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## **CENTRAL SITE DISCRIMINATOR**

**Model TC-20DS** 



3 Channel Configuration

The VLF series of analog field telemetry system represents a flexible means for transmitting seismic signals through analog transmission (telephone or radio). The TC-20DS is a low power, multi channel central site discriminator. It is a field proven system, with many worldwide installations. Compared to other systems, it offers additional features, lower cost, and improved performance

The discriminator features low noise and drift, complementary filters to those found in the field telemetry system to assure a high degree of anti alias protection for digitally recorded data, a highly selective three pole input bandpass filter, a fast acting squelch circuit, highly linear frequency to voltage converter, low pass and high pass data filters, and an output LED display circuit. A single PC card can be ordered in 1, 2, or 3-channel configurations thus conserving valuable rack space. The TC-20DS is low power and features a minimum of adjustments to attain maximum performance from the telemetry system. The convenient output display indicates the positive and negative offsets, permitting the user an easy visual method of verifying that each channel's offset is properly nulled. The unit is designed for the CG-x series central site racks, housing up to 26 discriminator cards or 78 individual data discriminators. For portable and rapid deployment applications an optional field case is available.

Coupled with the high performance field telemetry system (model PTS-3bgx) at the field site, this system offers the user a simple, easy to maintain, cost effective transmission system. Other system components include external multi channel multiplexer (Model PTS-9MX), lightning suppression systems (Model LPS-x), external signal band pass, high pass, or low pass filters (Model TC-70X), line amplifier (Model TC-80X), central site digitizing and recording systems (Model DAS-6102PC), and analysis software.

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# **TC-20DS SPECIFICATIONS**

### **INPUT CHANNELS**

Number of Input Channels:	1 through 3("x" indicates number of channels)		
Audio Input Level:	15Vp-p max		
Normal Input Amplitude:	500 mVp-p per carrier		
Input Imped- ance:	100 K Ohms		
Input Coupling:	A/C coupled, single ended		
Input Filter Type:	3 pole bandpass		
Squelch Level:	125 mVp-p		
Unsquelch Level:	250 mVp-p		
Squelch Attack Time:	1 cycle of input signal		
Squelch Re- lease Time De- lay:	2 seconds		

#### **OUTPUT**

Output Level:	±5V DC for ±125 Hz deviation
	(nominal)
Output Level Maximum:	±5.75 VDC
Output Impedance:	Less than 10 ohm
Output Noise:	5 mVp-p or less
Output Offset:	5 mVDC max

#### **FILTERS**

High Pass Filter:	0.1 Hz (others available)
	5 pole 25 Hz Butterworth (others available)

#### **POWER**

Operating Voltage:	±11 - 15 VDC (nominal)
Operating Current:	10mA per channel

#### **USER INTERFACE**

Adjustments:	Bandpass filter frequency adjustment, 3 positions A/C balance Span
Indicators:	DC positive offset (green LED) DC negative offset (green LED) Squelch
Front Panel Test Points:	Filter out Ground Signal out

## **SYSTEM SPECIFICATIONS**

Dimensions:	W 4" x L 9" x D 0.6"
	Card
Optional Field Box	NEMA 4X die cast
style:	painted aluminum
Operating Tempera-	-30°C to +65°C
ture:	
Humidity:	0-100% RH, non con-
	densing (in field case)

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