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Subject: Re: Say GM what do you think about Altec 288 drivers?

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I can only say that you seriously derate the power handling of the driver and it will end up being destroyed if you push too much at too low a frequency. I have run some compression drivers at much below their rated frequency, but at a fraction of their power rating. Let me put it this way, a 288 is approx 15 watt rated, at 250 hz I would guess your max might be between 3 and 5 watts before ending the life of the diaphragm. If you need to use a horn lower than the compression drivers you have available, why not use a cone driver in a horn!!!! Just my 2 cents worth, how lucky do you feel? I pay good money for my Great Plains 399 drivers (288-8K clones), I can't afford to replace diaphragms just for an experiment. Sorry to be a spoil-sport! Ron

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