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COOLDOWN/WARMUP CONTROL CIRCUITS FOR MAGNET TEST STANDS

MAGNET TEST FACILITY

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This report has been prepared to explain the functional aspects of instrumentation associated with operation of the Magnet Test Facility. The report deals with instruments and control circuits associated with the liquid helium dewar, distribution box and magnet stand used for operation of the cryogenic circuit. The cooldown and warmup cycle and the steady state operation of the helium and nitrogen circuits are covered.

The design is based on input and suggestions from R.Walker and his operation crew. It reflects what they have determined to be desirable operating modes.

#### THEORY - Instrument Layout

The function of the various control circuits are delineated elsewhere. The theory behind the instrument layout is this:

1. All control circuits should be operated from the control room.
2. Intermediate control elements such as limiting relays, E/P converters and solenoid valves, should be located external to the control room but grouped together in a convenient location for ease of set-up, repair, etc.
3. All electrical instrumentation is to be used whenever possible.

#### CONTROL ROOM

The instruments in the control room consist of a 12 element Fisher cabinet mounted in a relay rack. Contained herein are PIC and HIC controllers associated with magnet cooldown and operation. Directly below and coordinated to (i.e., grouped directly below) is a panel containing on/off and selector switches which control the modes to various stands.

Also contained in that panel are on/off controls for the quench circuit and the cold gas return to the dewar.

The controls associated with the liquid helium dewar and distribution box feed will be encased in a six unit Fisher control rack. These controls are somewhat independent of the flow circuits of individual magnets and are grouped together for that reason.

INSTRUMENT CABINET

The instrument cabinet is a 4x5 foot electrical enclosure. It will contain, in one location, limit relays, solenoid valves and most E/P converters. This cabinet is at an intermediate point and allows trouble shooting and maintenance to be performed at a convenient location. When possible all such control elements were located in this cabinet. The one exception is an E/P associated with the magnet JT valve which was valve mounted.

CONTROL CIRCUITS

The control circuits covered in this write-up include:

PV31, PV62 - Magnet cooldown/warmup control

See instrument loop schematic

LIC113 - LN<sub>2</sub> subcooler level control controls  
PV112

See instrument loop schematic

HIC148 - Magnet JT valve control

See instrument loop schematic

PV136 - LN<sub>2</sub> Feed to magnet

See instrument loop schematic

PV101A - PV101A control (on/off)

See instrument loop schematic

PIC100 - PV100 control

See instrument loop schematic

LIC101 - PV101B control

See instrument loop schematic

PV149 - Currently dormant

PV31/62

This control circuit is described functionally on the instrument loop schematic. Simply, it is a pressure indicator control circuit which will be used during magnet cooldown or warmup.

The operator selects either warmup (PV62) or cooldown (PV31) mode. The pressure indicator controller controls the magnet pressure at set point and controls fluid flow through the magnet. As pressure drop through the magnet varies, the PIC varies flow accordingly.

PV31/62 exists for each magnet, the PIC is located in the 12 unit Fisher control cabinet. Selection of either PV31 or 62 is accomplished by a selector switch directly below the PIC for each magnet.

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HIC148

This is a hand indicating control circuit. The magnet JT valve is controlled by this HIC. The controller is mounted adjacent to the PIC for respective magnet stands. The instrument loop schematic explains the circuit in detail.

PV136

PV136 controls LN<sub>2</sub> shield flow for each magnet. The circuit is described in detail on the instrument loop schematic. The shield circuit is controlled by LIC112 located in each magnet turnaround box but power is controlled from the console directly below the PV31/62 selector for each magnet respectively.

LIC113

A simple on/off switch for the power to LIC113 is located on the panel to the left of the six module Fisher control cabinet which houses dewar and distribution box source controllers.

PV101A

A simple on/off control for PV101A is located on the left of the control panel housing the magnet stand selections and controls. PV101A controls liquid flow into the dewar from the cold box. See instrument loop schematic for details.

