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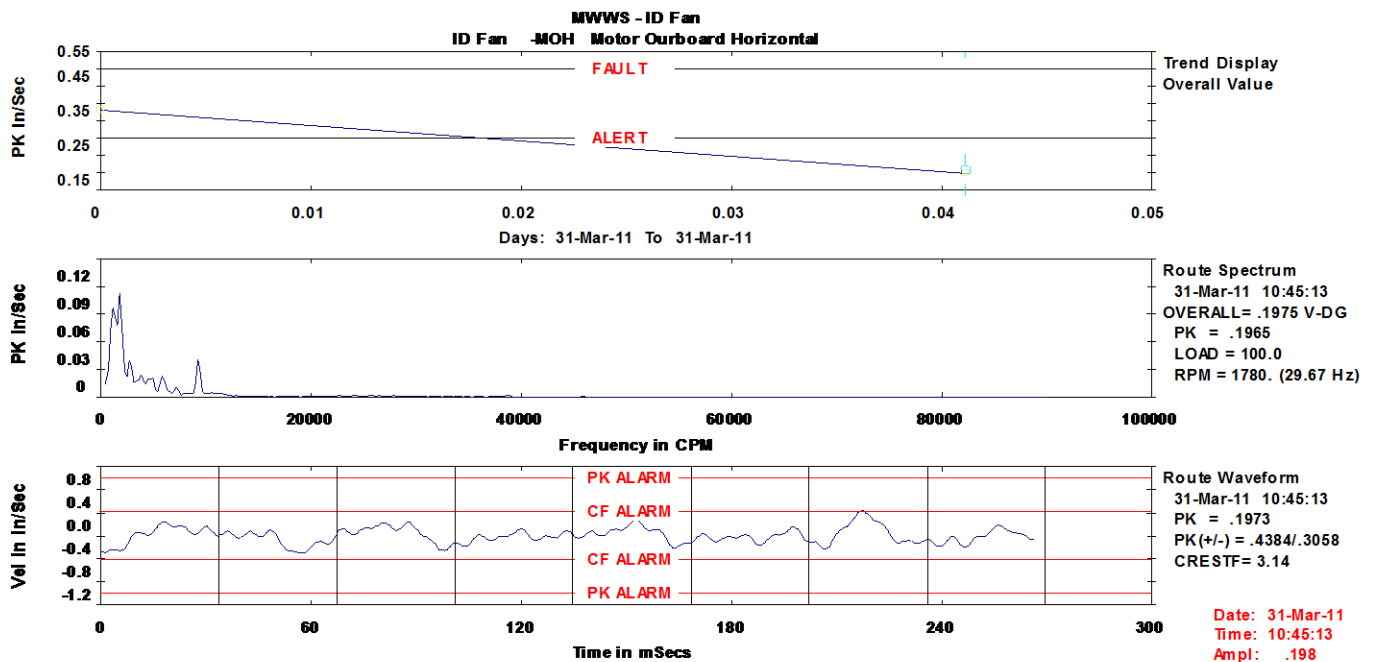
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**Millar Western Sawmill (Whitecourt)**  
**Fan Balancing & Vibration Analysis Report**

