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## 1.0 SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

This test investigated the impact severity of a minicompact sedan (1,800S) during a low speed broadside collision with a breakaway luminaire support. The test vehicle was a 1980 Plymouth Champ. The breakaway luminaire support was a 30 foot steel pole with a California type 31 slip base. The pole included a mast arm and surrogate luminaire.

The test vehicle momentum change due to impacting the pole at a speed of 29.36 mph (13.1 m/s) was 554 lb-sec. The velocity change corresponding to the observed vehicle momentum change was 6.06 mph or 8.89 ft/sec. The integrity of the vehicle was maintained throughout the test although severe intrusions occurred at the center of the driver's door. Maximum residual crush of the side of the vehicle was 10.00 inches.

Vehicle acceleration data was processed to determine the impact velocity of a hypothetical front seat passenger against the vehicle interior in accordance with the flail space model recommended in NCHRP 230. The lateral impact velocity of the hypothetical occupant using the flail space model approach with a one foot threshold was 9.65 ft/sec. This lateral impact velocity is within the design limit of 20 ft/sec (6.10 m/s) specified for lateral impacts of other forms of highway safety appurtenances in NCHRP 230. However, the actual impact velocity of the occupant with the interior of vehicle was approximately 43 ft/sec since the occupant impacted the area where the luminaire support was deforming the interior of the vehicle compartment. This lateral impact velocity exceeds the limits of NCHRP 230.

The acceleration data from the anthropomorphic dummy was also analyzed using NHTSA techniques to determine impact severity based on thoracic measurements. Results of this analysis indicate that from the standpoint of thoracic injuries the

occupant suffered a severe injury as measured on the American Association of Automotive Medicine's Abbreviated Injury Scale (AIS). The probability of an injury level of AIS greater than 3 was 87%, of an AIS greater than 4 was 77%, while the probability of an AIS greater than 5 was 8%. This value, based only on the TL2Y accelerometer, exceeds the basic design goal for occupant responses of an AIS less than or equal to 3.0. Analysis of the acceleration data from the head of the anthropomorphic dummy yielded a Head Injury Criteria (HIC) of 1593. This result exceeds the limit specified in FMVSS 208. It should be noted that HIC's obtained during side impacts may not measure the head injury correctly since the head form of the dummy was designed for frontal impacts. A summary of the test conditions and results for this full scale crash test are given in table 1.



Table 1  
 Summary of Test Conditions and  
 Results for Test Number 1785-SI#1-87

1.	Contract Number/FOIL Test No.	DTFH61-86-Z-00046/87S095
2.	Date of Test	July 1987
3.	Test Vehicle	Plymouth Champ, 1980
4.	Delivered Vehicle Weight	1908 lbs
5.	Vehicle Weight, Test Inertial	
	Planned	1,800 ±50 lbs
	Actual	1,849 lbs
6.	Vehicle Weight, Gross Static	
	Actual (One Occupant)	2,009 lbs
7.	Number of Occupants	One
8.	Occupant Type	Anthropomorphic Dummy, 50th Percentile Male, Side Impact Thorax-SN120
9.	Occupant Location	Driver Seat
10.	Occupant Restraint	Unrestrained
11.	Test Article	Breakaway Luminaire Support
12.	Support Length (w/o Base)	30 ft
13.	Support Material	Steel
14.	Support Weight (w/Base, mast arm and luminaire)	416 lbs
15.	Base Type	Triangular Slip Base, 3-Bolt (Type 31)
16.	Slip Plane Mounting Height Above Grade	2.25 in
17.	Bolt Circle	14 in
18.	Bolt Size	1 in - 8 NC x 5 in long
19.	Bolt Load (Strain Gaged)	14,000 lbs each
20.	Foundation	FOIL Impact Foundation
21.	Ground Conditions	Dry

Table 1 (Cont'd)  
 Summary of Test Conditions and  
 Results for Test Number 1785-SI#1-87

22.	Impact Speed, Observed	29.36 mph
23.	Speed Reduction Acceleration Data, TRC 191	6.06 mph
24.	Exit Speed, Observed	21.6 mph
25.	Impact Point, Observed	Left Door, Driver Location, (18" behind cg)
26.	Traffic Accident Data, TAD	9-LP-5
27.	Vehicle Damage Index, VDI	09LPAN3
28.	Hypothetical Occupant Impact Velocity (NCHRP 230)	
	Design Limit	20 ft/sec
	Observed (1' flail)	9.65 ft/sec
	Observed Actual (.54')	8.56 ft/sec
29.	Hypothetical Occupant Ride-down Acceleration (NCHRP 230)	
	Design Limit	15.00 g
	Observed, (1' flail)	1.50 g
	Observed, Actual (.54')	4.76 g
30.	Actual Occupant Impact Velocity Limit (NCHRP 230)	30 ft/sec
	Observed	43 ft/sec
31.	Head Injury Criteria (HIC)	
	Design Limit	1000
	Driver, Observed	1593
32.	Upper Spine Acceleration Data Acceleration with Duration Greater than .003 sec	No data
	CSI	No data
33.	Thoracic Injury Fatal Injury Probability of:	6.00
	AIS greater than 3	87%
	AIS greater than 4	77%
	AIS greater than 5	8%
34.	Momentum Change from Pole	554 lb-sec
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	1 lb = .454 kg	1 lb-sec = 4.448 N-s
	1 ft = .3048 m	1 ft-kip = 1,355 N-m
		1 in = .0254 m

## 2.0 OBJECTIVE

The objective of this test was to investigate the impact severity of a minicompact sedan (1,800S) during a low speed broadside collision with a breakaway luminaire support. This test is the first of a series of eight full scale crash tests to be conducted. The planned test matrix is shown in Table 2.

The vehicle used for this test was a 1980 Plymouth Champ. A triaxial accelerometer package was mounted on the lateral centerline of the vehicle near the longitudinal location of the center of gravity of the vehicle in its inertial test configuration. The data from these accelerometers were used to measure vehicle impact behavior and occupant injury potential based upon criteria set forth in TRC 191 and NCHRP 230. Two rate gyros were also mounted to the accelerometer block to measure yaw and roll rates. The vehicle also was instrumented with a contact switch mounted on the left door to permit vehicle and occupant data to be measured relative to the time of impact.

The vehicle contained one instrumented 50th percentile male anthropomorphic test dummy equipped with a thorax specifically designed for side impacts. The test dummy (serial no. 120) was positioned in the driver seat and was unrestrained. The data from the triaxial accelerometer sensor assembly in the head of the test dummy was used to evaluate the Head Injury Criteria (HIC). The data obtained from the triaxial accelerometer sensor assemblies located in the upper and lower parts of the spine and in the pelvis of the occupant were used to evaluate severity indices and maximum sustained accelerations experienced by the occupant in the respective locations in accordance with SAE Information Report J885a. The data obtained from the accelerometers located on the ribs of the occupant were used to evaluate the maximum sustained accelerations experienced by the occupant in the respective locations. In addition, thoracic injury parameters associated with side impact conditions were analyzed using NHTSA techniques to determine occupant injury.

Table 2

Test Matrix For Side Impact Test Series

<u>Test Number</u>	<u>Angle</u> <sup>1</sup>	<u>Location</u> <sup>2</sup>	<u>Article</u> <sup>3</sup>
1	90	0	Slipbase
2	90	0	T-base
3	90	+12"	Slipbase
4	90	-12"	Slipbase
5	90	+6 or +24"	Slipbase
6	90	-6 or -24"	Slipbase
7	60	0	Slipbase
8	120	0	Slipbase

<sup>1</sup> 90° = Broadside on Drivers Door  
 60° = Front of Vehicle Leading

<sup>2</sup> 0" = Centered on Occupant  
 + = Forward of Occupant  
 - = Rearward of Occupant

<sup>3</sup> Slipbase pole w/30' pole mast arm and surrogate luminaire.

T-base Union Metal 2849 w/40' steel pole, mast arm and surrogate luminaire.

Notes:

All tests to be run at 30 mph impact speed.

All test vehicles to be Dodge Colts or Plymouth Champs

All vehicles to have 1 SID in driver's position.

The breakaway luminaire support was chosen since it was known to induce a momentum change during frontal impacts which was considered very acceptable. The objective was to determine what level and type of injury could be expected during a side impact collision with one of the better performing hardware devices on the highway system. In recent testing at the FHWA FOIL this pole produced a velocity change of less than 15 ft/sec when hit by the FOIL bogie at 20 mph.

### 3.0 APPURTENANCE DESCRIPTION

The physical properties of the breakaway luminaire support are contained in table 3. The breakaway luminaire support incorporated a triangular 3-bolt slip base which is based on a design of the California Type 31 support. The slip base was positioned so impact would occur against an edge which had two bolts aligned. The luminaire support had a mast arm attached during this test as well as a steel weight attached to the end of the arm. The slip base was clamped together with three strain gaged bolts which were tightened to 14,000 pounds (62,300 N) each just prior to the test. The mechanical properties of the pole are shown in Figure 1.

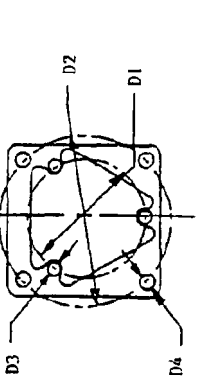
Table 3  
Properties of Test Pole

Manufacturer:	Ameron
Material:	Steel
Weight:	416 lbs
Height, c.g.:	21 ft
Top diameter:	3-1/2 in
Bottom diameter:	7.5 in
Mast Arm Length:	15 ft - 9 in.
Luminaire Height:	35 ft - 10 in.
Luminaire Weight:	51 lbs
Base Type:	California Type 31 slip base
Number of bolts:	3
Size:	1 in diameter
Type:	Instrumented to measure bolt load
Bolt Clamp Load:	14 kips

FHMA FOIL TEST FACILITY

LUMINAIRE SUPPORT PARAMETERS  
SLIP BASE WITH TRUSS MAST ARM

Manufacturer: Amplexion Part No: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ref. FOIL Tests: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Completed By: C. Brown Date: 7/1/87



**WEIGHTS (LB)**  
 Pole: 275 (W1)  
 Mast Arm: 90 (W2)  
 Luminaire: 51 (W3)  
 Total Assy: 416 (WT)

**MEASURED LENGTHS (IN)**  
 Mounting Height: 36" (H1)  
 Pole Height: 30'3" (H2)  
 Pole CG Height: 12'4" (H6)  
 Mast Arm CG Ht: 33'2" (H5)  
 Mast Arm CG Offset: 6' (L2)  
 Lumin CG Ht: 35'10" (H4)  
 Lumin CG Offset: 15'9" (L1)  
 Stub Ht: 2.25 (H7)

**SLIP\_BASE\_PARAMETERS**  
 No. Slip Bolts: 3  
 Slip BC Dia (in): .74 (D1)  
 Dia of Slip Bolts (in): 1 (D3)  
 No. Foundation Bolts: 3  
 Found BC Dia (in): 1.4 (D2)  
 Dia Found Bolt (in): 1 (D4)  
 S Bolt Clamp Force (lb): 14,000  
 Keeper Plate, Y/N: Y  
 Slip Base Thick (in): 1

**POLE\_PARAMETERS**  
 Base Dia (in): 7.5 Wall Thick (in): .125  
 Tip Dia (in): 3.5 Material: Steel

**TOTAL\_ASSEMBLY\_CG\_LOCATION (IN)**  
 Total Assy CG Ht =  $\frac{W1*H1 + W2*H2 + W3*H3}{WT}$  = 21' (H3)  
 Total Assy CG Offset =  $\frac{W2*L2 + W3*L1}{WT}$  = 3'4" (L3)

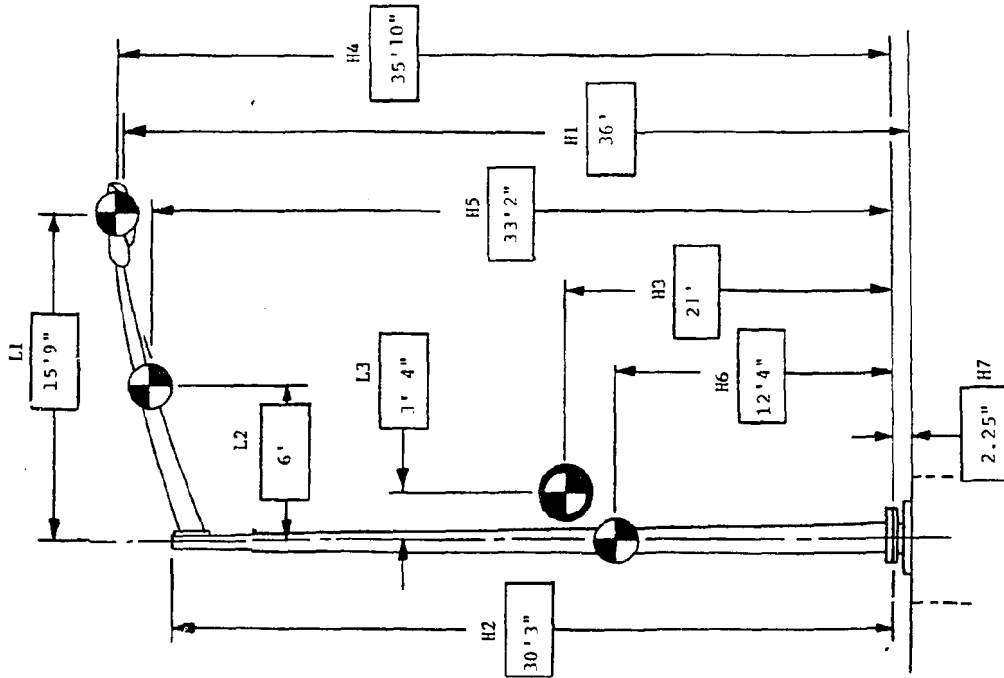


Figure 1. Mechanical Properties of Pole

#### 4.0 VEHICLE DESCRIPTION

The test vehicle was a 1980 Plymouth Champ. The weight of the vehicle prior to incorporating the instrumentation for the test was 1908 pounds. The test inertial weight for the vehicle was 1849 pounds and the gross static weight when the occupant was included in the vehicle was 2009 pounds. The longitudinal center of gravity of the vehicle without the occupant was located approximately 33 inches behind the centerline of the front axle. The weight and inertial data of the vehicle in its as delivered and instrumented configuration are given in table 4. Inertial data was measured using the IMD.

The vehicle was equipped with a triaxial accelerometer package mounted on the lateral centerline of the vehicle at the longitudinal location of the center of gravity. Two rate gyros were also installed to the same mounting block to measure roll and yaw rates. The vehicle was also equipped with a contact switch mounted on the left door to permit vehicle and occupant data to be measured relative to the time of impact. A second triaxial accelerometer package was attached to the floor board located in front of the front right hand seat. This data was collected using the FOIL data system. The test vehicle is shown in figure 2.



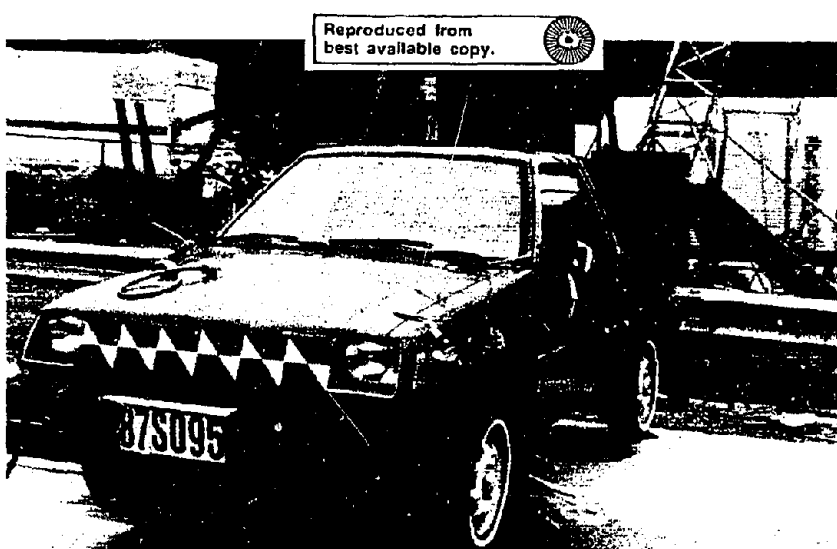


Figure 2. Pre-Test Photos of Vehicle

Table 4  
Cg and Inertial Data for Test Vehicle

Vehicle	1980 Plymouth Champ
Serial Number	JP3BE2424BU120574
Build Date	September 1979
Delivered Weight	1908 lbs
Delivered cg-x	33" behind front axle center line
Delivered cg-y	at vehicle centerline
Delivered cg-z	21.4" above ground
Delivered Roll Inertia	190 slug-ft <sup>2</sup>
Delivered Pitch Inertia	828 slug-ft <sup>2</sup>
Delivered Yaw Inertia	863 slug-ft <sup>2</sup>
As tested weight, inertial	1850 lbs
As tested weight, gross	2010 lbs
As tested cg-x	33" behind front axle centerline
As tested cg-y	at vehicle centerline
As tested cg-z	20.9"
As tested Roll Inertia	205 Slug-ft <sup>2</sup>
As tested Pitch Inertia	742 Slug-ft <sup>2</sup>
As tested Yaw Inertia	838 Slug-ft <sup>2</sup>

## 5.0 TEST INSTRUMENTATION

Film data of the test was taken as described in table 5. Transducer data was recorded as listed in table 6. The transducer data was collected in analog form on a Honeywell 5600C recorder at 60 ips. The multiplexed data and the 32 kHz control signal were recorded in direct mode with a bandpass of 300 Hz to 300 kHz. The multiplexed data was played back through SAE Class 1000 filters and each channel was digitized at 8,000 Hz as required by the contract. A digital data tape was created in accordance with the specifications defined by NHTSA. The test data was analyzed on a DEC 11/70 using the ENSCO general purpose highway research analysis programs. The 32 kHz control signal was initiated approximately 2.0 seconds prior to the vehicle impacting the luminaire support. This control signal was used to externally trigger the digitizing unit and automatically synchronize all data channels. The signal conditioning unit onboard the vehicle was a Series 300 FM data multiplexer manufactured by Metraplex Corporation. The instrumentation used to collect the transducer data during the test conformed with SAE Recommended Practice J211b. An additional lateral accelerometer located in front of the right front seat was recorded using the FOIL data system.

