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- Demonstrate the low cost aspects of using Hot Layup Tools (HLT) to fabricate composite structures.
- Evaluate the serviceability of the Kevlar-49 structure in actual field operations.

These purposes were achieved by redesigning of the aft air inlet fairing of the OH-6A to be built from Kevlar-49 fibers on an HLT. The costs of the tool and part fabrication were monitored to demonstrate the low cost aspects of this manufacturing approach. The fairing was installed on a bailed OH-6A helicopter and flight tested to evaluate the serviceability of the Kevlar-49 structure. The HLT was easily fabricated. It performed very satisfactorily and showed good cost savings over the existing fabrication methods. The fairing's serviceability during flight test was judged comparable to the existing fiberglass fairing.

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SUMMARY

The U.S. Army Materials and Mechanics Research Center (USAMMRC) has recognized the potential benefits that could be realized in manufacturing aircraft components on a new type of tool, a Hot Layup Tool (HLT). Accordingly, AMMRC awarded Hughes Helicopters (HH) a development program to investigate this improved manufacturing technology. The contract (DAAG46-74-C-0100) included the development of a tool, fabrication of the upper fairing of the OH-6A helicopter and its evaluation in flight. Another requirement of the contract was the application of Kevlar-49 in the fabrication of typical airframe components and determination of its associated producibility characteristics. The HLT is a low cost tool fabricated from wire-reinforced concrete matrix cast with copper tubing for alternate heating with live steam and cooling with cold water to achieve a rapid cure cycle for composite layups. It is nickel-lined for permanence.

The program resulted in a reduction in manhours for fabrication of the fairing of approximately 70% (10 hours in lieu of 32.2 hours). A large portion of this manhour saving was due to fairing design changes in adapting it to the process. The use of HLT also resulted in an energy cost saving (oven curing vs steam) of approximately \$15.00 per fairing. In addition, it was determined that a tooling and facilities cost saving of \$4.14 per fairing would result in a production rate of 250 fairings per year, (HLT vs standard plastic tool). These savings are summarized as follows:

Labor, 22.4 hours @ 20.00	\$448.00
Energy	15.00
Tooling and Facilities (Based on 250 parts/year)	4.14
TOTAL SAVING	\$467.14

The portion of the above saving ascribed entirely to use of the HLT is estimated to be approximately \$86.34 per fairing [15% of labor Δ (\$67.20) + energy saving (\$15.00) + tooling and facilities savings (\$4.14)]

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This program also successfully applied Kevlar-49 cloth, replacing the standard E glass used in the existing fairing. Methods were successfully developed for drilling, routing and sawing Kevlar-49. The fairing assembly was judged equal to the standard fairing during handling and flight test evaluations. In addition to the part design revision, tooling development, and flight test, a materials strength evaluation was made and a total of nine fairings were manufactured, of these, five were flightworthy.

Substitution of the Kevlar-49 for fiberglass as the primary material for the fairing reduced the fairing weight 0.67 pounds (3.89 lb vs 4.56 lb) but increased the material cost approximately \$53.00. This results in a weight saving cost of \$79.10 per pound of weight saved. This cost per pound of weight saved would not normally be considered cost effective by HH.

The details of the program development are described in this report along with the rationale for the cost effectiveness estimates described above. Dr. Bernard Halpin of AMMRC was the Government technical advisor and coordinator for the program.

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INTRODUCTION

Advanced composite materials have been given more and more emphasis in recent years because of their versatility and potential weight and cost savings. This has led to a steady improvement in composite design and manufacturing techniques. Hughes Helicopters developed a new technique for assembling and curing composite structures called the Hot Layup Tool (IILT). This resulted in a contract award from USAMMRC in Watertown, Massachusetts, to demonstrate the effectiveness of a low-cost, low-lead time, metal reinforced concrete mold (HLT) in the fabrication of an aircraft component from the advanced composite material, Kevlar-49. The part chosen for evaluation was the engine inlet aft fairing on the Army OH-6A helicopter (Figures 1a and 1b).

The detailed scope of the program was:

- Design and fabricate a low-cost, low-lead time Hot Layup Tool on which to build the fairing. The tool has a metal face to facilitate part removal, and incorporates integral heating and cooling capabilities.
- Fabricate the OH-6A engine inlet aft fairing from the advanced composite Kevlar-49.
- Develop the techniques on small samples for machining, drilling, trimming and cutting Kevlar-49 epoxy needed to fabricate the inlet fairing.
- Fabricate nine fairings.
 - The first four were for contractor evaluation.
 - The remaining five were flightworthy and complete in all hardware details.
 - One of these five was flight tested on an OH-6A.
 - Deliver all assemblies, including the one flight tested, to the Army.
- Submit a final report.

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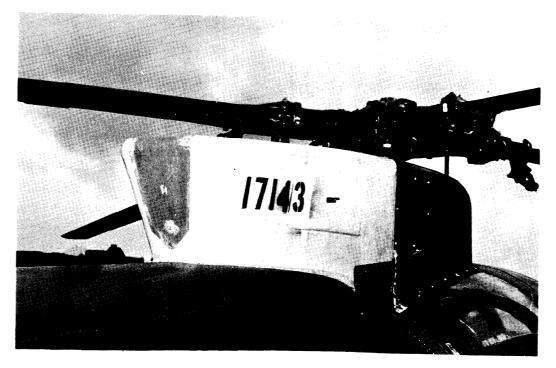


Figure la. Kevlar-49 Fairing on an OH-6A.

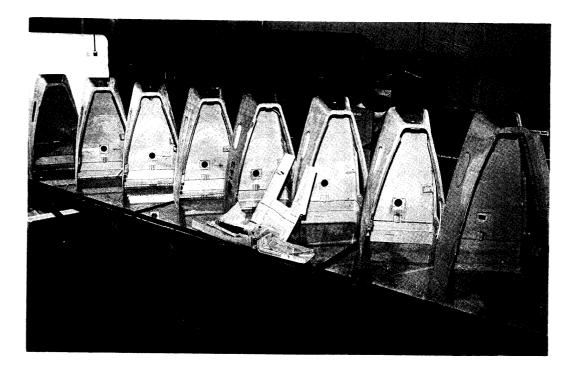


Figure 1b. Kevlar-49 Fairings Fabricated in HLT.

The program was broken down into ten tasks for easy monitoring and reporting. Figure 2 is a pictorial summary of the major tasks that made up the total program.

The program started by determining the stress allowables and core thickness in Kevlar-49/Nomex homeycomb structures by testing coupons representative of the facing and core configuration intended for use. The fairing was designed to use Nomex core and Kevlar-49 facings. The HLT was designed and fabricated from nickel-faced reinforced concrete. Copper tubing embedded in the concrete gave the tool an integral heating and cooling capability. Nine fairings were manufactured. The sixth fairing was installed on an OH-6A to assess serviceability by flight testing. A thorough trim and drilling evaluation was conducted late in the program. The delay in performing this task was due to difficulty in procuring the recommended tools. The cost effectiveness study was finalized using manufacturing data recorded throughout the fabrication of the fairings.

This final report together with delivery of nine fairings to USAMMRC concludes the effort under contract DAAG46-74-C-0100.

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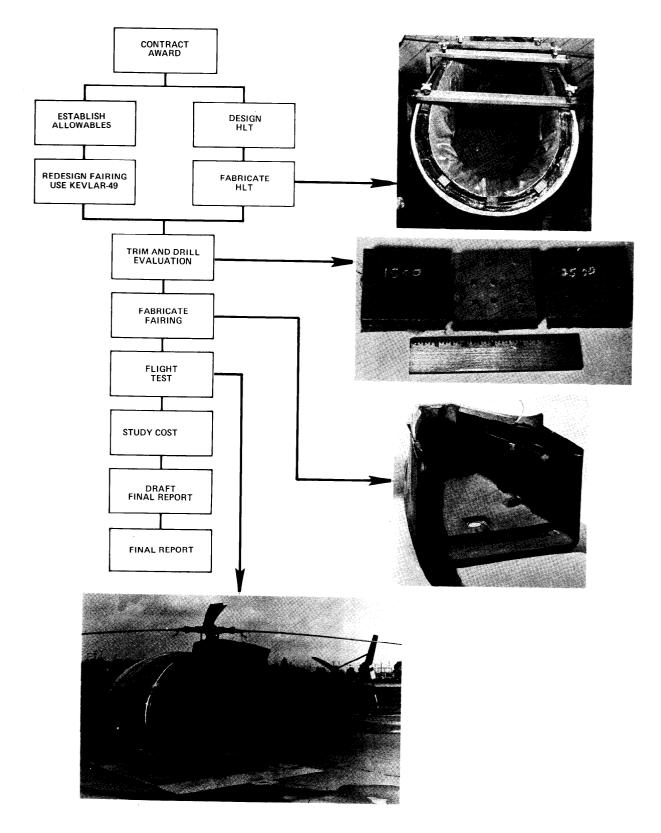


Figure 2. Program Summary of Events.

FAIRING LOADS AND DESIGN ALLOWABLES

The critical fairing loading occurs in a yawed flight condition combined with internal inlet pressure. This is the same condition that designed the present OH-6A fairing. Figure F-1 in Appendix F shows the loading, shear, and bending moment diagrams. The fairing has been found to be critical in compressure bending. The design limit loads are:

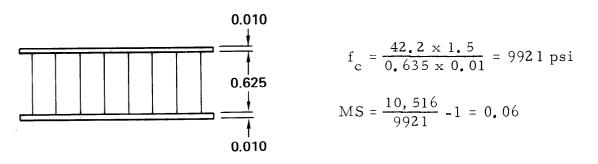
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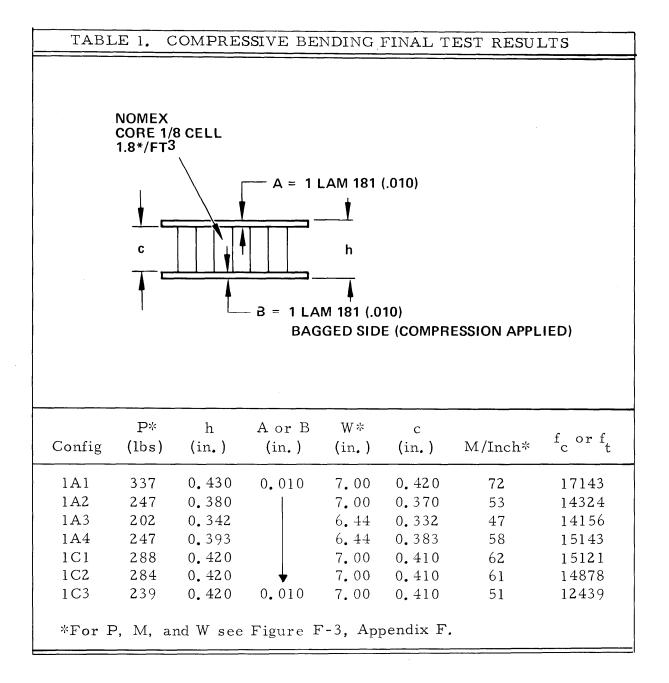
The test panels shown in F-2, Appendix F, were made from an 0.40-inch thick Nomex honeycomb and faced with a variety of Kevlar-49 epoxy prepreg cloth. These panels were subjected to bending tests to determine bending allowables. See Figure F-3, Appendix F, for the loading method. Table 1 lists the results of the tests.

The allowable stress is as follows:

Mean Value = 14,743 psi
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$$\sigma$$
 (St'd Deviation) = 4,227 psi
 $F_c = 10,516$ psi
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Other tests were performed using a variety of facings and type of cloth. Table F-1, Appendix F, tabulates the results. As can be seen, none of these variables gave any increase of allowable compressive bending stress over the least expensive configuration, one laminate 181 cloth on both faces of the Nomex core. The height of the core was sized to withstand the applied moment thusly:



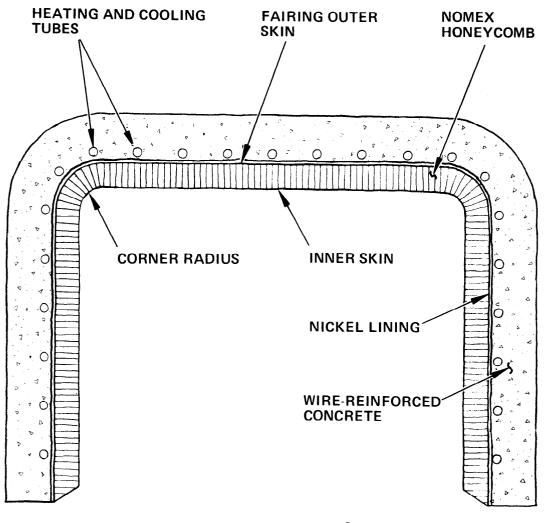


The radius in the upper corner of fairing could limit the thickness of Nomex honeycomb (see Figure 3). However, it was shown that 0.625inch thick core could be formed into these corners, so this with 0.010inch thick single laminate facings of 181-type Kevlar-49 was selected.

For comparison purposes, typical composite material properties are compared in Table 2. These values are for the fiber with 50 percent volume of epoxy resin.

TABLE 2. TYPICAL COMPOSITE MATERIAL PROPERTY					
	E-Glass	S-Glass	Kevlar-49		
Density, 1b/in. ³	0.0666	0.0656	0.0468		
Fiber volume fraction	0.50	0.50	0.50		
Unidirectional Properties					
Tension strength, psi	138,000	163,000	190,000		
Compression strength, psi	138,000	163,000	40,000		
Shear strength, psi	9,000	9,000	8,000		
Tension modulus, 10 ⁶ psi	5.3	6.3	9.5		
Shear modulus, 10 ⁶ psi	0.52	0.53	0.22		
μ ₁₂ Poisson's ratio	0.285	0.285	0.285		
μ_{21}^{12} Poisson's ratio	0.098	0.080	0.023		
Crossply (±45°) Properties					
Tension strength, psi	34,000	40,000	16,400		
Compression strength, psi	29,100	34,400	6,000		
Shear strength, psi	36,700	12,000	10,000		
Tension modulus, 10 ⁶ psi	1.6	1.7	0.8		
Shear modulus, 10 ⁶ psi	1.7	1.8	2.5		

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NOTE: HLT ROTATED 180⁰ TO SHOW FAIRING IN INSTALLED POSITION

Figure 3. Section Through HLT and Fairing.

FAIRING DESIGN AND ANALYSIS

The OH-6A aft inlet fairing is a good candidate for experimenting with new materials and new manufacturing techniques. It is 35 inches long, 21 inches wide, 15 inches high, and its weight is approximately 5 pounds. The standard fiberglass fairing in production for the Hughes Helicopters Model 500 is made of fiberglass and foam construction.

The fairing is a lightly loaded secondary structure with a relatively large surface area and has second degree contours. This fairing is located behind the rotor mast above the fuselage. It fairs the aft end of the air inlet for the OH-6A engine (see Figure 1) and performs the following functions (also see Figure 4):

- Shape and position reduces aerodynamic drag.
- Supplies the mounting surface for two types of air filters: inertial particle separator or a barrier filter.
- Scavenge door for the inertial particle separator is installed on the right-hand side.
- Contains an air bypass door that serves as an alternate inlet when the filter is plugged.
- Mounts one flashing aircraft warning light.
- Contains an integral VHF/UHF antenna in the rear portion.
- Has a static pressure port in the aft surface.

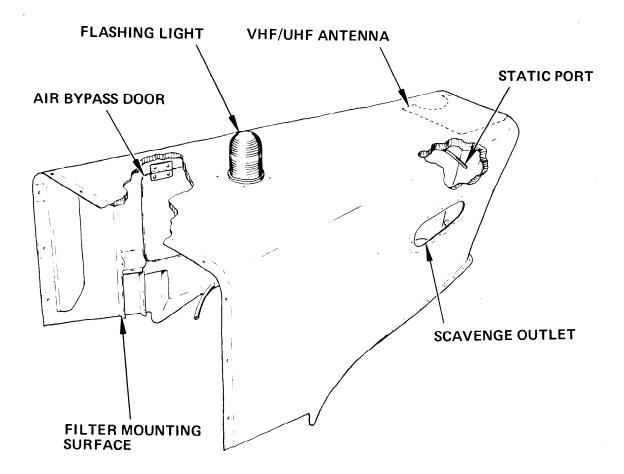


Figure 4. Functions Performed by the Fairing.

The fairing was redesigned as part of this program for the following reasons:

- Replace foam with Nomex honeycomb to allow better heat transfer from HLT to inner skin; see Figure 3.
- Reduce number of parts, thus simplifying the overall fairing. Take advantage of the Nomex honeycomb by incorporating integral integral conduits for wires, pressure lines, and control cables.
- Decrease manufacturing costs.

