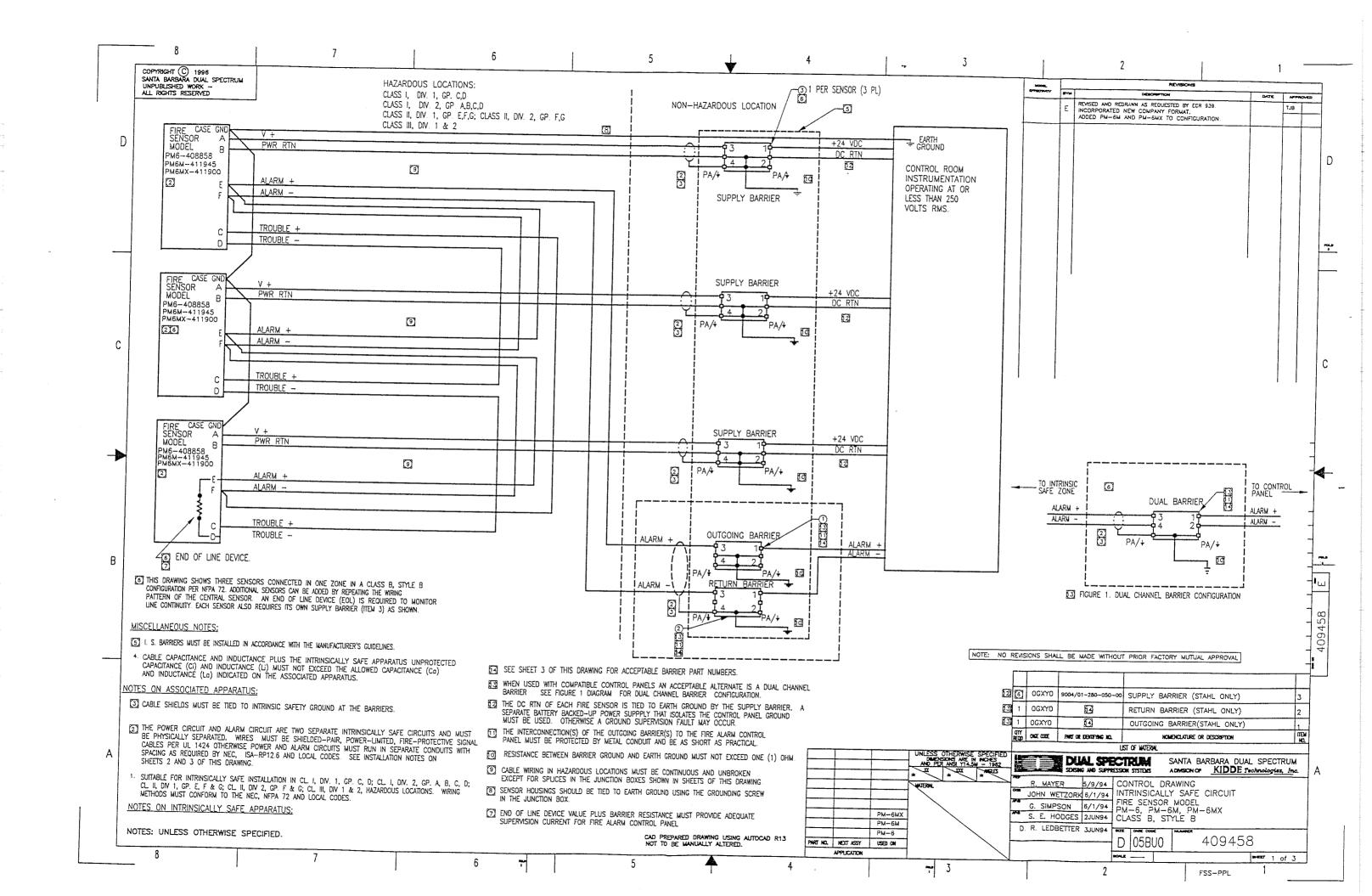
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