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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

**3** January 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

This report covers the two week period from 20 December 1974 to 3 January 1975.

<u>AĽSEP</u>	DATE	<u>G.m.t</u> .	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
12 to 17	18 Dec 74	2102/2111	09 <sup>m</sup>	AGO	Station Problem
12 to 17	19 Dec 74	0421/0445	01 <sup>h24</sup> m	N/A	Schedule Problem
12	22 Dec 74	2207/2357	01 <sup>h50</sup> m	GDS	Station Problem
12 to 17	23 Dec 74	0947/1004	17 <sup>m</sup>	GWM	Station Problem

Sunset of the scientific station's 26th lunation occurred on 2 January 1975 at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported at -137.5± 2.5 dbm from transmitter A. Automatic power management continues to distribute power for optimum thermal control. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 2 January 1975 the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $150 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.5K at probe #1 and 256.8K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 14, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, and sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at  $49.2^{\circ}C$  (slave heater ON). At the beginning of real-time support on 2 January 1975 it was observed the seismic signal (DG-01) data was abnormal and the post amplifier appeared to be saturated. The experiment was reset to post amplifier gain at increment 14 and the seismic signal (DG-01) data returned to normal.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently in STANDBY. The next 4-day high bit rate passive listening period is planned for sun angles  $331.0^{\circ}$  to  $024^{\circ}$  on dates yet to be determined.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but it is not processing scientific data. The instrument is configured to discriminator level, LOW; filament, OFF; high voltage power supply, OFF; and backup heater, ON.

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT (continued)

**3** January 1975 **G.m.t.:** 1300

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface for the remainder of this lunation. The LEAM was commanded ON at 1618 G.m.t., 30 December 1974, for lunar night operation. The Mirror Temperature (AJ-11) was observed at 200.0°F on 28 December 1974.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 20 December 1974, to 1300 G.m.t., 3 January 1975

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Central station Noon of the 34th lunation occurred on 27 December 1974. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operation. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited. The 30-foot antenna tracking stations report a signal strength between -134.0 and -139.0 dbm from transmitter B.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, O db; and feedback loop filter OUT). The instrument's sensor temperature (DL-07) indicated offscale HIGH at the beginning of real-time support on 25 December 1974 (sun angle 66.3°). It is predicted the temperature will return onscale on 3 January 1975. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods.

Lunar surface The LSM is currently ON and recording data as the moon passes through the earth's geomagnetic tail and magnetopause. 914 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment's engineering data since activation.

Active seismic experiment The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF. The instrument was commanded to high bit rate ON at 2225 G.m.t., 23 December 1974, to verify operational status. Operation was satisfactory at this time. The check was performed per Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27. A significant event was in progress during the operational check.

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 20 December 1974, to 1300 G.m.t., 3 January 1975

Central Station Noon of the stations's 43rd lunation occurred on 28 December 1974. Transmitter A downlink signal strength was reported at -135.5 ± 2.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. At 0423 G.m.t., 22 December 1974, the Central station experienced a spurious functional change ( octal 150, Timer Reset) as verified in the ALSEP downlink by the Guam Tracking Station. Also between 1116 and 1255 G.m.t., 23 December 1974, another functional change occurred over the Tananarive Tracking Station (octal 150, Timer Reset). As the 2nd functional change occurred during the Tananarive support time the timer was reset by mission control at 1500 G.m.t., 31 December 1974 and was confirmed to be operating properly at 0916 G.m.t., 1 January 1975, by the Hawaii Tracking Station.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument's uncage-arm circuitry has been cycling per the normal 18 hour timer output pulse functions. At the beginning of real-time support on 26 December 1974 it was noted that DL-07 (sensor temperature) was off-scale HIGH at a sun angle of 66.5° and returned on-scale Ol January 1975 (DL-07= 137.7°F, sun angle 141.5°). No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods.

Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiment The instrument is currently ON. The experiment was cycled ON/STANDBY from 25 December to 30 December 1974. Automatic sequencing of the experiment was initiated on 30 December 1974. (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47). On 31 December 1974 the electronics temperature (T2) was observed to be 90.86°C and the instrument was commanded OFF at 1502 G.m.t., to cooldown. At 1647 G.m.t., the SIDE was commanded ON in the automatic sequence (0-127 frames) at a temperature of 84.25°C for the remainder of this lunation.

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 308.5°K on 2 January 1975 as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.5°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.0°K at its lowest point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

## Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 20 December 1974, to 1300 G.m.t., 3 January 1975 (continued)

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 20 December 1974, to 1300 G.m.t., 3 January 1975

Central station Noon of the 49th lunation at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 30 December 1974. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -137.0 and -144.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) if OFF for lunar day operations.

- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). At the start of real-time support 1500 G.m.t., 25 December 1974, a spurious functional change was observed (PSE feedback loop filter IN, octal 101). At 1523 G.m.t., 25 December 1974, the PSE was returned by command (octal 101) to its normal configuration, filter OUT. The instrument's heater is in FORCED OFF for lunar day operation. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods.
- Active seismic experiment The experiment is currently in STANDBY. The instrument was commanded to high bit rate ON, 23 December 1974, to verify operational status. The output of geophones #2 and #3 appeared abnormal as had initially been observed on 3 January 1974. The status check was performed per Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86.
- Suprathermal ion<br/>detector/cold<br/>cathode gauge<br/>experimentThe instrument has been in STANDBY since 1926 G.m.t., 14 December 1974. During<br/>real-time support on 23 and 24 December 1974, over 175 commands were transmitted<br/>in an attempt to activate the SIDE, without success. Further attempts to turn the<br/>experiment ON will be initiated at the discretion of mission control.

Charged particle lunar environmental experiment The experiment is currently in STANDBY. At 0311 G.m.t., 20 December 1974, the CPLEE responded to a spurious command (octal 120, Channeltron Voltage Increase) as observed by the Guam Tracking Station. During real-time support at 1509 G.m.t., 20 December 1974, the experiment was commanded back to its normal night time operational mode. The maximum voltage obtained during the voltage increase was 3013.0 vdc. At 1525 G.m.t., 25 December 1974, the experiment was commanded to STANDBY.

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 20 December 1974, to 1300 G.m.t., 3 January 1975

Central station Noon of the 64th lunar day occurred on 30 December 1974. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operations. At 0524 G.m.t., 01 January 1975, the Ascension Tracking Station observed a command verification word (CVW) in the downlink signal (octal 062, Power Conditioner Unit #2 SELECT). This was confirmed during real-time support and the central station was reconfigured by command to the normal mode (octal 060, Power Conditioner Unit #1 SELECT) at 1850 G.m.t., 01 January 1975. A signal strength of -140.5 ± 3.5 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured with thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter IN. On 30 December 1974 between 1418 and 1448 G.m.t. a spurious functional change occurred (octal 065, short period calibration ON). At 1918 G.m.t. O1 January 1975, during real-time support the short period calibration was commanded OFF (octal 065). The sensor temperature (DL-O7) had been offscale LOW 12 through 23 December 1974 and sun angles of 229.0° through 4.8°. On 30 December 1974 the sensor temperature was noted to be offscale HIGH at a sun angle of 87.6°. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods of this instrument.

d The instrument is ON and in the normal gain mode recording solar wind plasma data.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment

Suprathermal ion detector experiment The SIDE is currently OFF. The instrument was commanded OFF during real-time support on 24 December 1974, when the internal temperature was 40.0°C. Cyclic commanding of the instrument in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF is in effect for this lunar day. During real-time support on 29, 30, and 31 December 1974, the SIDE experienced unexpected mode changes to command register X10 at temperatures of 56.5°C, 56.5°C, and 55.6°C respectively. The mode changes were cleared by commanding the instrument to OFF for cooldown prior to turn ON during the next support periods.

Lunar surface	Commanded	0FF	14	June	1974.
magnetometer					
experiment					

# Status as of 1600 G.m.t., 2 January 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	1870 22515 124.8 <sup>0</sup> 60.9w A11 OFF LSM/SIDE OFF 92.5 <sup>°</sup> F Offscale HIGH OFF 64.3 <sup>°</sup> C OFF OFF N/A N/A N/A	1427 14693 130.8° 64.1w A11 OFF ASE/CPLEE/SIDE Stby 100.9°F 138.1°F N/A N/A Standby Standby Standby 80.4°C N/A	1251 26375 151.9° 66.9w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 95.4°F 130.2°F OFF 0FF 78.0° 331.5°K N/A N/A 312.3°K	986 14420 163.8 66.7w A11 OFF ASE OFF 68.5°F Offscale HIGH 41.4°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

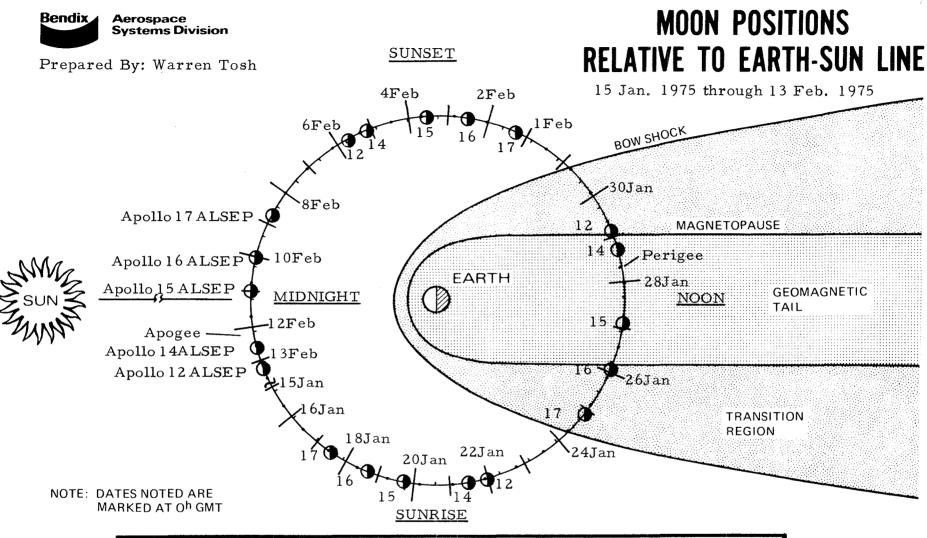
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TM POINT	APOLLO 17 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation	751
Total Conmands to Date	15450
Sun Angle	179.0
Input Power	74.8w
APM Status (AB-13)	ON
Power Dump Status (AB-14)	A11 OFF
Experiment Status	LSPE Stby
Avg Thermal Plate Temp	64.2°F
LACE Temp (AM-41)	72.9°F
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)	76.2°F
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	286.4°K
LSG Temp (DG-04)	49.2°C
LSP Temp (AP-01)	66.6°F

TIMES - CST	·	ALSEP SI	JPPORT SCHEDULE/	EVENTS	·	PSE CALS DAILY
DEC 8/342	9/343	10/344	11/345	12/346	13/347	14/348
0330-1230 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON	0800-1100 ALSEP 15 NEG X POS Y FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>0900-1100</u>	0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON
DEC 15/349	16/350	17/351	18/352	19/353	20/354	21/355
NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR OFF FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>0900-1100</u>	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 16 AUTO X FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 16	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF TIMER RST FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>0900-1100</u>
DEC 22/356	23/357	24/358	25/359	26/360	27/361	28/362
0900-1100 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 17 LACE STBY LEAM OFF BEN-20	1300-1700 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF ALSEP 14 C/S HTR OFF ASE CHK Y PROC CHK ALSEP 16 ASE CHK FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0800-1000 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 14 CPLEE STBY ALSEP 15 SIDE STBY ALSEP 16 NEG Z FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 14 PSE HTR OFF ALSEP 16 NEG Z	0500-0900 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT ALSEP 16 NEG Z FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 16 NEG Z NASA-JSC

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ALSEP 16 NEG Z	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LEAM ON FLIP CAL RBS HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	1300-1500 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 16 POS Z ALSEP 17 LACE ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 16 POS Z 2000-2100 ALSEP 16 POS Z	O500-0600 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON POS Z ALSEP 14 PSE HTR ON 1400-1600 ALSEP 16 POS Z FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 16 POS Z	Ţ
JAN 5/005 0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	6/006 0800-1000 ALSEP 14 C/S HTR ON CPLEE ON SIDE ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2200-2400 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON	7/007 0000-0200 1000-1200	8/008 0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	9/009 0900-1100	10/010 0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	11/011 <u>NO SUPPORT</u>	
JAN 12/012	13/013	14/014	15/015	16/016	17/017	18/018	
<u>NO_SUPPORT</u>	0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO_SUPPORT</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u> ALSEP 16	



APOLLO		DAY/HOU	R(GMT)		
(ALSEP)	Midnight	Sunrise	Lunation/Noon	Sunset	Midnight
17	10Jan/0329	17Jan/1246	(27)24Jan/2230	1Feb/0833	8Feb/1802
16	11Jan/0931	18Jan/1846	(35)26Jan/0439	2Feb/1439	10Feb/0001
15	12Jan/0852	19Jan/1812	(44)27Jan/0407	3Feb/1404	10Feb/2322
14	14Jan/0227	21Jan/1154	(50)28Jan/2155	5Feb/0743	12Feb/1656
12	14Jan/1406	22Jan/0001	<b>(</b> 65)29Jan/0938	5Feb/1819	13Feb/0435

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

#### 10 January 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

During real-time support on 3 January a significant seismic event was observed on all Passive Seismic Experiments and the Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment. The event was first noted at 0147 G.m.t., on the Apollo 12 ALSEP and at 0149 G.m.t., on the Apollo 16 ALSEP. Observation on the analog recorders indicated that the seismic signal (DG-01) of the LSG was at approximately 90% full scale output with the Post Amplifier Gain set at increment 14. The Passive Seismic Experiments were noted on the analog recorders as being at approximately 95% full scale output on the short period axes and at 40% full scale output on the long period axes. The event was still being observed on all ALSEPS at the close of real-time support at 0230 G.m.t., 3 January.

Remote site coverage for recording of ALSEP downlink data was not available during the following period. It must be noted that this data loss is non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	$\underline{G.m.t.}$	LOSS	$\underline{SITE}$	REMARKS
16	08 Jan 75	0640/0644	$04^m$	MAD	Station Problem

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Midnight of the scientific station's 26th lunation occurred today, 10 January, at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported at  $-141.5 \pm 2.5$  dbm from transmitter A by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas. Automatic power management continues to distribute power for optimum thermal control. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 9 January lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $108 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were 256.5°K at probe #1 and 256.8°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 15, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT (continued)

10 January 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

On 7 January the sensor beam was repositioned to near center by utilizing the North/South and East/West tilt servo motors. The seismic signal voltage (DG-01) was reading 0.0030 vdc when the beam was centered in the Seismic Gain Low mode. The bias was checked IN and OUT and the signal response appeared normal at this time. The LSG was then reconfigured for operation as indicated above.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently in STANDBY. The next 4-day high bit rate listening period is planned for sun angles  $331.0^{\circ}$  to  $024.0^{\circ}$  at a yet to be determined date.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data. On 8 January, between 0659 G.m.t., and 1524 G.m.t., the experiment was turned OFF to conduct a cold soak test. During the test it is estimated the electronics temperature (AM-41) decreased from  $-0.5^{\circ}F$  to  $-35.9^{\circ}F$ . The instrument was later left ON to allow the electronics temperature to warm up. On 9 January the electronics temperature (AM-41) had increased to  $-6.1^{\circ}F$ . The cold soak was accomplished at the Principal Investigator's request prior to initiating operational checks of the instrument from previous (16 and 18 December 1974) operational checks (Multiplier High Voltage Power Supply, ON). The instrument was reconfigured after each test to discriminator level, LOW; filament, OFF; high voltage power supply, OFF; and backup heater, ON.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

# Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operation	al status from 1300 G.m.t., 3 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 10 January 1975
Central Station	Sunset at the Descartes Site occurred on 4 January for the 34th lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded ON at 1959 G.m.t., 3 January, for lunar night operations when the average thermal plate temperature decreased to $41.2^{\circ}$ F. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported at -136.0 ± 2.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
Passive seismic experiment	The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). The instrument's assembly temperature (DL-07 = 138.4°F) returned onscale, 3 January, at a sun angle of 177.8°. A seismic event was observed this report period.
Lunar surface magnetometer experiment	The LSM is ON and recording data. 920 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment's engineering data since activation.
Active seismic	The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF. (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27).

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Active seismic experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 3 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 10 January 1975

Central station Sunset of the station's 43rd lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 4 January. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported between -133.0 and -138.5 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station's data subsystem timer outputs. A seismic event was observed during this report period.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded detector/cold ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47).

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 90.6 K on 9 January, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.5 K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.1 K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically. At 0641 G.m.t., 9 January, the Ascension Tracking Station reported a CVW (octal 146, HFE Subsequence No. 3) in the Apollo 15 ALSEP downlink. As the command can have an operational effect on subsequent commanding to the HFE the CVW was cleared by executing an octal 141 (HFE Full Sequence Select) command through mission control at 1502 G.m.t., 9 January.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface Command magnetometer experiment

Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 3 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 10 January 1975

Central station Sunset at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 6 January for the 49th lunation. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -135.0 and -143.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been ON for lunar night operations since 1415 G.m.t., 6 January.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument's heater is in AUTO ON for lunar night operations. A seismic event was observed during this report period.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).

experiment

Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge The instrument is OFF. At 1536 G.m.t., 6 January, three commands were transmitted to the SIDE to turn it ON for lunar night operation. However, the instrument continued to intermittently return to the static condition (following ON commands) from 6 to 8 January. During real-time support on 8 January, twenty-three additional commands were executed without success to turn the instrument ON. Engineering data available during some of the ON periods indicate a malfunction in the negative Analog to Digital Convertor. At this time it cannot be determined whether the science data is valid. No further attempts to turn the instrument ON are planned until after the next lunar sunset on 5 February 1975.

Charged particle lunar environment experiment A voltage, to 2280 vdc, at which time the instrument will be commanded to STANDBY.

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 3 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 10 January 1975

Central station Sunset of the 64th lunation occurred on 7 January. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded ON for lunar night operation on 7 January. A signal strength of -136.0 to -144.5 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured with thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter IN. The instrument's assembly temperature (DL-07 = 136.7°) returned onscale at a sun angle of 172.3° on 6 January. The Z-axis drive motor was commanded ON, 7 January, to maximize heating in the instrument during lunar night. A seismic event was observed during this report period.

Solar wind The instrument remains in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind spectrometer plasma data. experiment

Suprathermal ion detector experiment The side has been ON in the full automatic stepping sequence (0-127) with Channeltron high voltages ON since 1445 G.m.t., 5 January. On 3 January the SIDE experienced a reduction of high energy calibrations and data counts due probably to a loss of amplifier gain. During the support period on 4 January the calibrations and data counts were again normal.

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	1877 22697 210.0 <sup>0</sup> 60.6w (61.3w) A11 ON LSM OFF 11.6 <sup>°</sup> F 126.2 <sup>°</sup> F OFF -14.8 <sup>°</sup> C 4.8 <sup>°</sup> C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1434 15009 215.9 <sup>0</sup> 63.9 <i>(64.0w)</i> A11 ON SIDE/ASE STDBY 31.7 <sup>°</sup> F 124.1 <sup>°</sup> F N/A N/A STANDBY STANDBY -50.0 <sup>°</sup> C -65.0 <sup>°</sup> C N/A	1258 26470 237.10 66.9 (67.4w) A11 OFF LSM/OFF 10.4°F 124.6°F OFF 0FF 7.2°C 112.3°K N/A N/A 283.6°K	993 14550 248.9 67.6 (67.6w) All On ASE OFF 33.8°F 125.9°F -9.0°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

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Total Days of Operation
Total Commands to Date
Sun Angle
Input Power
APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

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Values in parentheses indicate RTG outputs during last lunation at a similar sun angle.

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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

17 January 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Remote site coverage for recording of ALSEP downlink data was not available during the following period. It must be noted that this data loss is non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
12 to 17	08 Jan 75	0640/0644	$04^m$	MAD	Station Problem

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Midnight of the scientific station's 26th lunation occurred on 10 January at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported at -137.3 ± 2.3 dbm from transmitter A by the tracking stations with the 30-foot antennas. Automatic power management continues to distribute power for optimum thermal control. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 15 January lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $106 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were 256.5°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 15, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY. The next 4-day high bit rate passive listening period is planned for sun angles  $331.0^{\circ}$  -  $024^{\circ}$  at a yet to be determined date.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data. The instrument is configured to discriminator level, LOW; filament, OFF; high voltage power supply, OFF; and backup heater, ON. Between the hours of 1200 and 1503 G.m.t., 10 January, the instrument was OFF for further cold soaking prior to an operational check. There was no improvement compared to the checks performed on 8 and 9 January. Two additional checks were conducted on 13 and 15 January. A significant improvement was observed when all sweep voltages were at normal values with the electronic multipliers in LOW. However, when the electronic multipliers were in HIGH a failure appeared to occur in the power supply and upon the return of the electronic multipliers to LOW the power reduced to zero. On the initial check with the electronic

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT (continued)

17 January 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

multipliers in LOW, discriminator level LOW, high voltage power supply ON, filament #2 ON, and in automatic sweep the engineering and science data observed gave all the normal indications of the data received prior to the 17 October 1973 power supply failure. After each check the LACE was returned to its present operational mode as indicated above.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 10 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 17 January 1975

- Central station Midnight at the Descartes Site occurred on 11 January for the 34th lunar night. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported at - 135.0 ± 3.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). No significant seismic events were noted during the limited real-time support of this instrument.

Lunar surface The LSM is ON. 926 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by magnetometer the experiment's engineering data.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27).

experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 10 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 17 January 1975

- Central station Midnight of the station's 43rd lunation occurred on 12 January at the Hadley Rille Site. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at -135.5 ± 2.5 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). Experiment The uncage/arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station's data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were observed during the limited real-time support periods.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded detector/cold ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames).

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 85.3°K on 15 January, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.0°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind	Commanded	OFF	14	June	1974.
spectrometer					

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

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#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 10 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 17 January 1975

Central station Midnight at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 14 January for the 49th lunation. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at -140.0  $\pm$  3.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations.

- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). Experiment The instrument's heater is in AUTO ON for lunar night operations. No significant seismic events were observed during the periodic real-time support periods.
- Active seismic experiment The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). Between the hours of 0540 and 0924 G.m.t., 10 January the ASE experienced a functional change to OFF (octal 044). As the Tananarive Tracking Station was supporting ALSEP during these times and does not monitor experiment status (parameter AB-04) the change was not reported until the Canary Tracking Station began support at 0920 G.m.t., 10 January. The instrument was returned to its normal operating configuration, STANDBY Power ON (octal 043), by Mode I command at 0943 G.m.t., 10 January, through the Canary Tracking Station.

Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiment Charged particle lunar environ-The experiment is operating in the manual mode at the -35 vdc range and automatic thermal control mode.

ment experiment

# Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 10 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 17 January 1975

Central station	Midnight of the 64th lunation occurred on 14 January. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. A signal strength between -136.5 and -141.0 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
Passive seismic experiment	The instrument is configured with thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, O db; and feedback loop filter IN. The instrument's assembly temperature (DL-O7) was offscale LOW at a sun angle of 221.5° on 10 January. The Z-axis drive motor is ON to maximize heating in the instrument during lunar night. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support periods.
Solar wind spectrometer experiment	The instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode.
Suprathermal ion detector experiment	The SIDE is in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON.
Lunar surface magnetometer experiment	Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

## Status as of 1600 G.m.t., 15 January 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT		APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	1883 22715 283.1° 60.1w (61.3w) A11 ON LSM OFF 9.7°F Offscale LOW OFF -15.6°C 4.3°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1440 15025 289.1° 63.9w (64.0w) A11 ON SIDE/ASE STBY 30.5°F 124.0°F N/A N/A STANDBY STANDBY STANDBY -22.7°C -71.1°C N/A	1264 26548 310.2° 66.9w (67.4w) A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 9.7°F 124.3°F OFF 0FF 6.5°C 108.3°K N/A N/A 283.5°K	999 14600 322.1° 67.5w (67.5w) A11 ON ASE OFF 33.4°F 125.8°F -8.9°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

## TM POINT

Total Days of Operation
Total Commands to Date
Sun Angle
Input Power
APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

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### APOLLO 17 ALSEP

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337.3°
73.5w (73.9w)
ON
A11 OFF
LSP STBY
20.9°F
-2.3°F
-17.4°F
285.4°K
49.2°C
22.7°F

Value in parenthesis indicates RTG output during last lunation at a similar sun angle.

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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

24 January 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Remote site coverage for recording of ALSEP downlink data was not available during the following period. It must be noted that this data loss is non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	<u>SITE</u>	REMARKS
12 to 17	20 Jan 75	1153/1155	02 <sup>m</sup>	TAN	Station Problem

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunrise of the scientific station's 27th lunation occurred on 17 January at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported between -134.5 and -143.0 dbm from transmitter A. Automatic power management continues to distribute power for optimum thermal control. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 23 January the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $370 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were 256.5°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 15, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently in STANDBY. The next 4-day passive listening period is planned for sun angles 331° to 024° at a date yet to be determined.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY. Operational checks of the experiment were performed on 17 and 21 January with the same results as indicated on 15 January, i.e. the normal operation observed on 13 January could not be repeated.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment was commanded OFF at 1539 G.m.t., 20 January, for the remainder of this lunar day.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 17 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 24 January 1975

Central station Sunrise at the Descartes Site occurred on 18 January for the 35th lunar day. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded OFF for lunar day operations on 19 January. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported between -133.0 and -138.5 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). No significant seismic events were noted during the limited real-time support of this instrument.

Lunar surface The LSM is ON and recording data as it approaches the bow shock of the earth's geomagnetic tail. The instrument has accomplished 932 flip calibration sequences. experiment

Active seismic experiment Due to the condition of the Mortar Box, the experiment will not be checked until further notice as agreed upon by the Science Requirements Branch and Flight Control Division.

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 17 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 24 January 1975

- Central station Sunrise of the station's 44th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 19 January. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at -136.0 ± 3.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage/arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station's data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were observed during the limited real-time support periods.
- Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). During real-time support on 20 January it was noted the instrument received an octal 107 (Load 4, SIDE Master Reset) between the support periods of 19 and 20 January. A command verification word (CVW) had not been reported in the ALSEP 15 downlink. Octals 104, 105, and 106 were sent to the instrument and the command register was cleared at 1509 G.m.t., 20 January, with octal 110 (execution command).
- Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 350.0°K on 23 January, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.1°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 17 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 24 January 1975

- Central station Sunrise at the Apollo 14 site (50th lunation) occurred on 21 January. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at -139.5 ± 3.5 dbm. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded OFF for lunar day operation on 22 January.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). experiment No significant seismic events have been noted during this report period.
- Active seismic experiment The experiment is currently in STANDBY. The instrument was commanded to high bit rate ON, 22 January, to verify operational status. The output of geophones #2 and #3 appeared abnormal as had initially been observed on 3 January 1974. The status check was performed per Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86.
- Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiment Nord 15 became static again. No further attempts to turn the instrument on a sufficient time before Word 15 became static again. No further attempts to turn the instrument on are planned until the next lunar sunset on 6 February 1975.
- Charged particle The experiment was commanded to STANDBY at 1511 G.m.t., 23 January, for the lunar remainder of this lunar day.

experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 17 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 24 January 1975

- Central station Sunrise of the 65th lunar day occurred on 22 January at the ALSEP site in the Ocean of Storms. A signal strength of  $140.0 \pm 2.0$  dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded OFF for lunar day operations on 22 January.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured with thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, O db; and feedback loop filter IN. The instrument's assembly temperature (DL-07) returned onscale (DL-07 = 126.4°F, sun angle = 4.6°) on 22 January. The Z-axis drive motor was commanded OFF on 22 January to minimize heating in the instrument during the lunar day. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods of this instrument.
- Solar wind The instrument is ON and in the normal gain mode.
- spectrometer experiment

experiment

Suprathermal ion The instrument was commanded OFF during real-time support on 23 January. Cyclic commanding of the instrument from the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF is in effect for this lunar day to avoid inadvertent mode changes due to high temperatures.

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

# Status as of 1600 G.m.t., 23 January 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	1891 22792 20.4° 60.6w A11 OFF SIDE/LSM OFF 76.1°F 126.1°F OFF 37.9°C OFF OFF N/A N/A N/A	1448 15158 26.4° 63.6w A11 OFF CPLEE/SIDE/ASE STDBY 82.1°F 125.0°F N/A N/A STDBY STDBY STDBY STDBY 19.1°C N/A	1272 26652 47.5° 66.0w All OFF LSM/SWS OFF 100.3°F 133.7°F OFF 0FF 81.7°C 364.0°K N/A N/A 316.6°K	1007 14734 59.4° 66.3w A11 OFF ASE OFF 98.3°F 138.0°F 41.4°C N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

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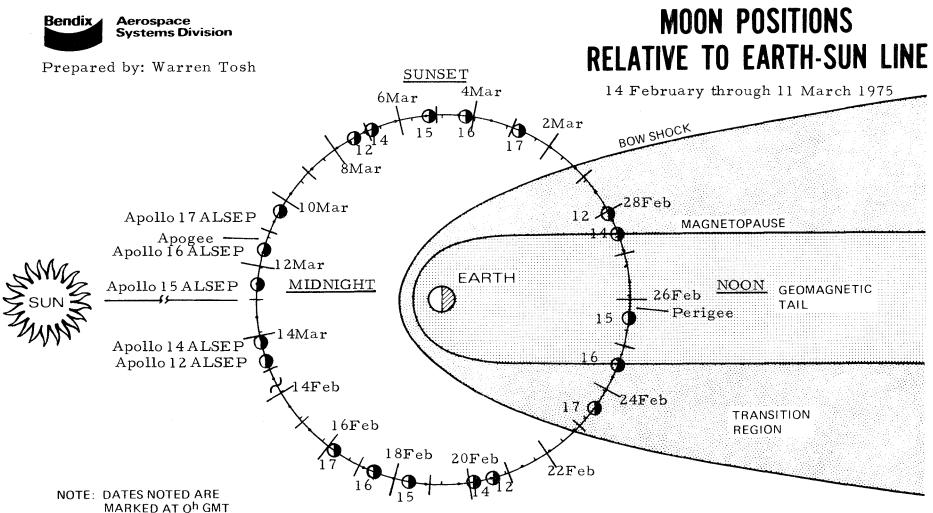
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Input Power APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41) LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13) LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

# APOLLO 17 ALSEP

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17	8Feb/1802	16Feb/0312	(28)23Feb/1247	2Mar/2242	10Mar/0759
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15	10Feb/2322	18Feb/0836	(45)25Feb/1823	5Mar/0409	12Mar/1316
14	12Feb/1656	20Feb/0216	(51)27Feb/1209	6Mar/2146	14Mar/0648
12	13Feb/0435	20Feb/1427	(66)27Feb/2352	7Mar/0819	14Mar/1826

#### 31 January 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Remote site coverage for recording of ALSEP downlink data was not available during the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	<u>SITE</u>	REMARKS
AII 16 17 12 & 15	23 Jan 75 23 Jan 75 26 Jan 75 26 Jan 75	1120/1155 2223/2226 0913/1002 0914/1002	35 <sup>m</sup> 03 <sup>m</sup> 49 <sup>m</sup> 48 <sup>m</sup> 42 <sup>m</sup>	HAW/TAN MIL GDS/ORR GDS/ORR	Station Problem (ORR) Station Problem Station Problem Station Problem
14 & 16 12 AZI	26 Jan 75 27 Jan 75 28 Jan 75	0920/1002 1012/1034 1612/1615	42 <sup>m</sup> 22 <sup>m</sup> 03 <sup>m</sup>	GDS/ORR GWM/ORR HAW	Station Problem Station Problem (GDS) Station Problem

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Noon of the scientific station's 27th lunation occurred on 24 January at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported between -135.5 and -143.0 dbm from transmitter A. Automatic power management continues to distribute power for optimum thermal performance. Since August of 1974, all commanding has been accomplished through Uplink B. Automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulse is inhibited by routine transmission of command octal 174 (Delay uplink switchover) during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being accomplished on a periodic basis: nominally three (3) times each week. On 30 January the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $253 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were  $256.5^{\circ}$ K at probe #1 and  $256.9^{\circ}$ K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for date collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 15, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently in STANDBY. The next High Bit Rate passive listening mode will extend from a sun angle of 331° to 024° and is scheduled for 13 to 18 April 1975.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY. An operational check was performed on 28 January. Results were the same as those previously reported with the continuing indication of a high voltage failure. Another check is presently scheduled for 4 February.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment was commanded ON at 1518 G.m.t., 29 January, for the remainder of this lunation.

31 January 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 24 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 31 January 1975

Central station Noon of the 35th lunation occurred on 26 January 1975. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operation. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited. The 30-foot antenna tracking stations report a signal strength between -134.5 and -139.5 dbm from transmitter B.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). The instrument's sensor temperature (DL-07) indicated offscale HIGH on 24 January at a sun angle of 71.9°. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic realtime support periods.

Lunar surface The LSM is currently ON and recording data as the moon passes through the earth's geomagnetic tail and magnetopause. 940 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment's engineering data since activation.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 24 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 31 January 1975

- Central station Noon of the station's 44th lunation occurred on 27 January. Transmitter A downlink signal strength was reported at -136.0 ± 3.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry has been cycling per the normal 18 hour timer output pulse functions. The instrument's sensor temperature (DL-07) went offscale high on 25 January at a sun angle of 74.1°. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded detector/cold ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). cathode gauge

The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode with all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 351.0°K on 30 January as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.1°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment

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Heat flow

Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. At 0956 G.m.t., 25 January, the SWS experienced a spurious Operate Power ON Command (octal 045) as reported by the Goldstone Tracking Station. During real-time support later on 25 January, the experiment was turned OFF by transmission of the Standby select and the Standby OFF Commands (octals 046 and 050) at 2055 G.m.t. No change was seen in system reserve power when the Standby Select Command was transmitted; however, an increase of 3.9 watts was observed when the instrument was commanded to Standby OFF.

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. At 1515 G.m.t., 29 January, the instrument was inadvertently turned ON by transmission of the Operate Select Command (octal 042). It was commanded to Standby and Standby OFF (octals 043 and 044) approximately 2 minutes later. The system reserve power decreased by approximately 6 watts when the instrument went ON and returned to its original level when the instrument went OFF.

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 24 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 31 January 1975

Central station Noon of the 50th lunation at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 28 January. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -136.0 and -140.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operations.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). experiment The instrument's heater is in FORCED OFF for lunar day operation. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).

Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiment No further attempts to turn the instrument ON are planned until after the next lunar sunset on 5 February 1975.

Charged particle The CPLEE has been in STANDBY since 1511 G.m.t., 23 January 1975. lunar environmental experiments

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#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 24 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 31 January 1975

- Central station Noon of the 65th lunar day occurred on 29 January. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operations. A signal strength of -140.0 ± 4.0 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured with thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter IN. The instrument's assembly temperature (DL-07) went offscale high on 29 January at a sun angle of 92.6° No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods of this instrument.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment

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The instrument is ON and in the normal gain mode recording solar wind plasma data.

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is currently OFF. Cyclic commanding of the instrument in the full autodetector matic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF experiment is in effect for this lunar day.

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 30 January 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03)	1898 22876 104.8° 60.5w A11 OFF LSM/SIDE OFF 93.3°F Offscale HIGH OFF 67.9°C OFF OFF N/A N/A N/A	1455 15193 110.8° 63.8w A11 OFF ASE/CPLEE/SIDE STDBY 113.6°F 138.0°F N/A N/A STANDBY STANDBY STANDBY 82.0°C N/A	1279 26795 131.9° 66.4w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 110.6°F Offscale HIGH OFF OFF 355.6°K 89.5°C N/A N/A 324.7°K	1014 14854 143.8° 66.7w A11 OFF ASE OFF 87.5°F Offscale HIGH 42.4°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	N/ A	ių n	JLT / I	0.1

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Total Days of Operation	7
Total Commands to Date	2
Sun Angle	1
Input Power	7
APM Status (AB-13)	0
Power Dump Status (AB-14)	A
Experiment Status	L
Avg Thermal Plate Temp	5
LACE Temp (AM-41)	1
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)	1
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	3
LSG Temp (DG-04)	4
LSP Temp (AP-01)	5

# APOLLO 17 ALSEP

779	
20516	
159°	
71.5w	
ON	
All OFF	
LACE/LSPE	STDBY
58.6°F	
110.5°F	
176.0°F	
301.1°K	
49.2°C	
58.7°F	

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	JAN 19/019	20.020	21/021	22/022	23/023	24/024	25/025
	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF TIMER RST	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 14 ALSEP 17 LACE STBY LEAM OFF	0300-0700 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF ALSEP 14 C/S HTR OFF ASE CHK Y PROC CHK ALSEP 16 ASE CHK FLIP CAL HFE RBS 1800-1900	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF ALSEP 14 CPLEE STBY ALSEP 16 NEG Z	1100-1300 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STBY ALSEP 16 NEG Z FLIP CAL HFE RBS	1600-2000 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 14 PSE HTR OFF ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT ALSEP 16 NEG Z
	JAN 26/026	27/027	28/028	29/029	30/030	31/031	FEB 1/032
	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 17 LEAM ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 16 POS Z FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 16 POS Z	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 16 POS Z ALSEP 17 LACE ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2200-2300 ALSEP 16 POS Z	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 16 POS Z 2200-2300 ALSEP 16 POS Z
	FEB 2/033	3/034	4/035	5/036	6/036	7/037	8/039
	0900-1100 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 14 PSE HTR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 C/S HTR ON CPLEE ON SIDE ON	1400-1800 ALSEP 12 & 14 ALSEP 12 V C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>0700-0900</u>	<u>0900-1200</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>
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7 February 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Remote site coverage for recording of ALSEP downlink data was not attainable during the following period. It must be noted that this data loss is non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	$\underline{G.m.t}$ .	LOSS	$\underline{SITE}$	REMARKS
17	12 Dec 74	0216/0704	04 <sup>h</sup> 48 <sup>m</sup>	TAN	Station Problem

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunset of the scientific station's 27th lunation occurred 1 February at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported at  $-140.5 \pm 2.5$  dbm from transmitter A by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas. Automatic power management continues to distribute power for optimum thermal control. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 6 February the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was lll  $\pm$  8°K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were 256.5°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 15, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently in STANDBY. The next 4-day high bit rate listening period is planned for sun angles 331.0° to 024.0° from 13 to 18 April 1975.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data. On 5 February, between 1946 G.m.t., and 2246 G.m.t., the experiment was turned OFF to conduct a cold soak test. During the test it is estimated the electronics temperature (AM-41) decreased from  $-0.5^{\circ}F$  to  $-29.0^{\circ}F$ . The instrument was left ON to allow the electronics temperature to warm up. On 6 February the electronics temperature (AM-41) had increased to  $-8.0^{\circ}F$ . The cold soak was accomplished at the Principal Investigator's request prior to initiating an operational check of the instrument on 6 February. The LACE's telemetry data did not indicate any improvement from previous (13 January) operational checks. The instrument was reconfigured after the test to discriminator level, LOW; filament, OFF; high voltage power supply, OFF; and backup heater, ON. The next opera-

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT (continued)

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tional check will be conducted on 27 February.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 31 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 7 February 1975

Central station Sunset at the Descartes Site occurred on 2 February for the 35th lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded ON at 1452 G.m.t., 2 February, for lunar night operations when the average thermal plate temperature decreased to 32.9°F. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported at -136.0 ± 2.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

#### Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). The instrument's assembly temperature (DL-07 = 130.4°F) returned onscale, 2 February, at a sun angle of 180.1°. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Lunar surface The LSM is ON and recording data. 944 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment's engineering data.

Active seismic experiment

The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27).

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 31 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 7 February 1975

Central station Sunset of the station's 44th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 3 February. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at  $-137.0 \pm 3.0$  dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station's data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded detector/cold ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) (Apollo 15 ALSEP, cathode gauge SMEAR 47).

