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Project Title

Amounts of Electromagnetic Pollution (Transients and Harmonics) Emitted by Light Bulbs

Abstract

Objectives/Goals

My goal was to determine which light bulb emitted the most dirty electricity, so I could possibly help people who might suffer from the effects of it.

Methods/Materials

Procedure

- 1. Get the Stetzerizer EMF meter and plug it into the outlet
- 2. Measure the amount of electromagnetic pollution or transients and harmonics emitted without the lamp plugged in
- 3. Put the Candescent-Fluorescent light bulb in the lamp
- 4. Turn on the lamp with the first light bulb
- 5. Measure it with the Stetzer EMF meter to determine how much electromagnetic pollution is emitted from this light bulb
- 6. Record the information in my data book
- 7. Repeat 10 times for each light bulb

Results

The following are averages of each light bulb tested with the EMF meter.

LED 60 watt - 138 GS units

LED 100 watt - 323 GS units

Halogen 60 watt - 66.1 GS units

Halogen 100 watt - 66.4 GS units

CFL 60 watt - 407.3 GS units

CFL 100 watt - 233.9 GS units

Conclusions/Discussion

Conclusion

After completing my investigation on amounts of dirty electricity emitted from light bulbs, I found my hypothesis was correct. My hypothesis stated that Candescent-Fluorescent light bulbs would emit the most electromagnetic pollution. The light bulb that emitted the least amount of dirty electricity was the Halogen 60watt & 100watt. Candescent-Fluorescent 60watt & 100watt emitted the most dirty electricity.

Summary Statement

Some types of light bulbs can produce harmful amounts of electromagnetic pollution (transients and harmonics).

Help Received

My mother helped with the board set up and purchased the Stetzerizer Microsurge EMF meter.