Table 5

## Description of Film Data Acquisition System

<u>Camera</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Speed Setting</u>	<u>Lens</u>
1	Redlake, Locam	Rt. Side	500 pps	16 mm
2	Redlake, Locam	Rt. Side	500 pps	100 mm
3	Redlake, Locam	Front Rt.	500 pps	16 mm
4	Redlake, Locam	Front Rt.	500 pps	100 mm
5	Redlake, Locam	Front Lt.	500 pps	16 mm
6	Redlake, Locam	Front Lt.	500 pps	100 mm
7	Redlake, Locam	Onboard	500 pps	5.7 mm
8	Redlake, Locam	Overhead	500 pps	10 mm
9	Bolex	Documen- tation	24 pps	Zoom

Table 6  
Transducer Data Description

Channel No.	Channel Description
1	Left Lower Rib Accel., LLRYG1
2	Left Lower Rib Accel., LLRYGA
3	Left upper Rib, Accel., LURYG1
4	Left Upper Rib, Accel., LURYGA
5	Upper Spine Accel., T01XG1
6	Upper Spine Accel., T01YG1
7	Upper Spine Accel., T01ZG1
8	Lower Spine Accel, T12XG
9	Lower Spine Accel, T12YG1
10	Lower Spine Accel, T12ZG1
11	USTXG1
12	LSTXG1
13	Head Accel, X
14	Head Accel, Y
15	Head Accel, Z
16	Pelvis Accel, X
17	Pelvis Accel, Y
18	Pelvis Accel, Z
19	Vehicle Accel., cg-x
20	Vehicle Accel., cg-y
21	Driver Door, Impact Marker
22	Vehicle c.g., Roll Rate
23	Vehicle c.g., Yaw Rate
24	Vehicle Accel., cg-z

## 6.0 TEST RESULTS

The impact conditions were 29.36 mph (13.1 m/s) at a point on the left door in line with the occupant 18 in (.46 m) behind the longitudinal location of the center of gravity of the vehicle measured without the dummy in the vehicle. The vehicle had a  $4.6^{\circ}$  roll angle as it leaned toward the test pole due to the side sliding forces acting on the tires. The maximum residual crush of the vehicle at the impact point was 10 inches (.25 m). Photographs of the vehicle and luminaire support after the collision event are shown in figure 3.

After the initial separation from the vehicle the luminaire support translated forward at a speed of 13.7 f/s (4.18 m/s) with a rotation rate of 1.59 rad/sec. The luminaire support rotated up and over the test vehicle with the top of the pole hitting the ground about 1.08 seconds after impact. Just prior to impact with the ground, the center portion of the pole landed on the left rear corner of the car. As the support rotated away, vehicle yawed counter clockwise and rolled to its left. The maximum roll angle was about  $5^{\circ}$  based on film observations. The vehicle then became stable and continued forward away from the impact area after yawing a total of about  $90^{\circ}$ . The vehicle did not pitch or roll very much but remained stable during this transition. The final resting position of the vehicle was about 70 feet downstream and 10' to the right of the impact point. The residual test vehicle crush measured using the 6 point NHTSA guide is given in table 7. See figure 4 for reference.

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Figure 3. Post-Test Photos of Vehicle

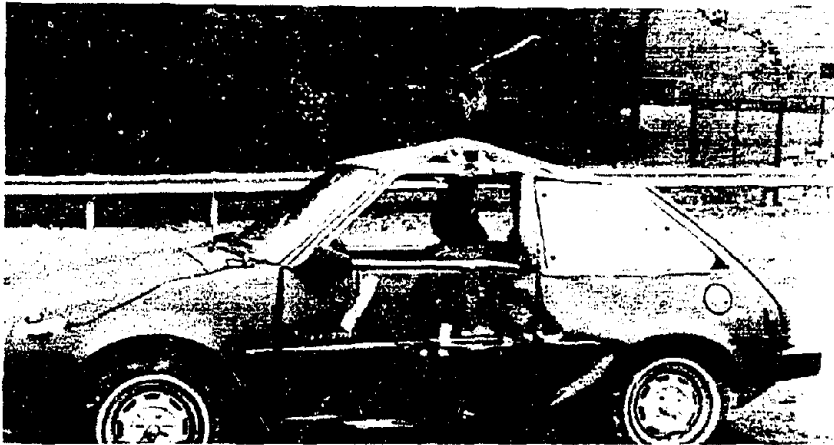
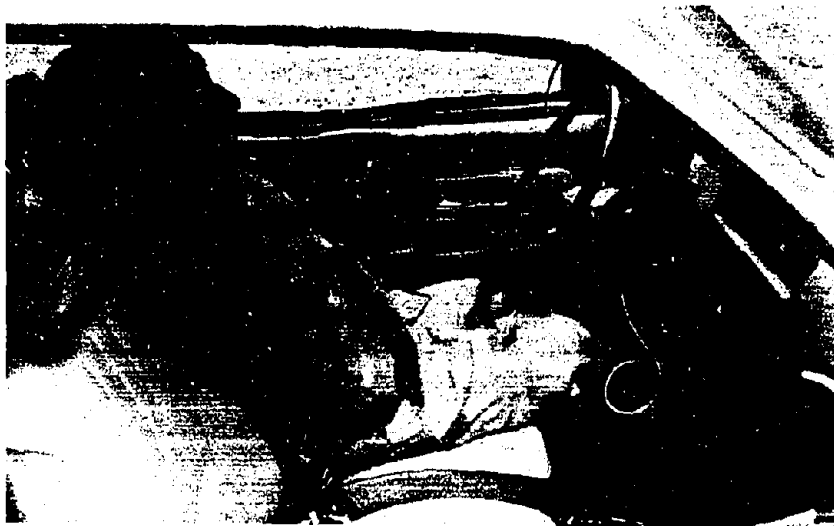


Figure 3 (Con't). Post-Test Photographs of Vehicle



Table 7  
Residual Vehicle Crush

C1	=	0.0"	L	=	77"
C2	=	1.0"	D	=	-22.5"
C3	=	3.0"			
C4	=	8.75"			
C5	=	3.5"			
C6	=	0.0			
Max	=	10"			

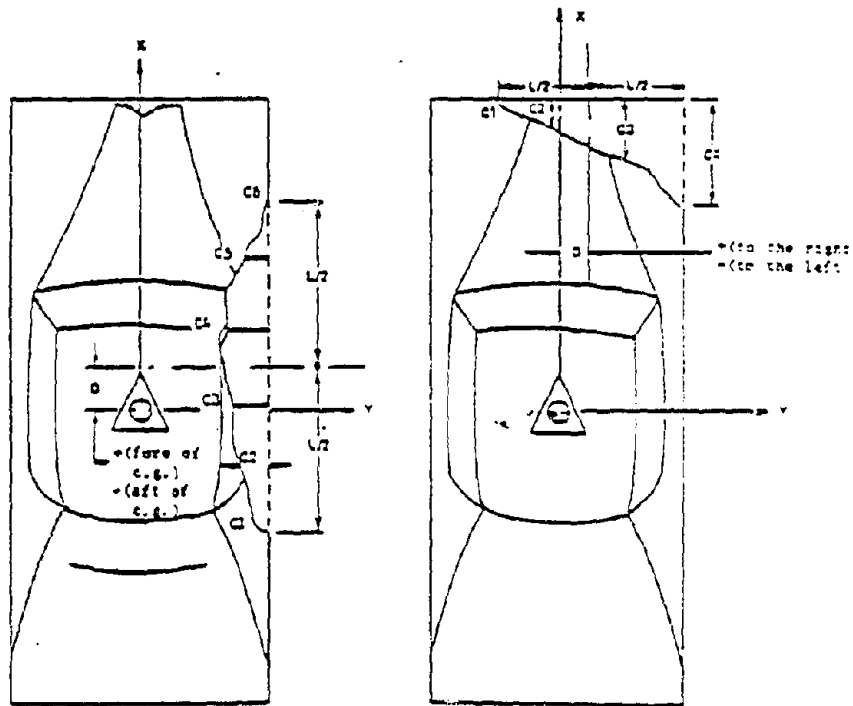


Figure 4. NHTSA Vehicle Damage Measurements

## 7.0 TEST ANALYSIS

Data from this test were evaluated using several techniques. The pre-impact speed was determined from the high speed film information. The signals from the accelerometers mounted at the center of gravity of the vehicle were debiased and filtered at SAE Class 60 and integrated to yield the change in the speed of the vehicle during the test in accordance with TRC 191. Those signals were also filtered at SAE Class 180 and processed to yield the associated occupant injury parameters in accordance with NCHRP 230.

The data from the triaxial accelerometer sensor assembly in the head of the test dummy was filtered at SAE Class 1000 and used to evaluate the HIC. The data obtained from the triaxial accelerometer sensor assemblies located in the upper spine of the occupant was filtered at SAE Class 180 and was used to evaluate severity indices and maximum sustained accelerations experienced by the occupant. The data obtained from the accelerometers located on the ribs of the occupant were filtered at SAE Class 180. In addition, thoracic injury parameters associated with side impact conditions were analyzed using NHTSA's latest technique to determine side impact occupant injury.

Due to a data cable problem, data channels 1 through 8 were lost during the test. This data included left rib data, upper spine data (T01) and the x component of the T12 data.

### 7.1 IMPACT VELOCITY ANALYSIS

The speed that the test vehicle impacted the luminaire support was determined from the high speed films and speed trap. Results from the speed analysis of the film data are contained in table 8.

Table 8  
 Test Vehicle Impact Speed Evaluation  
 Using High Speed film Analysis

<u>Camera</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Impact Speed (ft/sec)</u>	<u>Impact Speed (mph)</u>
1	Right Side	42.5	29.01
2	Right Side	<u>43.6</u>	<u>29.71</u>
	Average	43.1	29.36

A speed trap was installed to measure the speed of the vehicle as it left the end of the mono-rail. During this test the speed trap indicated a speed of 31.5 mph. Assuming a slide distance of 5.5 ft and a coefficient of .8, the scrub off energy is computed to be 9.6 kip ft. Subtracting this from the kinetic energy at the end of the rail and then computing the speed at the end of the slide zone produces an impact speed of 43.0 ft/sec. This is in agreement with the film data and this confirms the film measurements.

Based upon the results of this analysis, the speed of the vehicle upon impacting the support was 29.36 mph (13.1 m/sec).

## 7.2 ANALYSIS OF VEHICLE MOUNTED ACCELEROMETERS

The data collected from the accelerometers mounted to the vehicle were filtered at SAE Class 60 and 180 per TRC 191 and NCHRP 230 requirements, respectively. The acceleration traces obtained with the use of the SAE Class 60 ( $f_c = 100$  Hz) filtering technique are presented in figures A1 through A3. The acceleration traces obtained with the use of the SAE Class 180 ( $f_c = 300$  Hz) filtering technique are presented in figures A4 through A6. Figure A7 presents the impact marker channel. Figures A8 and A9 contain the yaw rate gyro data filtered at 100 Hz and 10 Hz (SAE Class 60 and 6). Figure A10 presents the yaw angle of this plot.

The resulting change in velocity and momentum change of the vehicle based upon integrating the lateral Class 60 acceleration signal in the fixed vehicle coordinate system was 8.89 ft/sec and 554 lb-sec, respectively. This does not account for the tire sliding forces since the accelerometer signal was debiased during the slide zone. The approximate change in velocity due to the sliding is 2.5 ft/sec. Thus the overall velocity change and momentum change of the vehicle due to the pole and tire sliding are 11.39 ft/sec and 706 lb-sec.

Analysis of the impact velocity of a hypothetical front seat passenger against the vehicle interior, calculated from the vehicle lateral Class 180 acceleration yielded the results shown in table 9. Using the standard one foot flail distance, a hypothetical front seat occupant would have impacted the interior of the vehicle in the lateral direction at an approximate impact velocity of 9.65 ft/sec (3.2 m/s) based upon data filtered at SAE Class 180. This lateral impact velocity is within the design limit of 20 ft/sec (6.10 m/s) specified for other forms of highway safety appurtenances in NCHRP 230. However, the actual impact velocity of the occupant with the interior of vehicle was approximately 43 ft/sec (13.1 m/s) since the occupant impacted the area where the luminaire support was deforming the interior of the vehicle compartment.

The highest ridedown acceleration after the hypothetical front seat passenger impacted the interior of the vehicle was -1.5 g's using a 10 ms average of the lateral acceleration data filtered at SAE Class 180. This ridedown deceleration is within the design limits of 15 g's specified in NCHRP 230.

The difference in the results for the hypothetical and anthropomorphic occupant are due to the fact that the passenger compartment conformed to the struck object in the lateral impact case and remains generally intact for the frontal impact situation.

Table 9

Change in Velocities and Ride Down  
Acceleration From Analysis of Class 180  
Data Using NCHRP 230 Technique

<u>Flail Distance</u>	<u>Change in Velocity (ft/sec)</u>	<u>Ride Down Acceleration (g's)</u>
1.0 ft	- 9.65	1.50
.54 ft	- 8.56	- 4.76

Based upon this analysis NCHRP 230 indicates that the accident was within design limits for the hypothetical occupant and outside the design limits for the anthropomorphic dummy.

7.3 LUMINAIRE TEST OBSERVABLES

The downstream speed and rotational rate of the luminaire support can be related to the third phase of the vehicle momentum change by the following:

$$\dot{x}_{cg} = \frac{1}{M_p} I_3$$

and

$$\dot{r} = \frac{D_I}{I_p} I_3$$

where

$\dot{x}_{cg}$  = Longitudinal velocity of the luminaire support c.g.,

$r$  = Rotational rate of luminaire support

$D_I$  = Impulse lever arm during Phase 3 =  
Pole ( $x_{cg}$ ) - 2.5 ft = 18.5 ft

$M_p$  = Mass of luminaire support = 12.9 slugs

$I_p$  = Mass moment of inertia of the luminaire support  
= 2069 slug ft<sup>2</sup>

and  $I_3$  = Momentum change occurring during Phase 3.

From the film data  $\dot{x}_{cg} = 13.68$  f/s (4.17 m/s) and  $\dot{r} = 1.59$  rad/sec. Using these two numbers the momentum change occurring during Phase 3 is given by

$$I_3 = M_p \dot{x}_{cg}$$

$$= 177 \text{ lb-sec (785 N-s)}$$

or

$$I_3 = r \frac{I_p}{D_I}$$

$$= 255 \text{ lb-sec (1132 N-s)}.$$

The average momentum change associated with the third phase of the vehicle momentum change is 216 lb-sec (959 N-s).

#### 7.4 HEAD INJURY CRITERIA EVALUATION

The data obtained from the three accelerometers located in the head of the occupant during the test were filtered at SAE Class 1000 and combined to yield a resultant acceleration occurring during the impact event. The HIC was evaluated in accordance with the procedures outlined in FMVSS 208. The acceleration traces and resultant obtained with the use of the SAE Class 1000 ( $f_c = 1,650$  Hz) filtering techniques are presented in figures A11 through A14. The results of the HIC evaluation calculated for the occupant during this test is shown in table 10. Comparing the results to the acceptable limit of 1000 indicates that the collision event was severe with the measured value exceeding the limit by almost 2 times.

Table 10  
Head Injury Criteria

	<u>Driver</u>
HIC	1593
t(Start)	.026 sec
t(Stop)	.0294 sec
t(Duration)	.00288 sec

## 7.5 OCCUPANT SEVERITY INDEX EVALUATION

The data obtained from the triaxial accelerometer packages located in the upper spine (T01), all left ribs and the x component of the lower spine (T12) were lost. The remainder of the channels of the occupant were filtered at SAE Class 180. The pelvis data was combined to yield a resultant acceleration occurring during the impact event. The severity index for the upper spine location was evaluated in accordance with SAE Information Report J885a. In addition, the maximum resultant acceleration whose cumulative duration is not less than 3 milliseconds was evaluated for the same location in accordance with FMVSS 208. The lower spine was selected to evaluate chest parameters since it was the closest data to the location of standard chest accelerometers. The CSI was 1334 and the maximum acceleration was 158 g's at 24.7 milliseconds. These results should not be compared directly with the design limits for the severity index of 1000 and sustained acceleration level of 60g specified in FMVSS 208 since none of the accelerometers are located at the center of gravity of the upper thorax location. These resultants are presented for relative comparison purposes only. The CSI and max acceleration in data for the pelvis was 244 and 70.5 g's.

The acceleration traces and associated resultants obtained with the use of the SAE Class 180 ( $f_c = 300$  Hz) filtering techniques are presented in figures A15 through A17 for the lower spine location, figures A18 through A21 for the lower spine location and figures A22 through A23 for the sternum location.