Tables 1 and F-1 of Appendix F show that 1/8-inch cell Nomex has higher compressive allowables than 1/4-inch cell Nomex. They also show that the addition of one or two more laminates to the compressive side of the

test samples does not increase the allowables. Commercial 281 Kevlar-49 cloth was considered for use because of its low cost, but it has lower strength allowables than 181 cloth and has a very porous surface when cured as a single laminate. Therefore, it was discarded in favor of 181-type cloth which has the following characteristics:

- Cures with a sealed surface.
- Gives the highest allowable compressive stress with 1/8-inch Nomex core.
- Is the least expensive since it requires only one laminate per face.
- Has minimum weight.

These good traits together with the fact that the 0.625-inch thick Nomex can form into the corner radius of the fairing (see Figure 3) determined the configuration: one laminate of 181-type Kevlar-49/epoxy cloth on each side of a 0.625-inch thick 1/8-inch cell Nomex honeycomb core. Prior to the fabrication of the bending test specimens, it was also found that solvent-deposited rather than hot-dipped prepreg cloth gave a better bond to the Nomex core. Solvent-deposited prepreg was used exclusively thereafter.

The layout drawing for the new inlet fairing is shown in Appendix A. Figure 5 shows a breakdown of all parts that make up the inlet fairing. New parts designed and fabricated in this program are the Kevlar-49 parts; i.e., the fairing skins, filter attach frame, and door skins. The Nomex honeycomb (a new part) replaced the existing foam that stiffens the skin. The remaining parts are the same as those used in the existing fairing: sheet metal antenna, aluminum doublers bonded between the skins for rivet and screw edge support, door hinges, and epoxy blocks for filter attach bolts.

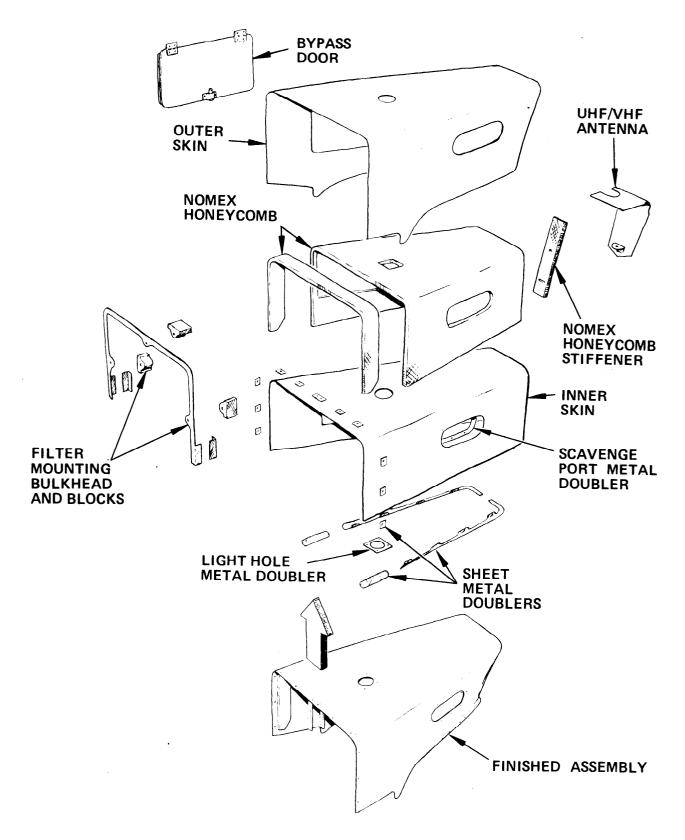


Figure 5. Exploded View of Fairing.

TOOLING DESIGN AND FABRICATION

The Hot Layup Tool (HLT) is shown schematically in Figure 6. It is a female mold that forms the outer contour of the inlet fairing. The cavity of the HLT is lined with an electro-deposited nickel skin 0.10 inch thick. The outside of the nickel liner has a wire-reinforced concrete backing with imbedded copper tubes. The concrete is reinforced with tiny steel wires (WIRAND*). The copper tubes circulate either steam or cold water to cure or cool the composite structure in the most expeditious cycle. The nickel liner gives the tool a hard smooth surface into which composite parts are laid, vacuum-bagged, and heat cured. An insulating blanket around the complete tool decreases the heat losses, thus improving the curing cycle efficiency and protecting workers from the hot tool. Figure 7 shows a schematic of the HLT plumbing system. This heating/cooling system uses steam from the factory's boiler and cold water from the plant's water supply.

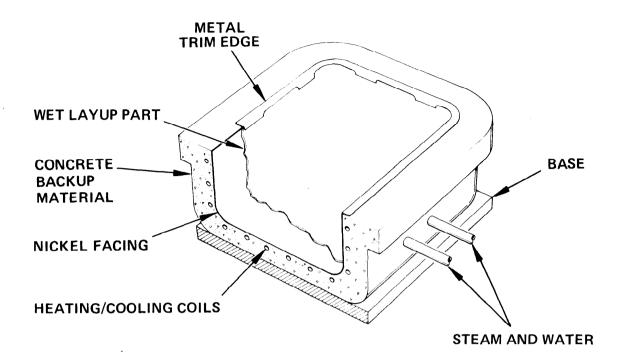
The principal advantages of the HLT are

- Provides a very accurate, highly finished surface to cure parts against.
- Reduce cycle time for curing and unloading by using the heating/ cooling feature provided by the imbedded coils.
- Uses minimum factory floor space by eliminating the need for a curing oven. Further, the tool does not require room to move to and from the oven.
- Costs substantially less than core-drilled or hole-cored-and-cast metal molds.
- Reduces lead time for fabricating the tool and setting it into operation, versus the all metal mold.
- Requires fewer personnel to operate the tool and fabricate composite parts.

The disadvantages are

- Steam may not be available
- Normally would not be cost effective for low production quantities.

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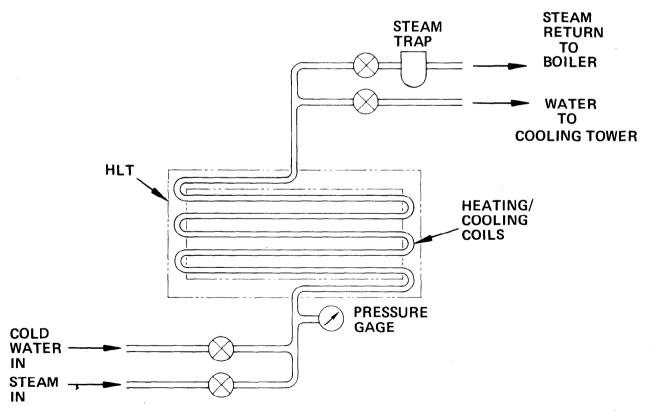


Figure 7. HLT Plumbing Schematic.

The drawings showing the HLT are in the Appendix A. A pictorial HLT fabrication sequence is shown in Figure 8. The plastic plating pattern was made from existing Tool Masters that define the shape of the fairing. Special care was taken to produce a smooth surface for electrodepositing the nickel on the pattern, which was the next operation. Copper tubing was positioned around the outside of the plated pattern in contact with the nickel surface.

Stacrete #8 cement was used to cover the tubes and nickel surfaces. Then 533 pounds of concrete reinforced with chopped wire was poured into the mold built around the plated pattern (see Table 3 for WIRAND Mortar Proportions). The mold was agitated and cured in a wet steam atmosphere maintained at 130° F for 24 hours. The plaster pattern was removed and the nickel surface was cleaned and polished. The sealing ring for the vacuum disphragm and positioning pins for locating the door openings were installed. This completed the tool with one exception: To keep on schedule, the filter bulkhead positioning fixture was not installed. Instead, the existing standard tool was used to position the blocks and bulkheads during the cure cycle.

The finished HLT weighed 816 pounds with overall dimensions: 5 feet long, 2.5 feet wide, and 2 feet high. The total installation, including incoming and outgoing steam and water lines and work area, was 90 square feet. Two people could easily work around the periphery loading or unloading the tool.

A record of the time to heat up, cure, and cool down is shown in Figure 9. Stabilization temperatures were 304° F for the outer skin and 282° F for inner skin. The steam temperature was supplied at 328° F and 80 psig. These measurements were made with Kevlar/Nomex honeycomb panels instrumented with thermocouples while they were cured in the HLT. A typical time-history of the temperatures of the two surfaces, Figure 9, measured during the curing of the panels proved that the HLT has an effective cure cycle.

The HLT cure cycle was further evaluated after the fairings were fabricated by comparison with the oven cycle. Figure 10 shows two HLT curves (X and Y) and one typical oven cure cycle. The HLT curves reflect 100 psig saturated steam with curve X allowed to stabilize at 308° F, while curve Y had the steam pressure reduced to 60 psig at 236° F approximately 23 minutes into the heating cycle.

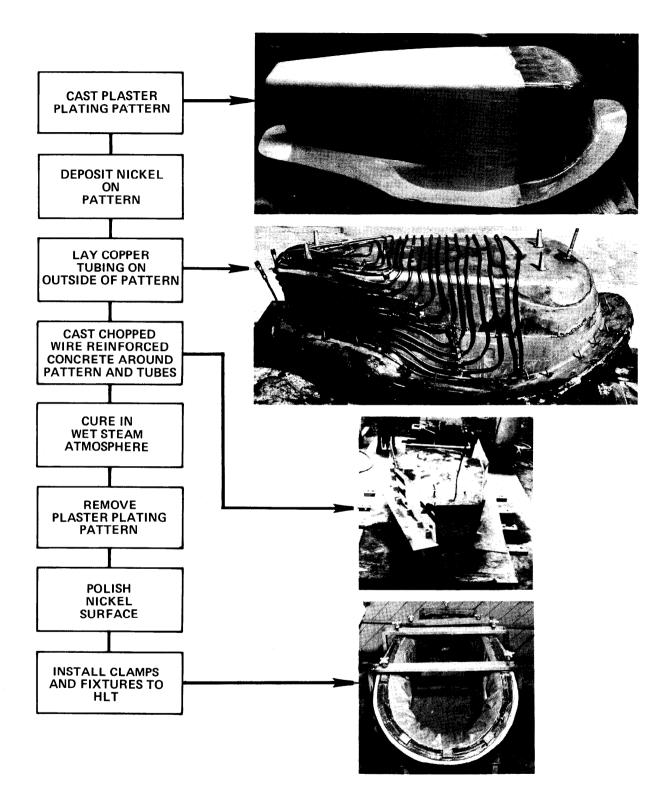


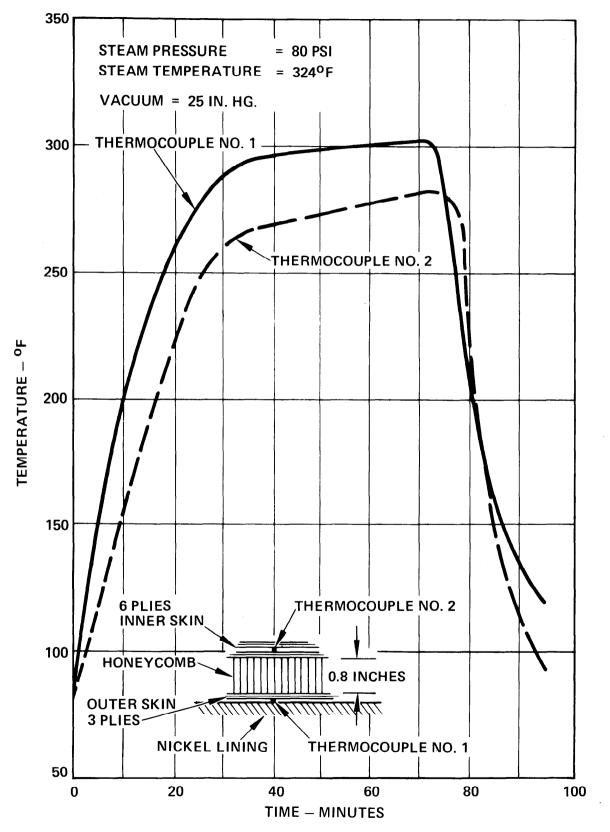
Figure 8. Fabrication Dequence for HLT.

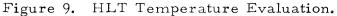
TABLE 3. WIRAND MORTAR PROPORTIONS (1 MIX)					
Item No.	Material	Weight Fraction	Weight, lb	Estimated Cost	
1	Cement (Chem Comp brand)	0.248	32.2	\$0.45 at 1.40¢/lb	
2	Water	0.106	13.8	\$0	
3	Sand #16	0.388	50.5	0.73 at 1.45 e/1b	
4	Sand #60	0.191	24.8	\$0.36 at 1.45¢/1b	
5	Chopped wire 0.010 in. dia x 1.0 in. long	0.067	8.7	\$3.48 at 0.40¢/lb	
Totals		1.000	130.0	\$5.02 at 3.86¢/lb avg	

The thermocouple monitoring the temperature was positioned on the top of the inner skin approximately 12 inches aft of the forward fairing flange. The heatup cycle in all cases is shown from A to B, while the cure cycle from B to C is followed by a cooling cycle C to D. The HLT curing cycle was shorter by approximately 50 minutes. The steam flow used was measured for curve X by weighing the condensed steam on the boiler side of the HLT. The total flow was 41.3 pounds of water at position C prior to turning on the cooling water.

The HLT cure time could undoubtedly be reduced after conducting a more extensive temperature survey over the HLT surface area. But for this program the fairings were subjected to a cure time of approximately 70 minutes to ensure that no uncured areas would exist.

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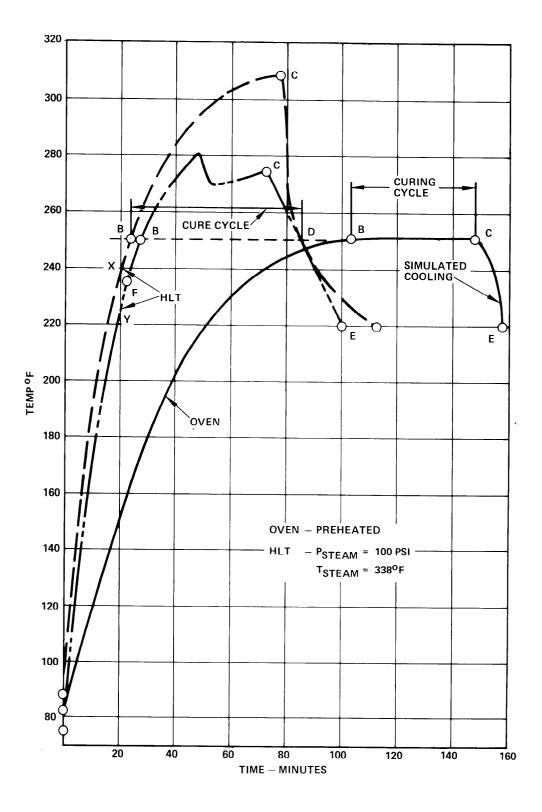


Figure 10. Curing Cycle Comparisons.

EVALUATION OF TRIMMING DRILLING AND CUTTING

An evaluation of the trimming, drilling, and cutting operations used in fabricating the inlet fairings was conducted. The evaluation was made on specimens fabricated from Kevlar-49 to match the fairings built under this contract and on fiberglass (E-glass) for comparison. Figure 11 shows these operations and where they occur on the fairing. Tables 4 and 5 describe the results of this evaluation. Their headings are generally selfexplanatory, i.e., define the operation and tool used, etc. The quality rating has this definition:

- Excellent cut edges and surfaces need little or no sanding
- Good cut edges and surfaces need light sanding similar to fiberglass
- Poor cut edges and surfaces need much sanding
- Inferior cut edges and surfaces burned -- need heavy sanding

The sanding operation for composites is not too much unlike deburring sheet metal. The sanding cleans up the surface and removes protruding fibers which, if left, could lead to delamination resulting from easier water absorption, or be caught while handling, thus prying the laminates apart. The best sanding method found for Kevlar-49 was using aluminum oxide paper, grit 80 to 120, and sanding under a flow of water. In general, cutting, drilling, and trimming Kevlar-49 takes more time than a similar operation on standard fiberglass.

The best drilling was accomplished with Technology Associates spade drill. (See Appendix A.) This drill required the use of a drill bushing and was easily broken, but it produced excellent holes. The jig saw gave the best results for sawing and required a minimum amount of sanding. The jig saw cut on the downstroke, cooled and cleaned itself on the upstroke. Both the spade drill and jig saw need more tooling than are needed for the drilling and routing procedures currently used on fiberglass.

In making the nine fairings for this program, the standard tools used in producing the current production fiberglass fairings were used. The finished product was a very acceptable fairing.