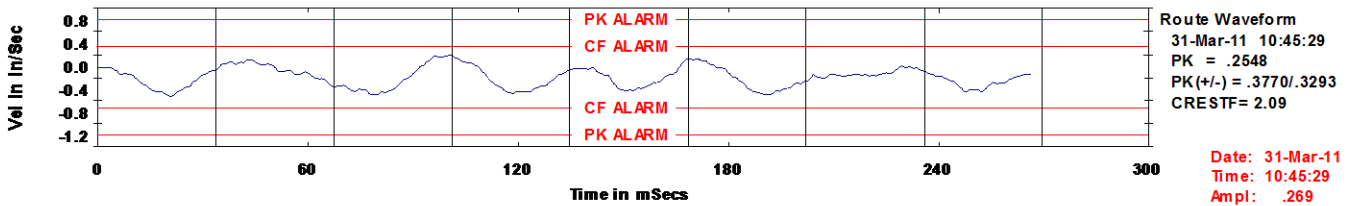
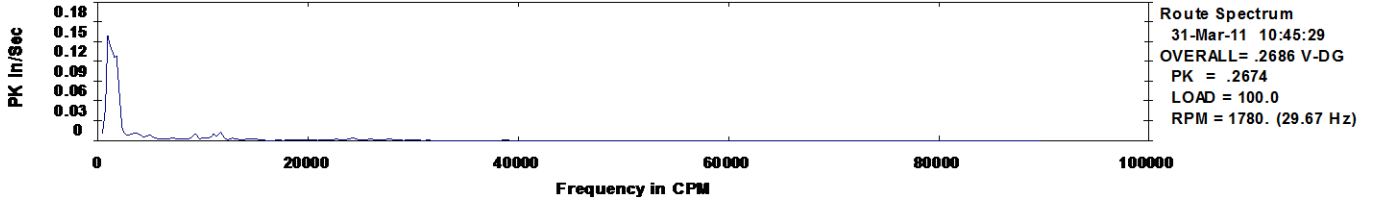
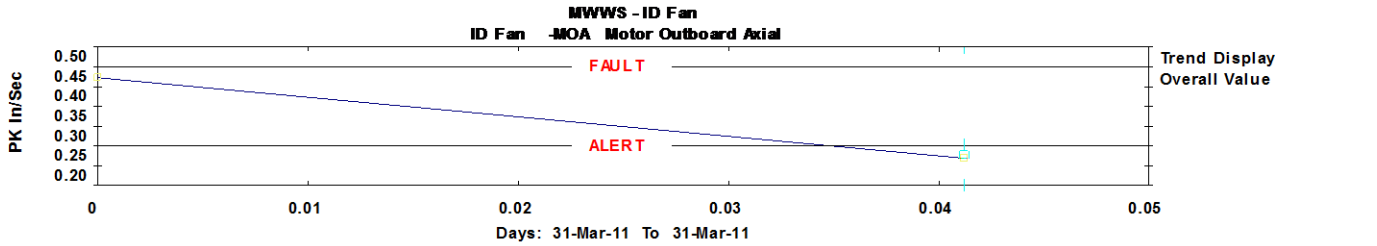
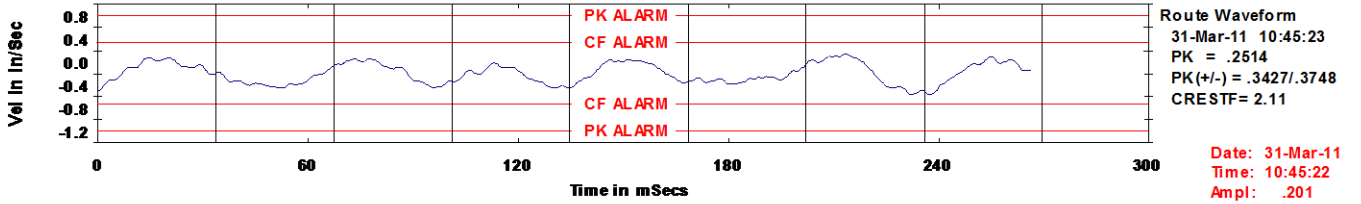
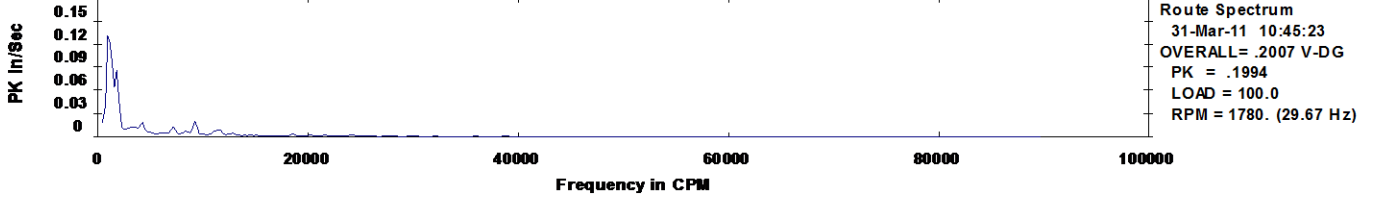
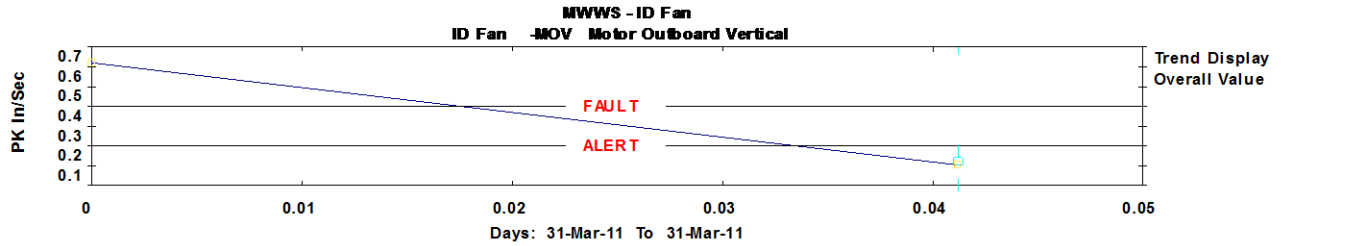
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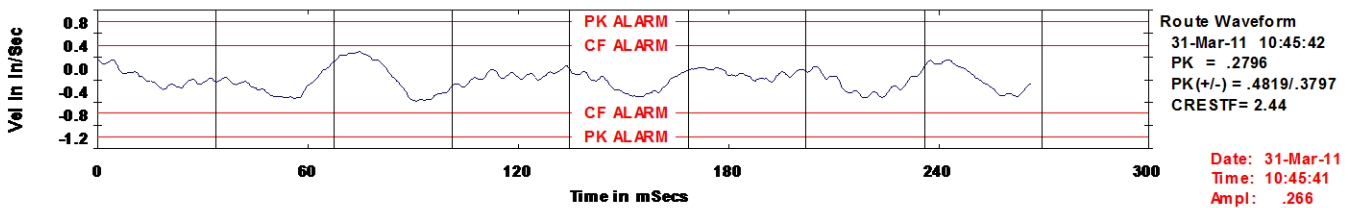
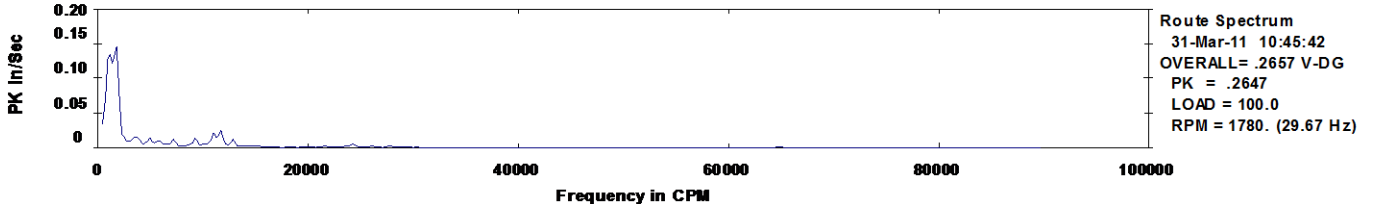
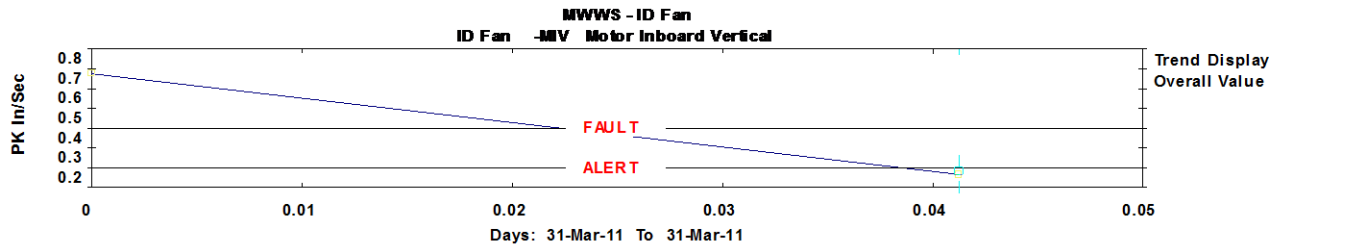
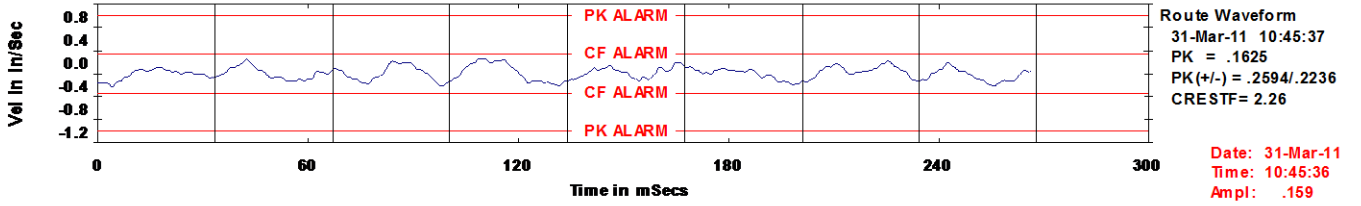
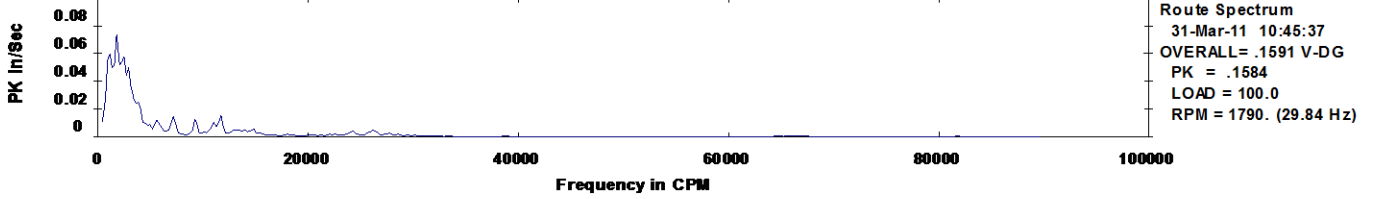
