RELIABILITY REPORT
FOR
MAX2112CTI+
PLASTIC ENCAPSULATED DEVICES

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Conclusion

The MAX2112CTI+ successfully meets the quality and reliability standards required of all Maxim products. In addition, Maxim’s continuous reliability monitoring program ensures that all outgoing product will continue to meet Maxim’s quality and reliability standards.

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I. Device Description

A. General

The MAX2112 low-cost, direct-conversion tuner IC is designed for satellite set-top and VSAT applications. The IC is intended for 8PSK and Digital Video Broadcast (DVB-S2) applications. The MAX2112 directly converts the satellite signals from the LNB to baseband using a broadband I/Q downconverter. The operating frequency range extends from 925MHz to 2175MHz. The device includes an LNA and an RF variable-gain amplifier, I and Q downconverting mixers, and baseband lowpass filters with programmable cutoff frequency control and digitally controlled baseband variable-gain amplifiers. Together, the RF and baseband variable-gain amplifiers provide more than 80dB of gain control range. The IC is compatible with virtually all DVB-S2 demodulators. The MAX2112 includes fully monolithic VCOs, as well as a complete fractional-N frequency synthesizer. Additionally, an on-chip crystal oscillator is provided along with a buffered output for driving additional tuners and demodulators. Synthesizer programming and device configuration are accomplished with a 2-wire serial interface. The IC features a VCO autoselect (VAS) function that automatically selects the proper VCO. For multituner applications, the device can be configured to have one of two 2-wire interface addresses. A low-power standby mode is available whereupon the signal path is shut down while leaving the reference oscillator, digital interface, and buffer circuits active, providing a method to reduce power in single and multituner applications. The MAX2112 is the most advanced DBS tuner available today. The low noise figure eliminates the need for an external LNA. A small number of passive components are needed to form a complete DVB-S2 RF front-end solution. The tuner is available in a very small 28-pin thin QFN package.
II. Manufacturing Information

A. Description/Function: Complete, Direct-Conversion Tuner for DVB-S2 Applications
B. Process: MB3H
C. Number of Device Transistors: 
D. Fabrication Location: California
E. Assembly Location: UTL Thailand, Unisem Malaysia
F. Date of Initial Production: July 28, 2007

III. Packaging Information

A. Package Type: 28-pin TQFN 5x5
B. Lead Frame: Copper
C. Lead Finish: 100% matte Tin
D. Die Attach: Conductive Epoxy
E. Bondwire: Gold (1 mil dia.)
F. Mold Material: Epoxy with silica filler
G. Assembly Diagram: #05-9000-2339
H. Flammability Rating: Class UL94-V0
I. Classification of Moisture Sensitivity per JEDEC standard J-STD-020-C Level 1
J. Single Layer Theta Ja: 47°C/W
K. Single Layer Theta Jc: 2.1°C/W
L. Multi Layer Theta Ja: 29°C/W
M. Multi Layer Theta Jc: 2.1°C/W

IV. Die Information

A. Dimensions: 98 X 84 mils
B. Passivation: BCB
C. Interconnect: 2 x Aluminum/Cu (Cu = 0.5%), top layer 100% Cu
D. Backside Metallization: None
E. Minimum Metal Width: 0.35 um
F. Minimum Metal Spacing: 0.35 um
G. Bondpad Dimensions: 5 mil. Sq.
H. Isolation Dielectric: SiO₂
I. Die Separation Method: Saw
V. Quality Assurance Information

A. Quality Assurance Contacts: Ken Wendel (Director, Reliability Engineering) Bryan Preeshl (Managing Director of QA)

B. Outgoing Inspection Level: 0.1% for all electrical parameters guaranteed by the Datasheet.
0.1% For all Visual Defects.

C. Observed Outgoing Defect Rate: < 50 ppm

D. Sampling Plan: Mil-Std-105D

VI. Reliability Evaluation

A. Accelerated Life Test

The results of the 135°C biased (static) life test are shown in Table 1. Using these results, the Failure Rate ($\lambda$) is calculated as follows:

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{MTTF} = \frac{1.83}{192 \times 4340 \times 48 \times 2}$$

(Chi square value for MTTF upper limit)

where 4340 = Temperature Acceleration factor assuming an activation energy of 0.8eV

$$\lambda = 22.4 \times 10^{-9}$$

$$\lambda = 22.4 \text{ F.I.T. (60% confidence level @ 25°C)}$$

The following failure rate represents data collected from Maxim’s reliability monitor program. Maxim performs quarterly 1000 hour life test monitors on its processes. This data is published in the Product Reliability Report found at http://www.maxim-ic.com/. Current monitor data for the MB3H Process results in a FIT Rate of 0.7 @ 25C and 11.5 @ 55C (0.8 eV, 60% UCL)

B. Moisture Resistance Tests

The industry standard 85°C/85%RH or HAST testing is monitored per device process once a quarter.

C. E.S.D. and Latch-Up Testing

The WG17 die type has been found to have all pins able to withstand a HBM transient pulse of +/-500 V per JEDEC JESD22-A114-D. Latch-Up testing has shown that this device withstands a current of +/-250 mA.
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Note 1: Life Test Data may represent plastic DIP qualification lots.
Note 2: Generic Package/Process data