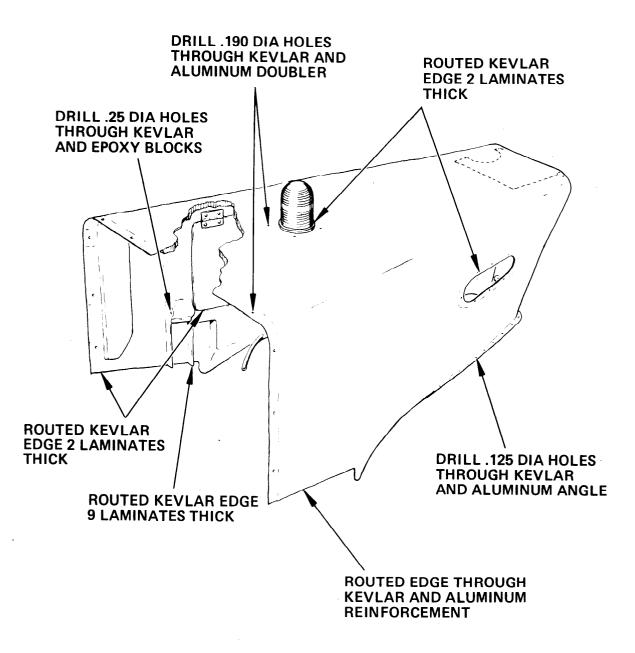


Figure 11. Cutting, Trimming, and Drilling Operations on Fairing.

Routing and sawing Kevlar-49 resulted in overheated tools and burned edges of the composite. Cooling was obviously indicated to prevent burning. Air cooling was tried unsuccessfully. A liquid coolant would have been satisfactory but would have required additions to the existing routing fixtures. This would have disrupted the program to build nine fairings, and the idea was dismissed. Evaluation of the tools recommended in the DuPont handbook and in Tables 4 and 5 did not take place until after the fairings were completed because of tool delivery problems. The description of the fairing fabrication describes in more detail the problems and their solutions regarding fabrication of a Kevlar part.

The photographs of the samples shown in Appendix D are grouped as described below unless otherwise specified.

- The first seven photographs show samples of sandwich construction having two laminates of 181 style Kevlar-49 on each side of 0.40 thick Nomex Honeycomb core. The drill speeds used were 1500, 2000 and 2500 RPM.
- Photographs 8 through 19 inclusive show samples of 9 laminates of 181 Kevlar-49 or 9 laminates of 181 Polyester fiberglass. The drill speeds were also 1500, 2000 and 2500 RPM.
- The remaining photographs are the same as 8 through 19 except the samples are routed or saber sawed.
- The remaining photograph, #25, shows the different saw blades used to saw the samples in the successful power jig saw.

TABLE 4. DRILLING AND COUNTERSINKING EVALUATION					
Operation	Tool	Sample	Photo No. in Appendix D	Quality	Remarks
Drilling	Technology Assoc. Spade Drill	Kevlar - Nomex Sandwich	1, 2, 5, 6	Excellent	Very clean holes
Drilling	59° Standard Drill	Kevlar - Nomex Sandwich	3, 4, 7	Poor	Fuzzy hole edges
Drilling	Technology Assoc. 0.250 Dia Spade Drill	9 laminates Kevlar	8, 15	Good	Fairly clean holes with little fuzzing
Drilling	59° Standard Drill	9 laminates Kevlar	9	Poor	Fuzzy holes both on entering and leaving
Drilling	Technology Assoc. 0.190 Dia Spade Drill	9 laminates Kevlar	10, 16	Poor	Fairly clean holes on entering, fuzzy on leaving
Drilling	59° Standard Drill	9 laminates Fiberglass	11, 12, 13, 14	Good	Clean holes with some delamination (feed too fast)
Drilling	59° Standard Drill	9 laminates Kevlar Plywood Support	17 and 18	Good	Holes show small amounts of fuzzing
Drill and CSK	59° Std Drill, Std countersinking tool	9 laminates Kevlar	19	Poor	CSK holes very fuzzy

Operation	Tool	Sample	Photo No. in Appendix D	Quality	Remarks
Routing	Tool No. 501 - 1/4" Fullerton Router Bit	9 laminates Fiberglass	20	Good	Small amount of delamination on edges
Routing	Std 2600-1 Fullerton Router Bit	9 laminates Kevlar	21	Inferior	Fuzzy areas with burned edges. Replace tool after 30'' cut
Routing	Std 2600-1 Fullerton Router Bit	9 laminates Fiberglass	21	Good	Fairly clean edges
Routing	Technology Assoc. No. TAI-1/4 Router	9 laminates Kevlar	22	Inferior	Edges fuzzy and burnt. Tool clogs and overheats
Routing	Technology Assoc. No. TAI-1/4 Router	9 laminates Fiberglass	22	Good	Fairly clean edge
Saber Sawing	Technology Assoc. No. 49491-321 Blade	9 laminates Kevlar	23	Good	Little fuzziness. Slightly burnt edges
Power Jig Saw	Tungsten Carbide Tipped Blade	9 laminates Kevlar	24	Excellent	Excellent. Clean edges
Sawing	Std Band Saw	Kevlar-Nomex sandwich	1, 2	Poor	Much fuzziness with Kevlar strands

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TABLE 5. ROUTING AND SAWING EVALUATION (CONT)					
Operation	Tool	Sample	Photo No. in Appendix D	Quality	Remarks
Sawing	Tungsten Carbide Tipped Band Saw	Kevlar-Nomex Sandwich	3, 4, 5, 6, 7	Poor	Much fuzziness on edges with many Kevlar strands
Sawing	Std Band Saw	9 laminates of Kevlar	8, 9	Poor	Small burned areas, fuzzy edges with Kevlar strands
Sawing	Tungsten Carbide Tipped Band Saw	9 laminates Kevlar	10	Poor	Fuzzy edges with many Kevlar strands
Sawing	Std Band Saw	9 laminates Fiberglass	11	Good	Edges have some fabric strands
Sawing	Std Band Saw	9 laminates Fiberglass	12	Good	Edges good except for some delamina- tion
Sawing	Tungsten Carbide Tipped Band Saw	9 laminates Fiberglass	13, 14	Poor	Edges have some strands with some delamination
Sawed	Std Band Saw	9 laminates Kevlar supported by 1/4 plywood both sides	15, 16, 17,	Inferior	Edges burned. Fuzzy with Kevlar strands
Routing	Tool #501-1/4 in. Fullerton Router Bit	9 laminates Kevlar	20	Inferior	Fuzzy and burnt edges. Overheated tool

FABRICATION OF INLET FAIRING

The fabrication task consisted of manufacturing nine fairings. The first four were used to develop the process so that the last five fairings could be certificated for flight.

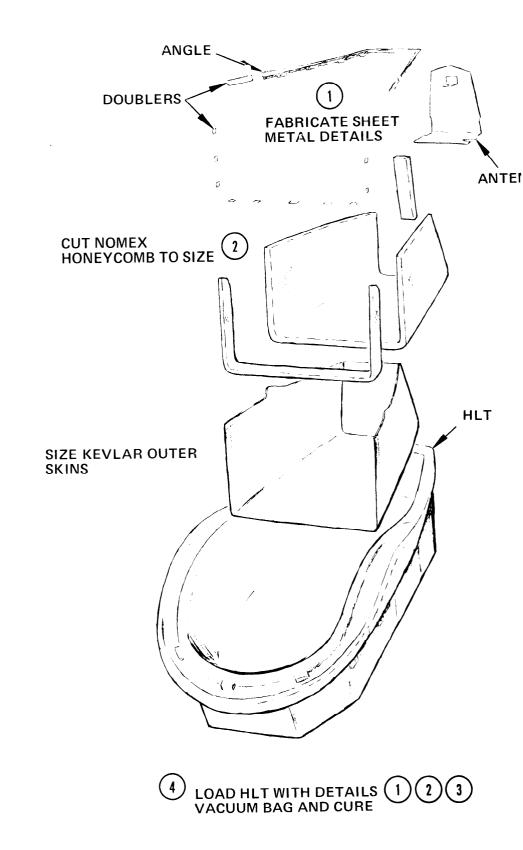
The fabrication sequence is depicted in Figure 12, which shows the eleven basic steps to build the fairing, with a minimum pressure of 22 inches of Mercury per Hughes Process 15-42 shown in Appendix C. Each fairing had a thermocouple attached to the fairing inner skin line and a time temperature recording was made. This assured each fairing was properly monitored and cured completely.

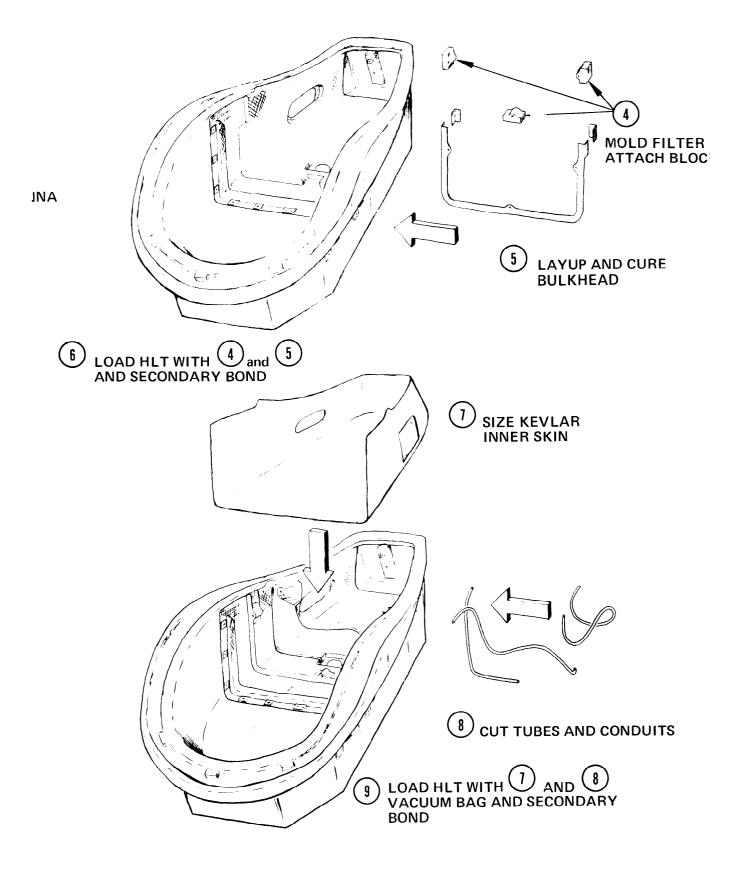
The first fairing was sectioned and tested in the Process Laboratory to prove the effectiveness of the HLT and the cure cycle. The laboratory report is shown in Appendix C. The curing cycle, as shown in Figure 10, was conservatively altered to increase time at 250°F to 70 minutes. The minimum required time per HP 15-42 is 45 minutes. This extra 25 minutes ensured a total cure and was done expeditiously to eliminate the many hours needed to survey the tool, time-history-wise and determine through fabrication experience a shorter curing time.

The fabrication of the fairing, pictorially represented in Figure 12, started by cutting the Nomex honeycomb and dinking the uncured prepreg Kevlar-49 outer skin to size. The HLT is loaded with the outer skin, honeycomb, and sheet metal parts. These are cured. The filter bulkhead and attach blocks were then secondary bonded into the assembly. The final operation has the tubes and conduits set into the honeycomb and the inner skin laid over the part, and cured. The fairing is removed from the tool; trimmed, routed, and drilled. The air bypass door, controls, anchor nuts, and inserts are added to complete the assembly.

The fabrication of the first four fairings presented several problems. The majority were minor dimensional differences with the drawing and were easily corrected. The two problems of significance were:

• The outer skin would not set down firmly into the corner radius shown in Figure 5. This condition was termed skin bridging and the problem was solved by setting the outer skin tight to the nickel surface prior to adding the honeycomb (see Operation 080 in detailed planning Appendix B) and using a two step honeycomb cure as shown in steps 3 and 9 in Figure 12.





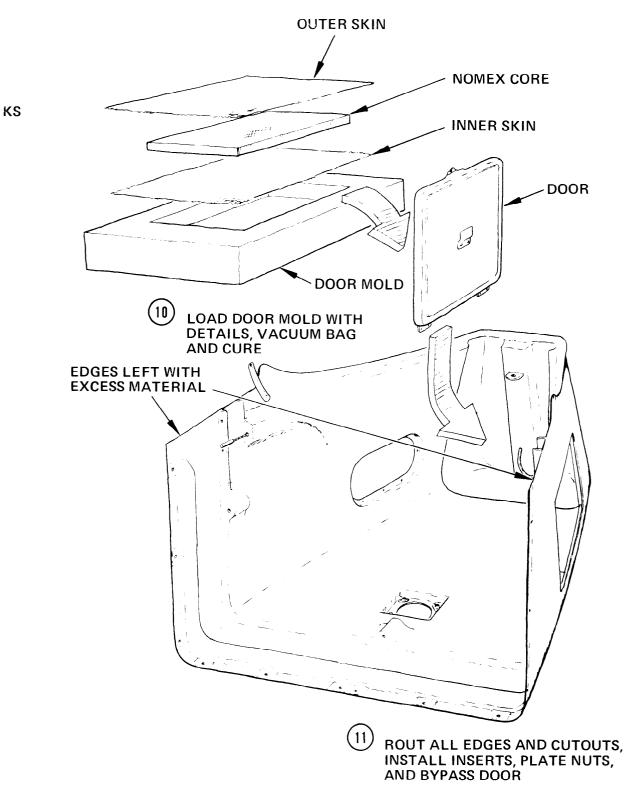


Figure 12. Fabrication Sequence.

• The edge of the Nomex honeycomb creeped during cure. This condition was caused by the vacuum pressure on the Nomex edge causing it to creep along the skin line, collapsing the honeycomb cells and wrinkling the skin as shown in Figure 13. This problem was solved by adding supports to the honeycomb edges during the curing cycles 3 and 9 Figure 12, which bond the skin to the honeycomb.

This two-step skin/honeycomb cure solved these two problems, but for future work a single-step cure should be worked out in the interest of economy. With these problems solved by the two-step cure process, the HLT could be used to fabricate the remaining assemblies. The step by step procedure is outlined in the detailed planning found in Appendix B.

The routed forward edges of the fairing where they mate with the fuselage (see Figure 12, step 11) were left long to facilitate installation on the helicopter.

The HLT functioned perfectly during the fabrication phase of this program. Loading and unloading the HLT was accomplished easily with little lost motion. The different fabrication phases were time monitored giving good basic information for the effectiveness in the Cost Analysis Section.

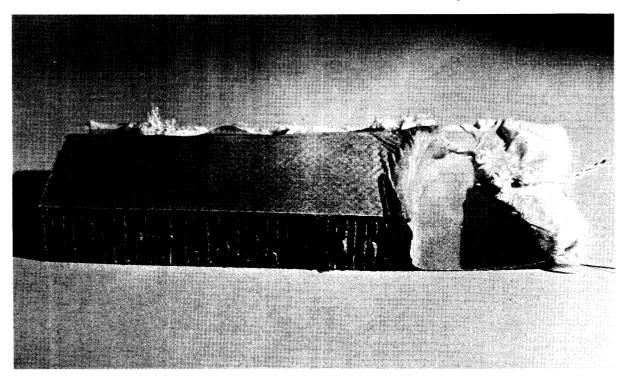


Figure 13. Collapsed Honeycomb Edge.

FLIGHT TESTING

The sixth fairing was installed on an OH-6A helicopter (S/N 17143) at Hughes Helicopters' flight test facility. The helicopter with its Kevlar-49 fairing is shown being flight tested in Figure 14. The only installation problem was obtaining clean rivet holes using the standard tools normally used with sheet metal and fiberglass. The hole edges were quite fuzzy and required much clean up. This typical edge fuzziness was found in the drilling evaluation as outlined on page 20. However, it is very difficult to drill unbushed holes with the recommended spade drill; so, rather than make drill bushings, the standard tools were used necessitating the extra clean up time.

The flight testing was conducted at Hughes Helicopters' flight test center at Hughes Airport, Culver City, California. The tests were conducted in the ambient conditions prevailing at Culver City in January. No special effort was made to fly in extremes of temperature or weather.

The flight test program consisted of 5 hours of flight conducted to the spectrum given in Table 6. The basis of this table is the unpublished report USAAMRDL TR 74-74. The flight portion was conducted successfully. The Kevlar fairing performed excellently as attested by the flight test report in Appendix C. It was subjected to the same type of ground handling as that of the standard fairing. No problems occurred. The Kevlar fair-ing performed with the following systems installed and operational:

- Air filter
- Filter bypass door
- Warning light
- Static port for airspeed.

The flight test program can be summed up by stating that the Kevlar fairing performed both in the flight test and ground handling conditions equally as well as the standard fiberglass fairing.



Figure 14. Flight Testing Kevlar Fairing.

