RELIABILITY REPORT

FOR

MAX3243ExxI

PLASTIC ENCAPSULATED DEVICES

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Conclusion

The MAX3243E 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 MAX3243E is a 3V-powered EIA/TIA-232 and V.28/V.24 communications interface with automatic shutdown/wakeup features, high data rate capabilities, and enhanced electrostatic discharge (ESD) protection. All transmitter outputs and receiver inputs are protected to ±15kV using IEC 1000-4-2 Air-Gap Discharge, to ±8kV using IEC 1000-4-2 Contact Discharge, and to ±15kV using the Human Body Model.

The MAX3243E achieves a $1\mu A$ supply current with Maxim's revolutionary AutoShutdownTM feature. It saves power without changes to the existing BIOS or operating system by entering low-power shutdown mode when the RS-232 cable is disconnected, or when the transmitters of the connected peripherals are off.

This transceiver has a proprietary low-dropout transmitter output stage, delivering true RS-232 performance from a +3.0V to +5.5V supply with a dual charge pump. The charge pump requires only four small $0.1\mu\text{F}$ capacitors for operation from a +3.3V supply. The MAX3243E is guaranteed to run at data rates of 250kbps while maintaining RS-232 output levels. The MAX3243E is a complete 3-driver/5-receiver serial port ideal for notebook or subnotebook computers. It also includes two noninverting receiver outputs that are always active, allowing external devices to be monitored without forward biasing the protection diodes in drcuitry that may be powered down.

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B. Absolute Maximum Ratings

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<u>item</u>	Rating
V _{cc} to GND	-0.3V to +6V
V+ to GND (Note 1)	-0.3V to +7V
V- to GND (Note 1)	+0.3V to -7V
V+ + V- (Note 1)	+13V
Input Voltages	
T_IN, /EN, FORCEON, /FORCEOFF to GND	-0.3V to +6V
R_IN to GND	±25V
Output Voltages	
T_OUT to GND	±13.2V
R_OUT, R2OUTB, /INVALID to GND	$-0.3V$ to $(V_{CC} + 0.3V)$
Short-Circuit Duration	
T_OUT to GND	Continuous
Storage Temp.	-65°C to +160°C
Lead Temp. (10 sec.)	+300°C
Power Dissipation	
28-Pin DIP	889mW
28-Pin SSOP	762mW
Derates above +70°C	
28-Pin DIP	11.11mW/°C
28-Pin SSOP	9.52mW/°C

Note 1: V+ and V- can have maximum magnitudes of 7V, but their absolute difference cannot exceed 13V.

II. Manufacturing Information

A. Description/Function: ±15kV ESD-Protected, 1μA, 3.0V to 5.5V, 250kbps, RS-232 Transceiver with AutoShutdown

B. Process: SG3 (Standard 3 micron silicon gate CMOS)

C. Number of Device Transistors: 576

D. Fabrication Location: California or Oregon, USA

E. Assembly Location: Philippines or Malaysia

F. Date of Initial Production: January, 1998

III. Packaging Information

A. Package Type: 28-Pin PDIP 28-Pin SSOP

B. Lead Frame: Copper Copper

C. Lead Finish: Solder Plate Solder Plate

D. Die Attach: Silver-filled Epoxy Silver-filled Epoxy

E. Bondwire: Gold (1.3 mil dia.) Gold (1.3 mil dia.)

F. Mold Material: Epoxy with silica filler Epoxy with silica filler

G. Assembly Diagram: # 05-1901-0209 # 05-1901-0173

H. Flammability Rating: Class UL94-V0 Class UL94-V0

I. Classification of Moisture Sensitivity per

JEDEC standard JESD22-A112: Level 1 Level 1

IV. Die Information

A. Dimensions: 135 x 158 mils/

B. Passivation: Si_3N_4/SiO_2 (Silicon nitride/ Silicon dioxide)

C. Interconnect: Aluminum/Si (Si = 1%)

D. Backside Metallization: None

E. Minimum Metal Width: 3 microns (as drawn)

F. Minimum Metal Spacing: 3 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: Jim Pedicord (Reliability Lab Manager)

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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:

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{\text{MTTF}} = \frac{4.04}{192 \text{ x } 4389 \text{ x } 320 \text{ x } 2} \text{ (Chi square value for MTTF upper limit)}$$

$$\text{Temperature Acceleration factor assuming an activation energy of } 0.8eV$$

$$\lambda = 7.49 \text{ x } 10^{-9}$$

$$\lambda = 7.49 \text{ F.I.T. (60\% confidence level @ 25°C)}$$

This low failure rate represents data collected from Maxim's reliability monitor program. In addition to routine production Burn-In, Maxim pulls a sample from every fabrication process three times per week and subjects it to an extended Burn-In prior to shipment to ensure its reliability. The reliability control level for each lot to be shipped as standard product is 59 F.I.T. at a 60% confidence level, which equates to 3 failures in an 80 piece sample. Maxim performs failure analysis on any lot that exceeds this reliability control level. Attached Burn-In Schematic (Spec. # 06-5167) shows the static Burn-In circuit. Maxim also performs quarterly 1000 hour life test monitors. This data is published in the Product Reliability Report (RR-1M).

B. Moisture Resistance Tests

Maxim pulls pressure pot samples from every assembly process three times per week. Each lot sample must meet an LTPD = 20 or less before shipment as standard product. Additionally, the industry standard 85°C/85%RH testing is done per generic device/package family once a quarter.

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

The RS59-1 die type has been found to have all pins able to withstand a transient pulse of ± 2500 V, per Mil-Std-883 Method 3015 (reference attached ESD Test Circuit). Additionally, the MAX3243E has achieved ± 15 kV ESD protection using both methods 3015 and IEC 801-2 (air-gap discharge) on the I/O pins. Latch-Up testing has shown that this device withstands a current of ± 250 mA and/or ± 20 V.

Table 1 Reliability Evaluation Test Results

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TEST ITEM	TEST CONDITION	FAILURE IDENTIFICATION	PACKAGE	SAMPLE SIZE	NUMBER OF FAILURES	
Static Life Test (Note 1)						
	Ta = 135°C Biased Time = 192 hrs.	DC Parameters & functionality		320	1	
Moisture Testin	g (Note 2)					
Pressure Pot	Ta = 121°C P = 15 psi. RH= 100% Time = 168hrs.	DC Parameters & functionality (generic test vehicle)	PDIP SSOP TSSOP	77 77 77	0 0 0	
85/85	Ta = 85°C RH = 85% Biased Time = 1000hrs.	DC Parameters & functionality (generic test vehicle)		77	0	
Mechanical Stress (Note 2)						
Temperature Cycle	-65°C/150°C 1000 Cycles Method 1010	DC Parameters (generic test vehicle)		77	0	

Note 1: Life Test Data may represent plastic D.I.P. qualification lots. Note 2: Generic Package/Process data