RELIABILITY REPORT
FOR
MAX9814ETD+
PLASTIC ENCAPSULATED DEVICES

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Conclusion

The MAX9814ETD+ 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 MAX9814 is a low-cost, high-quality microphone amplifier with automatic gain control (AGC) and low-noise microphone bias. The device features a low-noise preamplifier, variable gain amplifier (VGA), output amplifier, microphone-bias-voltage generator and AGC control circuitry. The low-noise preamplifier has a fixed 12dB gain, while the VGA gain automatically adjusts from 20dB to 0dB, depending on the output voltage and the AGC threshold. The output amplifier offers selectable gains of 8dB, 18dB, and 28dB. With no compression, the cascade of the amplifiers results in an overall gain of 40dB, 50dB, or 60dB. A trilevel digital input programs the output amplifier gain. An external resistive divider controls the AGC threshold and a single capacitor programs the attack/release times. A trilevel digital input programs the ratio of attack-to-release time. The hold time of the AGC is fixed at 30ms. The low-noise microphone-bias-voltage generator can bias most electret microphones. The MAX9814 is available in the space-saving, 14-pin TDFN package. This device is specified over the -40°C to +85°C extended temperature range.
II. Manufacturing Information

A. Description/Function: Microphone Amplifier with AGC and Low-Noise Microphone Bias
B. Process: B8
C. Number of Device Transistors: 
D. Fabrication Location: California or Texas
E. Assembly Location: Thailand
F. Date of Initial Production: April 13, 2007

III. Packaging Information

A. Package Type: 14-pin TDFN 3x3
B. Lead Frame: Copper
C. Lead Finish: 100% matte Tin
D. Die Attach: Conductive
E. Bondwire: Au (1 mil dia.)
F. Mold Material: Epoxy with silica filler
G. Assembly Diagram: #05-9000-2545
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: 54°C/W
K. Single Layer Theta Jc: 8.3°C/W
L. Multi Layer Theta Ja: 41°C/W
M. Multi Layer Theta Jc: 8.3°C/W

IV. Die Information

A. Dimensions: 87 X 64 mils
B. Passivation: Si₃N₄/SiO₂ (Silicon nitride/ Silicon dioxide)
C. Interconnect: Al/0.5%Cu with Ti/TiN Barrier
D. Backside Metallization: None
E. Minimum Metal Width: 0.8 microns (as drawn)
F. Minimum Metal Spacing: 0.8 microns (as drawn)
G. Bondpad Dimensions: 5 mil. Sq.
H. Isolation Dielectric: SiO₂
I. Die Separation Method: Wafer 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 (λ) is calculated as follows:

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\lambda = \frac{1}{MTTF} = \frac{1.83}{192 \times 4340 \times 47 \times 2} \quad \text{(Chi square value for MTTF upper limit)}
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(where 4340 = Temperature Acceleration factor assuming an activation energy of 0.8eV)

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\lambda = 22.9 \times 10^{-9}
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\lambda = 22.9 \text{ F.I.T. (60% confidence level @ 25°C)}
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The following failure rate represents data collected from Maxim's reliability monitor program. Maxim performs quarterly life test monitors on its processes. This data is published in the Reliability Report found at http://www.maxim-ic.com/qa/reliability/monitor. Cumulative monitor data for the B8 Process results in a FIT Rate of 0.06 @ 25C and 0.99 @ 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 AU74 die type has been found to have all pins able to withstand a HBM transient pulse of +/-2500 V per JEDEC JESD22-A114. Latch-Up testing has shown that this device withstands a current of +/-250 mA.
Table 1  
Reliability Evaluation Test Results  
MAX9814ETD+

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<tr>
<th>TEST ITEM</th>
<th>TEST CONDITION</th>
<th>FAILURE IDENTIFICATION</th>
<th>SAMPLE SIZE</th>
<th>NUMBER OF FAILURES</th>
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<td>Static Life Test (Note 1)</td>
<td>Ta = 135°C Biased Time = 192 hrs.</td>
<td>DC Parameters &amp; functionality</td>
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<td>Moisture Testing (Note 2)</td>
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<td>DC Parameters &amp; functionality</td>
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Note 1: Life Test Data may represent plastic DIP qualification lots.  
Note 2: Generic Package/Process data