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 93.4°K on 6 February, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.5°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.1°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 31 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 7 February 1975

Central station Sunset at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 5 February for the 50th lunation. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at -138.5 ± 1.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been ON for lunar night operations since 1504 G.m.t., 4 February.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 experiment ALSEP). The instrument's heater is in AUTO ON for lunar night operations. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

# Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge The instrument is OFF. On 4 and 5 February, 43 commands were transmitted to the SIDE to turn it ON for lunar night operation. However, the instrument continued to intermittently return to the static condition following each ON command. On 6 February 20 additional commands were executed without success to turn the instrument ON. Engineering and science data available during some of the ON periods were not valid. No further attempts to turn the instrument ON are planned at this time.

Charged particle lunar environment experiment The experiment is operating in the manual mode at the -35 vdc range and automatic thermal control mode since 1511 G.m.t., 4 February. It is planned to leave the experiment in this configuration pending possible degradation of AC-03, analyzer A voltage, to 2280 vdc, at which time the instrument will be commanded to STANDBY.

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 31 January 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 7 February 1975

Central station

Sunset of the 65th lunation occurred on 5 February. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded ON for lunar night operation on 5 February. A signal strength of -139.5 to -143.0 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. At 1302 G.m.t., 5 February, the Goldstone Tracking Station reported a CVW (octal 017, 7-watt PDR ON) in the Apollo 12 ALSEP downlink. The PDR was commanded OFF (octal 021) by Mode I, through Goldstone, at the direction of mission control. During real-time support, later, 5 February, it was confirmed the 7-watt PDR was OFF.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured with thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, O db; and feedback loop filter IN. The instrument's assembly temperature (DL-07 = 141.5°) returned onscale at a sun angle of 165.3° on 4 February. The Z-axis drive motor was commanded ON, 5 February, to maximize heating in the instrument during lunar night. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support this report period.

Solar wind The instrument remains in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind spectrometer plasma data. experiment

Suprathermal ion The side has been ON in the full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) with detector Channeltron high voltages ON since 1436 G.m.t., 3 February. experiment

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

Status as of 1400 G.m.t., 6 February 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	1905 22982 188.8° 60.5w A11 ON LSM OFF 14.4°F 126.7°F OFF -7.3°C 4.3°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1462 15351 195.0° 63.9w A11 ON SIDE/ASE STDBY 32.3°F 124.1°F N/A N/A STDBY STDBY -21.9°C -35.6°C N/A	1286 26904 216.5° 66.9w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 10.3°F 124.6°F OFF OFF 7.2°C 116.5°K N/A N/A 283.7°K	1021 14999 228.3° 67.5w A11 ON ASE OFF 34.0°F 125.9°F -8.9°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

# TM POINT

Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle
Input Power
APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

# APOLLO 17 ALSEP

786 20749 242.9°
73.5w
ON
A11 OFF
LSP STDBY
22.6°F
-8.0°F
-17.4°F
285.9°K
49.2°C
24.0°F

10/010	20.020	21/021	22/022	23/023	24/024	25/025
JAN 19/019 0900-1100 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF TIMER RST	0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 14 ALSEP 17 LACE STBY LEAM OFF	0300-0700 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF ALSEP 14 C/S HTR OFF ASE CHK Y PROC CHK ALSEP 16 ASE CHK FLIP CAL HFE RBS 1800-1900	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF ALSEP 14 CPLEE STBY ALSEP 16 NEG Z	1100-1300 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STBY ALSEP 16 NEG Z FLIP CAL HFE RBS	1600-2000 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 14 PSE HTR OFF ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT ALSEP 16 NEG Z
JAN 26/026	27/027	28/028	29/029	30/030	31/031	FEB 1/032
<u>0900-1100</u> ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 17 LEAM ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 16 POS Z FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 16 POS Z	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 16 POS Z ALSEP 17 LACE ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2200-2300 ALSEP 16 POS Z	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 16 POS Z 2200-2300 ALSEP 16 POS Z
FEB 2/033	3/034	4/035	5/036	6/036	7/037	8/039
0900-1100 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 14 PSE HTR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 C/S HTR ON CPLEE ON SIDE ON	1400-1800 ALSEP 12 & 14 ALSEP 12 V C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>0700-0900</u>	0900-1200 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>

FEB 9/040	10/041	11/040	12/043	13/044	14/045	15/040
NO SUPPORT	10/041 0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>11/042</u> <u>NO_SUPPORT</u>	12/043 0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO_SUPPORT</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	15/046 <u>NO_SUPPORT</u> ALSEP 17
FEB 16/047	17/048	18/049	19/050	20/051	21/052	22/053
<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	1400-1600 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF FLIP CAL HFE RBS	1100-1300 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 TIMER RST	0800-1000 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 17 LACE STBY LEAM OFF FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2300-2400	1300-1700 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF ALSEP 14 C/S HTR OFF Y PROC CHK	0700-0900 ALSEP 14 CPLEE STBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF
FEB 23/054	24/055	25/056	26/057	27/058	28/059	MAR 1/060
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STBY ALSEP 16 NEG Z	0700-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 14 PSE HTR OFF ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT ALSEP 16 NEG Z FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 16 NEG Z	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 16 NEG Z FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LEAM ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 16 POS Z ALSEP 17 LACE ON 2300-2400 ALSEP 16 POS Z

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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

#### 14 February 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Remote site coverage for recording of ALSEP downlink data was not available during the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	$\underline{DATE}$	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
ALL	06 Feb 75	2215/2322	01 <sup>h</sup> 07 <sup>m</sup>	N/A	SMS-B Launch
ALL	07 Feb 75	0044/0100	16 <sup>m</sup>	HAW/BUR	Station Problem
ALL	10 Feb 75	2344/2348	04 <sup>m</sup>	HAW	Station Problem

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Midnight of the scientific station's 27th lunation occurred on 8 February at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported at  $-139.0 \pm 3.0$  dbm from transmitter A by the tracking stations with the 30-foot antennas. Automatic power management continues to distribute power for optimum thermal control. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 12 February lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples was  $106 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were 256.5°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 15, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY. The next 4-day high bit rate passive listening period is planned for sun angles 331° to 024° from 13 to 18 April 1975.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data. The instrument is configured to discriminator level, LOW; filament, OFF; high voltage power supply, OFF; and backup heater, ON. An operational check was performed on 7 February. Results were the same as those previously reported with the continuing indication of a high voltage failure. The next check is scheduled for 27 February.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 7 February 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 14 February 1975

Central station Midnight at the Descartes Site occurred on 10 February for the 35th lunar night. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported at -136.5 ± 2.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). No significant seismic events were noted during the limited real-time support of this instrument.

Lunar surface The LSM is ON. 950 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by magnetometer the experiment's engineering data.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27).

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#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 7 February 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 14 February 1975

Central station Midnight of the station's 44th lunation occurred on 10 February at the Hadley Rille Site. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported between -134.5 and -138.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.

- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage/arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station's data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were observed during the limited real-time support periods.
- Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded detector/cold ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). cathode gauge
- Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 86.4°K on 12 February, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.1°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer

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## Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 7 February 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 14 February 1975

Central station	Midnight at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 12 February for the 50th lunation. Trans- mitter A signal strength was reported at -141.0 - 2.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations.
Passive seismic experiment	The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument's heater is in AUTO ON for lunar night operations. No significant seismic events were observed during the periodic real-time support periods.
Active seismic experiment	The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).
Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiment	The instrument is in STANDBY.
Charged particle lunar environ- ment experiment	The experiment is operating in the manual mode at the -35 vdc range and automatic thermal control mode.

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 7 February 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 14 February 1975

Central station
Midnight of the 65th lunation occurred on 13 February. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. A signal strength between -137.5 and -142.0 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
Passive seismic experiment
The instrument is configured with thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter IN. The instrument's assembly temperature (DL-07) was offscale LOW at a sun angle of 238.6° on 10 February. The Z-axis drive motor is ON to maximize heating in the instrument during lunar night. No significant seismic

events were noted during the real-time support periods.

Solar wind The instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode. spectrometer experiment

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages detector ON. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 12 February 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	1911 23010 263.1° 59.7w (60.1w) A11 ON LSM OFF 9.1°F Offscale LOW OFF -15.6°C 4.3°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1468 15376 269.1° 63.5w (63.9w) A11 ON SIDE/ASE STBY 30.5°F 124.0°F N/A N/A STANDBY STANDBY STANDBY -22.7°C -70.7°C N/A	1292 26984 290.3° 66.4w (66.9w) A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 9.4°F 124.4°F OFF 0FF 7.2°C 108.3°K N/A N/A 283.5°K	1027 15053 302.0° 67.5w (67.5w) A11 ON ASE OFF 33.4°F 125.8°F -10.2°C N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

#### TM POINT

Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14) Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41) LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13) LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01)

#### APOLLO 17 ALSEP

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Value in parenthesis indicates RTG output during last lunation at a similar sun angle.

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JAN 19/019	20.020	21/021	22/022	23/023	24/024	25/025
0900-1100 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST	0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 14	0300-0700 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF	<u>1100-1300</u> ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	<u>1600-2000</u> ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE
ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF TIMER RST		ALSEP 17 LACE STBY LEAM OFF	PSE Z MTR OFF ALSEP 14 C/S HTR OFF ASE CHK	ALSEP 14 CPLEE STBY ALSEP 16	ALSEP 15 SIDE STBY ALSEP 16	ALSEP 14 PSE HTR OFF ALSEP 15
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			ALSEP TO ASE CHK FLIP CAL HFE RBS 1800-1900		FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 16 NEG Z
JAN 26/026	27/027	28/028	29/029	30/030	31/031	FEB 1/032
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 17 LEAM ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 16 POS Z FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 16 POS Z	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 16 POS Z ALSEP 17 LACE ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2200-2300 ALSEP 16 POS Z	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 16 POS Z 2200-2300 ALSEP 16 POS Z
FEB 2/033	3/034	4/035	5/036	6/036	7/037	8/039
0900-1100 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 14 PSE HTR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 C/S HTR ON CPLEE ON SIDE ON	1400-1800 ALSEP 12 & 14 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0700-0900	0900-1200 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>
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FEB 9/040 NO SUPPORT	10/041 0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	11/042 <u>NO_SUPPORT</u>	12/043 0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	13/044 <u>NO SUPPORT</u>	14/045 0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	15/046 <u>NO SUPPORT</u> ALSEP 17
FEB 16/047	17/048	18/049	19/050	20/051	21/052	22/053
<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	1400-1600 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF FLIP CAL HFE RBS	1100-1300 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 TIMER RST	0800-1000 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 17 LACE STBY LEAM OFF FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2300-2400	1300-1700 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF ALSEP 14 C/S HTR OFF Y PROC CHK	0700-0900 ALSEP 14 CPLEE STBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF
FEB 23/054	24/055	25/056	26/057	27/058	28/059	MAR 1/060
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STBY ALSEP 16 NEG Z	0700-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 14 PSE HTR OFF ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT ALSEP 16 NEG Z FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 16 NEG Z	<u>0900-1100</u> ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 16 NEG Z FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LEAM ON	<u>0900-1100</u> ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 16 POS Z ALSEP 17 LACE ON 2300-2400 ALSEP 16 POS Z

21 February 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Remote site coverage for recording of ALSEP downlink data was not available during the following period. It must be noted that this data loss is non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
12	13 Feb 75	0450/0716	$2^{h}26^{m}$	GWM	Station Problem

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunrise of the scientific station's 28th lunation occurred on 16 February at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported between -134.5 and -141.0 dbm from transmitter A. Automatic power management continues to distribute power for optimum thermal control. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods. Telemetry parameter AB-04, which reports the status of the Lunar Atmospheric Composition and the Lunar Ejecta and Meteorite Experiments, is indicating an OT (out of tolerance) condition. The LACE is in STANDBY and the LEAM is OFF currently. The invalid indication by AB-04 is similar to the failure of status parameter AB-11 for the Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment which initially occurred on 26 September 1973. AB-04 status was first noted on 19 February.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 20 February the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $299 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were  $256.6^{\circ}$ K at probe #1 and  $256.9^{\circ}$ K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 15, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently in STANDBY. The next 4-day High Bit Rate passive listening mode will extend from a sun angle of 331° to 024° and is scheduled for 13 to 18 April 1975.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment was commanded to STANDBY at 2100 G.m.t., 17 February.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment was commanded OFF at 1436 G.m.t., 19 February, for the remainder of this lunar day.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 14 February 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 21 February 1975

Central station Sunrise at the Descartes Site occurred on 17 February for the 36th lunar day. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded OFF for lunar day operations on 17 February. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported between -132.5 and -138.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, experiment AUTO ON; component gains, O db; and feedback loop filter OUT). No significant seismic events were noted during the limited real-time support of this instrument.

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment

The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27).

The LSM is ON. The instrument has accomplished 956 flip calibration sequences.

Active seismic experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 14 February 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 21 February 1975

Central station Sunrise of the station's 45th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 18 February. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at -136.5 ± 2.5 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 experiment ALSEP). The uncage/arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station's data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were observed during the limited real-time support periods.

Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiment The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). During real-time support on 19 February it was noted the instrument command register was reading SIDE Load 11, High Energy Curve Plate Analyzer High Voltage ON/OFF. Command verification words (CVWs) had not been reported in the ALSEP 15 downlink. Octals 104, 105, and 107 were assumed to have been generated internally in the instrument. Therefore octals 106 and 110 (execution command) were sent to the instrument and the command register was cleared at 1352 G.m.t., 19 February.

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 290.1°K on 20 February, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.5°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.0°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 14 February 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 21 February 1975

Central station Sunrise at the Apollo 14 site (51st lunation) occurred on 20 February. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at -139.5 ± 2.5 dbm. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded OFF for lunar day operation on 20 February.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). experiment No significant seismic events have been noted during this report period.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

Suprathermal ion The instrument has not been operating since 6 January 1975 when the monitored detector/cold telemetry parameter, Word 15, became static. No further attempts to turn the instrument ON are planned at this time.

Charged particle The experiment is ON and will be commanded to STANDBY on 21 February for the remainder of this lunar day.

lunar lunar environmental experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 14 February 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 21 February 1975

Central station Sunrise of the 66th lunar day occurred on 20 February at the ALSEP site in the Ocean of Storms. A signal strength of-139.5 + 2.5 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded OFF for lunar day operations on 20 February.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured with thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter IN. The instrument's assembly temperature (DL-07) returned onscale (DL-07 = 126.2°F, sun angle = 2.3°) on 20 February. The Z-axis drive motor was commanded OFF on 20 February to minimize heating in the instrument during the lunar day. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods of this instrument.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment The instrument is ON and in the normal gain mode. On 19 February (1340 G.m.t.) it was noted that the data output of the sum cups levels 1 through 14 during the instrument's ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) were LOW. Throughout the 19 February support period the ac calibration measurements appeared intermittently LOW. The ac calibrate measurements were valid at the beginning of real-time support on 20 February. This anomaly was initially noted on 19 June 1972.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeldetector tron high voltages ON. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment Status as of 0500 G.m.t., 20 February 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	1919 23018 355.4° 59.3w A11 OFF LSM OFF 8.1°F Offscale LOW OFF -16.1°C 4.3°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1476 15392 1.4° 63.5w All OFF SIDE/ASE STDBY 29.8°F 124.0°F N/A N/A STDBY STDBY -22.6°C -71.1°C N/A	1300 27093 22.6° 66.0w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 73.7°F 126.0°F 0FF 0FF 54.6°C 339.4°K N/A N/A 299.8°K	1035 15118 34.1° 66.3w A11 OFF ASE OFF 79.1°F 127.1°F 37.3°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

## TM POINT

Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date
Sun Angle
Input Power APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14) Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41) LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01)

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

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ON A11 OFF LACE/LSPE 84.4°F 129.0°F	STDBY,	LEAM	OFF
182.0°F 319.6°K 49.2°C 84.3°F			

	CST to 23 FEB 75 CDT from 23 FEB	75 ALSEP SI	UPPORT SCHEDULE/EV	ENTS		PSE CALS DAILY
FEB 9/040	10/041	11/042	12/043	13/044	14/045	15/046
<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO_SUPPORT</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17
FEB 16/047	17/048	18/049	19/050	20/051	21/052	22/053
<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	1400-1600 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF FLIP CAL HFE RBS	1100-1300 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 TIMER RST	0800-1000 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 17 LACE STBY LEAM OFF FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2300-2400	1300-1700 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF ALSEP 14 C/S HTR OFF Y PROC CHK	0700-0900 ALSEP 14 CPLEE STBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF
FEB 23/054	24/055	25/056	26/057	27/058	28/059	MAR 1/060
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STBY ALSEP 16 NEG Z	0700-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 14 PSE HTR OFF ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT ALSEP 16 NEG Z FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 16 NEG Z	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 16 NEG Z FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LEAM ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 16 POS Z ALSEP 17 LACE ON 2300-2400 ALSEP 16 POS Z
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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

28 February 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Noon of the scientific station's 28th lunation occurred on 23 February at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength as reported by the 30foot antenna tracking stations is between -136.0 and -144.0 dbm from transmitter A. Automatic power management continues to distribute power for optimum thermal performance. Automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulse is inhibited by routine transmission of command octal 174 (Delay uplink switchover) during real-time support periods. Telemetry parameter AB-04, which reports the status of the Lunar Atmospheric Composition and the Lunar Ejecta and Meteorite Experiments continues to indicate an OT (out of tolerance) condition. The experiment's current status is LACE in STANDBY and the LEAM is OFF.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being accomplished on a periodic basis. On 27 February the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $338 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were 256.5°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 15, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently in STANDBY. The next passive listening mode is scheduled for 13 to 18 April 1975.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY. During real-time support on 27 February the experiment was turned ON to check the Ion pump current per the Principal Investigator's request. The results of the test indicated that the Ion pump was functioning properly and the experiment was returned to its normal STANDBY condition for lunar day.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is currently OFF.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 21 February 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 28 February 1975

Central station Noon of the 36th lunation occurred on 24 February 1975. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operation. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited. The 30-foot antenna tracking stations report a signal strength between -133.5 and -138.0 dbm from transmitter B.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, O db; and feedback loop filter OUT). The instrument's sensor temperature (DL-07) indicated offscale HIGH on 23 February, at a sun angle of 75.4°. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods.

Lunar surface The LSM is currently ON and recording data as the moon passes through the earth's geomagnetic tail and magnetopause. 962 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment's engineering data since activation.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 21 February 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 28 February 1975

- Central station Noon of the station's 45th lunation occurred on 25 February 1975. Transmitter A downlink signal strength was reported at -134.5 ± 3.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. At 2258 G.m.t., 23 February 1975, the central station experienced a spurious functional change (octal 150, Timer Reset) as verified in the ALSEP downlink by the Guam Tracking Station. The timer was confirmed to be operating properly during real-time support on 25 February 1975.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry has been cycling per the normal 18 hour timer output pulse functions. The instrument's sensor temperature (DL-07) went offscale high on 24 February, at a sun angle of 74.5°. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is currently in STANDBY. Cyclic commanding of the experiment was initiated for the remainder of this lunar day on 22 February (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47).

The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode with all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 365.7°K on 27 February as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.5°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.1°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment

Heat flow experiment

Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 21 February 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 28 February 1975

- Central station Noon of the 51st lunation at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 27 February. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -136.0 and -140.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument's heater is in FORCED OFF for lunar day operation. During realtime support on 27 February the long period Y axis failed to respond to the ON calibration command (octal 066), however it did respond normally to the OFF calibration command. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic realtime support periods.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

Suprathermal ion The instrument has not been operating since 6 January 1975 when the monitored detector/cold telemetry parameter, Word 15, became static. No further attempts to turn the instrument ON are planned at this time.

The CPLEE has been in STANDBY since 1519 G.m.t., 22 February 1975.

Charged particle lunar environmental experiments

## Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 21 February 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 28 February 1975

Central station Noon of the 66th lunar day occurred on 27 February. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operations. A signal strength of -140.0 ± 2.0 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

#### Passive seismic The instrument is configured with thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, experiment O db; and feedback loop filter IN. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods of this instrument.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind plasma data. The experiment was operated in the extended range mode due to observation of high particle counts from 1452 G.m.t., 23 February to 1325 G.m.t., 24 February.

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is currently OFF. Cyclic commanding of the instrument in the full autodetector matic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF experiment is in effect for this lunar day.

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

Status as of 1600 G.m.t., 27 February 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	1926 23137 86° 60.5w A11 OFF LSM/SIDE OFF 95.5°F 141.9°F OFF 67.1°C OFF OFF N/A N/A N/A	1483 15439 91.9° 63.6w All OFF ASE/CPLEE/SIDE STBY 117.8°F 133.9°F N/A N/A STANDBY STANDBY STANDBY STANDBY STANDBY 78.8°C N/A	1307 27210 113.1° 66.0w All OFF LSM/SWS OFF,SIDE STE 116.3°F Offscale HIGH OFF OFF STANDBY STANDBY N/A N/A 330.5°K	1042 15255 124.9° 66.3w A11 OFF 98.6°F Offscale HIGH 43.5°C N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

## TM POINT

Total Days of Operation
Total Commands to Date
Sun Angle
Input Power
APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

#### 7 March 1975 G.m.t.: 0900

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following periods. It must be noted that this data loss is non-recoverable.

ALSEP	$\underline{DATE}$	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	$\underline{SITE}$	REMARKS
14	01/05 Mar	0008/0306	4 <sup>d</sup> 02 <sup>h</sup> 58 <sup>m</sup>	ALL	ALSEP Station Problem

The Apollo 14 ALSEP loss of downlink signal (LOS) was abrupt and unexpected. A playback of the data just prior to LOS appears normal with no indications as to the cause of the anomaly. The reacquisition of the downlink (AOS) 4 days, 3 hours later was also unexpected, however, it was predicted that certain failure modes offered the possibility of recovery. Since AOS, there has been no uplink command capability to the station. Details of the data loss are covered in the Apollo 14 section of this report.

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunset of the scientific station's 28th lunation occurred on 2 March at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported between -136.0 and -146.5 dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The AB-04 anomaly reported last week, which indicated OTs for the status of the LACE and LEAM experiments apparently returned to normal indications when the LEAM was turned on 28 February. Subsequent monitoring of AB-04, however, revealed that the status indications are erroneous and should not be used. Both the LACE and LEAM are currently ON.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 6 March the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $112 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were 256.5°K at probe #1 and 256.8°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 15, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently in STANDBY. The next 4-day passive listening period is planned for 13 to 18 April 1975.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data. The instrument is configured to discriminator level,

## ALSEP PEROFRMANCE SUMMARY REPORT (continued)

**7** March 1975 **G.m.t.:** 0900

LOW; filament, OFF; high voltage power supply, OFF; and backup heater, ON since turn ON 0404 G.m.t., 4 March 1975.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

## Apollo 16 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 28 February 1975, to 0900 G.m.t., 7 March 1975

Central station Sunset at the Descartes Site occurred on 4 March for the 36th lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded ON at 1943 G.m.t., 3 March, for lunar night operations when the average thermal plate temperature decreased to 46.7°F. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported at -135 ± 2.3 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

#### Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, O db; and feedback loop filter OUT). The instrument's assembly temperature (DL-07 = 142.3°F) returned onscale, 3 March, at a sun angle of 175.4°. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Lunar surface<br/>magnetometer<br/>experimentThe LSM is ON and recording data.968 flip calibration sequences have been<br/>experiment's engineering data.Lunar surface<br/>magnetometer<br/>experimentThe LSM is ON and recording data.968 flip calibration sequences have been<br/>experiment's engineering data.Lunar surface<br/>magnetometer<br/>experimentThe LSM is ON and recording data.968 flip calibration sequences have been<br/>experiment's engineering data.Lunar surface<br/>experimentExecuted and verified by the experiment's engineering data.Since 3 March<br/>the Z-axis data has failed.

Active seismic experiment

The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27).

## Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 28 February 1975, to 0900 G.m.t., 7 March 1975

- Central station Sunset of the station's 45th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 5 March. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at  $-135.5 \pm 2.5$  dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station's data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded detector/cold ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) (Apollo 15 ALSEP, cathode gauge SMEAR 47).

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 97.8°K on 6 March as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.5°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.1°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment

## Apollo 14 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 28 February 1975, to 0900 G.m.t., 7 March 1975

Central station

The Ascension (ACN) Island Tracking Station reported loss of the downlink telemetry signal (LOS) from Apollo 14 ALSEP at 0008:42 G.m.t. on 1 March. Nine commands were sent Mode I by ACN to turn the transmitters on, but there was no response. Additional commands were sent during real-time support on 1 March, again without response. A playback of the data just prior (5 minute period) to LOS showed normal values for all housekeeping parameters. There were no indications as to why the data stopped abruptly at 0008:33 G.m.t.

Two likely possibilities were considered: 1.) The SIDE was ON and developed a short and the circuit breaker failed to open, in which case there might be a possibility of recovery. 2.) The timer, which has been considered inoperative for sometime, timed out to its 4 years  $\pm$  30 days setting. This would shut off power to the transmitters and is non-recoverable.

The Madrid (MAD) Tracking Station reported reacquisition of the Apollo 14 downlink signal (AOS) at 0306:45 G.m.t. on 5 March. The signal strength was normal at -131 db on the 85 foot dish. An emergency support period was called and real time data was received at JSC ALSEP Control starting about 0500 G.m.t. This data indicated the ALSEP Central Station had switched to PCU #2, was still in transmitter A and the receiver data parameters were offscale low. The PSE was on with heater status FORCED OFF, the X-axis was offscale low and the Y-axis offscale high. temperature DL-07 =  $111^{\circ}F$ .

Numerous commands were sent via MAD using 10 kw of power into the 85 foot antenna. All command attempts resulted in spacecraft rejects and no functional responses were evident. At this time it is believed that the circuit breaker in the 12 v. line to the receiver is open. This circuit breaker is designed to be reset by the 12 hour timer pulses, should the timer start operating and generate a pulse.

Sunset at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 6 March for the 50th lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF. Transmitter A signal strength is reported at  $-138.3 \pm 2.8$  dbm at tracking stations using 30-foot antennas.

Passive seismic experiment

The instrument is configured as noted above. Since the PSE cannot be leveled, those periods when the X and/or Y-axes are onscale will be reported in future weekly status reports. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

# Apollo 14 ALSEP (continued)

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 28 February 1975, to 0900 G.m.t., 7 March 1975

Active seismic experiment	The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).
Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge	The instrument status is unknown.
Charged particle lunar environ- ment experiment	The experiment has been in STANDBY since 1519 G.m.t., 22 February 1975.

## Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 28 February 1975, to 0900 G.m.t., 7 March 1975

Central station Sunset of the 66th lunation occurred on 7 March. A signal strength of  $-140.5 \pm 2.5$  dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic experiment

The instrument is configured with thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, O db; and feedback loop filter IN. The instrument's assembly temperature  $(DL-07 = 136.7^{\circ}F)$  returned onscale at a sun angle of 170.0° on 6 March. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support this report period.

Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind plasma data. The experiment was operated in the extended range mode due to obser-experiment vation of high particle counts from 1356 G.m.t., 1 March to 1047 G.m.t., 2 March.

Suprathermal ion detector experiment The side has been ON in the full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) with Channeltron high voltages ON since 1313 G.m.t., 5 March. During real-time support on 28 February 1975, the SIDE experienced an unexpected mode change to command register X10 at a temperature of 54.6°C. The mode change was cleared by commanding the instrument to OFF for cooldown prior to turn ON during the next support period.

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

# Status as of 1600 G.m.t., 6 March 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	1933 23221 171.1° 60.6w A11 OFF LSM OFF 56.8°F 136.7°F OFF 33.7°C 42.4°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1490 15475 177.1° 64.6w All OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 45.5°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY 66.9°C N/A	1314 27368 198.2° 66.5w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 11.3°F 124.8°F OFF 0FF 0FF 7.2°C 121.0°K N/A N/A 284.0°K	1049 15400 210.1° 67.6w A11 ON ASE OFF 34.7°F 126.0°F -8.9°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

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Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle
Input Power
APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

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ON AND OFF
A11 OFF
LSP STBY
20.1°F
-0.5°F
-17.4°F
285.9°K
49.2°C
21.4°F

TIMES - CST	CDT from 23 FEB	75 ALSEP SI	PPORT SCHEDULE/EV	ENTS		PSE CALS DAILY
FEB 9/040	10/041	11/042	12/043	13/044	14/045	15/046
NO SUPPORT	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO_SUPPORT</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO_SUPPORT</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17
FEB 16/047 NO SUPPORT	17/048 1400-1600 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF	18/049 1100-1300 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST	19/050 0800-1000 ALSEP 14	20/051 1300-1700 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF	21/052 0700-0900 ALSEP 14 CPLEE STBY	22/053 0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF
	FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 16 TIMER RST	LACE STBY LEAM OFF FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2300-2400	PSE Z MTR OFF ALSEP 14 C/S HTR OFF Y PROC CHK	FLIP CAL HFE RBS	
FEB 23/054	24/055	25/056	26/057	27/058	28/059	MAR 1/060
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STBY ALSEP 16 NEG Z	0700-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 14 PSE HTR OFF ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT ALSEP 16 NEG Z FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 16 NEG Z	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 16 NEG Z FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LEAM ON	<u>0900-1100</u> ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 16 POS Z ALSEP 17 LACE ON 2300-2400 ALSEP 16 POS Z
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MAR 2/061	3/062	4/063	5/064	6/065	7/066	8/067
1200-1300 ALSEP 17	ALSEP 16 1500-1700 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF ALSEP 14 PSE HTR ON ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	<u>09-1100</u> ALSEP 12 SIDE ON ALSEP 14 CPLEE ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 C/S HTR ON SIDE ON	0430-0830 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS 1800-1900	<u>0900-1100</u>
MAR 9/068	10/069	11/070	12/071	13/072	14/073	15/074
0900-1100	0900-1100	NO SUPPORT	0900-1100	NO SUPPORT	0900-1100	NO SUPPORT
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	HFE RBS		HFE RBS		HFE RBS	
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MAR 16/075	17/076	18/077	19/078	20/079	21/080	22/081
<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	2100-2300 ALSEP 17 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 16	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF TIMER RST FLIP CAL	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 LACE STDBY LEAM OFF	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 ALSEP 14 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0800-1200 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF ASE CHK ALSEP 14 C/S HTR OFF Y PROC CHK
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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

#### 14 March 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following periods. It must be noted that this data loss is non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
ALL	07 Mar 75	1022/1028	$\frac{06^m}{22^m}$	ACN/BUR	Schedule Problem
A14	10 Mar 75	0220/0242		ORR	Station Capability

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Midnight of the scientific station's 28th lunation occurred on 10 March at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported at -136.5 ± 1.7 dbm from transmitter A by the tracking stations with the 30-foot antennas. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods. Investigation into the erroneous indication of experiment status (AB-04) as previously reported continues.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 12 March lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples was  $109 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were 256.5°K at probe #1 and 256.8°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 15, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently in STANDBY. The next 4-day passive listening period is planned for 13 to 18 April 1975.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is currently ON but is not processing scientific data. On 9 March 1975 the instrument was configured to discriminator level, LOW; filament, OFF; high voltage power supply, ON; and backup heater, OFF. An operational check was performed on 7 March, following a 9 hour cold soak period. Results obtained were the same as those previously reported with the continuing indication of a high voltage failure. On 9 March, an octal 132 was observed in the command register. Several attempts were made to clear the register without success. On 9 March it was verified that the 132 command entry is functional and results in limited command capability to the LACE. 14 March 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 0900 G.m.t., 7 March 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 14 March 1975

- Central station Midnight of the station's 45th lunation occurred on 12 March at the Hadley Rille Site. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported between -134.5 and -139.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage/arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station's data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were observed during the limited real-time support periods.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded detector/cold ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). cathode gauge experiment

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 87.5°K on 12 March, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.1°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 0900 G.m.t., 7 March 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 14 March 1975

- Central station Midnight at the Descartes Site occurred on 11 March for the 36th lunar night. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported at -136.5 ± 2.5 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). No significant seismic events were noted during the limited real-time support of this instrument.

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment The LSM is ON. 968 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment's engineering data. The static Z axis science data and offscale low temperature anomaly continued this week and is still under investigation. No flip calibrations of the instrument will be performed until the Z-axis temperature returns onscale per the P. I. request.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 0900 G.m.t., 7 March 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 14 March 1975

Central station Midnight at the Apollo 14 site occurred today for the 56th lunation. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at  $-140.2 \pm 2.2$  dbm from the 30-foot anterna tracking stations. Since 5 March 1975 when the downlink signal rcturned, numerous commands have been transmitted to the central station without success.

Passive seismic The instrument is ON. Since the PSE cannot be leveled, those periods when the X, Y, and/or Z axes are onscale, also (DL-O7) the internal temperature, will be reported in future weekly status reports. These parameters were all offscale during this report period. The instrument's heater remains in the Forced OFF configuration as previously reported. Because of the present offscale condition of the instrument's sensor axes it is doubtful that seismic events can be observed.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold cathode gauge

Charged particle The CPLEE is in STANDBY. lunar environment experiment

experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 0900 G.m.t., 7 March 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 14 March 1975

- Central station Midnight of the 66th lunation will occur later today. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. A signal strength between -138.5 and -142.0 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-toot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured with thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter IN. The instrument's assembly temperature (DL-O7) was offscale LOW at a sun angle of 218.7° on 10 March. The Z-axis drive motor is ON to maximize heating in the instrument during lunar night. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support periods.

Solar wind The instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode. spectrometer experiment

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high detector voltages ON. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment Status as of 1600 G.m.t., 12 March 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	1939 23317 244.3° 59.8w A11 ON LSM OFF 9.1°F Offscale LOW OFF -15.6°C 4.3°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1496 15489 250.3° 63.8w All OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 9.8°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY STBY A	1320 27443 271.4° 65.9w All OFF LSM/SWS OFF 9.1°F 124.6°F OFF 0FF 7.2°C 108.3°K N/A N/A 283.6°K	1055 15445 283.3° 67.1w A11 ON ASE OFF 33.4°F 125.9°F -10.2°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

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Total Days of Operation	8
Total Commands to Date	2
Sun Angle	2
Input Power	-
APM Status (AB-13)	C
Power Dump Status (AB-14)	A
Experiment Status	L
Avg Thermal Plate Temp	1
LACE Temp (AM-41)	
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)	- 2
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2
LSG Temp (DG-04)	4
LSP Temp (AP-01)	2

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

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MAR 2/061	3/062	4/063	5/064	6/065	7/066	8/067
1200-1300 ALSEP 17	0600-0700 ALSEP 161500-1700 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFFALSEP 16 	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	09-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON (ALSEP 14 CPLEE ON) FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 (ALSEP 14 C/S HTR ON)	0430-0830 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS 1800-1900	0900-1100
MAR 9/068	10/069	11/070	12/071	13/072	14/073	15/074
<u>0900-1100</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>
MAR 16/075	17/076	18/077	19/078	20/079	21/080	22/081
NO SUPPORT	2100-2300 ALSEP 17 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 16	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF TIMER RST FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 LACE STDBY LEAM OFF	1700-1900     ALSEP 12     ALSEP 14     FLIP CAL     HFE RBS	0800-1200 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF ASE CHK (ALSEP 14 C/S HTR OFF Y PROC CHK) 2000-2100
BEN-20						NASA-JSC

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

### 21 March 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses may not be recoverable.

ALSEP	$\underline{DATE}$	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	<u>SITE</u>	REMARKS
ALL	<b>11</b> Feb 75	0725/0815	50 <sup>m</sup>	TAN	Communications Cut Off
ALL	12 Feb 75	0828/0915	47 <sup>m</sup>	TAN	Communications Cut Off
12,15,16	19 Mar 75	1147/1150	03 <sup>m</sup>	BUR	Station Problem
14	20 Mar 75	1032/1131	59 <sup>m</sup>	ORR	Not Scheduled

#### Apollo 17

Sunrise of the scientific station's 29th lunation occurred on 17 March at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported between -134.5 and -140.0 dbm from transmitter A. Automatic power management continues to distribute power for optimum thermal control. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods. Telemetry parameter AB-04, which reports the status of the Lunar Atmospheric Composition and the Lunar Ejecta and Meteorite Experiments, is indicating an OT (out of tolerance) condition with the LACE in STANDBY and the LEAM in OFF. The AB-04 anomaly recurred on 20 March and was first noted on 19 February.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 20 March the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $271 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were  $256.5^{\circ}$ K at probe #1 and  $256.8^{\circ}$ K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 15, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently in STANDBY. The next 4-day High Bit Rate passive listening mode will extend from a sun angle of 331° to 024° and is scheduled for 13 to 18 April 1975.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment was commanded to STANDBY at 1507 G.m.t., 20 March. An operational check was performed 17 March. Results were the same as those previously reported with the continuing indication of a high voltage failure. As previously reported, octal 132 was still in the command register. During the 17 March operational check it was noted that the command register was clear after execution of the Filament #2 OFF command (octals 123, 132, and 134). On 19 March, the command register again contained octal 132 and was cleared on 20 March by loading the register with octals 123, 124, 125, 127, 132, 133, and execution command octal 134. 21 March 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment was commanded off at 1501 G.m.t., 20 March, for the remainder of this lunar day.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 14 March 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 21 March 1975

Central station Sunrise at the Descartes Site occurred on 18 March for the 37th lunar day. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded OFF for lunar day operations on 19 March. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported between -133.5 and -138.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, O db; and feedback loop filter OUT). No significant seismic events were noted during the limited real-time support of this instrument.