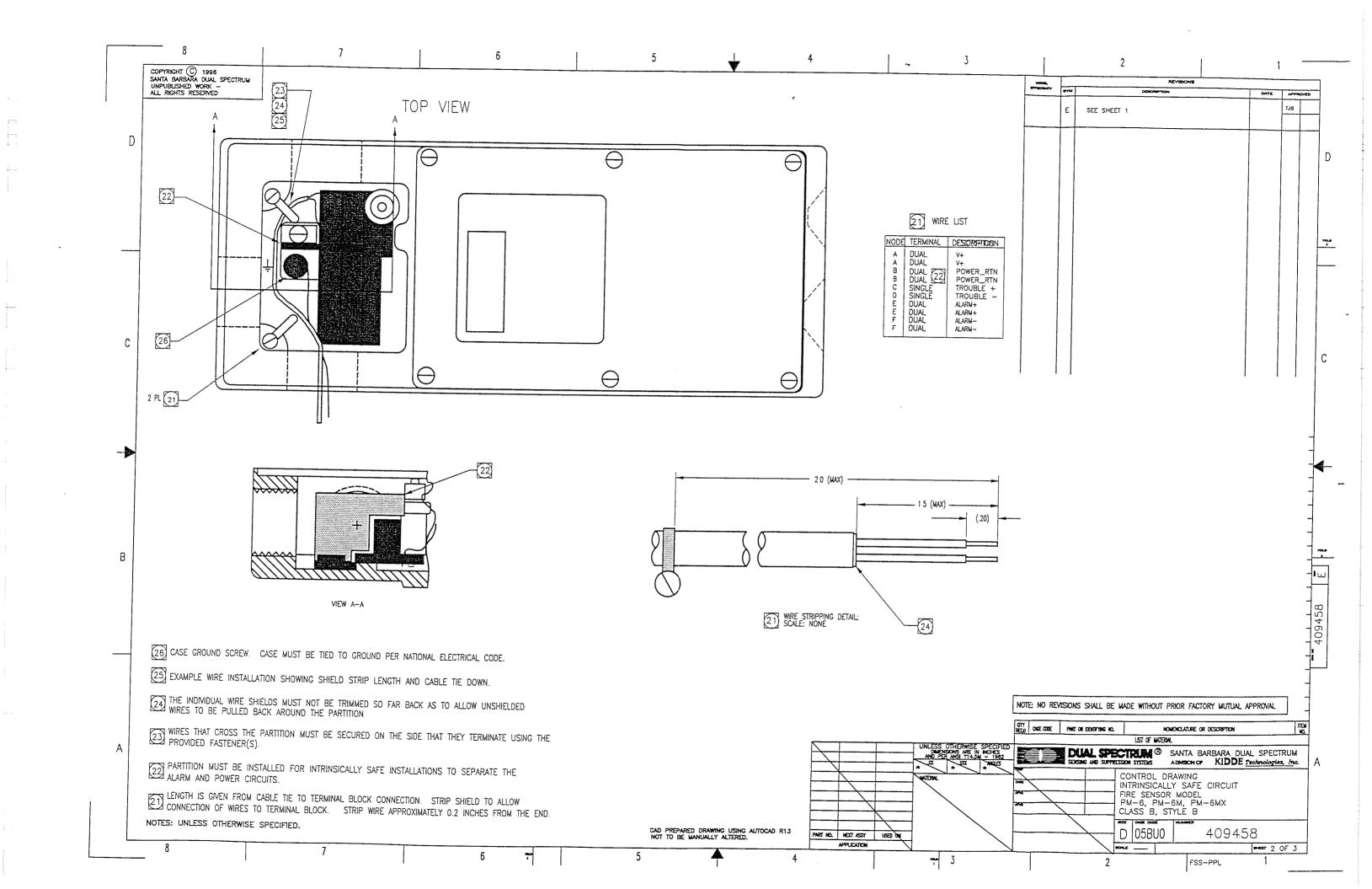
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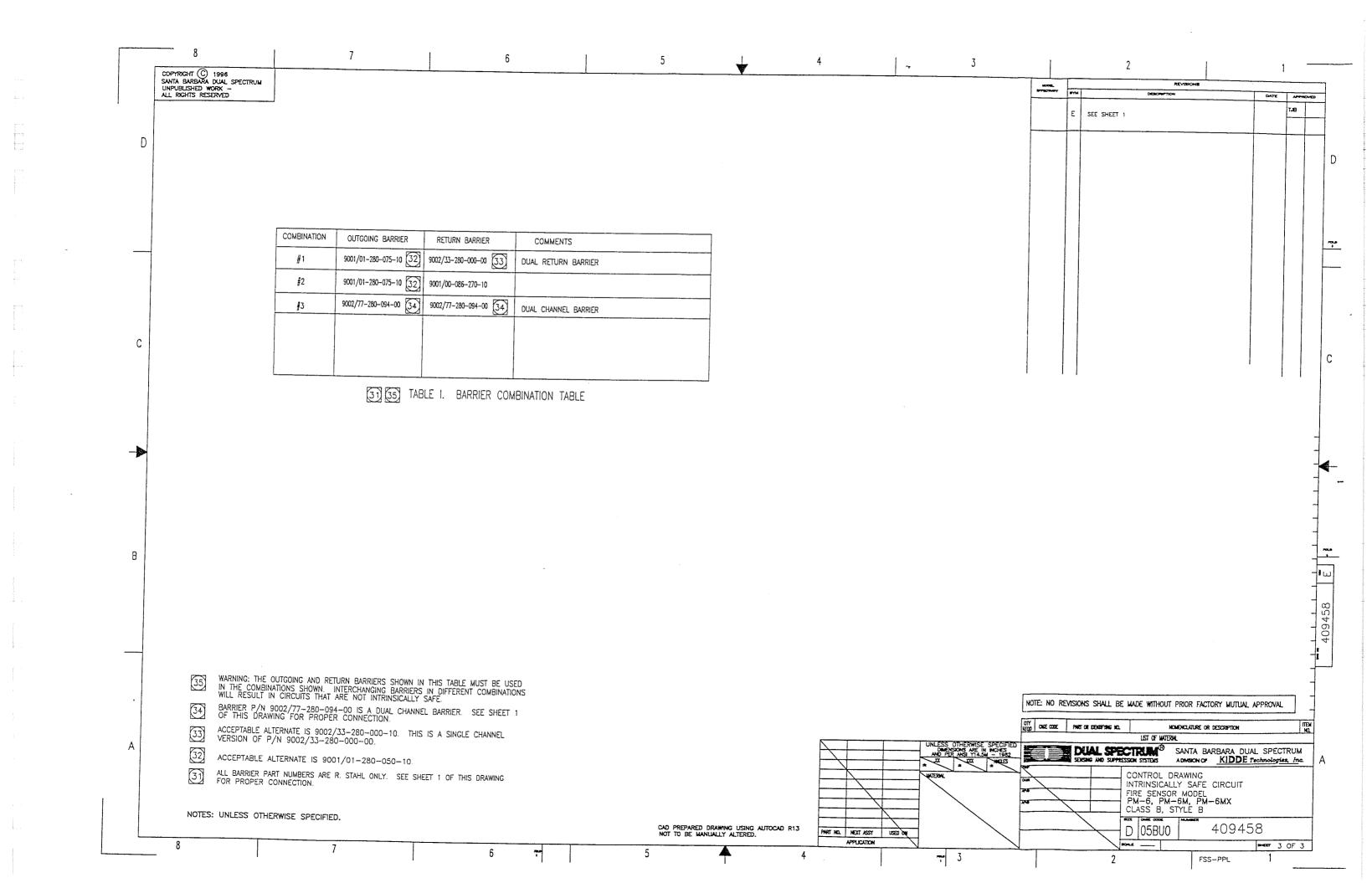
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Class II, Division 2, Group F, G

