RELIABILITY REPORT

FOR

MAX8873TEUK+

PLASTIC ENCAPSULATED DEVICES

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MAXIM INTEGRATED PRODUCTS

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Conclusion

The MAX8873TEUK+ 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 MAX8873T/S/R and MAX8874T/S/R low-dropout linear regulators operate from a +2.5V to +6.5V input range and deliver up to 120mA. A PMOS pass transistor allows the low, 82µA supply current to remain independent of load, making these devices ideal for battery-operated portable equipment such as cellular phones and cordless phones. The devices feature Dual Mode(tm) operation: their output voltage is preset (at 3.15V for the T versions, 2.84V for the S versions, or 2.80V for the R versions) or can be adjusted with an external resistor divider. Total error on the output is ±3.5%. Output voltages are set on the low side of popular ranges so that power drain is minimized for longer battery life. Other features include low-power shutdown, short-circuit protection, thermal shutdown protection, and reverse battery protection. The MAX8874 also includes an auto-discharge function, which actively discharges the output voltage to ground when the device is placed in shutdown mode. Both devices come in a miniature 5-pin SOT23 package. For dual versions, refer to the MAX8865/MAX8866 data sheet. For low-noise versions with 30µVRMS output noise, refer to the MAX8877/MAX8878.

II. Manufacturing Information

A. Description/Function:	Low-Dropout 120mA Linear Regulators
B. Process:	S12
C. Number of Device Transistors:	
D. Fabrication Location:	Oregon, California or Texas
E. Assembly Location:	Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand
F. Date of Initial Production:	July 25, 1997

III. Packaging Information

A. Package Type:	5-pin SOT23
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:	#05-1101-0036
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:	324.3°C/W
K. Single Layer Theta Jc:	82°C/W
L. Multi Layer Theta Ja:	n/a
M. Multi Layer Theta Jc:	n/a

IV. Die Information

A. Dimensions:	38 X 55 mils
B. Passivation:	Si_3N_4/SiO_2 (Silicon nitride/ Silicon dioxide)
C. Interconnect:	Al/0.5%Cu with Ti/TiN Barrier
D. Backside Metallization:	None
E. Minimum Metal Width:	1.2 microns (as drawn)
F. Minimum Metal Spacing:	1.2 microns (as drawn)
G. Bondpad Dimensions:	5 mil. Sq.
H. Isolation Dielectric:	SiO_2
I. Die Separation Method:	Wafer Saw

V. Quality Assurance Information

A. Quality Assurance Contacts:	Don Lipps (Manager, 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:

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{MTTF} = \frac{1.83}{192 \times 4340 \times 80 \times 2}$$ (Chi square value for MTTF upper limit)

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

$\lambda = 13.7 \times 10^{-9}$

$\lambda = 13.7$ F.I.T. (60% confidence level @ 25°C)

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 S12 Process results in a FIT Rate of 0.17 @ 25C and 3.00 @ 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 PX48 die type has been found to have all pins able to withstand a HBM transient pulse of +/-2000V per Mil-Std 883 Method 3015.7. Latch-Up testing has shown that this device withstands a current of +/-250mA.

Table 1
Reliability Evaluation Test Results

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TEST ITEM	TEST CONDITION	FAILURE IDENTIFICATION	SAMPLE SIZE	NUMBER OF FAILURES
Static Life Test (Note 1)				
	Ta = 135°C Biased Time = 192 hrs.	DC Parameters & functionality	80	0
Moisture Testing (Note 2)				
HAST	Ta = 130°C RH = 85% Biased Time = 96hrs.	DC Parameters & functionality	77	0
Mechanical Stress (Note 2)				
Temperature Cycle	-65°C/150°C 1000 Cycles Method 1010	DC Parameters & functionality	77	0

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