Lunar surface The LSM is ON. The instrument has accomplished 970 flip calibration sequences. magnetometer experiment

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

## Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 14 March 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 21 March 1975

- Central station Sunrise of the station's 46th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 19 March. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at -136.0 ± 1.5 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 experiment ALSEP). The uncage/arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station's data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were observed during the limited real-time support periods.
- Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiment is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). At the beginning of real-time support on 20 March it was noted the instrument command register was reading SIDE Load 15, Reset Command Register. Command verification words (CVWs) had not been reported in the ALSEP 15 downlink. Octals 104, 105, 106, and 107 were assumed to have been generated internally in the instrument. Octal 110 (execution command) was sent to the instrument and the command register was cleared at 1424 G.m.t. Later in the support period SIDE Load 10 (octals 105 and 107), Low Energy Curved Plate Analyzer HIGH Voltage ON/OFF, was noted in the command register. Octals 104, 106, and execution command octal 110 were sent and the command register was cleared at 1518 G.m.t., 20 March.
- Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 244.3°K on 20 March, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 250.0°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind	Commanded	OFF	14	June	1974.
spectrometer					
experiment					

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 14 March 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 21 March 1975

- Central station Sunrise at the Apollo 14 site (52nd lunation) will occur later today, 21 March. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at -139.5 ± 2.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Since 5 March 1975 when the downlink signal returned, numerous commands have been transmitted to the central station without success. Although the DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF, the average thermal plate temperature stabilized at 9.7°F during this lunar night. Previous lunar night average thermal plate temperature had been 29.8°F.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. Since the PSE cannot be leveled, those periods when the X, Y, and/or Z axes are onscale, also (DL-07) the internal temperature, will be reported in future weekly status reports. These parameters were all offscale during this report period. The instrument's heater remains in the Forced OFF configuration as previously reported. Because of the present offscale condition of the instrument's sensor axes it is doubtful that seismic events can be observed.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold cathode gauge

Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY. lunar environmental experiment

experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 14 March 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 21 March 1975

- Central station Sunrise of the 67th lunar day will occur on 22 March at the ALSEP site in the Ocean of Storms. A signal strength of -135.0 to -141.5 dbm, from transmitter B, was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) will be commanded OFF for lunar day operations on 22 March.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured with thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, O db; and feedback loop filter IN. The instrument's assembly temperature (DL-07) remains offscale LOW. The Z-axis drive motor will be commanded OFF on 22 March to minimize heating in the instrument during the lunar day. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods of this instrument.
- Solar wind spectrometer experiment The instrument is ON and in the normal gain mode. On 12 March and 18 March it was noted that the data output of the sum cups levels 1 through 14 during the instrument's ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) were LOW. The ac calibrate measurements were valid at the beginning of real-time support on 14 March and 20 March. This anomaly was previously noted on 19 June 1972 and 19 February 1975.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeldetector tron high voltages ON. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 20 March 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation	1947	1504	1328	1063
Total Commands to Date	23326	15509	27531	15493
Sun Angle	341.2°	347.4°	8.5°	20.4°
Input Power	59.6w	63.3w	64.7w	66.6w
Heater and Power Dumps	DSS-1 ON (10w)		A11 OFF	All OFF
Experiment Status	LSM OFF		LSM/SWS OFF	ASE OFF
Avg Thermal Plate Temp	8.1°F	10.1°F	12.2°F	79.4°F
PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07)	Offscale LOW	Offscale LOW	124.8°F	126.5°F
LSM Internal Temp (DM-05)	OFF	N/A	OFF	32.8°C
SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13)	-16.1°C	N/A	OFF	N/A
SIDE Temp (DI-05)	4.3°C	STBY	7.8°C	N/A
CCGE Temp (DI-04)	HIGH	STBY	183.1°K	N/A
CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-O6)	N/A	STBY	N/A	N/A
ASE GLA Temp (AS-O3)	N/A	-71.1°C	N/A	OFF
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	N/A	N/A	291.3°K	OFF

## TM POINT

Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14) Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41) LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13) LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01)

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

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MAR 2/061	3/062	4/063	5/064	6/065	7/066	8/067
1200-1300 ALSEP 17	0600-0700 ALSEP 16 1500-1700 ALSEP 16	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12	09-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON	(ALSEP 14 C/S HTR ON)	O430-0830 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON	<u>0900-1100</u>
2100-2200	C/S HTR OFF (ALSEP 14 PSE HTR ON) ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS	CYCLE SIDE	(ALSEP 14 CPLEE ON) FLIP CAL HFE RBS		FLIP CAL HFE RBS <u>1800-1900</u>	
MAR 9/068	10/069	11/070	12/071	13/072	14/073	15/074
0900-1100	0900-1100	NO SUPPORT	0900-1100	NO SUPPORT	0900-1100	NO SUPPORT
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	HFE RBS		HFE RBS		HFE RBS	
MAR 16/075	17/076	18/077	19/078	20/079	21/080	22/081
NO SUPPORT	2100-2300 ALSEP 17 FLIP CAL	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 16	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 LACE STUBY LEAM OFF	1700-1900       ALSEP 12       ALSEP 14	0800-1200 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF
	HFE RBS		C/S HTR OFF TIMER RST		FLIP CAL	
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MAR 23/082	24/083	25/084	26/085	27/086	28/086	29/087
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	2100-2400 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0000-0100 ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES
	ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES FLIP CAL HFE RBS		ALSEP 17 LEAM ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	
MAR 30/089	31/090	APR 1/091	2/092	3/093	4/094	5/095
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LACE ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2100-2200	0700-0900 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE 1600-1700	0100-0200 1000-1200 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 14 PSE HTR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON ALSEP 14 CPLEE ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	1700-2100 II   ALSEP 14 II   C/S HTR ON II   ALSEP 12 II   C/S HTR ON II   PSE Z MTR ON II
APR 6	7/097	8/098	9/099	10/100	11/101	12/102
<u>0600-0800</u>	0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT

27 March 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Noon of the scientific station's 29th lunation occurred on 24 March at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength as reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations is between - 138.0and -144.5 dbm from transmitter A. Automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulse in inhibited by routine transmission of command octal 174 (Delay uplink switchover) during real-time support periods. Telemetry parameter AB-04, which reports the status of the Lunar Atmospheric Composition and the Lunar Ejecta and Meteorite Experiments continues to indicate an invalid condition.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being accomplished on a periodic basis. On 26 March the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $378 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were  $256.6^{\circ}$ K at probe #1 and 256.8°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 15, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently in STANDBY. On 22 March 1975 the experiment was turned ON and to High Bit Rate for a 2 minute operational check to validate the software. The next passive listening mode is scheduled for 13 to 18 April 1975.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is OFF.

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### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 21 March 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 27 March 1975

- Central station Noon of the 37th lunation occurred on 26 March 1975. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operation. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited. The 30-foot antenna tracking stations report a signal strength between -134.5 and -139.0 dbm from transmitter B.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). The instrument's sensor temperature (DL-07) indicated offscale HIGH on 24 March, at a sun angle of 68.3°. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods.
- Lunar surface The LSM is currently ON and recording data as the moon passes through the transition region and geomagnetic tail. 962 flip calibration sequences have been executed by the sensor heads.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

## Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 21 March 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 27 March 1975

Central station Noon of the station's 46th lunation occurred today 27 March. Transmitter A downlink signal strength was reported at -136.0 ±2.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry has been cycling per the normal 18 hour timer output pulse functions. The instrument's sensor temperature (DL-07) was offscale HIGH on 26 March, at a sun angle of 74.7°. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is currently in STANDBY. Cyclic commanding of the experiment was initiated for the remainder of this lunar day on 26 March (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47). cathode gauge experiment

Heat flow The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode with all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 368.6°K on 26 March as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.1°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. spectrometer

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

magnetometer experiment

experiment

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 21 March 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 27 March 1975

- Central station Sunrise at the Apollo 14 site (52nd lunation) occurred on 21 March. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at -138.0 ± 3.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Since 5 March 1975 when the downlink signal returned, numerous commands have been transmitted to the central station without success. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. Since the PSE cannot be leveled, those periods when the X, Y, and/or Z axes are onscale, also (DL-07) the internal temperature, will be reported in future weekly status reports. These parameters were all offscale during this report period. The instrument's heater remains in the Forced OFF configuration as previously reported. Because of the present offscale condition of the instrument's sensor axes it is doubtful that seismic events can be observed. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975.
- Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold

Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY. Junar

environmental experiment

cathode gauge experiment

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#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 21 March 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 27 March 1975

Central station Sunrise of the 67th lunar day occurred on 22 March. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operations. A signal strength of -139.5 ± 2.5 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured with thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter IN. The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) returned onscale shortly after sunrise. The Z motor was commanded OFF on 22 March to minimize heating in the instrument. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods of this instrument.
- Solar wind spectrometer experiment The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind plasma data. From 21 March to 24 March it was noted that the data output of the sum cups levels 1 through 14 during the instrument's ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) were intermittently LOW. The ac calibrate measurements were valid at the beginning of real-time support on 26 March. This anomaly was previously noted on 19 June 1972, 19 February, 12 March, and 18 March 1975.

## Suprathermal ion detector The SIDE is currently OFF. Cyclic commanding of the instrument in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF in order to prevent mode changes at temperatures of 55°C began on 24 March for the remainder of this lunar day.

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer

experiment

## Status as of 1500 G.M.T., 26 March 1975, was as follows:

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TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	1953 23406 54.4° 60.2w All OFF LSM/SIDE OFF 92.7°F 127.9°F 0FF 62.6°C 0FF 0FF N/A N/A N/A	1510 15529 60.3° 63.7w A11 OFF ASE/CPLEE/SIDE STBY 112.1°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STANDBY STANDBY STANDBY 68.3°C N/A	1334 27648 81.5° 65.5w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF, SIDE ST 113.1°F Offscale HIGH OFF OFF STANDBY STANDBY N/A N/A 329.4°K	1069 15587 93.3° 66.7w A11 OFF BY ASE OFF 104.2°F Offscale HIGH 47.0°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF
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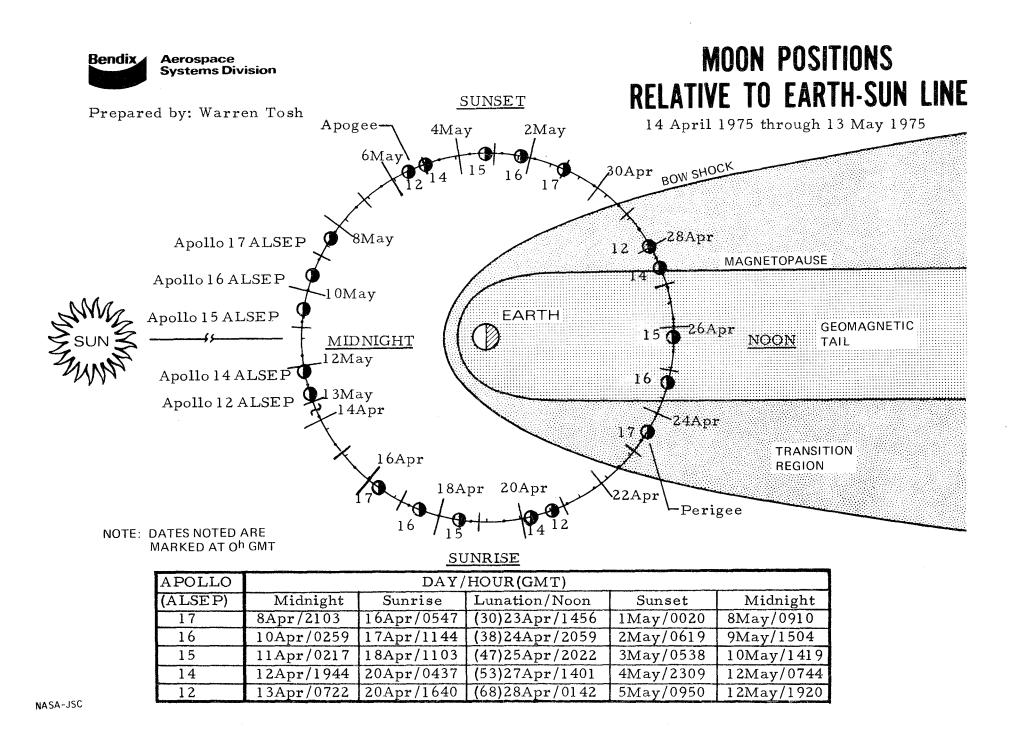
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Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14) Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41) LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13) LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01)	834 21758 108.6° 70.7w ON A11 OFF LACE/LSPE STBY & LEAM OFF 96.5°F 149.7°F 194.0°F 327.4°K 49.2°C
LSP Temp (AP-01)	97.3°F

MAR 2/061	3/062	4/063	5/064	6/065	7/066	8/067
1200-1300 ALSEP 17	0600-0700ALSEP 161500-1700ALSEP 16C/S HTR OFF(ALSEP 14PSE HTR ON)ALSEP 12CYCLE SIDEFLIP CALHFE RBS	O900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	09-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON (ALSEP 14 CPLEE ON) FLIP CAL HFE RBS	(0900-1100 (ALSEP 14 C/S HTR ON)	0430-0830 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS 1800-1900	<u>0900-1100</u>
MAR 9/068	10/069	11/070	12/071	13/072	14/073	15/074
<u>0900-1100</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE R8S	NO SUPPORT
MAR 16/075	17/076	18/077	19/078	20/079	21/080	22/081
<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	2100-2300 ALSEP 17 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 16	0900-1100 ALSEP T5 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF TIMER RST	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 LACE STOBY LEAM OFF	1700-1900 ALSEP 12 ALSEP 14 FLIP CAL	0800-1200 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR 0
			FLIP CAL		HFE RBS	
			HFE RBS			2000-2100

MAR 23/082	24/083	25/084	26/085	27/086	28/086	29/087
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	2100-2400 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0000-0100 ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES
	ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES FLIP CAL HFE RBS		ALSEP 17 LEAM ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	
MAR 30/089	31/090	APR 1/091	2/092	3/093	4/094	5/095
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LACE ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2100-2200	0700-0900 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE 1600-1700	0100-0200 1000-1200 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 14 PSE HTR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 12 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON ALSEP 14 CPLEE ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	1700-2100 11   ALSEP 14 7   C/S HTR ON 7   ALSEP 12 1   C/S HTR ON 7   PSE Z MTR ON 7
APR 6	<b>7/</b> 097	8/098	9/099	10/100	11/101	12/102
<u>0600-0800</u>	0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE R85	NO SUPPORT	0900-1100 FLTP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO_SUPPORT</u>



#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

#### 4 April 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	<u>S.ITE</u>	REMARKS
14	12 Dec 74	1408/1434	$1^{h_{59}^{28}m}$	ORR	Station Problem
12	01 Jan 75	2053/2252		ORR	Station Problem

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunset of the scientific station's 29th lunation occurred on 1 April at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported at -139.5 ± 2.0 dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods. Telemetry parameter AB-04, which reports the status of the Lunar Atmospheric Composition and the Lunar Ejecta and Meteorite Experiments is indicating a valid condition with the LACE and LEAM ON.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 3 April the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $118 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were 256.4°K at probe #1 and 256.8°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 15, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON). On 2 April a check was made of the natural frequency response of the beam. The instrument was commanded to Seismic Gain LOW, Bias IN, Integrator NORMAL, Bias OUT, Seismic Gain HIGH, Integrator SHORT, and Bias IN. The frequency was determined to be 1.6 Hz which is near the 1.5 Hz reading established on 30 November 1973. The instrument was then returned to its normal operating configuration.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently in STANDBY. The next 4-day passive listening period is planned for 13 to 18 April 1975.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data. The instrument is configured to discriminator level, LOW; filament, OFF; high voltage power supply, OFF; and backup heater, ON.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

4 April 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 27 March 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 4 April 1975

Central station Sunset at the Descartes Site occurred on 2 April for the 37th lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded ON at 1335 G.m.t., 3 April, for lunar night operations when the average thermal plate temperature decreased to 13.1°F. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported at -136 ± 2.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

#### Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). The instrument's assembly temperature (DL-07 = 134.1°F) returned onscale, 2 April, at a sun angle of 178.4°. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment The LSM is ON and recording data. 982 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment's engineering data. Science data from the Z-axis has been intermittent since 3 March 1975. Flip calibrations have been discontinued for this lunar night because of the low temperatures of the Z-axis sensor head.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 27 March 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 4 April 1975

- Central station Sunset of the station's 46th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 3 April. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported between -133.5 and -138.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). Experiment The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station's data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Suprathermal ion<br/>detector/cold<br/>cathode gauge<br/>experimentsThe instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded<br/>ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) (Apollo 15 ALSEP,<br/>SMEAR 47).Heat flow<br/>experimentThe instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being<br/>sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 143.6°K on 3 April

sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 143.6°K on 3 April as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.1°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 27 March 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 4 April 1975

Sunset at the Apollo 14 site (52nd lunation) will occur on 5 April. Transmitter Central station A signal strength was reported between -136.0 and -141.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Since 5 March 1975 when the downlink signal returned, numerous commands have been transmitted to the central station without success. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975.

Passive seismic experiment

The instrument is ON. (DL-07), the internal temperature, was reading 116.1°F on 3 April. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. Because of the present offscale condition of the instrument's sensor axes it is doubtful that seismic events can be observed. During this report period the Y-axis returned onscale and went from offscale HIGH to offscale LOW. The table depicts the performance of the PSE from 26 March to 1 April 1975.

DATE	<u>G.M.T.</u>	<u>X</u>	Y	Z	DL-07 (°F)	SUN <u>ANGLE</u>
26 MAR	1346	L	Н	H	L	59.7°
27 MAR	1403	L	12.79	Н	L	72.0°
28 MAR	1358	L	2.28	Н	115.53	84.1°
29 MAR	1411	L	-9.62	Н	122.56	$96.4^{\circ}$
30 MAR	1414	L	-22.70	Н	127.28	108.6°
31 MAR	1355	L	L	Н	129.82	120.6°

Active seismic experiment

The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown.

detector/cold cathode gauge experiment

Charged particle

The experiment is in STANDBY.

lunar environmental experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 27 March 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 4 April 1975

Central station Sunset of the 67th lunation will occur on 5 April. A signal strength of -140.0 ± 1.0 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured with thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, O db; and feedback loop filter IN. The instrument's assembly temperature is offscale HIGH and is expected to return onscale on 5 April. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support this report period.

Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind spectrometer plasma data. experiment

Suprathermal ion The SIDE in ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) with detector Channeltron high voltages ON. experiment

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

## Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 3 April 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation	1961	1518	1342	1077
Total Commands to Date	22487	15567	27809	15738
Sun Angle	151.7°	157.7°	178.8°	190.7°
Input Power	60.1w	63.7w	66.9w	67.2w
Heater and Power Dumps	A11 OFF	All OFF	All OFF	DSS-1 ON (10w)
Experiment Status	LSM OFF	SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY	LSM/SWS OFF	ASE OFF
Avg Thermal Plate Temp	72.5°F	74.1°F	48.1°F	13.1°F
PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07)	Offscale HIGH	116.1°F	125.0°F	126.1°F
LSM Internal Temp (DM-05)	OFF	N/A	OFF	-2.1°C
SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13)	51.8°C	N/A	0FF	N/A
SIDE Temp (DI-05)	25.4°C	STBY	40.7°C	N/A
CCGE Temp (DI-04)	HIGH	STBY	249.2°K	N/A
CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06)	N/A	STBY	N/A	N/A
ASE GLA Temp (AS-03)	N/A	77.2°C	N/A	OFF
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	N/A	N/A	290.1°K	OFF

## TM POINT

Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date
Sun Angle Input Power
APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LAČE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

842 22023
205.9°
72.7w
ON
All OFF
LSP STBY
20.4°F
1.4°F
-17.4°F
285.3°K
49.2°C
21.4°F

MAR 23/082	24/083		1			
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SIDE OFF	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY	2100-2400 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0000-0100 ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT 0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 17 LEAM ON FLIP CAL	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES
	FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	FLIP CAL HFE RBS		HFE RBS	
MAR 30/089	31/090	APR 1/091	2/092	3/093	4/094	5/095
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LACE ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2100-2200	0700-0900 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE 1600-1700	0100-0200 1000-1200 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 14 PSE HTR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON ALSEP 14 CPLEE ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 14 C/S HTR ON ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON
APR 6	7/097	8/098	9/099	10/100	11/101	12/102
<u>0900-1100</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

11 April 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Midnight of the scientific station's 29th lunation occurred on 8 April at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported at -137.5 <sup>±</sup> 1.5 dbm from transmitter A by the tracking stations with the 30-foot antennas. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during realtime support periods. Telemetry parameter AB-04, which indicates the status of the Lunar Atmospheric Composition and the Lunar Ejecta and Meteorite Experiments is displaying a valid indication with the LACE and LEAM ON.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 9 April lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples was  $108 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were 256.5°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment, as of 9 April, is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, *integrator* normal, bias in, post amplifier gain at increment 15, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. Also on 9 April an operational check to reconfirm the natural frequency response of 1.6 cycles/second of the beam was performed. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently in STANDBY. The next 4-day passive listening period is planned for 13 to 18 April 1975.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is currently ON but is not processing scientific data. The instrument is configured to discriminator level, LOW; filament, OFF; high voltage power supply, OFF; and backup heater, ON.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 4 April 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 11 April 1975

Central station Midnight at the Descartes Site occurred on 10 April for the 37th lunar night. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported at  $-135.7 \pm 1.7$  dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

# Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO experiment ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). No significant seismic events were noted during the limited real-time support of this instrument.

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment The LSM is ON. 982 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment's engineering data. The static Z axis science data and offscale low temperature anomaly continued this week. No flip calibrations of the instrument will be performed until the Z-axis temperature returns onscale during the lunar day.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 4 April 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 11 April 1975

- Central station Midnight of the station's 46th lunation occurred today at the Hadley Rille Site. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported between -134.0 and -139.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage/arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station's data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were observed during the limited real-time support periods.
- Suprathermal ion detector/cold ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). Initiation of SIDE cycling this lunar day was 24 March and not 26 March as previously reported in 27 March 1975 Summary Report.
- Heat flow experiment sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 89.2°K on 9 April, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.1°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 4 April 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 11 April 1975

- Midnight at the Apollo 14 site (52nd lunation) will occur on 12 April. Transmitter Central station A signal strength was reported between -139.0 and -144.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Since 5 March 1975 when the downlink signal returned, numerous commands have been transmitted to the central station without success. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975.
- The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07), has been reading offscale Passive seismic LOW since 4 April. The PSE heater has been Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. Even experiment with this present offscale condition of the instrument's sensor axes it is possible that seismic events could be observed. A low level oscillation was observed on the short period sensor axis during support on 9 April, and prior to that the data had appeared normal throughout this reporting period.

DATE	<u>G.M.T.</u>	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u>Z.</u>	DL-07 (°F)	SUN <u>ANGLE</u>
4 APR	1410	L	L	Н	L	169.5°
5 APR	2327	L	-12.29	Н	L	186.4°
6 APR	1405	L	0.89	Н	L	193.8°
7 APR	1401	L	18.99	Н	L	206.0°
9 APR	1415	L	Н	Н	L	230.6°

Active seismic experiment

The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown.

detector/cold cathode gauge experiment

Charged particle lunar environmental experiment

The experiment is in STANDBY.

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 4 April 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 11 April 1975

Central station Midnight of the 67th lunation will occur on 13 April at the ALSEP site in the Ocean of Storms. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. A signal strength between -137.0 and -143.0 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). On 9 April per the P.I.'s request the instrument was reconfigured to the feedback loop filter OUT. The instrument's assembly temperature (DL-07) was offscale LOW at a sun angle of 224.4° on 9 April. The Z-axis drive motor is ON to maximize heating in the instrument during lunar night. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support periods.

The instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high detector voltages ON. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

magnetometer experiment commanded off 14 oune 1974.

Status as of 1600 G.m.t., 9 April 1975, was as follows:

Total Days of Operation 1967 1524 1348 1083	SEP
Total Commands to Date23586155812789315785Sun Angle225.5°231.4°252.7°264.4°Input Power59.4w (59.8w)63.4w (63.8w)65.2w (65.9w)67.1w (67.1wHeater and Power DumpsAll ONAll OFFAll OFFAll OFFAll OFFExperiment StatusLSM OFFSIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBYLSM/SWS OFFASE OFFAvy Thermal Plate Temp9.1°F9.9°F7.4°F33.4°FPSE Sensor Temp (DL-07)Offscale LOWOffscale LOW124.5°F125.9°FLSM Internal Temp (DM-05)OFFN/AOFF-10.2°CSWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13)-15.2°CN/AOFFN/ASIDE Temp (DI-05)4.3°CSTBY7.2°CN/ACCGE Temp (DI-04)HIGHSTBY110.3°KN/ACPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06)N/ASTBYN/AOFFHFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)N/AN/AN/A283.6°KOFF	)

#### TM POINT

Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date
Sun Angle
Input Power
APM Status (AB-13)
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HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

#### APOLLO 17 ALSEP

848 22188
279.7°
<b>72.7</b> w (72.7w)
ON
A11 OFF
LSP STBY
17.3°F
-2.3°F
-17.4°F
286.7°K
49.2°C
18.8°F

Value in parenthesis indicates RTG output during last lunation at a similar sun angle.

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0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	2100-2400 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0000-0100 ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES
	ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES FLIP CAL HFE RBS		ALSEP 17 LEAM ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	
MAR 30/089	31/090	APR 1/091	2/092	3/093	4/094	5/095
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LACE ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2100-2200	0700-0900 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE 1600-1700	O100-0200 1000-1200 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 14 PSE HTR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON ALSEP 14 CPLEE ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	1900-2245 11   ALSEP 14 14   C/S HTR ON 14   ALSEP 12 11   C/S HTR ON 14   PSE Z MTR ON 14
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<u>0900-1100</u>	0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>
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APR 20/110	21/111	22/112	23/113	24/114	25/115	26/116
2000-2400 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1300 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES
ALSEP 14 C/S HTR OFF	HFE RBS	ALSEP 14 CPLEE STDBY	ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 14 PSE HTR OFF ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 17 LSPE ON HBR ON
APR 27/117	28/118	29/119	30/120	MAY 1/121	2/122	3/123
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 17 LEAM ON HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 17 LACE ON HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2000-2100 ALSEP 17 HBR OFF	<u>0600-0700</u> <u>1500-1600</u>	0000-0100 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON ALSEP 14 PSE HTR ON 0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON ALSEP 14 CPLEE ON
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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

18 April 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses may not be recoverable.

ALSEP	$\underline{DATE}$	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
ALL	11 Apr 75		17 <sup>m</sup>	GW <b>M</b> /BUR	Priority Support
12	16 Apr 75		09 <sup>m</sup>	MIL	Scheduling

#### Apollo 17

Sunrise of the scientific station's 30th lunation occurred on 16 April at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported at -137.5 <sup>±</sup> 2.5 dbm from transmitter A by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 17 April the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $222 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures was  $256.5^{\circ}$ K at probe #1 and  $256.9^{\circ}$ K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator normal mode, bias in, post amplifier gain at increment 15, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently ON. A passive listening period of the LSPE was begun at 1415 G.m.t., 13 April, to continue a study of meteoroid impacts and thermal moonquakes. Significant events were noted during the real-time support periods on 13 and 16 April when the LSP high bit rate was monitored in-house. This listening period is being conducted during lunar night and day (Sun Angles 331.0° to 024.0°) and will be terminated on 18 April. This will complete the listening periods as planned for one entire lunation beginning in July 1973. However, two additional periods are planned, one from 26-30 April prior to sunset terminator and the other from 12-16 May prior to sunrise terminator.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON, but is not processing scientific data.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 11 April 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 18 April 1975

Central station	Sunrise at the Descartes Site occurred on 17 April for the 38th lunar day. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded OFF for lunar day operations on 17 April. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported at -135.5 $\pm$ 2.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
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Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, experiment AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). No significant seismic events were noted during the limited real-time support of this instrument.

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment The LSM is ON. Science data from the Z-axis has been intermittent since 3 March 1975. Flip calibrations have not been accomplished because of the low temperatures of the Z-axis sensor head during this report period.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 11 April 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 18 April 1975

- Central station Sunrise of the station's 47th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site earlier today, 18 April. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at -136.0 ± 2.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage/arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station's data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were observed during the limited real-time support periods.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). cathode gauge experiment

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 83.8°K on 17 April, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.1°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 11 April 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 18 April 1975

- Central station Midnight at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 12 April for the 52nd lunation. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -135.0 and -142.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Since 5 March 1975 when the downlink signal returned, numerous commands have been transmitted to the central station without success. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975. The minimum average thermal plate temperature experienced during this lunar night was 9.76°F.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. All parameters were offscale during this report period. The instrument's heater remains in the Forced OFF configuration as previously reported. The present offscale condition of the instrument's sensor axes does not cancel the possibility that seismic events will be observed. An increase in noise amplitude has been noted on the long period X and Z-axes while the Y-axes amplitude remains relatively normal.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown.

detector/cold cathode gauge experiment

experiment

Charged particle The CPLEE is in STANDBY. lunar environment experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 11 April 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 18 April 1975

Central station Midnight of the 67th lunation occurred on 13 April. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. A signal strength between -138.0 and -141.5 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) remains offscale LOW. The Z-axis drive motor is ON to maximize heating in the instrument during lunar night. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support periods.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment The instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode. From 13 April to 17 April it was noted that the data output of the sum cups levels 1 through 14 during the instrument's ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) were LOW. This anomaly was previously noted on 19 June 1972, 19 February, and 12 March 1975.

# Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high detector voltages ON. experiment

Lunar surface	Commanded	0FF	14	June	1974.
magnetometer					
experiment					

Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 17 April 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation	1975	1532	1356	1091
Total Commands to Date	23594	15587	27928	15815
Sun Angle	322.7°	328.7°	349.8°	1.7°
Input Power	59.2w	62.9w	64.7w	66.6w
Heater and Power Dumps	DSS-1 (10w) ON	All OFF	All OFF	A11 OFF
Experiment Status	LSM OFF	SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY	LSM/SWS OFF	ASE OFF
Avg Thermal Plate Temp	7.2°F	9.8°F	6.2°F	32.4°F
PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07)	Offscale LOW	Offscale LOW	124.5°F	125.8°F
LSM Internal Temp (DM-05)	OFF	N/A	OFF	-10.2°C
SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13)	-16.1°C	N/A	OFF	N/A
SIDE Temp (DI-05)	4.3°C	STBY	6.6°C	N/A
CCGE Temp (DI-04)	HIGH	STBY	106.5°K	N/A
CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06)	N/A	STBY	N/A	N/A
ASE GLA Temp (AS-03)	N/A	-71.1°C	N/A	OFF
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	N/A	N/A	283.4°K	OFF

#### TM POINT

Total Days of Operation	85
Total Commands to Date	22
	16
Sun Angle	
Input Power	71
APM Status (AB-13)	ON
Power Dump Status (AB-14)	A1
Experiment Status	A1
Avg Thermal Plate Temp	55
LACE Temp (AM-41)	90
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)	14
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	29
LSG Temp (DG-04)	49
LSP Temp (AP-01)	70

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

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TIMES - CDT		ALSEP SI	UPPORT SCHEDULE/EN	(ENTS		PSE CALS DAILY
MAR 23/084	24/083	25/084	26/085	27/086	28/086	29/08,
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	2100-2400 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	0000-0100 ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT 0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 17 LEAM ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES
MAR 30/089	31/090	APR 1/091	2/092	3/093	4/094	5/095
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LACE ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2100-2200	0700-0900 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE 1600-1700	0100-0200 1000-1200 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 14 PSE HTR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON ALSEP 14 CPLEE ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	1900-2245   ALSEP 14   C/S HTR ON   ALSEP 12   C/S HTR ON   PSE Z MTR ON
APR 6	7/097	8/098	9/099	10/100	11/101	12/102
<u>0900-1100</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO_SUPPORT</u>

	ALSEP SUPPORT SCHEDULE/EVENTS					PSE CALS DAILY
APR 13/103	14/104	15/105	16/106	17/107	18/108	19/109
0900-1100 ALSEP 17 LSPE ON HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	O900-1100 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF ALSEP 17 HBR ON	0900-1200 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 TIMER RST ALSEP 17 HBR OFF LSPE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 17 LACE STDBY LEAM OFF
APR 20/110	21/111	22/112	23/113	24/114	25/115	26/116
2000-2400 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF	<u>1100-1300</u> FLIP CAL	1000-1200 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF	0930-1130 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0930-1330 ALSEP T2 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES
ALSEP 14 C/S HTR OFF	HFE RBS	ALSEP 14 CPLEE STDBY	ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 14 PSE HTR OFF ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 17 LSPE ON HBR ON
APR 27/117	28/118	29/119	30/120	MAY 1/121	2/122	3/123
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 17	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 17	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	<u>0600-0700</u> 1500-1600	OOOO-O1OO ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON ALSEP 14 PSE HTR ON	0900-1100JALSEP 15JALSEP 12SIDE ON
LEAM ON HBR ON	SIDE ON ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	LACE ON HBR ON	FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2000-2100 ALSEP 17		0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL	ALSEP 14 CPLEE ON
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25 April 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

#### Apollo 17

Noon of the scientific station's 30th lunation occurred on 23 April at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength, as reported by the 30foot antenna tracking stations, is between -138.5 and -143.0 dbm from transmitter A. Automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulse is inhibited by routine transmission of command octal 174 (Delay uplink switchover) during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being accomplished on a periodic basis. On 24 April the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $379 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were 256.5°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias in, post amplifier gain at increment 7, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. On 17 April during the Seismic Gain Low check the experiment slave heater was inadvertently turned OFF permitting the instrument internal temperature (DG-04) to drift offscale LOW. At 1435 G.m.t., 18 April the heater was commanded ON and the temperature returned onscale on 19 April. At approximately 0800 G.m.t., 20 April, the temperature had stabilized at 49.2°C as reported by the Hawaii Tracking Station. At 0203 G.m.t., 21 April, during real-time support a significant seismic event was detected by the experiment in conjunction with the Apollo 12, 14, and 16 PSEs. The event was noted to have lasted approximately 45 minutes. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently in STANDBY. The 4-day passive listening period that started on 13 April was concluded at 1412 G.m.t., 18 April (sun angles 327.6° - 28.7°). This period completed one entire lunation in the high bit rate mode. Additional 4-day listening periods are scheduled for 26-30 April and 12-16 May 1975.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is currently OFF.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 18 April 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 25 April 1975

On 21 April the Apollo 16 ALSEP completed three years of Lunar operation.

- Central station Noon of the 38th lunation occurred on 24 April 1975. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operation. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited. The 30-foot antenna tracking stations report a signal strength between -131.5 and -139.0 dbm from transmitter B.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). The instrument's sensor temperature (DL-07) indicated offscale HIGH on 23 April, at a sun angle of 74.6°. A significant seismic event was observed during the real-time support period on 21 April. Activity was noted on all axes starting at 0203 G.m.t. and lasting approximately 45 minutes. The Apollo 12 and 14 PSEs, and the Apollo 17 LSG also detected this activity.
- Lunar surface The LSM is currently ON and recording data as the moon passes through the earth's geomagnetic tail. 988 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment's engineering data since activation. The Z axis continued to indicate invalid science data throughout this reporting period.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27).

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 18 April 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 25 April 1975

Central station Noon of the station's 47th lunation will occur later today. Transmitter A downlink signal strength was reported at -135.2 ± 3.2 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry has been cycling per the normal 18 hour timer output pulse functions. The instrument's sensor temperature (DL-07) went offscale high on 24 April at a sun angle of 74.8°. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods. It should be noted that this ALSEP was not monitored in mission control on 21 April during the seismic event period previously mentioned on the other PSEs.
- Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiment The instrument is currently in STANDBY. Cyclic commanding of the experiment was initiated for the remainder of this lunar day on 23 April (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47). During real-time support on 19 April it was noted the instrument received an octal 107 (Load 4, SIDE Master Reset) between the support periods of 18 and 19 April. As a command verification word (CVW) had not been reported in the ALSEP 15 downlink it is assumed that this functional change was generated internally in the instrument. Octals 104, 105, and 106 were sent to the instrument and the command register was cleared at 1401 G.m.t., 19 April, with octal 110 (execution command).
- Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode with all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 365.7°K on 24 April, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 18 April 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 25 April 1975

- Central station Sunrise at the Apollo 14 site (53rd lunation) occurred on 20 April. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at  $-137.0 \pm 2.5$  dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Since 5 March 1975 when the downlink signal returned, numerous commands have been transmitted to the central station without success. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. At 0203 G.m.t., 21 April a significant seismic event occurred and was detected by the X & Y axes long period sensors. This event was also detected by the ALSEP 12 and 16 PSEs, and the ALSEP 17 LSG experiment. Throughout this reporting period the Y axis has appeared normal and the X axis has intermittently shown a normal response. On 24 April, during real-time support the short period Z axis appears to show a normal response. All parameters are indicating offscale as previously reported last week. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown.

Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY.

environmental experiment

lunar

experiment

detector/cold cathode gauge experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 18 April 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 25 April 1975

Central station Sunrise of the 68th lunar day occurred on 20 April. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operations. A signal strength of -138.7 ± 2.2 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The Z motor was commanded OFF on 21 April to minimize heating in the instrument. A significant seismic event was observed on 21 April during the real-time support period on all the long period axes.
- Solar wind spectrometer experiment The instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode. From 13 April to 24 April it has been observed that the data output of the sum cups levels 1 through 14 during the instrument's ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) were LOW. On 21 April 1975 the ac calibrate measurements were intermittent and appeared normal during the end of one support period. This anomaly has previously occurred as noted in last week's Summary Report.

#### Suprathermal ion The SIDE is currently OFF. Cyclic commanding of the instrument in the full autodetector matic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF experiment is in effect for this lunar day.

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

experiment

## Status as of 1830 G.m.t., 24 April 1975, was as follows:

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TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	1982 23671 49.8° 59.7w A11 OFF SIDE/LSM OFF 89.9°F 127.3°F OFF 60.0°C OFF 0FF N/A N/A N/A	1539 15603 55.8° 63.3w All OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 106.8°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY 61.6°C N/A	1363 28046 76.9° 65.0w All OFF LSM/SWS OFF&SIDE ST 110.4°F Offscale HIGH OFF OFF STBY STBY STBY N/A N/A 327.0°K	1098 15911 88.8° 66.6w A11 OFF BY ASE OFF 103.1°F Offscale HIGH 45.8°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

## TM POINT

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

Total Days of Operation	863
Total Commands to Date	22926
Sun Angle	104.0°
Input Power	70.3w
APM Status (AB-13)	ON
Power Dump Status (AB-14)	All OFF
Experiment Status	LSPE/LACE STBY & LEAM OFF
Avg Thermal Plate Temp	94.8°F
LACE Temp (AM-41)	149.7°F
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)	188.0°F
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	327.2°K
LSG Temp (DG-04)	49.2°C
LSG Temp (DG-04)	49.2°C
LSP Temp (AP-01)	95.4°F

	ALSEP SUPPORT SCHEDULE/EVENTS PSE CALS DAIL					
APR 13/103	14/104	15/105	16/106	17/107	18/108	19/109
0900-1100 ALSEP 17 LSPE ON HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	O900-1100 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF ALSEP 17 HBR ON	0900-1200 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 TIMER RST ALSEP 17 HBR OFF LSPE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 17 LACE STDBY LEAM OFF
APR 20/110	21/111	22/112	23/113	24/114	25/115	26/116
2000-2400 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF	<u>1100-1300</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	1000-1200 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF	0930-1130 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0930-1330 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 17 LSPE ON HBR ON
APR 27/117	28/118	29/119	30/120	MAY 1/121	2/122	3/123
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 17 LEAM ON HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 17 LACE ON HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2000-2100 ALSEP 17 HPD OFF	<u>0600-0700</u> <u>1500-1600</u>	0000-0100 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON 0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON
	ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL	2	FLIP CAL HFE RBS <u>2000-2100</u>		ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	

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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

2 May 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following period. It must be noted that this data loss is non-recoverable.

ALSEP	$\underline{DATE}$	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
14	27 Apr 75	0845/0919	$34^m$	QUI	Station Problem

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunset of the 30th lunation occurred on 1 May at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported at  $-139.0 \pm 3.0$  dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods. Telemetry parameter AB-04, which reports the status of the Lunar Atmospheric Composition and the Lunar Ejecta and Meteorite Experiments, is valid with the LACE and LEAM ON.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 1 May the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $125 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.5°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator normal mode, bias in, post amplifier gain at increment 7, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently in STANDBY. A special passive listening period of the LSPE was begun at 1515 G.m.t., 26 April, and terminated at 0053 G.m.t., 1 May, to continue a study of meteoroid impacts and thermal moonquakes. Significant events were noted during each real-time support period when the LSP high bit rate was monitored in-house. This listening period was conducted during sunset terminator (Sun Angles 126.6° to 180.3°). Another special period is planned from 12-16 May prior to the sunrise terminator.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data. The instrument is configured to discriminator level, LOW; filament, OFF; high voltage power supply, OFF; and backup heater, ON. The command register again contained octal 132 on 1 May. No attempts were made by mission control to clear the command.

# ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT (continued)

2 May 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

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#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 25 April 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 2 May 1975

- Central station Sunset at the Descartes Site occurred on 2 May for the 38th lunation, The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) will be commanded ON, later 2 May, for lunar night operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported at  $-136.0 \pm 3.0$  dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) continues to be offscale HIGH during this report period. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.
- Lunar surface The LSM is ON and recording data. 984 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment engineering data. Science data from the Z-axis has been static this report period.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27).

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 25 April 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 2 May 1975

- Central station Sunset of the 47th lunation will occur at the Hadley Rille Site on 3 May. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at -135.5 ± 3.5 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 experiment ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.
- Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47).
- Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 302.8°K on 1 May as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.1°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 25 April 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 2 May 1975

Central station Sunset at the Apollo 14 site (53rd lunation) will occur on 4 May. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at -138.5 ± 2.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Since 5 March 1975 when the downlink signal returned, numerous commands have been transmitted to the central station without success. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. (DL-07), the internal temperature, was reading 124.6°F on 1 May. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the Y-axis returned onscale and went from offscale HIGH to offscale LOW. The short period Z-axis appeared to be responding normally during this report period. The table depicts the performance of the PSE from 24 April to 1 May 1975.

