

### **NX Series High Power - AM/MW/LW HFCC**



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# NAUTEL COMMON CONTROL:





300 W-2.5 KW



NXSeries MW 5 kW-2.0 MW



NTSeries UHF

Advanced User Interface (AUI)



NVSeries FM



NV<sup>LT</sup>Series FM 3.5 W – 40 W

### NX Series: High Power Solid-State

#### **NX** Innovation

- Industry's top efficiency: up to 90%
- Adaptive pre-correction
- RF + audio spectrum analyzers
- 1.8 MHz Direct digital modulation
- Intuitive touch-screen interface
- Ultra-compact
- Digital: All DRM modes + HD Radio



Combined Solutions up to 2MW

## **NXSeries: 100kW Building Block**

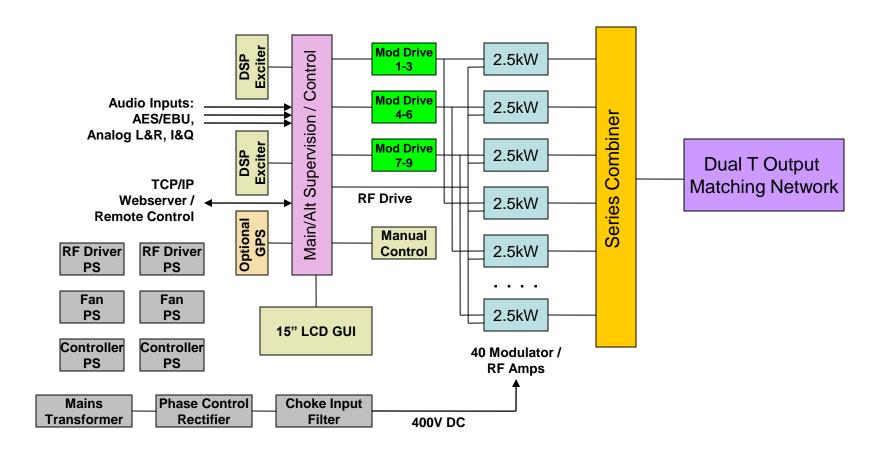
#### **Ultra-compact!**

NX25 / NX50 / NX100: Same size cabinet

NX100 and higher have small external transformer cabinet which can be mounted adjacent to or remotely



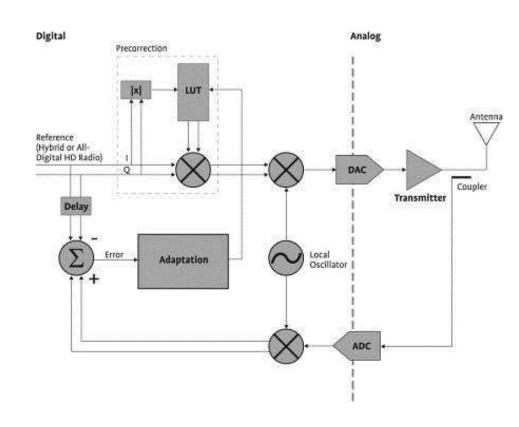
## NX100: Block Diagram



### **Dynamic Pre-Correction**

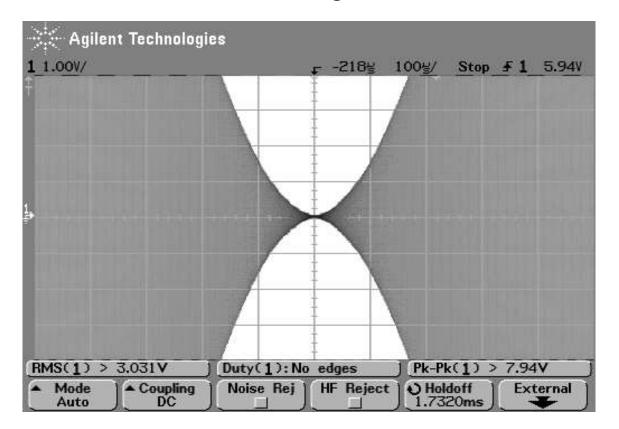
"The NX Series of AM transmitters are the first high power AM transmitters to be provided with Dynamic Pre-correction"

- Corrects primary forms of distortion
- Applies to analog + digital broadcasting
- More Linear Clean Spectrum
- Adaptive envelope equalization
- Adaptive AM-AM correction
- Adaptive AM-PM correction



### **Performance Results - AM**

No visible distortion in the trough with AM to AM correction



### **Main/Alternate Supervision & Control**

- Interfaces dual DSP exciters
- Provides uninterrupted modulation + RF
- Dual AES/EBU inputs, Analog L&R, and I&Q inputs.
- Optional GPS input card for ultimate frequency accuracy.
- Parallel remote control
- Full web server TCP/IP control.
- Failsafe manual basic control.