TABLE 6. FLIGHT SPECTRUM					
Flight Condition	Airspeed (knots)	Percent - Time	Elapsed Time Minutes		
Hover	0	2	6		
Air Taxi	10	2	6		
Left Sideward Flight	10, maximum	2, 2	6,6		
Right Sideward Flight	10, maximum	2,2	6,6		
Rearward Flight	10, maximum	2,2	6,6		
Pop-up	0	1	3		
Left Hover Turn	Maximum Rate	2	6		
Right Hover Turn	Maximum Rate	2	6		
Vertical Climb	Maximum Rate	3	9		
Maximum Rate Climb	Best Climb Speed	8	24		
Level Flight	5, 100, V _{NE}	10, 15, 15	30, 45, 45		
Acceleration	Hover to V_{NE}	2	6		
Deceleration	V_{NE} to Hover	2	6		
Left Yawed Flight	50, 100, V _{NE}	2, 2, 2	6,6,6		
Right Yawed Flight	50, 100, V _{NE}	2, 2, 2	6,6,6		
Dive	V _{NE}	3	9		
Autorotation	Minimum Descent	4	12		
Autorotation Power Recover	Minimum Descent	1	3		
Autorotation Flare and Land		<u>1</u> 97	<u>3</u> 291		
Bypass Door Operation					
Dive	V _{NE}	1	3		
Right Sideward Flight	Maximum	1	3		
Hover-Filter					
Blocked	0	0	0		
		100	300		

COST ANALYSIS

The effectiveness of the HLT to cure and produce flightworthy parts for helicopters has been demonstrated in the preceding sections entitled "Flight Test" and "Fairing Fabrication." This section establishes quantitative cost comparisons for fabrication in the HLT and by the present oven method using the plastic tool shown in Figure 14. For comparison purposes the part rate is assumed to be 250 units per year. The two major cost savings attributable to the HLT are labor and heat energy. The HLT is more thermodynamically efficient since the heat energy is used directly and only when needed. The oven wastes much heat energy since it is maintained at the high cure temperatures whether fully utilized or not. See the analysis in Appendix E.

Table 7 compares the recurring and Table 8 the nonrecurring costs for fabricating the aft inlet fairing by the HLT and oven-cured methods using the same composite material in both cases.

TABLE 7. BURDENED FACILITY AND MAINTENANCE COSTS				
Item	Burden Cost Items HLT Cure	Burden Cost Items Oven Cure		
Tool Maintenance	Negligible - Mold Life estimate at 10,000 Parts	\$ 0.50/Part		
Floor Space	\$0.40/Part	3.38/Part		
Equipment (Prorated Amortization 10, 000 Parts	0.27/Part	0.42/Part		
Total	\$0.67/Part	\$ 4.30/Part		

	TABLE 7A. ENERGY COST	
Item	HLT Cure	Oven Cure
Natural Gas (Domestic Rate 1974-75)	\$1.11/Part	\$16.10/Part

TABLE 8.	COST OF MOLDS	
Item	HLT Mold	Oven Cure Plastic Mold
Mold Life	10,000 Parts	1250 Parts
Assumed Quantity Per Year	250 Parts	250 Parts
Rate/Tool	4/Shift	l/Shift
Number of Molds Required * for 250 Units Per Year	1	3
Mold Cost/Part $\frac{933}{10000}$	$= \$0.93 \qquad \frac{8 \times 1800}{10000}$	\$1.44

*For comparison purposes daily rate of 4/day is held constant and tools are amortized for 10000 part life.

In addition to the preceding costs the overall labor savings due to the redesign and the more efficient HLT was (22.4 hours @ \$20.00/hr) = \$448.00. The total savings of the HLT over the present plastic tool is summarized as follows.

Labor		\$448.00
Facilities and Maintenance	e (\$4.30 - \$0.67) =	3.63
Energy	(\$16.10 - \$1.11) =	15.00
Mold Costs	(\$1.44 - \$0.93) =	0.51
HLT total savings pe	r fairing	\$467.14

The labor savings attributed to the HLT alone was ($$448.00 \times 0.15$) = \$67.20 giving a total savings of \$86.34 per fairing (\$67.20 + \$15.00 + \$4.14).

The use of Kevlar-49 versus fiberglass to fabricate the redesigned fairing has shown that either material can be used with either tooling approach. The only difference would be the approximately 10 percent additional labor needed for trimming, routing, and drilling the Kevlar fairing. A full study of ways and means to reduce this additional labor was felt to be beyond the scope of this contract. However, integrally cooled routers, drills, etc, together with more tooling for accurate drilling with the spade drill would go a long way toward reducing the labor difference.

The fabrication lead time for the HLT and for the present plastic tooling used in Model 500 production is about the same, based on the tools constructed for this contract and those procured for the present Model 500 production fairing. The lead time for making the HLT is estimated to be approximately one-half the lead time needed for an aluminum cored tool. This estimate is based on a preliminary review with casting vendors who stated that close dimensional control equal to that of the HLT would be difficult to achieve, thus limiting the accuracy of the finished part. In comparison, the plaster used for the HLT plating pattern has a very low shrinkage rate, and the nickel, which is electrodeposited, duplicates the outer surface of the plating pattern very accurately.

Kevlar-49 is a much more costly material than fiberglass (\$8.00 per pound versus \$0.75 per pound). To show cost effectiveness, material cost, labor costs, and weight savings must be considered.

Measured weights of fiberglass and Kevlar-49 fairings, both made to the improved configuration shown in Appendix A, show that weight difference is:

 $\Delta W = W_{\text{fiberglass}} - W_{\text{Kevlar-49}}$ $\Delta W = 4.56 - 3.89 = 0.67 \text{ pounds}$

In computing material costs, a realization factor of 80 percent must be included since approximately 20 percent of the initial material is wasted. Then the cost increase, using Kevlar for the fairing, would be:

 $\begin{bmatrix} \text{Added Cost} = & \frac{\text{Added Labor for}}{\text{Trimming, etc.}} + & \frac{\text{Kevlar Material}}{\text{Cost}} - & \frac{\text{Fiberglass}}{\text{Cost}} \end{bmatrix}$ $\text{Added Cost} = \begin{bmatrix} . 9 \text{ Hr x } \$20.00 + & \frac{3.89 \times 8.00}{0.80} - & \frac{4.56 \times 0.75}{0.80} \end{bmatrix} = \$53 / \text{Fairing}$ $\begin{bmatrix} & \frac{\text{Added Kevlar Cost}}{\text{Weight Saved}} \end{bmatrix} = & \frac{\$53}{0.67 \text{ lb}} = \$79.10 / \text{pound}$

The estimated cost as shown (\$79.10 per pound) would be considered high. Values of \$30 to \$40 per pound are normally the price most companies will pay to meet their helicopter empty weight. Projected Kevlar-49 price decreases due to future increased use could easily make this excellent material very competitive with the presently used composite materials.

The preceding cost analysis was performed by using the redesigned fairing as a constant parameter in comparing costs, either using the HLT versus the standard plastic tool or in comparing costs due to materials by substituting fiberglass for Kevlar-49. The cost comparison between the standard design and the redesigned fairing shows significant savings due to the simplification of the design itself. The average number of hours to fabricate the standard aft fairing (Figure 15) in 1974 was 33.19 hours. The redesigned fairing which is based on the use of a honeycomb sandwich construction instead of a foam-block reinforced shell, and substitutes buried conduits for pulleys, pulley brackets, and wire ties required only 10.80 hours to fabricate. This represents a saving of 22.39 man-hours for each fairing.

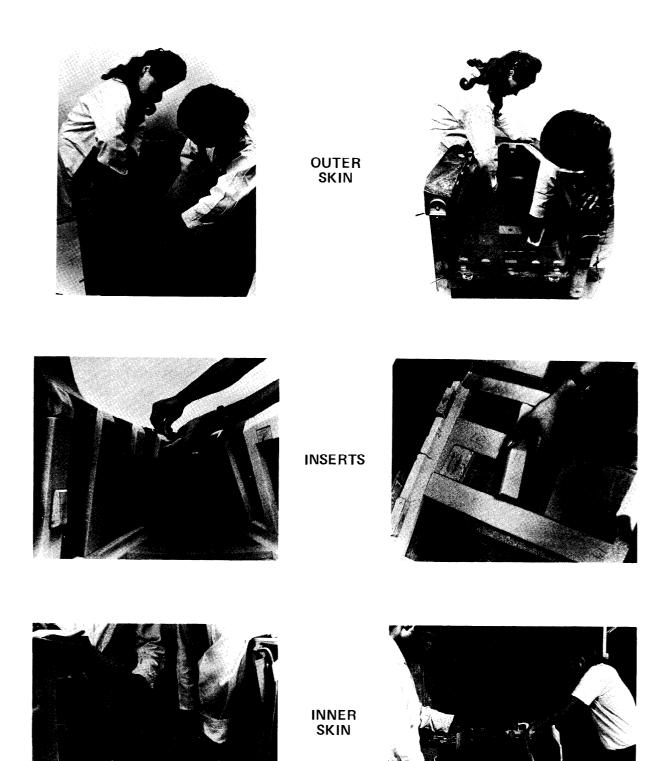


Figure 15. Assembly Procedures for the Standard Fairing

CONCLUSIONS

It is concluded that the HLT program was highly successful in that it resulted in the identification of significant cost savings that can be achieved by use of a newly developed tool. It also initiated cost saving design changes for a typical airframe composite part and established improved machining practices for Kevlar-49. Some of the more significant conclusions are further amplified as follows:

- 1. The Kevlar-49 fairing performed as well as the conventional fiberglass fairing in the flight testing and ground handling environment; thus it can replace fiberglass for equivalent types of structures if allowance is made for its compressive strength characteristics.
- 2. The HLT would have a relatively long production life since the nickel is wear resistant and the coefficient of thermal expansion of the concrete and nickel are very close to the same. This reduces the possibility of cracking and separation between the nickel and concrete mating surfaces.
- 3. HLT lead time versus existing plastic tool is the same. The lead time for HLT is one-half that of comparable cast aluminum tools.
- 4. The HLT is easily made to excellent shape and size accuracy because of the low shrinkage of the plaster pattern used for plating the interior of the die.
- 5. Without proper tooling Kevlar-49 composite parts can have unique problems compared with fiberglass components. Cutting, routing and drilling can leave very fuzzy and burned edges unless the proper tool and process is used. However, the following processes were established:
 - Dink dies used for cutting uncured Kevlar-49 prepreg gives an excellent sheared edge.
 - Heat problems when cutting Kevlar-49 (tool and stock burning) can be alleviated by using a coolant.
 - Hole drilling can easily be accomplished with a spade drill, but requires a bushing for drill support and accurate drilling.
- 6. The process is already being adopted on the production line of the fairing for the commercial version of the OH-6A, the Model 500, now being manufactured at HH.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the HLT process be considered for other helicopter components, both at HII and at other helicopter companies. The process should also be expanded in its capability and applications. The following programs are suggested:

- 1. Develop a single cure process for fabricating the aft fairings to further demonstrate the effectiveness of the HLT.
- 2. Investigate HLT applications to a filament winding mandrel or curing mold with heatup and cooling capabilities.
- 3. Investigate extending HLT technology to the matched multiple die tooling approach. This would produce more accurate parts cured from both sides without use of a vacuum bag.
- 4. Investigate the application of HLT's in the manufacture of composite fuselages, blades, landing gears, stabilizers, etc.
- 5. Investigate optimum heating/cooling tube configuration in the HLT, i.e., tube diameter limitations, manifolding with two or more tubing systems, etc.
- 6. Develop alternate methods for reducing the cost of depositing the hard nickel surface on the HLT. Deposition methods that should be evaluated include vapor deposition, metal spraying, and electron beam metal melt for drip casting of the nickel shell onto a water cooled pattern. Determine HLT size limitations by considering nickel deposition limitations, rigidity of the reinforced concrete die, dimensional accuracy of the HLT, etc.
- 7. Investigate and develop special tools that incorporate a cooling capability for working Kevlar-49. Improve the use of spade drills by incorporating a bushing with the drill motor to give drill support and allow accurate hole drilling.