PIC100

Dewar pressure control. This PIC senses pressure in the liquid helium dewar and controls gas flow return to the cold box through PV100 as dictated by Fisher controller PIC100 located in the six unit Fisher control cabinet.

LIC101

This valve acts to maintain level in the distribution box liquid helium subcooler. It responds to LIC101 controlling PV101B to divert liquid from the feed line directly to the shell of the subcooler should liquid level (as measured by the superconducting level probe) drop.

PV149

PV149 is currently dormant. The purpose of this device is to provide an artificial heat load to the dewar. The valve controls warm gas flow into the dewar liquid volume to provide the heat load. The unit is a viable heat load only in the refrigerator mode of operation

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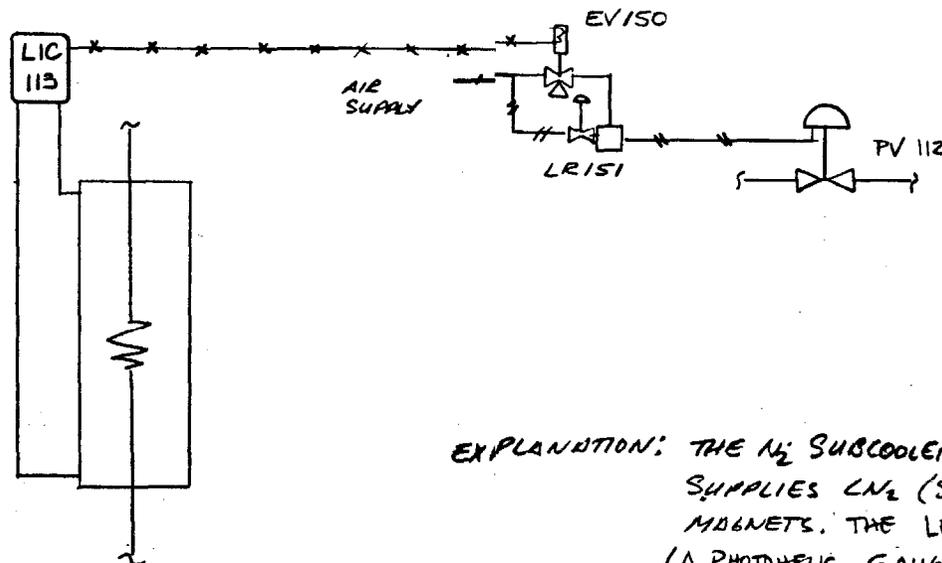
when no liquid accumulation takes place. When used in the liquefier mode excess gas generated by the load unbalances the process and causes turbine speed problems.

The instrument loop schematics includes with this report describe, in detail, the operation of each control loop.

Drawings of the instrument cabinet includes terminal strips and terminal identification tables. This drawing will provide the necessary information for fabrication of the cabinet.

Electrical schematics have also been provided for the small panel which will be located immediately below the 12 unit Fisher cabinet.

