



RELIABILITY REPORT
FOR
MAX669EUB+
PLASTIC ENCAPSULATED DEVICES

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Conclusion

The MAX669EUB+ 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 MAX668/MAX669 constant-frequency, pulse-width modulating (PWM), current-mode DC-DC controllers are designed for a wide range of DC-DC conversion applications including step-up, SEPIC, flyback, and isolated-output configurations. Power levels of 20W or more can be controlled with conversion efficiencies of over 90%. The 1.8V to 28V input voltage range supports a wide range of battery and AC-powered inputs. An advanced BiCMOS design features low operating current (220 μ A), adjustable operating frequency (100kHz to 500kHz), soft-start, and a SYNC input allowing the MAX668/MAX669 oscillator to be locked to an external clock. DC-DC conversion efficiency is optimized with a low 100mV current-sense voltage as well as with Maxim's proprietary Idle Mode(tm) control scheme. The controller operates in PWM mode at medium and heavy loads for lowest noise and optimum efficiency, then pulses only as needed (with reduced inductor current) to reduce operating current and maximize efficiency under light loads. A logic-level shutdown input is also included, reducing supply current to 3.5 μ A. The MAX669, optimized for low input voltages with a guaranteed start-up voltage of 1.8V, requires boot-strapped operation (IC powered from boosted output). It supports output voltages up to 28V. The MAX668 operates with inputs as low as 3V and can be connected in either a bootstrapped or non-bootstrapped (IC powered from input supply or other source) configuration. When not bootstrapped, it has no restriction on output voltage. Both ICs are available in an extremely compact 10-pin μ MAX[®] package.

II. Manufacturing Information

A. Description/Function:	1.8V to 28V Input, PWM Step-Up Controllers in μ MAX
B. Process:	B12
C. Number of Device Transistors:	
D. Fabrication Location:	Oregon, California or Texas
E. Assembly Location:	Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand
F. Date of Initial Production:	July 31, 1998

III. Packaging Information

A. Package Type:	10-pin uMAX
B. Lead Frame:	Copper
C. Lead Finish:	100% matte Tin
D. Die Attach:	Conductive
E. Bondwire:	Au (1.3 mil dia.)
F. Mold Material:	Epoxy with silica filler
G. Assembly Diagram:	#05-1101-0021
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:	180°C/W
K. Single Layer Theta Jc:	41.9°C/W
L. Multi Layer Theta Ja:	113.1°C/W
M. Multi Layer Theta Jc:	41.9°C/W

IV. Die Information

A. Dimensions:	58 X 80 mils
B. Passivation:	$\text{Si}_3\text{N}_4/\text{SiO}_2$ (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: 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:

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

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

$$\lambda = 13.4 \times 10^{-9}$$
$$\lambda = 13.4 \text{ F.I.T. (60\% confidence level @ 25°C)}$$

The following failure rate represents data collected from Maxim's reliability monitor program. Maxim performs quarterly 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 B12 Process results in a FIT Rate of 0.06 @ 25C and 1.06 @ 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 PX02-1 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

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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