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## 5.3 Implications of COTS Packaging Modifications in Legacy Systems



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- I. Evolution in the Commercial IC Supply Chain
- II. Revision Impact to Circuit design
- III.Review (2) Case Examples
- Antenna RF Switching CCA
- RF Communications CCA

IV.Conclusions- Recommended Actions, Preventive Measures

## **Integrated Circuit-**Evolution In The Supply Chain

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- Acquisition Reform under Perry Initiative- March 1996
  - Departure from Military specs., Utilize COTS products and commercial best practices where possible
  - Exponential growth IC's, demand due to computers & the internet REQUIRED revolutionary changes
  - Changes in Engineering, Business, Quality, Product Support, Development Tools, Equipment, Materials & Technology. *REQUIRED* to meet demands
  - Improvement in Speed, Performance & Integration of functional blocks required changes in Packaging, Lead frame interconnect technology
- Semiconductor Industry Requirements for Product Release
  - COST reduction, fractions of a penny at high volume is Significant!
  - Increase in yield
  - Novel IP, Increases Market Share
  - Increase in performance

### IC & Die Revisions-IMPACT Circuit Designs

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### **Modifications-**

#### Performance "Intended for New Circuit Designs"

- Die Shrink >> Increase- yield per wafer, production throughput. speed, Reduce- capacitance / resistance / inductance
- Lower Voltage >> Reduce power consumption
- Die Material >> Increase junction temp., lower V threshold, improved digital / RF characteristics (GaAs, GaN, SiGE, SiC)
- IC Packaging Supplier >> Cost savings, Increased throughput, Quality Performance

#### **Material**

- Molding Compound >> Cost Savings, Improved environmental protection, Restricted Substance Compliance
- Lead frame >> Cost Savings, Restricted Substance Compliance
- Bond Wire >> COST SAVINGS Industry migrating away from Gold to Copper

#### **Product Release Impact / Update Mechanisms**

- OCM Technical Support >> Product Change (PCN) & End of Life (EOL) notifications
- Engineering Services >> IHS, Silicon Expert, QTec *rely* on timely OCM information!

#### A multitude of factors influence how IC's perform in legacy designs

- Components acquired to support a 20 board build for legacy program upgrade >> Qty.17 per board
- Obtained from approved ID, previously owned excess inventory
- Updated CF requirements instituted Q notes requiring authenticity & electrical testing
- Passed supplier tests & incoming inspection but failed during CCA functional test (low gain)
- Initially indicted as <u>suspect counterfeit</u> due to physical differences
- Older 2000 DC components pulled from stores worked, 2004 DC had Low gain, Part discontinued in 2009, then Transferred

#### **SOT-89 Visual Inspection**



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#### **Physical / mechanical differences**



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- > 2004 DC components marginally met dimensional, FAILED lead pitch & paddle width
- > X-Rays revealed differences in Lead frame, paddle & wire bond placement
- HIGH volume COTS device used in CATV Industry, mass produced 2000 to 2009
- NO PCN's filed from 2000 to 2008! Feb 2008, PCN: Mold Compound Change & Second Source OCM, Dec 2011: "molding compound will not affect product form, fit, function, or Reliability"

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#### **Rev 1 Electrical Specification** [1]

Electrical Specifications<sup>1</sup>:  $T_A = +25^{\circ}C$ , Vs = 5 V, Is = 70 mA

Parameter	Test Conditions	Units	Min	Тур	Мах
Gain <sup>2</sup>	F = 50-450 MHz	dB		18	
Noise Figure <sup>3</sup>	F = 50-450 MHz	dB		4.4	
Input Return Loss	F = 50-450 MHz	dB		12	
Output Return Loss	F = 50-450 MHz	dB		15	
1dB Compression	F = 50-450 MHz	dBm		22	
Output IP3 4	F = 50-450 MHz	dBm		40	
Current	Vs = 5 V	mA		70	

OIP3 measured with Pout/Tone = +5 dBm, Tone spacing = 10 MHz

**Broadband IF Driver Amplifier** V 1.00 50 - 450 MHz Advanced

- 2000 to 2004: Datasheet revised 4 times to characterize broadband performance
- Revision 4 defined nominal frequency @ 250 MHz & Min/Max parameters, gain, noise figure & return loss
- PCB Test board not available, able to fabricate one
- Effects gain but able to characterize die revisions

[1] Broadband IF Driver Amp., MAAMSS0017 V1, DS ref., Datasheet Archive 2017. http://www.datasheetarchive.com/ Searched & Accessed: 3.15.17

[2] Broadband IF Driver Amp., MAAMSS0017 V4, DS ref., 2005. https://octopart.com/search?g=MAAMSS0017 Searched & Accessed: 3.15.17

#### **Rev 4 Electrical Specification** [2]

**Broadband IF Driver Amplifier** 50 - 2500 MHz

MAAMSS0017 V4

#### Electrical Specifications: $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ , $V_{CC} = 5 V$ , $Z_0 = 50 \Omega$ , $P_{IN} \leq -10 \text{ dBm}$

