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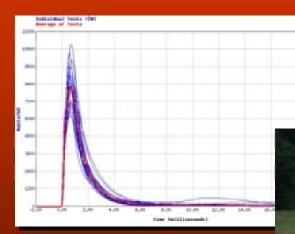
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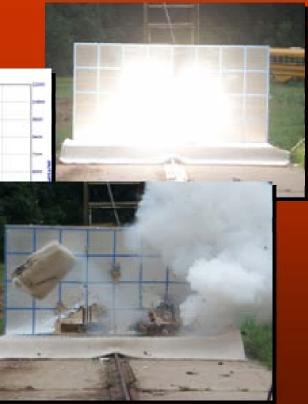
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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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The tests and performance characterizations performed in this project were:

#### Series I:

- 1. Illuminance and Radiant Flux (FLASH)
- 2. Acoustic Sound (NOISE)
- 3. Function Delay (from pulled safety pin to first light)
- 4. Function Duration (burn time)

#### Series II:

1. Fragmentation due to Function

#### Series III:

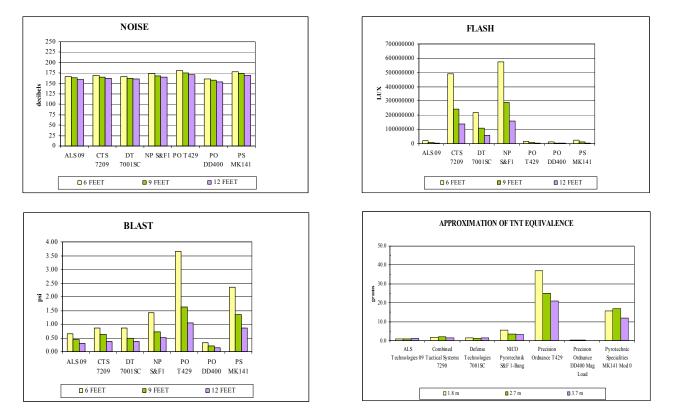
1. Collateral Effects (Fire Start, Propulsive Movement, Disruption of Vicinity)

These tests were conducted using eight different NFDDs, from six different manufacturers, provided as Government Furnished Materials (GFM).

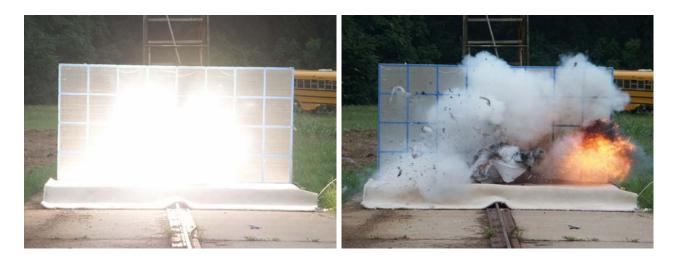
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|---------------------------|----------------------|
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| Combined Tactical Systems | 7290                 |
| Defense Technologies      | 7001SC               |
| Defense Technologies      | Omni Blast 100       |
| NICO Pyrotechnik          | Sound & Flash 1-Bang |
| Precision Ordnance        | DD400 Mag Load       |
| Precision Ordnance        | T429                 |
| Pyrotechnic Specialties   | MK141 Mod 0          |



The average peak NOISE/FLASH and BLAST results versus distance for these devices are summarized in the charts below. The approximation of each round's TNT equivalence is also portrayed.



An example of some of the more dramatic collateral effects produced in these tests are shown in the photographs below. Pillows, sofa cushions, and various household objects such as paper, clothing, and carpet were utilized in these tests, to approximate a residential setting. The NFDDs were functioned remotely and allowed to fall freely to the carpeted test surface, similar to how they might be deployed in a real setting.





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#### 1.1 SCOPE

This report describes the characterization of eight models of NFDD, from six different manufacturers. The tests were conducted under ambient environmental conditions, and were organized into three separate series of tests. The first series of tests characterized each device's primary diversionary (NOISE/FLASH) performance and safety related functions; the second series evaluated residual fragmentation using a simple witness arena; while the third series subjectively assessed collateral fire-start and propulsive movement effects of NFDDs when functioned in close proximity to common household materials. The details and measurement units of each series are summarized thus:

#### CHARACTERIZATION TESTING:

#### Series I:

- 1. Illuminance and Radiant Flux FLASH
  - a) Peak level (LUX) and total light energy (Joules) at varied ranges
- 2. Acoustic Sound NOISE
  - b) Blast overpressure in air (bar)
  - c) Peak sound (decibels)
- 3. Function Delay SAFETY DELAY
  - d) Function lever ("spoon") release to first light (seconds)
- 4. Function Duration- BURN TIME
- a) Emitted light duration (seconds)
- 5. Pre and Post test assembly weights (oz)

#### Series II:

Fragmentation

b) Paper and foamboard witness panels (number of fragment impacts)

#### Series III:

**Collateral Effects** 

- a) Fire defined as visible flame(s) (Yes / No)
- b) NFDD propulsive movement (nominal travel)
- c) Disruption of test object(s) (Yes / No)

No attempt to infer or quantify any performance has been made with respect to an NFDD's less-than lethal incapacitation or injury producing ability, its effectiveness against humans, or other biologicals, or for any real world application or situation. The laboratory generated data describes the measured functional characteristics of the devices when functioned in a controlled situation only. No endorsement, implied or explicit, is made as to the suitability of any of these devices for their use.