DA	TE	<u>G.M.T</u> .	X	<u> </u>	<u>Z</u>	DL-07 (°F)	SUN <u>ANGLE</u>
24	APR	1436	L	Н	Н	L	53.8°
25	APR	1438	L	12.59	Н	L	65.9°
26	APR	1400	L	-0.25	Н	107.95	77.8°
27	APR	1401	L	-9.17	Н	115.67	90.0°
28	APR	1349	L	-22.50	Н	121.36	102.1°
29	APR	1405	L	L	0.00	125.00	114.4°
30	APR	1339	L	L	0.00	126.00	126.4°
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No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

Suprathermal ion

The instrument status is unknown.

detector/cold cathode gauge experiments

Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY.

lunar environmental experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 25 April 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 2 May 1975

Central station Sunset of the 68th lunation will occur on 5 May. A signal strength of -139.5 ± 2.5 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. At 1117 G.m.t., 29 April, the Hawaii Tracking Station reported a CVW (octal 017, 7-watt PDR ON) in the Apollo 12 ALSEP downlink. The PDR was commanded OFF (octal 021) at 1142 G.m.t. by Mode I, through Hawaii at the direction of mission control. During real-time support, later 29 April, it was confirmed the 7-watt PDR was OFF.

- Passive seismic The instrument is configured with thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, O db; experiment and feedback loop filter OUT. The instrument's assembly temperature is offscale HIGH and is expected to return onscale on 4 May. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support this report period.
- Solar wind spectrometer experiment The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind plasma data. From 13 April to 30 April the data output of the sum cups levels 1 through 14 during the instrument ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) were LOW. The measurements returned to normal during real-time support on 30 April. This anomaly was previously noted on 19 June 1972, 19 February, and 12 March 1975.

Suprathermal ion detector experiment The SIDE is currently OFF. Cyclic commanding of the instrument in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF is in effect for this lunar day. During real-time support on 26 April the SIDE experienced an unexpected mode change to command register X10 at a temperature of 53.68°C. The mode change was cleared by commanding the instrument to OFF to cool down prior to turn ON during the next support period.

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer

experiment

# Status as of 1100 G.m.t., 1 May 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLU 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avy Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	1989 23718 131.3° 59.7w A11 OFF SIDE/LSM OFF 83.0°F Offscale HIGH OFF 60.0°C OFF OFF N/A N/A N/A	1546 15621 137.2° 63.3w A11 OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 93.4°F 124.6°F N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY STBY STBY	1370 28162 158.3° 65.5w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 84.5°F 125.8°F OFF 0FF 68.8°C 316.2°K N/A N/A 303.0°K	1105 15998 170.2° 66.3w A11 OFF ASE OFF 57.1°F Offscale HIGH 36.3°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

TM POINT	APOLLO 1
Total Days of Operation	870
Total Commands to Date	23131
Sun Angle	185.4°
Input Power	72.6w
APM Status (AB-13)	ON
Power Dump Status (AB-14)	A11 OFF
Experiment Status	LSP STBY
Avg Thermal Plate Temp	29.1°F
LACE Temp (AM-41)	18.2°F
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)	-7.7°F
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	284.8°K
LSG Temp (DG-04)	49.2°C
LSP Temp (AP-01)	30.4°F

# APOLLO 17 ALSEP

TIMES - CDT		ALSEP SI	UPPORT SCHEDULE/EV	VENTS	·	PSE CALS DAII
APR 13/103	14/104	15/105	16/106	17/107	18/108	19/109
<u>0900-1100</u> ALSEP 17 LSPE ON HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u> ALSEP 17 HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP T7 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF ALSEP 17 HBR ON	0900-1200 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 TIMER RST ALSEP 17 HBR OFF LSPE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 17 LACE STDBY LEAM OFF
APR 20/110	21/111	22/112	23/113	24/114	25/115	26/116
2000-2400 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF 1 PSE Z MTR OFF	<u>1100-1300</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	1000-1200 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF	0930-1130 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0930-1330 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 17 LSPE ON HBR ON
APR 27/117	28/118	29/119	30/120	MAY 1/121	2/122	3/123
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 17 LEAM ON HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 17 LACE ON HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2000-2100 ALSEP 17 HBR OFF LSPE STDBY		0000-0100 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON 0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON

· · ·	TIMES - CDT		ALSEP S	UPPORT SCHEDULE/E	VENTS		PSE CALS DAILY
1	MAY 4/124	5/125	6/126	7/127	8/128	9/129	10/130
	0900-1100   ALSEP 14 <	L 0500-0900 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON	<u>0900-1100</u>	<u>0700-0900</u> FLIP CAL	NO SUPPORT	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL	NO SUPPORT
				HFE RBS		HFE RBS ALSEP 17	
		FLIP CAL				5A174 Mode I 2145 G.m.t.	
		HFE RBS <u>1600-1700</u>					
·	MAY 11/131	12/132	13/133	14/134	15/135	16/136	17/137
<u>N</u>	<u>IO SUPPORT</u>	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 LSPE ON HBR ON FLIP CAL	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 16 ALSEP 17 HBR OFF LSPE STDBY	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF TIMER RST
	- - -	HFE RBS		NFE KDS		FLIP CAL HFE RBS	
<b></b>	IAY 18/138	19/139	20/140	21/141	22/142	23/143	24/144
Ī	<u>0900-1100</u> _ACE_STDBY _EAM_OFF	0900-1100   ALSEP 14   ALSEP 12   FLIP CAL   HFE RBS	0800-1200 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF 2000-2100	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY FLIP CAL	0000-0100 ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT 2200-2400 LUNAR ECLIPSE
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#### 9 May 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Remote site coverage for recording of ALSEP downlink data was not available during the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	$\underline{SITE}$	REMARKS
14 16 12 12	02 May 75 02 May 75 02 May 75 02 May 75	1022/1027 2001/2012 2012/2024 2150/2255	05 <sup>m</sup> 11 <sup>m</sup> 01 <sup>h</sup> 05 <sup>m</sup>	QUI ORR ORR ORR	Station Problem Station Problem Station Problem Station Problem

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Midnight of the scientific station's 30th lunation occurred on 8 May at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported at  $-136.2 \pm 2.7$  dbm from transmitter A by the tracking stations with the 30-foot antennas. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 7 May lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples was  $109 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were 256.5°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator normal mode, bias in, post amplifier gain at increment 7, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY. The next 4-day high bit rate passive listening period is planned for sun angles 321° to 10° from 12 to 16 May 1975.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data. The instrument is configured to discriminator level, LOW; filament, OFF; high voltage power supply, OFF; and backup heater, ON. The octal 132 that was contained in the command register on 1 May, was cleared out on 3 May, by sending command execute octal 134 after the total load-ing of the command register (octals 123, 124, 125, 127, 132, and 133). Since 3 May 1975 the command register has maintained its normal configuration.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 2 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 9 May 1975

- Central station Midnight at the Descartes Site will occur later today for the 38th lunar night. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported at -136.0 ± 3.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07 = 132.5°F) returned onscale, 2 May, at a sun angle of 179.2°. No significant seismic events were noted during the limited real-time support of this instrument.
- Lunar surface magnetometer experiment The LSM is ON. 998 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment engineering data. The static Z-axis science data and low temperature anomaly continued this week. Flip calibrations of the instrument were discontinued on 5 May 1975 due to the low temperature of the Z-axis sensor and will be resumed when the temperature returns to a near normal value. The sensor temperature appears to have stabilized at approximately -30°C during this period.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 2 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 9 May 1975

- Central station Midnight of the 47th lunation will occur on 10 May at the Hadley Rille Site. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported between -133.0 and -139.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage/arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were observed during the limited real-time support periods.
- Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded detector/cold ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). cathode gauge
- Heat flow experiment as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 90.6°K on 7 May, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment

experiment

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 2 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 9 May 1975

Central station Midnight at the Apollo 14 site (53rd lunation) will occur on 12 May. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -138.0 and -143.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Since 5 March 1975 when the downlink signal returned, numerous commands have been transmitted to the central station without success. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07), has been reading offscale LOW since 4 May. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the X and Y axes sensors appeared to exhibit normal responses. Since 6 May 1975 the short period Z axis sensor appears to display an invalid response. The following table depicts the performance of the PSE from 2 May to 7 May 1975.

DATE	<u>G.M.T.</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Z</u>	DL-07 (°F)	SUN <u>ANGLE</u>
2 May	1402	Ľ	L	Н	117.48	151.0°
3 May	1355	L	L	-0.01	107.23	163.1°
4 May	1355	L	L	-0.01	Ľ	175.3°
5 May	1009	L	-22.50	-0.01	L	185.6°
6 May	1412	L	0.35	-0.008	L.	199.3°
7 May	1229	L	16.66	-0.008	L $+$	211.3°
7 May	1348	ī.	18.34	-0.008	<i>L</i>	211.9°

No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold cathode gauge experiments

Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY. lunar environmental experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 2 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 9 May 1975

Central station Midnight of the 68th lunation will occur on 12 May at the ALSEP site in the Ocean of Storms. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. A signal strength between -138.0 and -144.0 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07 = 135.1°F) returned onscale at a sun angle of 169.2° on 4 May. The Z-axis drive motor is ON to maximize heating in the instrument during lunar night. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support periods.

Solar windThe instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode. Data output of the sumspectrometercup levels 1 through 14 during the instrument ac calibrate measurements (sequenceexperiment15) were normal this reporting period.

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high detector voltages ON. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

# Status as of 1400 G.m.t., 7 May 1975, was as follows:

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TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03)	1973 23805 206.1° 59.3w (60.6w) A11 ON LSM OFF 9.1°F 126.3°F OFF -14.8°C 4.3°C HIGH N/A N/A	1530 15625 212.0° 62.3w (63.4w) All OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 10.1°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY -63.0°C	1344 28291 233.2° 65.1w <i>(65.5w)</i> All OFF	1089 16105 245.0° 66.6w (67.1w) A11 ON ASE OFF 33.4°F 125.9°F -8.9°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	N/A	N/A	283.7°K	OFF

### TM POINT

Total Days of Operation
Total Commands to Date
Sun Angle
Input Power
APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

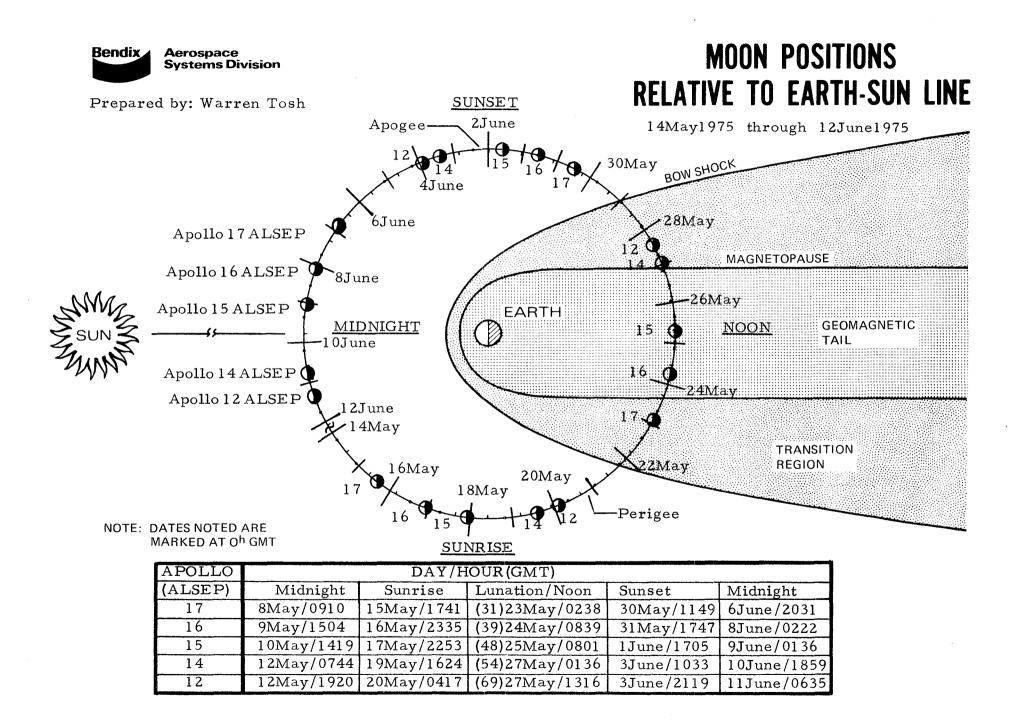
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72.2w (72.7w)
ON
All OFF
LSP STBY
17.3°F
-0.5°F
-17.4°F
284.9°K
<b>49.</b> 2°C
18.8°F

Value in parenthesis indicates RTG output during last lunation at a similar sun angle.

TIMES - CDT		ALSEP SUPPORT SCHEDULE/EVENTS			PSE CALS DA		
APR 13/103	14/104	15/105	16/106	17/107	18/108	19/109	
0900-1100 ALSEP 17 LSPE ON HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF ALSEP 17 HBR ON	0900-1200 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 TIMER RST ALSEP 17 HBR OFF LSPE STDBY FLIP CAL	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 17 LACE STDBY LEAM OFF	
APR 20/110	21/111	22/112	22/112	24/114	HFE RBS	26/116	
APR 20/110 2000-2400 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF 1 PSE Z MTR OFF	21/111 <u>1100-1300</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	22/112 1000-1200 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF	23/113 0930-1130 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY	24/114 0930-1330 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	25/115 0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES FLIP CAL	26/116 0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 19 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 17 LSPE ON	
			FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	HFE RBS	HBR ON	
APR 27/117	28/118	29/119	30/120	MAY 1/121	2/122	3/123	
0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0200-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR 0N	<u>0600-0700</u>	0000-0100 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON	0960-1100 ALSEP 15	
ALSEP 17 LEAM ON HBR ON	ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 17 LACE ON HBR ON	ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2000-2100 ALSEP 17 HBR OFF LSPE STDBY	<u>1500-1600</u>	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 12 SIDE ON	

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5/125	6/126	7/127	8/128	9/129	10/130
ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON	0900-1100	<u>0700-0900</u> FLIP CAL	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL	NO SUPPORT
		HFE RBS		HFE RBS	
FLIP CAL				ALSEP 17 5A174 Mode I 2145 G.m.t.	
HFE RBS <u>1600-1700</u>					
12/132	13/133	14/134	15/135	16/136	17/137
0900-1100 ALSEP 17	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17	0900-1100 ALSEP 17	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 16	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST
HBR ON		FLIP CAL		ALSEP 17 HBR OFF LSPE STDBY	ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF
HFE RBS		HFE RBS		FLIP CAL	TIMER RST
				HFE RBS	
19/139	20/140	21/141	22/142	23/143	24/144
0900-1100 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 12	0800-1200 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0000-0100 ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT
FLIP CAL	2000-2100	HFE RBS		ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY	2200-2400
HFE RBS				HFE RBS	LUNAR ECLIPSE
				2100-2400 ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	
	0500-0900   II     ALSEP 12   C/S HTR ON     PSE Z MTR ON   PSE Z MTR ON     FLIP CAL   HFE RBS     1600-1700   12/132     0900-1100   ALSEP 17     LSPE ON   HBR ON     FLIP CAL   HFE RBS     19/139   0900-1100     19/139   0900-1100     ALSEP 14   II     ALSEP 12   II     FLIP CAL   II	0500-0900 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON   0900-1100     FLIP CAL   HFE RBS 1600-1700   13/133     0900-1100 ALSEP 17 LSPE ON HBR ON   NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 LSPE ON HBR ON     FLIP CAL   NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON     FLIP CAL   NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 LSPE ON HBR ON     19/139   20/140     0900-1100 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 12 FLIP CAL   0800-1200 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF     19/120 ALSEP 12 FLIP CAL   0800-1200 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF	0500-0900 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON     0900-1100 FLIP CAL     0700-0900 FLIP CAL       HFE RBS 1600-1700     HFE RBS     HFE RBS       12/132     13/133     14/134       0900-1100 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 17 HBR ON     NO SUPPORT HBR ON     0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON       FLIP CAL     NO SUPPORT HBR ON     0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON     0900-1100 FLIP CAL       19/139     20/140     21/141       0900-1100 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 12     0800-1200 ALSEP 12     0900-1100 FLIP CAL       19/139     20/140     21/141       0900-1100 ALSEP 14     O900-1100 FLIP CAL     HFE RBS       19/139     20/140     21/141       0900-1100 ALSEP 12     O800-1200 FLIP CAL     HFE RBS       19/139     20/140     21/141	0500-0900 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON     11 PSE Z MTR ON     0900-1100 FLIP CAL     0700-0900 FLIP CAL     NO SUPPORT       HFE RBS 1600-1700     13/133     14/134     15/135       0900-1100 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 17 HBR ON     NO SUPPORT HBR ON     0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON     NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON     0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON     NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON       FI.IP CAL     NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON     0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON     NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON     0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON     NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON       19/139     20/140     21/141     22/142       0900-1100 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF FLIP CAL     0900-1100 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF FLIP CAL     0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0500-0900 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON PSE Z MTR ON     0900-1100     0700-0900 FLIP CAL     NO_SUPPORT     0900-1100 FLIP CAL       FLIP CAL     HFE RBS     HFE RBS     ALSEP 17 SA174 Mode I 2145 G.m.t.     HFE RBS       1600-1700     NO_SUPPORT ALSEP 17 LSPE ON HBR ON     NO_SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON     0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON     ALSEP 17 HBR OFF LSPE STDBY       19/139     20/140     21/141     22/142     23/143       0900-1100 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF FLIP CAL     0900-1100 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF FLIP CAL     0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE     0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE     0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE       HFE RBS     2000-2100     1141     22/142     23/143       0900-1100     0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE     ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE     0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE       HFE RBS     2000-2100     0900-1100 ALSEP 15     00-2400 ALSEP 15



#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

16 May 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

A total eclipse of the moon will occur on 25 May 1975. The eclipse will begin with the entry of the moon into the penumbra at 0259 G.m.t. and will end as the moon exits the penumbra at 0838 G.m.t. The duration will be 5 hours and 39 minutes and the magnitude will be 1.431. All ALSEPs will experience total darkness during the eclipse.

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses may not be recoverable.

ALSEP	$\underline{DATE}$	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	$\underline{SITE}$	REMARKS
12	7-8 May 75	2344/0041	$h_{16}^{57^{m}}$	ULA	Station Problem
ALL	8 May 75	<i>0131/0247</i>		<i>ULA/BUR</i>	Priority Support
12	10 May 75	<i>0340/0343</i>	$03_{m}^{m}$	GWM	Station Problem
12	10 May 75	0807/0809	02 <sup>m</sup> 22 <sup>m</sup>	MAD	Station Problem
ALL	14 May 75	0748/0810	22'''	GWM/MAD	Priority Support

#### Apollo 17

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The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 14 May the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $106 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures was  $256.5^{\circ}$ K at probe #1 and  $256.9^{\circ}$ K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator normal mode, bias in, *post amplifier gain at increment 1*, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently ON. A passive listening period of the LSPE was begun at 1530 G.m.t., 12 May, to continue a study of meteoroid impacts and thermal moonquakes. Small events were noted during the real-time support period on 12 May, when the LSP high bit rate was monitored in-house. This listening period is being conducted during lunar night and day (Sun Angles 321.0° to 10.0°) and will be terminated later today, 16 May. This will complete the two additional listening periods which were planned, one prior to sunset terminator and the other prior to sunrise terminator. A special listening period is scheduled during the lunar eclipse on 24-25 May 1975. 16 May 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON, but is not processing scientific data.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

# Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 9 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 16 May 1975

Central station	Sunrise at the Descartes Site will occur later today 16 May, for the 39th lunar day. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) will be commanded OFF for lunar day operations on 17 May. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported between -133.5 and -138.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
Passive seismic	The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO
experiment	ON; component gains, O db; and feedback loop filter OUT). No significant seismic

events were noted during the real-time support of this instrument.

Lunar surface The LSM is ON. Flip calibrations have not been accomplished this lunar night because of the low temperatures of the Z-axis sensor head.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 9 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 16 May 1975

- Central station Midnight of the station's 47th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 10 May. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at -135.5 ± 2.5 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage/arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were observed during the real-time support periods.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded ON detector/cold and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). cathode gauge

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode with all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 84.6°K on 14 May, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind	Commanded	OFF	14	June	1974.
spectrometer					
experiment					

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

experiment

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 9 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 16 May 1975

Central station Midnight at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 12 May for the 53rd lunation. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at  $-139.0 \pm 2.0$  dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Since 5 March 1975, when the downlink signal returned, numerous commands have been transmitted to the central station without success. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975. The minimum average thermal plate temperature experienced during this lunar night was  $9.4^{\circ}F$ .

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07) has been reading offscale LOW since 4 May. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the long period Y axis sensor appeared to exhibit normal responses. Since 6 May 1975 the short period Z axis sensor appears to display an invalid response. The following table depicts the performance of the PSE from 7 May to 14 May 1975.

DATE	<u>G.M.T.</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Z</u>	DL-07 (°F)	SUN ANGLE
7 May	1229	L	16.66	-0.008	L	211.3°
7 May	1348	L	18.34	-0.008	L	211.9°
9 May	1611	L	Н	-0.008	L	237.6°
12 May	1447	L	Н	-0.008	L	273.6°
14 May	1529	L	Н	-0.000	L	298.4°

No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold cathode gauge experiment Charged particle The CPLEE is in STANDBY.

lunar environment experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 9 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 16 May 1975

- Central station Midnight of the 68th lunation occurred on 12 May. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. A signal strength of -138.5 ± 2.5 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) has been offscale LOW since 9 May. The Z-axis drive motor is ON to maximize heating in the instrument during lunar night. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support periods.
- Solar wind spectrometer experiment The instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode. On 12 May and 14 May it was noted that the data output of the sum cups levels 1 through 14 during the instrument ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) were LOW. This anomaly has been previously reported.

# Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high detector voltages ON. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 14 May 1975, was as follows:

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TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2002 23819 292.2° 58.6w DSS-1 (10w) ON LSM OFF 6.5°F Offscale LOW OFF -16.1°C 4.3°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1559 15625 298.2° 62.7w All OFF	1383 28360 319.3° 64.7w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 6.2°F 124.2°F OFF 0FF 0FF 6.6°C 106.5°K N/A N/A 283.4°K	1118 16119 331.2° 66.6w DSS-1 (10w) ON ASE OFF 32.2°F 125.8°F -8.9°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF
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TM POINT	APOLLO 1
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14) Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41) LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13) LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01)	883 23545 346.4° 71.8w ON A11 OFF A11 ON 15.6°F -2.3°F -17.4°F 286.0°K 49.2°C 20.1°F

# APOLLO 17 ALSEP

MAY 4/124	E /10E	1		VENTS	T	PSE CALS DAILY
1	5/125	6/126	7/127	8/128	9/129	10/130
0900-1100 ALSEP 14	O500-0900 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON	<u>0900-1100</u>	<u>0700-0900</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	0900-1100 FLIP CAL	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>
	FLIP CAL HFE RBS <u>1600-1700</u>				HFE RBS ALSEP 17 5A174 Mode I 2145 G.m.t.	
	12/132 <u>0900-1100</u> ALSEP 17 LSPE ON HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	13/133 <u>NO SUPPORT</u> ALSEP 17 HBR ON '	14/134 0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	15/135 NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON	16/136 0900-1100 ALSEP 16 ALSEP 17 HBR OFF LSPE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	17/137 0900-1100 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF TIMER RST
MAY 18/138	19/139	20/140	21/141	22/142	23/143	24/144
LACE STDBY LEAM OFF	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 12 FLIP CAL	0800-1200 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF 2000-2100	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2100-2400 ALSEP 15	0000-0100 ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT 2200-2400 LUNAR ECLIPSE

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23 May 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

A total eclipse of the moon will occur on 25 May 1975. The eclipse will begin with the entry of the moon into the penumbra at 0259 G.m.t. and will end as the moon exits the penumbra at 0838 G.m.t. All ALSEPs will experience total darkness during the eclipse. Real time support is scheduled for mission control to monitor the event during this time period.

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses may not be recoverable.

ALSEP	$\underline{DATE}$	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
ALL	21 May 75	1003/1005	02 <sup>m</sup>	HAW	Station Problem
ALL	21 May 75	2345/2355	10 <sup>m</sup>	MIL	Station Problem

#### Apollo 17

Noon of the 31st lunation occurred today at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength as reported from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations was between -139.0 and -142.5 dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment continues operating in the gradient mode with all sensors being sampled in full sequence and periodic ring bridge surveys being accomplished. On 22 May, the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE's thermocouples, was  $370 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. Subsurface temperature at 230 cm depth was 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator normal mode, bias in, *post amplifier gain at increment 1 since 9 May*, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Surface Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY. A special passive listening period of the LSPE was begun at 1530 G.m.t., 12 May, and terminated at 1343 G.m.t., 16 May, to continue a study of meteoroid impacts and thermal moonquakes. No significant events were noted during each real-time support period when the LSP high bit rate was monitored in-house. This listening period was conducted during sunrise terminator (Sun Angles 322.2° to 10.3°). The next passive listening period is scheduled for 25 May during the lunar eclipse.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is currently in STANDBY. The instrument was commanded to STANDBY at 1408 G.m.t., 17 May, for the lunar day.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is presently OFF. The instrument was commanded OFF at 1431 G.m.t., 18 May 1975, when the mirror temperature (AJ-11) was 180.5°F.

23 May 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch, TN3, telephone 333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 16 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 23 May 1975

- Central station Noon of the 39th lunation will occur on 24 May 1975. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operation. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited. The 30-foot antenna tracking stations report a signal strength between -134.0 and -138.0 dbm from transmitter B.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real time support periods.

Lunar surface The LSM is currently ON and recording data as the moon passes through the earth's geomagnetic tail. 1002 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment engineering data since activation. The Z axis continued to indicate invalid science data throughout this reporting period.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 16 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 23 May 1975

- Central station Sunrise at this ALSEP station occurred on 17 May (48th lunation). Transmitter A downlink signal strength was reported at -135.0 ± 2.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry has been cycling per the normal 18 hour timer output pulse functions. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods.

Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiment is currently in STANDBY. Cyclic commanding of the experiment was initiated for the remainder of this lunar day on 22 May (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47). During real-time support on 19 May, it was noted the instrument received an octal 107 (Load 4, SIDE Master Reset) between the support periods of 18 and 19 May. As a command verification word (CVW) had not been reported in the ALSEP 15 downlink it is assumed that this functional change was generated internally in the instrument. Octals 104, 105, and 106 were sent to the instrument and the command register was cleared at 1358 G.m.t., 19 May, with octal 110 (execution command).

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode with all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 354.0°K on 22 May as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

experiment

magnetometer experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 16 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 23 May 1975

Central station Sunrise at the Apollo 14 site (54th lunation) occurred on 19 May. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at  $-137.0 \pm 1.5$  dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Since 5 March 1975, when the downlink signal returned, numerous commands have been transmitted to the central station without success. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975.

Passive seismic The instrument is ON. The long period X and Y axes sensors and the instrument experiment internal temperature (DL-07) are indicating offscale as previously reported last week, however this does not preclude the possibility of observing seismic events. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold

Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY. lunar

environmental experiment

experiment

cathode gauge experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 16 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 23 May 1975

- Central station Sunrise of the 69th lunar day occurred on 20 May. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operations. A signal strength between -135.0 and -140.5 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The Z motor was commanded OFF on 20 May to minimize heating in the instrument. No significant seismic events were observed during real time support this report period.
- Solar wind spectrometer experiment The instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode. From 12 May to 19 May it has been observed that the data output of the sum cups levels 1 through 14 during the instrument ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) were LOW. From 20 through 22 May 1975 the ac calibrate measurements were intermittent and appeared normal during the end of each support period. This anomaly has previously occurred as noted in last week's Summary Report.
- Suprathermal ion The SIDE is currently OFF. Cyclic commanding of the instrument in the full autodetector matic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF experiment is in effect for this lunar day.

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment Status as of 1600 G.m.t., 22 May 1975, was as follows:

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TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation	2011	1567	1372	1107
Total Commands to Date	23887	15626	28475	16258
Sun Angle	30.4°	36.4°	57.5°	69.4°
Input Power	59.4w	63.3w	64.6w	65.8w
Heater and Power Dumps	A11 OFF	All OFF	A11 OFF	A11 OFF
Experiment Status	SIDE/LSM OFF	SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY	LSM/SWS OFF& SIDE S	TBY ASE OFF
Avg Thermal Plate Temp	78.9°F	88.5°F	100.9°F	98.8°F
PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07)	126.4°F	Offscale LOW	133.6°F	141.7°F
LSM Internal Temp (DM-05)	0FF	N/A	OFF	41.4°C
SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13)	48.0°C	N/A	OFF	N/A
SIDE Temp (DI-05)	OFF	STBY	STBY	N/A
CCGE Temp (DI-04)	OFF	STBY	STBY	N/A
CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06)	N/A	STBY	N/A	N/A
ASE GLA Temp (AS-03)	N/A	36.3°C	N/A	OFF
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	N/A	N/A	319.1°K	OFF

& LEAM OFF

# TM POINT

APOLLO 17 ALSEP

Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14) Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41) LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13) LSG Temp (DG-04)	869 23722 84.6° 70.3w ON A11 OFF LSPE/LACE STBY 91.9°F 147.2°F 169.5°F 326.5°K 49.2°C
LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01)	

MAY 4/124	5/125	6/126	7/127	8/128	9/129	10/130
0900-1100 ALSEP 14	0500-0900 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON	<u>0900-1100</u>	<u>0700-0900</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS ALSEP 17	<u>NO_SUPPORT</u>
	FLIP CAL HFE RBS <u>1600-1700</u>				5A174 Mode I 2145 G.m.t.	
MAY 11/131	12/132	13/133	14/134	15/135	16/136	17/137
	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 LSPE ON HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u> ALSEP 17 HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 16 ALSEP 17 HBR OFF LSPE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF TIMER RST
1AY 18/138	19/139	20/140	21/141	22/142	23/143	24/144
LACE STDBY LEAM OFF	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 12 FLIP CAL	0800-1200 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF 2000-2100	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2100-2400 ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	0000-0100 ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT 2200-2400 LUNAR ECLIPSE

TIMES - CDT	ALSEP SUPPORT SCHEDULE/EVENTS						AILY
MAY 25/145	26/146	27/147	28/148	29/149	30/150	31/151	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
<u>0000-0300</u> LUNAR ECLIPSE 1900-2100	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 17	0900-1100 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON	$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$
ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES		ALSEP 17 LEAM ON	ALSEP 15 SIDE ON	2300-2400	ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	<u>1700-1800</u>	
HFE RBS			ALSEP 17 LACE ON		FLIP CAL		
			FLIP CAL HFE RBS		2300-2400		
JUN 1/152	2/153	3/154	4/155	5/156	6/157	7/158	
0900-1100 ALSEP 15	1300-1500	<u>1800-2400</u>	<u>0900-1100</u>	0900-1100	0900-1100	NO SUPPORT	
	FLIP CAL	ALSEP 14	FLIP CAL		FLIP CAL		
ALSEP 12 SIDE ON	HFE RBS	ALSEP 12	HFE RBS		HFE RBS		
JUN 8/159	9/160	10/161	11/162	12/163	13/164	14/165	
NO SUPPORT	0900-1100	NO_SUPPORT_	0900-1100	NO SUPPORT	0900-1100	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17	
	FLIP CAL	- -	FLIP CAL		FLIP CAL		47
	HFE RBS		HFE RBS		HFE RBS		
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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

#### G.m.t.: 1300 30 May 1975

A total eclipse of the moon occurred on 25 May 1975. The eclipse began with the entry of the moon into the penumbra at 0259 G.m.t. and ended with the exit from the penumbra at 0838 G.m.t. All ALSEPs experienced total darkness during the eclipse. Totality began as the eastern edge of the moon slipped into the umbra at approximately 0505 G.m.t. and ended as the western edge emerged from the umbra at 0644 G.m.t. Real time support was scheduled to monitor the event during this time period.

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following period. It must be noted that this data loss is non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
ALL	22 May	2 <b>3</b> 47/2359	12 <sup>m</sup>	MAD	Station Problem
ALL	24 May	1150/1203	13 <sup>m</sup>	GDS/HAW	Scheduling
15	25 May	2030/2043	13 <sup>m</sup>	ACN	Station Problem
15	26 May	1300/1305	05 <sup>m</sup>	GWM	Station Problem

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunset of the 31st lunation occurred on 30 May at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported at  $-138.5 \pm 3.5$  dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 29 May the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $291 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were  $256.6^{\circ}$ K at probe #1 and  $256.9^{\circ}$ K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator normal mode, bias in, post amplifier gain at increment 1, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is currently in STANDBY. A special passive listening period of the LSPE was begun at 0245 G.m.t., 25 May, and terminated at 0819 G.m.t., 25 May, during the lunar eclipse. Significant events were noted while the LSP high bit rate was monitored in-house.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data. The instrument is configured to discriminator level, LOW; filament, OFF; high voltage power supply, OFF; and backup heater, ON.

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT (continued)

G.m.t.: 1300 30 May 1975

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment was commanded ON, 27 May, and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface. The LEAM was ON for a period of four (4) hours and 32 minutes during the lunar eclipse.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 23 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 30 May 1975

- Central station Noon at the Descartes Site occurred on 24 May for the 39th lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported at -136.5 ± 2.5 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, experiment AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) was offscale HIGH on 23 May at a sun angle of 80.5° and has remained so during this report period. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.
- Lunar surface The LSM is ON and recording data. 1008 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment engineering data. Science data from the Z-axis has been static this report period.

## Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27).

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 23 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 30 May 1975

Central station Noon of the 48th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 25 May. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at  $-134.5 \pm 2.5$  dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 experiment ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). The experiment was cycled from STANDBY-ON-STANDBY to avoid exceeding an internal temperature of 85°C from 22 May to 28 May (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47). The experiment was ON throughout the lunar eclipse on 25 May.

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 331.2°K on 29 May as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment	Commanded	OFF	14	June	1974.
Lunar surface magnetometer experiment	Commanded	OFF	14	June	1974.

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 23 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 30 May 1975

Central station Noon at the Apollo 14 site (54th lunation) occurred on 27 May. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at -139.5 ± 3.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. No commands have been transmitted to the central station this report period. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975.

- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. (DL-07), the internal temperature, was reading 121.8°F on 29 May. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the long period Y-axis appeared to be responding normally. The Y-axis moved from offscale HIGH to offscale LOW between the sun angles of 55.5° and 109.8° during this report period. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.
- Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold cathode gauge

Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY. lunar environmental experiment

experiments

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 23 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 30 May 1975

- Central station Noon of the 69th lunation occurred on 27 May. A signal strength of -140.5 ± 2.5 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 (10 watts) heater is OFF for lunar day operations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured with thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT. The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) was offscale HIGH on 28 May at a sun angle of 103.6°. It is expected to return onscale on 4 June. The Z-motor has been OFF since 20 May to minimize heat in the instrument. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support this report period.
- Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind plasma data. From 12 May to 29 May the instrument ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) were intermittently LOW. This anomaly has been previously reported.
- Suprathermal ion detector The SIDE is currently OFF. Cyclic commanding of the instrument in the full autoexperiment and the full autois in effect for this lunar day. The experiment was ON during the lunar eclipse.

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer

experiment

Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 29 May 1975, was as follows:

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TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2017 23947 115.3° 59.4w All OFF SIDE/LSM OFF 92.3°F Offscale HIGH OFF 59.7°C OFF OFF N/A N/A N/A	1574 15626 121.2° 63.3w A11 OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 104.1°F 121.8°F N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY 77.2°C	1398 28584 142.3° 64.6w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 99.4°F 129.3°F OFF 0FF 80.5°C 339.4°K N/A N/A	1133 16336 154.2° 66.3w A11 OFF ASE OFF 76.5°F Offscale HIGH 39.3°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF
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#### <u>TM POINT</u>

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TIMES - CDT		ALSEP S	UPPORT SCHEDULE,	/FVENTS	aa <b>gaa dhii ay daa ahaa ahaa ahaa ahaa ahaa ahaa ah</b>	PSE CALS DAILY
MAY 4/124	5/125	6/126	7/127	8/128	9/129	10/130
0900-1100 ALSEP 14	O500-0900 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS 1600-1700	<u>0900-1100</u>	<u>0700-0900</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS ALSEP 17 5A174 Mode I 2145 G.m.t.	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>
MAY 11/131	12/132	13/133	14/134	15/135	16/136	17/137
	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 LSPE ON HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HBR ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17 HBR ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 16 ALSEP 17 HBR OFF LSPE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF TIMER RST
MAY 18/138	19/139	20/140	21/141	22/142	23/143	24/144
0900-1100 LACE STDBY LEAM OFF	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 12 FLIP CAL	0800-1200 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE 7 MTR OFF	0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS 2100-2400 ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	0000-0100 ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT 2200-2400 LUNAR ECLIPSE

146 27/147   RT 0900-1100   ALSEP 12 & 15   CYCLE SIDES   ALSEP 17   LEAM ON   3 3/154   0 1800-2400   ALSEP 14	1000-12000900-1ALSEP 12ALSEPCYCLE SIDECYCLEALSEP 152300-24SIDE ONALSEP 17LACE ONFLIP CALHFE RBSALSEP	12 ALSEP 17 1   SIDE Image: Constraint of the second	31/151 0900-1100 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON 1700-1800 7/158
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0 1800-2400	HFE RBS 4/155 5/	2300-2400	7/158
0 1800-2400		156 6/157	7/158
0 1800-2400			//100
ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON	FLIP CAL 7 HFE RBS	<u>100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>
0 10/161	11/162 12/	/163 13/164	14/165
0 0900-1300 ALSEP 17 LSG	0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	300 0900-1100	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17
			HFE RBS HFE RBS

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

6 June 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Midnight of the 31st lunation will occur later today, 6 June, at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported at -136.0 ± 2.0 dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. On 5 June the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was 109 ± 8°K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.5°K at probe #1 and 256.8°K at probe #2. Ring bridge surveys were not achieved this report period because of lack of support time due to other operations.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator normal mode, bias in, *post amplifier gain at increment 7 on 4 June*, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 30 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 6 June 1975

Central station Sunset at the Descartes Site occurred on 31 May for the 39th lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded ON, 31 May, for lunar night operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported at -136.5 ± 2.5 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

#### Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) returned onscale (DL-07 = 136.0°F, sun angle = 177.9°) on 31 May. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Lunar surface The LSM is ON and recording data. Flip calibration sequences have been disconmagnetometer experiment Z-axis sensor head. Science data from the Z-axis has been static this report period.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 30 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 6 June 1975

Central station Sunset of the 48th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 1 June. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at -136.5 ± 2.5 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. At 1238 G.m.t., 30 May, the PSE responded to a spurious command (octal 071, I-motor ON) as observed by the Goldstone tracking station. The Y-motor was commanded to the OFF condition by mission control at 1329 G.m.t., 30 May, during real-time support. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded detector/cold ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47). cathode gauge experiments

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 90.9°K on 5 June as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.1°K at its lowermost point. *Ring bridge surveys were not obtained this period due to lack of support time due to other operations.* 

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. spectrometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

magnetometer experiment

### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 30 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 6 June 1975

Central station	Sunset at the Apollo 14 site (54th lunation) occurred on 3 June. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at -141.0 $\pm$ 3.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna track-ing stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975. Commands have not been successful since the return of downlink on 5 March 75.
Passive seismic experiment	The instrument is ON. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. (DL-O7), the internal temperature, was reading offscale LOW on 5 June. The long- period Y-axis was onscale, 4 June, and appeared to be responding normally during this report period. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.
Active seismic experiment	The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).
Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments	The instrument status is unknown.
Charged particle lunar environmental experiment	The experiment is in STANDBY.