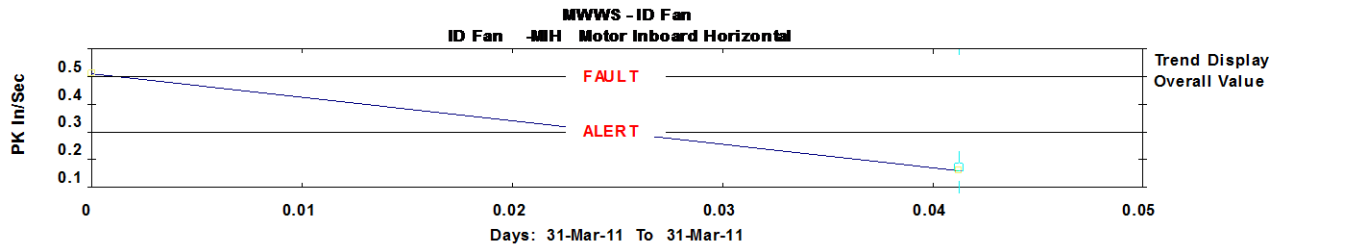
Vibration levels attributed to the unbalanced fan have been reduced from 4.29 mils inboard / 3.22 mils outboard to 0.047 mils inboard and 1.1 mils outboard (measurements taken in the horizontal axis). When measured in velocity, vibration levels @ 1 X operating rpm were 0.068 peak in/sec inboard and 0.079 peak in/sec outboard, well within ISO 10816-1:1995 guidelines (see see plots and chart below). This machine would be classified as a category IV machine because of the light-weight foundations. The highest points of vibration are normally found in the horizontal axis; however, the poor/flimsy foundation amplified vertical vibration amplitudes on this machine. The fan is now running at “acceptable” levels, however if any major work is to be carried out on the fan it would be prudent to consider stiffening the foundations, this would dramatically reduce the remaining vibration amplitudes and increase bearing life.