#### 2.0 DESCRIPTION

#### 2.1 <u>TEST ARTICLES</u>

The NFDDs tested in this project were designed to produce counter-personnel effects, through functional mechanisms that are not intended to produce lethal injury. Counter-personnel effects are often described as "neutralizing" or "disorienting" to hostile individuals and crowds. Two general types of mechanisms are used to produce an NFDD's desired counter-personnel effects: NOISE, which is a loud audible sound pulse generated by blast overpressure, and FLASH, which is a rapid generation of visible light. Less-than-lethal NOISE/FLASH generating devices are frequently deployable by hand, making their functional delay time critical to user safety and protection. They are intended to produce minimal or no fragmentation or collateral damage, and typically contain chemically energetic mixtures of fast burning propellants and pyrotechnics to produce the noise/flash mechanisms.

The manufacturer information accompanying these devices stated, in general, that they are "pyrotechnic, energetic devices, and may cause physical injury or death." Safety warnings are included as to training and deployment use by trained and authorized personnel only; as such, each prospective user should seek out all relevant energetic component and end product materials safety data sheets (MSDS) and the performance specifications before purchase or use of these devices. Shipping, handling, and storage of these devices should follow all applicable federal, state, and local regulations and best practices, e.g., the latest revision of DOD 4145.26-M, "Contractor's Safety Manual for Ammunition and Explosives" [sec. 4, item 1]. Figure 1 provides an example of a composite image time sequence of an NFDD characterization test.



Figure 1. Digital SLR Camera Frame Sequence (Partial) of NFDD Fireball Growth and Decay

#### 2.1.1 NFDD Test Devices

| Manufacturer              | Model                | Quantity |
|---------------------------|----------------------|----------|
| ALS Technologies          | ALS09                | 28       |
| Combined Tactical Systems | 7290                 | 34       |
| Defense Technologies      | 7001SC               | 46       |
| Defense Technologies      | Omni Blast 100       | 34       |
| NICO Pyrotechnik          | Sound & Flash 1-Bang | 34       |
| Precision Ordnance        | DD400 Mag Load       | 28       |
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#### Table 1. Test Device Inventory - Final

Several of the supplied NFDDs were comprised of reusable body components and expendable cores. For those NFDDs which required assembly, a photograph of the components in an exploded assembly format was taken. Examples of these pictures are provided in the respective NFDD appendix summaries.



#### 2.2 <u>PERFORMANCE CHARACTERIZATION</u>

Characterization tests in Series I and II measured illuminance and radiant flux, blast overpressure and sound, functional delay and burn duration of the device, and fragmentation. Series III tests demonstrated the NFDD's collateral damage potential for fire-start and device movement, caused by hot and propulsive gas escaping/venting from the body or casing. Test article weights, dimensions, and other relevant measures were recorded for pre test and post test conditions.

#### 2.2.1 Series I: Light (FLASH) Characterization

Illuminance is a measure of the visible flux density, or intensity, of light (visible radiation) covering a specified area at a specified distance, weighted to the visible light spectrum that the human eye sees [sec. 4, item 2]. It is measured directly in watts per square meter and expressed as units of LUX, which are equivalent to one Lumen per square meter. The comparable English areal unit is the foot candle (ft-candle) which is one Lumen per square foot. Figure 2 depicts this measurement, and the equivalent units of measure.

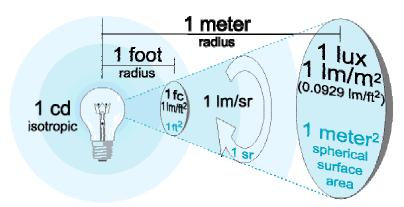


Figure 2. Illuminance

The intensity of light without respect to areal coverage is defined as radiant flux; it is also weighted to take into account the variable response of the human eye as a function of the wavelength of light emitted by the source [sec 4, item 2]. Radiant flux is measured directly in watts per square meter-sec and expressed in units of Joules (one watt = one Joule). Radiant flux is not an expression of light density (areal coverage) as illuminance is, but an expression of radiant energy.

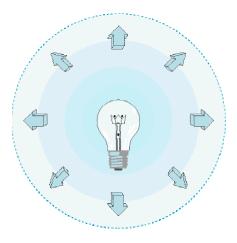


Figure 3. Radiant Flux Output



Direct measurement of the subject NFDD's illuminance and radiant flux was accomplished through use of flash detectors capable of recording both duration and peak in watts per square meter  $(W/m^2)$ . Measurements were initially taken at standoff distances of three, five, and ten feet with the flash sensor/detectors aligned normal (90-degrees) to the center of the vertically oriented NFDD. It was quickly discovered that this set of ranges was too close to permit consistently accurate measure of the output light as desired, due to the size of the fireball and composite blast (hot gas and micro particles) zone produced, which enveloped the nearest detector and produced inconsistent data. The stand-off distances were then increased to six, nine, and twelve feet for all subsequent tests.

The flash sensor/detectors were arrayed on 15-degree, 30-degree, and 340-degree radials, adjacent to the pressure recording devices. Figure 4 presents a representative set of twenty light versus time measurements in  $W/m^2$ . The peak values and time integral for each test were identified and converted to LUX and Joules respectively, to express illuminance and radiant flux. These values are reported in each NFDDs respective appendix, and the arithmetic mean (average) values for each NFDD's 20 test set are presented in the summary data in Table 3 (sec 3.1).