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 30 May 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 6 June 1975

- Central station Sunset of the 69th lunation occurred on 3 June. A signal strength of -141.0 <sup>±</sup> 2.0 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 (10w) Heater was commanded ON for lunar night operation on 3 June.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured with thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT. The instrument assembly temperature was offscale HIGH from 28 May to 31 May. The internal temperature (DL-07) was reading 142.7°F at a sun angle of 151.5° on 1 June 1975. The Z-motor was commanded ON, 3 June, to maximize heating in the instrument during lunar night operation. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.

## Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind spectrometer plasma data experiment

## Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high detector voltages ON for this lunar night. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer

experiment

Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 5 June 1975, was as follows:

Total Days of Operation     2024     1581     1405     1140       Total Commands to Date     24045     15626     28676     16462	APOLLO 12 ALS	15 ALSEP APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Sun Angle $200.8^{\circ}$ $206.7^{\circ}$ $227.7^{\circ}$ $239.7^{\circ}$ Input Power $58.6w$ (59.7w) $62.9w$ (62.9w) $64.6w$ (65.1w) $66.6w$ (66.6	to Date   24045     200.8°   58.6w (59.7w)     er Dumps   DSS-1 (10w) C     tus   SIDE/LSM OFF     ate Temp   9.1°F     p (DL-07)   126.3°F     emp (DM-05)   OFF     Temp (DW-13)   -13.9°C     05)   4.3°C     04)   HIGH     mp (AC-06)   N/A	16462 239.7° 55.1w) 66.6w (66.6w) DSS-1 (10w) ON OFF ASE OFF 33.2°F 125.9°F -10.2°F N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF

#### TM POINT

Total Days of Operation	9
Total Commands to Date	2
Sun Angle	2
Input Power	7
APM Status (AB-13)	0
Power Dump Status (AB-14)	A
Experiment Status	L
Avg Thermal Plate Temp	1
LACE Temp (AM-41)	-
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)	-
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2
LSG Temp (DG-04)	4
LSP Temp (AP-01)	1

#### APOLLO 17 ALSEP

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254.9°
71.8w (72.7w)
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6.2°F
-0.5°F
-17.4°F
285.7°K
19.2°C
7.5°F

#### Value in parentheses indicates RTG output during last lunation at a similar sun angle.

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MAY 25/145	26/146	27/147	28/148	29/149	30/150	31/151
0000-0300 LUNAR ECLIPSE	NO SUPPORT	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	<u>1000-1200</u> ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 17	0900-1000 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON
1900-2100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES		ALSEP 17 LEAM ON	ALSEP 15 SIDE ON	2300-2400	ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	1700-1800
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JUN 1/152	2/153	3/154	4/155	5/156	6/157	7/158
0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON	<u>1300-1500</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 14 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>
JUN 8/159 NO SUPPORT BEN-20	9/160 0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS		11/162 0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	12/163 0900-1300 ALSEP 17 LSG	13/164 0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	14/165 <u>NO SUPPORT</u> ALSEP 17

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

13 June 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Remote site coverage for recording of ALSEP downlink data was not available during the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	$\underline{DATE}$	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	$\underline{SITE}$	REMARKS
ALL	05 Jun 75	2211/2245	35 <sup>m</sup>	GWM/ULA	Higher Priority
12	10 Jun 75	1135/1141	06 <sup>m</sup>	ACN	Station Problem

Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunrise of the scientific station's 32nd lunation will occur on 14 June at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported between -135.0 and -142.5 dbm from transmitter A by the tracking stations with the 30-foot antennas. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 12 June lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples was  $106 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator normal mode, bias in, post amplifier gain at increment 7, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

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#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 6 June 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 13 June 1975

Central station Midnight at the Descartes Site occurred on 8 June for the 39th lunar night. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported at -135.5 ± 2.5 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). No significant seismic events were noted during the limited real-time support of this instrument.

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment The LSM is ON. The static Z-axis science data and low temperature anomaly continued this week. Flip calibrations of the instrument were discontinued on 30 May 1975 due to the low temperature of the Z-axis sensor and will be resumed when the temperature returns to a near normal value. The sensor temperature appears to have stabilized at approximately -30°C during this period.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 6 June 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 13 June 1975

Central station Midnight of the 48th lunation occurred on 9 June at the Hadley Rille Site. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at  $-135.0 \pm 2.0$  dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage/arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. At 0538 G.m.t., 6 June 1975, the instrument experienced a spurious command (octal 073) to the uncage/arm fire circuitry. As the 18-hour timer is presently operating uninhibited no adverse effects were encountered by this spurious command and a corrective command was not transmitted. No significant seismic events were observed during the limited real-time support periods.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded detector/cold ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames).

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 85.3°K on 12 June, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

experiment

magnetometer experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 6 June 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 13 June 1975

- Central station Midnight at the Apollo 14 site (54th lunation) occurred on 10 June. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at -139.0 ± 2.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Since 5 March 1975 when the downlink signal returned, numerous commands have been transmitted to the central station without success. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-O7) has been reading offscale LOW since 2 June. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the long period Y-axis sensor appeared to exhibit normal responses. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.
- Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold cathode gauge experiments

Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY.

lunar environmental experiment

experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

#### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 6 June 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 13 June 1975

Central station Midnight of the 69th lunation occurred on 11 June at the ALSEP site in the Ocean of Storms. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. A signal strength between -136.5 and -141.0 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) has been offscale LOW since 6 June. The Z-axis drive motor is ON to maximize heating in the instrument during lunar night. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support periods.

Solar wind The instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode. Data output of the spectrometer sum cup levels 1 through 14 during the instrument ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) have been LOW since 9 June.

## Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high detector voltages ON. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer

experiment

## Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 12 June 1975, was as follows:

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Total Days of Operation2031158814131147Total Commands to Date24059156262873116483Sun Angle286.5°292.5°313.6°325.5°Input Power58.6w (58.6w)63.6w (62.7w)63.8w (64.6w)66.6w (66.6w)Heater and Power DumpsAll ONAll OFFAll OFFAll OFFAvg Thermal Plate Temp6.5°F9.4°F4.6°F32.2°FPSE Sensor Temp (DL-07)Offscale LOWOffscale LOW124.6°F125.8°FLSM Internal Temp (DM-05)OFFN/AOFF-10.2°CSWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13)-15.6°CN/AOFFN/ASIDE Temp (DI-05)4.3°CSTBY7.2°CN/ACGE Temp (DI-06)N/ASTBYN/AN/ACPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06)N/ASTBYN/AN/AASE GLA Temp (AS-03)N/A-70.7°CN/AOFFHEE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)N/AN/A0FF0FF	TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
	Total Commands to Date	24059	15626	28731	16483
	Sun Angle	286.5°	292.5°	313.6°	325.5°
	Input Power	58.6w <i>(58.6w)</i>	63.6w (62.7w)	63.8w (64.6w)	66.6w (66.6w)
	Heater and Power Dumps	A11 ON	All OFF	A11 OFF	A11 ON
	Experiment Status	LSM OFF	SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY	LSM/SWS OFF	ASE OFF
	Avg Thermal Plate Temp	6.5°F	9.4°F	4.6°F	32.2°F
	PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07)	Offscale LOW	Offscale LOW	124.6°F	125.8°F
	LSM Internal Temp (DM-05)	OFF	N/A	OFF	-10.2°C
	SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13)	-15.6°C	N/A	0FF	N/A
	SIDE Temp (DI-05)	4.3°C	STBY	7.2°C	N/A
	CCGE Temp (DI-04)	HIGH	STBY	106.5°K	N/A
	CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06)	N/A	STBY	N/A	N/A

#### TM POINT

Total Days of Operation
Total Commands to Date
Sun Angle
Input Power
APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

#### APOLLO 17 ALSEP

Value in parenthesis indicates RTG output during last lunation at a similar sun angle.

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MAY 25/145	26/146	27/147	28/148	29/149	30/150	31/151	-
0000-0300 LUNAR ECLIPSE	NO SUPPORT	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	<u>1000-1200</u> ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 17	0900-1000 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON	
1900-2100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES		ALSEP 17 LEAM ON	ALSEP 15 SIDE ON	2300-2400	ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	<u>1700-1800</u>	
HFE RBS			ALSEP 17 LACE ON FLIP CAL		FLIP CAL HFE RBS		
			HFE RBS		<u>2300-2400</u>		
JUN 1/152	2/153	3/154	4/155	5/156	6/157	7/158	
0900-1100 ALSEP 15	<u>1300-1500</u> FLIP CAL	1800-2400     1       ALSEP 14     V	<u>0000-0100</u> 0900-1100	0900-1100	<u>0900-1200</u> FLIP CAL	NO SUPPORT	
ALSEP 12	HFE RBS	ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON	FLIP CAL HFE RBS		HFE RBS		
JUN 8/159	9/160	10/161	11/162	12/163	13/164	14/165	sense all sense and s
	FLIP CAL	<u>0800-1345</u> ALSEP 17 LSG	<u>0830-0930</u> FLIP CAL	<u>0900-1130</u> ALSEP 17 LSG	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17	$\hat{\Gamma}$
	HFE RBS		HFE RBS		HFE RBS		
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JUN 15/166	16/167	17/168	18/169	19/170	20/171	21/172
1800-2000 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON	1300-1500 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 TIMER RST ALSEP 17 LACE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	1500-1700 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 17 LEAM OFF	1900-2300 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>0900-1100</u>	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY
JUN 22/173	23/174	24/175	25/176	26/177	27/178	28/179
0900-1300 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 17 LEAM ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LACE ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE 2200-2300
JUN 29	30/181	JUL 1/182	2/183	3/184	4/185	5/186
1100-1300 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON 2200-2300	0600-0800 ALSEP 16JLALSEP 15JLALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDEFLIP CALHFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0500-0900 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON 2000-2100	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>0900-1100</u>
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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

20 June 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses may not be recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
15	16 Jun 75	1341/1415	$34^m$	MAD	Station Problem

Apollo 17

Sunrise of the scientific station's 32nd lunation occurred on 14 June at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported at -139.0  $\pm$  3.0 dbm from transmitter A by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 19 June the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $344 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were  $256.6^{\circ}$ K at probe #1 and  $256.9^{\circ}$ K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, *integrator short mode*, *bias out*, *post amplifier gain at increment* 7, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center *since 16 June*. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment was commanded OFF on 17 June for lunar day operation.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 13 June 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 20 June 1975

Central station Sunrise at the Descartes Site occurred on 15 June for the 40th lunar day. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded OFF for lunar day operations on 15 June. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported between -133.5 and -138.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

# Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support of this instrument.

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment The LSM is ON. Flip calibrations have been resumed this lunar day as the temperature of the Z-axis sensor head has increased after lunar sunrise. 1014 flip calibrations have been executed by the experiment. The science data continues to be static from the Z-axis sensor.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 13 June 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 20 June 1975

Central station Sunrise of the station's 49th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 16 June. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at -135.5 ± 3.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.

- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage/arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were observed during the real-time support periods.
- Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiment is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). Between the period of end support on 16 June and start support on 17 June, the instrument had executed a mode register change (SIDE Load 11, High Energy Curved Plate Analyzer High Voltage OFF). The mode register was re-initialized by commanding the experiment to STANDBY and back to ON at 1957 G.m.t., 17 June. Command Octals 104, 105, 107, and 110 were assumed to have been generated internally in the instrument as no command verification words (CVWs) were reported in the ALSEP 15 downlink.
- Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode with all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 333.0 °K on 19 June, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

experiment

magnetometer experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 13 June 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 20 June 1975

- Central station Sunrise at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 18 June for the 55th lunation. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -135.5 and -140.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Since 5 March 1975, when the downlink signal returned, numerous commands have been transmitted to the central station without success. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975. The minimum average thermal plate temperature experienced during this lunar night was 9.1°F.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07) has been reading offscale LOW since 2 June. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the long period Y axis sensor has been offscale HIGH but has appeared to exhibit normal responses. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.
- Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold

Charged particle The CPLEE is in STANDBY. lunar environment experiment

experiment

cathode gauge experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 13 June 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 20 June 1975

Central station Sunrise of the 70th lunation occurred on 18 June. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operation. Signal strengths between -134.0 and -140.5 dbm from transmitter B were reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) had been offscale LOW since 6 June and returned onscale just after sunrise 18 June (sun angle = 4.5°). The Z-axis drive motor was commanded OFF on 18 June to minimize heating in the instrument during lunar day. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support periods.
- Solar wind The instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode. The data output of the sum cups levels 1 through 14 during the instrument ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) had been intermittently LOW until 18 June this report period.

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high detector voltages ON. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 19 June 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2038 24115 12.1° 58.6w A11 OFF LSM OFF 50.8°F 125.8°F OFF 27.7°C 27.4°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1595 15626 18.0° 62.5w All OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 62.0°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY STBY -3.1°C N/A	1419 28852 39.2° 64.1w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 88.0°F 126.0°F 0FF 0FF 71.0°C 347.4°K N/A N/A 306.6°K	1154 16574 51.0° 65.8w A11 OFF ASE OFF 90.5°F 127.8°F 36.4°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

#### TM POINT

APOLLO 17 ALSEP

Total Days of Operation	919
Total Commands to Date	25725
Sun Angle	66.3°
Input Power	69.9w
APM Status (AB-13)	ON
Power Dump Status (AB-14)	OFF
Experiment Status	LACE/LSPE STBY & LEAM OFF
Avg Thermal Plate Temp	86.2°F
LACE Temp (AM-41)	138.1°F
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)	174.9°F
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	322.9°K
LSG Temp (DG-04)	49.2°C
LSP Temp (AP-01)	86.3°F

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MAY 25/145	26/146	27/147	28/148	29/149	30/150	31/151	
<u>0000-0300</u> LUNAR ECLIPSE	NO SUPPORT	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	1000-1200 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 17	0900-1000 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON	
1900-2100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES		ALSEP 17 LEAM ON	ALSEP 15 SIDE ON	2300-2400	ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	<u>1700-1800</u>	
HFE RBS			ALSEP 17 LACE ON FLIP CAL		FLIP CAL HFE RBS		
			HFE RBS		2300-2400		
JUN 1/152	2/153	3/154	4/155	5/156	6/157	7/158	
0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON	<u>1300-1500</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	1800-2400 I   ALSEP 14 I   ALSEP 12 I   C/S HTR ON I   PSE Z MTR ON	<u>0000-0100</u> <u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>0900-1100</u>	<u>0900-1200</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	
JUN 8/159 NO SUPPORT BEN-20	9/160 0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	10/161 <u>0300-1345</u> ALSEP 17 LSG	11/162 0830-0930 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	12/163 0900-1130 ALSEP 17 LSG	13/164 0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	14/165 <u>NO SUPPORT</u> ALSEP 17 NASA-	

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JUN 15/166	16/167	17/168	18/169	19/170	20/171	21/172
1800-2000 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON	1300-1500     ALSEP 15     TIMER RST     ALSEP 16     TIMER RST     ALSEP 17     LACE STDBY     FLIP CAL	1500-1700   ALSEP 14   ALSEP 17   LEAM OFF	1900-2300 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>0900-1100</u>	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY
	HFE RBS					
JUN 22/173	23/174	24/175	25/176	26/177	27/178	28/179
0900-1300 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 17 LEAM ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LACE ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE 2200-2300
JUN 29	30/181	JUL 1/182	2/183	3/184	4/185	5/186
1100-1300 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON 2200-2300	0600-0800 ALSEP 16 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0500-0900 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON 2000-2100	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>0900-1100</u>

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#### 27 June 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
14	25 Jun 75	1456/1502	06 <sup>m</sup>	ORR/GWM	Schedule Problem
ALL	25 Jun 75	2102/2223	1 <sup>h</sup> 21 <sup>m</sup>	BUR	Higher Priority

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunset of the 32nd lunation will occur on 28 June at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported at  $-138.5 \pm 2.5$  dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 26 June the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $280 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were  $256.6^{\circ}$ K at probe #1 and  $256.8^{\circ}$ K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 7, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON). Post amplifier gain was changed to increment 5 on 25 June because of saturation at increment 7. Post amplifier gain was returned to increment 7 on 26 June without saturating.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data. The instrument is configured to discriminator level, LOW; filament, OFF; high voltage power supply, OFF; and backup heater, ON.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment was commanded ON, 25 June, and is configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 20 June 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 27 June 1975

Central station Noon at the Descartes Site occurred on 22 June for the 40th lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported between -134.5 and -139.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter OUT). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) was offscale HIGH on 21 June at a sun angle of 74.7° and has remained so during this report period. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.
- Lunar surface The LSM is ON and recording data. 1020 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment engineering data. Science data from the Z-axis has been static this report period.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 20 June 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 27 June 1975

Central station Noon of the 49th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 23 June. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at -136.0  $\pm$  3.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas. At 2323 G.m.t., 23 June, the Ascension tracking station noted a six (6) second drop in the downlink and 1/2 db increase in signal strength indicating a transmitter switch. At the end of real-time support on 24 June it was verified that the central station transmitters had switched from "A" to "B" due to a possible CVW. At 1505 G.m.t., 25 June, the transmitters were ground commanded (octal 012) back to the initial configuration of transmitter "A" on-line with a decrease of 3 dbm in signal strength from -139.0 to -142.0 dbm.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). experiment The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Suprathermal ion detector/cold ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). The experiment was cycled from STANDBY-ON-STANDBY to avoid exceeding an internal temperature of 85°C from 21 June to 26 June (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47).

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 351.8°K on 26 June, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.3°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment Lunar surface magnetometer Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

experiment

### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 20 June 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 27 June 1975

Central station	Noon at the Apollo 14 site (55th lunation) occurred on 25 June. Transmitter Signal strength was reported between -137.5 and -143.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Four commands were transmitted to the central station this report period and none were effective (space craft rejects).
Passive seismic experiment	The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07) returned onscale and was reading 113.0 °F on 25 June. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the long period Y-axis appeared to be responding normally. The Y-axis moved from offscale HIGH to offscale LOW between the sun angles of 54.6° and 103.7° during this report period. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.
Active seismic experiment	The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).
Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments	The instrument status is unknown.
Charged particle lunar environmental experiment	The experiment is in STANDBY.

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 20 June 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 27 June 1975

Central station Noon of the 70th lunation occurred on 26 June. A signal strength between -138.0 and -143.5 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 (10 watts) heater is OFF for lunar day operations.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) was offscale HIGH on 26 June at a sun angle of 97.7°. It is expected to return onscale on 1 July. The Z-motor has been OFF since 18 June to minimize heat in the instrument. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support this report period.

### Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind plasma data. The instrument ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) were interexperiment mittently LOW this report period.

#### Suprathermal ion The SIDE is currently OFF. Cyclic commanding of the instrument in the full autodetector matic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF experiment has been in effect for this lunar day since 20 June.

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

magnetometer experiment Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 26 June 1975, was as follows:

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TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2045 24200 97.5° 58.9w All OFF SIDE/LSM OFF 91.3°F Offscale HIGH OFF 63.5°C OFF OFF N/A N/A N/A	1602 15630 103.4° 63.3w A11 OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 109.2°F 118.6°F N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY STBY 77.2°C N/A	1426 28964 124.5° 64.1w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 108.3°F 138.7°F OFF 0FF 65.6°C 347.4°K N/A N/A 323.6°K	1161 16652 136.4° 65.8w A11 OFF ASE OFF 89.9°F Offscale HIGH 38.3°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

### TM POINT

### APOLLO 17 ALSEP

Total Days of Operation	926
Total Commands to Date	26033
Sun Angle	151.6°
Input Power	69.9w
APM Status (AB-13)	ON
Power Dump Status (AB-14)	A11 OFF
Experiment Status	LSP STBY
Avg Thermal Plate Temp	59.3°F
LACE Temp (AM-41)	116.7°F
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)	183.5°F
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	304.7°K
LSG Temp (DG-04)	49.2°C
LSP Temp (AP-01)	59.6°F
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JUN 22/173	23/174	24/175	25/176	26/177	27/178	28/179
0900-1300 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	1015-1215 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 17 LEAM ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LACE ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE 2200-2300
JUN 29	30/181	JUL 1/182	2/183	3/184	4/185	5/186
1100-1300 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON 2200-2300	0600-0800 ALSEP 16 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0500-0900 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON 2000-2100	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>0900-1100</u>

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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

3 July 1975 G.m.t.: 0900

Remote site coverage for recording of ALSEP downlink data was not available during the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	$\underline{DATE}$	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
ALL	02 Jun 75	0837/0846	09 <sup>m</sup>	TAN/AGO	Schedule Problem
ALL	02 Jun 75	1000/1002	02 <sup>m</sup>	AGO	Station Problem

On 28 June 1975 all Passive Seismometers (Apollo 16, 15, and 12 ALSEPs) were configured with the feedback loop filter commanded IN. This operation will be conducted for an indefinite period at the Principal Investigator's request.

### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Midnight of the 32nd lunation will occur on 6 July at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported at  $-136.2 \pm 1.7$  dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. On 2 July, the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $112 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator normal mode, bias in, post amplifier gain at increment 7, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The experiment sensor temperature remains stabilized at 49.2°C (slave heater ON).

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 27 June 1975, to 0900 G.m.t., 3 July 1975

- Central station Sunset at the Descartes Site occurred on 30 June for the 40th lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded ON, 29 June, for lunar night operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported at -136.0  $\pm$  1.5 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter IN). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) returned onscale (DL-07 = 133.7°F, sun angle = 178.9°) on 30 June. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.
- Lunar surface The LSM is ON and recording data. Flip calibration sequences have been discontinued for the remainder of this lunar night due to the low temperatures of the Z-axis sensor head. Science data from the Z-axis has been static this report period.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 27 June 1975, to 0900 G.m.t., 3 July 1975

- Central station Sunset of the station's 49th lunation occurred on 1 July. Transmitter A downlink signal strength was reported at  $-136.0 \pm 1.5$  dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). At 1707 G.m.t., 2 July, the PSE responded to a spurious command octal 072 (Z-axis Leveling Motor ON) as reported by the Vanguard Tracking Ship. The spurious command was verified and the Z-motor turned OFF (octal 072) by mission control through the Guam Tracking Station at 1838 G.m.t., 2 July. The uncage-arm fire circuitry has been cycling per the normal 18 hour timer output pulse functions. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods.
- Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiment Tracking Station. Octals 104, 105, and 106 were sent to the instrument and the command register was cleared at 1418 G.m.t., 28 June, with octal 110 (execution command) by mission control.
- Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode with all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 96.5°K on 2 July, indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 27 June 1975, to 0900 G.m.t., 3 July 1975

Central station Sunset at the Apollo 14 site (55th lunation) occurred on 2 July. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at -142.5 ± 1.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975. Commands have not been successful since the return of downlink on 5 March 1975.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. The internal temperature (DL-07) was reading offscale LOW on 1 July, at a sun angle of 164°. The long-period Y-axis was offscale LOW on 26 June and appeared to be responding normally during this report period. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold

Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY.

environmental experiment

cathode gauge experiments

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### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 27 June 1975, to 0900 G.m.t., 3 July 1975

Central station Sunset of the 70th lunation occurred today. A signal strength of -141.0 ± 1.5 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 (10w) Heater will be commanded ON for lunar night operation later today.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument assembly temperature was offscale HIGH from 27 June to 1 July. The internal temperature (DL-07) was reading 139.4°F at a sun angle of 157.8° on 1 July, 1975. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment to the experiment was operated in the extended range mode, due to observation of high particle counts, from 1719 G.m.t., 29 June to 1342 G.m.t., 1 July.

## Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high detector voltages ON for the lunar night.

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment Status as of 1600 G.m.t., 2 July 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2051 26258 171.2° 58.9w A11 OFF LSM OFF 54.1°F 132.2°F OFF 32.4°C 39.9°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1608 15630 177.2° 63.3w All OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 49.5°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY 60.3°C N/A	1432 29115 198.3° 63.8w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 7.1°F 124.8°F OFF 0FF 6.6°C 121.0°K N/A N/A 283.9°K	1167 16774 210.2° 67.1w DSS-1 (10w) ON ASE OFF 33.6°F 125.9°F -8.9°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

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Total Days of Operation
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Sun Angle
Input Power
APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

### APOLLO 17 ALSEP 932 26251 225.4° 71.4w

ON A11 OFF LSP STBY 15.9°F -0.5°F -17.4°F

286.2°K 49.2°C 17.5°F 11 July 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunrise of the scientific station's 33rd lunation will occur on 13 July at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported between -136.0 and -143.0 dbm from transmitter A by the tracking stations with the 30-foot antennas. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being acheived on a periodic basis. On 9 July, the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE termocouples, was  $107 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter instrument heater box heater circuit was detected to be full ON (loss of regulation) at 0320 G.m.t., 7 July. This condition causes the sensor temperature to increase above a stabilized 49.194°C and eventually drift offscale HIGH (temperature transducer range is 48.2 to 52.0°C). The instrument circuitry will not automatically control the experiment temperature beyond the transducer range. At 1500 G.m.t., 7 July, the LSG slave heater was commanded OFF and at approximately 1800 G.m.t., 7 July, the temperature had decreased to 52.0°C. With the temperature back within its operating range the slave heater was commanded ON, but the temperature again increased to offscale HIGH at 0311 G.m.t., 8 July, and has remained so since. Useful scientific data cannot be obtained unless the temperature can be regulated in the above range. This unregulated temperature condition occurred previously on 15 March 1974 with automatic control returning on 20 April 1974.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 717-333-3481.

### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 0900 G.m.t., 3 July 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 11 July 1975

Central station Midnight at the Descartes Site occurred on 7 July for the 40th lunar night. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported at -135.0 ± 2.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter, IN). No significant seismic events were noted during the limited real-time support of this instrument.

Lunar surface The LSM is ON. The static Z-axis science data and low temperature anomaly conmagnetometer experiment June 1975 due to the low temperature of the Z-axis sensor and will be resumed when the temperature returns to a near normal value.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27).

### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 0900 G.m.t., 3 July 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 11 July 1975

- Central station Midnight of the 49th lunation occurred on 8 July at the Hadley Rille Site. Transmitter A downlink signal strength was reported between -134.0 and -136.5 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage/arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were observed during the limited real-time support periods.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded detector/cold ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). cathode gauge experiments

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 86.5°K on 9 July, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment	Commanded	OFF	14	June	1974.
Lunar surface magnetometer	Commanded	0FF	14	June	1974.

experiment

### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 0900 G.m.t., 3 July 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 11 July 1975

- Central station Midnight at the Apollo 14 site (55th lunation) occurred on 10 July. Transmitter A signal strength was reported **be**tween -136.5 and -141.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Since 5 March 1975, when the downlink signal **ret**urned, numerous commands have been transmitted to the central station without success. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07) has been reading offscale LOW since 1 July. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the long period Y-axis sensor appeared to exhibit normal responses. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.
- Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold

Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY.

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### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 0900 G.m.t., 3 July 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 11 July 1975

- Central station Midnight of the 70th lunation occurred on 10 July at the ALSEP site in the Ocean of Storms. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. A signal strength between -135.0 and -141.0 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) has been offscale LOW since 7 July at a sun angle of 231.2°. The Z-axis drive motor is ON to maximize heating in the instrument during lunar night. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support periods.
- Solar wind The instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode. Data output of the spectrometer experiment (sequence 15) have been reading LOW during this report period.

## Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high detector voltages ON. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

experiment

Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 9 July 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05). CCGE Temp (DI-05). CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2058 26358 256.9° 57.8w ( <i>58.6w)</i> ALL ON LSM OFF 5.9°F Offscale LOW OFF -15.6°C 4.3°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1615 15630 262.9° 62.1w (62.5w) ALL OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 9.4°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY -70.7°C N/A	1439 29186 284.0° 63.3w (64.3w) ALL OFF LSM/SWS OFF 4.6°F 124.4°F OFF 0FF 0FF 6.6°C 108.3°K N/A N/A 283.5°K	1174 16820 295.9° 66.6w (66.6w) ALL ON ASE OFF 32.2°F 125.8°F -8.9°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

### TM POINT

Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date
.Sun Angle
Input Power
APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

### APOLLO 17 ALSEP

939 26441 311.1° 71.4w (72.8w)
ON ALL OFF LSP STBY 7.5°F -2.3°F
-2.3 F -17.4°F 287.0°K Offscale HIGH 7.8°F

Value in parentheses indicates RTG output during the last lunation at a similar sun angle. ŵ

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JUN 15/166	16/167	17/168	18/165	19/170	20/171	21/1.
1800-2000 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON	1300-1500 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 TIMER RST ALSEP 17 LACE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	ALSEP 14 ALSEP 17 LEAM OFF	1900-2300 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>0900-1100</u>	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY
JUN 22/173	23/174	24/175	25/176	26/177	27/178	28/179
0900-1300 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	1015-1215 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 17 LEAM ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LACE ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE 2200-2300
JUN 29	30/181	JUL 1/182	2/183	3/184	4/185	5/186
1100-1300 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON 2200-2300	0600-0800 ALSEP 16 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0500-0900 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON 2000-2100	<u>0900-1100</u> FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>0900-1100</u>
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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

18 July 1975 G.m.t.: 1000

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses may not be recoverable.

ALSEP	$\underline{DATE}$	<u>G.M.T.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
$12 \\ 12.14.16$	09 Jul 75	1600/1627	27 <sup>m</sup>	BDA	Station Problem
	13 Jul 75	1455/1504	09 <sup>m</sup>	BUR	Station Problem

#### Apollo 17

Sunrise of the scientific station's 33rd lunation occurred on 13 July at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported between -137.0 and -142.0 dbm from transmitter A by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 17 July the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $302 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment continues to maintain loss of regulation in the instrument heater box. At 1947 G.m.t., 11 July, the LSG was commanded to STANDBY (Mode I through the Hawaii tracking station) to reduce the internal temperature (DG-04) from the offscale HIGH condition. At 1343 G.m.t., 14 July, during real-time support, the experiment was commanded back ON when the sensor temperature drifted offscale LOW. The experiment sensor temperature remains offscale LOW (slave heater ON). The instrument is presently operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic low gain, integrator short mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 7, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center since 16 June. Present operating procedures are per Apollo 17 ALSEP, SMEAR 72.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment was commanded OFF on 17 July for lunar day operation.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 11 July 1975, to 1000 G.m.t., 18 July 1975

Central station Sunrise at the Descartes Site occurred on 14 July for the 41st lunar day. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded OFF for lunar day operations on 15 July. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated on 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported between -133.0 and -138.5 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

# Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, O db; and feedback loop filter, IN). No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support of this instrument.

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment The LSM is ON. Flip calibrations have been resumed this lunar day as the temperature of the Z-axis sensor head has increased after lunar sunrise. 1024 flip calibrations have been executed by the experiment. The science data continues to be static from the Z-axis sensor.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t, 11 July 1975, to 1000 G.m.t., 18 July 1975

Central station Sunrise of the station's 50th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 15 July. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported between -133.0 and -136.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.

- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). Experiment The uncage/armfire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were observed during the real-time support periods.
- The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded ON Suprathermal ion and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). During support on 16 July detector/cold cathode gauge it was noted that the instrument contained an octal 107 (Load 4, SIDE Master Reset) experiment in the command register. The experiment was cleared by commanding the instrument to STANDBY and back to ON at 1553 G.m.t., 16 July. At the start of support on 17 July, the SIDE was observed to have experienced several functional changes from the previous days support without any command verification words being noted in the downlink. The SIDE mode register contained a Load 11 (High Energy Curved Plate Analyzer High Voltage OFF) and the command register contained a Load 10 (Low Energy Curved Plate Analyzer High Voltage OFF). The -3.5K vdc was OFF. The SIDE was commanded to STANDBY at 1447 G.m.t. ( $T2 = 45.7^{\circ}C$ , sun angle = 21.3°) and at 1517 G.m.t. it was commanded back to operate SELECT with a normal indication of the instrument being observed ( $T2 = 44.8 \,^{\circ}$ C). These spurious changes are assumed to have been generated internally and have been observed previously at similar sun angles.
- Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode with all sensors being sampled in full sequence. An unexpected functional change of the HFE occurred at 0923 G.m.t., 15 July, when the Guam tracking station noted a command verification word of octal 136 (Low Conductivity Mode) in the downlink signal. The HFE was returned to the normal gradient mode 1 by ground command at 1427 G.m.t., 16 July. The lunar surface temperature was 301.4°K on 17 July, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.5°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 250.2°K at its

### Apollo 15 ALSEP (continued)

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 11 July 1975, to 1000 G.m.t., 18 July 1975

Heat flow experiment	lowermost point	. Ring	g bridge	surveys	are	obtained	periodically.	
Solar wind spectrometer experiment	Commanded OFF 1	4 Juni	e 1974.					
Lunar surface magnetometer experiment	Commanded OFF 1	4 June	e 1974.					

### Apollo 14 ALSEP

### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 11 July 1975, to 1000 G.m.t., 18 July 1975

- Central station Sunrise at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 17 July for the 56th lunation. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -136.0 and -139.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Since 5 March 1975, commands have been transmitted to the central station without success. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975. The minimum average thermal plate temperature experienced during the past lunar night was 8.8°F.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07) has been reading offscale LOW since 1 July. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the long period Y-axis sensor has been offscale HIGH, but has appeared to exhibit normal responses. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.
- Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).
- Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown.

Charged particle The CPLEE is in STANDBY. lunar environ-

experiment

detector/cold cathode gauge experiment

ment experiment

### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 11 July 1975, to 1000 G.m.t., 18 July 1975

Central station Sunrise of the station's 71st lunation occurred today, 18 July. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) will be turned OFF later today for lunar day operation. Signal strengths between -133.0 and -140.5 dbm, from transmitter B, were reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) has been offscale LOW since 7 July and is expected to return onscale today. The Z-axis drive motor will be commanded OFF later today to minimize heating in the instrument during the lunar day. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support periods.
- Solar wind The instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode. The data output of the sum cups, levels 1 through 14, during the instrument ac calibrate measureexperiment ments (sequence 15) have been reading LOW during this report period.

## Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with the Channeltron detector high voltages ON. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

### Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 18 July 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2066 26370 354.8° 57.4w DSS-1(10w) ON LSM OFF 4.2°F Offscale LOW OFF -16.1°C 4.3°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1623 15630 0.8° 62.3w A11 OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 8.8°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY -71.1°C N/A	1447 29315 21.9° 63.7w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 65.5°F 126.0°F 0FF 0FF 45.7°C 331.5°K N/A N/A N/A 298.1°K	1182 16891 33.8° 65.8w A11 OFF ASE OFF 76.5°F 126.9°F 37.3°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

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### TM POINT

Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14) Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41) LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13) LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01)

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

947 -
26572
49.0°
69.4w
ON
OFF
LACE/LSPE STBY & LEAM OFF
69.2°F
124.0°F
192.5°F
315.8°K
Offscale LOW
69.1°F

### 25 July 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	G.m.t.	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
ALL	18 Jul 75	0444/0457	$\overline{13}_{m}^{m}$	HAW/GWM	Higher Priority
ALL	18 Jul 75	2344/2400	$16^m$	BDA/GDS	Higher Priority
ALL	19 Jul 75	<i>0424/0499</i>	$25^m_{m}$	<i>HAW/ORR</i>	Higher Priority
ALL	21 Jul 75	<i>0513/0518</i>	$05^m_m$	ACN/GDS	Higher Priority
ALL	23 Jul 75	2258/2339	$41^m$	<i>BUR/AGO</i>	Higher Priority

### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Noon of the 33rd lunation occurred on 21 July at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported between -134.5 and -143.0 dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 24 July the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $319 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were  $256.6^{\circ}$ K at probe #1 and  $256.9^{\circ}$ K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic low gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 7, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The anomalous automatic regulation of temperature control of the instrument housing continued during this report period. The LSG heater was commanded OFF at 1342 G.m.t., 19 July, when the sensor temperature (DG-04) was offscale HIGH. At the beginning of real-time support at 1344 G.m.t., 20 July, the temperature was offscale LOW and has remained so (slave heater ON). The instrument had been configured in seismic high gain from 1341 G.m.t., 20 July, to 1420 G.m.t., 24 July, because the post amplifier gain became saturated. The LSG heater will be commanded ON prior to sunset at the Apollo 17 ALSEP site.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is OFF.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 18 July 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 25 July 1975

Central station Noon at the Descartes Site occurred on 22 July for the 41st lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported at -137.0 ± 2.5 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter IN). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) was offscale HIGH on 21 July at a sun angle of 81.3° and is predicted to be onscale on 29 July. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.
- Lunar surface The LSM is ON and recording data. 1030 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment engineering data. Science data from the Z-axis has been static this report period.

## Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 18 July, to 1300 G.m.t., 25 July 1975

Central station Noon of the 50th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 23 July. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at -136.0 ± 4.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments The instrument is in STANDBY. The experiment is presently being cycled from STANDBY-ON-STANDBY during real-time support periods to avoid exceeding an internal temperature of 85°C (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47). A special operation of the SIDE was conducted from 21 July to 24 July at the request of the Principal Investigator.

> At the beginning of real-time support on 18 July it was noted that the Cold Cathode Gauge Experiment High Voltage (+ 4.5 K vdc) was OFF. The instrument was commanded to STANDBY and back to ON. This re-initialization did not turn the CCGE High Voltage ON. A load 13 was executed twice without success in an attempt to turn the + 4.5 K vdc ON. The CCGE first experienced problems in February 1973 when noisy science data was observed during lunar night and the automatic zero and calibration functions did not appear to be operating properly. Nighttime data since February 1973 has been sporadic until the current anomaly.

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 362.5°K on 24 July as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.3°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

### Apollo 14 ALSEP

### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 18 July 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 25 July 1975

Central station	Noon at the Apollo 14 site (56th lunation) occurred on 24 July. Transmitter A
	signal strength was reported at -140.0 $\pm$ 4.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna track-
	ing stations. Four commands were transmitted to the central station this report
	period and none were effective (space craft rejects).

- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07) returned onscale and was reading 109.2°F on 24 July. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the long period Y-axis appeared to be responding normally. The Y-axis had returned onscale at a sun angle of 54.2°. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.
- Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold

Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY.

environmental experiment

cathode gauge experiments

### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 18 July 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 25 July 1975

- Central station Noon of the 71st lunation occurred today, 25 July. A signal strength of -140.5 ± 2.5 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 (10 watts) heater is OFF for lunar day operations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The Z-motor has been OFF since 18 July to minimize heat in the instrument. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support this report period.
- Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind plasma data. The instrument ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) were normal this report period.
- Suprathermal ion detector matic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF has been in effect for this lunar day since 20 July. During real-time support on 23 July the SIDE experienced an unexpected mode change to command register X10 at a temperature of 53.68°C. The mode change was cleared by commanding the instrument to OFF to cool down prior to turn ON during the next support period.

