E & SE TELECOMMS REGION TRAINING CENTRE ENGINEERING SECTION NOTES FOR STUDENTS INTERNAL 1111

APPARATUS FOR FAULT LOCATING TESTER SA 9083

1 GENERAL. The Tester SA 9083 is a portable instrument intended for use by faultsmen who do not have access to a test desk. The tester should always be secured (by the two screws provided) within a case instrument No.6A; straps carrying No.5 & No.6 are available for attaching to the case.

Various testing cords and clips etc., are available for use with the tester, (see Table 2). The cords have a threaded socket at each end to take the clips etc.

The tester is designed as a 1000 ohms per volt instrument, a current of 1 mA flowing via the 100 ohm moving coil gives a full scale deflection.

Two types of tester SA 9083 are shown in the Rate Book, ie Mk1 and Mk2, these notes refer to the Mk 2 unless otherwise stated.

DESCRIPTION. The face of the tester shows three scales:- 0 to 50 and 0 to 250 for volts and milli-amperes, and 0 to infinity for ohms. Below the scales are a ten position range switch (7 position for Mk1), line reversing and test cells switches. Beneath these are three terminals labelled A, B and E. Pointer zeroing facilities are provided by a screw at the pointer base for the voltage and current ranges, and a milled disk at the side for the ohms range (later Mk 2 have a knob at the front).

At the rear are two compartments, the lower contains the tester components and is sealed, while the upper houses a 1.5V cell (Cell, Dry No. R2O; for Mk 1: - cell, Dry No. DS7A) used for the ohms test range, and a 67.5V battery (Battery, Dry No. 18) for the ohms X 100 range.

3 OPERATING THE TESTER. For line testing, the line is connected to terminals A and B; terminal E is connected to earth.

To prevent overloading and damaging the tester, always use the highest range provided. A lower range can be switched to if necessary.

When the tester is not in use the range switch should always be in position 1 ie 250 volts AC.

- 3.1 To zero the ohms scale: select the range required, short circuit terminals A & B, adjust the milled disk until a FSD is obtained after removing the short circuit from the terminals the tester is ready for use.
- 3.2 Cell testing facilities are provided by operating the non-locking "test cells" switch. When using the 5V range a 4 ohm shunt is switched in, and 20 ohms when using the 50V range.
- 3.3 By operation of the range switch, tests can be made for battery on the "B" wire or earth on the "B" wire. To test the "A" wire the non-locking "line reverse" switch is operated and the tests repeated.