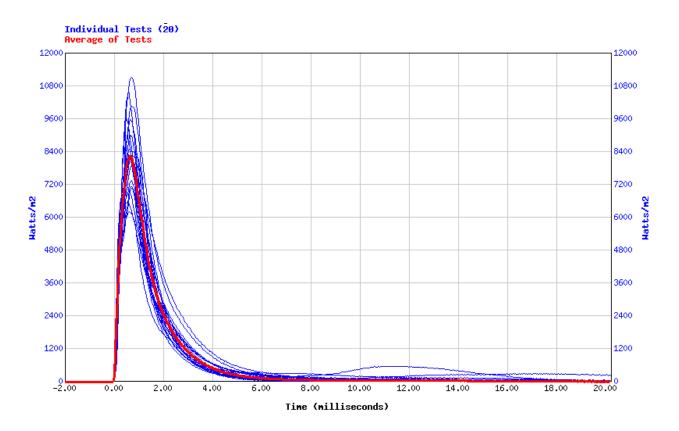
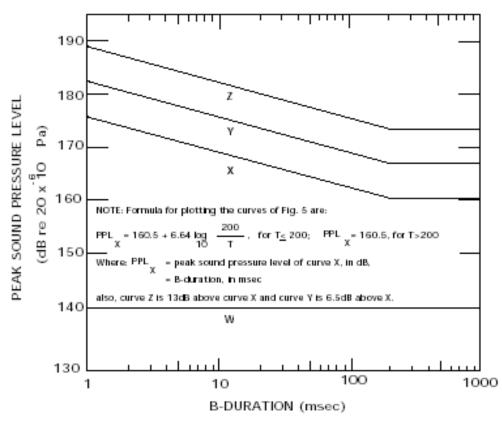


Figure 4. Example NFDD Peak Light and Decay at 6-feet – 20 Test Overlays



#### 2.2.2 Series I: Sound (NOISE) Characterization

One of the concerns associated with the use of pyrotechnic or explosive based devices is the high level of sound generated by them, with respect to hearing impairment or damage. One example of assessing this characteristic is the determination of transient peak levels. Industrial and military standards exist for evaluating the measured impulse noise of a weapon or, in this case, an NFDD. The Department of Defense has established parameters for evaluating the need for hearing protection in personnel occupied areas, to specifically protect from impulse (transient) sound waves [sec. 4, item 2]. Those standard levels are reproduced here to provide a context for assessing the subject NFDD noise levels. All of the devices tested exceeded the 140 decibel threshold (W) requirement for use of hearing protection.





The sound (NOISE) of the NFDDs was measured using piezo-electric pressure transducers to directly measure the generated shock pressure in air. Those results were converted into decibel (dB) sound measurements. The overpressure traces in figure 6 demonstrate the classic behavior of an explosive shock in air, with ascension to a rapid peak (positive pressure), followed by a slower degradation back to baseline, and a subsequent negative pressure phase, followed by a secondary reflection from the ground. The maximum impulse (transient) sound level was calculated using the peak value of the initial positive pressure segment. The pressure transducers were oriented to measure the normal, or incident (side-on) pressure wave, and were placed along the same radials as the flash sensor/detectors, and at the same measurement distances (fig. 9). The actual measurements were recorded as pounds per square inch (psi), and converted to SI units (bar) for reporting.



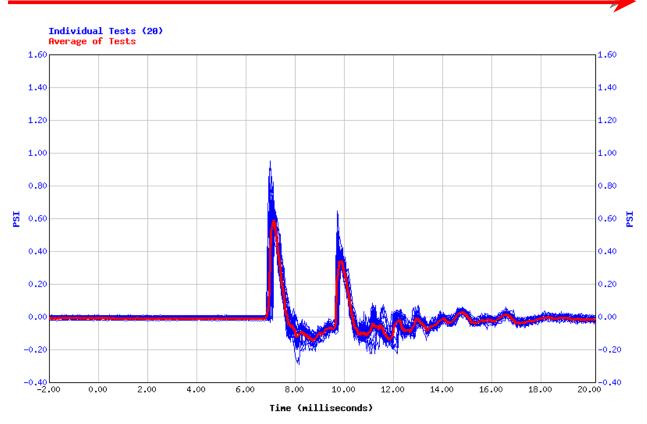


Figure 6. Sample Overpressure Peak and Decay at 9-feet – 20 Test Overlays Note: Secondary peak is reflected

#### 2.2.2.1 Functional Delay and Duration

The functional delay safety measurement of the NFDDs in Series I was obtained by recording the elapsed time from remotely pulling the safety pin and releasing the "spoon" until the device began to function, i.e., the first light measured by the flash detectors. The devices were tested in the vertical orientation with respect to the ground surface for all light, sound, and functional performance. The duration of the FLASH was obtained from the light readings taken by the flash detectors. All measurements were taken with time resolutions less than a millisecond, and reported as seconds to provide a more practical context for the user audience.

#### 2.2.2.2 TNT Equivalence

Portraying the overpressure yield of an NFDD against a common, conventional explosive material may give the user of the device a simpler means of assessing the nominal force of the devices, assuming they have some familiarity with energetic materials. By using the measured peak positive pressure of a pyrotechnic or explosive device, in this case, an NFDD, its TNT weight equivalence can be calculated. According to Kinney and Graham [sec. 4, item 4], most types of blast pressure (yield) can be related to an equivalent amount of TNT, by using measured peak pressure and an empirically derived scaling equation,  $Z = R/W^{1/3}$ , where Z is scaled distance, R is real distance, and  $W^{1/3}$  is the TNT explosive yield. TNT has been exhaustively characterized for overpressure in incremental stand-off distances, and by using that reference data and the scaling equation, overpressure of different materials and devices can be related to a TNT equivalence. Approximate TNT weight equivalents for each of the average NFDD blast overpressures have been calculated using this approach, and appear in the summary results (sec. 3.2).