Lunar surface	Commanded	0FF	14	June	1974.
magnetometer					
experiment					

Status as of 1400 G.m.t., 24 July 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05). CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2073 26489 78.9° 58.6w All OFF SIDE/LSM OFF 89.6°F 135.2°F OFF 63.7°C OFF 0FF N/A N/A N/A	1630 15634 85.0° 63.3w A11 OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 110.0°F 109.2°F N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY 74.2°C N/A	1454 29436 106.0° 63.7w All OFF LSM/SWS OFF/SIDE STE 110.8°F 140.5°F OFF OFF STBY STBY N/A N/A 327.7°K	1189 17024 118.0° 65.4w A11 OFF 98.1°F Offscale HIGH 41.4°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

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### TM POINT

Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date
.Sun Angle
Input Power
APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

APOLLO 17	7 ALSE	<u>P</u>	
954 26792 133.5° 69.4w	-		
ON All OFF LSP/LACE 82.5°F 134.2°F	STBY,	LEAM	OFF
182.0°F 315.9°K Offscale 82.9°F	ĻOW		

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

1 August 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
A14	24 Jun 75	0652/1200	$5^{h}_{h}08^{m}_{m}$	GDS	Station Problem
ALL	02 Jul 75	0336/0837		TAN	Data Shipment Problem

Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunset of the 33rd lunation occurred on 28 July at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported between -134.0 and -138.0 dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 31 July the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $117.0 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic low gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 7, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The anomalous automatic regulation of temperature control of the instrument housing continued during this report period. The LSG heater was commanded ON at 1519 G.m.t., 26 July, when the sensor temperature (DG-04) was offscale LOW. At the beginning of real-time support 0448 G.m.t., 29 July, the DG-04 temperature was  $51.0^{\circ}$ C and went offscale HIGH at 1406 G.m.t., this same day, remaining offscale HIGH until 31 July. On 29 July, the instrument was reconfigured to seismic LOW gain with slave heater ON. At 1450 G.m.t., 30 July, the heater was commanded OFF for cool down of the instrument when intermittent operation of the Analog/Digital converter was observed. The LSG heater was commanded ON at 1400 G.m.t. 31 July, since DG-04 temperature was offscale LOW.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data. The instrument is configured to discriminator level, LOW; filament, OFF: high voltage power supply, OFF; and backup heater, ON. The octal 132 that was contained in the command register on 28 July, was cleared out on 29 July, by sending command execute octal 134 after the total loading of the command register (octals 123, 124, 125, 127, 132, and 133). Since 29 July 1975 the command register has maintained its normal configuration.

### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT (continued)

1 August 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 25 July 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 1 August 1975

- Central station Sunset at the Descartes Site occurred on 29 July for the 41st lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported between -134.0 and -138.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, experiment AUTO ON; component gain, O db; and feedback loop filter IN). The instrument assembly temperature returned onscale (DL-07 = 133.9°F) on 29 July at a sun angle of 178.9°. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.
- Lunar surface magnetometer experiment The LSM is ON and recording data. 1034 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment engineering data. Flip calibrations of the instrument were discontinued on 28 July 1975 due to the low temperature of the Z-axis sensor and will be resumed when the temperature returns to a near normal value. Science data from the Z-axis has been static this report period.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27).

### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 25 July 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 1 August 1975

- Central station Sunset of the 50th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 30 July. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported between -135.0 and -138.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were noted during realtime support this report period.
- Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47). The Cold Cathode Gauge Experiment High Voltage OFF Anomaly (+ 4.5 K vdc) continued during this report period.
- Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 98.4°K on 31 July as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment	Commanded	OFF	14	June	1974.
Lunar surface magnetometer experiment	Commanded	OFF	14	June	1974.

### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 25 July 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 1 August 1975

Central station Sunset at the Apollo 14 site (56th lunation) occurred today. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -141.0 and -143.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975. Commands during this report period have not been successful.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. (DL-07), the internal temperature, was reading offscale LOW on 31 July. The longperiod Y-axis was onscale, 25 July, and appeared to be responding normally during this report period. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).

Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments Charged particle lunar environmental

experiment

### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 25 July 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 1 August 1975

Central station Sunset of the 71st lunation will occur later today. A signal strength between -139.5 and -143.5 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 (10w) Heater will be commanded ON for lunar night operation later today.

- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument assembly temperature was offscale HIGH from 26 July to 30 July. The internal temperature (DL-07) returned onscale and was reading 141.4°F at a sun angle of 152.3° on 30 July 1975. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.
- Solar wind spectrometer experiment The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind plasma data. The experiment was operated in the extended range mode, due to observation of high particle counts, from 1423 G.m.t., 25 July to 0045 G.m.t., 28 July.

## Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high detector voltages ON for lunar nighttime operations.

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

## Status as of 1600 G.m.t., 31 July 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04)	2080 26537 165.7° 58.6w A11 OFF LSM OFF 63.2°F 135.8°F OFF 39.3°C 47.4°C HIGH	1637 15636 171.6° 63.7w All OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 59.4°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY	1461 29605 192.7° 63.7w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 8.8°F 124.8°F OFF 0FF 8.4°C 123.5°K N/A	1196 17167 204.6° 66.6w
CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-O6) ASE GLA Temp (AS-O3) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	N/A N/A N/A	71.2°C N/A	N/A 284.3°K	OFF OFF

### TM POINT

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Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date
Sun Angle
Input Power APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01)
Lor remp (Ar-or)

### APOLLO 17 ALSEP

961 26930 219.8°	
71.4w	
ON	
All OFF	
LSP STBY	
26.2°F	
-0.5°F	
-17.4°F	
286.5°K	
Offscale	LOW
27.8°F	•

ALSEP SUPPORT SCHEDULE/EVENTS					
7/188	8/189	9/19u	10/191	11/192	12/195
0900-1100	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	<u>0900-1100</u>	NO SUPPORT	1000-1200	NO SUPPORT
FLIP CAL HFE RBS		FLIP CAL HFE RBS		FLIP CAL HFE RBS	
14/195	15/196	16/197	17/198	18/199	19/200
<u>0900-1100</u> ALSEP 16 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	1100-1330 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF TIMER RST	<u>0900-1100</u> ALSEP 17 LACE STDBY FLIP CAL HFE RBS	<u>1000-1200</u> ALSEP 14 ALSEP 12 ALSEP 17 LEAM OFF	0600-1000 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR PSE Z MTR OFF FLIP CAL HFE RBS 1800-1900	<u>0900-1100</u>
21/202	22/203	23/204	24/205	25/206	26/207
HFE RBS <u>2000-2400</u> ALSEP 15	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE SPECIAL MODE I & ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY, MODE I, 0530	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE MODE II OPERATIO ALSEP 15 SIDE OH, MODE I 1600 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES N ALSEP 15 SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES ALSEP 17 LEAM ON FLIP CAL HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LACE ON
	0900-1100 FLIP CAL HFE RBS 14/195 0900-1100 ALSEP 16 FLIP CAL HFE RBS 21/202 0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY MODE I 1354 FLIP CAL HFE RBS	7/188   8/189     0900-1100   NO SUPPORT     FLIP CAL   HFE RBS     14/195   15/196     0900-1100   1100-1330     ALSEP 16   1100-1330     FLIP CAL   ALSEP 15     FLIP CAL   ALSEP 16     FLIP CAL   ALSEP 16     FLIP CAL   ALSEP 16     FLIP CAL   ALSEP 16     C/S HTR OFF     TIMER RST     ALSEP 12     CYCLE SIDE     ALSEP 12     CYCLE SIDE     ALSEP 15     SIDE STDBY     MODE 1 1354     FLIP CAL     HFE RBS     2000-2400     ALSEP 15     SIDE STDBY,     MODE I, 0530	7/188     8/189     9/190       0900-1100     NO_SUPPORT     0900-1100       FLIP CAL     FLIP CAL     HFE RBS       14/195     15/196     16/197       0900-1100     1100-1330     0900-1100       ALSEP 16     1100-1330     ALSEP 17       FLIP CAL     HFE RBS     ALSEP 16       FLIP CAL     C/S HTR OFF     FLIP CAL       HFE RBS     ALSEP 16     C/S HTR OFF       FLIP CAL     C/S HTR OFF     FLIP CAL       HFE RBS     ALSEP 12     23/204       0900-1100     0900-1100     0900-1100       ALSEP 12     CYCLE SIDE     0900-1100       ALSEP 12     CYCLE SIDE     CYCLE SIDE       CYCLE SIDE     SPECIAL MODE I & MODE II OPERATIO       ALSEP 15     SPECIAL MODE I & MODE II OPERATIO       SIDE STDBY     MODE I, 0530     1600       HFE RBS     MODE I, 0530     FLIP CAL       HFE RBS     MODE I, 0530     FLIP CAL	7/188     8/189     9/19.     10/191       0900-1100     NO_SUPPORT     0900-1100     NO_SUPPORT     0900-1100       FLIP_CAL     FLIP_CAL     FLIP_CAL     HFE_RBS     100-1320     17/198       0900-1100     1100-1330     0900-1100     1000-1200     ALSEP 17     ALSEP 17       ALSEP_16     ALSEP_15     TIMER_RST     LACE_STDBY     ALSEP 17     LACE_STDBY       FLIP_CAL     ALSEP_16     C/S_HTR_OFF     FLIP_CAL     ALSEP 17     LACE_STDBY       FLIP_CAL     ALSEP_16     C/S_HTR_OFF     FLIP_CAL     ALSEP 17     LACE_STDBY       ALSEP_16     C/S_HTR_OFF     FLIP_CAL     ALSEP 17     LEAM_OFF       FLIP_CAL     ALSEP_16     C/S_HTR_OFF     FLIP_CAL     ALSEP 17       G900-1100     ALSEP_12     CYCLE_SIDE     CYCLE_SIDE     0900-1100       ALSEP_12     CYCLE_SIDE     SPECIAL MODE I     MODE II OPERATION ALSEP_15_SIDE     ALSEP_15_SIDE_SIDE       ALSEP_15     SIDE_STDBY, MODE I_1354     MODE I, 0530     MODE II OPERATION ALSEP_15_SIDE     ALSEP_15_SIDE_SIDE       ALSEP_15 </td <td>7/188     8/189     9/190     10/191     11/192       0900-1100     N0_SUPPORT     0900-1100     N0_SUPPORT     1000-1200       FLIP_CAL     FLIP_CAL     FLIP_CAL     FLIP_CAL     FLIP_CAL       HFE_RBS     15/196     16/197     17/198     18/199       0900-1100     1000-1330     0900-1100     1000-1200     0600-1000       ALSEP_16     1100-1330     0900-1100     1000-1200     0600-1000       ALSEP_16     TIMER_RST     LACE_STDBY     1000-1200     0600-1000       FLIP_CAL     FLIP_CAL     FLIP_CAL     HFE_RBS     18/199       0900-1100     ALSEP_15     TIMER_RST     LACE_STDBY     1000-1200       ALSEP_16     C/S_HTR_OFF     FLIP_CAL     ALSEP_17     FLIP_CAL       HFE_RBS     ALSEP_102     C/S HTR_OFF     FLIP_CAL     ALSEP_17     FLIP_CAL       HFE_RBS     D900-1100     ALSEP_12     SEC_IMR_OFF     FLIP_CAL     ALSEP_12 &amp; 15     CYCLE_SIDE       0900-1100     ALSEP_12     SEC_IAL_MODE_I     ALSEP_12 &amp; 15     CYCLE_SIDE</td>	7/188     8/189     9/190     10/191     11/192       0900-1100     N0_SUPPORT     0900-1100     N0_SUPPORT     1000-1200       FLIP_CAL     FLIP_CAL     FLIP_CAL     FLIP_CAL     FLIP_CAL       HFE_RBS     15/196     16/197     17/198     18/199       0900-1100     1000-1330     0900-1100     1000-1200     0600-1000       ALSEP_16     1100-1330     0900-1100     1000-1200     0600-1000       ALSEP_16     TIMER_RST     LACE_STDBY     1000-1200     0600-1000       FLIP_CAL     FLIP_CAL     FLIP_CAL     HFE_RBS     18/199       0900-1100     ALSEP_15     TIMER_RST     LACE_STDBY     1000-1200       ALSEP_16     C/S_HTR_OFF     FLIP_CAL     ALSEP_17     FLIP_CAL       HFE_RBS     ALSEP_102     C/S HTR_OFF     FLIP_CAL     ALSEP_17     FLIP_CAL       HFE_RBS     D900-1100     ALSEP_12     SEC_IMR_OFF     FLIP_CAL     ALSEP_12 & 15     CYCLE_SIDE       0900-1100     ALSEP_12     SEC_IAL_MODE_I     ALSEP_12 & 15     CYCLE_SIDE

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

8 August 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

The Apollo 15 ALSEP completed four (4) years of uninterrupted operations on 30 July 1975.

Remote site coverage for recording of ALSEP downlink data was not available during the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	$\underline{DATE}$	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	$\underline{SITE}$	REMARKS
ALL	15 Jul 75	0836/0840	04 <sup>m</sup>	HAW/ORR	Schedule Problem
A15	06 Aug 75	1204/1221	17 <sup>m</sup>	ACN	Station Problem

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Midnight of the 33rd lunation occurred on 4 August at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported at  $-138.0 \pm 3.0$  dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are achieved on a periodic basis. On 6 August the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $108 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic low gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 7, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The automatic temperature regulation anomaly continues and the instrument housing temperature (DG-04) was offscale HIGH on 6 August with the heater ON. The LSG was operated in seismic high gain from 1420 G.m.t., 2 August, to 1400 G.m.t., 4 August. A reading (AG-05 = 15.46 torr) of the pressure transducer was accomplished at 1528 G.m.t., 6 August.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data. An operational check was performed on 6 August. Results were the same as those previously reported with the continuing indication of a high voltage failure. The LACE will be cold soaked for six (6) hours prior to another operational check at approximately 1500 G.m.t., 8 August.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure a impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 1 August 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 8 August 1975

Midnight at the Descartes Site occurred on 6 August for the 41st lunation. The
DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operation. The 18-hour timer out-
put pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated
6 May 1972. The signal strength, from transmitter B, was reported between -133.5
and -138.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter, IN). No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.
- Lunar surface The LSM is ON. Flip calibration sequences have been discontinued for the remainmagnetometer der of this lunar night due to the low temperatures of the Z-axis sensor head. Science data from the Z-axis has been static this report period.
- Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 1 August 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 8 August 1975

Central station Midnight of the station's 50th lunation occurred on 6 August. Transmitter A downlink signal strength was reported at -135.0 ± 2.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry has been cycling per the normal 18 hour timer output pulse functions. No significant seismic events were noted during the periodic real-time support periods.

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is currently ON and operating in the full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) with the Channeltron high voltages ON. The CCGE high voltage (+ 4.5 K vdc) remains OFF this report period.

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode with all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 87.4°K on 6 August, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 1 August 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 8 August 1975

Central station	Sunset of the 56th lunation at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 1 August. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -137.5 and -142.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975. Commands have not been successful since the return of downlink on 5 March 1975.
Passive seismic experiment	The instrument is ON. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. The internal temperature (DL-07) has been reading offscale LOW this report period. The long-period Y-axis was onscale from 2 to 6 August and appeared to be responding normally during this report period. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.
Active seismic experiment	The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).
Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments	The instrument status is unknown.
Charged particle lunar	The experiment is in STANDBY.

environmental experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 1 August 1975, to 1200 G.m.t., 8 August 1975

- Central station Sunset of the 71st lunation occurred on 1 August. A signal strength between -139.0 and -142.5 dbm, from transmitter B, was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 (10w) Heater was commanded ON for lunar night operation on 1 August at 2049 G.m.t.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The Z-axis levelling motor was commanded ON at 2048 G.m.t., 1 August, to maximize internal heating in the instrument for lunar night operation. The internal temperature (DL-07) was reading offscale LOW at a sun angle of 213.4° on 4 August. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.

# Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind spectrometer plasma data. experiment

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) with detector Channeltron high voltages ON.

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

experiment

experiment

Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 6 August 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05). CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2086 26623 238.6° 57.4w <i>(58.2w)</i> DSS-1 (10w) ON LSM OFF 5.4°F Offscale LOW OFF -136.8°C 4.3°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1643 15636 244.5° 62.1w (62.5w) A11 OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 9.4°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY -70.3°C N/A	1467 29682 265.7° 63.2w <i>(63.3w)</i> All OFF LSM/SWS OFF 4.3°F 124.6°F OFF OFF 7.8°C 110.3°K N/A N/A 283.5°K	1202 17209 277.5° 66.2w (66.6w) DSS-1 (10w) ON ASE OFF 33.2°F 125.9°F -10.2°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

#### TM POINT

Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14) Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41) LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13) LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01)

#### APOLLO 17 ALSEP

967 -27057 292.8° 71.0w (71.4w) ON All OFF LSP STBY 5.2°F -2.3°F -17.4°F 286.8°K Offscale HIGH 6.2°F

Values in parentheses indicate RTG outputs during the last lunation at a similar sun angle.

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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

15 August 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following period. It must be noted that this data loss may not be recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.M.T.</u>	LOSS	<u>SITE</u>	REMARKS
14	11 Aug 75	1750/1825	35 <sup>m</sup>	MAD	Higher Priority Mission

#### Apollo 17

Sunrise of the scientific station's 34th lunation occurred on 12 August at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported between -137.0 and -144.5 dbm from transmitter A by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continued during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 14 August the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $190 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic *HIGH* gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 7, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The automatic temperature regulation anomaly continues and the instrument housing temperature (DG-04) was offscale HIGH on 11 August, with the heater ON. At 1527 G.m.t., 11 August, the LSG was commanded to STANDBY to reduce the internal temperature (DG-04) prior to sunrise. At 1403 G.m.t., 13 August, during real-time support, the experiment was commanded back ON when the sensor temperature had drifted offscale LOW and seismic high gain was selected. A reading (post amplifier gain at increment 2, AG-04 = 14.41 torr) of the pressure transducer was accomplished at 1518 G.m.t., 11 August. The LSG was operated in seismic low gain from 1400 G.m.t., 4 August, to 1411 G.m.t., 13 August. At 1407 G.m.t., 14 August, the post amplifier gain was commanded to Step 7.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY. On 8 August, 1975, after a six (6) hour cold soak (Experiment power OFF) an operational check was performed without any change from previous observations of the instrument's high voltage failure. The cold soak has been unsuccessful in restoring the High Voltage so a high temperature check was performed

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT (continued)

15 August 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

on 14 August 1975. At 1421 G.m.t. an operational check was performed at a 30° sun angle with the temperature (AM-41) at 112.3°F. The high temperature operation was unsuccessful in restoring the high voltage.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment will be commanded OFF later today for lunar day operation.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 8 August 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 15 August 1975

- Central station Sunrise at the Descartes Site occurred on 13 August for the 42nd lunar day. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) was commanded OFF for lunar day operations on 13 August when the average thermal plate temperature was 42.3°F. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated on 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported between -132.0 and -138.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter, IN). From 1349 G.m.t., 6 August, until 1424 G.m.t., 8 August, the feedback loop filter was inadvertently left OUT. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support of this instrument.

Lunar surface<br/>magnetometerThe LSM is ON. Flip calibrations will be resumed later this lunar day when the<br/>temperature of the Z-axis sensor head increases to a near normal value. The<br/>science data continues to be static from the Z-axis sensor.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 8 August 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 15 August 1975

Central station Sunrise of the station's 51st lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 14 August. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported between -134.0 and -137.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage/arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were observed during the real-time support periods.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). The CCGE high voltage (+ 4.5 K vdc) remains OFF this report period.

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode with all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 83.1°K on 14 August, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are being obtained periodically.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment Lunar surface magnetometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 8 August 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 15 August 1975

- Central station Sunrise at the Apollo 14 site will occur on 16 August for the 57th lunation. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -135.0 and -143.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975. The minimum average thermal plate temperature experienced during the lunar night this report period was 9.1°F.
- The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07) has been reading offscale Passive seismic experiment LOW since 31 July. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the long period Y-axis sensor has been offscale HIGH, but has appeared to exhibit normal responses. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.
- Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).

The instrument status is unknown. Suprathermal ion

detector/cold cathode gauge experiment Charged particle

The CPLEE is in STANDBY.

lunar environment experiment

experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 8 August 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 15 August 1975

Central station Sunrise of the station's 72nd lunation will occur on 16 August. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night. Signal strengths between -135.5 and -141.0 dbm, from transmitter B, were reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) has been offscale LOW since 4 August. The Z-axis drive motor is ON to maximize heating in the instrument during the lunar night. No significant seismic events were observed during this report period.

Solar wind The instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode recording solar wind spectrometer plasma data. experiment

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with the Channeltron detector high voltages ON. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer

experiment

## Status as of 1600 G.m.t., 14 August 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2094 26631 336.9° 57.0w DSS-1 (10w) ON LSM OFF 3.0°F Offscale LOW OFF -16.1°C 4.3°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1671 15636 342.9° 61.7w All OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 9.1°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY -71.4°C N/A	1475 29743 4.1° 62.9w All OFF LSM/SWS OFF 2.6°F 124.1°F OFF 0FF 7.8°C 106.5°K N/A N/A 283.5°K	1210 17254 15.9° 65.8w A11 OFF ASE OFF 53.3°F 126.3°F 28.7°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

### TM POINT

Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14) Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41) LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13) LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01)

### APOLLO 17 ALSEP

955 -
27226
31.2°
69.Ow
ON
OFF
LACE & LSPE STBY
61.3°F
113.6°F
170.6°F
302 <b>.1°</b> K
Offscale LOW
61.4°F

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

22 August 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following period. It must be noted that this data loss is non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
ALL	16 Aug 75	0755/0800	05 <sup>m</sup>	HAW/ORR	Higher Priority

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Noon of the 34th lunation occurred on 19 August at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported between -135.0 and -141.0 dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 21 August the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $366 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic HIGH gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 7, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The anomalous automatic regulation of temperature control of the instrument housing continued during this report period. The LSG heater was commanded OFF at 2235 G.m.t., 16 August, when the sensor temperature (DG-04) was offscale HIGH. At the beginning of real-time support at 1406 G.m.t., 18 August, the temperature was offscale LOW and has remained there to date. The instrument has been configured in seismic high gain since real time support on 18 August. The post amplifier gain was configured to increment 2 at 0129 G.m.t., 17 August until 1410 G.m.t., 18 August, when the gain was configured to increment 7.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY. On 19 August, a high temperature operational check was performed without any change from previous observations of the instrument's high voltage failure. The operational check was performed at approximately a 90° sun angle with the temperature (AM-41) at 148.9°F. The high temperature operation was unsuccessful in restoring the high voltage.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is OFF for lunar day.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 15 August 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 22 August 1975

Central station Noon at the Descartes Site occurred on 20 August for the 42nd lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported between -135.5 and -138.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter IN). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) was offscale HIGH on 19 August at a sun angle of 76.0° and is predicted to return onscale 27 August. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.
- Lunar surface The LSM is ON and recording data. 1040 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment engineering data. Science data from the Z-axis has been static this report period.

# Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 15 August, to 1300 G.m.t., 22 August 1975

- Central station Noon of the 51st lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 21 August. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported between -133.0 and -139.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.
- Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments The instrument is in STANDBY. The experiment is presently being cycled from ON to STANDBY during real-time support periods to avoid exceeding an internal temperature of 85°C (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47). A special operation of the SIDE was conducted from 18 August to 23 August at the request of the Principal Investigator.
- Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 365.9°K on 21 August as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.3°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind	Commanded	OFF	14	June	1974.
spectrometer					

experiment

Lunar surface	Commanded	0FF	14	June	1974.
magnetometer					
experiment					

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 15 August 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 22 August 1975

Central station Noon at the Apollo 14 site (57th lunation) will occur on 23 August. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -138.5 and -144.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07) has remained offscale low during this report period. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the long period Y-axis appeared to be responding normally. On 20 August the Y-axis returned onscale with a reading of 22.06 u rad. at a sun angle of 54.7°. No significant seismic events were noted during realtime this report period.
- Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold cathode gauge experiments

Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY. Junar

environmental experiment

experiment

#### Apollo 12

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 15 August 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 22 August 1975

- Central station Noon of the 72nd lunation will occur on 23 August. A signal strength between -138.5 and -142.0 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 (10 watts) heater is OFF for lunar day operations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The Z-motor has been OFF since 16 August to minimize heat in the instrument. From 1344 G.m.t., 18 August, until 1403 G.m.t., 19 August, the feedback loop filter was inadvertently left OUT. No significant seismic events were noted during the realtime support of this instrument.
- Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind plasma data. The instrument ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) were interexperiment mittently LOW during this report period.
- Suprathermal ion The SIDE is currently OFF. Cyclic commanding of the instrument in the full autodetector matic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF experiment in order to prevent mode changes is in effect to keep the temperature below 55°C.

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment Status as of 1600 G.m.t., 21 August 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2101 26721 62.4° 58.2w A11 OFF SIDE & LSM OFF 89.0°F 128.9°F OFF 63.5°C OFF OFF N/A N/A N/A	1678 15636 68.3 62.9w All OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 107.6°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY 69.8°C N/A	1482 29862 89.4° 63.2w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF & SIDE 110.4°F 140.7°F OFF OFF STBY STBY STBY N/A N/A 327.9°K	1217 17361 101.3° 65.8w A11 OFF STBY ASE OFF 101.9°F Offscale HIGH 44.7°C N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

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TM POINT

Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date .Sun Angle Input Power APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14) Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41) LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13) LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01) APOLLO 17 ALSEP

962 -
27377
116.5°
69.Ow
ON
OFF
LACE & LSPE STBY & LEAM OFF
89.3°F
145.5°F
191.0°F
323.5°K
Offscale LOW
90.2°F

TIMES CDT		PSE CALS DAILY				
<u>JUL 27/2ს</u> ა	28/209	29/210	30/211	31/212	AUG 01/213	02/214
<u>0900-1100</u> ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE 2000-2100	0500-0600 ALSEP 17 1400-1600 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE HFE RBS FLIP CAL	0000-0100 0900-1100 ALSEP 16 C/S. HTR ON ALSEP 12	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON HFE RBS FLIP CAL	<u>0900-1100</u>	1600-2000 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON HFE RBS FLIP CAL	<u>0900-1100</u>
AUG 03/215	04/216	05/217	06/218	07/219	08/220	09/221
<u>0900-1100</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> HFE RBS FLIP CAL	<u>NO_SUPPORT</u>	0900-1100 HFE RBS FLIP CAL	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	0900-1100 HFE RBS FLIP CAL	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>
AUG 10/222	11/223	12/224	13/225	14/226	15/227	16/228
NO SUPPORT	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HFE RBS FLIP CAL	<u>NO_SUPPORT</u>	0900-1100 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON TIMER RST HFE RBS FLIP CAL	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 17 LACE STDBY	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 17 LEAM OFF HFE RBS FLIP CAL	1700-2100 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF
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28 August 1975 G.m.t.: 1700

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunset of the 34th lunation occurred on 26 August at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported between -135.0 and -139.0 dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 28 August the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $120 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follws: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 2, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The anomalous automatic regulation of temperature control of the instrument housing continued during this report period. The LSG heater was commanded ON at 1410 G.m.t., 25 August, when the sensor temperature (DG-04) was offscale LOW. The sensor temperature remained in the offscale LOW condition throughout this reporting period. The post amplifier gain was configured from increment 7 to increment 2 on 23 August.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is OFF. The instrument was commanded OFF at 0931 G.m.t., 28 August, for a cold soak prior to an operational check to be conducted at 1800 G.m.t., 28 August. The octal 132 that was contained in the command register on 24 August was cleared out on 26 August by sending command execute octal 134 after loading the command register (octals 123, 124, 125, 127, 132, and 133). Since 26 August the command register has maintained its normal configuration of all zeros.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 25 August 1975, to 1700 G.m.t., 28 August 1975

- Central station Sunset at the Descartes Site occurred today for the 42nd lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported between -136.0 and -139.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, O db; and feedback loop filter IN). The instrument assembly temperature returned onscale (DL-07 = 133.6°F) on 28 August at a sun angle of 179.3°. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

# Lunar surface The LSM is ON and recording data. 1046 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment engineering data. Science data from the Z-axis has been static this report period.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27).

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 22 August 1975, to 1700 G.m.t., 28 August 1975

- Central station Sunset of the 51st lunation will occur at the Hadiey Rille Site on 29 August. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported between -136.0 and -139.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas. On 25 August, a spurious change (14 watt Power Dump Resistor ON, octal 022) was noted without a command verification word in the downlink signal being observed. At 1434 G.m.t., 25 August, the 14 watt PDR was commanded OFF (octal 023) and an increase in reserve power was observed.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 experiment ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47). The Cold Cathode Gauge Experiment High Voltage OFF anomaly (+ 4.5 K vdc) continued during this report period.

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 279.4°K on 28 August as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.7°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 250.3°K at its lowermost point.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. spectrometer

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer

experiment

experiment

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 22 August 1975, to 1700 G.m.t., 28 August 1975

- Central station Sunset at the Apollo 14 site (57th lunation) will occur on 30 August. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -140.0 and -144.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975.
- The instrument is ON. DL-07, internal temperature, was reading 117.0°F on 28 Passive seismic experiment August. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the Y-axis returned onscale and went from offscale HIGH to offscale LOW. The table depicts the performance of the PSE from 20 August to 28 August 1975:

DATE	<u>G.M.T.</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Z</u>	DL-07 (°F)	SUN <u>ANGLE</u>
20 Aug	1313	L	22.06	Н	L	54.7°
21 Aug	1403	L	5,50	Н	L	67.3°
22 Aug	1420	L	-8.87	Н	L	79.6°
23 Aug	1356	L	-16.61	Н	114.15	91.6°
24 Aug	1415	L	L	Н	119.23	104.0°
25 Aug	1348	L	L	Н	122.56	115.9°
26 Aug	1310	L	L	Н	123.19	127.8°
27 Aug	1755	L	L	Н	119.37	142.4°

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold cathode gauge experiments Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY. lunar environmental experiment

experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 22 August 1975, to 1700 G.m.t., 28 August 1975

- Central station Sunset of the 72nd lunation will occur on 31 August. A signal strength between -140.0 and -143.0 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) went offscale HIGH on 24 August. The temperature is expected to return onscale today. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.

# Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind spectrometer plasma data. experiment

Suprathermal ion detector experiment The SIDE is currently OFF. Cyclic commanding of the instrument in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF is in effect for this lunar day. During real-time support on 22 August the SIDE experienced an unexpected mode change to X10 at a temperature of 57.47°C. The mode change was cleared by commanding the instrument to OFF to cool down prior to turn ON during the next support period.

Lunar surface	Commanded	0FF	14	June	1974.
magnetometer experiment					

# Status as of 0300 G.m.t., 28 August 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2108 26789 141.1° 58.2w ALL OFF SIDE & LSM OFF 84.2°F Offscale HIGH OFF 57.5°C OFF OFF N/A N/A N/A	16 <b>6</b> 5 15636 147.0° 62.9w ALL OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 85.7°F 117.0°F N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY 575.7°C N/A	1489 29984 168.2° 63.7w ALL OFF LSM/SWS OFF 69.5°F 125.5°F OFF 0FF 55.6°C 301.6°K N/A N/A 298.9°K	1224 17498 180.0° 66.7w DSS-1 (10w) ON ASE OFF 35.1°F 133.6°F 22.8°F N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

TM POINT
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle
Input Power APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13) LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01)

### APOLLO 17 ALSEP 989 27610 195.3° 70.9w ON OFF LSPE STBY 14.4°F 3.2°F -14.0°F 286.1°K Offscale LOW 15.9°F

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

5 September 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Long-period seismic events occurred at approximately 0940 G.m.t., 31 August, and 1319 G.m.t., 3 September. The events were recorded on all Passive Seismic Experiments and also believed to have been experienced by the Lunar Surface Gravimeter. The duration was approximately one (1) hour for both events and were observed during real-time support.

Remote site coverage for recording of ALSEP downlink data was not available during the following period. It must be noted that this data loss is non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	G.m.t.	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
ALL	29 Aug 75	0058/0100	$o2^m$	MAD/ACN	Schedule Problem

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Midnight of the 34th lunation occurred on 3 September at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported at  $-139.0 \pm 3.5$  dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are achieved on a periodic basis. On 3 September the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $108 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic low gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 2, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The instrument housing heater circuit is again under control of the automatic temperature regulator. The temperature was  $48.71^{\circ}C$  on 2 September and had increased to  $51.5^{\circ}C$  on 3 September at 1356 G.m.t. The sensor temperature has held steady at  $51.5^{\circ}C$  through 0955 G.m.t., 4 September.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data. The LACE was cold soaked for approximately 18 hours prior to an operational check which was begun at 1758 G.m.t., 28 August. The high voltage indicated no improvement over previous checks. An additional anomaly was observed when the sweep voltage was at full scale after the high voltage was commanded ON. Operational checks performed on 29, 30, and 31 August and 2 September showed no improvement and the sweep voltage at full scale when the high voltage was commanded ON. An operational check is planned for 13 September after instrument warm-up during lunar day. 5 September 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1700 G.m.t., 28 August 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 5 September 1975

Central station Midnight at the Descartes Site occurred on 4 September for the 42nd lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operation. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength, from transmitter B, was reported at -135.0 ± 2.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

# Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter, IN). Significant seismic events were noted on 31 August and 3 September.

Lunar surface The LSM is ON. Flip calibration sequences have been discontinued for the remainmagnetometer der of this lunar night due to the low temperatures of the Z-axis sensor head. Science data from the Z-axis has been static this report period.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1700 G.m.t., 28 August 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 5 September 1975

Central station Midnight of the station's 51st lunation occurred on 5 September. Transmitter A downlink signal strength was reported between -133.0 and -137.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). Experiment The uncage-arm fire circuitry has been cycling per the normal 18-hour timer output pulse functions. Significant seismic events were noted on 31 August and 3 September.

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is currently ON and operating in the full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) with the Channeltron high voltages ON. The CCGE high voltage (+ 4.5 K vdc) remains OFF.

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode with all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 88.7°K on 3 September, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1700 G.m.t., 28 August 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 5 September 1975

Central station Sunset of the 57th lunation at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 30 August. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at -138.0 ± 2.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975. Commands have not been successful since the return of downlink on 5 March 1975.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. The internal temperature (DL-07) has been reading offscale LOW this report period. The long-period Y-axis was onscale from 31 August to 3 September and appeared to be responding normally during this report period. A significant seismic event was noted on 31 August although both the long period X and Y-axes indicated offscale LOW. Another event was observed on 3 September with the long period X-axis offscale LOW and the long-period Y-axis reading 22.11 u rad, near off-scale HIGH. The short period Z-axis also recorded the event. This PSE is the only one operating with feedback loop filter OUT.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold cathode gauge experiments Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY. lunar

environmental experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1700 G.m.t., 28 August 1975, to 1500 G.m.t., 5 September 1975

Central station Sunset of the 72nd lunation occurred on 31 August. A signal strength at -138.5 ± 4.5 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 (10w) Heater was commanded ON for lunar night operation on 31 August.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The Z-axis levelling motor was commanded ON at 0835 G.m.t., 31 August, to maximize internal heating in the instrument for lunar night operation. The internal temperature (DL-07) was reading offscale LOW at a sun angle of 207.5° on 2 September. Significant seismic events were noted during real-time on 31 August and 3 September.

# Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind spectrometer plasma data. experiment

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) with detector Channeltron high voltages ON. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 3 September 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05). CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2114 26887 220.5° 57.0w <i>(57.4w)</i> DSS-1 (10w) ON LSM OFF 4.4°F Offscale LOW OFF -136.8°C 4.3°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1671 15640 226.4° 61.7w <i>(62.1w)</i> A11 OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 9.1°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY STBY -69.1°C N/A	1495 30072 247.6° 62.5w <i>(63.7w)</i> A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 2.6°F 124.5°F OFF OFF 7.8°C 110.3°K N/A N/A 283.5°K	1230 17589 259.4° 66.2w (66.6w) DSS-1 (10w) ON ASE OFF 32.2°F 125.9°F -10.2°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

### TM POINT Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14) Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41)

LEAM Temp (AJ-11)

LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01)

HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)

APOLLO 17 ALSEP

995 -
27997
274.7°
70.6w (70.9w)
ON
All OFF
LSP STBY
10.4°F
-0.5°F
-17.4°F
286.7°K
51.5°C
11.1°F

Values in parentheses indicate RTG outputs during the last lunation at a similar sun angle.

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

12 September 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses may not be recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	G.M.T.	LOSS 50 <sup>m</sup>	SITE	REMARKS
12,14,15	09 Sep 75	1400/1450	50 <sup>m</sup>	VAN/AGO	Viking Launch
16.17	09 Sep 75	1443/1447	$04^m$	AGC	Station Problem
ALL	09 Sep 75	175848/180800	$09^{m}12^{s}$	QUI	Station Problem

#### Apollo 17

Sunrise of the scientific station's 35th lunation occurred on 10 September at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported at  $-141.0 \pm 3.0$  dbm from transmitter A by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continued during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 10 September the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $108 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm, the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic HIGH gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 7, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The automatic temperature regulator continues to function properly. The sensor temperature (DG-04) has been holding between 51.53 and 51.54°C this report period. The beam was repositioned near center and the post amplifier gain set at increment 7 on 8 September. The instrument is operated in seismic gain LOW briefly during real-time support periods.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 5 September 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 12 September 1975

- Central station Sunrise at the Descartes Site occurred on 11 September for the 43rd lunar day. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) will be commanded OFF for lunar day operations later today, 12 September. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated on 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B was reported at -136.0 ± 3.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gains, 0 db; and feedback loop filter, IN). No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support of this instrument.
- Lunar surface The LSM is ON. Flip calibrations will be resumed later this lunar day when the temperature of the Z-axis sensor head increases to a near normal value. The science data continues to be static from the Z-axis sensor.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 5 September 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 12 September 1975

Central station Sunrise of the station's 52nd lunation occurs later today, 12 September, at the Hadlev Rille Site. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported between -133.5 and -137.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage/arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station experiment data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were observed during the real-time support periods.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames). The CCGE high voltage detector/cold cathode gauge (+ 4.5 K vdc) remains OFF this report period. experiment

The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode with all sensors being Heat flow experiment sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 83.6°K on 10 September. as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was  $253.7^{\circ}$ K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are being obtained periodically.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment	Commanded	0FF	14	June	1974.
Lunar surface	Commanded	0FF	14	June	1974.

magnetometer experiment

## Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 5 September 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 12 September 1975

- Central station Midnight at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 7 September for the 57th lunation. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at -138.0 ± 3.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975. The minimum average thermal plate temperature experienced during the lunar night this report period was 9.1°F.
- Passive seismic The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07) has been reading offscale experiment LOW since 29 August. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the long period Y-axis sensor has been offscale HIGH, but has appeared to exhibit normal responses. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.
- Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold

Charged particle The CPLEE is in STANDBY. lunar environment experiment

cathode gauge experiment

## Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 5 September 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 12 September 1975

Central station Midnight of the station's 72nd lunation occurred on 7 September. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night. Signal strengths of -139.5 ± 3.0 dbm, from transmitter B, were reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) has been offscale LOW since 2 September. The Z-axis drive motor is ON to maximize heating in the instrument during the lunar night. No significant seismic events were observed during this report period.

