Features

Heavy Alnico V magnet
Edge-wound voice coil
Rugged construction
Smooth response
High efficiency
Low cone resonance
Low distortion
High power capacity
High linearity

LOW FREQUENCY SPEAKERS FOR WIDE-RANGE, TWO-WAY SOUND REINFORCEMENT SYSTEMS • OUTSTANDING AUDIO REPRODUCTION FOR THE LARGEST CONCERT HALL, THEATRE, AND AUDITORIUM SYSTEMS • PROFESSIONAL 'PLAYBACK' SYSTEMS • BROADCAST AND RECORDING STUDIO MONITORING

ALTEC low frequency loudspeakers are designed for use in the finest recording and broadcast studio 'Playback' systems as well as providing outstanding reproduction of the lower audio spectrum when used in two-way systems for the largest theatres and auditoriums. Utilizing heavy Alnico V permanent magnets, rugged, die-cast frames, edge-wound copper ribbon voice coils of the largest practical diameter, and exceptionally compliant cone suspension, these LF transducers combine the advantages of long-term operation with unparalleled response throughout the entire audible bass frequency range.

The smooth response and exceptional linearity of each loudspeaker is achieved by means of strict adherence to precision design and manufacturing tolerances. The axial retention of the voice coil, in a magnetic field uniform over the full excursion, assures the clarity of bass reproduction at high power levels. The low cone resonance, when coupled to a properly designed Altec enclosure, eliminates virtually all 'doubling' or self-generation of unwanted harmonic components.

The ALTEC 406B is a 10-inch low frequency loudspeaker with a continuous power rating of 15 Watts and a frequency response of 25 to 4500 Hz. It is ideal for limited-space enclosures where true high-fidelity reproduction must not be compromised in two-way loudspeaker systems.

The ALTEC 414A, with a range exceeding 30 to 4,000 Hz, is an outstanding 12-inch LF transducer—ideal for use in institutional and entertainment systems of moderate size and coverage area. The power rating of 25 Watts makes the 414A, singly or in multiples, an excellent choice in two-way systems utilizing ALTEC high frequency drivers and sectoral horns.

The ALTEC 416A is a 15-inch low frequency loudspeaker of professional quality, chosen to complement the finest broadcast and recording studio monitor systems (such as the Altec A7 and A7-500) in addition to providing the critical listener with superb bass reproduction for all wide-range public address, sound reinforcement and theatre or auditorium systems.

The ALTEC 515B, with its exceptional low frequency response, high efficiency and ability to faithfully reproduce the lowest audio frequencies at unusually high power levels remains the unchallenged leader in the largest and finest two-way systems throughout the world. When used in conjunction with the ALTEC 288 HF driver, N-500C dividing network and multicellular horn of the desired size and coverage angle, the 515B becomes an integral part of the identical Altec 'Voice of the Theatre' loudspeaker systems currently employed by the majority of the largest and finest theatres, auditoriums and concert areas.

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## ALTEC 406B, 414A, 416A, 515B

### SPECIFICATIONS

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- **Voice Coil Diameter:** 1 1/2" (Diameter)
- **Weight:** 11 1/4 lbs.
- **Mounting Hole Diameter:** 9" (may be either front or rear mounted)
- **Mounting Bolt Centers:** 4 holes equally spaced, on 5 1/2" centers
- **Loudspeaker Depth:** 5 1/4"

The ALTEC 406B, 414A, 416A, and 515B low frequency speakers may be used to greatest advantage in wide range, two-way systems with the addition of the following ALTEC components:

- **HF Drivers & Horns:** 802D & 806A (with 511A/B or 811B Sectorial Horns) 280C, 280D & 290E (with ALTEC multichannel horn having proper cutoff frequency and distribution pattern)

### ACCESSORIES

- **Altec Loudspeaker Enclosures:** For 414A: 612B, 614B, 618B, 622B, 855A, 858A, 859A.

### ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS SPECIFICATIONS

**406B**

- The low frequency speaker shall have a maximum diameter of 10 3/4" inches, weigh 11 1/4 lbs., and have a frequency response of 25 to 4500 Hz. It shall utilize an Alnico V permanent magnet weighing 1.8 lbs., a rugged die-cast aluminum frame, and an effective cone compliance of 1.25 x 10^-4 cm^3/dyne. Free air cone resonance shall be 28 Hz, which, when coupled to a properly designed enclosure, will eliminate virtually all ‘doubling’ or self-generation of unwanted harmonic components.

**414A**

- The low-frequency speaker shall be 12 1/4" in diameter and shall have a minimum pressure sensitivity of 99 dB (spl at 4 ft. from 1 Watt) measured on axis. The voice coil shall be approximately 3" in diameter and shall be of edge-wound copper ribbon operating in a magnetic field of at least 10,000 gauss derived from an Alnico V magnet weighing 1.8 pounds minimum. Speakers with smaller voice coils or round wire windings are not acceptable under this specification. The free-air resonance of the speaker shall not be greater than 30 Hz and it shall have a continuous power rating of at least 25 Watts. Frequency response of the speaker shall range from 30 to 4000 Hz. Any low-frequency speaker not meeting all of these requirements shall be unacceptable under this specification.

**416A**

- The low-frequency speaker shall be 15 3/4" in diameter and shall have a minimum pressure sensitivity of 99 dB (spl at 4 ft. from 1 Watt) measured on axis. The voice coil shall be at least 3" in diameter, of edge-wound copper ribbon, operating in a magnetic field of at least 14,750 gauss derived from an Alnico V magnet weighing 4.4 pounds minimum. Speakers with smaller voice coils or round wire windings are not acceptable under this specification. The free-air resonance of the speaker shall not exceed 25 Hz. The speaker shall have a continuous power rating of at least 35 Watts. Frequency response shall be uniform from 20 to 1000 Hz. Any low-frequency speaker not meeting all of these requirements shall be unacceptable under this specification.

**515B**

- The low-frequency speaker shall be 15 3/4" in diameter and shall have a minimum pressure sensitivity of 103 dB (spl at 4 ft. from 1 Watt) measured on axis. The voice coil shall be at least 3" in diameter, of edge-wound copper ribbon, operating in a magnetic field of at least 14,750 gauss derived from an Alnico V magnet weighing 4.4 pounds minimum. Speakers with smaller voice coils or round wire windings are not acceptable under this specification. The free-air resonance of the speaker shall not exceed 25 Hz. The speaker shall have a continuous power rating of at least 35 Watts. Frequency response shall be uniform from 20 to 1000 Hz. Any low-frequency speaker not meeting all of these requirements shall be unacceptable under this specification.

**Dividing Networks:** N-800G (800 cycle crossover)
- N-500C (500 cycle crossover)
- N-500F (500 cycle crossover)

**EIA Rating:** For all ALTEC 406B models:
- 406B = EIA rating of 49 dB at 30 ft. from 1 milliwatt
- 414A = EIA rating of 52 dB at 30 ft. from 1 milliwatt
- 416A = EIA rating of 52 dB at 30 ft. from 1 milliwatt
- 515B = EIA rating of 56 dB at 30 ft. from 1 milliwatt