#### 2.2.3 Series II: Fragmentation

Fragmentation of the NFDD was measured using a surrounding boundary of lightweight witness materials (paper covered foamboard), that registered the impact of fragments generated by the functioning of the NFDD (fig. 11 and 12). The standoff distance to the radially positioned witness panels was six feet. The number of fragment impacts sized greater than 0.25-inch were counted, and segregated by perforation through foamboard or paper. The NFDD devices were fired in the vertical orientation with respect to the ground surface.



Figure 7. Set-Up of Fragmentation Arena – Fixturing and Witness Panels

#### 2.2.4 Series III: Collateral Effects

Subjective fire-start capability was tested using potentially flammable objects placed within the expected functional region of the NFDD, at various distances less than 6.0 feet (fig. 13). These subjects were representative household objects: clothing, furniture cushions, pillows, paper products, and carpeting similar to what might be found in a residential space. During the fire-start tests, video camera and digital SLR photographic records (facing view) of the test set-up were taken. Flame break-out, NFDD propulsive movement, and test object disruption were <u>subjectively</u> determined using these records. Scalar markers on a background foamboard witness panel (surrogate wall) were used to approximate the nominal amount of propulsive travel generated by the functioning of the NFDD.

Each NFDD was oriented horizontally with respect to the ground surface; to conduct the test, the safety pin was remotely pulled and the NFDD allowed to freely fall onto the object or carpet covered test floor. The NFDD was free to bounce or roll as dictated by the fall and test object. In some of the pillow and cushion tests, the NFDD came to rest between the object and the witness background, such as could occur in a room, causing some confinement (enhancement of blast effects) and producing severe damage to the witness board. Section 3.3 contains a summary of the results of these tests.



Figure 8. Witness Panel Damage Due To Confinement of NFDD between Test Object and Panel



#### 2.3 <u>TEST RANGE LAYOUTS</u>

Sketches of the test layouts showing the positioning and distances of the test elements are shown for each of the three test series. Accompanying photographs further illustrate the set-up of these tests.

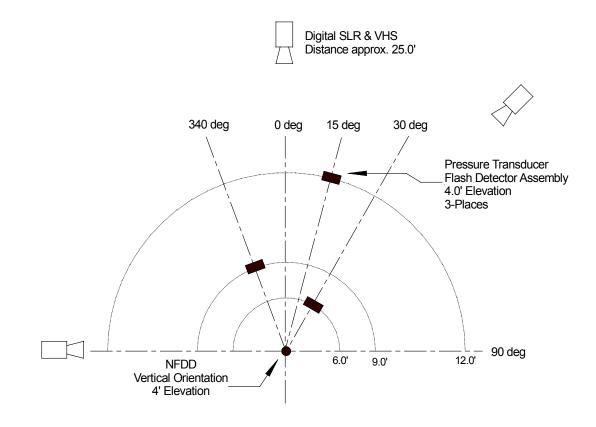




Figure 9. Light and Sound Test Range Layout



Figure 10. Test Stand, Remote Firing Fixture, and Example Set-Up



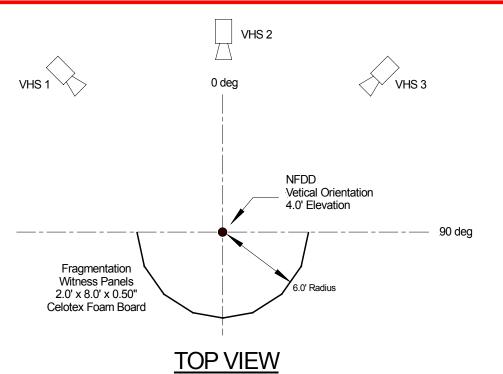


Figure 11. Fragmentation Test Range Layout

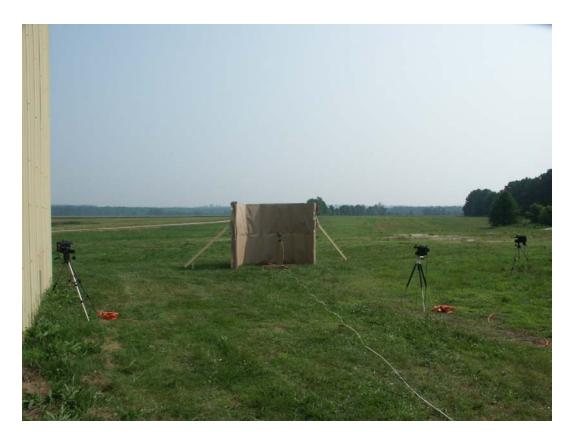
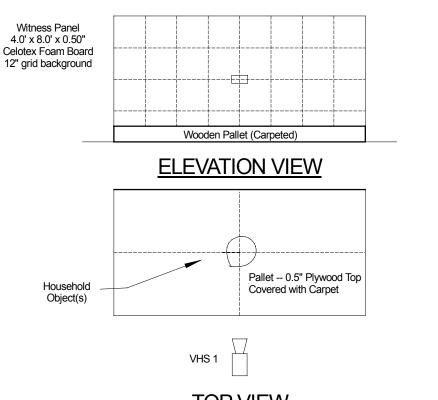