### RF Amplifier / Modulator Module

Hall Effect Current Sensor

Replaceable Fuse



200A FET's

Replaceable with just a screwdriver

Drive Transformers

**RF** Driver

**Modulator** 

**RF Amplifier** 

98%
PA Efficiency

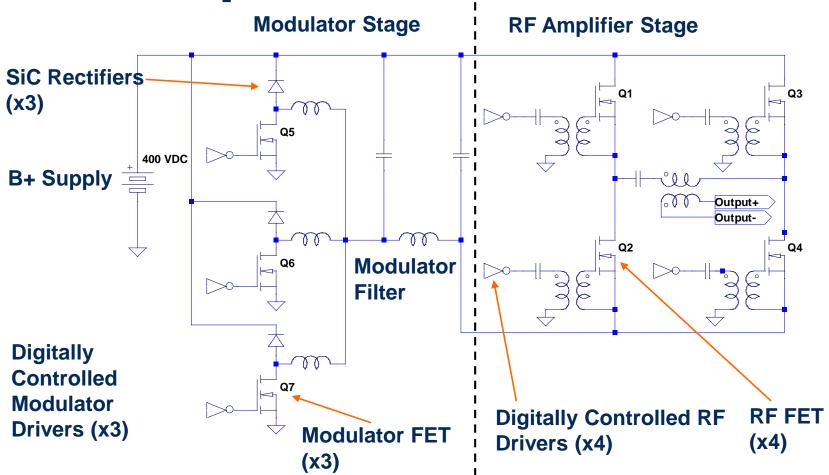
#### 12kW continuous power rating

(NX module operated at 2.5kW of carrier)

**Modulator** 

**Input RJ45** 

### RF Amplifier/Modulator Module



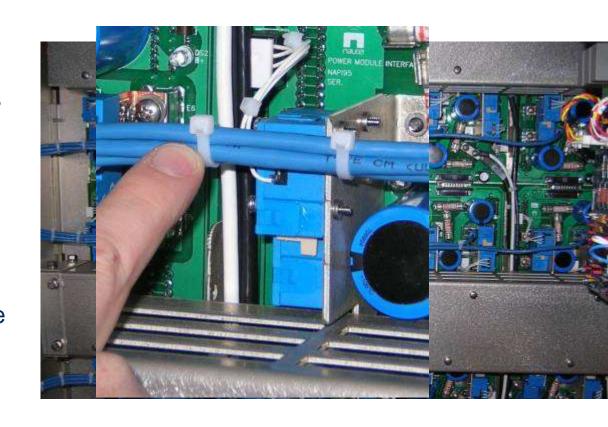
## RF Amplifier / Modulator Module

- No adjustments no pots
- Broadbanded entire AM band
- Hot pluggable
- Heavy gold connectors both sides
- Heat sink: 2.5 x required size
- High Efficiency Silicon Carbide modulator diodes
- Balanced RS422 modulator and RF drive.



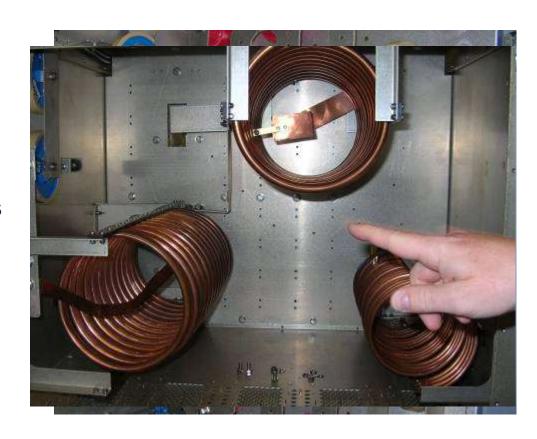
### **Series Combiner**

- Consists of a two parallel copper pipes with ferrite cores which couple the RF output.
- Can handle many times the required power.
- Broadbanded.
- Module isolation relay is one of only two moving parts in the NX (the other is the fans)

