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Subject: Re: Altec-Lansing

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I wonder what you were doing to those Altecs to melt them. I ran PA for 10 years (indoor and outdoor) with a pair of Altec A-7 500s driven by a Dynaco Stereo 416 (200+ watts per channel). Opera, Country and Western, a Rock Band, soloists, Choirs, you name it. Never had a failed element. One year a horn was stored face up and water ran in and froze so I had to get a new diaphragm/coil assembly. Another time someone poured a cup of coffee down the throat. I drained it and had no trouble. I still use the speakers with no trouble. Of course you have to realize that the tweets are only rated about 15 watts continuous, but they will stand huge overloads for short (musical) periods. Same for the woofs only a few more watts.. Now if you feed them 60 cycle hum at ear shattering levels I can see them melting after a while.-Dick

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