Figure 12. Example Fragmentation Arena – Pre-Test





TOP VIEW

Figure 13. Collateral Effects Test Range Layout

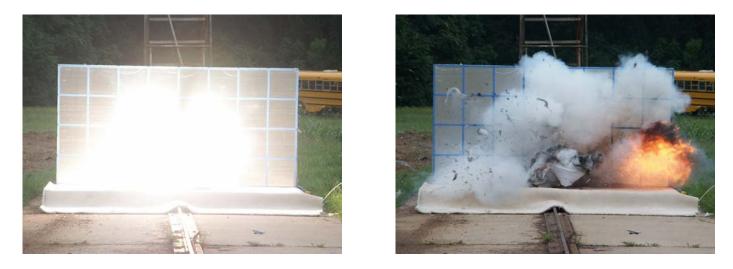


Figure 14. Example Collateral Effects – Partial Pillow Test Sequence (Digital SLR)



#### 2.4 FINAL TEST MATRIX

This matrix summarizes the type and distribution of the 199 tests conducted using the eight models of NFDDs provided for this project. All of the devices were expendable Government Furnished Material (GFM).

|                           | T               |                     |                  |               |                       |
|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Manufacturer              | Model           | Device<br>Inventory | Light &<br>Sound | Fragmentation | Collateral<br>Effects |
| ALS Technologies          | ALS09           | 28                  | 20               | 3             | 3                     |
| Combined Tactical Systems | 7290            | 34                  | 20               | 3             | 3                     |
| Defense Technologies      | 7001SC          | 46                  | 20               | 3             | 3                     |
| Defense Technologies      | Omni Blast 100  | 34                  | 20               | 3             | 3                     |
| NICO Pyrotechnik          | Sound & Flash 1 | 34                  | 20               | 3             | 3                     |
| Precision Ordnance        | DD400 Mag Load  | 28                  | 11*              | 3             | 3                     |
| Precision Ordnance        | T429            | 28                  | 20               | 3             | 3                     |
| Pyrotechnic Specialties   | MK141 Mod 0     | 27                  | 20               | 3             | 3                     |
|                           | Total:          | 259                 | 151              | 24            | 24                    |

#### Table 2. Final Test Matrix

\* 20 tests were conducted; nine have been excluded due to measurement equipment malfunction.

#### 2.5 INSTRUMENTATION

A custom high-speed data acquisition system (DAS) controlled each test. The system consists of 16channels of analog to digital recording, capable of sampling rates of 100,000 points per second. The DAS uses a UNIX based operating system with custom test and analysis software. The DAS remotely controlled all tests, from initiation (pulling the NFDD pin) to sequencing the cameras and recording the light and pressure detector signals.

#### 2.5.1 **Test Equipment**

| Type: |                                  | Model:        | <u>Manufacturer:</u> |
|-------|----------------------------------|---------------|----------------------|
|       | Flash Detector                   | PMA2135       | Solar Light Co.      |
|       | Pressure Transducer              | 119A11        | PCB, Inc.            |
|       | Digital Acquisition System (DAS) | Custom        | RKB Enterprises      |
|       | Personal Computer                | Inspiron 7800 | Dell                 |

#### 3.0 SUMMARY RESULTS

The results presented in this section represent summaries of the entire set of tests conducted for each NFDD from each of the three series. The arithmetic mean values from the individual test set (20 tests) are listed for each of the primary characteristics measured. Summary charts are also provided illustrating the average values presented in the data tables.

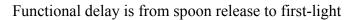
Full details for each individual test set by test series for each of the eight NFDDs are presented in their corresponding appendix. Other details such as packaging descriptions, weights, and select photographs of the NFDDs and their tests are also included in the appendices.