## 7.6 THORACIC INJURY EVALUATION

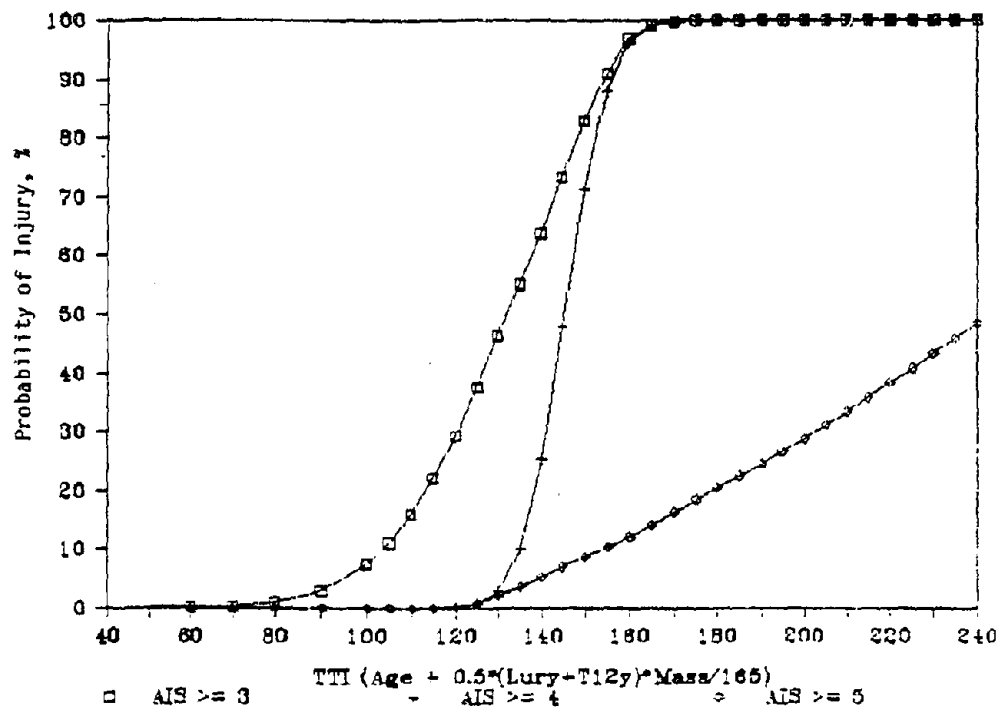
The data obtained from the accelerometer mounted at the T12Y location within the thorax of the occupant was filtered using NHTSA FIR filter and presented in figure A24.

The lower spine lateral acceleration data was used to obtain the input to the thoracic injury model. The Thoracic Trauma Index (TTI) was computed using the following relationship:

$$TTI = Age + T12Y (Mass/165)$$

The T12Y data was taken from figure A24. The peak value of T12Y is 151 g's. Thus the TTI index is 151 plus occupant age. This value produces a 87% probability of injury of an AIS greater than 3, 77% probability of injury of an AIS greater than 4 and a 8% probability of injury of an AIS greater than 5 for age 0. See figure 5 for TTI values.





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Figure 5. Thoracic Trauma Index Scale

## 8.0 SAFETY ASSESSMENT OF TEST

This section of the report assesses the safety performance of the luminaire and vehicle during the impact. The assessment is made in accordance with NCHRP 230 shown in figure 6.

### STRUCTURAL ADEQUACY

The test pole readily activated in the predicted manner. There was, however, severe penetration of the passenger compartment due to the nature of the test. No undue hazard was generated to other traffic.

### OCCUPANT RISK

Occupant risk is rated very high to fatal. This was due to the impact location of the pole and intrusion of the pole into the passenger compartment. HIC, CSI and max chest accelerations exceeded the limits considerably, with HIC almost twice the limit. The thoracic injury also indicated a very severe accident rating with a high probabilities of an AIS greater than 3 or 4 and a small chance of an AIS greater than 5.

The NCHRP 230 flail space model data was evaluated and found to be less than the limit and design values. The flail space model was designed to predict injury in cases where no intrusion occurs. Since severe intrusion occurred at the driver's seat, the NCHRP 230 flail space data is not very meaningful to predict injury

### VEHICLE TRAJECTORY

Vehicle trajectory after the test was acceptable, with very little, if any, encroachment of the adjacent traffic lanes.

OVERALL RATING

This pole/vehicle combination with the discussed impact conditions would have to be rated unacceptable due to the intrusion and very high occupant injury measurements.

## 9.0 REFERENCES

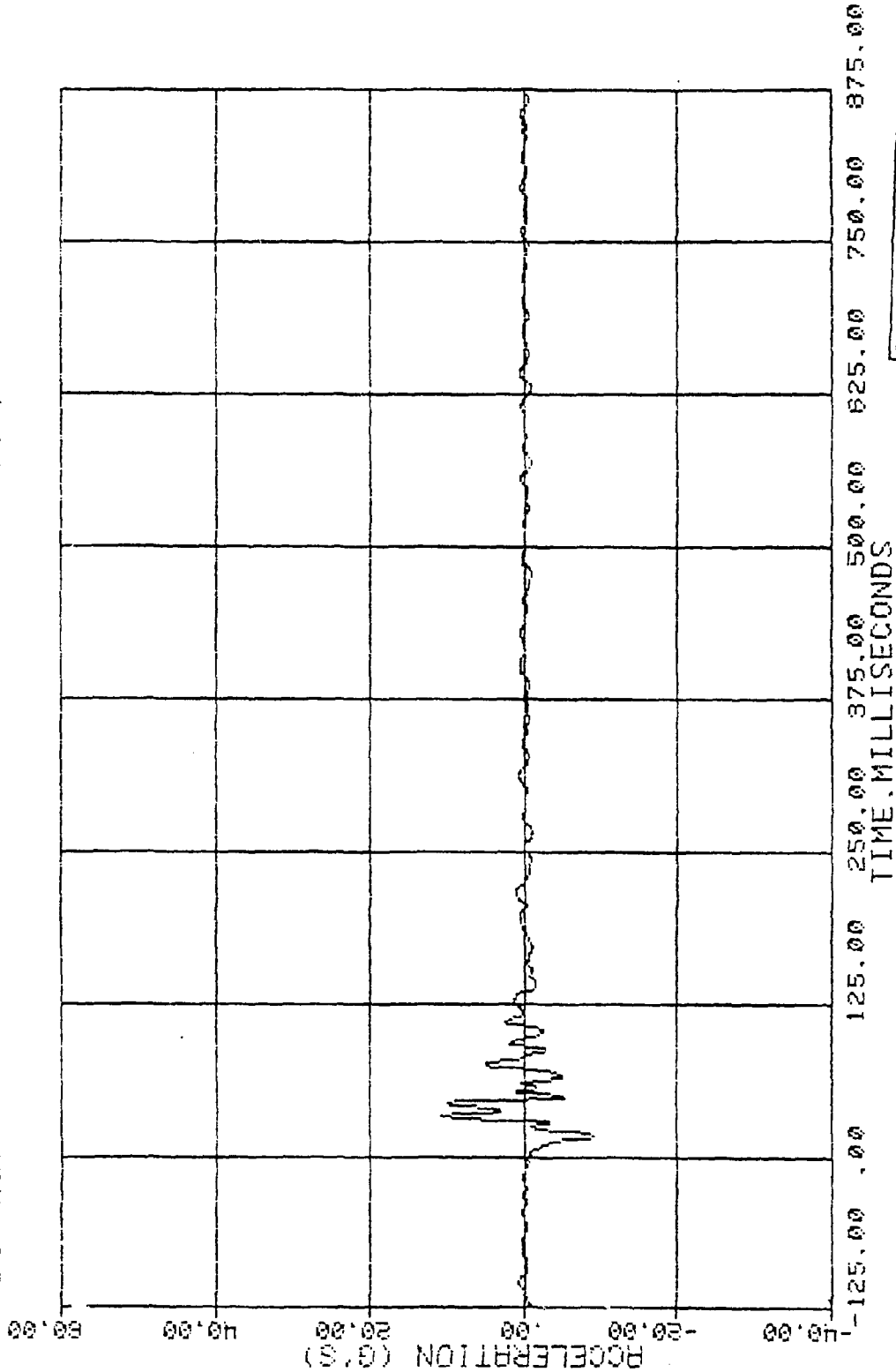
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Evaluation Factors	Evaluation Criteria	Applicable to Minimum Matrix Test Conditions (see Table 3)
Structural Adequacy	A. Test article shall smoothly redirect the vehicle; the vehicle shall not penetrate or go over the installation although controlled lateral deflection of the test article is acceptable.	10, 11, 12, 30, 40
	B. The test article shall readily activate in a predictable manner by breaking away or yielding.	60, 61, 62, 63
	C. Acceptable test article performance may be by redirection, controlled penetration, or controlled stopping of the vehicle	41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54
	D. Detached elements, fragments or other debris from the test article shall not penetrate or show potential for penetrating the passenger compartment or present undue hazard to other traffic.	All
Occupant Risk	E. The vehicle shall remain upright during and after collision although moderate roll, pitching and yawing are acceptable. Integrity of the passenger compartment must be maintained with essentially no deformation or intrusion.	All
	<p>F. Impact velocity of hypothetical front seat passenger against vehicle interior, calculated from vehicle accelerations and 24 in. (0.61m) forward and 12 in. (0.30m) lateral displacements, shall be less than:</p> $\frac{\text{Occupant Impact Velocity-fps}}{\begin{matrix} \text{Longitudinal} \\ 40/F_1 \end{matrix}} \quad \frac{\text{Lateral}}{30/F_2}$ <p>and vehicle highest 10 ms average accelerations subsequent to instant of hypothetical passenger impact should be less than:</p> $\frac{\text{Occupant Ridedown Accelerations—g's}}{\begin{matrix} \text{Longitudinal} \\ 20/F_3 \end{matrix}} \quad \frac{\text{Lateral}}{20/F_4}$ <p>where <math>F_1</math>, <math>F_2</math>, <math>F_3</math>, and <math>F_4</math> are appropriate acceptance factors (see Table 8, Chapter 4 for suggested values).</p>	11, 12, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 50, 51, 52, 54, 60, 61, 62, 63
	G. (Supplementary) Anthropometric dummy responses should be less than those specified by FMVSS 208, i.e., resultant chest acceleration of 60g, Head Injury Criteria of 1000, and femur force of 2250 lb (10 kN) and by FMVSS 214, i.e., resultant chest acceleration of 60 g, Head Injury Criteria of 1000 and occupant lateral impact velocity of 30 fps (9.1 m/s).	11, 12, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 50, 51, 52, 54, 60, 61, 62, 63
Vehicle Trajectory	H. After collision, the vehicle trajectory and final stopping position shall intrude a minimum distance, if at all, into adjacent traffic lanes.	All
	I. In test where the vehicle is judged to be redirected into or stopped while in adjacent traffic lanes, vehicle speed change during test article collision should be less than 15 mph and the exit angle from the test article should be less than 60 percent of test impact angle, both measured at time of vehicle loss of contact with test device.	10, 11, 12, 30, 40, 42, 44, 53
	J. Vehicle trajectory behind the test article is acceptable.	41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 50, 51, 53, 54, 60, 61, 62, 63

Figure 6. NCHRP 230 Safety Evaluation Guidelines

APPENDIX A  
DATA PLOTS

ENSO, INC.      CONTRACT NUMBER    CTFH61-86-Z-00017      TEST NUM 1785-ST-1-87  
 3/4 BROADSIDE IMPACT OF 80 PLYMOUTH CHAMP INTO LUMINAIRE SUPPORT  
 CHANNEL 13      VEHICLE C.O. ACCELERATION, X-AXIS  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ.    100      PEAKS    -0.30 ,    10.95



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Figure A1. Vehicle Acceleration, X-Axis, 100 Hz

ENSCO, INC.      CONTRACT NUMBER    DTFH61-86-Z-00047      TEST NUM 1795-81-1-87  
 30 MI/H BRADSIDE IMPACT OF 80 PLYMOUTH CHAMP INTO LUMINAIRE SUPPORT  
 CHANNEL 2N      VEHICLE G.O. ACCELERATION, Y-AXIS      PEAKS    -13.88 ,    14.50  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ.    100

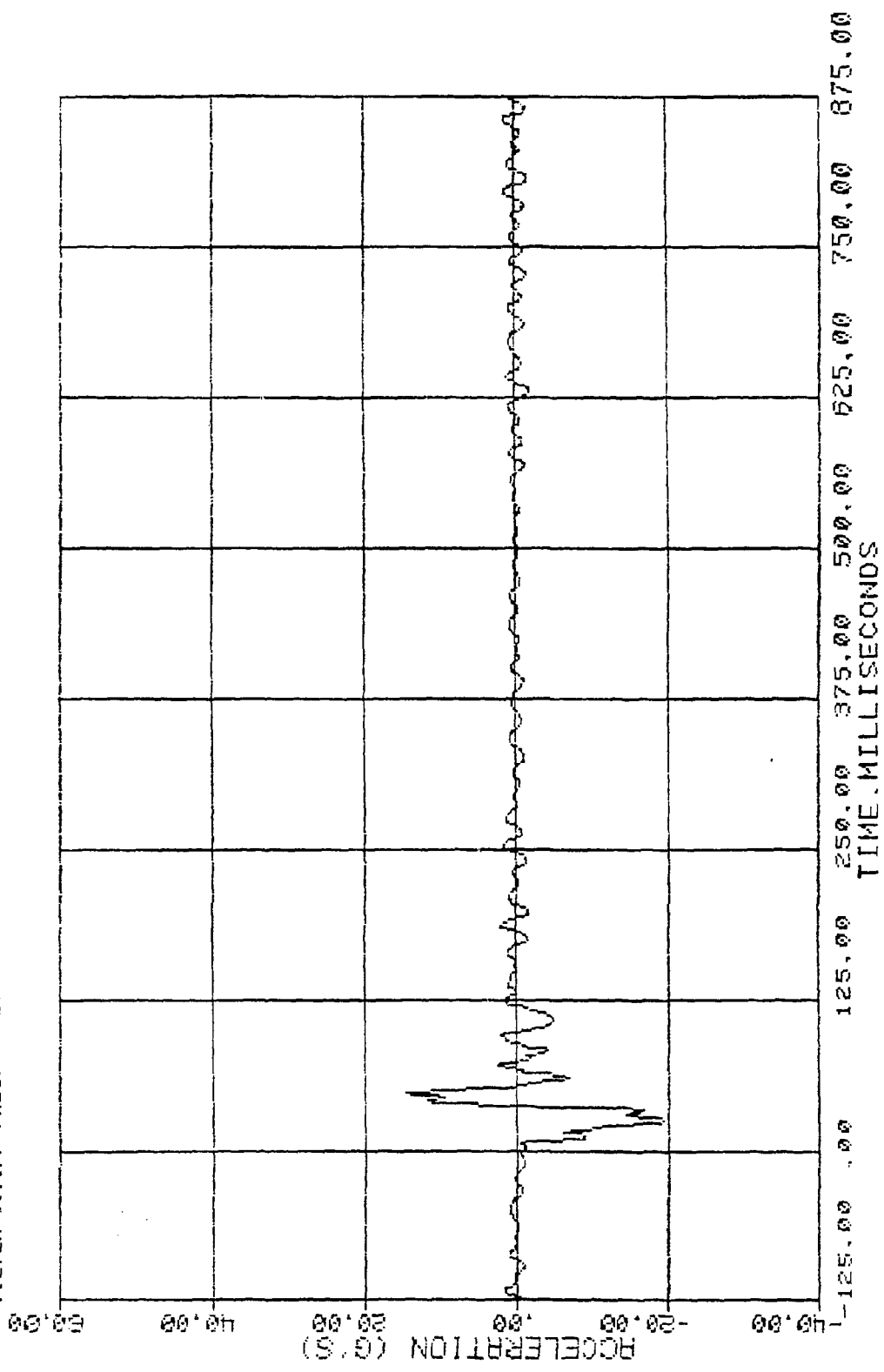


Figure A2. Vehicle Acceleration, Y-Axis, 100 Hz



ENSO, INC. CONTRACT NUMBER NTFHS1-86-Z-00047 TEST NUM 1785-SJ-1-87  
 38 MI/H BROWNSIDE IMPACT OF 80 FT. MOUTH CHAMP INTO LUMINAIRE SUPPORT  
 CHANNEL 24 VEHICLE C.O. ACCELERATION, Z-AXIS  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ. 100 PEAKS -14.01, 12.43