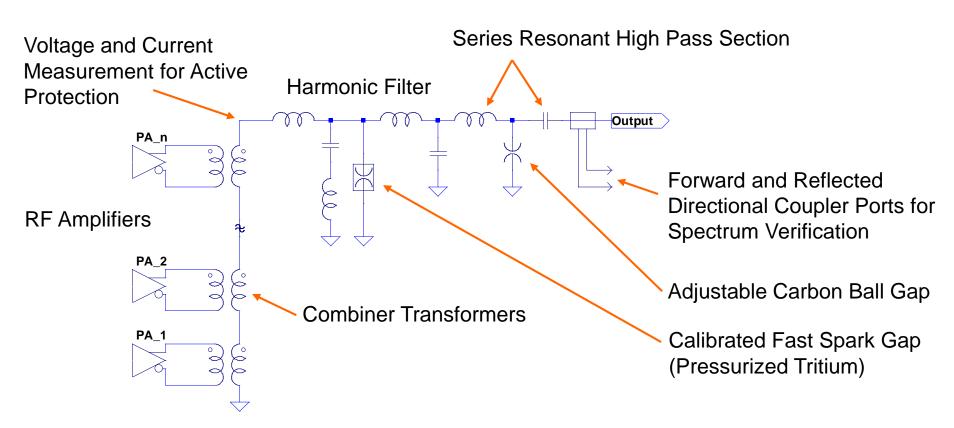


### **Output Network**

- The Output Network is the ONLY frequency dependant section in the NX Series.
- Consists of two T networks, with a shunt 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic trap.
- This is a low Q filter, which provides minimal amplitude and phase distortion to the RF signal.
- Adjustment of the NX series from one frequency any other in the AM band may be accomplished in just a few hours.
- Kit with frequency dependant parts for all MW frequencies is available.



### **Combiner/Filter & Transient Protection**



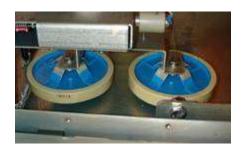
Frequency Agile: Harmonic Filter Re-Tune in a Few Hours

### **Lightning/Transient/AC Protection**

- ~10 uS Active VSWR Shutdown
- Series Capacitor/High Pass Stage
- Carbon Adjustable Ball Gap
- Static Discharge Choke
- Calibrated Fast Spark Gap (Pressurized Tritium)
- MOV Protection on Incoming AC
- Transient Attenuator Capacitors on AC Transformer Secondary (Common Mode)
- AC Surges Corrected by Phase Controlled B+ Rectifiers (Differential Mode)







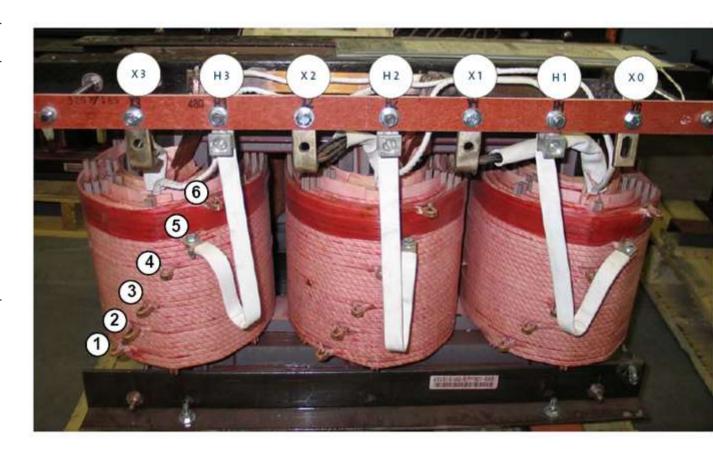


### NX50 Power Transformer

Figure 3.1: NX50 power transformer line voltage tap layout

Voltage (V ac)	Тар
350	6
380	5
410	4
450	3
480	2
510	1

Three-phase primary winding tap nominal voltages (rms, phase-to-phase)



## Cooling

- 10 Ball Bearing DC Fans arranged in hot pluggable trays two for each tray.
- Transmitter will operate with just one working.
- Typical fan life is over 11 years.
- Fan operation and speed is monitored by the controller.
- In a 100kW transmitter, only 10kW of heat is produced, about the same as a typical 10kW FM transmitter.
- Air is drawn in from the rear, through a washable metal air filter.



