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POWER MODE SELECTOR SWITCH, ITEM 364 ----- SV778596-4 (1)	2/2	364PH02: Stationary in battery position.  CAUSE: Switch mechanism jammed due to contamination, cold welding in vacuum, toggle pivot worn.	END ITEM: Unable to switch to SCU switch position.  GFE INTERFACE: Unable to operate on vehicle power supply during IUM to conserve battery power.  MISSION: Loss of use of one EMU.  CREW/VEHICLE: None.	<p><b>A. Design -</b> Each of the three switches is sealed in a dry nitrogen filled hermetically sealed case. The switches are per MIL-A-8805/46 except that the 10 amps contacts are silver plated. Switch contact rated for 10 ampere. Actual current flow is 3.8 ampere. The handle is designed to withstand a toggle force of 25 lbs. without degradation in subsequent performance. The ball socket of the toggle pivot is greased (Braycoast 601) prior to assembly.</p> <p><b>B. Test -</b> <b>Component Acceptance -</b> Switch operation and continuity are verified during vendor acceptance tests. The switch is also subjected to 500 run-in cycles and an axial pull test on the handle to verify that it will not come loose during normal use.</p> <p><b>In-Process -</b> Operation and integrity of the switch are verified during four separate in-process tests during initial item 350 assembly. These tests include continuity and output voltage. The switch is cycled during these tests.</p> <p><b>PDA Test -</b> The switch is subjected to Acceptance/PDA testing as part of item 350. Tests include continuity, operating torque, vibration, thermal cycling, and thermal vacuum. The switch is also cycled during item 350 Acceptance/PDA electrical functional tests.</p> <p><b>Certification Test -</b> The item completed 5,469 inductive and 8,536 resistive cycles during 1/01 which fulfilled the cycle certification requirement of 5,464 and 8,536 respectively. Class I EC 42886-586 (toggle handle pull test) has been incorporated since this configuration was certified.</p> <p><b>C. Inspection -</b> To preclude failure due to internal contamination, the switches are assembled by the vendor in an environmentally controlled room. Assembly and processing is per MIL-S-8805-46. The switches receive in-process cycling and leak checks. The entire item 364 is x-ray inspected for</p>

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D. Failure History -

J-EMU-308-086 (10-18-B3) The MITE light failed to turn on upon power switchover during PIA tests. The outage was found to be caused by a mechanical failure of Power Mode Switch (364) which prevented proper power switchover. EC 42806-366 added a pull test to the 364 vendor test to insure the normal use. This EC created the -2 switch configuration.

E. Ground Turnaround -

Tested during FEMU-9-001, EMU Vacuum Chamber Run, Orbiter Power Interface, and SEMU Communications and Blowed Check.

F. Operational Use -

Crew Response - PreEVA: Trouble shoot problem, if no success, consider third EMU if available. Otherwise go for EVA prep on battery power. Consider use of spare battery for in-suit battery swap prior to EVA.  
PostEVA: Use other EMU to recharge batteries. Training - Standard training covers this failure mode. Operational Considerations - EVA checklist procedures verify hardware integrity and systems operational status prior to EVA. Flight rules define go/no go criteria related to EMU battery power.