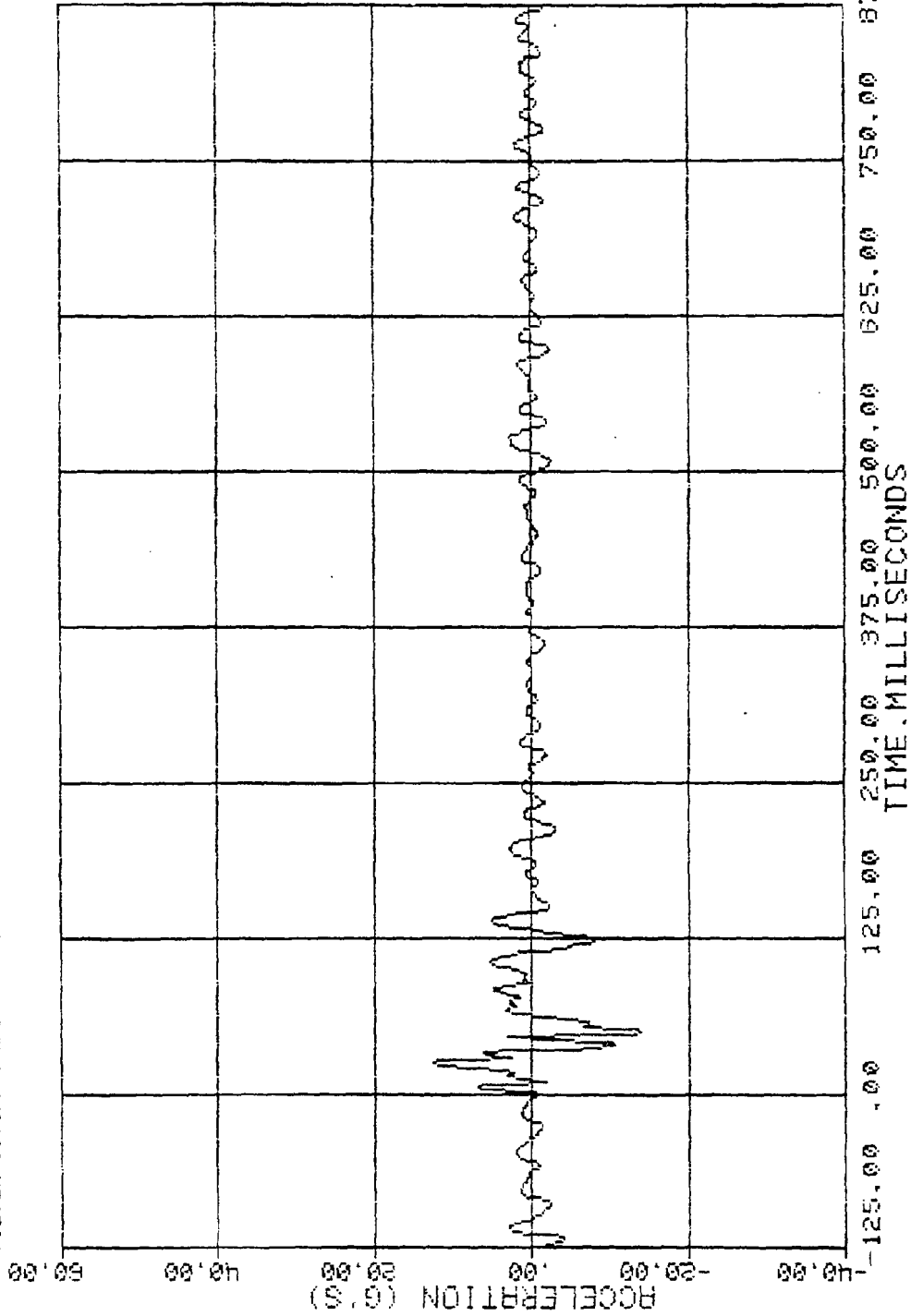


Figure A3. Vehicle Acceleration, Z-Axis, 100 Hz

ENSO, INC.      CONTRACT NUMBER    DTFH61-86-Z-00047      TEST NUM 1785-SI-1-87  
 3M HIGH SPEEDSIDE IMPACT OF 80 PLYMOUTH CHAMP INTO LUMINAIRE SUPPORT  
 CHANNEL 13      VEHICLE C.O. ACCELERATION, X-AXIS  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ.    300      PEAKS    -15.64 ,    23.73

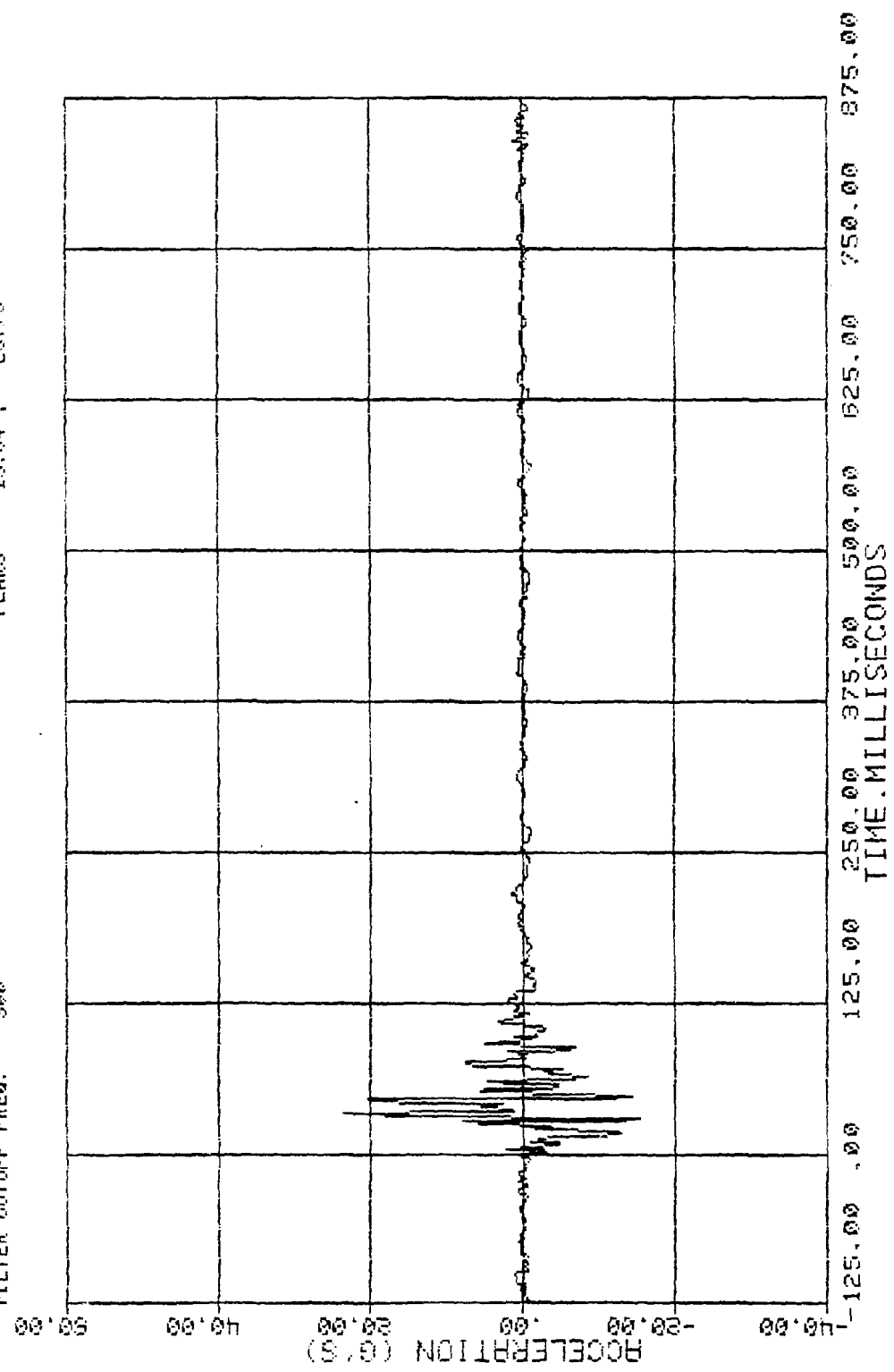


Figure A4. Vehicle Acceleration, X-Axis, 300 Hz

EUSCO, INC. CONTRACT NUMBER D1H461-86-Z-00047 TEST NUM 1785-SI-1-07  
 30 MI/H BROADSIDE IMPACT OF 80 PLYMOUTH CHAMP INTO LUMINAIRE SUPPORT  
 CHANNEL 20 VEHICLE C.O.G. ACCELERATION, Y-AXIS  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ. 300 PEAKS -33.46 , 30.19

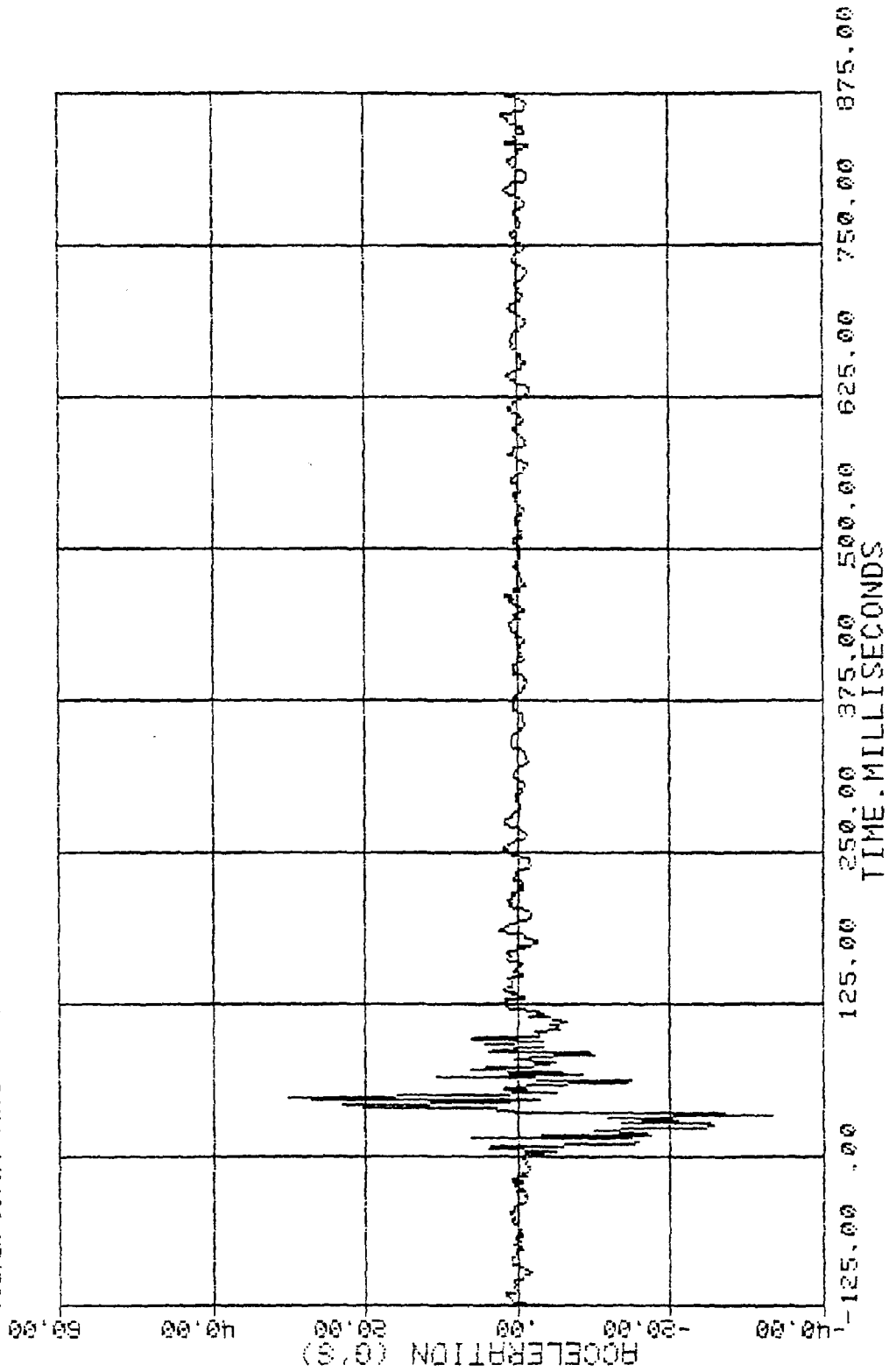


Figure A5. Vehicle Acceleration, Y-Axis, 300 Hz

ENSCO, INC. CONTRACT NUMBER DTFH61-86-Z-00047 TEST NUM 1785-SI-1-87  
 37 MI/H BROADSIDE IMPACT OF 80 PLYMOUTH CRMP INTO LUMINAIRE SUPPORT  
 CHANNEL 24 VEHICLE 0.0 ACCELERATION, Z-AXIS PEAKS -23.19 , 26.73  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ. 300

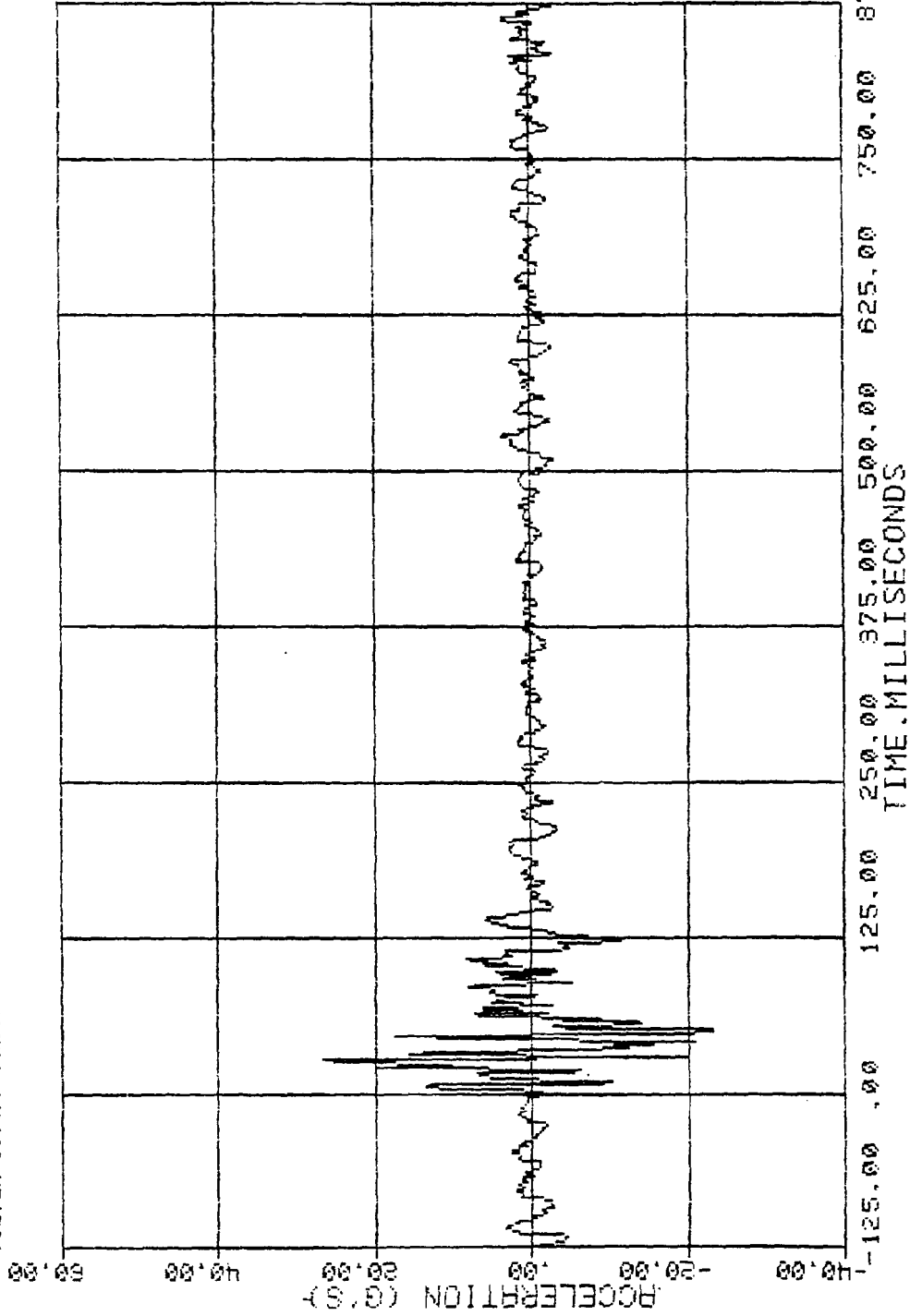


Figure A6. Vehicle Acceleration, Z-Axis, 300 Hz

ENSCO, INC. CONTRACT NUMBER DTFH61-86-2-00017 TEST NUM 785-SI-1-87  
 30 MI/H BROADSIDE IMPACT OF 80 PLYWOOD CHAMP INTO LUMINAIRE SUPPORT  
 CHANNEL 21 IMPACT PEAKS -0.46 6.53  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ. 1650

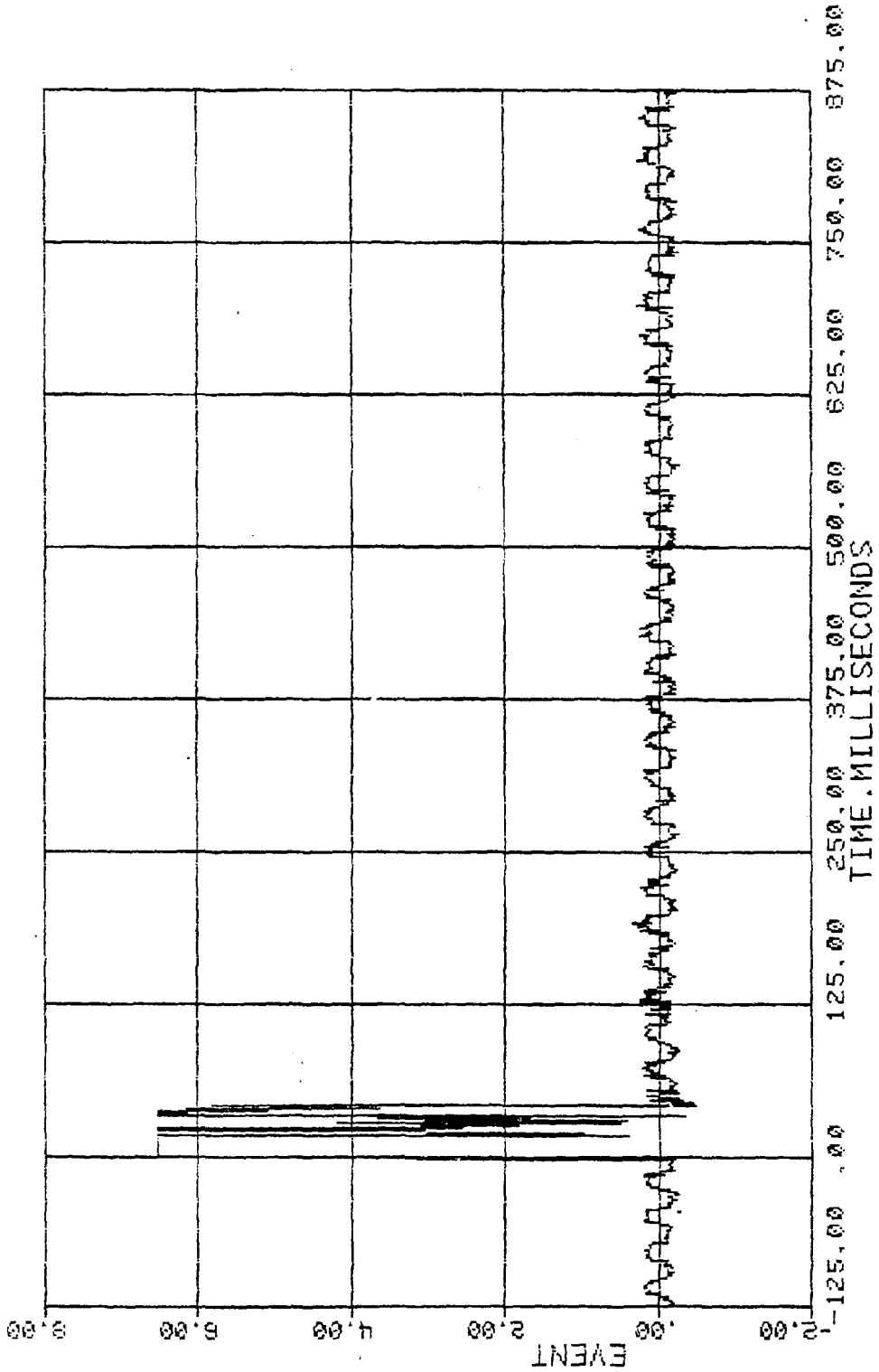


Figure A7. Event Marker, Impact

ENSO, INC.      CONTRACT NUMBER    DTFA81-86-Z-00047      TEST NUM1785-SI-1-87  
 36 MI/H GROUDBSIDE IMPACT OF 80 PLYMOUTH CHAMP INTO LUMINAIRE SUPPORT  
 CHANNEL 23      VEHICLE YAW RATE  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ.    100      PEAKS    -106.51 ,    247.40

