#### **Orbital Test Stand**

#### Midpoint Review

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#### **Presentation Overview**

- Introduction
- Manufacturing Progress
  - Plate Assembly
- Design Updates
- Conclusion

#### Introduction

- Orbital pleased with progress
- Main focus has been plate fabrication and assembly



Figure: Machining slots for test stand adapter plate

# **Manufacturing Progress**

- Plate fabrication for final plate assembly
  - Test Stand Adapter Plate (x2)
  - Slotted Vertical Plate (x2)
  - Horizontal Plate (x2)
  - Triangular Supports (x4)
- Holes and slots machined
- Orbital ordering motors and gearboxes
  - Timeline: Requested all parts be shipped by March 20, 2015

### **Assembly Progress**

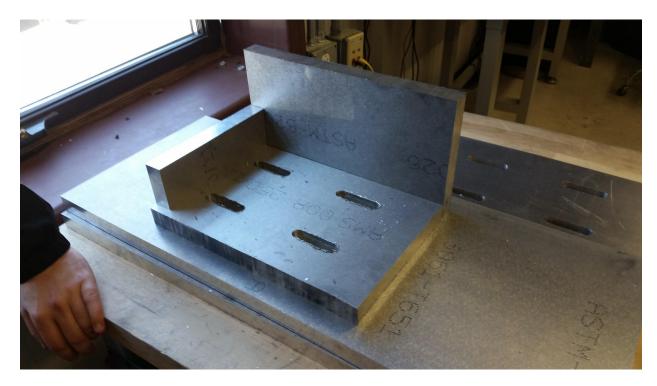
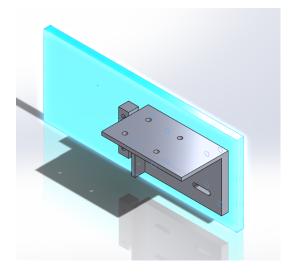


Figure: Assembly showing TSAP, SVP, and HP

# **Test Stand Adapter Plate (x2)**

- Purpose: Adapter to limit modifications to existing test stand
- Material: 6061 Aluminum
- **Dimensions**: 12 x 30 x 1 in.
- Bolt Pattern: Based on pre-existing holes in test stand



### **Slotted Vertical Plate (x2)**

- Purpose: Attachment to Test Stand Adapter Plate (TSAP)
- Material: 6061 Aluminum
- **Dimensions**: 8 x 13 x 1 in
- **Mass**: 10.2 lbs
- No. of Threaded Inserts (each plate):
  - 6 along top face for connection with horizontal plate
  - 3 each on right and left faces for triangular support
- Threaded Insert Type: 3/8-16 Swage Blind Insert
- Insert Material: Steel
- Slotted: For adjustment on TSAP

### **Slotted Vertical Plate (x2)**



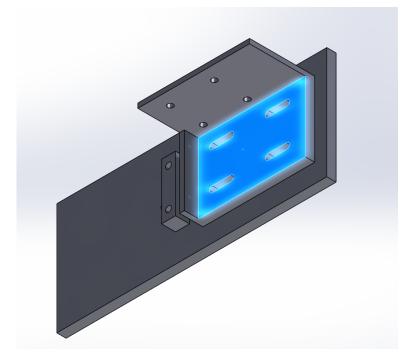


Figure: Slotted Vertical Plate

### **Horizontal Plate (x2)**

- Purpose: Motor and Gearbox Attachment Point
- Material: 6061 Aluminum
- **Dimensions**: 7 x 13 x 1 in
- **Mass**: 9 lbs
- No. of Threaded Inserts (each plate):
  - 3 each on right and left faces for triangular support
- Threaded Insert Type: %-16 Swage Blind Insert
- Insert Material: Steel
- Through Holes: 6 along top face for attachment to slotted vertical plate

# **Triangular Supports (x4)**

- Purpose: Provide additional support to horizontal plate; increase FOS for entire assembly
- Material: 6061 Aluminum
- Through Holes: 6 total for each plate
  - 3 spanning vertical direction for attachment to vertical plate
  - 3 spanning horizontal direction for attachment to horizontal plate