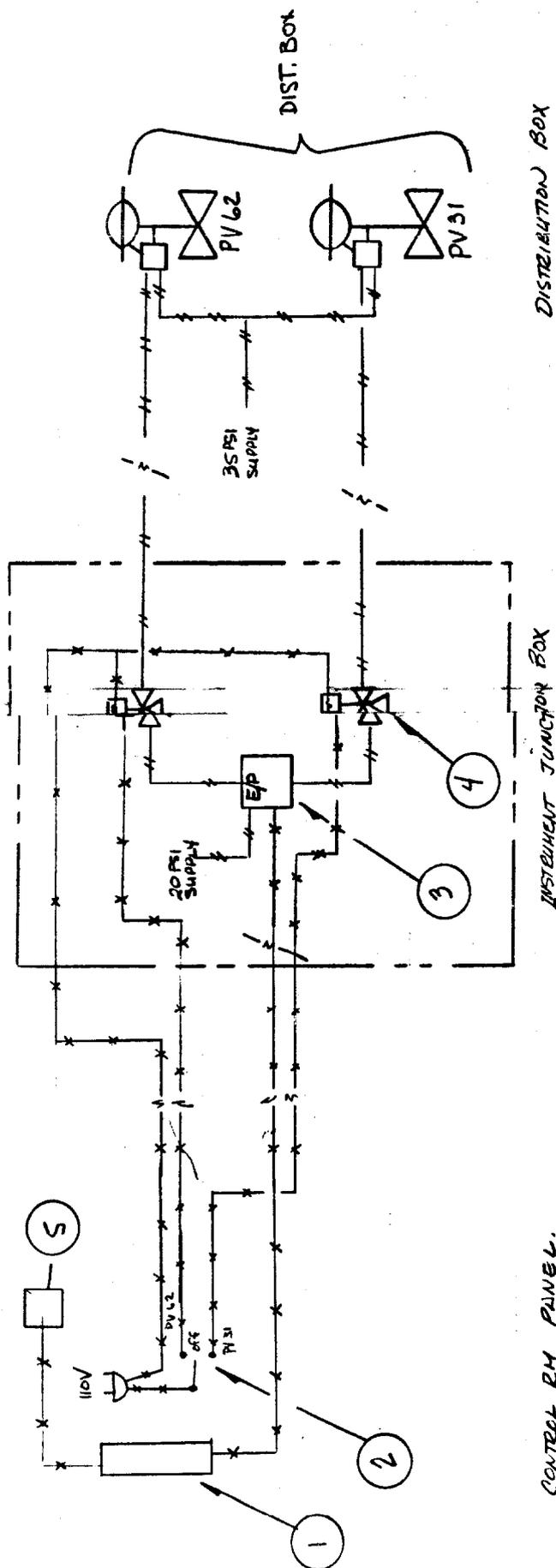
**ON**  
DIST Box  
Panel



- LIC 113 PHOTOHELIC 0-40"
- EV150 SOLENOID VALVE 3WAY SKINNER
- LR151 LOW LIMIT RELAY FAIRCHILD
- PV112 FISHER CONTROLS - DIST. BOX.

EXPLANATION: THE LN<sub>2</sub> SUBCOOLER CKT FOR THE DIST BOX SUPPLIES LN<sub>2</sub> (SUBCOOLED) TO INDIVIDUAL MAGNETS. THE LEVEL IS SET ON LIC113 (A PHOTOHELIC GAUGE) FLOW IS ESTABLISHED USING PV112 + LR151. LR151 IS A LOW LIMIT RELAY WHICH WOULD BE SET MANUALLY FOR STEADY STATE BY TRIAL/ERROR SHOULD DEMAND INCREASE, LIC113 WOULD ACTUATE PV112 TO SATISEV

**INST. LOOP SCHEMATIC**  
CONTROL CKT  
LN<sub>2</sub> LEVEL CONTROL  
DIST. BOX



CONTROL RM PANEL.