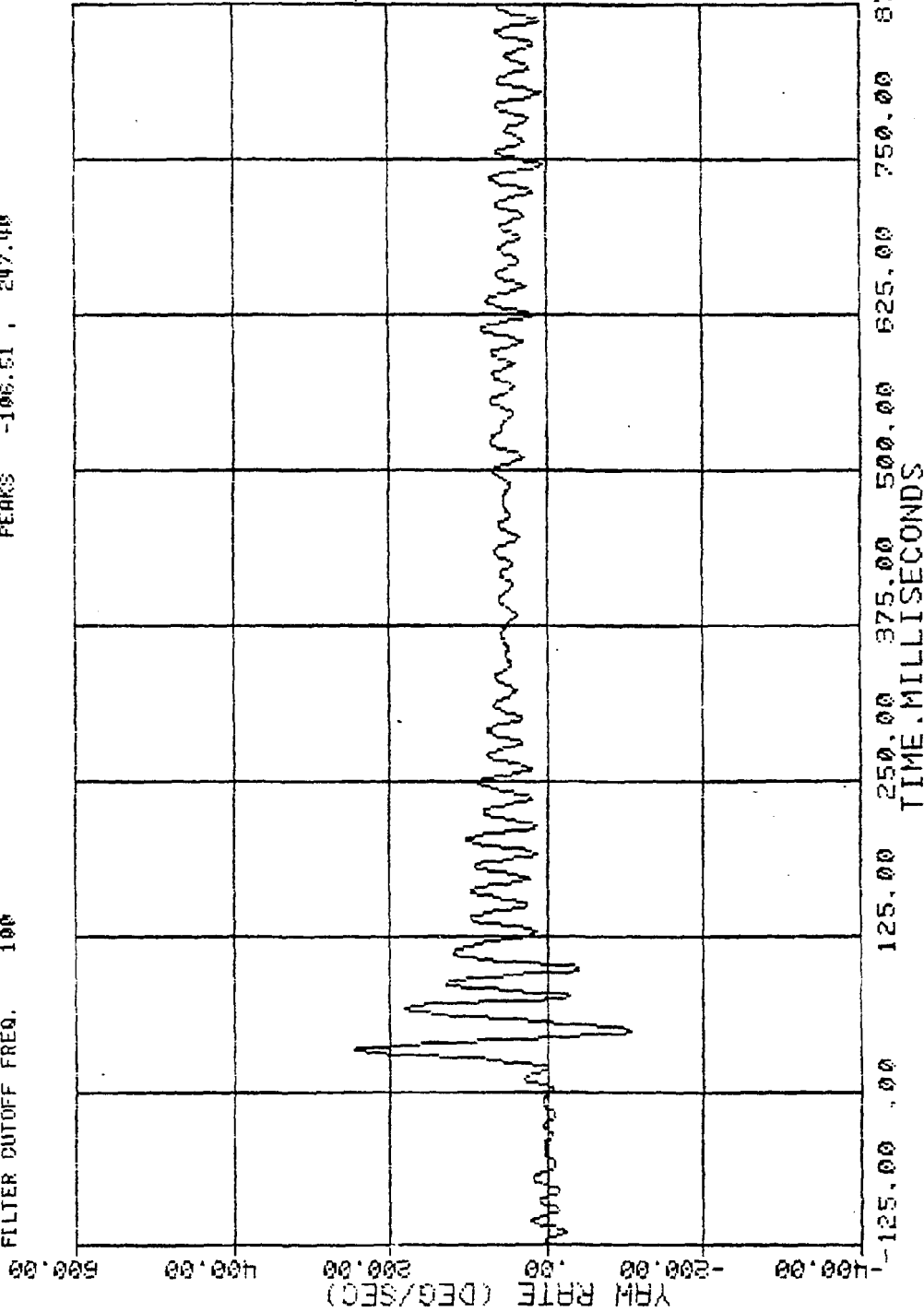


Figure A8. Vehicle Yaw Rate, 100 Hz

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 3P MI/H BROADSIDE IMPACT OF 80 PLYMOUTH CHAMP INTO LUMINAIRE SUPPORT  
 CHANNEL 23 VEHICLE YAW RATE  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ. 10 PEAKS -2.38 , 60.61

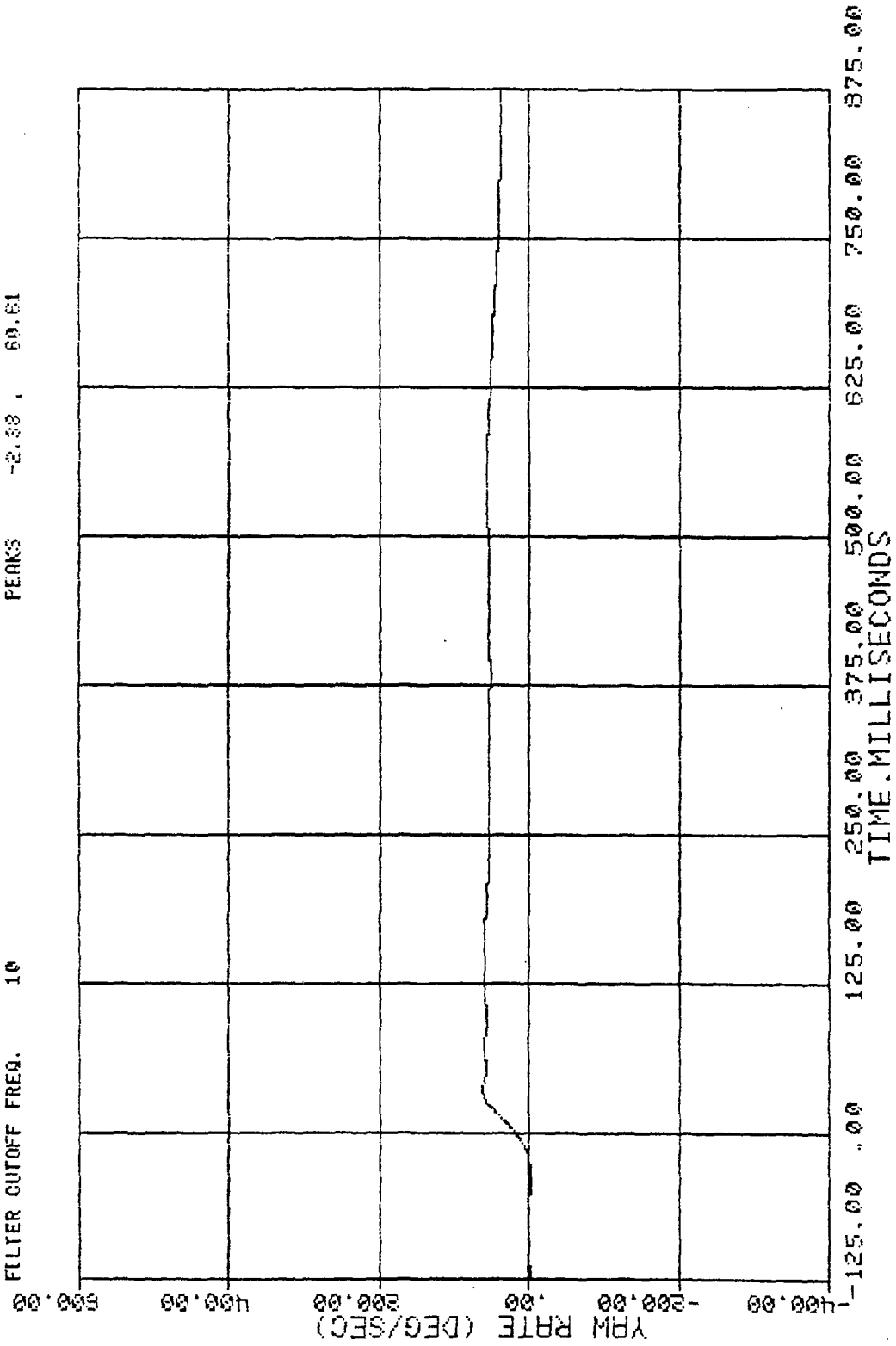


Figure A9. Vehicle Yaw Rate, 10 Hz

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 CHANNEL 23 VEHICLE YAW  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ. 10 PEAKS -0.00, 43.34

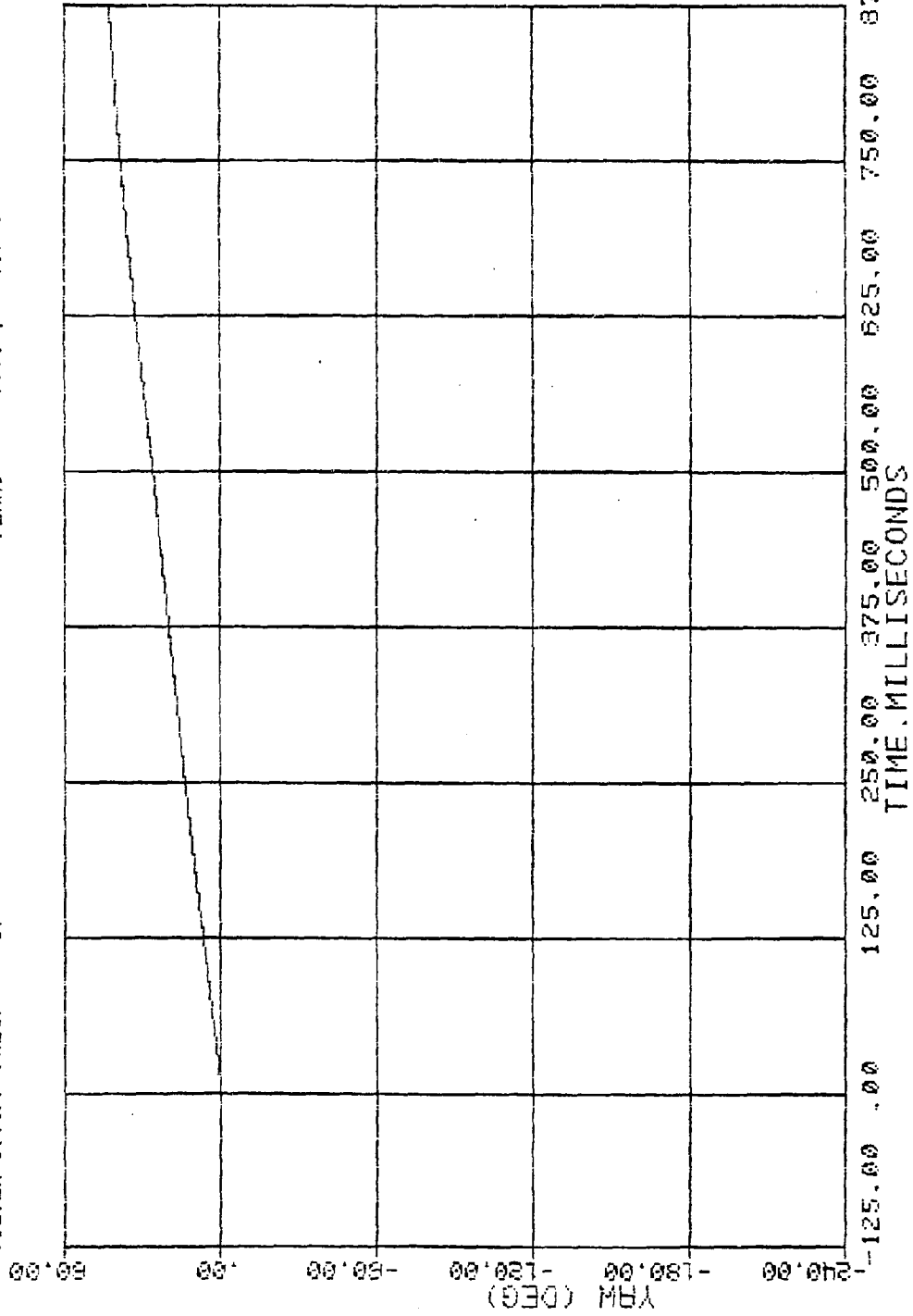


Figure A10. Vehicle Yaw, 10 Hz



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 30 MPH BROADSIDE IMPACT OF 80 PLYMOUTH CHAMP INTO LUMINAIRE SUPPORT  
 CHANNEL 13      DRIVER HEAD ACCELERATION, X-AXIS  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ. 1650      PEAKS    -121.10 ,    28.79

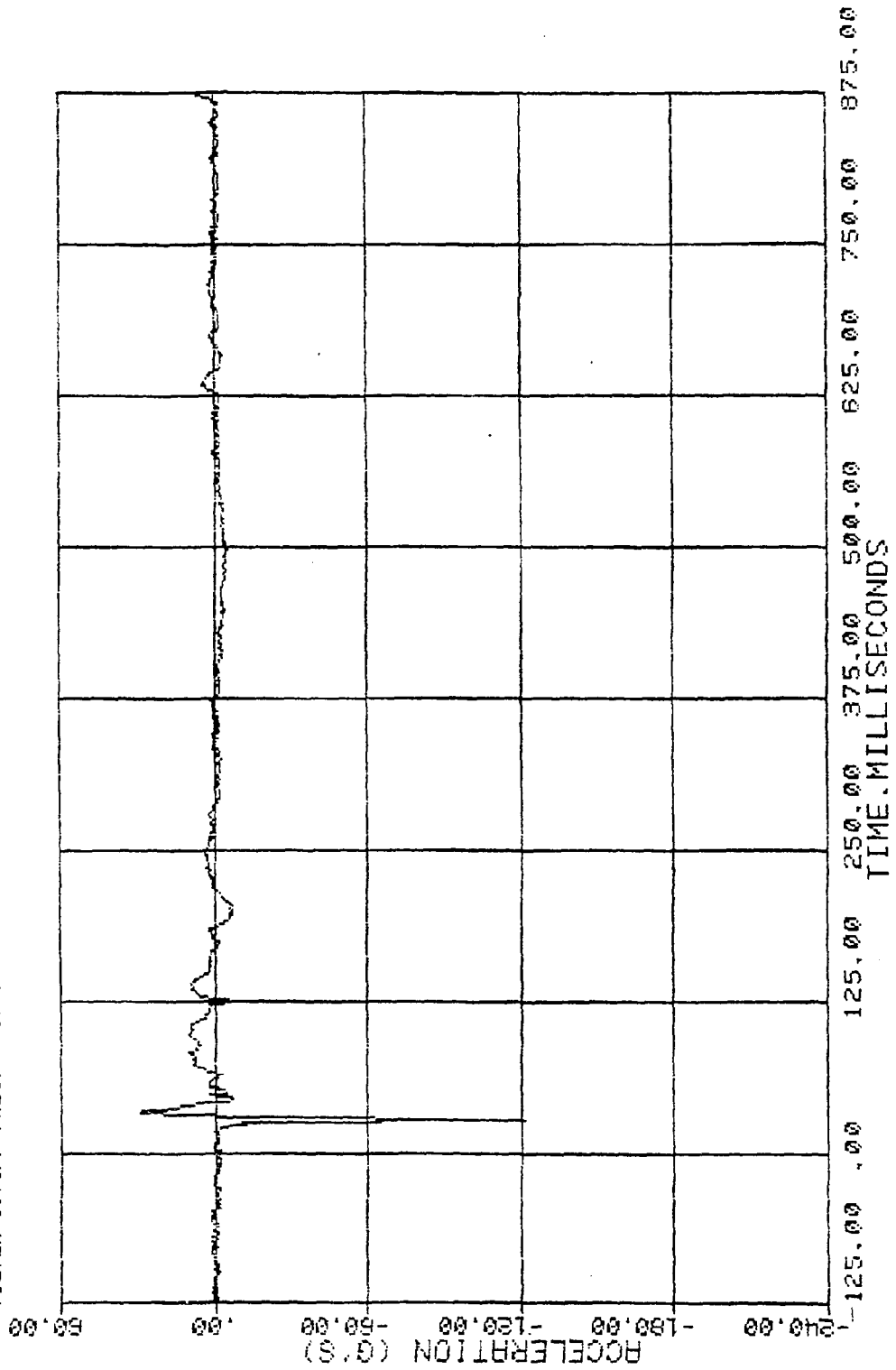


Figure A11. Driver's Head Acceleration, X-Axis, 1650 Hz.

