SPIRE/PACS Monthly Report – December 2003 December 23rd, (CEA-SBT)

Work Package: Cooler

1. Subsystem Progress Since Project Inception

Product Assurance plan implemented. STM and CQM units delivered to SPIRE and PACS. FM units manufacturing in progress

2. Subsystem Progress This Month

- CQM SPIRE : after Kevlar strings replacement and investigation/correction on (again) strap problem, last thermal checks prior to delivery successfully carried out new ultra flexible strap used. As for PACS extra parasitic of 8 μ W has disappeared. 251 mK ultimate temperature. Hold time under 10 μ W load and 1.7 K / 4 K conditions expected to be over 60 hours. Cooler delivered to RAL on Dec 15th.
- Kevlar characterisation campaign : New tensioning procedure available (may need some refinement)
- FM manufacturing in progress (to the exception of the heat switches)

3. Problem Areas	Remedial Action

4. Engineering Activities

5. Design Changes

6. PA/QA Activities

General QA management.

7. Subsystem Management Issues

None

8. Actions Requiring Immediate Attention

SBT documents approval by SPIRE and PACS projects – main documents currently updated following FM phase review : will sent again when completed.

9. Status of Previous Actions

None

10. Activities Yet to be Achieved

11. Milestones		Status	
Winter 00-01	Coolers Detailed Design	Completed	
May 17 th 2001	Coolers DDR (PACS & SPIRE)	Completed	
June 26 th 2001	Subcontractor selection for machining	Completed	
October 2001	Parts Delivery	Completed	
Spring 2003	CQM Coolers assembling	Completed	
Nov/Dec 2001	STM Coolers Assembling and Vtest	Completed	
Nov. 2002	STM Coolers delivery	Completed	
Spring 2003	CQM Coolers Qualification	Completed	
Autumn 2003	CQM Coolers Delivery	Completed	
Winter 2003	FM manufacturing	In progress	
12 Schedule	Changes		

12. Schedule Changes