

RELIABILITY REPORT  
FOR  
MAX16904SAUE50+  
PLASTIC ENCAPSULATED DEVICES

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## Conclusion

The MAX16904SAUE50+ successfully meets the quality and reliability standards required of all Maxim Integrated products. In addition, Maxim Integrated's continuous reliability monitoring program ensures that all outgoing product will continue to meet Maxim Integrated's quality and reliability standards.

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### I. Device Description

#### A. General

The MAX16904 is a small, synchronous buck converter with integrated high-side and low-side switches. The device is designed to deliver 600mA with input voltages from +3.5V to +28V while using only 25 $\mu$ A quiescent current at no load. Voltage quality can be monitored by observing the PGOOD signal. The MAX16904 can operate in dropout by running at 97% duty cycle, making it ideal for automotive and industrial applications. The MAX16904 operates at a 2.1MHz frequency, allowing for small external components and reduced output ripple. It guarantees no AM band interference. SYNC input programmability enables three frequency modes for optimized performance: forced fixed-frequency operation, SKIP mode (ultra-low quiescent current of 25 $\mu$ A), and synchronization to an external clock. The MAX16904 can be ordered with spread-spectrum frequency modulation, designed to minimize EMI-radiated emissions due to the modulation frequency. The MAX16904 is available in a thermally enhanced, 3mm x 3mm, 10-pin TDFN package or a 16-pin TSSOP package. The MAX16904 operates over the -40°C to +125°C automotive temperature range.

## II. Manufacturing Information

|                                  |                                                 |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| A. Description/Function:         | 2.1MHz, High-Voltage, 600mA Mini-Buck Converter |
| B. Process:                      | S45                                             |
| C. Number of Device Transistors: | 9115                                            |
| D. Fabrication Location:         | California, Texas or Japan                      |
| E. Assembly Location:            | Thailand                                        |
| F. Date of Initial Production:   | September 24, 2010                              |

## III. Packaging Information

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| A. Package Type:                                                         | 16-pin TSSOP             |
| 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:                                                     | #05-9000-3519            |
| 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:                                                | 47°C/W                   |
| K. Single Layer Theta Jc:                                                | 3°C/W                    |
| L. Multi Layer Theta Ja:                                                 | 38.3°C/W                 |
| M. Multi Layer Theta Jc:                                                 | 3°C/W                    |

## IV. Die Information

|                            |                                                                                     |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| A. Dimensions:             | 63X70 mils                                                                          |
| B. Passivation:            | Si <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> /SiO <sub>2</sub> (Silicon nitride/ Silicon dioxide) |
| C. Interconnect:           | Al/0.5%Cu with Ti/TiN Barrier                                                       |
| D. Backside Metallization: | None                                                                                |
| E. Minimum Metal Width:    | Metal1 = 0.5 microns (as drawn)                                                     |
| F. Minimum Metal Spacing:  | Metal1 = 0.45 microns (as drawn)                                                    |
| G. Bondpad Dimensions:     |                                                                                     |
| H. Isolation Dielectric:   | SiO <sub>2</sub>                                                                    |
| I. Die Separation Method:  | Wafer Saw                                                                           |

## V. Quality Assurance Information

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| A. Quality Assurance Contacts:    | Don Lipps (Manager, Reliability Engineering)<br>Bryan Preeshl (Vice President of QA)            |
| B. Outgoing Inspection Level:     | 0.1% for all electrical parameters guaranteed by the Datasheet.<br>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 135C biased (static) life test are shown in Table 1. Using these results, the Failure Rate ( $\lambda$ ) is calculated as follows:

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{\text{MTTF}} = \frac{1.83}{1000 \times 4340 \times 252 \times 2} \quad (\text{Chi square value for MTTF upper limit})$$

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

$$\lambda = 0.84 \times 10^{-9}$$

$$\lambda = 0.84 \text{ F.I.T. (60\% confidence level @ 25°C)}$$

The following failure rate represents data collected from Maxim Integrated's reliability monitor program. Maxim Integrated performs quarterly life test monitors on its processes. This data is published in the Reliability Report found at <http://www.maximintegrated.com/qa/reliability/monitor>. Cumulative monitor data for the S45 Process results in a FIT Rate of 0.13 @ 25C and 2.31 @ 55C (0.8 eV, 60% UCL).

### B. E.S.D. and Latch-Up Testing (TTDZGQ002C, D/C 1025)

The AP08 die type has been found to have all pins able to withstand a transient pulse of:

|          |                                 |
|----------|---------------------------------|
| ESD-HBM: | +/- 2500V per JEDEC JESD22-A114 |
| ESD-CDM: | +/- 750V per JEDEC JESD22-C101  |

Latch-Up testing has shown that this device withstands a current of +/- 50mA and overvoltage per JEDEC JESD78.

**Table 1**  
Reliability Evaluation Test Results

**MAX16904SAUE50+**

| TEST ITEM                        | TEST CONDITION   | FAILURE IDENTIFICATION | SAMPLE SIZE | NUMBER OF FAILURES | COMMENTS             |
|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------------|-------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Static Life Test</b> (Note 1) | Ta = 135°C       | DC Parameters          | 80          | 0                  | TTDZIA004B, D/C 1131 |
|                                  | Biased           | & functionality        | 172         | 0                  | TTDYCQ003F, D/C 1105 |
|                                  | Time = 1000 hrs. |                        |             |                    |                      |

Note 1: Life Test Data may represent plastic DIP qualification lots.