Trend plots show “before and after” overall vibration amplitudes.

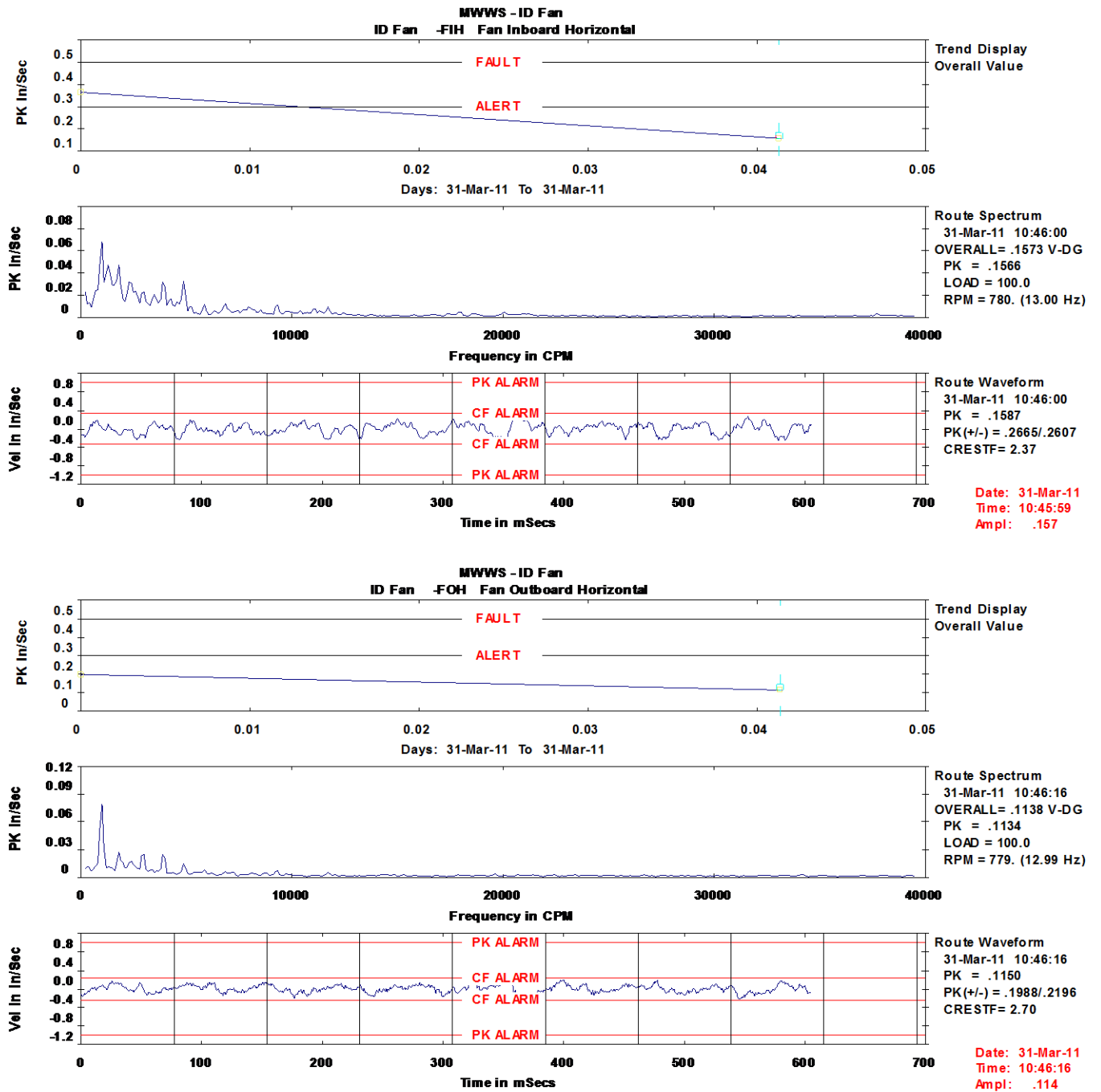


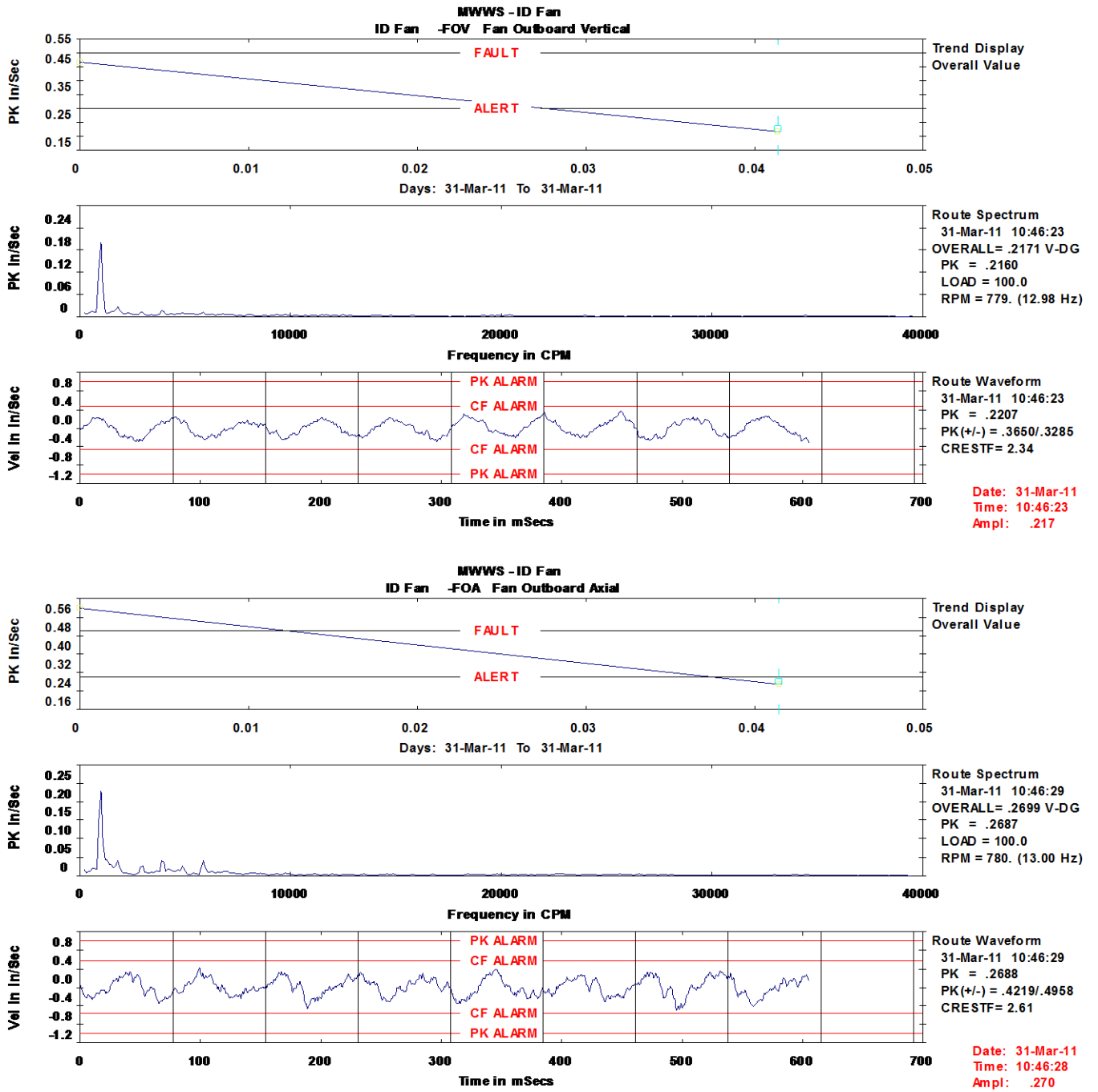
The highest level of vibration was initially found on the motor (outboard - vertical axis), the reason for this is the flimsy foundation, allowing the forces in the unbalanced fan to resonate through to the motor.





Note the waveform in the lower half of the plot, it is not purely sinusoidal; this confirms that the remaining vibration amplitudes are not related to balance quality.





RMS Vibration Velocity		Peak Vibration Velocity		Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV
mm/sec	In/sec	mm/sec	In/sec				
0.28	0.011	0.395	0.015	A	A	A	A
0.45	0.017	0.636	0.025				
0.71	0.028	1.00	0.039	B	B	A	A
1.12	0.044	1.58	0.062				
1.8	0.070	2.55	0.100	C	C	B	B
2.8	0.110	3.96	0.155				
4.5	0.177	6.36	0.250	D	D	C	C
7.1	0.279	10.04	0.395				
11.2	0.440	15.84	0.623	D	D	D	D
18	0.708	25.45	1.00				
28	1.100	39.59	1.56				
45	1.77	63.63	2.51				

A – Good, B – Acceptable, C – Monitor Closely, D - Unacceptable

Class I – Electric motors up to 15 KW

Class II – Medium sized machines (15 – 75 KW electric motors)

Class III – > 75 KW Large prime movers on heavy, rigid foundations

Class IV – > 75KW Large prime movers on relatively soft, lightweight foundations

I trust that the above is in line with your requirements but if you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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