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 CHANNEL 14 DRIVER HEAD ACCELERATION, Y-AXIS  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ. 1650 PEAKS -197.38 , 38.25

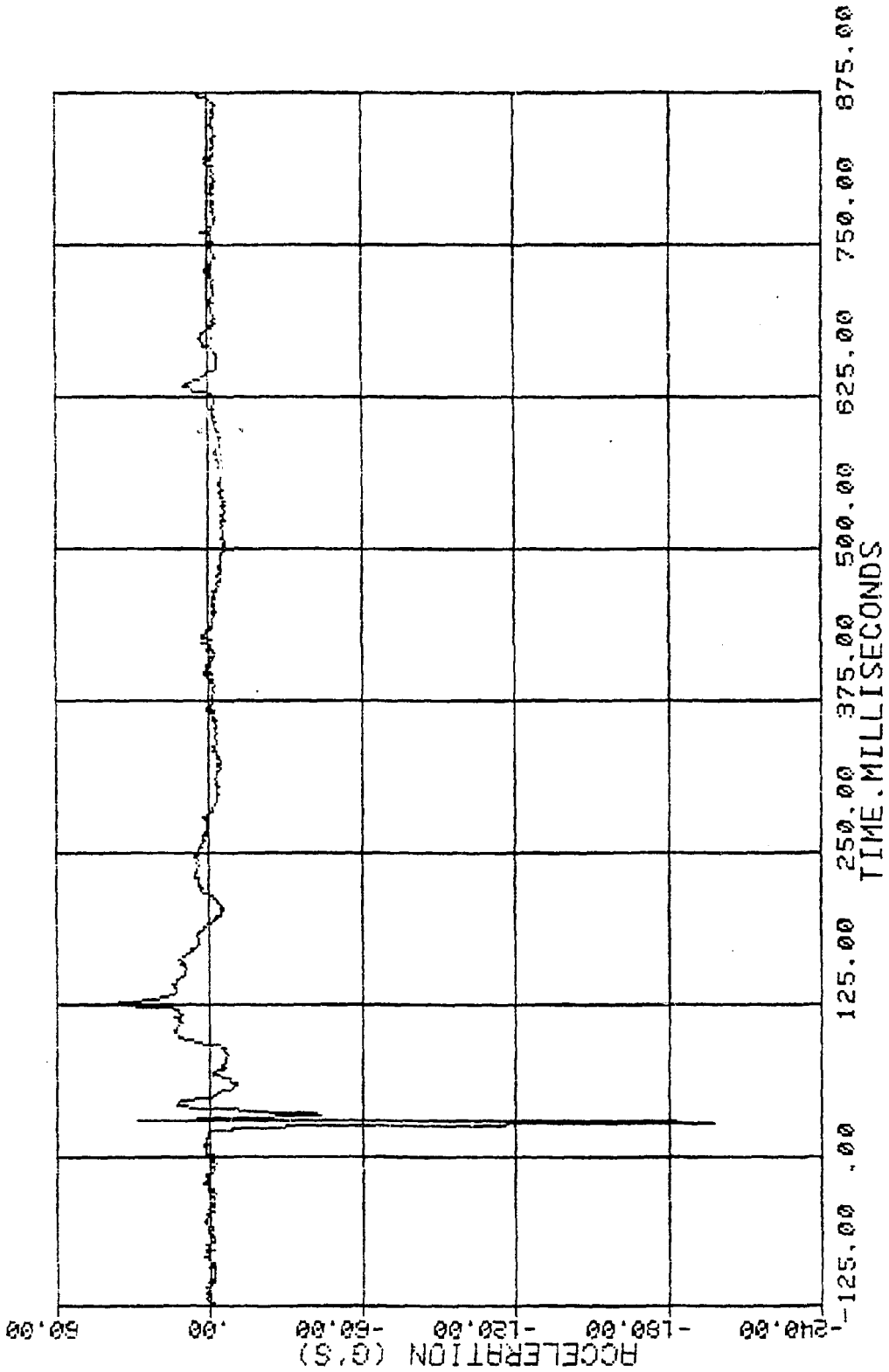


Figure A12. Driver's Head Acceleration, Y-Axis 1650 Hz

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 CHANNEL 15      DRIVER HEAD ACCELERATION, Z-AXIS  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ. 1650      PEAKS    -53.48 ,    51.98

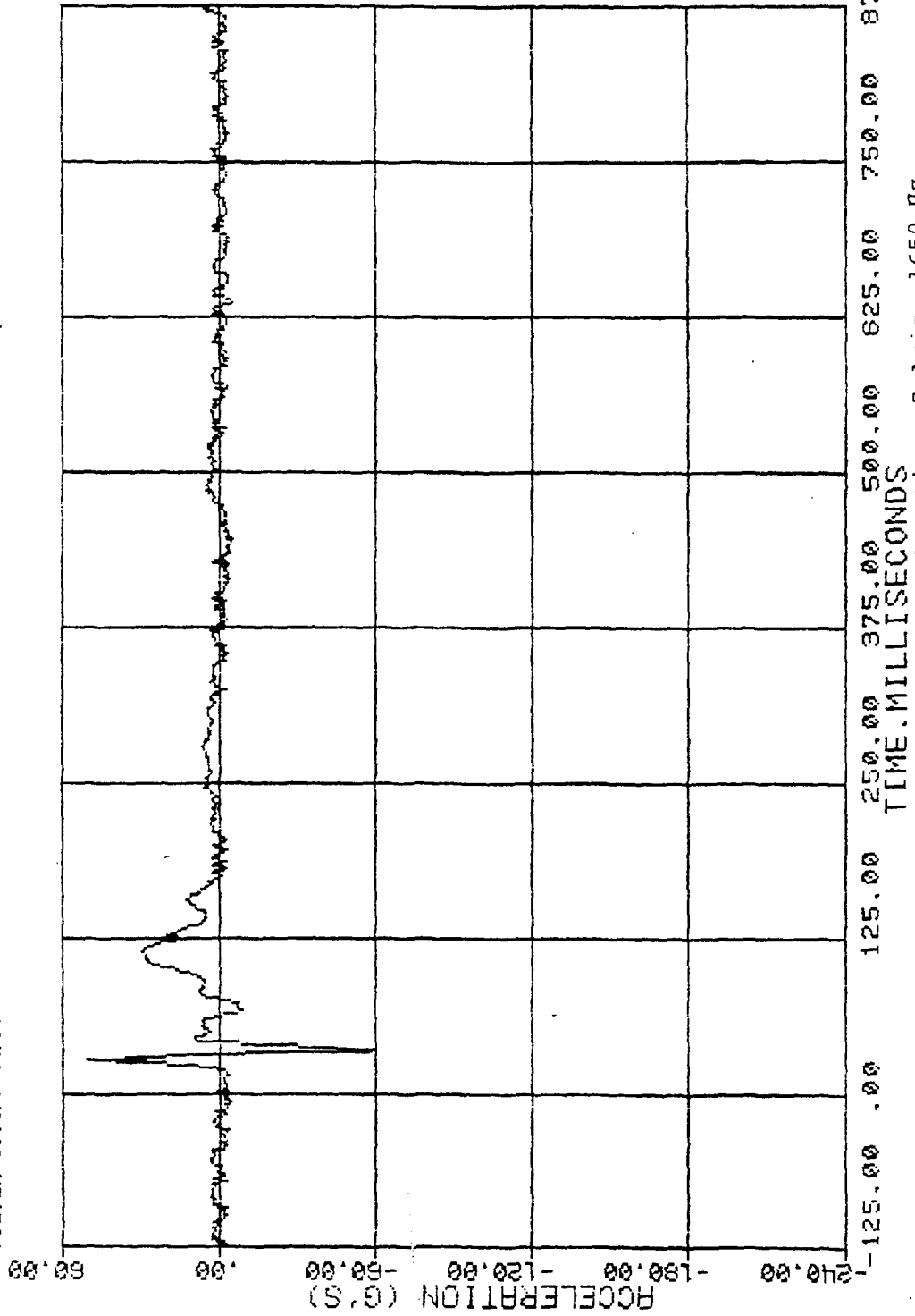


Figure A13. Driver's Head Acceleration, Z-Axis, 1650 Hz

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 CHANNEL 0      DRIVER HEAD ACCELERATION, RESULTANT  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ.    1650      PEAKS      0.82      232.40

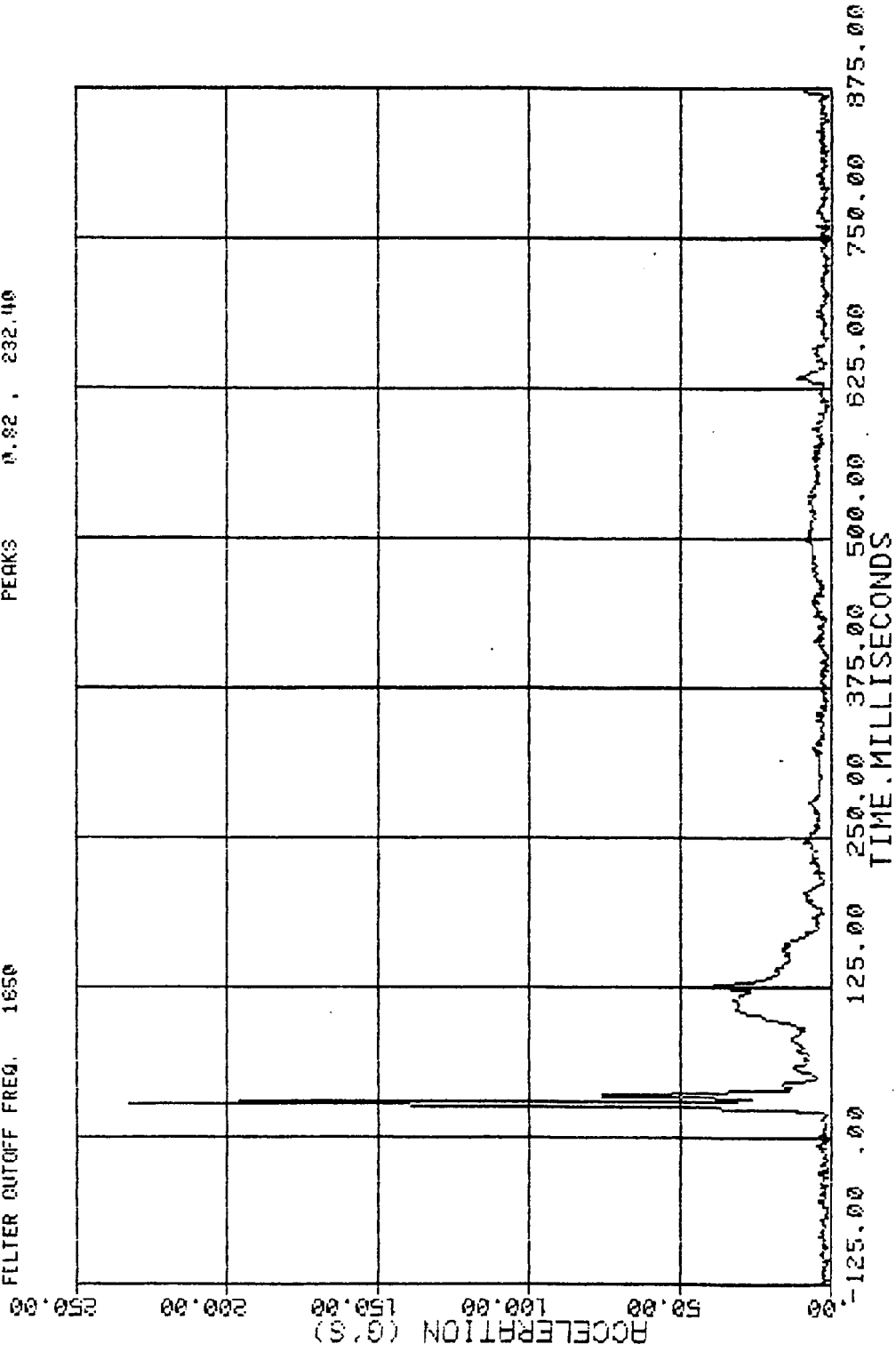


Figure A14. Driver's Head Acceleration, Resultant, 1650 Hz

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 CHANNEL 9      DRIVER THORAX, T12Y  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ.    300      PEAKS    -150.77 ,    38.80

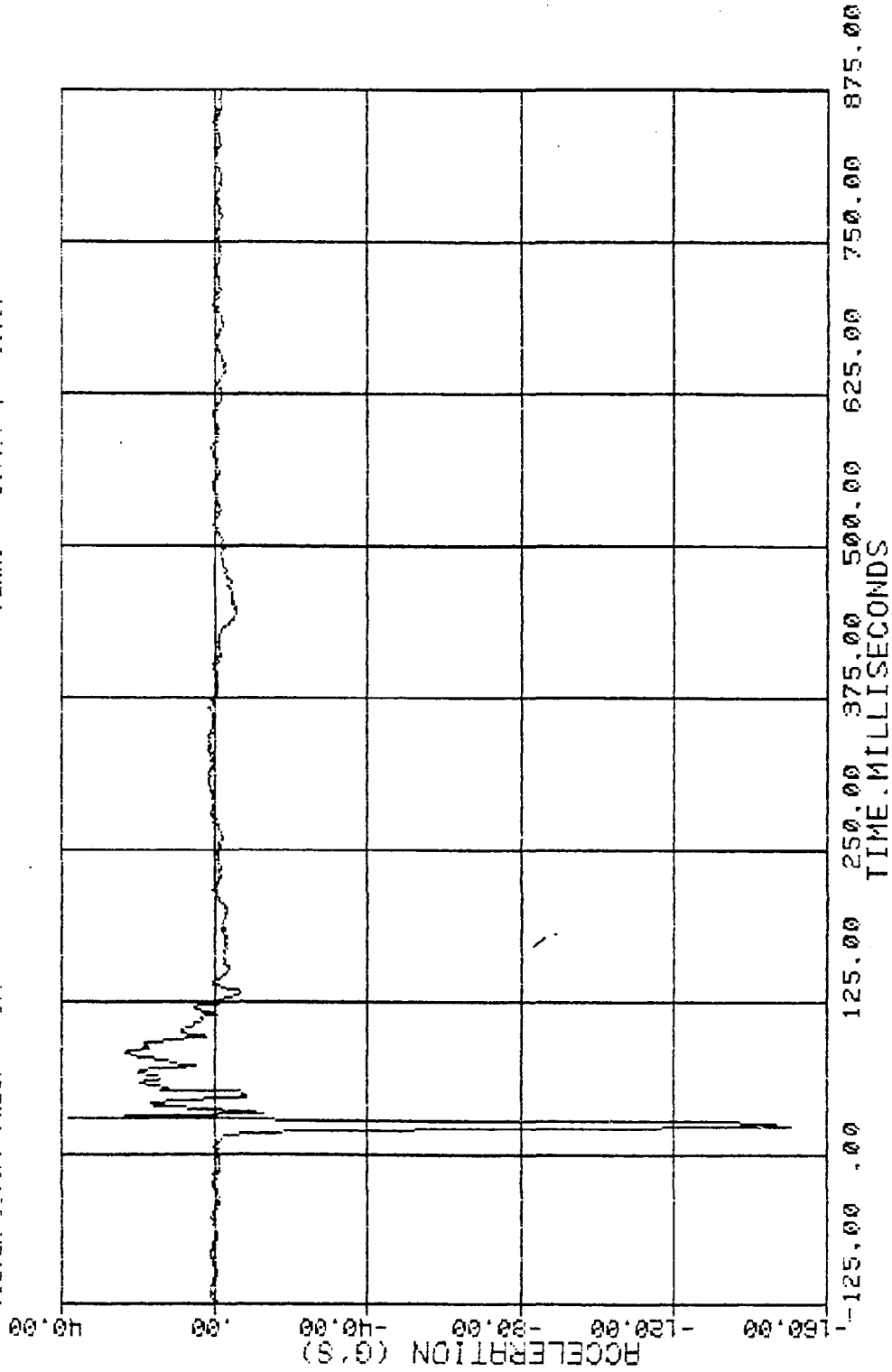


Figure A15. Driver's Lower Spine Acceleration, T12Y, 300 Hz

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 CHANNEL 18      DRIVER THROCK, T12Z  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ.    300      PEAKS    -85.74 ,    15.58