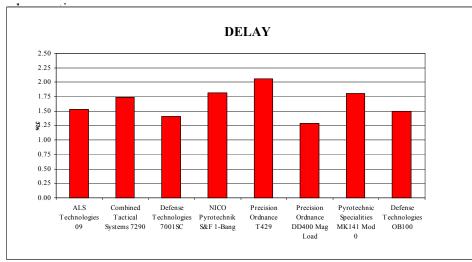


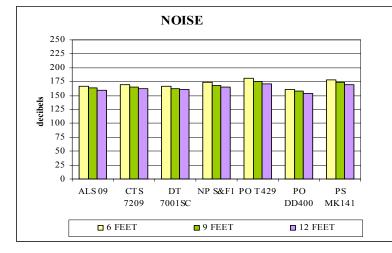
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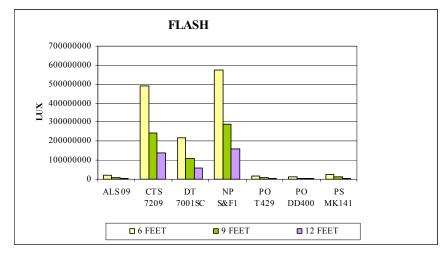
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|-------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------|----------|--------|-------|-------------|--------------|--------|--------|-------------|--------------|---------|----------------|-------------|--------------|--|
|                                     |                     |                             | AVERAGE | FUNCTION |        |       | 6 FEET      |              |        | 9 FEET |             |              |         | <b>12 FEET</b> |             |              |  |
|                                     |                     | VENTING                     | DELAY   | BURN     | BLAST  | NOISE | FLASH       | FLASH ENERGY | BLAST  | NOISE  | FLASH       | FLASH ENERGY | BLAST   | NOISE          | FLASH       | FLASH ENERGY |  |
| NFDD                                | USE/BODY            | METHOD                      | sec.    | sec.     | bar    | db    | LUX         | J            | bar    | db     | LUX         | J            | bar     | db             | LUX         | J            |  |
| ALS Technologies 09                 | Multiple / Steel    | Axial-Top/Bottom            | 1.53    | 0.0026   | 0.046  | 167   | 19,999,063  | 0.4          | 0.030  | 164    | 8,534,524   | 0.2          | 0.021   | 160            | 3,591,085   | 0.1          |  |
| Combined Tactical Systems 7290      | Single / Steel      | Axial-Top/Bottom            | 1.74    | 0.0120   | 0.060  | 169   | 490,129,734 | 48.1         | 0.043  | 165    | 244,200,090 | 24.9         | 0.026   | 162            | 140,308,270 | 14.2         |  |
| Defense Technologies 7001SC         | Multiple / Steel    | Axial-Top/Bottom            | 1.41    | 0.0099   | 0.059  | 167   | 219,219,501 | 15.0         | 0.034  | 163    | 106,904,697 | 7.5          | 0.026   | 160            | 60,512,851  | 4.3          |  |
| NICO Pyrotechnik S&F 1-Bang         | Single / Steel      | Radial-Ejects Hole Plugs    | 1.82    | 0.0034   | 0.097  | 174   | 573,776,744 | 12.5         | 0.050  | 168    | 290,215,999 | 6.4          | 0.036   | 165            | 158,219,856 | 3.4          |  |
| Precision Ordnance T429             | Single / Cardboard  | Axial-Ejects Bottom Section | 2.06    | 0.0069   | 0.252  | 181   | 14,840,255  | 0.6          | 0.112  | 175    | 7,634,092   | 0.3          | 0.072   | 171            | 4,508,879   | 0.2          |  |
| Precision Ordnance DD400 Mag Load   | Multiple / Aluminum | Axial-Top/Bottom            | 1.29    | 0.0045   | 0.023  | 161   | 10,923,176  | 0.3          | 0.015  | 157    | 4,876,204   | 0.1          | 0.010   | 154            | 2,763,480   | 0.1          |  |
| Pyrotechnic Specialties MK141 Mod 0 | Single / Alum Foil  | Radial/Consumable           | 1.80    | 0.0090   | 0.162  | 178   | 27,196,657  | 1.4          | 0.094  | 173    | 12,073,743  | 0.5          | 0.059   | 169            | 6,224,204   | 0.3          |  |
|                                     |                     |                             |         |          | 3 FEET |       |             |              | 5 FEET |        |             |              | 10 FEET |                |             |              |  |
| Defense Technologies OB100          | Single / Plastic    | Axial-Rupture               | 1.50    | 0.0210   | 0.385  | 186   | 25,858,199  | 4.2          | 0.201  | 180    | 9,864,306   | 1.4          | 0.070   | 171            | 1,642,588   | 0.3          |  |

|                                     | PRE TEST<br>ASSEMBLY | POST TEST<br>ASSEMBLY |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| NFDD                                | oz                   | oz                    |
| ALS Technologies 09                 | 21.58                | 20.16                 |
| Combined Tactical Systems 7290      | 23.00                | 20.90                 |
| Defense Technologies 7001SC         | 25.08                | 23.17                 |
| Defense Technologies OB100          | 9.22                 | 7.68                  |
| NICO Pyrotechnik S&F 1-Bang         | 10.09                | 7.90                  |
| Precision Ordnance T429             | 6.94                 | 2.97                  |
| Precision Ordnance DD400 Mag Load   | 9.12                 | 7.90                  |
| Pyrotechnic Specialties MK141 Mod 0 | 3.62                 | 0.89                  |









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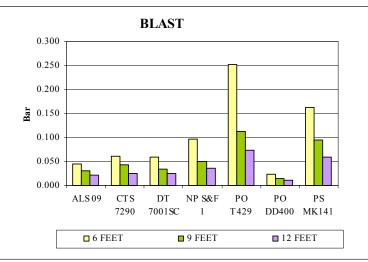
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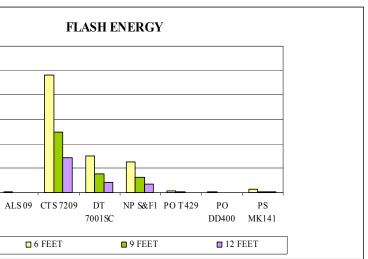
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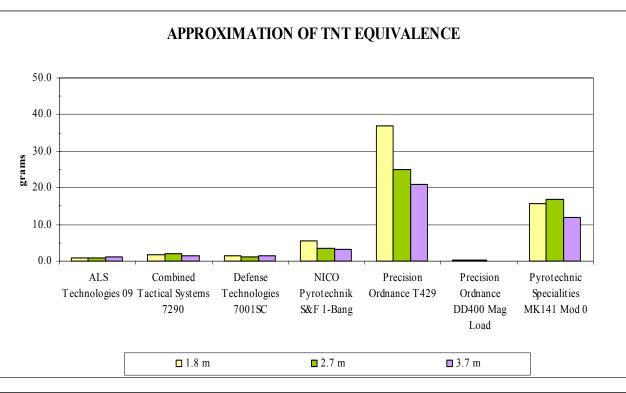
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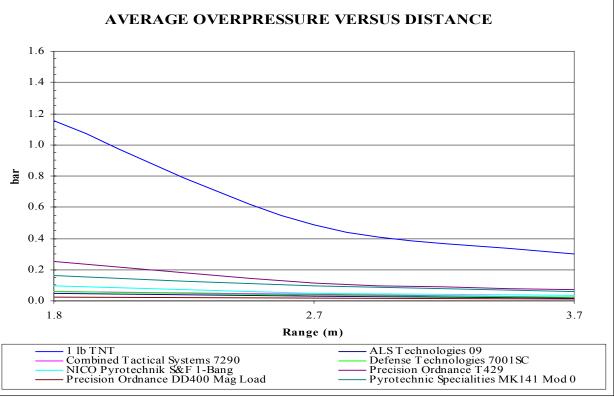