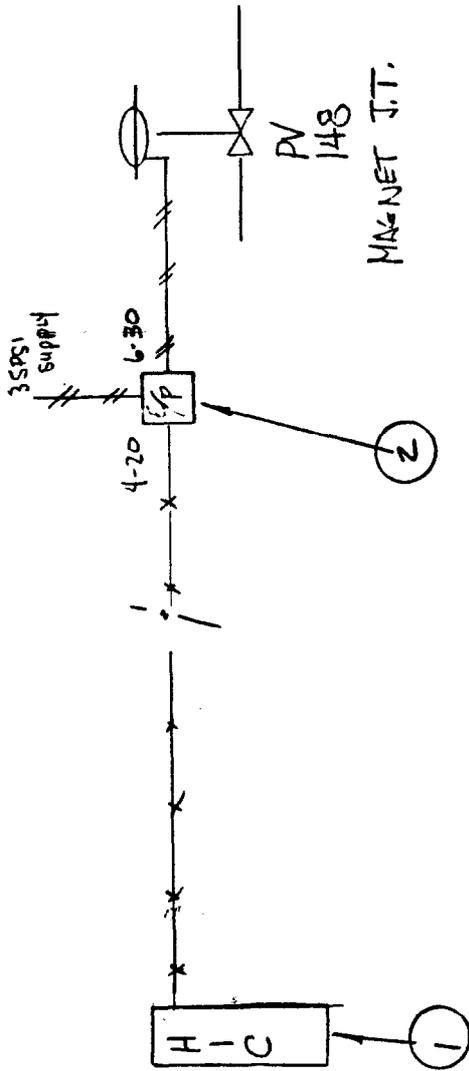
INSTRUMENT JUNCTION BOX

DISTRIBUTION BOX

QTY

- 1) FISHER TL101 PRES. IND. CONTR.
- 2) SWITCH, 3 POS, CENTER OFF  
SPDT
- 3) ELECTRO/PNEUMATIC CONVERTER  
FAIRCHILD.
- 4) VALVE, SOLENOID, SKINNER  
C3
- 5) PRESSURE TRANSDUCER  
DYNISCO 0-100 PSIA

THIS CONTROL CIRCUIT IS PRESSURE RESPONSIVE. THE CONTROL RESPONDS TO A PRESSURE SIGNAL FROM ITEM 5. IT ACTUATES VALVE PV 62 OR PV 31 DEPENDING ON THE POSITION OF SWITCH ITEM 2. AN THE PRESSURE SETTINGS ON THE PIC ITEM 1, ITEM 3 CONVERTS THE PIC'S 4-20 MA OUTPUT TO A 3-15 PSI AIR SIGNAL WHICH IS ROUTED THROUGH THE APPROPRIATE SOLENOID VALVE (ITEM 4) TO EITHER PV 31 OR PV 62. THE SWITCH (ITEM 2) OPENS THE



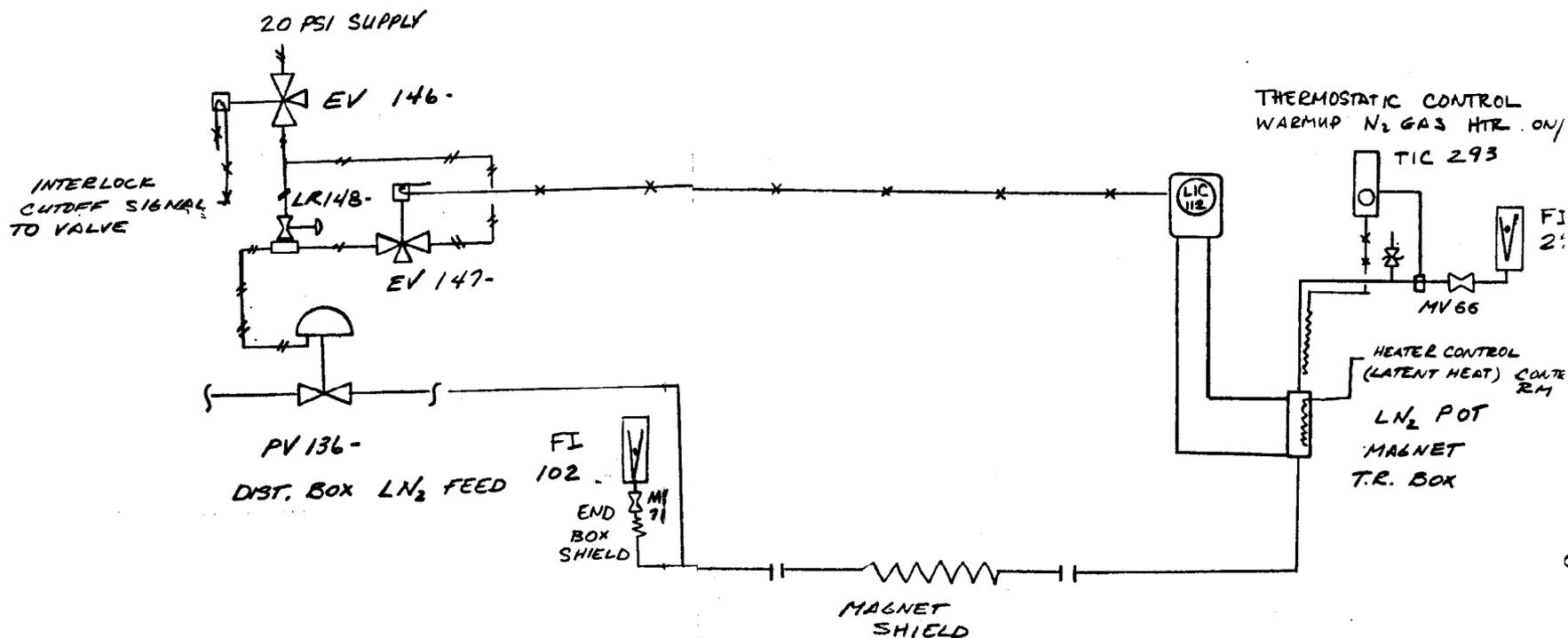
- 1) HAND INDICATING CONTROLLER  
HIC 148 - FISHER TL121  
MANUAL LOADING STATION
- 2) ELECTRO/PNEUMATIC CONVERTER  
4-20ma INPUT 6-30 PSI  
OUTPUT FISHER MODEL  
C-46-27