Parameter	Test Conditions	Frequency	Units	Min	Тур	Мах
Gain	_	250 MHz 50 - 600 MHz 600 - 1500 MHz 1500 - 2000 MHz 2000 - 2500 MHz	dB dB dB dB dB	15.5 — — — —	18 17 12.5 10.5 8	19.5 — — —
Noise Figure	_	50 - 600 MHz 600 - 1500 MHz 1500 - 2500 MHz	dB dB dB	  	4.8 5.1 5.3	
Input Return Loss	_	50 - 600 MHz 600 - 2500 MHz	dB dB	_	10 13	
Output Return Loss	_	50 - 600 MHz 600 - 1500 MHz 1500 - 2500 MHz	dB dB dB		10 13 10	
Output 1dB Compression	_	50 - 600 MHz 600 - 2500 MHz	dBm dBm	_	20 19	_
Output IP3	Two tone, P <sub>IN</sub> / Tone = -13 dBm, Tone spacing = 10 MHz	250 MHz 50 - 600 MHz 600 - 2500 MHz	dBm dBm dBm	35 	38.5 37 34	
Current	V <sub>cc</sub> = 5 V	-	mA	_	70	100

#### Test PCB & Schematic [1]





### **Example 1-** Broadband IF Driver Amplifier Standalone Component, *characterized on Test PCB*

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**De-capsulation:** Shows wire placement Issue





- ✓ OCM supplier changed: Lead frame, Wire Bonder (Wire Placement) & Injection Mold
- ✓ Likely a result of a change in IC Packaging Supplier
- OCM design engineering reviewed analysis & data. Confirmed effects of longer ground loop on gain, resulting in dB drop & roll-off <u>outside</u> nominal range
- ✓ RF CCA design gain required operation outside nominal range 200-400MHz

Industry "Best Practices"- PCN Release Not Required / Enforced

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#### High Mag. Inspection: Die are the SAME





- OCM PCN **NOT** released- Effect of ground loop gain changes at frequency *not captured* In datasheets
- **Supplier Change**: Impact to Form-Fit-Functionality <u>*Not*</u> Properly Assessed!
- Short Term: Amps. replaced with legacy components with DC 2000
- Long Term: Recommended replacing obsolete MAAMSS0017 with updated equivalent component, with Improved Freq. Characteristics

#### Driver Amp. is obsolete- REQUIRES eventual design change

# **Example 2-** 60V N-Channel MOSFET, 2N7002 (1) FA Investigation, RF Communications CCA

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- I. Common switching device; (4) OCM's Identified on the design specification ASL
- II. 40-50% yield @ board level test. Q501 Failed FM distortion, decreased output capacitance
- III. Supplier mounted IC's (SOT-23) appear significantly different than repair stock. Indicted as suspect CF
- IV. Engineering provided spice model & details of the test fixture failure mode as observed

Analysis- "K" date code has less capacitance (D-S, D-G)

Circuit functions as On/Off switch appropriately

**Device OFF:** Source charges capacitor at the drain - Generates saw tooth waveform

Device ON: Capacitor discharges, saw tooth starts near 0V

Steeper saw tooth related to less capacitance

Circuit Function DEPENDENT on MOSFET Timing & Capacitance Attributes!



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## Example 2- 60V N-Channel MOSFET, 2N7002

(1) FA Investigation, I-V Characterization

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#### devices function as intended Figure 11 Gate Threshold Voltage at ID=0.25mA. Sam the allowed limits of 0.8 v to 2.5 v.

#### OCM1 Newer DC 11/13/15 Higher Gain



Figure 8 Device (#7) Removed from a CCA. This had the highest "gain".

#### **I-V Characteristics OCM2** (Old) **Vs. OCM1** (New)- Different due to OCM1 die level changes

**Curve Trace Analysis-**

FA lab. measurements, BOTH





Figure 10 Device from Repair Stock (#3).

Raytheon FA: Current-Voltage (I-V) Characteristics & Vf

# **Example 2-** 60V N-Channel MOSFET, 2N7002 (1) FA Investigation, X-Ray Analysis

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#### Factors: Effecting function in legacy circuit

- OCM1 migrated to copper wire, 0.5 mil with industry wide transition. Double wire bond D-S required, DUE to increased bond strike force
- 2. Bond wire length, orientation, quantity & lead frame differences effect
  - Gain
  - Noise susceptibility
    Results in Increased FM distortion



**Technology Migration-Effects Circuit performance!** 

## **Example 2-** 60V N-Channel MOSFET, 2N7002 (1) FA Investigation, Decapsulation

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Factors: Effecting function in legacy circuit

- 3. Reduced C(D-S) & C(G-S) output capacitance effects
  - State timing in circuit
  - Reduced noise tolerance

Lab. Recommendation: Reduce FM distortion and modify circuit timing by adding capacitance to accommodate planar & trench FET technology