Solar wind The instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode recording solar wind spectrometer plasma data. experiment

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with the Channeltron detector high voltages ON. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer

Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 10 September 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2121 26893 306.1° 56.7w DSS-1 (10w) ON LSM OFF 2.1°F Offscale LOW OFF -16.1°C 4.3°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A N/A	1678 15640 312.1° 61.7w A11 OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 9.1°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY STBY A°C N/A	1502 30141 333.2° 62.5w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 1.4°F 124.4°F OFF 0FF 7.8°C 106.5°K N/A N/A 283.5°K	1237 17605 345.1° 66.2w DSS-1 (10w) ON ASE OFF 31.1°F 125.8°F -10.2°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

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TM POINT
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date .Sun Angle
Input Power APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13) LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP 1002 28138 0.3° 70.2w ON OFF LSPE STBY 9.1°F -0.5°F -20.8°F 286.8°K 51.5°C 9.4°F

AUG     17/229     18/230     19/231     20/232     21/233     22/234     23/235       0900-1100     0900-1100     0900-1100     0750-0920     0900-1100     0900-1	TIMES - CDT		ALSEP SI	JPPORT_SCHEDULE/EN	(ENTS		PSE CALS DAILY
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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

19 September 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	<u>SITE</u>	REMARKS
ALL	17 Sep 75	0126/0 <b>1</b> 50	24 <sup>m</sup>	GDS/MAD	Station Problem
ALL	18 Sep 75	0748/0806	18 <sup>m</sup>	GWM/GDS	Higher Priority

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Noon of the 35th lunation occurred on 17 September at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported at  $-137.5 \pm 3.5$  dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switch-over), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 18 September the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $376 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic HIGH gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 7, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The sensor temperature (DG-04) has been stable at  $51.54^{\circ}$ C this report period.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY. On 12 September an operational check was performed. No change was noted in previous observations of the instrument's high voltage failure. The operation was unsuccessful in restoring the high voltage.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is OFF for lunar day.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 12 September 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 19 September 1975

- Central station Noon at the Descartes Site occurred on 19 September for the 43rd lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B was reported at  $-138.5 \pm 5.5$  dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, O db: and feedback loop filter IN). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-O7) was offscale HIGH on 17 September at a sun angle of 69.7° and is predicted to return onscale 26 September. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.
- Lunar surface The LSM is ON and recording data. 1050 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment engineering data. Science data from the Z-axis continues to be static this report period.
- Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

## Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 12 September, to 1300 G.m.t., 19 September 1975

- Central station Sunrise of the 52nd lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 12 September. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported between -132.5 and -139.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.
- Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments The instrument is in STANDBY. The experiment is presently being cycled from ON to STANDBY during real-time support periods to avoid exceeding an internal tempera-ture of 85°C (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47). A special operation of the SIDE is being conducted from 18 September to 23 September at the request of the Principal Investigator.
- Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 364.0°K on 18 September as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.3°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically. An unexpected functional change (Octal 143, Probe No. 2 Sequence Select) of the HFE occurred between the real-time support periods of 17 and 18 August 1975. A command verification word (CVW) was not detected in the downlink telemetry. The HFE was commanded to Full Sequence Select (Octal 141) by mission control at 1424 G.m.t., 18 August 1975.
- Solar wind spectrometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. At 0334 G.m.t., 15 September 1975, the Hawaii Tracking Station detected a CVW (Octal 046, STANDBY, Power ON) in the downlink. Later playback indicated the command had been executed as a four (4) watt decrease in reserve power was observed. Hawaii had also detected a change in octal reading of parameter AB-05 (experiment standby status). The SWS was commanded to OFF at 0428 G.m.t., 15 September by Mode I through the Hawaii station. The 4-watt decrease in reserve power is attributed to the standby heater turning on. No power has been applied to the SWS since 25 January 1975.

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

## Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 18 September 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 19 September 1975

Central station Sunrise at the Apollo 14 site (58th lunation) occurred on 14 September. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -137.5 and -144.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07) has remained offscale low during this report period. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the long period Y-axis appeared to be responding normally. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold cathode gauge experiments Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY.

experiment

lunar

environmental experiment

## Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 12 September 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 19 September 1975

- Central station Sunrise of the 73rd lunation occurred on 15 September. A signal strength between -136.5 and -144.0 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna track-stations. The DSS-1 (10 watts) heater is OFF for lunar day operations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The Z-motor has been OFF since 15 September to minimize heat in the instrument. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support of this instrument.
- Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind plasma data. The instrument ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) were interexperiment mittently LOW during this report period.
- Suprathermal ion The SIDE is currently OFF. Cyclic commanding of the instrument in the full autodetector matic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF in order to prevent mode changes is in effect to keep the temperature below 55°C.

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

magnetometer experiment Status as of 1900 G.m.t., 18 September 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05). CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2129 27013 45.7° 57.8w All OFF SIDE/LSM OFF 86.1°F 127.3°F OFF 60.9°C OFF OFF N/A N/A N/A	1686 15644 51.6° 62.4w All OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 100.9°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY 55.4°C N/A	1510 30291 72.8° 62.8w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 108.2°F 139.6°F OFF 0FF 63.5°C 364.0°K N/A N/A 325.9°K	1245 17720 84.6° 65.4w A11 OFF ASE OFF 103.5°F Offscale HIGH 45.8°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

## TM POINT

Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date .Sun Angle Input Power APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14) Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41) LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13) LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01) APOLLO 17 ALSEP 1010 28327 99.9° 68.6w ON OFF LACE/LSPE STBY & LEAM OFF 90.1°F 151.5°F 188.0°F 327.1°K 51.5°C 90.9°F 25 September 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunset of the 35th lunation occurred today at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported between -134.5 and -140.0 dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 25 September the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $130 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 2, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The anomalous automatic regulation of temperature control of the instrument reoccurred 19 September. Subsequent attempts to regain temperature control during this reporting period have been unsuccessful. From 1347 G.m.t., 24 September to 1132 G.m.t., 25 September the instrument was operated in seismic LOW gain.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data. The LACE was ON for two operational checks on 23 and 24 September and no change was observed in the high voltage and sweep lock anomaly.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

# Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 19 September 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 25 September 1975

Central station	Sunset at the Descartes Site will occur 26 September for the 43rd lunation. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported between -133.5 and -140.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
Passive seismic experiment	The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, O db; and feedback loop filter IN). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) is offscale HIGH but is expected to return onscale tomorrow. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.
Lunar surface magnetometer experiment	The LSM is ON and recording data. 1056 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment engineering data. Science data from the Z-axis has been static this report period.
Active seismic experiment	The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27).

## Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 19 September 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 25 September 1975

- Central station Noon of the 52nd lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 20 September. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported between -133.0 and -139.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) was offscale HIGH on 20 September at a sun angle of 93.9° and returned onscale 22 September (DL-07 = 141.1°F), at a sun angle of 118.3°. At 1201 G.m.t., 23 September, the PSE responded to a spurious command (octal 063, long period XY-axis sensor gain change to -10 db) as observed by the Guam Tracking Station. At 2129 G.m.t., 23 September, the long period XY-axis sensor gain was commanded back to the 0 db gain (3 octal 063s) by Mode I commands from Guam. No seismic events were observed during this report period.
- Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47). A special operational test of the SIDE was conducted between 18 September and 23 September at the request of the Principal Investigator.
- Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 284.6°K on 25 September as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.7°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.3°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

## Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 19 September 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 25 September 1975

- Central station Noon at the Apollo 14 site (58th lunation) occurred on 21 September. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -139.0 and -144.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. DL-07, internal temperature, was reading 124.06°F on 25 September. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the Y-axis returned onscale and went from offscale HIGH to offscale LOW. No seismic events were noted during real-time this reporting period. The table depicts the performance of the PSE from 18 September to 25 September 1975:

DATE	<u>G.M.T.</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Z</u>	DL-07 (°F)	SUN <u>ANGLE</u>
18 Sep	1840	L	22.31	Н	L	51.5°
<b>19</b> Sep	2035	L	3.47	Н	L	64.6°
20 Sep	1306	L	-6.20	Н	L	73.0°
22 Sep	0124	L	-20.37	Н	115.30	91.4°
22 Sep	1256	L	L	Н	118.37	97.3°
23 Sep	1350	L	L	Н	122.82	109.9°
24 Sep	1423	L	L	Н	125.00	122.4°
25 Sep	1119	L	L	Н	124.06	133.0°

Active seismic experiment	The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).
Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments	The instrument status is unknown.
Charged particle lunar environmental	The experiment is in STANDBY.

## Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 19 September 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 25 September 1975

- Central station Noon of the 73rd lunation occurred on 22 September. A signal strength between -139.5 and -143.0 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) went offscale HIGH on 23 September. The temperature is expected to return onscale 28 September. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.

# Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind spectrometer plasma data. experiment

Suprathermal ion detector matic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF experiment is in effect for this lunar day. During real-time support on 22 September the SIDE experienced an unexpected mode change to X10 at a temperature of 55.55°C. The mode change was cleared by commanding the instrument to OFF for cool down prior to turn ON during the next support period.

Lunar surface	Commanded	0FF	14	June	1974.
magnetometer					
experiment					

Status as of 1200 G.m.t., 25 September 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2136 27070 127.4° 57.4w All OFF SIDE/LSM OFF 92.0°F Offscale HIGH OFF 61.7°C OFF OFF N/A N/A N/A	1693 15644 133.3° 62.4w All OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 96.9°F 124.1°F N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY STBY 83.7°C N/A	1517 30399 154.5° 62.8w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 88.3°F 125.9°F OFF OFF 73.3°C 323.8°K N/A N/A 307.7°K	1252 17845 166.3° 65.4w All OFF ASE OFF 64.2°F Offscale HIGH 38.3°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

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Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate LACE Temp (AM-41)	Temp
LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01)	-13)
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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

3 October 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Remote site coverage for recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available during the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	$\underline{DATE}$	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
14 <b>,</b> 15	23 Jul 75	0647/0841	01 <sup>h</sup> 54 <sup>m</sup>	GDS	Site Problem
14	25 Jul 75	0423/1330	09 <sup>h</sup> 07 <sup>m</sup>	GDS	Site Problem

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Midnight of the 35th lunation occurred on 2 October at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported at  $-139.0 \pm 4.0$  dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge sruveys are achieved on a periodic basis. On 1 October the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $110 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic low gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 2, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. Attempts to regain control of the temperature regulator have been unsuccessful this report period. The instrument was inadvertently operated with post amplifier gain at increment 3 from 1541 G.m.t., 26 September to 1523 G.m.t., 1 October.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY. Operational checks performed on 29 and 30 September indicated an improvement in the high voltage and sweep voltage. The instrument was operated after the bake out heater had been ON prior to these two checks. The sweep voltage was stepping instead of being at full scale. Another check is scheduled for later today, 3 October.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 25 September 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 3 October 1975

- Central station Midnight at the Descartes Site occurred on 3 October for the 43rd lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operation. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength, from transmitter B, was reported between -134.5 and -138.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter, IN). No significant seismic events were noted this report period.

Lunar surface The LSM is ON. Flip calibration sequences have been discontinued for the remagnetometer mainder of this lunar night due to the low temperatures of the Z-axis sensor head. Science data from the Z-axis remains static.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

## Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 25 September 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 3 October 1975

- Central station Sunset of the station's 52nd lunation occurred on 27 September. Transmitter A downlink signal strength was reported between -133.5 and -138.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry has been cycling per the normal 18-hour timer output pulse functions. No significant seismic events were noted this report period.
- Suprathermal ion The SIDE is currently ON and operating in the full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) with the Channeltron high voltages ON. The CCGE high voltage (+ 4.5 K vdc) remains OFF. experiment
- Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode with all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 90.5°K on 1 October, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.7°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

## Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 25 September 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 3 October 1975

Central station	Sunset of the 58th lunation at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 29 September. Trans- mitter A signal strength was reported at -139.0 $\pm$ 2.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975.
Passive seismic experiment	The instrument is ON. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. The internal temperature (DL-07) has been reading offscale LOW this report period. The long-period Y-axis was onscale and appeared to be responding normally during this report period. No significant seismic events were noted this report period.
Active seismic experiment	The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).
Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments	The instrument status is unknown.
Charged particle lunar environmental experiment	The experiment is in STANDBY.

## Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 25 September 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 3 October 1975

Central station Sunset of the 73rd lunation occurred on 29 September. A signal strength at -140.0 <sup>±</sup> 2.5 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 (10w) Heater is ON for lunar night operation. The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). Passive seismic The Z-axis levelling motor is ON to maximize internal heating in the instrument experiment for lunar night operation. No significant seismic events were noted this report period. Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind spectrometer plasma data. experiment Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) with detector Channeltron high voltages ON. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 1 October 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2142 27175 202.1° 57.0w (57.4w) DSS-1 (10w) ON LSM OFF 5.0°F 126.3°F OFF -14.4°C 4.8°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1699 15644 208.0° 61.8w (62.1w) All OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 9.4°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY -61.5°C N/A	1523 30537 229.2° 62.0w (62.9w) All OFF LSM/SWS OFF 2.6°F 124.6°F OFF OFF 7.8°C 112.3°K N/A N/A 283.7°K	1258 17994 241.0° 66.2w (66.2w) DSS-1 (10w) ON ASE OFF 32.2°F 125.9°F -10.2°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

## TM POINT

Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14) Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41) LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13) LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01)

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

1023 28969 256.3° 70.2w (70.6w) ON All OFF LACE/LSP STBY 5.2°F Offscale LOW -17.4°F 286.0°K 51.2°C 6.2°F

Values in parentheses indicate RTG outputs during the last lunation at a similar sun angle.

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TIMES - CPT	ALSEP SUPPORT SCHEDULE/EVENTS					PSE CALS DAILY
SEP 07/250	08/251	09/252	10/253	11/254	12/255	13/256
<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 HFE RBS	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 16	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF TIMER RST HFE RBS FLIP CAL	<u>0900-1100</u> LACE STDBY LEAM OFF
SEP 14/257	15/258	16/259	17/260	18/261	19/262	20/263
ALSEP 12	0500-0900 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF HFE RBS FLIP CAL 1600-1700	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 2100 - SIDE	1330-1530 ALSEP 15 SIDE SPRT 2330 - SIDE OFF MODE I ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	1530-1730 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0800-1000 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY
SEP 21/264	22/265	23/266	24/267	25/268	26/269	27/270
ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON	0800-1000 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY ALSEP 17 LEAM ON HFE RBS FLIP CAL	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LACE ON	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE HFE RBS FLIP CAL 2100-2200	0600-0700 ALSEP 17 1600-1700	0100-0200 0900-1100 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE HFE RBS FLIP CAL	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON NASA-JSC

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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

10 October 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Remote site coverage for recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available during the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	<u>STTE</u>	REMARKS
ALL	02 Oct 75	0117/0119	01 <sup>h</sup> 02 <sup>m</sup>	ORR	Site Problem
ALL	06 Oct 75	0845/1027	42 <sup>m</sup>	GWM/BUR	Higher Priority
ALL	08 Oct 75	1045/1113	28 <sup>m</sup>	ACN	Higher Priority

## Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunrise of the 36th lunation occurred today at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported between -137.0 and -143.0 dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are achieved on a periodic basis. On 8 October the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $106 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment was commanded to STANDBY on 8 October and will be turned ON during real time support on 10 October, after sunrise. This configuration was made to reduce the instrument's housing temperature (DG-04) and attempt to regain thermal control of the experiment.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY. Another operational check was performed on 3 October 1975 and the same indications were noted as had previously been observed on 29 and 30 September 1975. After approximately 20 minutes of operation the experiment was commanded to STAND-BY on 3 October, at the Principal Investigator's request, for further analysis of the data gained by these checks.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

## Apollo 16 ALSEP

### Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 3 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 10 October 1975

- Central station Sunrise at the Descartes Site will occur on 11 October for the 44th lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operation. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength, from transmitter B, was reported between -132.5 and -137.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter, IN). No significant seismic events were noted this report period.

Lunar surface The LSM is ON. Flip calibration sequences have been discontinued for the lunar night due to the low temperatures of the Z-axis sensor head. Science data from the Z-axis remains static.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

## Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 3 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 10 October 1975

- Central station Midnight of the station's 52nd lunation occurred on 4 October. Transmitter A downlink signal strength was reported between -132.0 and -139.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry has been cycling per the normal 18-hour timer output pulse functions. No significant seismic events were noted this report period.
- Suprathermal ion The SIDE is currently ON and operating in the full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) with the Channeltron high voltages ON. The CCGE high voltage (+ 4.5 K vdc) remains OFF. experiment
- Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode with all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 84.5°K on 8 October, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.7°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind	Commanded	0FF	14	June	1974.
spectrometer					
experiment					

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

## Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 3 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 10 October 1975

- Central station Midnight at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 6 October for the 58th lunation. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -135.5 and 140.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975. The minimum average thermal plate temperature experienced during the lunar night this report period was 9.1°F.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07) has been reading offscale LOW this reporting period. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the long period Y-axis sensor has been offscale HIGH, but has appeared to exhibit normal responses. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.
- Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold cathode gauge experiment

Charged particle The CPLEE is in STANDBY. lunar environment experiment

# Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 3 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 10 October 1975

Central station	Midnight of the station's 73rd lunation occurred on 7 October. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night. Transmitter B signal strength was reported between -136.5 and -141.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
Passive seismic experiment	The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) has been offscale LOW since 3 October. The Z-axis drive motor is ON to maximize heating in the instrument during the lunar night. No significant seismic events were observed during this report period.
Solar wind spectrometer experiment	The instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode recording solar wind plasma data.
Suprathermal ion detector experiment	The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with the Channeltron high voltages ON.
Lunar surface magnetometer experiment	Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 8 October 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2149 27191 287.6° 56.3w DSS-1 (10w) ON LSM OFF 1.3°F Offscale LOW OFF -15.6°C 4.3°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1706 15648 293.6° 61.3w All OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 9.1°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY -71.4°C N/A	1600 30603 314.7° 61.6w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 1.4°F 124.2°F OFF 0FF 0FF 7.8°C 106.5°K N/A N/A 283.5°K	1265 18016 326.6° 65.4w DSS-1 (10w) ON ASE OFF <b>31.1°F</b> 125.8°F -10.2°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

## TM POINT

APOLLO 17 ALSEP

Total Days of Operation	1030
Total Commands to Date	29115
Sun Angle	341.8°
Input Power	69.7w
APM Status (AB-13)	ON
Power Dump Status (AB-14)	All OFF
Experiment Status	LSG/LACE/LSP STBY
Avg Thermal Plate Temp	6.3°F
LACE Temp (AM-41)	-16.1°F
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)	-17.4°F
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	286.7°K
LSG Temp (DG-04)	Offscale HIGH
LSP Temp (AP-01)	7.8°F
LSP Temp (AP-UT)	7.01

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

17 October 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	$\underline{DATE}$	G.m.t.	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
A <b>1</b> 7	09 Oct 75	1227/1235	${0.8 \atop 25 }^m$	BUR	Station Problem
ALL	13 Oct 75	0405/0430		GWM/ORR	Higher Priority

Apollo 17 ALSEP

Noon of the 36th lunation occurred today, 17 October, at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported between -136.0 and -140.5 dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switch-over), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 16 October the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $366 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were  $256.6^{\circ}$ K at probe #1 and  $256.9^{\circ}$ K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic HIGH gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 2, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The sensor temperature (DG-04) was offscale HIGH on 16 October and the LSG heater was commanded OFF. The thermal regulation anomaly continues.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is OFF for lunar day.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

## Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 10 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 17 October 1975

- Central station Sunrise at the Descartes Site occurred on 11 October for the 44th lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B was reported at  $-135.5 \pm 2.5$  dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter IN). No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Lunar surface<br/>magnetometer<br/>experimentThe LSM is ON and recording data.1060 flip calibration sequences have been<br/>experiment engineering data.ConstructionScience data from the<br/>z-axis continues to be static this report period.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27).

## Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 10 October, to 1300 G.m.t., 17 October 1975

- Central station Sunrise of the 53rd lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 12 October. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported between -133.5 and -140.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON. A special operation of the SIDE will be conducted from detector/cold 17 October to 21 October at the request of the Principal Investigator. cathode gauge experiments

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 351.4°K on 16 October as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.7°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.3°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. spectrometer

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

magnetometer experiment

## Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 10 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 17 October 1975

Sunrise at the Apollo 14 site (59th lunation) occurred on 14 October. Transmitter Central station A signal strength was reported at  $-140.5 \pm 3.5$  dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07) has remained offscale low Passive seismic during this report period. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 Februexperiment ary 1975. During this report period the long period Y-axis appeared to be responding normally. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period. The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). Active seismic experiment Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold cathode gauge experiments Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY. lunar environmental

## Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 10 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 17 October 1975

- Central station Sunrise of the 74th lunation occurred on 14 October. A signal strength of -140.0 + 2.0 dbm, from transmitter B, was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 (10 watts) heater is OFF for lunar day operations.
- The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). Passive seismic The Z-motor is OFF to minimize heat in the instrument. No significant seismic experiment events were noted during the real-time support of this instrument.
- Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind plasma data. The instrument ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) were interspectrometer experiment mittently LOW during this report period.
- Suprathermal ion The SIDE is currently OFF. Cyclic commanding of the instrument, in the full autodetector matic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF in order to prevent mode changes, is in effect to keep the temperature below 55°C. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer

Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 16 October 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2157 27249 25.1° 57.0w A11 OFF SIDE/LSM OFF 73.3°F 126.3°F OFF 45.1°C OFF OFF N/A N/A N/A	1714 15648 31.1° 62.0w A11 OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 82.6°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY 22.9°C N/A	1538 30738 52.2° 62.4w All OFF LSM/SWS OFF 98.9°F 132.6°F 0FF 0FF 81.7°C 364.0°K N/A N/A N/A 317.7°K	1273 18150 64.1° 64.9w A11 OFF ASE OFF 99.5°F 139.9°F 41.4°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

## TM POINT

Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14) Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41) LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13) LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01)

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

1038 29282 79.3° 68.2w ON OFF LACE/LSPE STBY & LEAM OFF 87.2°F 150.6°F 173.8°F 327.9°K Offscale HIGH 87.0°F

## ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

24 October 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunset of the 36th lunation occurs today at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported between -134.0 and -139.0 dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 23 October the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $306 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 2, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The LSG heater was commanded ON, 23 October, after having been OFF since 16 October. This manual commanding of the heater OFF/ON is to insure that the instrument will not go into an out of limits condition thereby losing the seismic data. The thermal regulation anomaly continues.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 17 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 24 October 1975

- Central station Noon at the Descartes Site occurred on 18 October for the 44th lunation. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B is reported between -135.0 and -138.5 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter IN). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) is offscale HIGH but is expected to return onscale tomorrow. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.
- Lunar surface The LSM is ON and recording data. 1066 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment engineering data. Science data from the Z-axis has been static this report period.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 17 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 24 October 1975

- Central station Noon of the 53rd lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 19 October. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported between -133.0 and -138.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) was offscale HIGH on 18 October at a sun angle of 78.2° and returned onscale 22 October (DL-07 = 142.1°F), at a sun angle of 125.2°. No seismic events were observed during this report period.
- Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47). A special operational test of the SIDE was conducted between 17 October and 20 October at the request of the Principal Investigator.
- Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 340.6 °K on 23 October as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.7°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.3°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.
- Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 17 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 24 October 1975

- Central station Noon at the Apollo 14 site (59th lunation) occurred on 21 October. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -137.0 and -143.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. DL-07, internal temperature, was reading 125.73°F on 23 October. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the Y-axis returned onscale and went from offscale HIGH to offscale LOW. No seismic events were noted during real-time this reporting period. The table depicts the performance of the PSE from 18 October to 23 October 1975:

DATE	<u>G.M.T.</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Z</u>	DL-07 (°F)	SUN <u>ANGLE</u>
18 Oct 19 Oct	1848 1909	L I	12.09 -3.57	H H	L	57.3° 69.6°
20 Oct 21 Oct 22 Oct	1224 1354 1421	L	-12.74 -22.31	H H H	108.08 116.89 122.49	78.4° 91.3° 103.7°
22 OCt 23 Oct	1335	L	L	н Н	125.73	103.7 115.5°

Active seismic experiment	The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).
Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments	The instrument status is unknown.
Charged particle lunar environmental experiment	The experiment is in STANDBY.

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 17 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 24 October 1975

- Central station Noon of the 74th lunation occurred on 21 October. A signal strength between -139.5 and -143.0 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network contruity (Ref. Apollo 16 experiment ALSEP). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) went offscale HIGH on 22 October. The temperature is expected to return onscale 27 October. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.
- Solar wind spectrometer experiment The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind plasma data. On 23 October, it was noted that the data output of the sum cups Levels 1 through 14 during the instrument's calibrate measurements (Sequence 14 and 15) were giving an invalid indication. This anomaly has previously been observed.
- Suprathermal ion detector experiment The SIDE is currently OFF. Cyclic commanding of the instrument in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF is in effect for this lunar day. During real-time support on 20 October the SIDE experienced a spurious mode change to X10 at a temperature of 56.51°C. The mode change was cleared by commanding the instrument to OFF for cool down prior to turn ON during the next support period.

Lunar surface	Commanded	0FF	14	June	1974.
magnetometer					
experiment					

# Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 23 October 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT .	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2164 27324 110.2° 57.0w A11 OFF SIDE/LSM OFF 95.4°F Offscale HIGH OFF 65.2°C OFF OFF N/A N/A N/A	1721 15648 116.2° 62.0w A11 OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 108.7°F 125.7°F N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY 82.0°C N/A	1545 30844 137.3° 62.4w All OFF LSM/SWS OFF 103.9°F 136.2°F OFF 0FF 85.5°C 347.4°K N/A N/A 320.6°K	1280 18256 149.2° 64.8w A11 OFF ASE OFF 83.1°F Offscale HIGH 41.4°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

# TM POINT

v.

Total Days of Operation
Total Commands to Date
Sun Angle
Input Power
APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

# APOLLO 17 ALSEP

1045 29475
164.4°
69.Ow
ON
OFF
LSPE STBY
69.3°F
115.4°F
164.1°F
299.9°K
Offscale LOW
71.4°F

TIMES - CDT		ALSEP S	UPPORT SCHE	EVENTS		PSE CALS DAILY
SEP 28/271	29/272	30/273	OCT 01/274	02/275	03/276	04/277
0900-1100	1600-2000 ALSEP 14	0900-1100	0900-1100	NO SUPPORT	0900-1100	NO SUPPORT
	ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON		HFE RBS		HFE RBS	
	HFE RBS					
OCT 05/278	06/279	07/280	08/281	09/282	10/283	11/284
NO SUPPORT	1400-1600	NO SUPPORT	<u>0900-1100</u>	NO SUPPORT ALSEP 17	<u>0900-1100</u>	0900-1100 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF
	HFE RBS		HFE RBS		HFE RBS	TIMER RST
OCT 12/285	13/286	14/287	15/288	16/289	17/290	18/291
0900-1100 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 17 LACE STDBY BEN-20	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 17 LEAM OFF HFE RBS FLIP CAL	1800-2200 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF	<u>0900-1100</u> HFE RBS FLIP CAL	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF	1530 ALSEP 15 SIDE OFF, MODE I 2000-2200 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE 2100 ALSEP 15 SIDE ON HFE RBS FLIP CAL	O500 ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY, MODE I <u>1400-1600</u> ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

#### 31 October 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Remote site coverage for recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available during the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	$\underline{SITE}$	REMARKS
12	14 Aug 75	0748/0911	$1^{h}23^{m}$	HAW	Site Problem
14	19 Aug 75	0912/1203	$2^{h}51^{m}$	ORR	Site Problem
14	20 Aug 75	1707/1846	$1^{h}39^{m}$	ORR	Site Problem
12	22 Aug 75	0650/1027	$3^{h}37^{m}$	HAW	Site Problem
12,14	22 Aug 75	1017/1240	$2^{h}23^{m}$	ORR	Site Problem
16	28 Aug 75	1954/2236	$2^{h}42^{m}$	ORR	Site Problem

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Midnight of the 36th lunation will occur on 1 November at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported at -139.0 ± 4.0 dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are achieved on a periodic basis. On 30 October the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples was  $110 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 2, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The LSG heater is currently ON. During the past reporting period the heater was commanded OFF/ON several times to manually maintain the instrument within the operating temperature limits to avoid the loss of seismic data. The thermal regulation anomaly continues.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is ON but is not processing scientific data.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

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#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 24 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 31 October 1975

- Central station Sunset at the Descartes Site occurred on 26 October for the 44th lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operation. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength, from transmitter B, was reported between -134.0 and -142.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, O db; and feedback loop filter, IN). The instrument assembly temperature returned onscale 26 October (DL-07 = 134.6°F), at a sun angle of 179.4°. No significant seismic events were noted this report period.
- Lunar surface The LSM is ON. Flip calibration sequences have been discontinued for the remagnetometer mainder of this lunar night due to the low temperatures of the Z-axis sensor head. Science data from the Z-axis remains static.
- Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 24 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 31 October 1975

- Central station Sunset of the station's 53rd lunation occurred on 27 October. Transmitter A downlink signal strength was reported between -133.5 and -137.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). Experiment The uncage-arm fire circuitry has been cycling per the normal 18-hour timer output pulse functions. No significant seismic events were noted this report period.
- Suprathermal ion The SIDE is currently ON and operating in the full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) with the Channeltron high voltages ON. The CCGE high voltage (+ 4.5 K vdc) remains OFF.
- Heat flow experiment as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 91.4°K on 30 October, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment	Commanded	0FF	14	June	1974.
Lunar surface magnetometer experiment	Commanded	0FF	14	June	1974.

# Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 24 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 31 October 1975

Central station	Sunset of the 59th lunation at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 28 October. Trans- mitter A signal strength was reported at -137.5 $\pm$ 3.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975.
Passive seismic experiment	The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07) went offscale LOW on 27 October, at a sun angle of 164.8°. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. The long period Y-axis sensor has been offscale LOW from 22 October until 30 October when it came back onscale (-9.96 micro-radians) at a sun angle of 203°. No significant seismic events were noted during the support periods.
Active seismic experiment	The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).
Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments	The instrument status is unknown.
Charged particle lunar environmental experiment	The experiment is in STANDBY.

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 24 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 31 October 1975

Central station Sunset of the 74th lunation occurred on 29 October. A signal strength of -139.5 2.5 dbm from transmitter B was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 (10w) Heater is ON for lunar night operation.

- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The Z-axis levelling motor is ON to maximize internal heating in the instrument for lunar night operation. At the beginning of support on 28 October, it was observed that the short period Z-axis sensor gain indicated -10 db. No command verification word (octal 067) was noted in the downlink signal. This spurious functional change occurred between support periods of 27-28 October and was cleared during real-time support 28 October, by commanding the experiment to the 0 db range (3 octal 067's). The instrument assembly temperature returned onscale 28 October (DL-07 = 136.5°F), at a sun angle of 170.9°. No significant seismic events were noted this report period.
- Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind spectrometer plasma data. experiment
- Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) with detector Channeltron high voltages ON. experiment
- Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

Status as of 1800 G.m.t., 30 October 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	2171 27460 197.5° 56.7w DSS-1 (10w) ON LSM OFF 4.4°F 126.5°F OFF -13.0°C 4.8°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1728 15648 203.4° 61.3w A11 OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 9.4°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY -55.5°C N/A	1552 30984 224.6° 61.2w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 1.1°F 124.6°F OFF OFF 7.8°C 112.3°K N/A N/A 283.7°K	1287 18428 236.4° 65.4w DSS-1 (10w) ON ASE OFF 32.2°F 125.9°F -10.2°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF
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## TM POINT

Total Days of Operation
Total Commands to Date
Sun Angle
Input Power
APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

1052 29685 251.6° 70.2w ON OFF LSPE STBY 20.7°F -0.5°F -17.4°F 286.4°K Offscale LOW 22.7°F

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

#### 7 November 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Remote site coverage for recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available during the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
ALL	31 Oct 75	0045/0119	$34^m$	GWM/BUR	Higher Priority
ALL	02 Nov 75	<i>0922/0946</i>	$24^m$	ACN/AGO	Higher Priority
14 <b>,</b> 17	03 Nov 75	1909/1924	15 <sup>m</sup>	HAW	Station Problem
ALL	04 Nov 75	1040/1055	15 <sup>m</sup>	ACN/VAN	Scheduling
ALL	04 Nov 75	1905/1918	$13^m$	BDA/GDS	Scheduling
ALL	05 Nov 75	0529/0542	13 <sup>m</sup>	GWM/VAN	Higher Priority

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunrise of the 37th lunation will occur tomorrow at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported between -135.0 and -145.5 dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during realtime support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are achieved on a periodic basis. On 5 November the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $106 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.7°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 2, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The LSG heater is currently ON. During the past reporting period the heater was commanded OFF/ON to manually maintain the instrument within the operating temperature limits to avoid the loss of seismic data.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY pending further analysis by the Principal Investigator.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 31 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 7 November 1975

- Central station Midnight at the Descartes Site occurred on 2 November for the 44th lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operation. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength, from transmitter B, was reported between -132.0 and -138.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter, IN). No significant seismic events were noted this report period.

#### Lunar surface The LSM is ON. Flip calibration sequences have been discontinued for the remagnetometer mainder of this lunar night due to the low temperatures of the Z-axis sensor head. Science data from the Z-axis remains static.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 31 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 7 November 1975

- Central station Midnight of the station's 53rd lunation occurred on 3 November. Transmitter A downlink signal strength was reported between -133.0 and -139.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). Experiment The uncage-arm fire circuitry has been cycling per the normal 18-hour timer output pulse functions. No significant seismic events were noted this report period.
- Suprathermal ion The SIDE is currently ON and operating in the full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) with the Channeltron high voltages ON. The CCGE high voltage (+ 4.5 K vdc) remains OFF.
- Heat flow experiment as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 85.5°K on 5 November, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.6°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind	Commanded	OFF	14	June	1974.
spectrometer experiment					

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 31 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 7 November 1975

- Central station Midnight at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 5 November for the 59th lunation. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -134.0 and -141.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975. The minimum average thermal plate temperature experienced during the lunar night this report period was 9.4°F.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07) has been reading offscale LOW this reporting period. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the long period Y-axis sensor drifted offscale HIGH, but has appeared to exhibit normal responses. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.
- Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold

cathode gauge experiment

ment experiment

Charged particle The CPLEE is in STANDBY. lunar environ-

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 31 October 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 7 November 1975

- Central station Midnight of the station's 74th lunation occurred on 5 November. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night. Transmitter B signal strength was reported between -135.0 and -141.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) has been offscale LOW since 31 October. The Z-axis drive motor is ON to maximize heating in the instrument during the lunar night. No significant seismic events were observed during this report period.

Solar wind The instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode recording solar wind spectrometer plasma data. experiment

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with the Channeltron detector high voltages ON. experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

magnetometer experiment Status as of 1700 G.m.t., 5 November 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03)	2177 27490 269.7° 55.9w <i>(56.3w)</i> DSS-1 (10w) ON LSM OFF 0.9°F Offscale LOW OFF -15.6°C 4.3°C HIGH N/A N/A	1734 15648 275.6° 61.3w <i>(61.3w)</i> A11 OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 9.4°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY	1558 31063 296.8° 60.7w (62.5w) A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 1.2°F 124.4°F OFF 0FF 7.8°C 108.3°K N/A N/A N/A 283 5°K	1293 18446 308.6° 65.7w (66.2w) DSS-1 (10w) ON ASE OFF 31.1°F 125.8°F -10.2°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	N/A	N/A	283.5°K	OFF

## TM POINT

Total Days of Operation
Total Commands to Date
Sun Angle
Input Power
APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

1058 29785 323.9° 69.4w (69.7w) ON OFF LACE/LSPE STBY 11.6°F -2.3°F -17.4°F 286.5°K Offscale LOW 12.7°F

## Values in parentheses indicate RTG outputs during the last lunation at a similar sun angle.

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

#### 14 November 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

November 19 will mark the completion of six full years of continued operation by the Apollo 12 ALSEP science station on the lunar surface. The lunar scientific station will have exceeded by five years its original one year design life expectation. The Radioisotope Thermoelectric Generator has experienced an anticipated gradual degradation of 18.1 watts (3.01 watts per year). The signal strength from the transmitter has remained essentially constant since activation. The Passive Seismic, Solar Wind Spectrometer, and Suprathermal Ion Detector Experiments are operating and returning valid science data to the Earth. The Lunar Surface Magnetometer Experiment had been permanently deactivated on 14 June 1974. For the past year over 5600 commands have been transmitted to and executed by the central station and experiments for a six year total of 27550. The Apollo 12 ALSEP began its 75th lunation on the lunar surface with sunrise on 13 November 1975.

Recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available for the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	$\underline{SITE}$	REMARKS
14	04 Nov 75	1918/1931	13 <sup>m</sup>	GDS	Station Problem
16	05 Nov 75	1252/1257	05 <sup>m</sup>	MAD	Station Problem
ALL	06 Nov 75	1020/1034	14 <sup>m</sup>	ORR/ACN	Higher Priority
ALL	07 Nov 75	1109/1121	$12^{m}$	GWM/ACN	Higher Priority
ALL	08 Nov 75	1655/1705	10 <sup>m</sup>	AGO/ACN	Higher Priority
ALL	11 Nov 75	1200/1300	1 <sup>h</sup> 00 <sup>m</sup>	GWM/GWM	Higher Priority

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunrise of the 37th lunation occurred on 8 November at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported at  $-137.5 \pm 3.5$  dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 13 November the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $339 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.7°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic HIGH gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 2, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. *The thermal regulation anomaly continues*.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

14 November 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment was commanded OFF on 11 November for the lunar day.

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#### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 7 November 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 14 November 1975

- Central station Sunrise at the Descartes Site occurred on 9 November for the 45th lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B was reported between -133.0 and -139.5 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, 0 db; and feedback loop filter IN). No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Lunar surfaceThe LSM is ON and recording data.1072 flip calibration sequences have beenmagnetometerexecuted and verified by the experiment engineering data.Science data from theexperimentZ-axis continues to be static this report period.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 7 November 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 14 November 1975

Central station Sunrise of the 54th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 10 November. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported between -134.0 and -139.5 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.

Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). Experiment The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

# Suprathermal ion The instrument is ON. A special operation of the SIDE will be conducted from detector/cold 17 November to 20 November at the request of the Principal Investigator. cathode gauge

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 326.3°K on 13 November as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.7°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

experiments

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Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 7 November 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 14 November 1975

- Central station Sunrise at the Apollo 14 site (60th lunation) occurred on 12 November. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at  $-140.5 \pm 3.5$  dbm from the 30-foot antenna track-ing stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07) has remained offscale low during this report period. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the long period Y-axis appeared to be responding normally. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold cathode gauge experiments

Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY. lunar environmental experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 7 November 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 14 November 1975

- Central station Sunrise of the 75th lunation occurred on 13 November. A signal strength of  $-139.0 \pm 3.0$  dbm, from transmitter B, was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 (10 watts) heater is OFF for lunar day operations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The Z-motor is OFF to minimize heat in the instrument. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support of this instrument.

# Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind plasma data. The instrument ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) were interexperiment mittently LOW during this report period.

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is currently ON. Cyclic commanding of the instrument, in the full autodetector matic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF in order to prevent mode changes, is in effect to keep the temperature below 55°C.

