KENWOOD

SERVICE BULLETIN

Land Mobile Division

DATE: SUBJECT: TK-760/860/762/862 "G" Firmware Update Procedure 2/25/00

The KPG-56D programming software and KPG-46 programming cable is required for installing new microprocessor firmware. The KPG-56D includes a program that is used to update firmware named "FPro". To prevent accidental mis-operation, end user access to the radio firmware programming function is normally disabled via programming with the KPG-56D. To update the radio firmware, it will be necessary to temporarily enable firmware access.

Enabling the radio firmware programming function.

If the radio is already programmed with customer data, read the radio first. In the KPG-56D, select the "Edit" pull-down window. Under "Optional Features" / "Mode", temporarily set "Firmware Programming" to "Enable", then reprogram the radio. After the firmware has been updated, re-program this setting to "Disable".

Placing the radio in the firmware mode.

With the radio power switch off, place the radio in the firmware mode by holding the front panel "^ " (channel up) key, then turn power on. The LED next to the power switch will be orange when in the firmware mode. TK-760/860"G":

The display will indicate "PROG 576". The firmware checksum in the radio can be displayed by pressing the "MON" button. To restore the "PROG 576" display after the checksum is displayed, press the "MON" button again. Firmware cannot be programmed while the checksum is displayed - "PROG 576" must be the active display when installing new firmware.

TK-762/862"G":

The display will indicate "P." The firmware checksum cannot be displayed in the single digit of the radio display.

Setting the radio transfer speed

The default transfer speed of 57,600bps is recommended.

TK-760/860"G": When "PROG 576" is displayed, it indicates the radio is ready to accept firmware at a transfer speed of 57,600bps. If a slower transfer speed is required, the "A" key will toggle the display between 576, 192, and 384 (57600, 19200, & 38400) bps.

TK-762/862"G": When "P." is displayed, it indicates the radio is ready to accept firmware at a transfer speed of 57,600bps. If a slower transfer speed is required, the "MON" key will toggle the speed between 57,600, 19,200, & 38,400).

On both types of radios - the LED next to the power switch will indicate orange for 57,600, alternating red & green for 19,200, and flashing orange for 38,400 bps. Depending on the speed or vintage of the computer, a transfer speed other than the default of 57600 may be required to perform a successful update. When "FPRO" is started, make sure the radio transfer speed matches the FPRO transfer speed as described in the next section of this bulletin.

TK-760/860 "G'



Firmware Compatibility

As of Jan. 2000 (S/N 110xxxxx), the "60-G Series" firmware is compatible between all versions (TK-260/270/ 360/370/762/760/862/860). There are no plans to change this inter-compatibility in the foreseeable future.

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Programming new firmware.

From the KPG-56D "Program" pull-down window, select "firmware Program", then press <Enter>. This will start the firmware programming software, "FPro". Using the FPro pull down windows, select the required ".HEX" firmware file. When selected, the "Check SUM" will display the checksum for the selected file. Set the speed in "Setup" to "57,600" (or to match whatever speed has been selected on the radio). Connect the programming cable to the radio. Press "F10" to begin installing the new firmware. During the transfer process, a "gas gauge" on FPro will indicate the status of the update procedure and..... TK-760/860"G":

The radio display will indicate "LOADING-" and the LED indicator will be green. When the update is completed, the radio display will indicate the new checksum and the LED indicator will be off. TK-762/862"G":

The radio display will not change. The LED indicator will be green. When the update is completed, the LED indicator will be off.

If an error occurs during the update procedure, the TK-760/860"G" display will indicate "ERROR" and the LED indicator will flash green & orange. In the TK-762/862"G", the display will indicate "E." and the LED will flash orange & green. To restore the "PROG 576" (or "P." in the TK-762/862"G") display on the radio, press and hold the front panel "A " key again, then turn power on. Pressing "F10" on the computer will repeat the transfer process. Some floppy disk drives may not support higher firmware transfer speeds. It is recommended that Fpro, and the firmware file, be on the computer hard disk drive in order to update the radio firmware.

File Setup		Confirming the redie checker
Speed : [57,600] bps		The KPC-56D has a feature which will
Address : []		allow the firmware checksum in the
File Name : [BBSB.HEX]		radio to be viewed on the computer
Check SUM : [BB5B]		screen. In the "Program" pull-down
Comment : [Please write firmware file to radio.(F1D)]		Window, select "Check sum", then press < Enter> A window will appear
F1:File select F3:Exit F10:Start Alt:Menu File File File select (=f1) Go to dos eXit (=F3)		as shown below which will provide the checksum presently in the radio: Check Sum [BB5B]
Drive & Path : (JENNAUGISU		Speed
	Directory	Display color
	BB5B.HEX	Speed 4,800 bps 9,600 bps 19,200 bps 38,400 bps 57,600 bps 115,200 bps

Note:

The Kenwood LMR programming software operates in DOS "conventional" or "base" memory. If the computer being used does not contain adequate base memory, the FPro program may not run from the KPG-56D. If this occurs, it will be necessary to exit the KPG-56D program, then select the directory where FPRO.EXE has been installed on the computer. From that directory, type "FPRO" <Enter> to start the FPro program.