|                                     | Avg. Pi | Avg. Pressure |         | ł   | Z    | W <sup>1/3</sup> | TNT Eq | uivalence |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------------|---------|-----|------|------------------|--------|-----------|
| NFDD                                | psi bar |               | ft      | m   | (m)  | kg               | 0Z     | g         |
| 1 lb TNT                            | 16.758  | 1.155         |         |     | 1.8  | 0.454            | 16.000 | 454.0     |
| ALS Technologies 09                 | 0.66    | 0.046         |         |     | 20.5 | 0.001            | 0.027  | 0.766     |
| Combined Tactical Systems 7290      | 0.87    | 0.060         |         |     | 15.5 | 0.002            | 0.064  | 1.816     |
| Defense Technologies 7001SC         | 0.85    | 0.059         | 6.0     | 1.8 | 16.0 | 0.001            | 0.053  | 1.496     |
| NICO Pyrotechnik S&F 1-Bang         | 1.41    | 0.097         | 0.0     | 1.0 | 10.4 | 0.005            | 0.192  | 5.448     |
| Precision Ordnance T429             | 3.65    | 0.252         |         |     | 5.6  | 0.037            | 1.299  | 36.835    |
| Precision Ordnance DD400 Mag Load   | 0.33    | 0.023         |         |     | 34.0 | 0.000            | 0.005  | 0.156     |
| Pyrotechnic Specialties MK141 Mod 0 | 2.35    | 0.162         |         |     | 7.4  | 0.016            | 0.556  | 15.754    |
| 1 lb TNT                            | 7.109   | 0.490         |         |     | 2.7  | 0.454            | 16.000 | 454.0     |
| ALS Technologies 09                 | 0.44    | 0.030         |         |     | 29.0 | 0.001            | 0.030  | 0.848     |
| Combined Tactical Systems 7290      | 0.63    | 0.043         |         | 2.7 | 22.0 | 0.002            | 0.069  | 1.942     |
| Defense Technologies 7001SC         | 0.50    | 0.034         |         |     | 26.5 | 0.001            | 0.042  | 1.177     |
| NICO Pyrotechnik S&F 1-Bang         | 0.72    | 0.050         | 9.0 2.7 |     | 18.5 | 0.004            | 0.125  | 3.547     |
| Precision Ordnance T429             | 1.62    | 0.112         |         |     | 9.4  | 0.025            | 0.878  | 24.903    |
| Precision Ordnance DD400 Mag Load   | 0.22    | 0.015         |         |     | 42.0 | 0.000            | 0.010  | 0.279     |
| Pyrotechnic Specialties MK141 Mod 0 | 1.36    | 0.094         |         |     | 10.7 | 0.017            | 0.595  | 16.884    |
| 1 lb TNT                            | 4.331   | 0.299         |         |     | 3.7  | 0.454            | 16.000 | 454.0     |
| ALS Technologies 09                 | 0.30    | 0.021         |         |     | 36.5 | 0.001            | 0.037  | 1.051     |
| Combined Tactical Systems 7290      | 0.37    | 0.026         |         |     | 32.0 | 0.001            | 0.053  | 1.496     |
| Defense Technologies 7001SC         | 0.37    | 0.026         | 12.0    | 3.7 | 32.0 | 0.001            | 0.053  | 1.496     |
| NICO Pyrotechnik S&F 1-Bang         | 0.52    | 0.036         | 12.0    | 5.7 | 25.5 | 0.003            | 0.111  | 3.138     |
| Precision Ordnance T429             | 1.05    | 0.072         |         |     | 13.3 | 0.021            | 0.735  | 20.840    |
| Precision Ordnance DD400 Mag Load   | 0.15    | 0.010         |         |     | 73.0 | 0.000            | 0.004  | 0.126     |
| Pyrotechnic Specialties MK141 Mod 0 | 0.86    | 0.059         |         |     | 16.0 | 0.012            | 0.422  | 11.970    |