PV 148 IS THE MAGNET JT VALVE LOCATED IN THE MAGNET TR. BOX. IT RESPONDS TO A 6-30 PSI SIGNAL ON STANDS 3 THRU 6. HIC 148 WILL BE LOCATED IN THE

INST LOOP SCHEMATIC

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MAGNET J.T. VALVE CONTROL



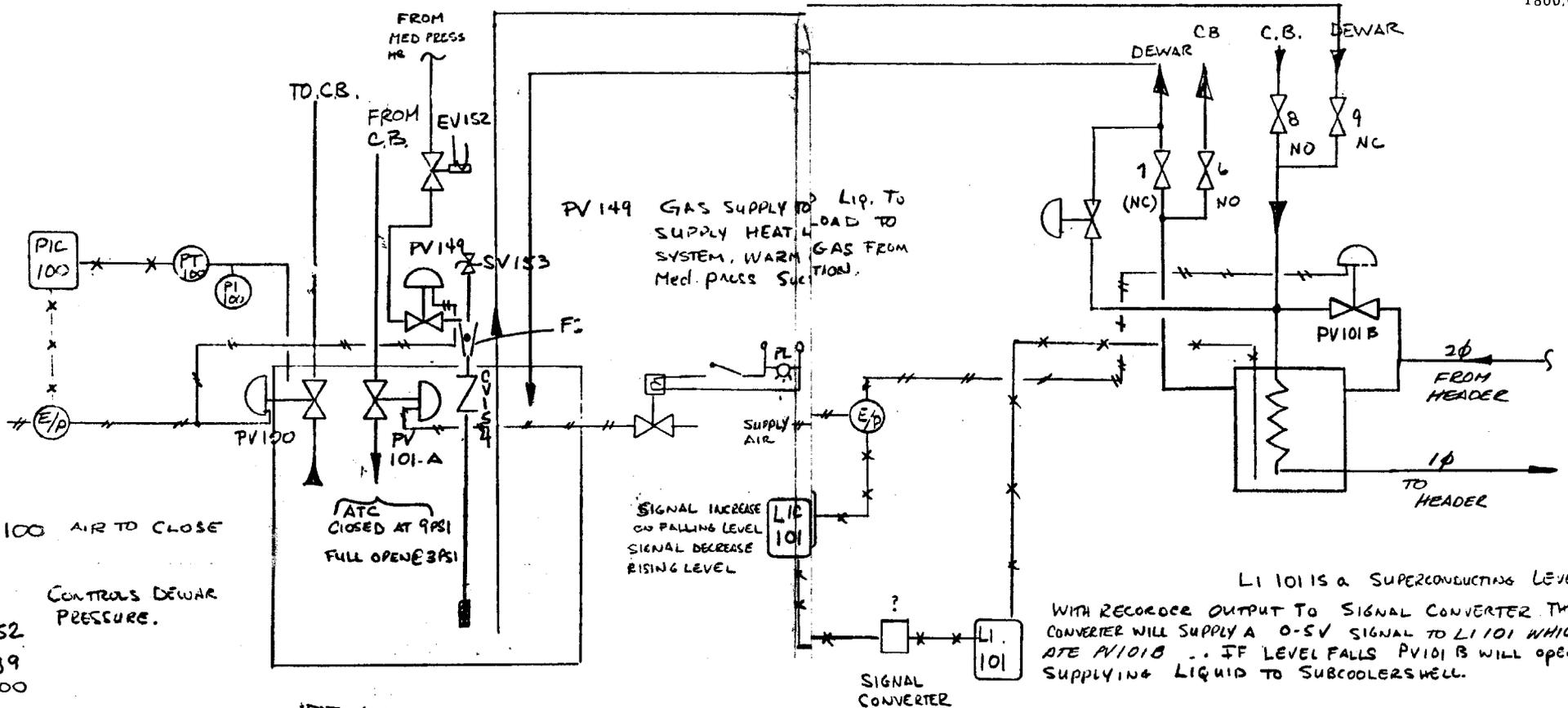
- ✓ PV 136 LN<sub>2</sub> CONTROL VALVE
- ✓ EV 146 SOLENOID, INTERLOCK INST. AIR.
- ✓ EV 147 SOLENOID, ACTUATOR PRESSURE, TO PV 136
- ✓ LIC 112 0-10" H<sub>2</sub>O PHOTOHELIC
- ✓ TIC 293 THERMOSTATIC HEATER CONTROL