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APPENDIX E

NONINCENDIVE

CLASS B, STYLE B CONTROL DRAWING

Hazardous (Classified) Locations:

Class I, Division 2, Group A, B, C, D

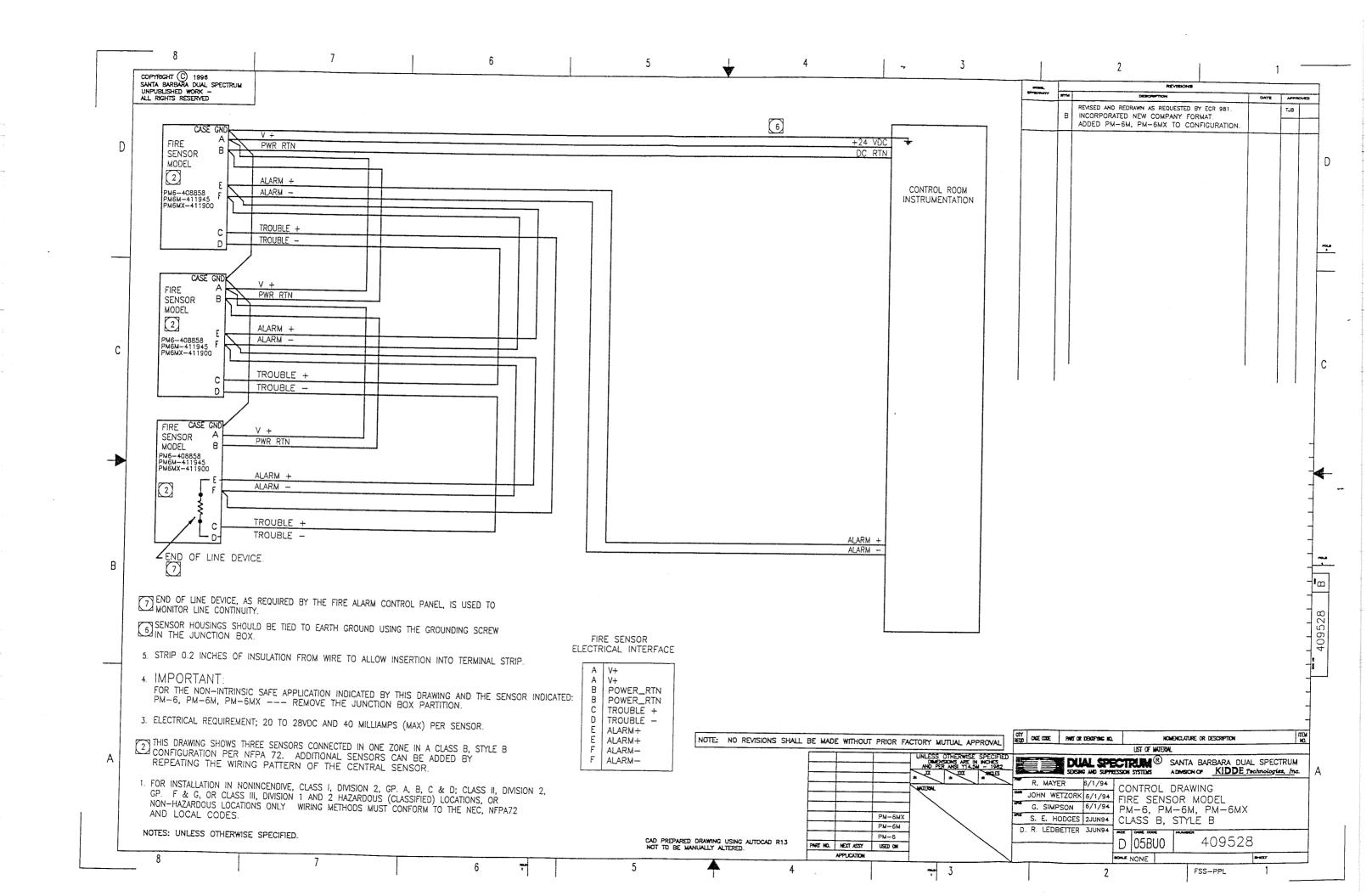
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Class III, Division 1 and 2

Non-hazardous (Non-classified) Locations:

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CLASS A, STYLE D CONTROL DRAWING

Hazardous (Classified) Locations:

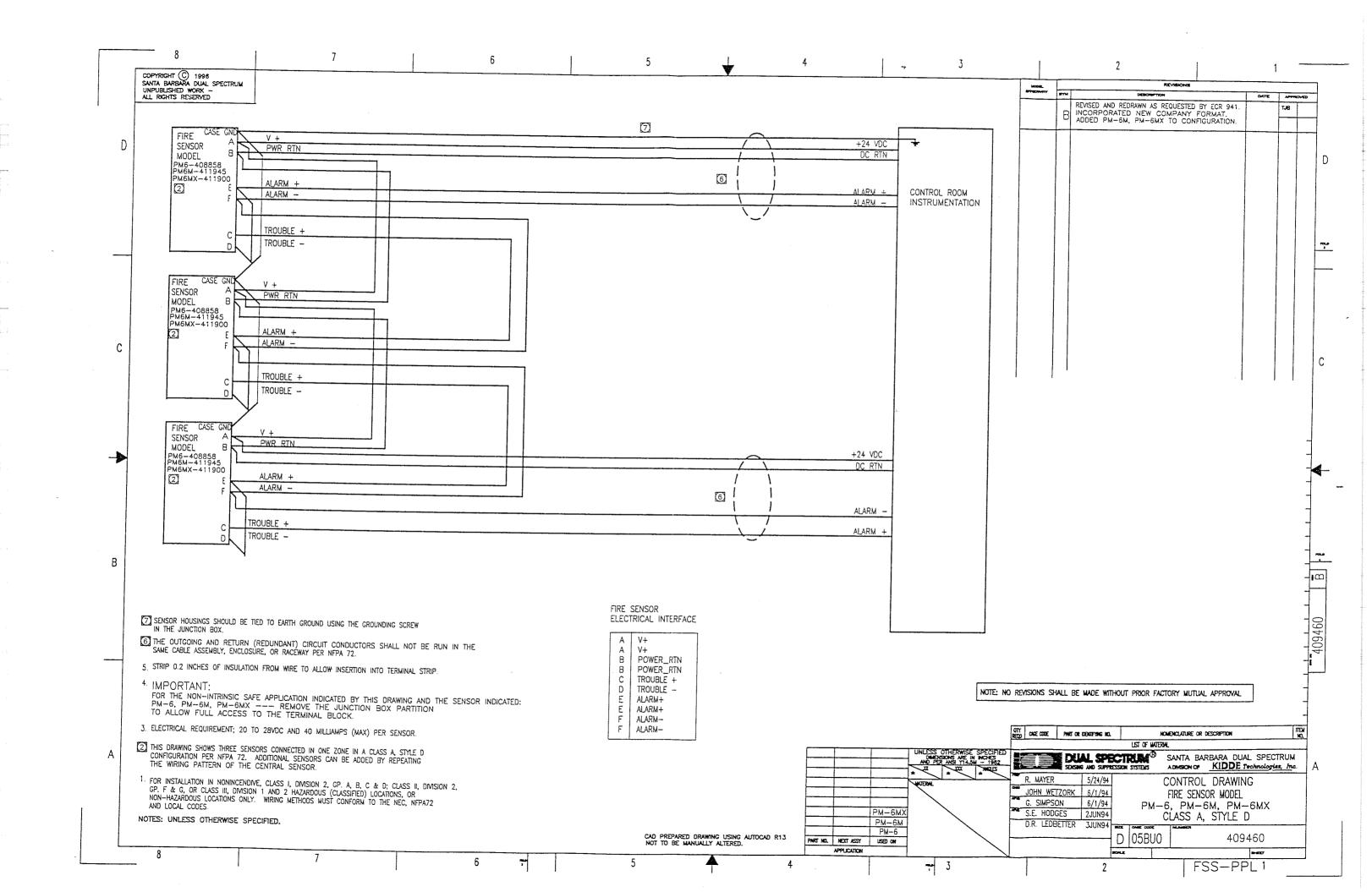
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Class II, Division 2, Group F, G

Class III, Division 1 and 2

Non-hazardous (Non-classified) Locations:

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PSS-X TEST SET

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