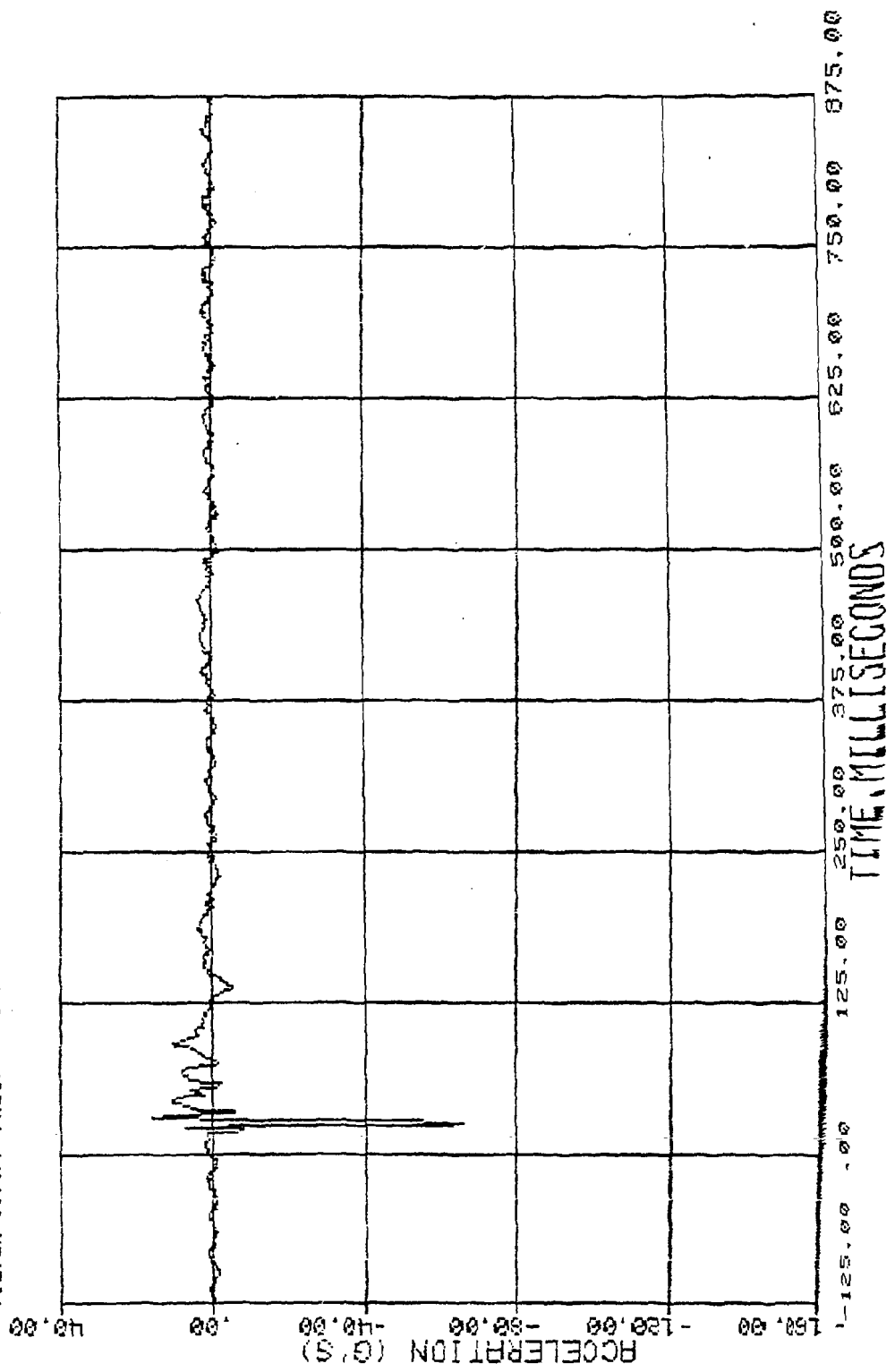


Figure A16. Driver's Lower Spine Acceleration, T12Z, 300 Hz

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 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ.    300      PEAKS      0.23 ,    158.00

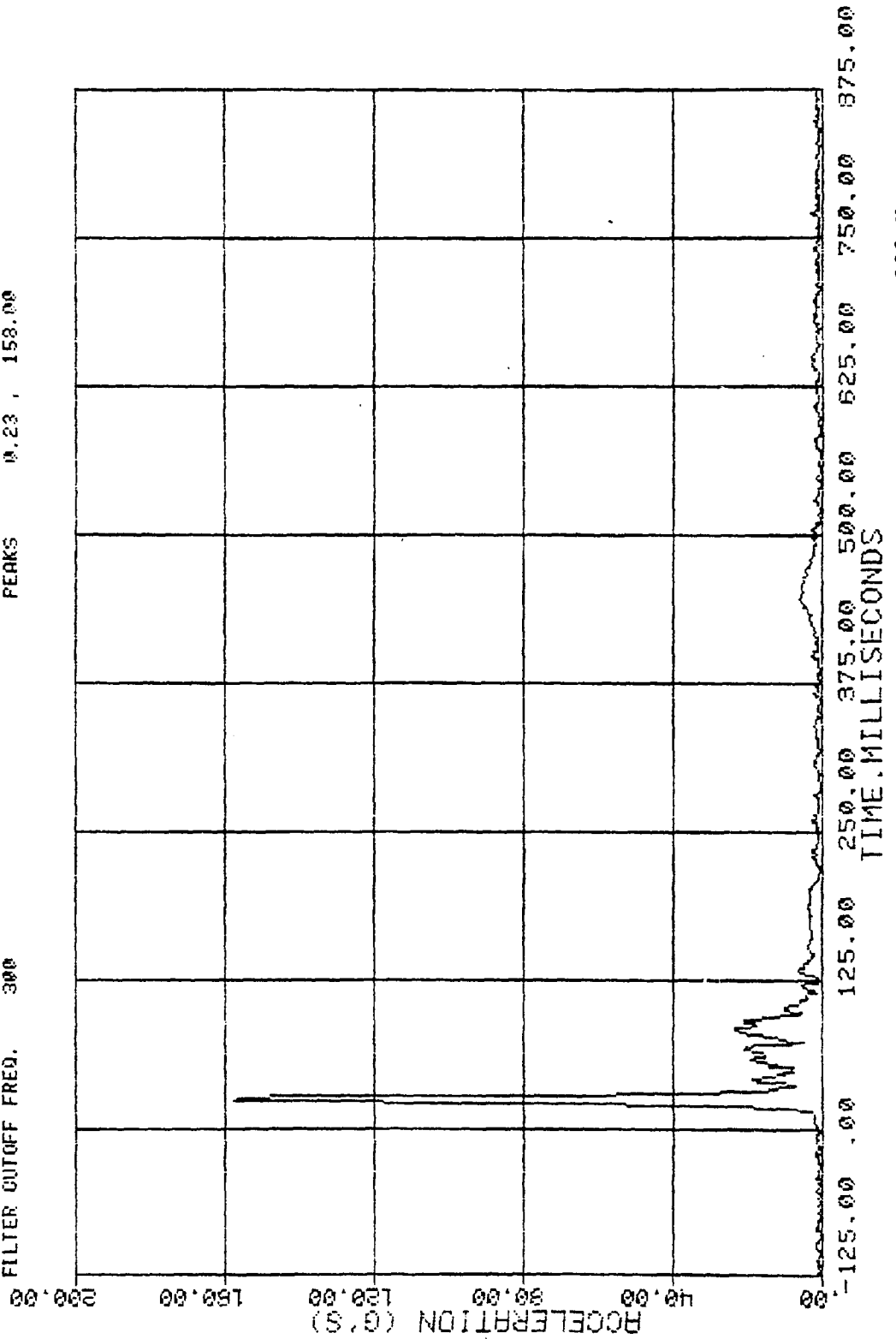


Figure A17. Driver's Lower Spine Acceleration, Resultant, 300 Hz

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 CHANNEL 16    DRIVER PELVIS ACCELERATION, X-AXIS  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ.    300      PEAKS    -35.24 ,    12.24

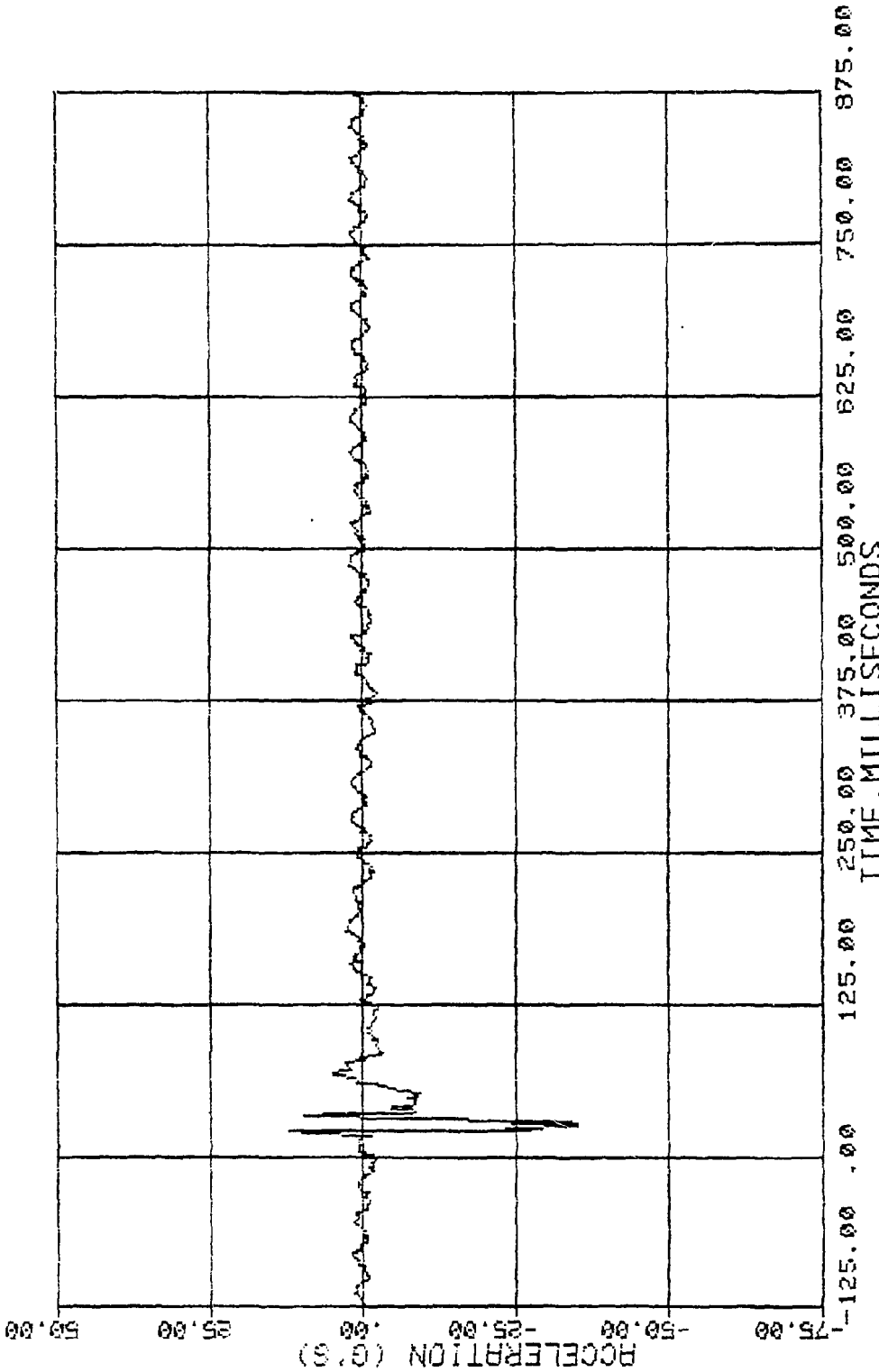


Figure A18. Driver's Pelvis Acceleration, X-Axis, 300 Hz



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 CHANNEL 17 DRIVER PELVIS ACCELERATION, Y-AXIS  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ. 300 PEAKS -67.75 , 41.86

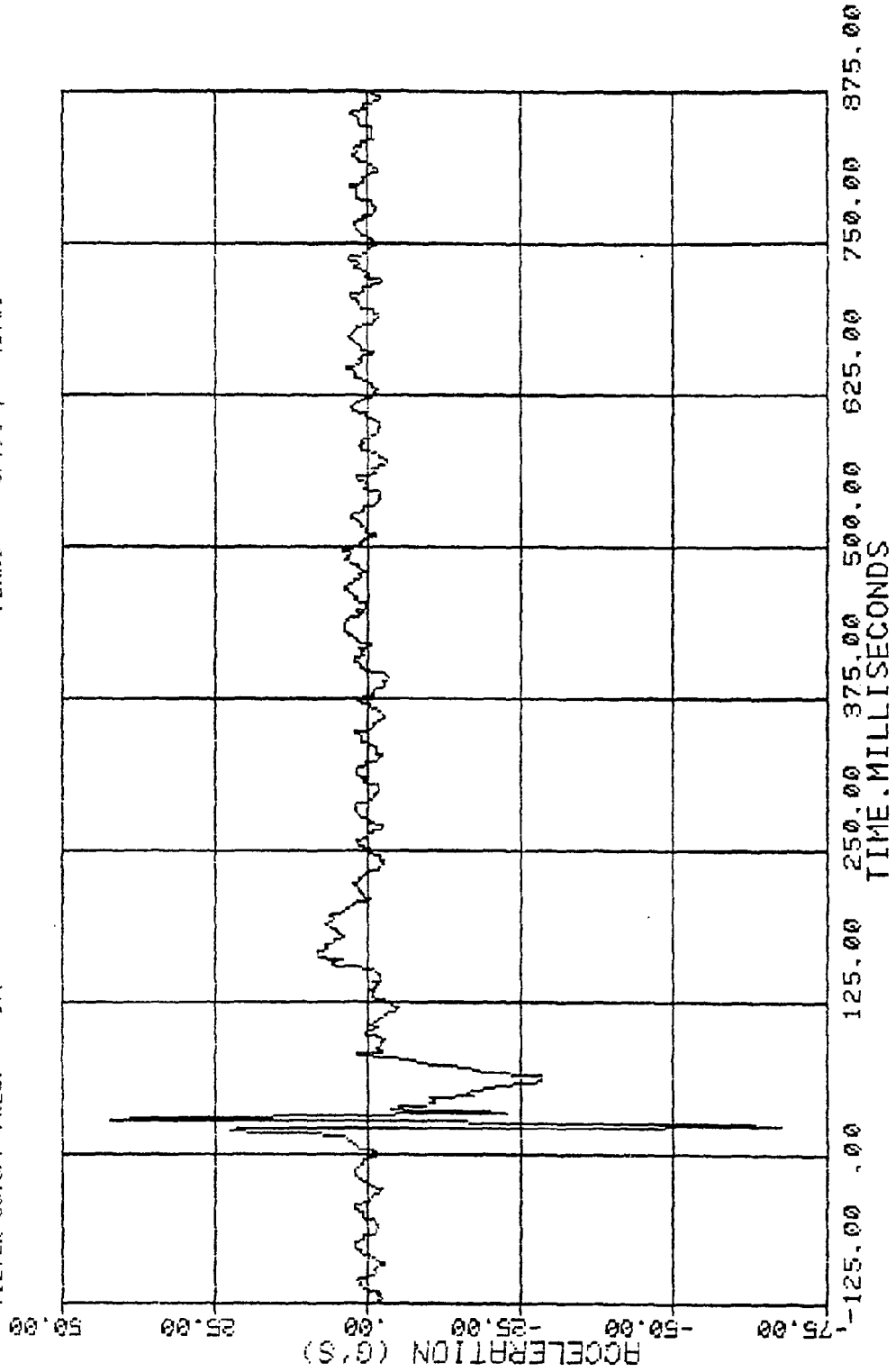


Figure A19. Driver's Pelvis Acceleration, Y-Axis, 300 Hz

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 CHANNEL 12 DRIVER PELVIS ACCELERATION, Z-AXIS  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ. 300 PEAKS -0.49 , 3.81

