ATLAS Forward Detectors Beam Interlock System Validation

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All tests were done on 28/02/2024, no failures were observed:

- √ test of the injection permit:
 - ensuring that injection permit is lost when pots are outside HOME switch position and restored once they are back,
- √ response to LVDT-to-limits comparison:
 - · checking that in case of crossing the warning limit pot is retracted, but beam is not dumped,
 - in case of crossing dump limit pots is retracted and beam is dumped,
- test of USER_PERMIT and automatic pot extraction as a function of all input flags:
 - behaviour of pots for various beam modes and override key status,
 - test not required since the movement system was not touched during YETS,
- ✓ test of the LVDT bypass box:
 - four scenarios of various movement system failures: failure during the AFP run, the forbidden use case, the holiday mode, failure when AFP is in STANDBY.
- √ test of hardware and software buttons:
 - pot extraction via ATLAS DCS and emergency butting in ATLAS Control Room.



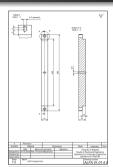


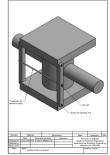
ALFA Decommissioning

- ATLAS-ALFA stations are decommissioned, see LHC-XAFP-EC-0007 (EDMS 2914324) for details:
 - stations removed from LHC section 1-2 in December 2023.
 - detector packages from Section 8–1 were removed in February 2024.
- ALFA is not intended to be inserted any more:
 - motors are switched off (bypass key is on),
 - a mechanical blockade was installed to prevent any accidental movement,
 - NE48 cable between ALFA and BIS systems (at the level of ATLAS BIS rack in USA15) was disconnected and the output was soldered to give always true (21/02),
 - ÀLFA inputs into the LHC Beam Interlock System were jumpered out (disabled) by Christophe Martin (05/03); corresponding BIC channels are:
 - input #2 on CIB.US15.R1.B1 (label: ATLAS_ALFA),
 - input #2 on CIB.US15.R1.B2 (label: ATLAS_ALFA).









ALFA in ATLAS and LHC Interlocks

ATLAS:

- ALFA injection permits masked (28/02),
- ALFA DCS project decommissioned (29/02):
 - monitoring of secondary vacuum (the only remaining functional part of ALFA system; except cooling fans running all-time) is realized via AFP DCS,
- ALFA PXI switched off (29/02).

LHC:

• ALFA signals disabled.



ATLAS LIKE

LHC BIS

PLC Connection

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RP_AFP / Beam 1: Beam Dump Requested

RP. AFP / Ream2: Beam Dumn Requested.

PLC Connection

Detector Beam Interlock

RP ALEA Beam Interlock

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RP_ALFA / Beam1: Beam Dump Requested

RP. ALEA / Beam?: Beam Damin Reguested