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

magnetometer experiment

## Status as of 1400 G.m.t., 13 November 1975, was as follows:

Total Days of Operation2185Total Commands to Date27526Sun Angle5.5°Input Power56.3wHeater and Power DumpsAll OFFExperiment StatusLSM OFFAvg Thermal Plate Temp37.2°FPSE Sensor Temp (DL-07)126.4°FLSM Internal Temp (DM-05)OFFSWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13)5.4°CSIDE Temp (DI-05)14.4°CCCGE Temp (DI-04)HIGHCPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06)N/AASE GLA Temp (AS-03)N/AHFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)N/A	1742 15648 11.6° 61.7w All OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 48.6°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY STBY -22.7°C N/A	1566 31186 32.7° 61.5w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 82.7°F 126.0°F OFF 0FF 66.7°C 347.4°K N/A N/A N/A 303.4°K	1301 18510 44.6° 64.9w A11 OFF ASE OFF 88.3°F 127.3°F 38.3°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

### TM POINT

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Total Days of Operation
Total Commands to Date
Sun Angle
Input Power
APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

1066 29908 59.8° 67.8w ON OFF LACE/LSPE STBY & LEAM OFF 84.2°F 140.5°F 183.5°F 323.6°K Offscale LOW 84.3°F

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<u>1400-1600</u> ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE <u>1430</u> ALSEP 15 SIDE ON	0030 ALSEP 15 SIDE STBY,MODE I 0700-0900 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE 0700 ALSEP 15 SIDE ON 1700 ALSEP 15 SIDE STBY,MODE I	<u>0900-1100</u> ALSEP 12 & 15	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LACE ON HFE RBS FLIP CAL	<u>0900-1100</u> ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE HFE RBS FLIP CAL 1900-2000	0500-0600 1400-1600 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE 2200-2300 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON
OCT 26/299	27/300	28/301	29/302	30/303	31/304	NOV 01/305
0900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 14	0400-0600 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON HFE RBS 1400-1500	1200-1400	<u>0900-1100</u> HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>
NOV 02/306	03/307	04/308	05/309	06/310	07/311	08/312
	<u>0900-1100</u> HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> HFE RBS	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> HFE RBS	NO_SUPPORT ALSEP 17

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ALSEP SUNRISE/SUNSET PREDICTIONS FOR 1976

Note: Apollo 12 ALSEP based on empirical data Apollo 14 - 17 are "normalized" Time is shown as GMT (EST) \* Indicates previous day

ALSEP	Apollo 17	Apollo 16	Apollo 15	Apollo 14	Apollo 12
Longitude	30.75°E	15.51°E	3.65°E	17.47°W	23.39°₩
Lunation	39	47	56	62	77
Sunrise	Jan 6/2053 (1553)	Jan 8/0255 (2155)*	Jan 9/0219 (2119)*	Jan 10/2003 (1503)	Jan 11/0813 (0313)
Noon	Jan 14/0638 (0138)	Jan 15/1245 (0745)	Jan 16/1215 (0715)	Jan 18/0604 (0104)	Jan 18/1750 (1250)
Sunset	Jan 21/1643 (1143)	Jan 22/2249 (1749)	Jan 23/2213 (1713)	Jan 25/1556 (1056)	Jan 26/0230 (2130)*
Midnight	Jan 29/0214 (2114)*	Jan 30/0813 (0313)	Jan 31/0735 (0235)	Feb 2/0111 (2011)*	Feb 2/1254 (0754)
Lunation	40	48	57	63	78
Sunrise	Feb 5/1128 (0628)	Feb 6/1729 (1229)	Feb 7/1653 (1153)	Feb 9/1035 (0535)	Feb 9/2247 (1747)
Noon	Feb 12/2107 (1607)	Feb 14/0314 (2214)*	Feb 15/0242 (2142)*	Feb 16/2031 (1531)	Feb 17/0816 (0316)
Sunset	Feb 20/0705 (0205)	Feb 21/1309 (0809)	Feb 22/1234 (0734)	Feb 24/0613 (0113)	Feb 24/1648 (1148)
Midnight	Feb 27/1618 (1118)	Feb 28/2225 (1725)	Feb 29/2144 (1644)	Mar 2/1519 (1019)	Mar 3/0300 (2200)*
Lunation	41	49	58	64	79
Sunrise	Mar 6/0130 (2030)*	Mar 7/0729 (0529)	Mar 8/0652 (0152)	Mar 10/0031 (1931)*	Mar 10/1239 (0739)
Noon	Mar 13/1058 (0558)	Mar 14/1714 (1214)	Mar 15/1629 (1129)	Mar 17/1014 (0514)	Mar 17/2159 (1659)
Sunset	Mar 20/2042 (1542)	Mar 22/0244 (2144)*	Mar 23/0206 (2106)*	Mar 24/1944 (1444)	Mar 25/0622 (0122)
Midnight	Mar 28/0552 (0052)	Mar 29/1147 (0647)	Mar 30/1104 (0604)	Apr 1/0436 (2336)*	Apr 1/1616 (1116)
Lunation	42	50	59	65	80
Sunrise	Apr 4/1439 (0939)	Apr 5/2036 (1536)	Apr 6/1956 (1456)	Apr 8/1333 (0833)	Apr 9/0132 (2032)*
Noon	Apr 11/2353 (1853)	Apr 13/0556 (0056)	Apr 14/0519 (0019)	Apr 15/2302 (1802)	Apr 16/1046 (0546)
Sunset	Apr 19/0923 (0423)	Apr 20/1521 (1021)	Apr 21/1442 (0942)	Apr 23/0815 (0315)	Apr 23/1857 (1357)
Midnight	Apr 26/1817 (1317)	Apr 28/0010 (1921)*	Apr 28/2326 (1826)	Apr 30/1654 (1154)	May 1/0434 (2334)*
Lunation	43	51	60	66	81
Sunrise	May 4/0253 (2153)*	May 5/0847 (0347)	May 6/0804 (0304)	May 8/0138 (2038)*	May 8/1332 (0832)
Noon	May 11/1153 (0653)	May 12/1753 (1253)	May 13/1714 (1214)	May 15/1055 (0555)	May 15/2237 (1737)
Sunset	May 18/2108 (1608)	May 20/0306 (2206)*	May 21/0225 (2125)*	May 22/1956 (1456)	May 23/0642 (0142)
Midnight	May 26/0543 (0043)	May 27/1144 (0644)	May 28/1059 (0559)	May 30/0424 (2324)*	May 30/1601 (1101)
Lunation	44	52	61	67	82
Sunrise	Jun 2/1417 (0917)	Jun 3/2010 (1510)	Jun 4/1926 (1426)	Jun 6/1259 (0759)	Jun 7/0047 (1947)*
Noon	Jun 9/2308 (1808)	Jun 11/0508 (0008)	Jun 12/0430 (2330)*	Jun 13/2207 (1707)	Jun 14/0949 (0449)
Sunset	Jun 17/0818 (0318)	Jun 18/1413 (0913)	Jun 19/1331 (0831)	Jun 21/0701 (0201)	Jun 21/1752 (1252)
Midnight	Jun 24/1656 (1156)	Jun 25/2247 (1747)	Jun 26/2159 (1659)	Jun 28/1524 (1024)	Jun 29/0302 (2202)*
Lunation	45	53	62	68	83
Sunrise	Jul 2/0116 (2016)*	Jul 3/0708 (0208)	Jul 4/0625 (0125)	Jul 5/2356 (1856)	Jul 6/1140 (0640)
Noon	Jul 9/1006 (0506)	Jul 10/1604 (1104)	Jul 11/1525 (1025)	Jul 13/0902 (0402)	Jul 13/2044 (1544)
Sunset	Jul 16/1912 (1412)	Jul 18/0108 (2008)*	Jul 19/0026 (1926)*	Jul 20/1757 (1257)	Jul 21/0449 (2349)*
Midnight	Jul 24/0352 (2252)*	Jul 25/0942 (0442)	Jul 26/0856 (0356)	Jul 28/0220 (2120)*	Jul 28/1359 (0859)
Lunation	46	54	63	69	84
Sunrise	Jul 31/1213 (0713)	Aug 1/1806 (1306)	Aug 2/1724 (1224)	Aug 4/1056 (0556)	Aug 4/2221 (1721)
Noon	Aug 7/2107 (1607)	Aug 8/0307 (2207)*	Aug 10/0229 (2129)*	Aug 11/2006 (1506)	Aug 12/0748 (0248)
Sunset	Aug 15/0619 (0119)	Aug 16/1216 (0716)	Aug 17/1135 (0635)	Aug 19/0506 (0006)	Aug 19/1558 (1058)
Midnight	Aug 22/1504 (1004)	Aug 23/2055 (1555)	Aug 24/2011 (1511)	Aug 26/1338 (0838)	Aug 27/0117 (2017)*
Lunation	47	55	64	70	85
Sunrise	Aug 29/2335 (1835)	Aug 31/0529 (0029)	Sep 1/0448 (2348)*	Sep 2/2223 (1723)	Sep 3/1006 (0506)
Noon	Sep 6/0838 (0338)	Sep 7/1438 (0938)	Sep 8/1401 (0901)	Sep 10/0742 (0242)	Sep 10/1924 (1424)
Sunset	Sep 13/1759 (1259)	Sep 14/2358 (1858)	Sep 15/2318 (1818)	Sep 17/1653 (1153)	Sep 18/0342 (2242)*
Midnight	Sep 21/0255 (2155)*	Sep 22/0849 (0349)	Sep 23/0806 (0306)	Sep 25/0136 (2036)*	Sep 25/1316 (0816)
Lunation	48	56	65	71	86
Sunrise	Sep 28/1137 (0637)	Sep 29/1736 (1236)	Sep 30/1655 (1155)	Oct 2/1034 (0534)	Oct 2/2221 (1721)
Noon	Oct 5/2054 (1554)	Oct 7/0258 (2158)*	Oct 8/0222 (2122)*	Oct 9/2005 (1505)	Oct 10/0748 (0248)
Sunset	Oct 13/0629 (0129)	Oct 14/1231 (0731)	Oct 15/1153 (0653)	Oct 17/0531 (0031)	Oct 17/1616 (1116)
Midnight	Oct 20/1540 (1040)	Oct 21/2136 (1636)	Oct 22/2054 (1554)	Oct 24/1428 (0928)	Oct 25/0208 (2108)*
Lunation	49	57	66	72	87
Sunrise	Oct 28/0036 (1936)*	Oct 29/0636 (0136)	Oct 30/0558 (0058)	Oct 31/2338 (1838)	Nov 1/1132 (0632)
Noon	Nov 4/1006 (0506)	Nov 5/1612 (1112)	Nov 6/1537 (1037)	Nov 8/0924 (0424)	Nov 8/2108 (1608)
Sunset	Nov 11/1955 (1455)	Nov 13/0159 (2059)*	Nov 14/0123 (2023)*	Nov 15/1904 (1404)	Nov 16/0544 (0044)
Midnight	Nov 19/0520 (0020)	Nov 20/1118 (0618)	Nov 21/1037 (0537)	Nov 23/0413 (2313)*	Nov 23/1555 (1055)
Lunation	50	58	67	73	88
Sunrise	Nov 26/1429 (0929)	Nov 27/2030 (1530)	Nov 28/1953 (1453)	Nov 30/1336 (0836)	Dec 1/0142 (2042)*
Noon	Dec 4/0010 (1910)*	Dec 5/0617 (0117)	Dec 6/0543 (0043)	Dec 7/2332 (1832)	Dec 8/1118 (0618)
Sunset	Dec 11/1008 (0508)	Dec 12/1614 (1114)	Dec 13/1540 (1040)	Dec 15/0923 (0423)	Dec 15/1959 (1459)
Midnight	Dec 18/1942 (1442)	Dec 20/0142 (2042)*	Dec 21/0102 (2002)*	Dec 22/1840 (1340)	Dec 23/0621 (0121)
Lunation	51	59	68	74	89
Sunrise	Dec 26/0458 (2358)*	Dec 27/1100 (0600)	Dec 28/1025 (0525)	Dec 30/0410 (2310)*	Dec 30/1619 (1119)
Noon	Jan 2/1443 (0943)	Jan 3/2052 (1552)	Jan 4/2020 (1520)	Jan 6/1410 (0910)	Jan 7/0155 (2055)*
Sunset	Jan 10/0048 (1948)*	Jan 11/0654 (0154)	Jan 12/0619 (0119)	Jan 14/0002 (1902)*	Jan 14/1041 (0541)
Midnight	Jan 17/1023 (0523)	Jan 18/1622 (1122)	Jan 19/1542 (1042)	Jan 21/0920 (0420)	Jan 21/2101 (1601)

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A Status Report will not be published on 28 November because of observance of the Thanksgiving Holidays. The next report will be published on 5 December and will cover the two week period from 21 November to 5 December 1975.

The Apollo 12 ALSEP completed six (6) full years of continual operation on 19 November. The lunar science station has exceeded by five (5) years the original one (1) year design life criteria. The Passive Seismic, Solar Wind Spectrometer and Suprathermal Ion Detector Experiments are operating and returning valid science data to the Earth.

A total solar eclipse was experienced by all five (5) lunar science stations on 18 and 19 November. This is the third total eclipse that affected all of the ALSEPs.

Remote site coverage for recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available during the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
ALL	13 Nov 75	1339/1418	$39^m$	GWM	Higher Priority
ALL	13 Nov 75	1519/1526	07 <sup>m</sup>	GWM/ACN	Station Problem
ALL	18 Nov 75	1025/1046	$21^m$	GWM/GDS	Higher Priority
ALL	19 Nov 75	2104/2148	$44^m$	VAN/MAD	Higher Priority
ALL	19 Nov 75	2350/2400	10 <sup>m</sup>	MAD	Higher Priority
ALL	20 Nov 75	0000/0038	$38^m$	MAD	Higher Priority

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Noon of the 37th lunation occurred on 16 November at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported between -134.0 and -139.5 dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 20 November the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $335 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were  $256.7^{\circ}$ K at probe #1 and  $256.9^{\circ}$ K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 2, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position,

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and the sensor beam near center. The thermal regulation anomaly continues. Manual commanding of the heater OFF/ON is to insure that the instrument will not go into an out of limits condition which could cause loss of the seismic data.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment was commanded ON at 0715 G.m.t., 20 November, and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface. LEAM was ON during the eclipse from 2046 G.m.t., 18 November to 0041 G.m.t., 19 November.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

## Apollo 16 ALSEP

# Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 14 November 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 21 November 1975

Central station	Noon at the Descartes Site occurred on 17 November for the 45th lunation. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength, from transmitter B, is reported at -136.0 - 2.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
Passive seismic experiment	The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, O db; and feedback loop filter IN). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) is offscale HIGH but is expected to return onscale 24 November. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.
Lunar surface magnetometer experiment	The LSM is ON and recording data. 1080 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment engineering data. Science data from the Z-axis has been static this report period.
Active seismic experiment	The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27).

#### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 14 November 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 21 November 1975

- Central station Noon of the 54th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 18 November. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at -135.0 ± 2.0 dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) was offscale HIGH on 16 November at a sun angle of 70.1° and is expected to return onscale 21 November. A spurious functional change, leveling power X motor ON (octal 070), occurred at 1708 G.m.t., 16 November, during real-time support. A CVW was not seen in the downlink. At the time technical difficulties were being encountered and the X motor was commanded OFF later at 1807 G.m.t., 16 November. Subsequent monitoring of the PSE data indicated that all engineering and science data shortly returned to normal. No significant seismic events were observed during this report period.
- Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments The instrument is ON and operating with the Channeltron high voltages commanded ON and in full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) (Apollo 15 ALSEP, SMEAR 47). A special operational test of the SIDE is being conducted from 16 to 21 November at the request of the Principal Investigator.
- Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 363.1°K on 20 November as measured by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.7°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.3°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

magnetometer experiment

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# Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 14 November 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 21 November 1975

Central station	Noon at the Apollo 14 site (60th lunation) occurred on 20 November. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at -139.5 <u>+</u> 2.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
Passive seismic experiment	The instrument is ON. DL-O7, internal temperature, was reading 115.0°F on 20 November. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the Y-axis returned onscale and went from offscale HIGH to offscale LOW. No seismic events were noted during real-time this reporting period.
Active seismic experiment	The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86).
Suprathermal ion detector/cold cathode gauge experiments	The instrument status is unknown.
Charged particle lunar environmental experiment	The experiment is in STANDBY.

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#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 14 November 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 21 November 1975

- Central station Noon of the 75th lunation occurred on 20 November. A signal strength at -137.5 ± 3.5 dbm, from transmitter B, is reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 experiment ALSEP). No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.

# Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind spectrometer plasma data. experiment

Suprathermal ion detector experiment in the SIDE is currently OFF. Cyclic commanding of the instrument in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF is in effect for this lunar day. During real-time support on 15 November the SIDE experienced a spurious mode change to X10 at a temperature of 62.45°C. The mode change was cleared by commanding the instrument to OFF for cool down prior to turn ON during the next support period. The instrument was ON during the eclipse from 1940 G.m.t., 18 November to 0006 G.m.t., 19 November and experienced no mode changes during this operation.

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment Status as of 0800 G.m.t., 20 November 1975, was as follows:

			APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Experiment StatusSIDAvg Thermal Plate Temp94.PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07)139LSM Internal Temp (DM-05)0FF	531 .6° .0w I OFF DE/LSM OFF .2°F 2.1°F .1°C	93.6° 62.2w All OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 118.0°F 115.0°F N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY 75.7°C	1573 31346 114.7° 61.9w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 114.5°F Offscale HIGH OFF OFF 69.9°C 364.0°K N/A N/A 329.5°K	1308 18639 126.5° 64.9w All OFF ASE OFF 98.5°F Offscale HIGH 42.4°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

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TM POINT	APOLLO 17 ALS
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14) Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41) LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13) LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01)	1073 30078 141.7° 68.2w ON OFF LACE/LSPE STB 78.8°F 133.5°F 133.5°F 185.0°F 314.9°K Offscale LOW 79.5°F

APOLLO 17 ALSEP 1073 30078 141.7° 68.2w ON OFF LACE/LSPE STBY 78.8°F 133.5°F 185.0°F 314.9°K

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This report covers the period from 21 November to 5 December 1975.

Remote site coverage for recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available during the following periods. It must be noted that these data losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	$\underline{DATE}$	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
ALL	23 Nov 75	2021/2028	07 <sup>m</sup>	GWM/ORR	Higher Priority
12	25 Nov 75	0254/0905	$6^{h}$ 11 <sup>m</sup>	ACN	Station Problem
ALL	26 Nov 75	0722/0730	08 <sup>m</sup>	ACN/MAD	Higher Priority
ALL	28 Nov 75	1010/1029	19 <sup>m</sup>	ACN/AGO	Higher Priority
ALL	29 Nov 75	0335/0353	18 <sup>m</sup>	VAN	Station Problem
ALL	01 Dec 75	1212/1230	18 <sup>m</sup>	ACN/BDA	Higher Priority
ALL	03 Dec 75	0653/0719	$26^m$	VAN	Station Problem
ALI)	0 <b>3</b> Dec 75	0850/0911	$21^m$	VAN	Station Problem
ALL	03 Dec 75	2113/2137	$24^m$	HAW/GWM	Higher Priority
ALL	03 Dec 75	2245/2321	36 <sup>m</sup>	GWM	Higher Priority
15	07 Oct 75	0502/0906	$4^{h}04^{m}$	VAN	Station Problem

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunrise of the 38th lunation will occur on 8 December at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported between -134.0 and -143.0 dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switch-over), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are achieved on a periodic basis. On 3 December the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples was  $107 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.7°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 2, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The LSG heater is currently ON. During the past reporting period the heater was commanded OFF/ON to manually maintain the instrument within the operating temperature limits to attempt to avoid the loss of seismic data. Two occurrences of seismic data losses were noted during this period between 0000 G.m.t., 23 November through 1800 G.m.t., 24 November and 1000 G.m.t., 29 November through 0300 G.m.t., 1 December.

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The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is ON and configured to measure impact flux rates on the lunar surface.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

# Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 21 November 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 5 December 1975

Central station	Midnight at the Descartes Site occurred on 2 December for the 45th lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night operation. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength, from transmitter B, was reported between -132.0 and -138.0 dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
Passive seismic experiment	The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, O db; and feedback loop filter, IN). No significant seismic events were noted this report period.
Lunar surface magnetometer experiment	The LSM is ON. Flip calibration sequences have been discontinued for the re- mainder of this lunar night due to the low temperatures of the Z-axis sensor head. Science data from the Z-axis remains static.
Active seismic experiment	The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27).

### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 21 November 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 5 December 1975

- Central station Midnight of the station's 54th lunation occurred on 3 December. Transmitter A downlink signal strength was reported between -133.0 and -140.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). Experiment The uncage-arm fire circuitry has been cycling per the normal 18-hour timer output pulse functions. No significant seismic events were noted this report period.

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is currently ON and operating in the full automatic stepping sequence (0-127 frames) with the Channeltron high voltages ON. The CCGE high voltage (+ 4.5 K vdc) remains OFF.

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode with all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 86.8°K on 3 December, as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.7°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.1°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind spectrometer experiment	Commanded	0FF	14	June	1974.
Lunar surface magnetometer experiment	Commanded	0FF	14	June	1974.

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 21 November 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 5 December 1975

- Central station Midnight at the Apollo 14 site occurred on 4 December for the 60th lunation. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -135.0 and -141.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) has been OFF since 20 February 1975. The minimum average thermal plate temperature experienced during the lunar night this report period was 9.1°F.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-07) has been reading offscale LOW this reporting period. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the long period Y-axis sensor drifted offscale HIGH, but has appeared to exhibit normal responses. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold

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#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 21 November 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 5 December 1975

Midnight of the station's 75th lunation will occur today, 5 December. The DSS-1 Central station heater (10 watts) is ON for lunar night. Transmitter B signal strength was reported between -133.0 and -144.0 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). experiment The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) has been offscale LOW since 1 December. The Z-axis drive motor is ON to maximize heating in the instrument during the lunar night. The Passive Seismic Experiment experienced a functional change to Long Period Calibration ON (octal 066) between the support periods of 20 and 21 November. The instrument was commanded to Long Period Calibration OFF (octal 066) at 1558 G.m.t. 22 November. Science data was not affected during this period of operation. No CVW was reported in the ALSEP 12 downlink for this functional change. On 23 November the PSE Short Period Z Gain was commanded to -20 db. This setting eliminated the noise. due to crosstalk interference, appearing on the Long Period X, Y, and Z-axes science data. The experiment will be operated in this configuration pending further analysis by the Principal Investigator. No significant seismic events were observed during this report period.
- The instrument is ON and operating in the normal gain mode recording solar wind plasma Solar wind data. The data output of the sum cups levels 1 through 14 during the Solar Wind spectrometer Spectrometer Experiment ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15 only) continued to be experiment intermittently LOW this report period.

The SIDE is ON and in the full automatic stepping sequence with the Channeltron high Suprathermal ion detector voltages ON. experiment

Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. Lunar surface

magnetometer experiment

Status as of 1700 G.m.t., 3 December 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation	2205	1762	1586	1306
Total Commands to Date	27762	15648	31591	18817
Sun Angle	250.3°	256.3°	277.4°	289.3°
Input Power	55.6w (55.9w)	61.0w (61.3w)	59.9w (60.7w)	65.7w (66.2ω)
Heater and Power Dumps	DSS-1 (10w) ON	A11 OFF	All OFF	DSS-1 (10w) ON
Experiment Status	LSM OFF	SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY	LSM/SWS OFF	ASE OFF
Avg Thermal Plate Temp	-0.6°F	9.4°F	-2.8°F	31.1°F
PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07)	Offscale LOW	Offscale LOW	124.6°F	125.8°F
LSM Internal Temp (DM-05)	OFF	N/A	OFF	-10.2°C
SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13)	-15.6°C	N/A	OFF	N/A
SIDE Temp (DI-05)	4.3°C	STBY	7.2°C	N/A
CCGE Temp (DI-04)	HIGH	STBY	110.3°K	N/A
CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-O6)	N/A	STBY	N/A	N/A
ASE GLA Temp (AS-O3)	N/A	-71.4°C	N/A	OFF
HFE Temp Ref l (DH-l3)	N/A	N/A	283.5°K	OFF

## TM POINT

Total Days of Operation
Total Commands to Date
Sun Angle
Input Power
APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

1071 30379 304.5° 69.7w (69.7w) ON OFF LACE/LSPE STBY 13.2°F -16.1°F -17.4°F 285.7°K Offscale LOW 14.3°F

Values in parentheses indicate RTG outputs during the last lunation at a similar sun angle.

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NOV 09/313	10/314	11/315	12/316	13/317	14/318	15/319
NO SUPPORT ALSEP 16	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST ALSEP 16 C/S HTR OFF TIMER RST HFE RBS FLIP CAL	<u>1100-1300</u> ALSEP 17 LEAM OFF LACE STDBY	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 12 HFE RBS FLIP CAL	0600-1000 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF 1700-1800	<u>0930-1130</u> HFE RBS FLIP CAL	0900- 1000 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY
NOV 16/320	17/321	18/322	19/323	20/324	21/325	22/326
<u>1035-1230</u> ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES	0000-0100 0030 ALSEP 15 SIDE ON 1030 ALSEP 15 SIDE OFF,MODE I 1600-1800 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON HFE -RBS-FLIP CAL	SIDE ON 1800-1900 ECLIPSE ALSEP 15	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES HFE RBS FLIP CAL 1000 ALSEP 15 SIDE ON 1900 ALSEP 15 SIDE OFF,MODE I	O100-0200 ALSEP 15 SIDE ON LEAM ON 1000 ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY, MODE I	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LACE ON HFE RBS FLIP CAL	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE
NOV 23/327	24/328	25/329	26/330	27/331	28/332	29/333
0600-0800 ALSEP 17 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE 1500-1600	0200-0300	O900-1100 ALSEP 15 ALSEP 12 SIDE ON	<u>0900-1100</u> HFE RBS	1730-2130 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR ON PSE Z MTR ON	<u>0900-1100</u>	<u>0900-1100</u> NASA-JSC

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#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

12 December 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

Apollo 17 ALSEP

Sunrise of the 38th lunation occurred on 8 December at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength was reported at  $-137.5 \pm 3.5$  dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 11 December the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples, was  $285 \pm 8^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were  $256.7^{\circ}$ K at probe #1 and  $256.9^{\circ}$ K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic HIGH gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 2, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The LSG heater was commanded OFF on 10 December to keep the sensor temperature (DG-04) below the high temperature range and to avoid seismic data losses.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment was commanded OFF on 11 December for lunar day operation.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.

## Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 5 December 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 12 December 1975

Central station	Sunrise at the Descartes Site occurred on 9 December for the 46th lunation. The DSS-1 heater (10 watts) is OFF for lunar day operations. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength from transmitter B was reported at $-136.0 \pm 2.0$ dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
Passive seismic experiment	The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain, O db; and feedback loop filter IN). No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.
Lunar surface magnetometer experiment	The LSM is On and recording data. 1084 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment engineering data. Science data from the Z-axis continues to be static this report period.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 5 December 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 12 December 1975

- Central station Sunrise of the 55th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 10 December. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at  $-136.0 \pm 2.0$  dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.
- Passive seismic The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is ON. The CCGE high voltage is OFF. detector/cold

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 285.6°K on 11 December as indicated by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.7°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

cathode gauge experiments

experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment

#### Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 5 December 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 12 December 1975

Central station Sunrise of the 61st lunation occurred on 12 December. Transmitter A signal strength was reported between -137.0 and -142.5 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. The internal temperature (DL-O7) has remained offscale LOW during this report period. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the long period X & Y-axes appeared to be responding normally. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time this report period.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown detector/cold cathode gauge experiments Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY. lunar environmental

experiment

### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 5 December 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 12 December 1975

Central station Sunrise of the 76th lunation will occur later today, 12 December. A signal strength of -136.0 to -140.5 dbm, from transmitter B, was reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations. The DSS-1 (10 watts) heater will be commanded OFF for lunar day operations today, 12 December.

- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The Z-motor will be commanded OFF to minimize heat in the instrument. During this reporting period it has been noted that noise spikes are appearing on the data recorded by the Helicorders. This noise is attributed to the third (3rd) least significant bit not setting properly in the analog to digital (A/D) converter. Scientific data is totally recoverable with this condition. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support of this instrument.
- Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind plasma data. The instrument ac calibrate measurements (sequence 15) were interexperiment mittently LOW during this report period.

Suprathermal ion The SIDE is currently ON. detector

experiment

experiment

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer

Status as of 1500 G.m.t., 11 December 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)	1213 27709 347.3° 55.2w A11 ON LSM OFF -2.0°F Offscale LOW OFF -16.1°C 4.3°C HIGH N/A N/A N/A	1770 15648 353.2° 61.0w All OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 8.5°F Offscale LOW N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY -71.4°C N/A	1594 31690 14.3° 60.3w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF 46.2°F 125.8°F OFF 0FF 29.5°C 323.8°K N/A N/A 299.7°K	1329 18884 26.2° 64.9w All OFF ASE OFF 69.3°F 126.7°F 37.3°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

## TM POINT

Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power APM Status (AB-13) Power Dump Status (AB-14) Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp LACE Temp (AM-41) LEAM Temp (AJ-11) HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13) LSG Temp (DG-04) LSP Temp (AP-01)

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

1094 30501 41.4° 67.8w ON OFF LACE/LSPE STBY & LEAM OFF 66.4°F 122.0°F 198.0°F 315.2°K Offscale LOW 65.7°F

## DATA LOSSES FOR WEEK ENDING 12 DECEMBER 1975

Remote site coverage for recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available during the following periods. It must be noted that these losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
ALL	06 Dec 75	0006/0100	54 <sup>m</sup>	GWM/ORR	Higher Priority
A14,A15	06 Dec 75	2232/2335	01 <sup>h</sup> 03 <sup>m</sup>	GDS	Higher Priority
ALL	08 Dec 75	0020/0025	05 <sup>m</sup>	HAW/ORR	Higher Priority
ALL	08 Dec 75	0233/0238	05 <sup>m</sup>	ORR	Station Problem
ALL	08 Dec 75	0745/0756	רר <sup>m</sup>	ORR/VAN	Higher Priority
ALL	08 Dec 75	1224/1308	44 <sup>m</sup>	VAN	Station Problem
A17	08 Dec 75	1330/1351	21 <sup>m</sup>	VAN	Station Problem
ALL	08 Dec 75	1602/1626	24 <sup>m</sup>	ACN/MAD	Higher Priority
A17	10 Dec 75	0201/0211	10 <sup>m</sup>	QUI	Higher Priority
ALL	10 Dec 75	1840/1904	24 <sup>m</sup>	ACN/MIL	Higher Priority
A14,A17	10 Dec 75	2043/2223	01 <sup>h</sup> 40 <sup>m</sup>	MIL/ACN	Higher Priority

#### ALSEP PERFORMANCE SUMMARY REPORT

19 December 1975 G.m.t.: 1300

A Status Report will not be published on 26 December 1975 and 2 January 1976 because of observance of the Holidays. The next report will be published on 9 January 1976 and will cover the period from 19 December 1975 to 9 January 1976.

The Apollo 17 ALSEP completed three (3) full years of continual operation on 12 December. The lunar science station has exceeded by one (1) year the original two (2) year design life criteria.

#### Apollo 17 ALSEP

Noon of the 38th lunation occurred on 15 December at the Taurus Littrow site. Downlink signal strength is reported between -133.5 and -141.0 dbm from transmitter A. Transmission of command octal 174 (delay uplink switchover), to inhibit automatic selection of the redundant command signal processing chain by the internally generated 61-hour pulses, continues during real-time support periods.

The Heat Flow Experiment is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. Ring bridge surveys are being achieved on a periodic basis. On 18 December, the lunar surface temperature, as measured by the HFE thermocouples was  $368 - 3^{\circ}$ K. At a depth of 230 cm the subsurface temperatures were 256.6°K at probe #1 and 256.9°K at probe #2.

The Lunar Surface Gravimeter Experiment is operating and configured for data collection as follows: seismic high gain, integrator shorted mode, bias out, post amplifier gain at increment 2, the coarse and fine screws driven to the extreme lower position, the tilt servo motors in an intermediate position, and the sensor beam near center. The LSG heater is OFF to keep the sensor temperature (DG-04) within the temperature range to avoid seismic data loss. The thermal regulation anomaly continues.

The Lunar Seismic Profiling Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Atmospheric Composition Experiment is in STANDBY.

The Lunar Ejecta and Meteorites Experiment is OFF for the lunar day.

It is requested that any organization having comments, questions, or suggestions concerning this report contact F. Heinz, Science Requirements Branch TN3, telephone 713-333-3481.



### Apollo 16 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 12 December 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 19 December 1975

Central station Noon at the Descartes Site occurred on 16 December for the 46th lunation. The 18-hour timer output pulses continue to be inhibited per the agreed operational plan initiated 6 May 1972. The signal strength, from transmitter B, is reported at  $-135.5 \pm 2.0$  dbm by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (thermal control, AUTO ON; component gain 0 db; and feedback loop filter IN). The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) is offscale HIGH but is expected to return onscale 24 December. No significant seismic events were noted during real-time support this report period.

Lunar surface The LSM is ON and recording data. 1090 flip calibration sequences have been executed and verified by the experiment engineering data. Science data from the Z-axis has been static this report period.

Active seismic The Active Seismic Experiment is currently OFF (Apollo 16 ALSEP, SMEAR 27). experiment

### Apollo 15 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 12 December 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 19 December 1975

Central station Noon of the 55th lunation occurred at the Hadley Rille Site on 17 December. Transmitter A downlink signal strength is reported at  $-135.5 \pm 1.5$  dbm by the tracking stations with 30-foot antennas.

Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). The uncage-arm fire circuitry is cycling normally as a result of the central station data subsystem timer outputs. The instrument assembly temperature (DL-07) was offscale HIGH on 16 December at a sun angle of 70.8° and is expected to return onscale 21 December. A spurious functional change, the short period Z-axis sensor gain setting to -10 db, (octal 067), occurred at 1549 G.m.t., 12 December, as observed by the Vanguard tracking ship. The PSE was returned to its 0 db gain setting by sending 3 (octal 067) commands from the Madrid Tracking Station at 1636 G.m.t., 12 December. No significant seismic events were observed during this report period.

Suprathermal ion The instrument is in STANDBY. A special operational test of the SIDE was conducted from 15 to 19 December at the request of the Principal Investigator. Cathode gauge experiments

Heat flow experiment The instrument is presently operating in the gradient mode and all sensors are being sampled in full sequence. The lunar surface temperature was 368.6°K on 18 December as measured by the cable thermocouples. The subsurface temperature was 253.7°K at the bottom of the lowest section of probe #1. Probe #2 indicated a temperature of 251.2°K at its lowermost point. Ring bridge surveys are obtained periodically.

Solar wind Commanded OFF 14 June 1974.

spectrometer experiment

Lunar surface magnetometer experiment Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. At 1408 G.m.t., 18 December 1975 the Hawaii Tracking Station observed a command verification word in the downlink signal (octal 042) Experiment Power ON. At 1553 G.m.t., 18 December, Mission Control commanded the experiment back to OFF.

## Apollo 14 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 12 December 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 19 December 1975

- Central station Noon at the Apollo 14 site (61st lunation) occurred today 19 December. Transmitter A signal strength was reported at -137.2 ± 3.2 dbm from the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is ON. DL-07, internal temperature, was reading 109.2°F on 18 December. The PSE heater has been in Forced OFF since 24 February 1975. During this report period the Y-axis returned onscale and went from offscale HIGH to offscale LOW. No seismic events were noted during real-time this reporting period.

Active seismic The experiment is currently in STANDBY (Apollo 14 ALSEP, SMEAR 86). experiment

Suprathermal ion The instrument status is unknown. detector/cold

cathode gauge experiments

Charged particle The experiment is in STANDBY.

lunar environmental

experiment

#### Apollo 12 ALSEP

Operational status from 1300 G.m.t., 12 December 1975, to 1300 G.m.t., 19 December 1975

- Central station Noon of the 76th lunation will occur on 20 December. A signal strength at -139.0  $\pm$  2.0 dbm, from transmitter B, is reported by the 30-foot antenna tracking stations.
- Passive seismic experiment The instrument is configured for seismic network congruity (Ref. Apollo 16 ALSEP). During this reporting period the noise spikes previously reported on the data recorded by the Helicorders is no longer observed. Scientific data was totally recoverable with this condition. No significant seismic events were noted during the real-time support of this instrument.

Solar wind The instrument is currently in the normal gain mode and is recording solar wind spectrometer plasma data. experiment

Suprathermal ion detector experiment is currently OFF. Cyclic commanding of the instrument in the full automatic stepping sequence with Channeltron high voltages ON to experiment power OFF is in effect for this lunar day. During real-time support on 17 December the SIDE experienced spurious mode changes to X10 at a temperature of 55.55°C. The instrument also displayed the following conditions: Ground plane stepper OFF, -3.5 K volt High Voltage OFF, Velocity Filter OFF, Low Energy Curve Plate Analyzer OFF, and the Mode Register contained a 007 Load. During real-time support on 18 December, the SIDE experienced a spurious mode change to X10 at a temperature of 55.55°C. The mode changes were cleared by commanding the instrument to OFF for cool down prior to turn ON during each of the support periods.

Lunar surface Commanded OFF 14 June 1974. magnetometer experiment Status as of 1600 G.m.t., 18 December 1975, was as follows:

TM POINT	APOLLO 12 ALSEP	APOLLO 14 ALSEP	APOLLO 15 ALSEP	APOLLO 16 ALSEP
Total Commands to Date Sun Angle Input Power Heater and Power Dumps Experiment Status Avg Thermal Plate Temp PSE Sensor Temp (DL-07) LSM Internal Temp (DM-05) SWS Module 300 Temp (DW-13) SIDE Temp (DI-05) CCGE Temp (DI-04) CPLEE Elect Temp (AC-06) ASE GLA Temp (AS-03)	1220 27884 84.3° 56.3w All OFF SIDE/LSM OFF 96.2°F 137.4°F OFF 67.1°C OFF OFF N/A N/A N/A	1777 15648 90.3° 62.2w A11 OFF SIDE/ASE/CPLEE STBY 118.8°F 109.2°F N/A N/A STBY STBY STBY STBY 78.8°C N/A	1601 31857 111.4° 61.1w A11 OFF LSM/SWS OFF/SIDE ON 115.9°F Offscale HIGH OFF OFF 72.17°C 364.0°K N/A N/A 331.4°K	1336 19037 123.3° 64.9w A11 OFF ASE OFF 104.0°F Offscale HIGH 47.0°C N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A OFF OFF

## TM POINT

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Total Days of Operation Total Commands to Date
Sun Angle
Input Power
APM Status (AB-13)
Power Dump Status (AB-14)
Experiment Status
Avg Thermal Plate Temp
LACE Temp (AM-41)
LEAM Temp (AJ-11)
HFE Temp Ref 1 (DH-13)
LSG Temp (DG-04)
LSP Temp (AP-01)

## APOLLO 17 ALSEP

1101 30657 138.5° 67.8w ON OFF LACE/LSPE STBY & LEAM OFF 88.0°F 148.0°F 200.0°F 323.7°K Offscale LOW 88.9°F

## DATA LOSSES FOR WEEK ENDING 19 DECEMBER 1975

Remote site coverage for recordings of ALSEP downlink data are not available during the following periods. It must be noted that these losses are non-recoverable.

ALSEP	DATE	<u>G.m.t.</u>	LOSS	SITE	REMARKS
A17	12 Dec 75	0014/0042	28 <sup>m</sup>	MAD/AGO	Higher Priority
A14,15,16	12 Dec 75	0016/0042	26 <sup>m</sup>	MAD/AGO	Higher Priority
A12	12 Dec 75	0017/0042	25 <sup>m</sup>	MAD/AGO	Higher Priority
ALL	12 Dec 75	0800/0845	45 <sup>m</sup>	ORR/HAW	Higher Priority
A16	12 Dec 75	2122/2202	40 <sup>m</sup>	VAN/GDS	Higher Priority
A14,17	12 Dec 75	2122/2209	47 <sup>m</sup>	VAN/GDS	Higher Priority
A14,17	13 Dec 75	0621/0703	42 <sup>m</sup>	ORR/HAW	Higher Priority
ALL	13 Dec 75	1432/1434	02 <sup>m</sup>	GWM	Station Problem
ALL	14 Dec 75	0345/0354	09 <sup>m</sup>	QUI	Higher Priority
A15	16 Dec 75	1457/1459	02 <sup>m</sup>	VAN	Station Problem

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NOV 30/334	DEC 01/335	02/336	03/337	04/338	05/339	06/340
NO SUPPORT	0900-1100	<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	0900-1100	NO SUPPORT	0900-1100	NO SUPPORT
	HFE RBS		HFE RBS		HFE RBS	
DEC 07/341	08/342	09/343	10/344	11/345	12/346	13/347
<u>NO SUPPORT</u>	1100-1300 ALSEP 17 HFE RBS	0900-1100 ALSEP 16 C/S HTR ON TIMER RST	0900-1100 ALSEP 15 TIMER RST HFE RBS FLIP CAL	0900-1100 ALSEP 14 ALSEP 17 LEAM OFF	1900-2300 ALSEP 12 C/S HTR OFF PSE Z MTR OFF HFE RBS FLIP CAL	0800-1000
DEC 14/348	15/349	16/350	17/351	18/352	19/353	20/354
0800-1000 ALSEP 12 SIDE OFF	D500 ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY, MODE I 1000-1200	Ol30-0230 ALSEP 15 SIDE ON 0830 ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY, MODE I	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES HFE RBS FLIP CAL 2100-2200 ALSEP 15 SIDE ON	0430 ALSEP 15 SIDE OFF,MODE I 0900-1100 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON 1600 ALSEP 15 SIDE STDBY, MODE I	0900-1100 ALSEP 12 & 15 CYCLE SIDES HFE RBS FLIP CAL	0600-0800 ALSEP 12 CYCLE SIDE ALSEP 15 SIDE ON ALSEP 17 LEAM ON

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