**OPERATION:**

LIC 112 IS A DISCRETE POINT LEVEL SWITCH (ADJUSTABLE) PHOTOHELIC WHICH WILL OPEN PV136 WHEN LEVEL FALLS. NORMALLY A STEADY STATE CONDITION WITH THE LATENT HEAT HEATER AND LOW LIMIT SELECTOR RELAY WILL ESTABLISH A LEVEL CONTROLLED FEED CONDITION THRU PV136. IF UPSET OR HEAT LOAD SHOULD VARY, THE LEVEL SWITCH WILL ADD LIQUID THRU PV136 AS REQ'D.

TIC 293 IS A HOTWATT THERMOSTATIC CONTROL USING A BULB FILLED SENSOR

INST LOOP SCHEMATIC  
CONTROL CIRCUIT  
LN<sub>2</sub> CIRCUIT



PV 100 AIR TO CLOSE

CONTROLS DEWAR PRESSURE.

- EV 152
- F1289
- PI 100
- PT 100
- PIC 100
- FL 101 FISHER
- PV 100
- PV 101 A
- PV 149
- PV 102

DEWAR PRESSURE CONTROL

PV 100 CONTROLS PRESSURE IN THE DEWAR. IN RESPONSE TO PIC 100 PIC 100 READS AND MAINTAINS DEWAR PRESSURE AT OPERATOR SELECTED CONTROL POINT.

SIGNAL INCREASE ON FALLING LEVEL  
SIGNAL DECREASE RISING LEVEL

LI 101 IS A SUPERCONDUCTING LEVEL PROBE WITH RECORDER OUTPUT TO SIGNAL CONVERTER THE SIGNAL CONVERTER WILL SUPPLY A 0-5V SIGNAL TO LI 101 WHICH OPERATE PV 101 B . . IF LEVEL FALLS PV 101 B WILL OPEN SUPPLYING LIQUID TO SUBCOOLERS WELL.

COLD BOX / DIST BOX  
FLUID CONTROL CKT  
MORGAN 2-28-78