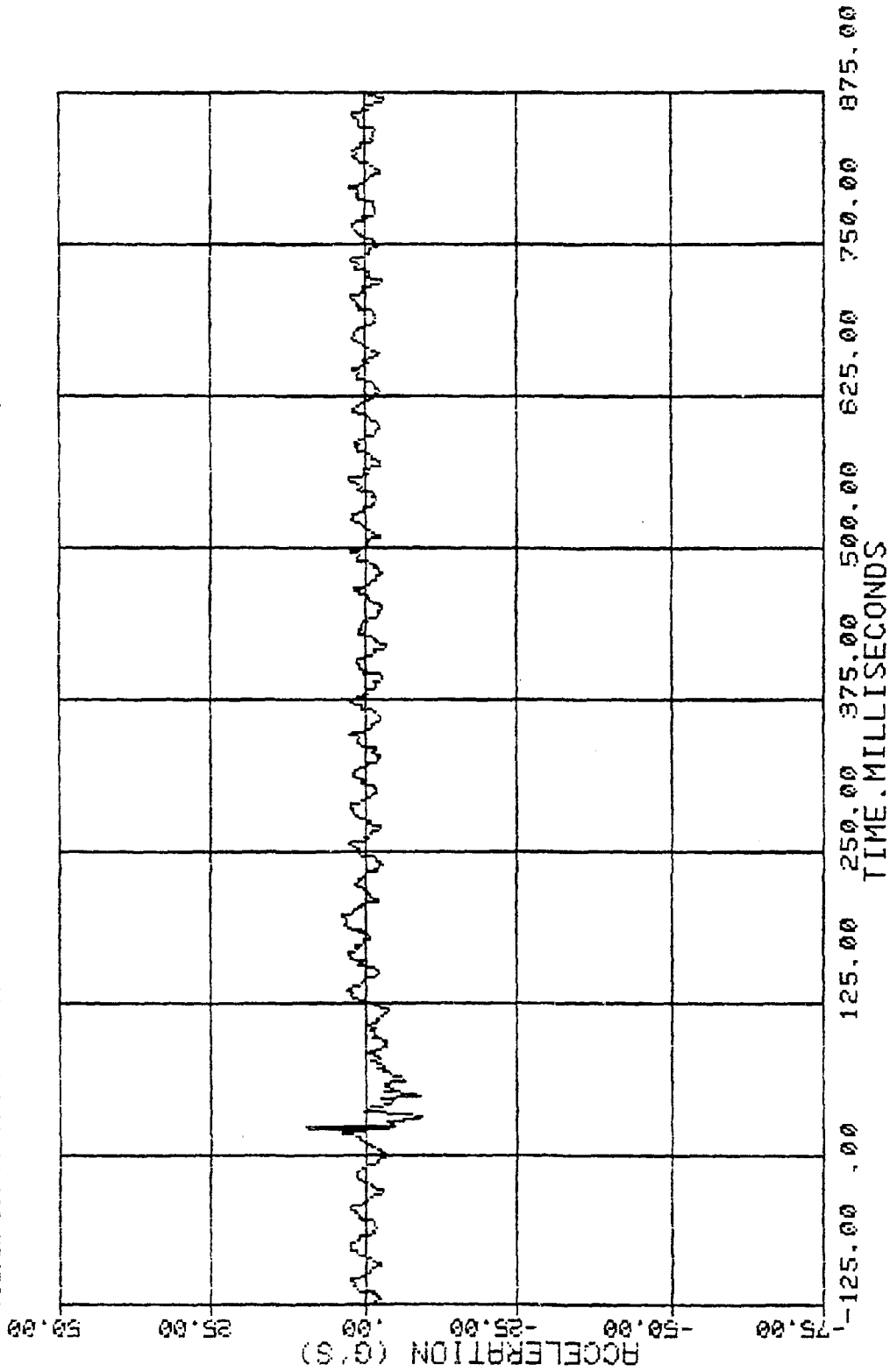
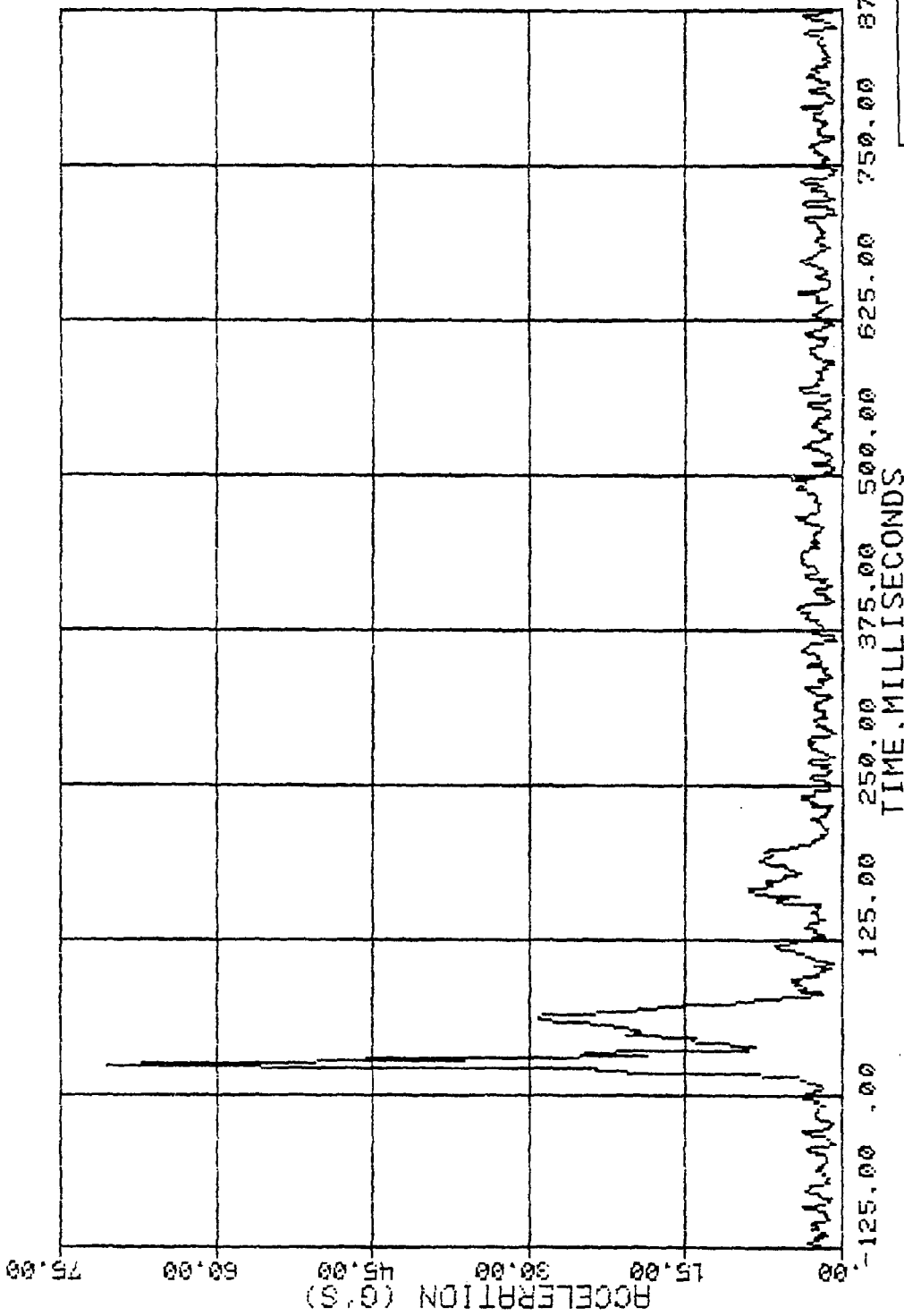


Figure A20. Driver's Pelvis Acceleration, Z-Axis, 300 Hz

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 CHANNEL 0 DRIVER PELVIS ACCELERATION, RESULTANT  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ. 300 PEAKS 0.52, 70.72



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Figure A21. Driver's Pelvis Acceleration, Resultant, 300 Hz

ENSO, INC. CONTRACT NUMBER DTFH61-86-Z-00047 TEST NUM1735-SI-1-87  
 30 MI/H BROADSIDE IMPACT OF 80 PLYMOUTH CHAMP INTO LUMINAIRE SUPPORT  
 CHANNEL 11 DRIVER THORAX, USTX  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ. 300 PEAKS -153.70 , 232.15

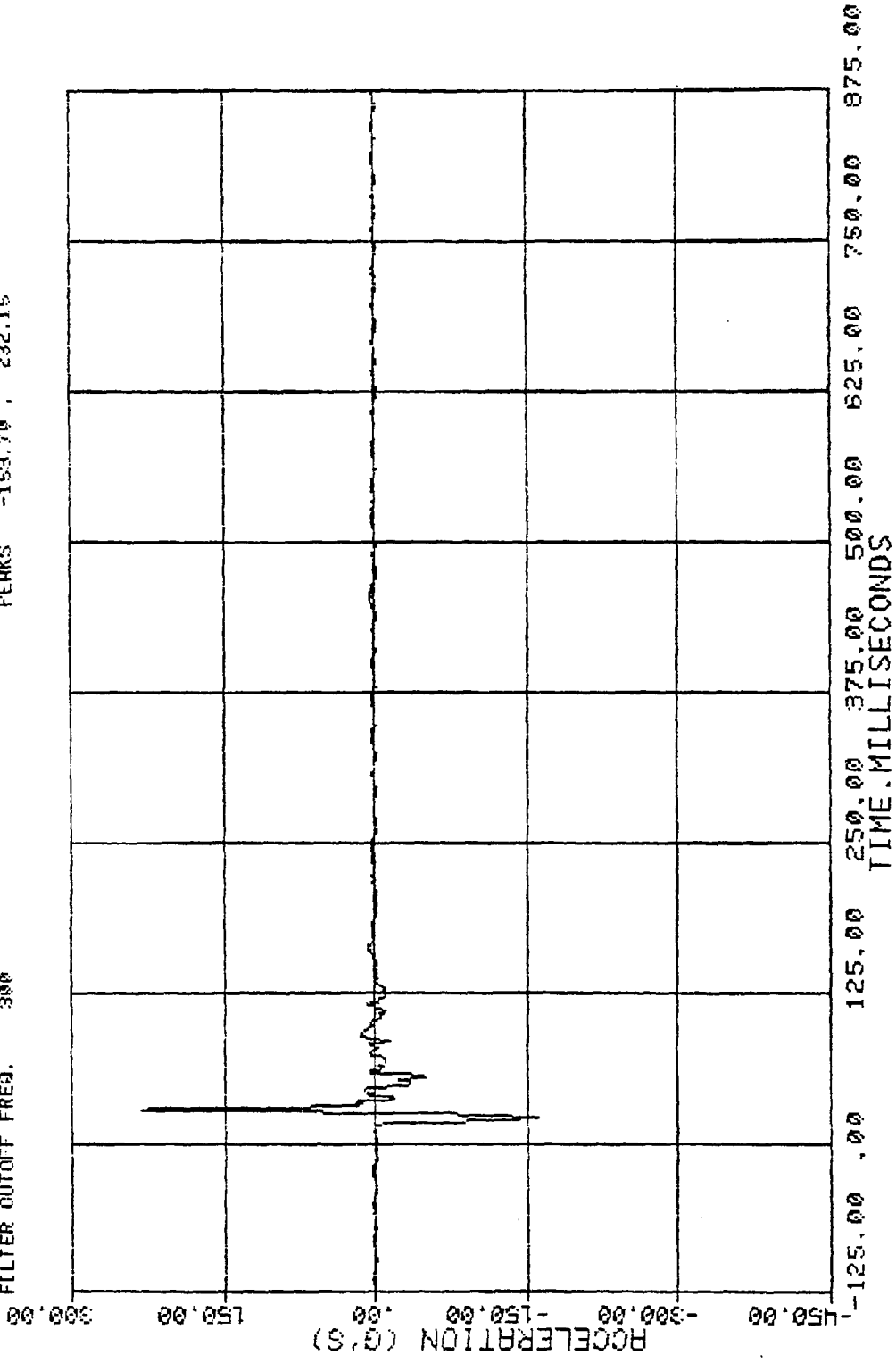


Figure A22. Driver's Upper Sternum Acceleration, USTX, 300 Hz

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 CHANNEL 12 DRIVER THORAX, LSTX  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ. 300 PEAKS -374.27 , 167.05

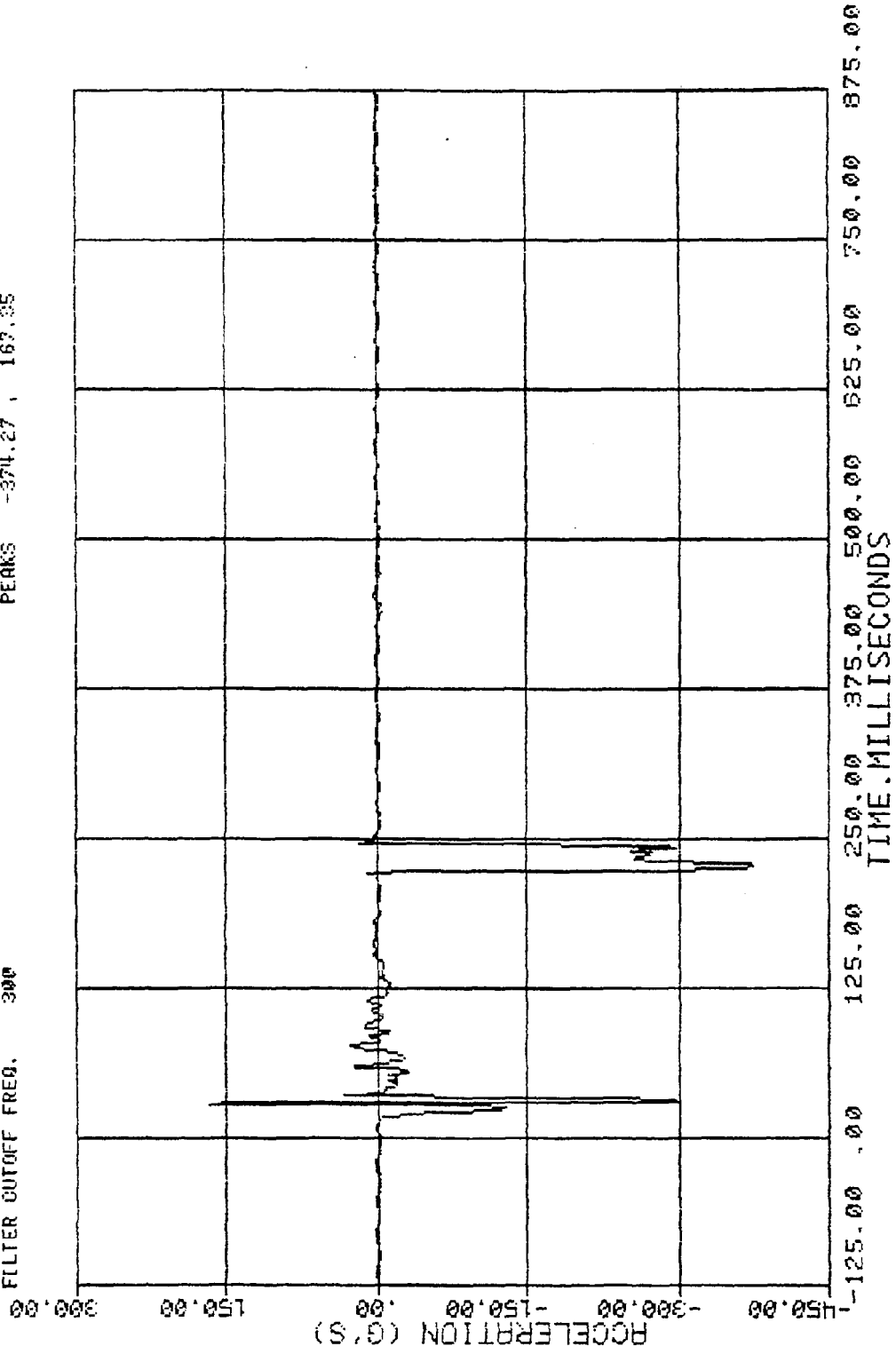


Figure A23. Driver's Lower Sternum Acceleration, LSTX, 300 Hz

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 34 MI/A GROUNDSIDE IMPACT OF 80 PLYMOUTH CHAMP INTO LUMINAIRE SUPPORT  
 CHANNEL 3 DRIVER THORAX, T12Y  
 FILTER CUTOFF FREQ. NHTSA FIR FILTER PEAKS -151.10 , 25.75

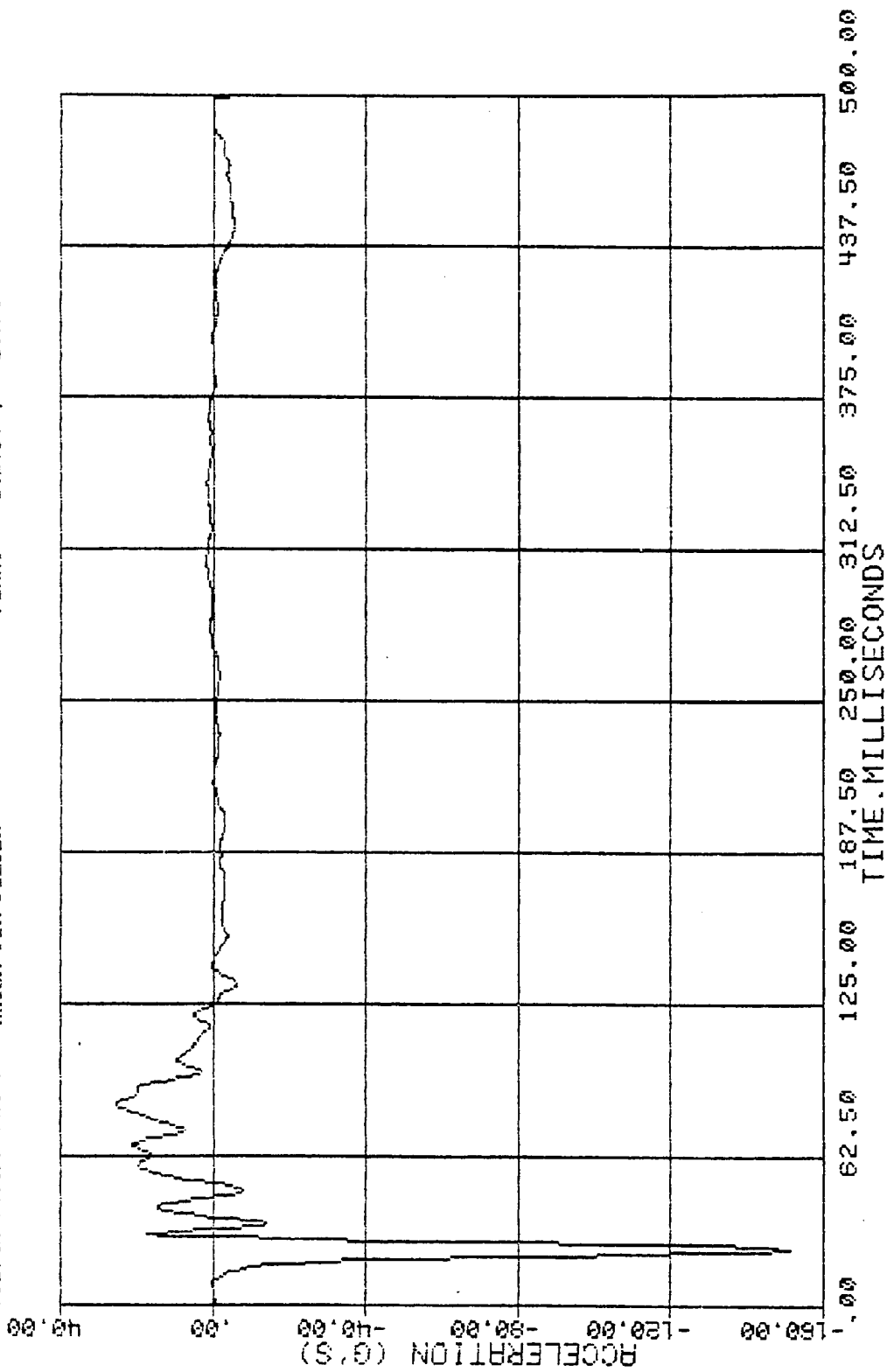


Figure A24. Driver's Lower Spine Acceleration, T12Y, NHTSA FIR Filter