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APPENDIX A

FAIRING AND TOOLING DRAWINGS

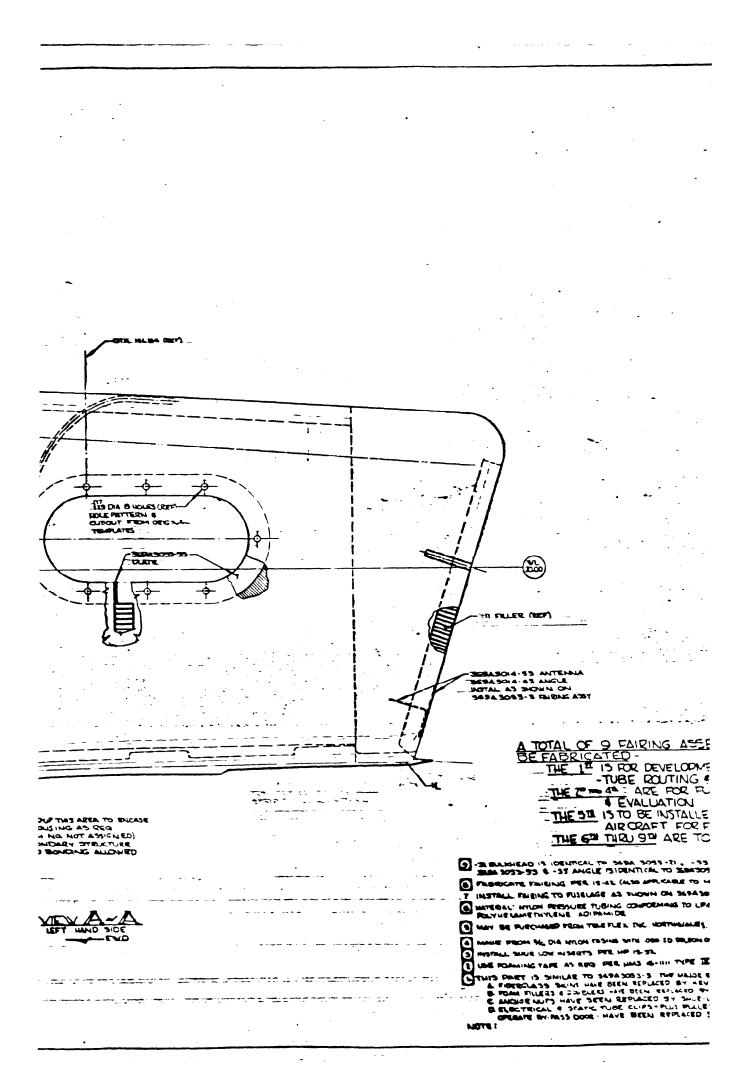
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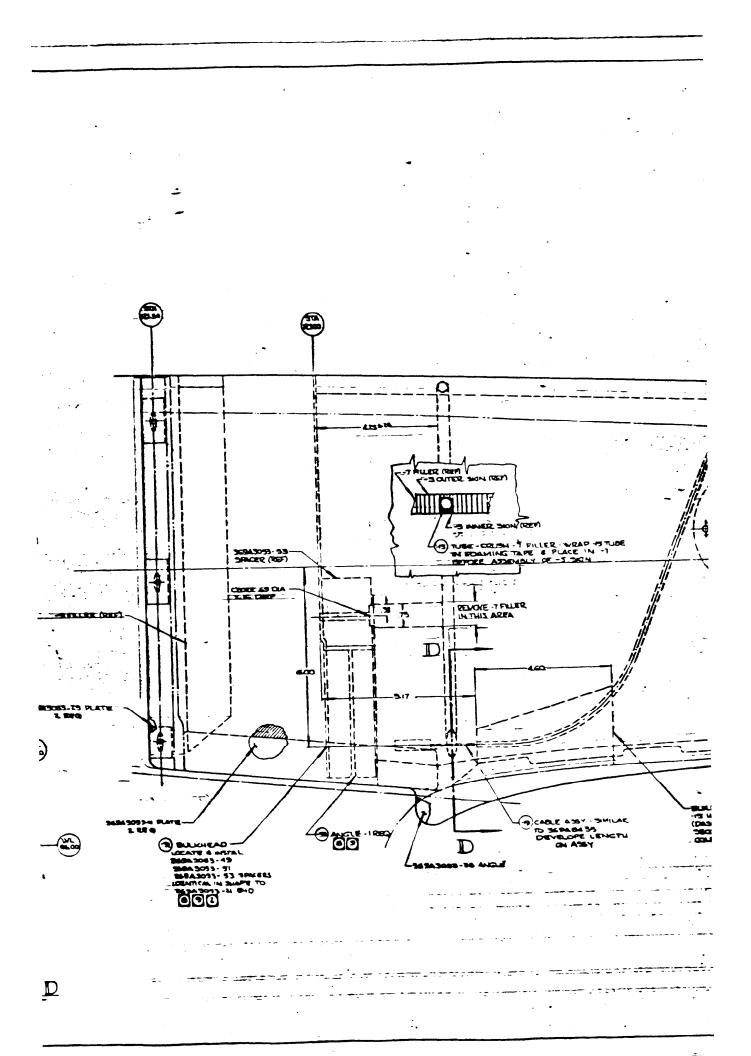
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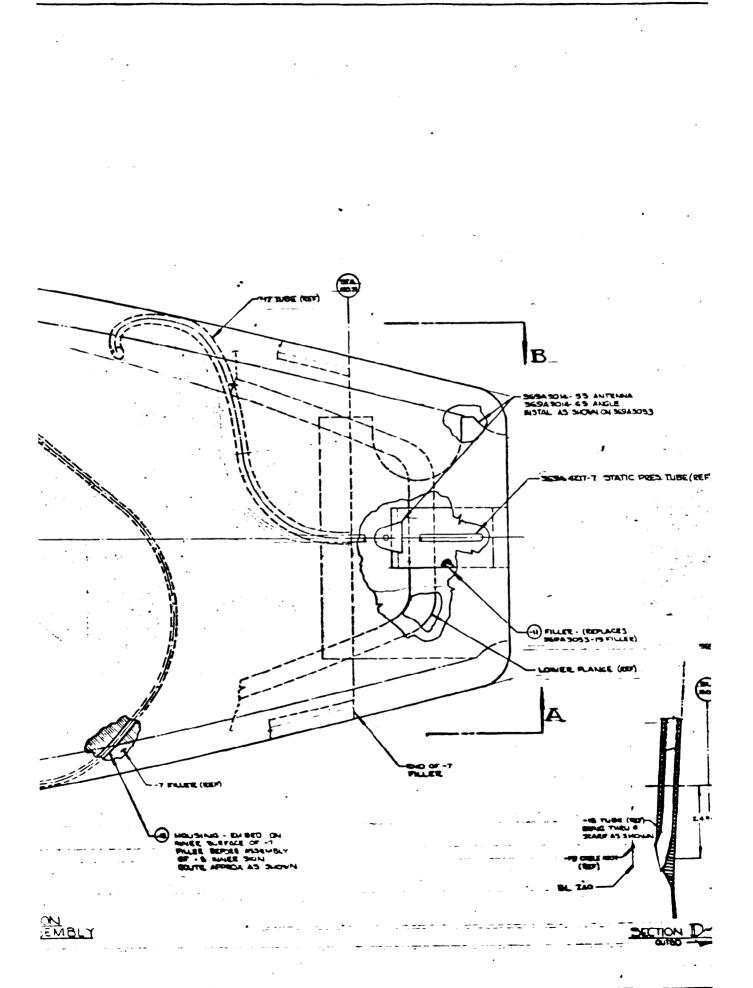
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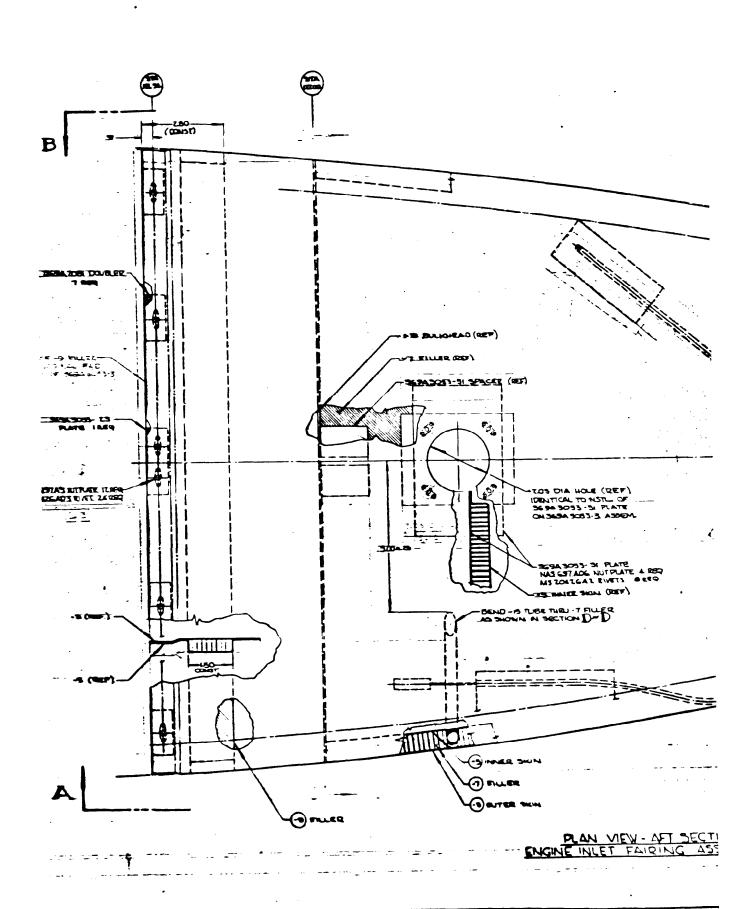
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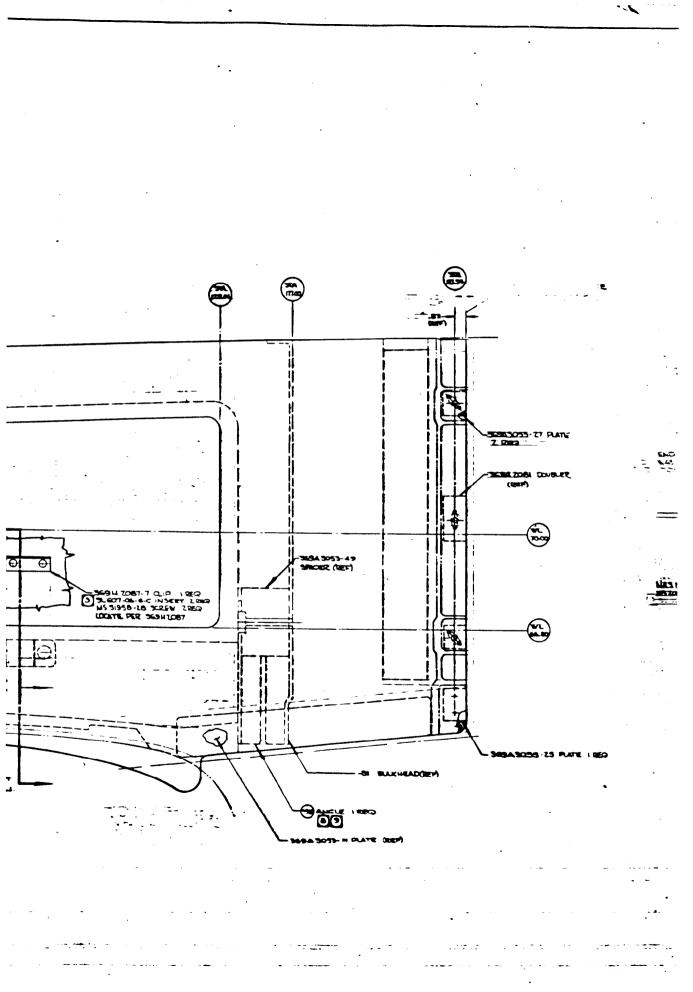
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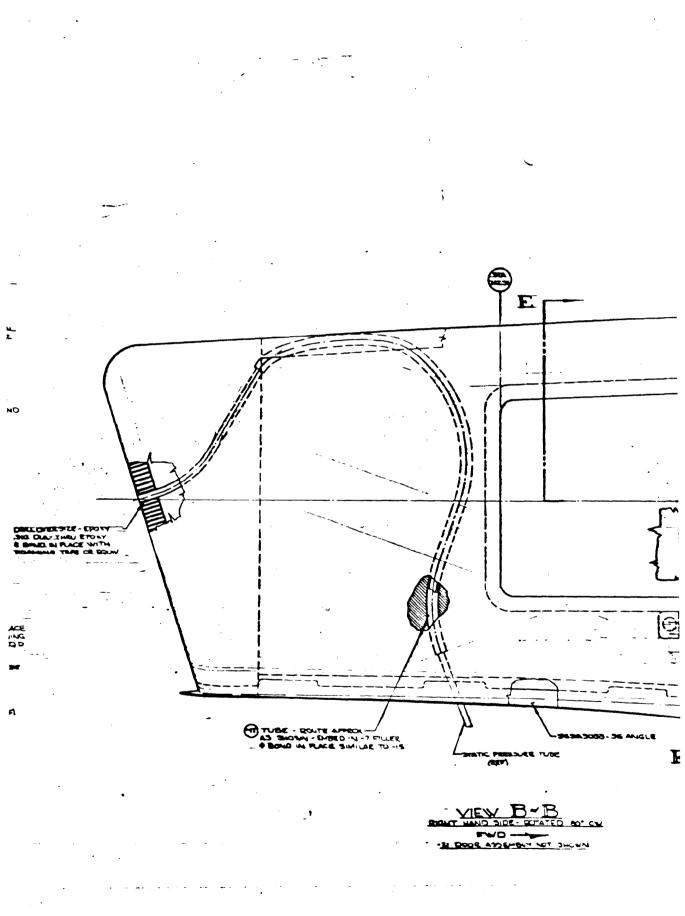