# **Design Updates**

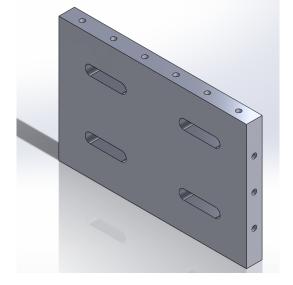
- Use of threaded inserts for attachments
- Chain tensioner



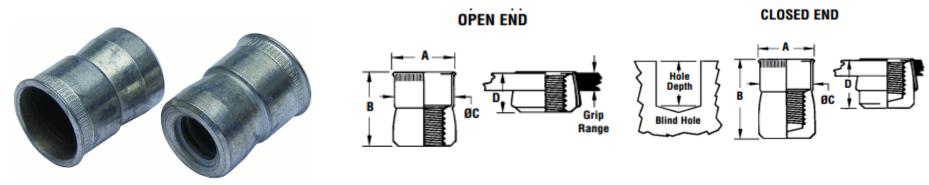
#### **Threaded Inserts**

- Purpose: Add strength to holes; prevent cross threading
- Insert Material: Steel
- Type: 3/8-16 360° Swage Blind Insert
- Screw Type: 3/4-16 x 2 in Grade 5 Hex Head Cap

Screw



#### **Threaded Inserts**

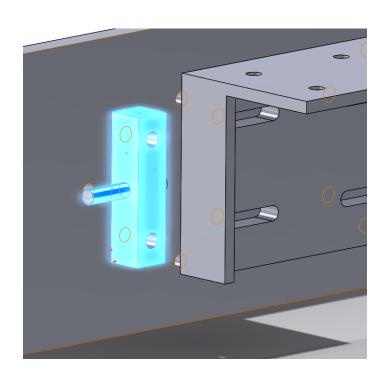


Thread Size	Туре			Th	Installation Hole Size				Open							Closed				Blind
	Steel	Stain- less	Alum- inum	Thread Code	Grip Range				A	В	øc	D	Weight lbs./1000			A	В	øс	D	Hole Depth
					.030090	.091124	.125186	.187 - OVER	±.005	±.015		Ref.	AETS	AETC	AETA	±.005	±.015	Max.	Ref.	Min.
#4-40	AETS	AETC	AETA	440	.188	.194	.194	.196	.211	.370	.1875	.205	0.99	0.99	0.33	.211	.660	.1875	.495	.400
#6-32	AETS	AETC	AETA	632	.219	.221	.228	.228	.240	.370	.2185	.205	1.48	1.48	0.49	.240	.675	.2185	.505	.400
#8-32	AETS	AETC	AETA	832	.250	.257	.266	.266	.269	.370	.2495	.205	1.98	1.98	0.65	.269	.675	.2495	.505	.400
#10-24	AETS	AETC	AETA	1024	.281	.290	.290	.297	.306	.370	.2805	.205	2.22	2.22	0.74	.306	.685	.2805	.520	.400
#10-32	AETS	AETC	AETA	1032	.281	.290	.290	.297	.306	.370	.2805	.205	2.23	2.23	0.74	.306	.685	.2805	.520	.400
1/4-20	AETS	AETC	AETA	420	.375	.375	.386	.391	.400	.515	.3745	.275	5.94	5.94	1.98	.400	1.005	.3745	.760	.540
5/16-18	AETS	AETC	AETA	518	.500	.500	.516	.516	.528	.615	.4995	.325	12.74	12.74	4.26	.528	1.065	.4995	.770	.640
3/8-16	AETS	AETC	AETA	616	.563	.563	.578	.578	.588	.745	.5615	.390	17.82	17.82	5.94	.588	1.450	.5615	1.095	.770
1/2-13	AETS	AETC	AETA	813	.750	.766	.781	.790	.800	.935	.7485	.485	19.50	19.50	6.27	.800	NA	.7485	NA	.960

Images Source: Penn Engineering, "Blind Threaded Inserts Catalog"

#### **Chain Tensioner**

- Used in tandem with tire inflation to ensure contact
- Simple yet effective design



#### Conclusion

- Focus: Complete plate assembly
  - Reason: Waiting for parts from Orbital
- To do: Finish machining through holes and installing threaded inserts (40 total)
- Timeline: Have plates assembled by March 23, 2015