### **Power Supplies**

- Three phase AC power of a broad range of configurations are fed through a large, high efficiency transformer in a separate cabinet. 250V three phase is fed to the transmitter.
- The 250V feed is rectified through a phase controlled three phase rectifier bank which provides voltage control and soft start.
- Ten large fuses protect banks of 4 modules.
- Filtering is done by dual choke input filters with a large bank of electrolytic capacitors.
- All LVPS (Controller, RF Drive, Fan) are completely redundant.



### NXSeries Digital Radio leadership

The Nautel NX series leads the industry in Digital Radio development

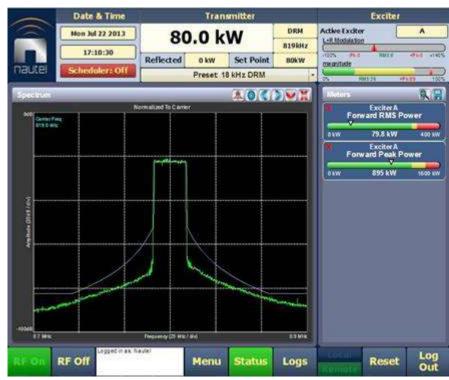
- Whether it's for DRM or HD Radio, Nautel has pushed the performance limits.
- Advanced PAPR and linearization algorithms provide more RMS power from a given power transmitter with better MER.
- Continuing development has further improved alldigital performance. See Brian Walker's paper at NAB 2014.
- Feeds the transmitter with true digital I/Q signals for best performance.
- All modes and bandwidths supported.





### Advanced DRM modes



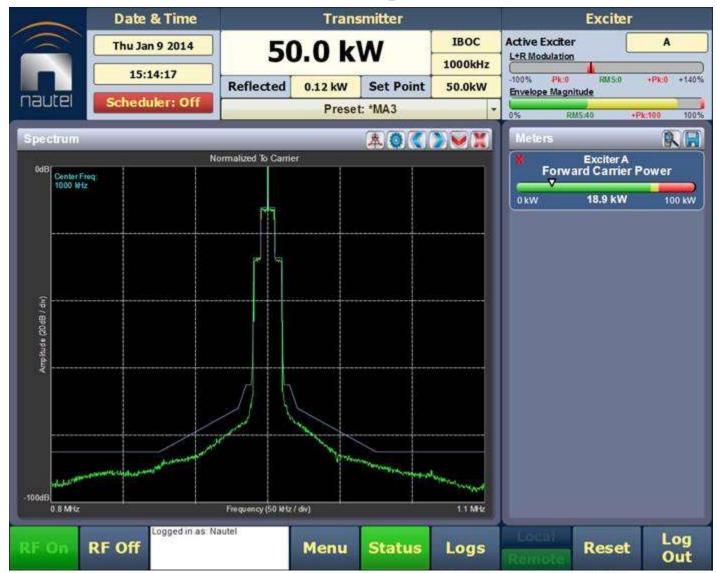


**Simulcast** 

20 kHz DRM



## **NXSeries:** All digital HD Radio



### NX Efficiency

The Nautel NX is the world leader in high efficiency AM transmission

#### Highest efficiency:

86% for NX5 and NX10 88% for 25kW and 50kW 90% for NX 100kW and higher





#### Even more power savings:

Modulation Dependant Carrier Level (MDCL) standard

all 5 popular algorithms are included up to an additional **30%** savings in electrical costs no discernable coverage or performance reduction.

"With reduced electrical costs the purchase price of an NX can often be paid off in just a few years when compared to older tube and solid state designs."

#### NX Firmware Release 4

#### Nautel offers continuous development and improvement to its products

- the result of over a year of development
- includes both feature enhancements and bug-fixes
- creates common code + feature set for all Nautel AUI based products
  - including NV, NVLT, NX, and VS.