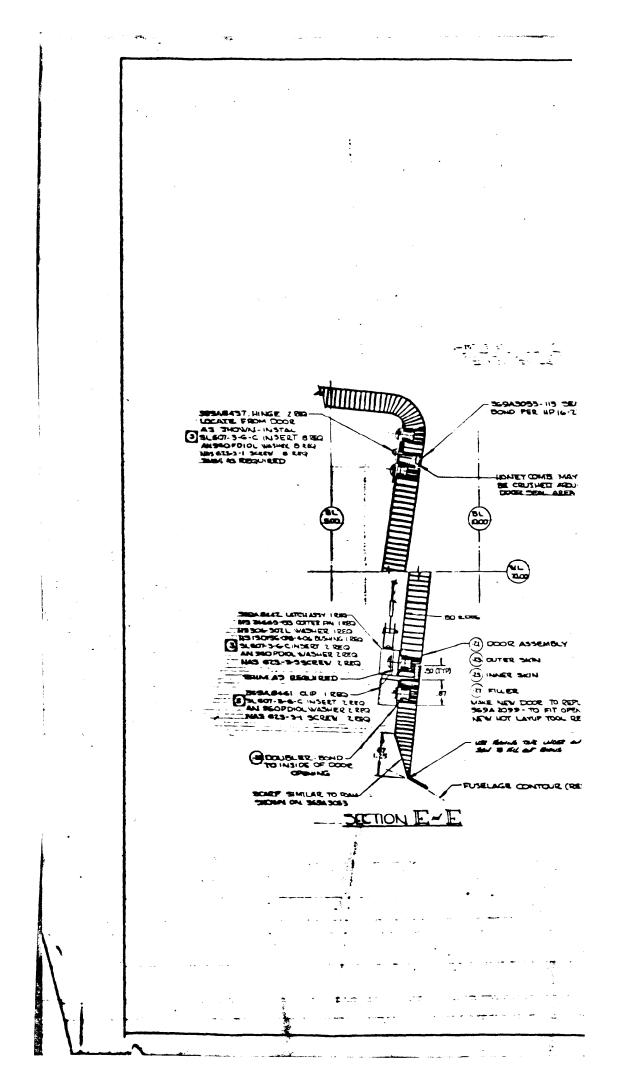


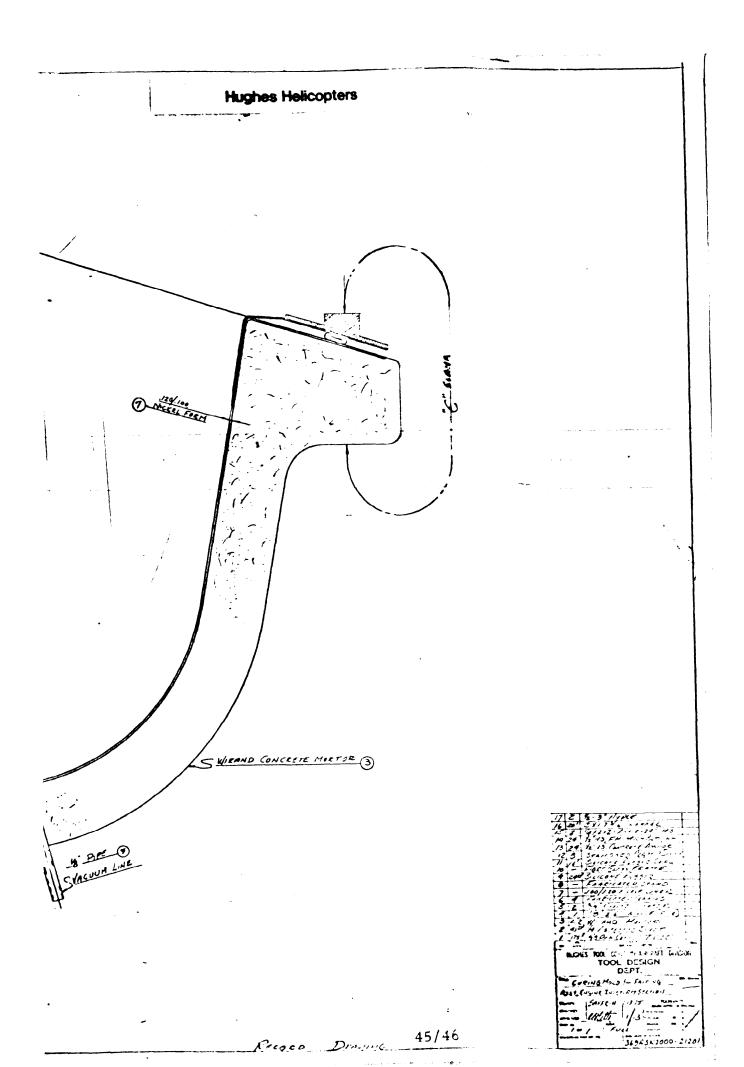


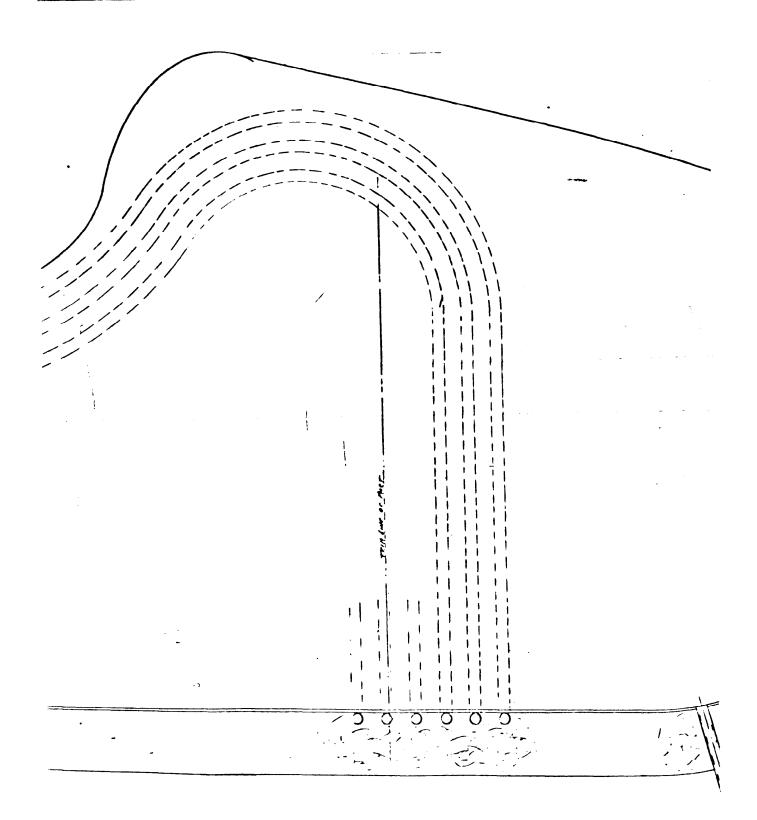




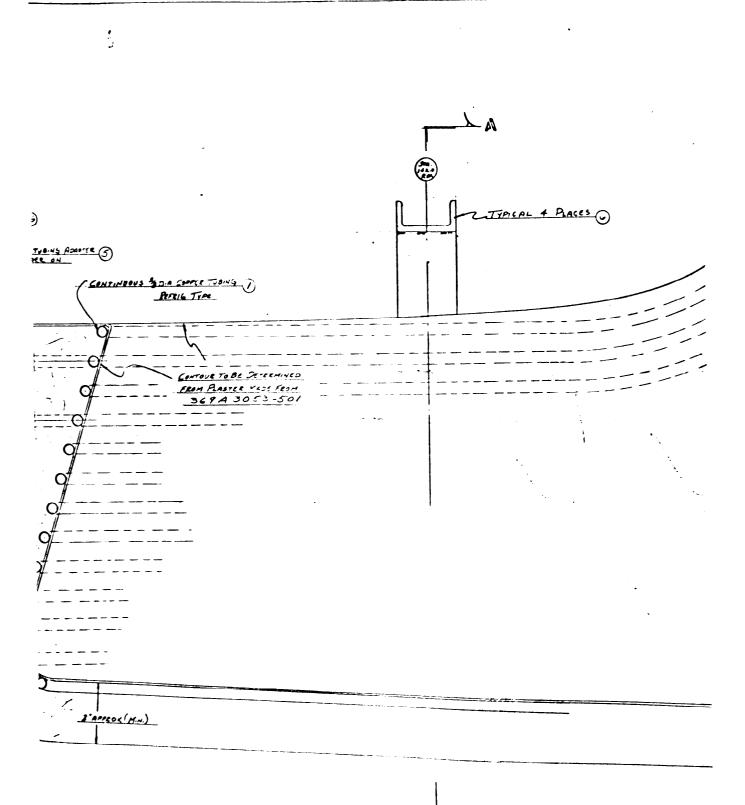
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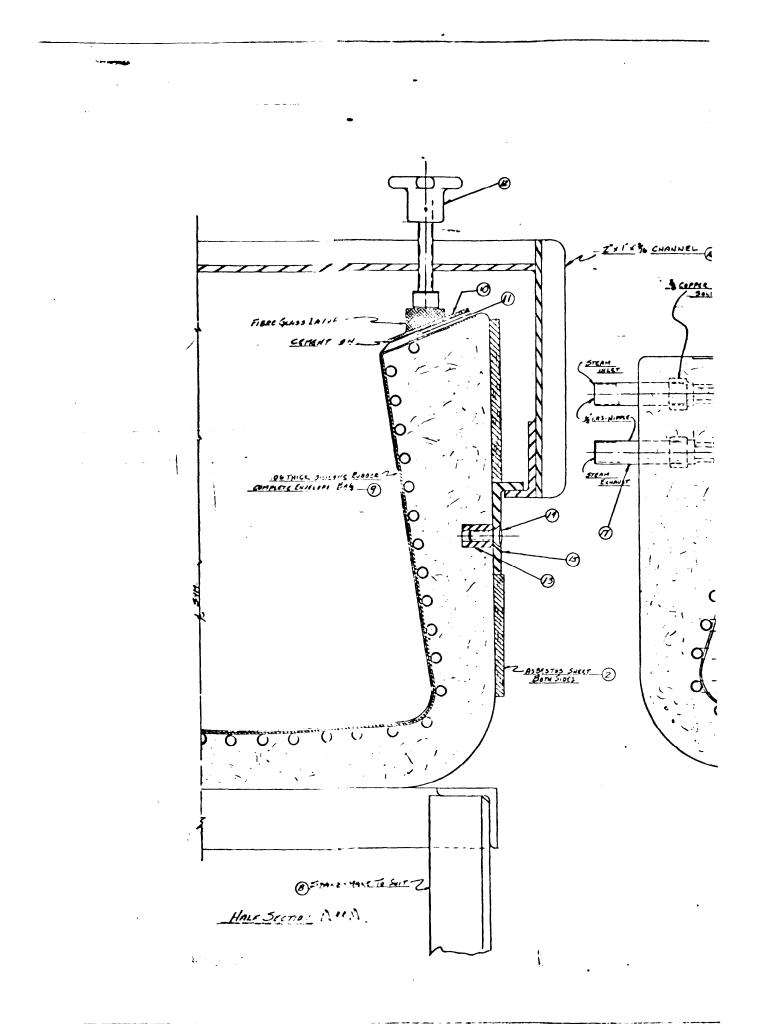


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	B C		E.O. 119620 E.O. 125990		4/12/74
	D		E.O. 127397		2/7/75
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1.	SCOPE						
1.1			cification provides the requirements and procedure for on of reinforced plastic laminated parts.				
2.	APPLIC	CABLE DOCUMENTS	ABLE DOCUMENTS				
2, 1	extent s	specified herein. In c s specification, the re	n a part of this specifica case of conflict between t equirements of this speci	these documents			
	Specific	cations					
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	Militar	y .					
	MIL-P-	-265	Polyvinyl Alcohol, Gra	nular			
	MIL-R-	-7575	Resin, Polyester, Low Laminating	-Pressure			
	MIL-R-	-9300	Resin, Epoxy, Low-Pr Laminating	essure			
	MIL-P.	-8116	Putty, Zinc Chromate, Purpose	General			
	MIL-C.	-23377	Primer Coating, Epoxy Chemical-and Solvent-I				
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	HP 4 - 5	7	Chemical Films for Ala Aluminum Alloys	uminum and			
	HP 4-1	100	Adhesive Primer, Appl Control	lication and			
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	HP 9-26		Etch for Corrosion-	Resistant Steel
	HMS 15-	1100	Catalyzed Epoxy Pri	mer
	HMS 16-	1072	Polyester, Preimpr	egnated Fiberglass
	HMS 16-	1079	Epoxy, Preimpregna	ated Fiberglass
	HMS 16-	1112	Laminating Epoxy P High Strength Organ	
	HMS 16-	1113	Uni-directional Glas Resin Prepreg	s Cloth/Epoxy
	Standard	ls		
	Federal			
	FED-ST	D-4 06	Methods of Testing 1	Plastics
3.	REQUIR	EMENTS		
3.1	General			
3,1,1	drawing High qua	and shall be o ality and good	e within the tolerances of the of uniform quality and good w workmanship are evidenced d by requirements of this sp	vorkmanship. by conformance
3.1.2	clean ar laminate	ea designated es. All details kept covered	rication operations shall be for the fabrication of reinfo s, primed parts and laminat or wrapped in plastic or Kra	rced plastic ing materials
3.2	Thickne	SS		
3.2.1	parts fa of Table (12.7 m)	bricated to thi I, except that	ion requirements for the lan s specification shall meet th t along the surface of radii o e thickness shall not exceed f laminates.	ne requirements or 0.50 inch
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	Т	able I. Thickne	ss Requirement	s for Plastic La	minates			
1	Number of Plies	181 Prepreg Fabric	120 Prepreg Fabric	181 Wet Construction	120 Wet Construction			
	1 2 3	0.0115 ±0.005 0.0207 ±0.005 0.0308 ±0.005	0.0065 ±0.005 0.0105 ±0.005 0.0140 ±0.005	0.0200 ±0.005 0.0275 ±0.005	0.0065 ±0.005 0.0100 ±0.005			
	4 5 6	0.0420 ±0.008 0.0520 ±0.010 0.0640 ±0.012	0.0175 ± 0.005 0.0210 ± 0.005 0.0250 ± 0.005	0.0365 ±0.008 0.0450 ±0.010 0.0535 ±0.012	0.0128 ±0.005 0.0165 ±0.005 0.0200 ±0.005			
3.3	Res	sins						
3.3.1				onform to the re Forms A and B.				
3.3.2		e polyester/glas 1072.	s prepreg mate	rials shall confo	orm to HMS			
3.3.3			ised shall confo rade O, Forms		ements of MIL-			
3.3.4	The	e epoxy/glass p	epoxy/glass prepreg materials shall conform to HMS 16-1079.					
3.3.5	The	e epoxy/organic	fiber prepreg s	hall conform to	HMS 16-1112.			
3.3.6		e epoxy/uni-dire S 16-1113.	ectional glass c	loth prepreg sha	ll conform to			
3.4	Tes	sting						
3.4.1	loc tha	ations on each p n three plies sh	art. The meas all be a tag-alo	urement on part ng area or a trii	minimum of three is fabricated of less in portion. The rding to 5.1.1.2.			
		NOTE: A Bar	col hardness of	55 minimum is	acceptable.			
3.5	Mi	nimum Requirer	ments and Allow	able Defects				
3.5.1	Th	e minimum tens	ile strength whe	en tested accord	ing to 5.1.1.1 shall be			
3.5.1	.1 HM	S 16-1072 mate	rial 25,000 psi	(172.4 MPa)				
3.5.1	.2 HM	S 16-1079 mate	rial 40,000 psi	(275.8 MPa)				
3.5.1				(413.7 MPa), 4) psi (275.8 kPa),000 psi (275.8) pressure.			
3.5.1	.4 HN	IS 16-1113 mate	rial 150,000 ps	i (1034 MPa)				
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3.5.2		inated parts shall be within the tolerances of and shall be of high quality workmanship.	the engineering				
3.5.3	The lar	The laminate shall be fully cured and free of surface tackiness.					
3.5.4	a manne	The final surface of the part shall not be sanded or abraded in such a manner that the outer layer of glass fabric is damaged to the extent that the continuity of the woven fiber is broken.					
4.	PROCE	DURE					
4.1	General						
4.1.1	The selection of the manufacturing methods will depend upon the type of tooling required for a particular part and the required properties of the part. Several factors may influence this; for example, configuration or size of part, quantity to be manufactured, and specific requirements of finished part.						
4.2	Metal Treatment						
4.2.1	in acco 23377 p	nserts of aluminum and aluminum alloys shall rdance with HP 4-57 and then coated with eith rimer, HMS 15-1100 Type I or adhesive prim 00. Large sheets may be prepared and shear arts.	er MIL-P- ner per				
4.2.2		ion-resistant steel alloys shall be etched and ance with HP 9-26.	primed in				
4.2.3		ed parts shall be wiped with O-T-620 trichlor ent immediately prior to fabrication.	ethane or				
4.3	Lamina	te Fabrication					
4.3.1	5-to 10	elease agents to the tooling; use carnauba-bas -percent MIL-P-265 polyvinyl alcohol or equi be buffed smooth.	sed wax or ivalent. Wax				
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	4.3.2	0.010 in	The laminated parts may be fabricated with a gel resin overlay, 0.010 inch thick maximum, integrally molded or otherwise fabri- cated with the part.				
	4.3.3	Preimp	pregnated glass cloth shall be fabricated as fo	llows:			
	4.3.3.1	and sm	Place the impregnated cloth in or on the tool, one ply at a time, and smooth out wrinkles and airpockets in each ply before addition of the next ply.				
	4.3.3.2	shall no	Necessary laps shall be 0.5 to 1.0 inch (12.7 to 25.4 mm) wide and shall not be superimposed, except when the contour of the part required crosslapping.				
	4.3.3.3		Tailoring shall be done prior to addition of each succeeding ply, and no gaps shall be allowed between cut or matched edges.				
	4.3.3.4	Preimp	Preimpregnated cloth may be warmed to provide greater flexibility.				
	4.3.4	Wet layup or nonpreimpregnated fiberglass cloth shall be fabricated as follows:					
	4.3.4.1	Place fiberglass cloth in or on tool one ply at a time.					
	4.3.4.2	Apply resin (mixed with catalyst, as required) to the cloth with a brush or squeegee.					
	4.3.4.3	Continu achieve	ne adding cloth and resin until desired thickne	ss has been			
			NOTE				
			As an option, cloth may be prewet with the resin prior to placement on the tooling.	9			
	4.3.5	Vacuun	n bag pressure shall be applied as follows.				
	4.3.5.1		pleeder material or wire spring around the ed anner that the layup is not touched.	ge of the tool			
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4.3.5.2	.2 Enclose the entire assembly (mold, layup, and bleeder material) in MIL-P-265 polyvinyl alcohol (PVA) sheet or equivalent sealed to the mold surface with MIL-P-8116 zinc chromate compound or equivalent. As an alternate, the bag may be sealed by mechanical methods, in the event the tool is so designed.						
4.3.5.3	protect Additio	Connect and seal a vacuum line to the bag opening, taking care to protect the end of the line from possible clogging by excess resin. Additional bleeder strips or flexible tubing may be installed at this time, if necessary.					
4.3.5.4	Evacua	te the bag gradually.					
4.3.5.5	bag sur develop strips o shall be	Keep wrinkles from forming as much as possible by working the bag surface with the fingers. Prevent any small wrinkles that do develop from bridging the gap between the laminate and the bleeder strips or any other direct connection to the vacuum line. Care shall be exercised to prevent formation of a seal between the lay- up and the bleeder strips.					
4.3.5.6	 4.3.5.6 After the PVA sheet has completely contacted the laminate and mold, slowly wipe air and excess resin out of the laminate, using rollers, paddles, spatulas, or hands. Sweep the air bubbles (visible through the transparent bag) from the laminate in the waves of excess resin. Continue this wiping process until all entrapped air has moved past the edge of the laminate and the impregnated fabric plies are firmly pressed together. Wiping should not be carried to the point of resin starvation as evidenced by whitening and loss of transparency of the laminate. Care should be exercised during wiping to avoid puncturing the bag. If a leak should develop, repair the hole with Scotch cellophane tape or zinc chromate compound, and work any air that may have 						
		NOTE					
	Mineral oil may be used to provide lubrication on the vacuum bag surface during the void-free processing of the laminate. This use of oil shall be carefully controlled, since even small quantities of oil, if allowed to work into the laminate, either through a pin hole in the bag or from the operator's hands, during layup will seriously affect the quality of the part.						
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4.3.5.7	throughout the entire curing	Vacuum pressure of 10 psig(69 kPa) minimum shall be maintained throughout the entire curing cycle and as required until the laminate has cooled to 130°F (54.4°C) or lower or has been removed from the ultraviolet lamps.				
		WARNING				
	lamps, as burns a direct or reflected required in protec	cised in using ultraviole re possible from either l light. Special caution i ting the operator's eyes ust be worn during opera s.	s			
4.3.6	Matched metal molds shall b panels. The layup may be m in position while the dies are complicated designs, the lay dies.	ade outside the mold and hot. Close dies immed	d then placed liately. For			
4.4	Curing of Laminates					
4.4.1	Laminates requiring vacuum bag pressure shall be cured in an oven, or under heat lamps, sunlamps, or ultraviolet, depending on the resin system. Laminates made with an expandable punch or matched metal molds shall be cured by direct heated dies.					
4.4.2	The cure temperature for ov 275°F (121.1° to 135°C) and					
4.4.2.1	A cure temperature curve sh the time of curing of the init The part shall be cured with couples contacting the surface points. Temperature readin intervals so that a smooth ti indicating the start of the ex the subsequent curing time. recorded at the same interva according to the temperature	ial unit during prototype a minimum of three cali ce of the laminate at rep gs shall be taken at suit me-temperature curve n othermic polymerization Oven or die temperatur als. Subsequent parts sh	development. brated thermo- resentative able time hay be plotted reaction and e shall be hall be cured			
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4.4.3 Molding cycle.	g pressure shall be maintained throughout the	entire cu	re			
establi	Laminates cured using ultraviolet lamps shall have a time cycle established for each design during prototype development. Sub- sequent units shall be cured according to the time cycle established.					
4.5 Remov	ing Laminates					
whenev	ne laminates should be allowed to cool below 130°F (54.4°C) nenever practical, before removal from the tooling to minimize stortion. Suitable apparatus may be used for force cooling.					
without	Removal of the laminates from the tooling shall be accomplished without damage to either the part or the tooling. Air jets may be used to aid separation between the tooling surface and the laminate.					
4.6 Second	ary Bonding					
a tear of the l tear pl	4.6.1 Areas for secondary bonding may be prepared by incorporatinga tear ply of type-128 fabric or light weight nylon on the surface of the laminate during the layup operation. Prior to bonding, the tear ply is removed and the surface wiped lightly with an approved solvent.					
the are	es for secondary bonding may also be prepared a frcc of gloss with 180-grit emery and wiping ed solvent.		ing			
4.7 T r imm	ing					
4.7.1 All parts shall be trimmed to the required engineering dimensions, unless otherwise specified. Laminate surfaces in contact with PVA film may be uneven and require minor smoothing. Sanding, as required, shall be performed with care to avoid damaging the glass fabric.						
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4.8	Repairs and Rework		
4.8.1	the repaired or reworked in 3.4.1. Repairable de repaired without adverse Laminates may be repai	I be accomplished in such a d part meets all the requiren fects shall consist of those t ely affecting the serviceabilit red using only the same mate with minimum overlap of 0.5	ments stated hat can be ty of the part. erials as in
4.8.1.1	porosity not extending th sanding the surface, tak fabric, and applying a li	starved areas, cracks, chec rough the part may be repair ing care to avoid damage to t ght coat of applicable resin r to the sanded area. The pa- e with 4.4.	red by lightly the glass nixture or
4.8.1.2	excessive starved areas stripping off the outer la the defective area with a taken not to damage the tion. The exposed area piece of glass fabric fitt	och as blisters, delamination or porosity may be repaired yer of glass fabric after cut sharp knife. Extreme care next glass fabric layer durin shall then be sanded and a co ed into place, with 0.5-inch o en recured in accordance wit	l by carefully ting around shall be g this opera- ontoured (12.7 mm)
4.8.1.3	pockets, and dry spots r holes into (not through) t catalyzed resin mixture	listers, delaminated areas, a may be repaired by drilling s the defective area and injecti by use of a hypodermic need with application of pressure is	everal small ng a le. The part
4,8.1.4	Repair of Delaminations		
	repaired, leaving a ply of fabric to be r the knife shall be ad than the uppermost Remove this layer b	carefully cut around the ar margin of 1/4 inch (6.35 mm emoved. The depth of cut pr ljusted in such a manner tha single ply of glass fabric wil by inserting the knife blade us lly prying the fabric loose.	n) for each roduced by .t no more 1 be cut.
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		epeat the operation above, moving the cut mar ch (6.35 mm) toward the center of the area to		
		ontinue the above "step-stripping" procedure imaged plies have been removed.	until all	
	wi	and the exposed plies to remove excess cured ipe with a cloth dampened (not saturated) with ichloroethane or equivalent.		
	op (1 su ur	at glass fabric patches to fit each of the step- penings in the laminate, with minimum overla 2.7 mm). Impregnate the tailored patches. accessively larger patch into its respectively ntil all patches are in place. Lay a piece of c e wet layup, apply pressure, and cure in acco 4	p of 0.5 inch Fit each larger opening ellophane over	
5.	QUAL	ITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS		
5.1	First .	Article Qualifications		
5.1.1	The first article (cure temperature curve part) shall be tested completely for conformance to paragraphs 3.2 and 3.5.			
5.1.1.1		e strength shall be determined according to n 2 specimen) of FED-STD-406.	nethod 1011	
5.1.1.2	The D Durom	urometer hardness shall be determined by a c	lirect Type D	
5.1.2	Finish ments	ed parts shall be inspected for conformance t of 3.	to the require-	
6.	NOTE	S		
6.1	Fiberg	glass laminated parts require careful handling	Ş.	
6.1.2	Completed assemblies shall be cushioned or supported in adequate racks, storage bins, or boxes to prevent damage.			
6.2	In case of conflict, the engineering drawing takes precedence over this specification.			
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7.	APPROVED VENDORS				
7.1	Only vendors listed in AVL 15-42 shall perform this process.				
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TEST MACHINE DATA AND RESULTS