OCM2 DeCap Die Area 669 x 671 = 448,899μm<sup>2</sup>

{Images NOT to scale}

OCM1 DeCap Die Area 392 × 393 = 154,056μm<sup>2</sup>

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OCM1

**Recommended Actions, Preventive Measures** 

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- Commercial OCM's make changes to die & packaging to:
  - REDUCE Cost, Increase yield & throughput, INCREASE market share
  - Improve Function and Performance
- Utilize Industry "Best Practices"
  - Assessments of Form, Fit, Function impact VARY
  - Datasheet Sheet Updates / Releases, Technical Content, PCN / EOL Notices VARY

## For legacy systems

- Perform review of component availability & PCN's, PRIOR to build
- Specify replacement components, as necessary
- PCN impact assessment may require testing and additional analysis
- Impact of architectural, process or supplier changes
  - REQUIRES analysis from SME's in Materials, Electrical, Components & Failure Analysis

## **Acronyms, Definitions**

#### AT&L: Acquisition, Technology & Logistics; DoD undersecretary (OSD) **AD:** Authorized Distributor AOI / AXI: Automated Optical / X-Ray Inspection, Process improvement ASL / PSL: Approved or Preferred Supplier List **BU:** Business Unit **CAT:** Counterfeit Avoidance Team (Enterprise wide) **CB:** Certification Body **CCAT:** Counterfeit Component Avoidance Training **COTS:** Commercial Off The Shelf (components, products) **CPB:** Customs Protection & Borders **CPI/CI:** Critical Program Information / Counterintelligence **CTN:** Components Technology Network (Enterprise wide) **DFARS:** Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement **DHS:** Department of Homeland Security **DI:** De-Ionized (Water) **DLA:** Defense Logistics Agency **DMS:** Diminishing Manufacturing Supply (source) **DoD:** Department of Defense (U.S.) **DoJ:** Department of Justice (U.S.) **EHS:** Environmental Health & Safety **EOL:** End Of Life (System Refurbishment / Upgrades) **ERAI:** Electronic Resellers Association Incorporated **ESS:** Environmental Stress Screening ETMA: Engineering Technology & Mission Assurance FA: Failure Analysis FCT: Functional Test

FD: Franchised Distributor GAO: Government Accountability Office (U.S.) **GIDEP:** Government-Industry Data Exchange Program **IC:** Integrated Circuit **ICT:** In-Circuit Test **ID:** Independent Distributor **IDEA:** Independent Distributors of Electronics Association **ITAR:** International Traffic in Arms Regulations Legacy: Previous generation system (Military / Aerospace) LF: Lead Free LTB: Last Time Buv **MA:** Mission Assurance, Internal Raytheon Function **MDA:** Missile Defense Agency **MIL Spec:** Military Specifications **MIL-STD:** Military Standard (specifications) **MSL:** Moisture Sensitivity Level (defined in J-STD-020E) NC: Non-Conformance, Electronic Components, Hardware, Material or Process **NASA:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration (U.S.) **NDAA:** National Defense Authorization Act, Implemented Annually **NEPP:** NASA Electronics Parts and Packaging program **NFD:** Non-Franchised Distributor **NHA:** Next Higher Assembly **OCM:** Original Component Manufacturer **OEM:** Original Equipment Manufacturer (Systems) **OSD:** Office of the Secretary of Defense (U.S.)

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**PCN:** Product Change Notice **PLCP:** Product Life Cycle Process **POC:** Point Of Contact **PPP:** Program Protection Plan Prime: System Design Lead / Provider QC: Quality Control **QPL:** Quality Parts List **RF:** Radio Frequency **RTN:** Raytheon SAE: Society of Automotive & Aerospace Engineering SEM-edx: Scanning Electron Microscopy-energy dispersive x-ray spectroscopy SASC: Senate Armed Services Committee SIA: Semiconductor Industry Association SME: Subject Matter Expert SMT: Surface Mount Technology Supplier: Sub-system component provider, Sub-Contractor SAE: Society of Automotive & Aerospace Engineering SEM-edx: Scanning Electron Microscopy-energy dispersive x-ray spectroscopy SASC: Senate Armed Services Committee SIA: Semiconductor Industry Association SME: Subject Matter Expert SMT: Surface Mount Technology Supplier: Sub-system component provider, Sub-Contractor

**Abstract:** During the product lifecycle of high volume commercial discrete and Integrated circuit components, subtle and more significant changes are often made in production to increase: Volume, Throughput, Performance and Profit Margins. These changes may or may not appear in PCN (Product Change Notice) releases from the OCM. This is dependent on whether or not the supplier is able to assess impact from the "Form, Fit or Functionality" perspective. Without exhaustive testing in all applications, the impact of these changes are not well understood.

We will review (2) Failure Analysis examples where changes in the IC packaging or die architecture significantly impacted Raytheon programs, resulting in failures and delays in production. Root cause analysis and findings will be shared and what preventative steps should be taken to mitigate the impact of these changes, particularly in legacy designs.

#### **Topics Covered-**

- 1. Overview of Semiconductor Industries best practices and run rules
- 2. Review an example program circuit level failures attributed to a poorly documented OCM component revision change
- 3. Review an example of a program circuit level failure attributed to a die architectural change and how this impacts / limits functionality in an existing circuit design
- 4. Provide best practice recommendations on how to mitigate risks associated with component level changes