#### New features include:

- MER metering
- Support for TLS secured SMTP servers
- Port forwarding
- Ability to save user selected AUI meters
- Ability to save critical parameters remotely
- SNMP traps
- Remote AUI timeout
- Customizable user account capabilities
- Redesigned scheduler

- Network Time Protocol
- Unique OS password enabled
- Ability to add Call Sign to AUI banner
- Multi phase PDM cancellation routine resulting in improved RF spectrum
- Summary alarms for remote interfacing
- 'take action' on audio loss
- USB Audio (Nautel USB adapter required)
- Icecast/Shoutcast capable

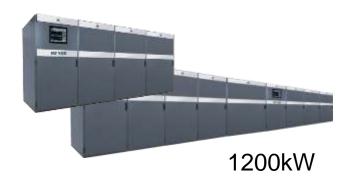


### NXSeries: Scalable to 2MW

- High power building blocks:
  - 100, 200, 300 or 400kW systems
- Combiners: 2, 3, 4 or 5 port
- Even greater redundancy
- Nautel Dummy Loads
- 2MW: 5 port combined NX400

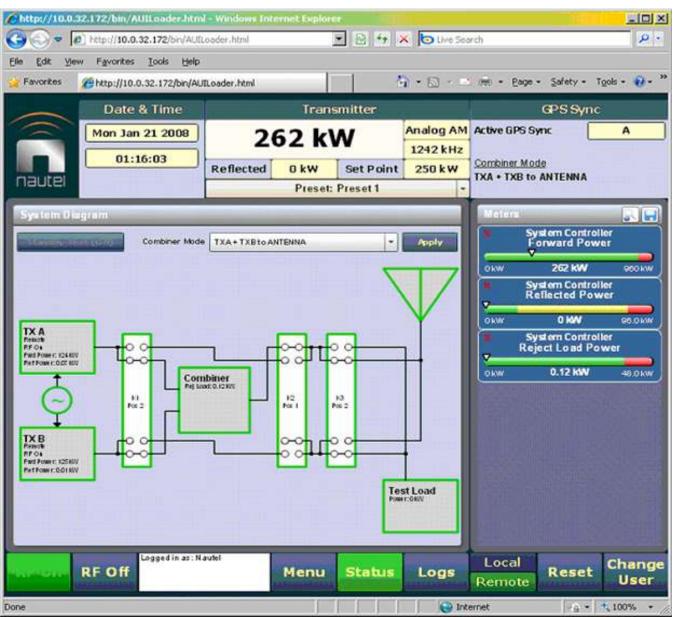


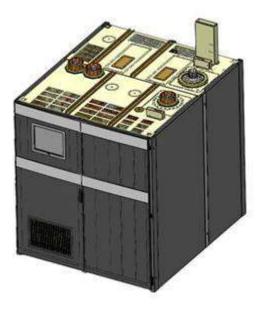






### **NXC Combiner Control**

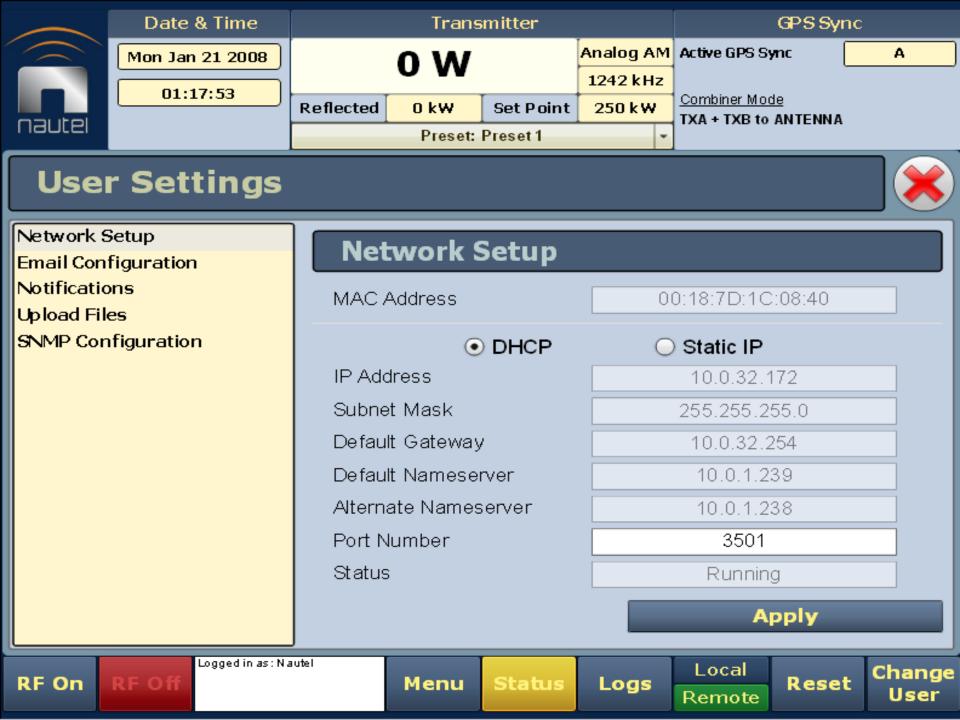


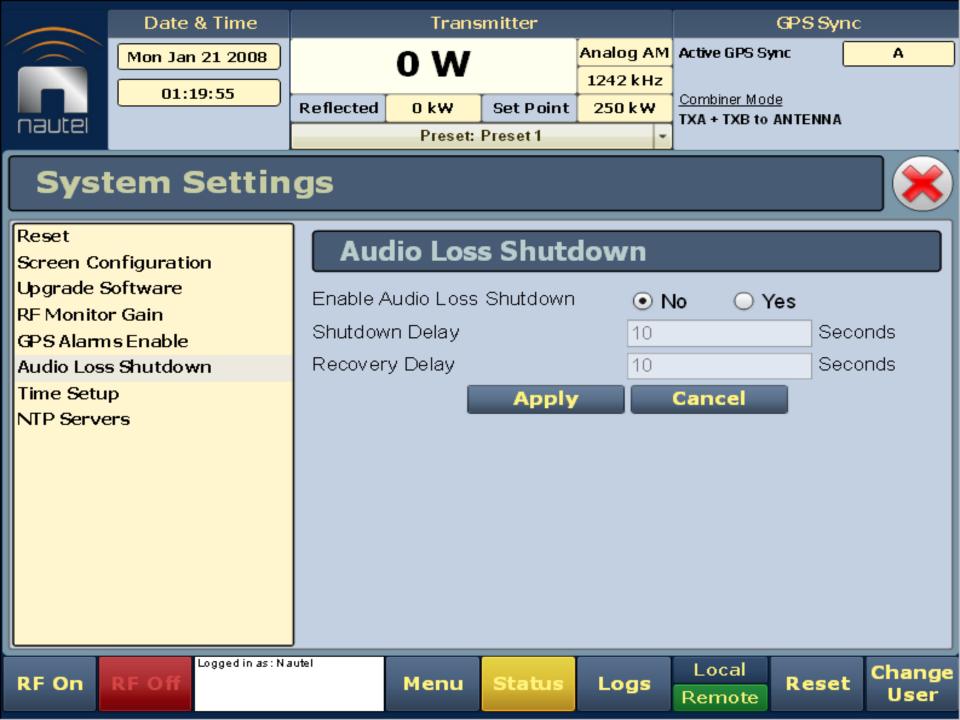


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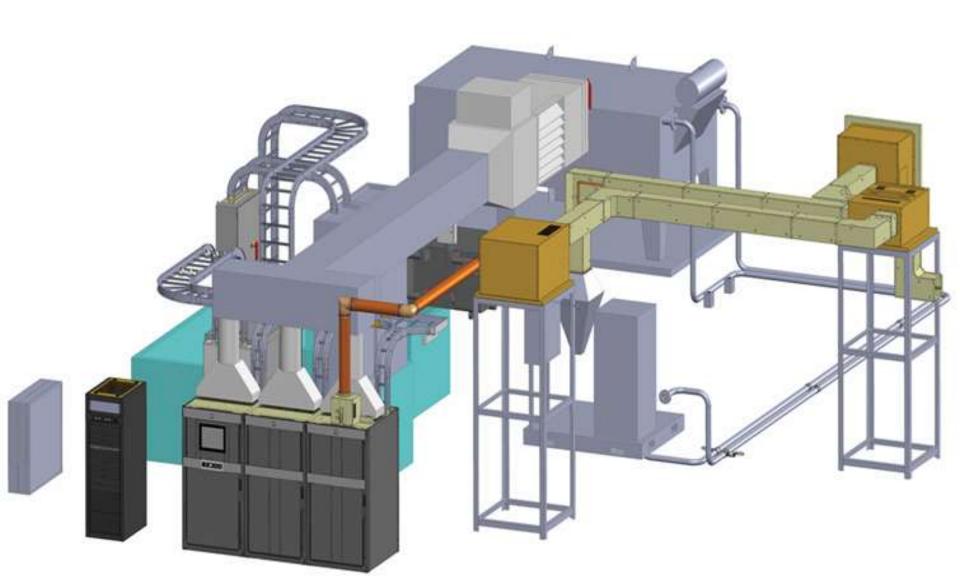




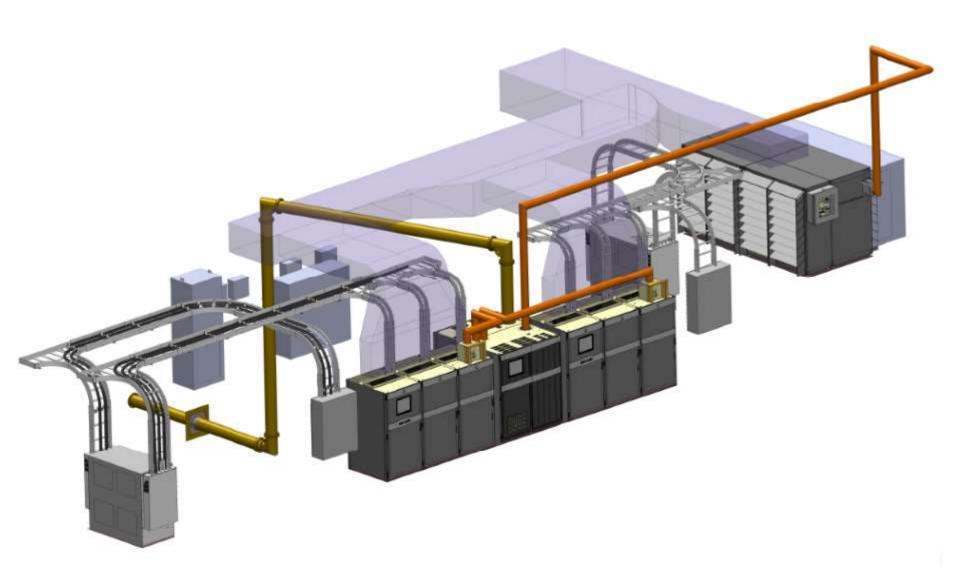




## NX High Power: Typical Installation



### NX High Power: Combined Installation



### **Nautel Dummy Loads**

- Suitable for indoor or outdoor use
- Fully sealed and slanted top to prevent water penetration
- Louvered front and back panels
- Rated for 50% above label power
- Frequency Range:
  - •530 1,700kHz operation
- VSWR: 1.05:1 maximum
- Available in many power levels



## **Nautel Specialized Integration**



### **Nautel Support/Services**

- Three support offices:
  - Quincy, Bangor, Halifax
- Parts depots:
  - Quincy, Bangor, Halifax, Memphis
  - Memphis quick-ship depot

    FedEx.
    - Order by 7:30 EST for overnight delivery
- 24/7 live support
- Live chat
- Commitment
  - Support for every Nautel product ever made... no matter when it was manufactured.



## **NXSeries: Long Wave Band**

- Frequency Range: 129 to 283.5
- 90%+ efficiency
- 135% positive peak modulation
- 1.5:1 **VSWR**
- Other features are identical to the NX MW models



### **Nautel Installed Transmitters**











### **NX Series Summary**

- The NX Series is the most advanced MW transmitter series available today
- Available from 5kW to 2MW with unparalleled efficiency
- Ready for all forms of digital radio
- Complete with powerful test equipment
- Nautel Continuous Improvement



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