REQUESTED BY Prove. 196 DATE TEST IS MADE 12-11-74 test machine operator K. Crist

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A/C No.:	68-17143 (491103)	Date: 1/29,1/30,1/31/75 Flt. No.: 326 & 327	
Model:	OH-6A		
	<u>326 327</u>	OAT Range: 40-70° F.	Total Time: 5.6 Hr.
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Purpose: Flight Evaluation of Kevlar-49 Aft Engine Inlet Fairing

Pilot's Comments:

Zimmerman (5.4 Hr):

 Aircraft handling characteristics were satisfactory and unchanged by installation of the Kevlar -49 Aft Engine Inlet Fairing.

Ferry (0.2 Hr):

1. Concur with Zimmerman.

FTE's Comments:

- The aircraft was in standard OH-6A configuration with the Kevlar-49 Engine Inlet Aft Fairing installed in place of the standard fairing. The fairing installation included the engine inlet particle separator with cockpit operated by pass door, static system line and port and upper flashing anticollision light.
- 2. Installation of the Kevlar fairing was routine and no major problems were experienced. It was noted that the Kevlar materia tended to powder when drilled but otherwise had similar working characteristics to fiberglass.
- The five hour flight test program specified in the flight test plan attachment to E.T.R. F-569-1227 was satisfactorily completed. Post test inspection of the Kevlar-49 Fairing revealed no discrepancies.

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APPENDIX D

PHOTOS OF TRIMMING, DRILLING AND CUTTING SAMPLES

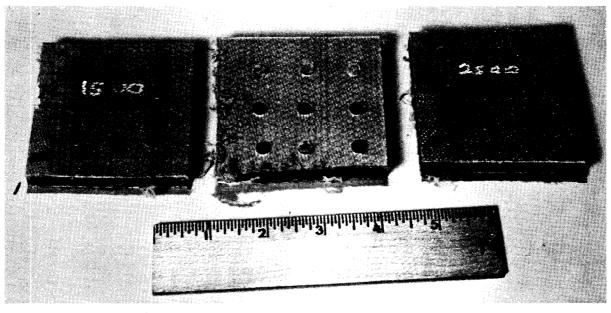


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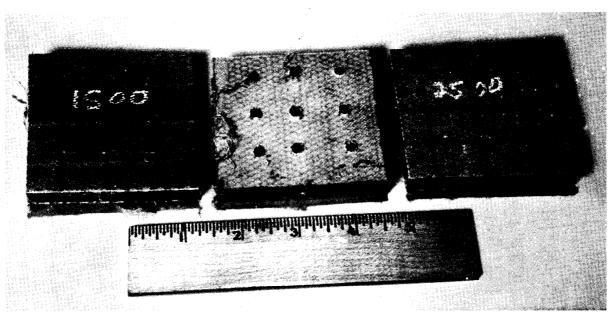


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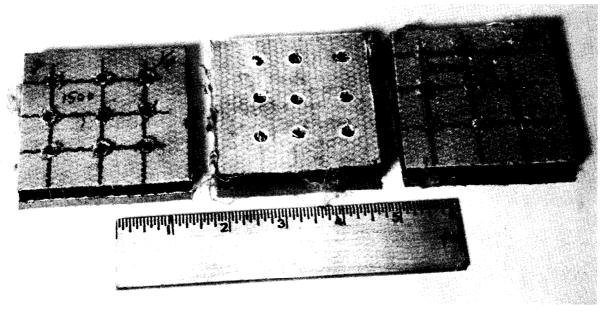


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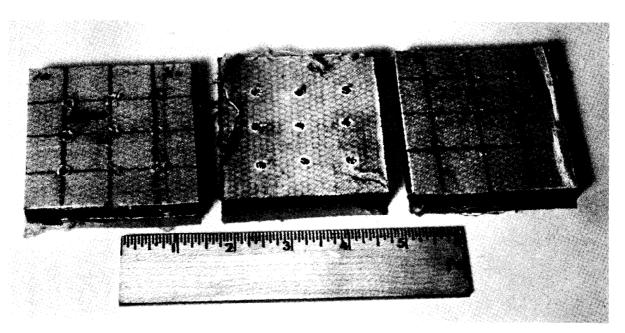


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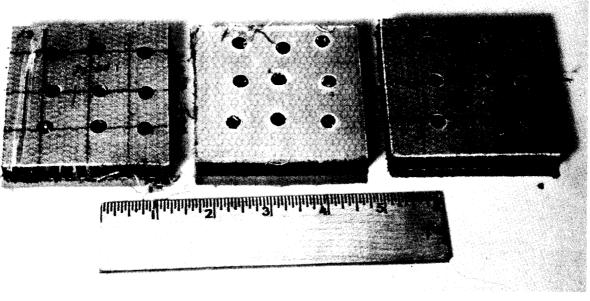


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- SAW: TUNGSTEN CARBIDE TIPPED BAND SAW AT SAW SPEED OF 2000 FT/MIN
- NOTE: KEVLAR SAMPLE SUPPORTED BOTH SIDES WITH .25 PLYWOOD

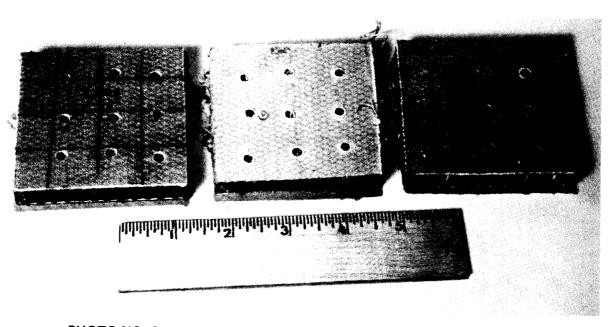


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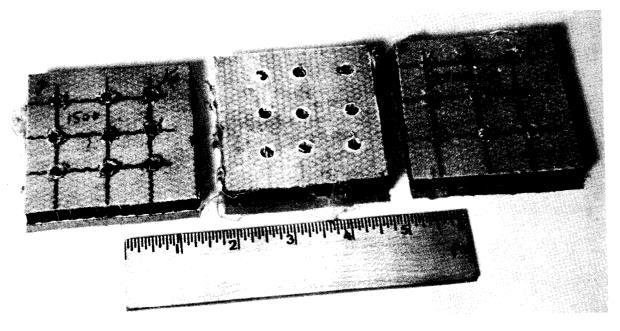


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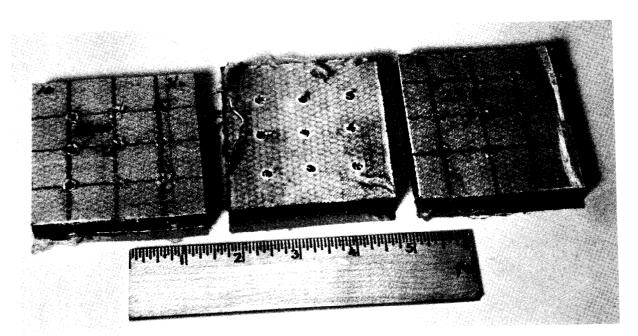


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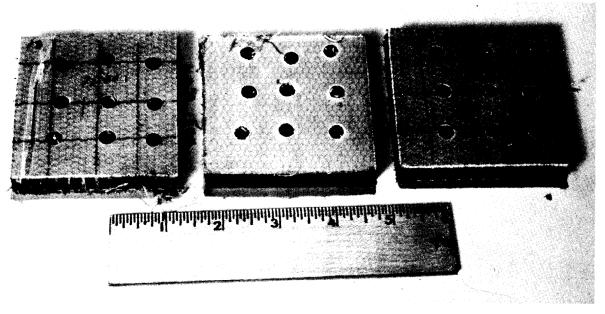


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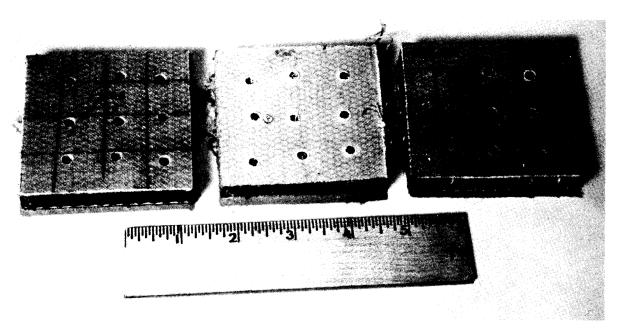


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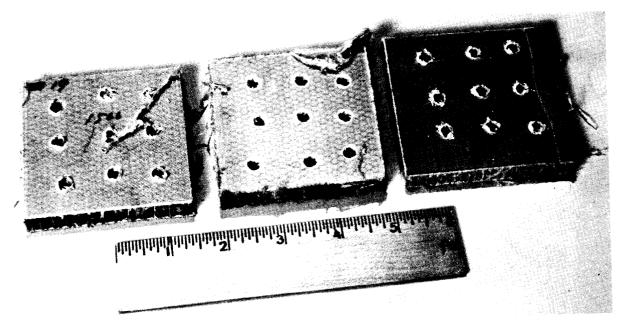


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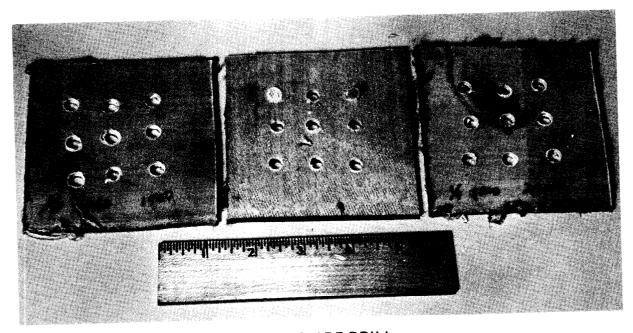


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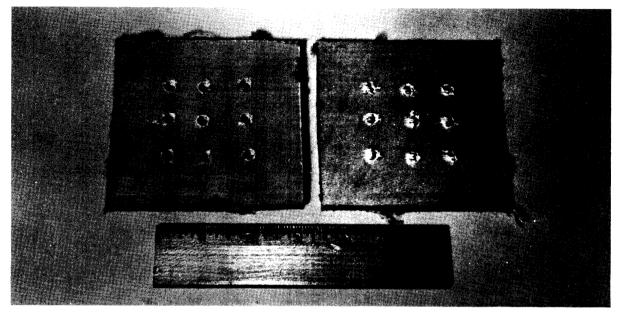


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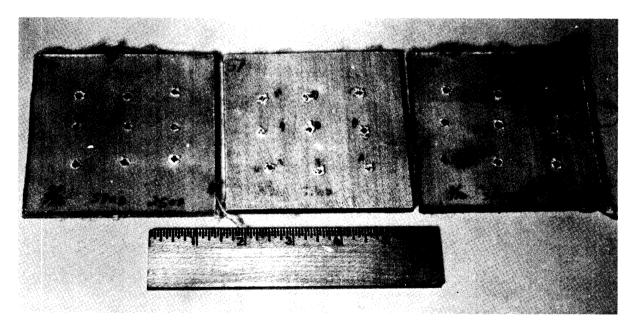


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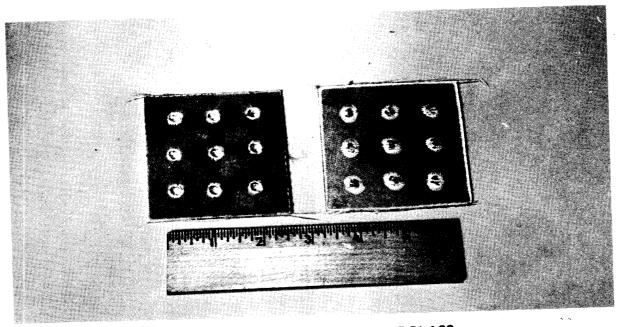


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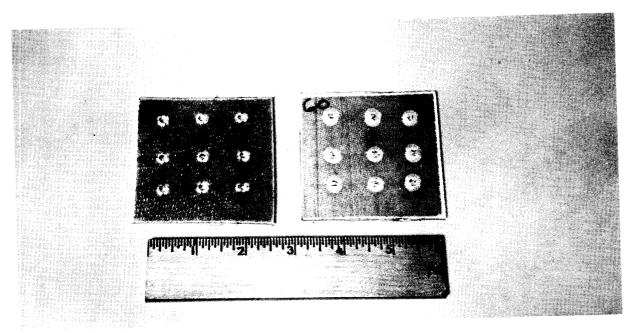
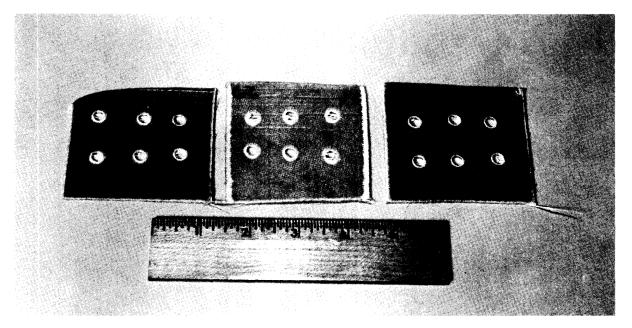


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MATERIAL:9 PLY 181 FIBERGLASSDRILL:.190 STANDARD DRILLSAW:STANDARD BAND SAW AT SAW SPEED
OF 4000 FT/MIN



РНОТО NO. 13—	MATERIAL:	9 PLY 181 FIBERGLASS
	DRILL:	.250 STANDARD DRILL
• •	SAW:	TUNGSTEN CARBIDE TIPPED BAND SAW AT SAW SPEED OF 2000 FT/MIN

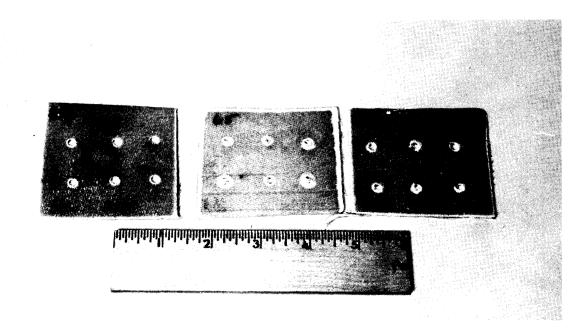


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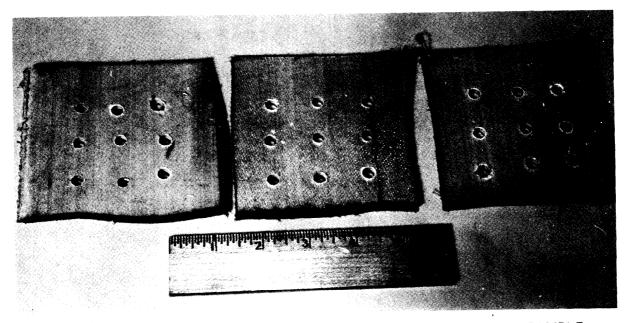