 Table 4. TNT Equivalence Based Upon Average Measured Overpressure





1 lb TNT reference pressures from Kinney/Graham tables for respective Z

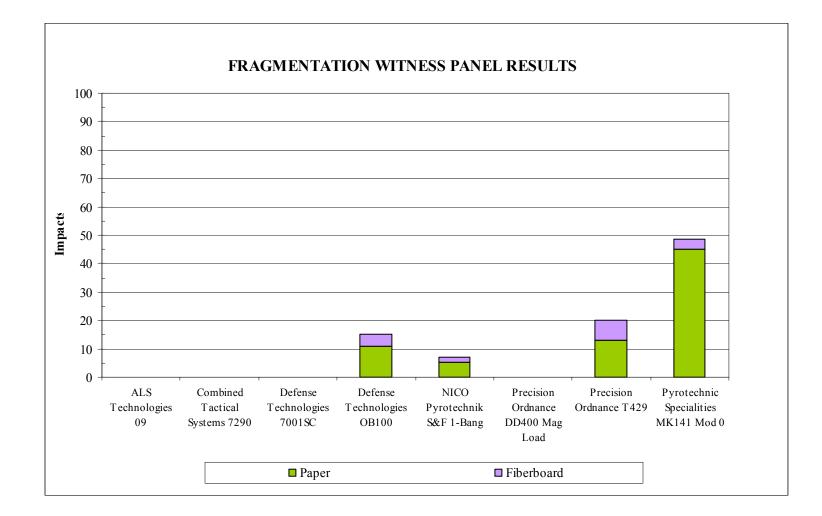
Z scaled distances from Kinney/Graham tables for respective measured pressure



### 3.2 FRAGMENTATION

| Table 5. | NFDD | Fragmentation | Summary |
|----------|------|---------------|---------|
|----------|------|---------------|---------|

|                                     |                     |                             | AVERAGE WEIGHT |       | WITNESS PANEL RESULTS |                   |           |  |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|-------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------|--|
|                                     |                     | VENTING                     | PRE POST       |       | AVG.                  | AVG. PERFORATIONS |           |  |
| NFDD                                | <b>USE/BODY</b>     | METHOD                      | 0Z             | oz    | IMPACTS               | PAPER             | FOAMBOARD |  |
| ALS Technologies 09                 | Multiple / Steel    | Axial-Top/Bottom            | 2.57           | 1.73  | 0                     | 0                 | 0         |  |
| Combined Tactical Systems 7290      | Single / Steel      | Axial-Top/Bottom            | 23.05          | 21.75 | 0                     | 0                 | 0         |  |
| Defense Technologies 7001SC         | Multiple / Steel    | Axial-Top/Bottom            | 4.85           | 3.50  | 0                     | 0                 | 0         |  |
| Defense Technologies OB100          | Single / Plastic    | Axial-Rupture               | 9.30           | 8.26  | 15                    | 11                | 4         |  |
| NICO Pyrotechnik S&F 1-Bang         | Single / Steel      | Radial-Ejects Hole Plugs    | 10.08          | 8.87  | 7                     | 5                 | 2         |  |
| Precision Ordnance DD400 Mag Load   | Multiple / Aluminum | Axial-Top/Bottom            | 2.55           | 1.80  | 0                     | 0                 | 0         |  |
| Precision Ordnance T429             | Single / Cardboard  | Axial-Ejects Bottom Section | 7.01           | 4.02  | 20                    | 13                | 7         |  |
| Pyrotechnic Specialties MK141 Mod 0 | Single / Alum Foil  | Radial/Consumable           | 3.60           | 0.88  | 49                    | 45                | 4         |  |



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### 3.3 COLLATERAL

|                                     | Fire Start by Test |         |         | Propulsion of NFDD by Test |         |         | Disruption of Objects by Test |         |         |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|----------------------------|---------|---------|-------------------------------|---------|---------|
| NFDD                                | Pillow             | Cushion | Objects | Pillow                     | Cushion | Objects | Pillow                        | Cushion | Objects |
| ALS Technologies 09                 | No                 | No      | No      | < 12"                      | < 12"   | No      | No                            | No      | Yes     |
| Combined Tactical Systems 7290      | Yes                | No      | Yes     | > 12"                      | < 12"   | No      | No                            | No      | Yes     |
| Defense Technologies 7001SC         | No                 | No      | No      | < 12"                      | No      | No      | Yes                           | No      | Yes     |
| Defense Technologies OB100          | No                 | Yes     | No      | No                         | No      | No      | Yes                           | No      | Yes     |
| NICO Pyrotechnik S&F 1-Bang         | No                 | No      | No      | < 12"                      | No      | > 18"   | Yes                           | Yes     | Yes     |
| Precision Ordnance DD400 Mag Load   | No                 | No      | No      | 12"                        | > 48"   | > 48"   | Yes                           | Yes     | Yes     |
| Precision Ordnance T429             | No                 | No      | No      | No                         | No      | No      | Yes                           | No      | No      |
| Pyrotechnic Specialties MK141 Mod 0 | No                 | No      | No      | 36"                        | > 24"   | < 12"   | No                            | Yes     | Yes     |

#### Table 6. NFDD Collateral Effects Summary

| Fire start determined by     | Distance estimated using scalar | Disruption determined by |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| presence of open flame after | grid on background              | noting any movement of   |
| functioning                  |                                 | object(s) from origin    |













Figure 15. Example Collateral Effects Tests – Showing NFDD Free Fall and Function



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### **APPENDIX A**

ALS Technologies ALS09



### **APPENDIX B**

Combined Tactical Systems 7290



### **APPENDIX C**

Defense Technologies 7001SC



### **APPENDIX D**

Defense Technologies Omni Blast 100



### **APPENDIX E**

NICO Pyrotechnik Sound & Flash 1-Bang



### **APPENDIX F**

Precision Ordnance DD400 Mag Load



### **APPENDIX G**

Precision Ordnance T429



## **APPENDIX H**

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