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SAW:	STANDARD BAND SAW AT SAW SPEED OF 4000 FT/MIN
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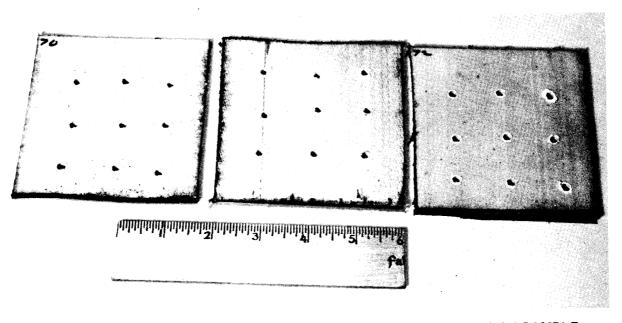


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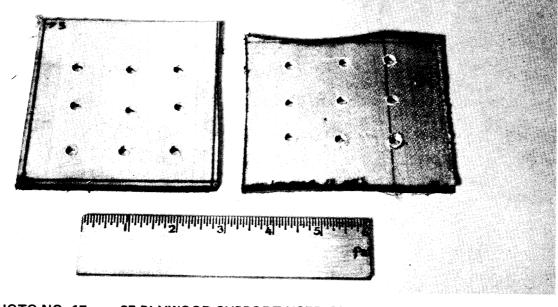


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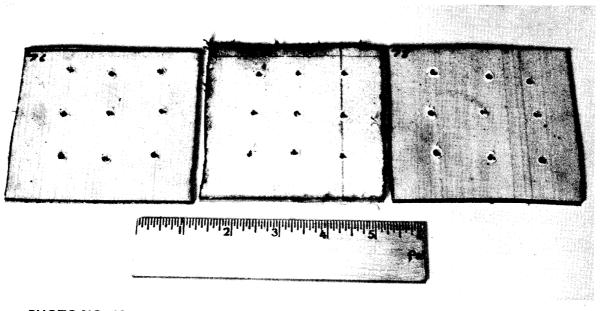


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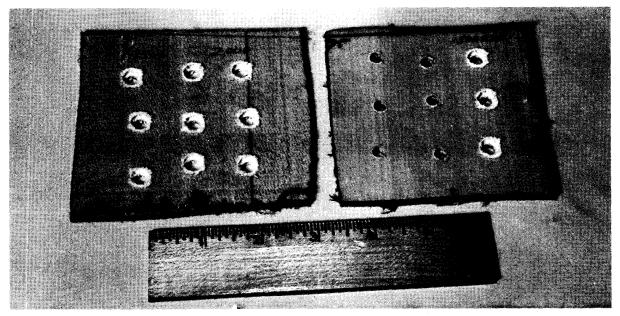


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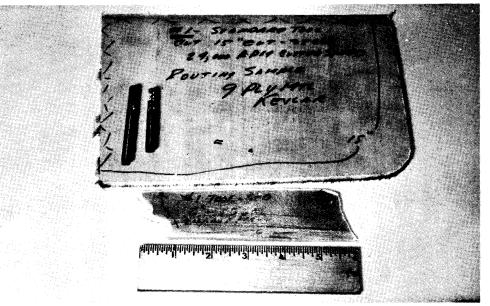


PHOTO NO. 20 -	MATERIAL:	TOP SAMPLE 181 KEVLAR 40
		BOTTOM 181 FIBERGLASS
	ROUTER:	TOOL NO. 501 - 1/4 FULLERTON SPEED 24000 RPM
	FEED:	KEVLAR 49 - 15" IN 35 SEC
		FIBERGLASS - 6" IN 15 SEC

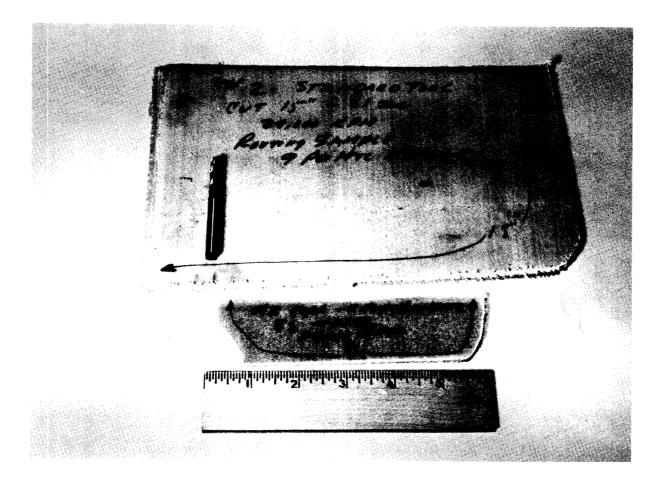


PHOTO NO. 21 -	MATERIAL:	TOP SAMPLE 181 KEVLAR 49
		BOTTOM 181 FIBERGLASS
	ROUTER:	STANDARD NO. 2600-1 FULLERTON SPEED 24000 RPM
	FEED:	KEVLAR 49, 15 INCHES IN 21 SEC
		REPLACE TOOL AFTER 30 INCH CUT
		FIBERGLASS; 8.5 INCHES IN 10 SEC

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MATERIAL:	TOP SAMPLE 181 KEVLAR 49
	BOTTOM 181 FIBERGLASS
ROUTER:	TAI - 1/4 TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATES SPEED 24000 RPM
FEED:	KEVLAR 49 15 INCHES IN 45 SEC
	FIBERGLASS 8.5 INCHES IN 15 SEC
NOTE:	TOOL BADLY OVERHEATED

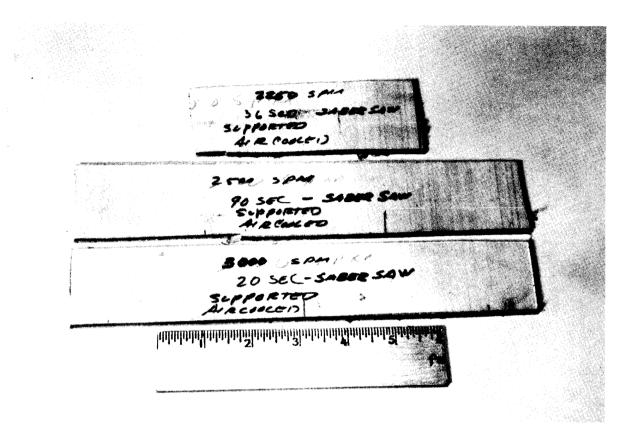
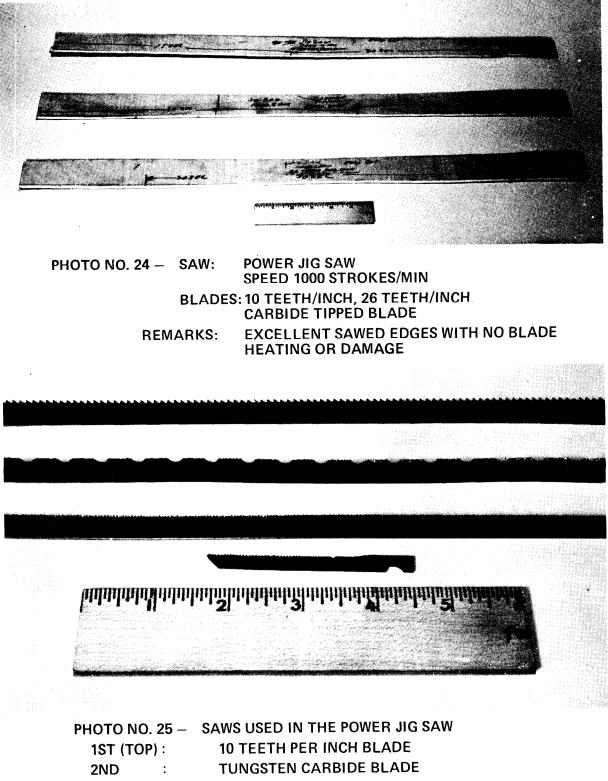


PHOTO NO. 23 – SABER SAW: NO. 49491-321 BLADE TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATES SPEED - FEED: 2250 STROKES/MINUTE - 5 INCHES IN 36 SEC 2500 STROKES/MINUTE - 10 INCHES IN 90 SEC 3000 STROKES/MINUTE - 5 INCHES IN 20 SEC REMARKS: TOOL HEATED UP EVEN WHEN AIR COOLED, CAUSING TOOL DISCOLORATION



4TH (BOTTOM): TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATES SABEL SAW BLADE

APPENDIX E

DETAILED COST BREAKDOWN

Heat Energy Cost Determination

HLT Cure

Energy Used per cure cycle = $\frac{41.3 \text{ #Steam x 879 Btu/lb}}{0.40 (Boiler Efficiency)} = 90,755 Btu$

or

0.907 Therms^{*} at \$1.22 = \$1.11 per part

Oven Cure

Oven Model DF 1587 Bacon - Blakdeslee uses 660,000 Btu per hour

Estimated Heat/Part = $660,000 \ge 0.5 = 330,000$ Btu/hr (use 50% of oven)

Total Heat/Part = 4 hr cure x 330,000 = 1,320,000 Btu/part

or

13.20 therms at \$1.22 = \$16.10 per part.

Amortization of Capital Equipment

HLT Cure

Steam cost at Hughes is negligible on a pound basis. However, cost of a separate boiler is used for a more realistic comparison.

Small single use McKenna Marine Model #5 would cost \$2,651.00, installed.

Cost/Part over 10 years =
$$\frac{\$2651.00}{10,000}$$
 = $\$0.27/Part$

*1 Therm = 100,000 Btu's

Oven Cure

Cost of Oven Model DF 1587 Bacon-Blakeslee would be \$8,272.00 installed. Assume 50 percent use for fairing

Cost/part over 10 years =
$$\$8,272.00 \ge 0.5 \ge \frac{1}{10000} = \$0.42/part$$

Mold Costs

The standard plastic tool used for the fairing and shown in Figure 14 has the following cost:

Vendor Purchased Mold	=	\$ 750
Plaster form supplied by HH labor = 40 hr at	20/hr =	\$ 800
Design hours amortized over 4 molds = 40 hr at	20/hr =	<u>\$ 200</u>
4		\$1750
Plaster Materials	=	\$ 50
Total standard plastic mold	-	\$1800
The HLT costs for materials are summarized in Table I	E-1.	

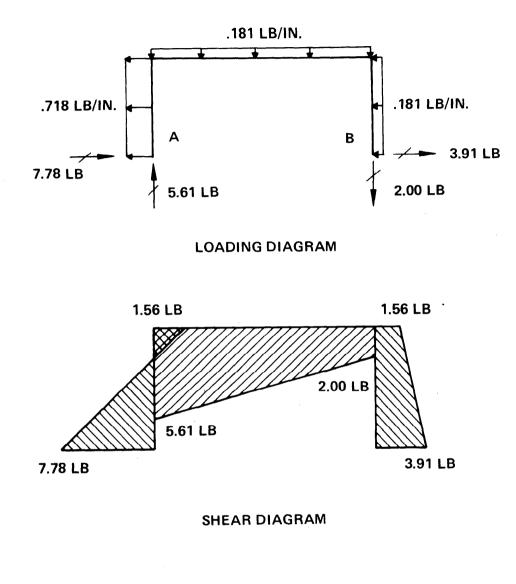
Materials Labor - 251 hours at \$20.00 Design and Liaison 80 hr at \$20/hr	2	\$2711 \$5020 <u>\$1600</u>
Total HLT Cost	=	\$9331

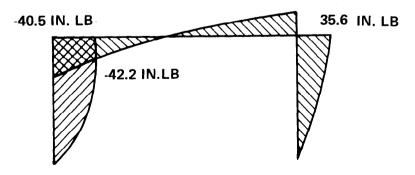
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TABLE E-1. MOLD COST	
Purchased Materials	
Nickel Shell (Electroforms, Inc.) (Actual Cost)	\$2,500.00
Copper Tubing and Fittings (100 ft cu 3/8 dia tubing, actual cost)	39.00
Miscellaneous Steel Fittings, Brackets, Clamps etc (estimated)	50.00
Silicone Diaphragm Material (Actual Cost)	75.00
Chopped Wire Mortar Mix (Actual Cost) 715 lb at 3.86¢ lb (5-1/2 mixes at 130 lb each)	27.60
Lumber for Forms (Casting Chopped Wire Mix) (Estimated Cost)	20.00
Total Purchased Material (Unburdened)	\$2,711.60

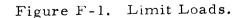
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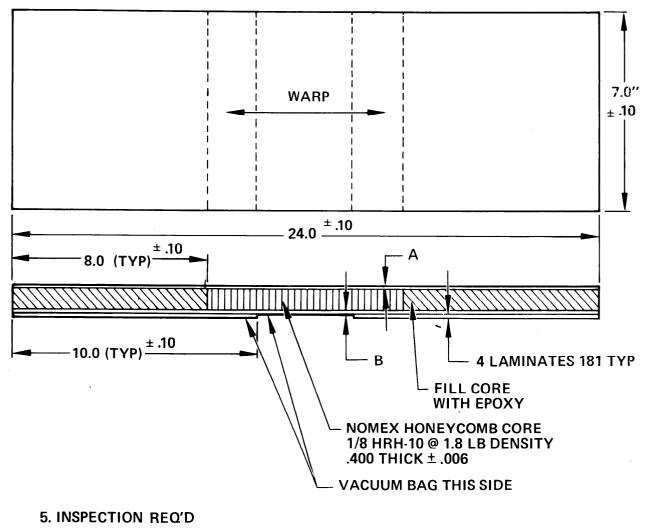
LIMIT LOADS





MOMENT DIAGRAM





- 4. FAB PER HP 15-42 CURE TIME 1.0 TO 1.5 HRS
- 3. EDGES OF CORE MAY BE UNCOVERED
- 2. SPECIMEN TO BE VACUUM BAGGED AGAINST FLAT SURFACE AND CURED
- 1. FACING MATERIAL TO BE KEVLAR-49 EPOXY PREPREG

Figure F-2. Test Panels.

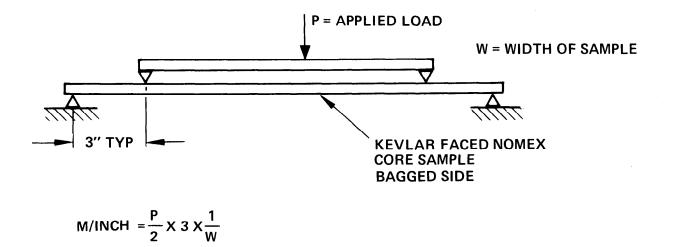


Figure F-3. Compressive Bending Tests Loading Method.

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TABLE F-1. PRELIMINARY TESTS								
A A A NOMEX NOMEX CORE B BAG SIDE (COMPRESSION APPLIED) A O09 = 2 LAM 120 CLOTH .0135 = 3 LAM 120 CLOTH .0135 = 1 LAM 181 .0145 = 1 LAM 181 + 1 LAM 120								
Config	P(1b)	^h (in.)	A(in.)	^B (in.)	W(in.)	M/in.	fc	ft
The fo	llowin	g had 18	31 or 12	0 Facing	s and N	Nomex 1	/8 cell a	t 1.8 lb/ft. ³
1B	391	0.430	0.010	0.0145	7.00	84	13620	20150
1 C	213	0.500	0.009	0.009		46	10409	10409
1 D	443	0.470		0.0135		95	15119	
2C	110	0.344		0.009		31	10281	
2D	243	0.344	¥	0.0135		57	12445	
3D	288	0.374	0.009	0.0135	7.00	60	12033	18410
The fo	llowin	g had 28	31 Facir	ngs l La	minate	and Non	nex1/8ce	ell at 1.8 lb/ft ³
1 D 1	189	0.415	0.010	0.010	7.00	41	10123	10123
2D1	180	0.415	Ļ	¥	↓ I	39	9524	9524
3D1	195	0.415	0.010	0.010	7.00	42	10317	10317
The following had 120 or 181 Facings and Nomex 1/4 cell at 1.5 lb/ft ³								
1	139	0.36	0.010	0.010	7.00	28	8000	8000
2	154	0.36	0.010	0.010		33	9429	9429
3	234	0.37	0.010	0.0145		50	9430	13987
4	110	0.36	0.009	0.009	¥	24	7597	7597
5	235	0.37	0.009	0.0135	7.00	50	10153	15541

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