CHANGE NOTIFICATION



May 28, 2013

Dear Sir/Madam: PCN# 052813

Subject: Notification of Assembly Process Change for LTM8021 and LTM8031

Please be advised that Linear Technology Corporation has made a minor change to the internal package construction to facilitate the use of one attach material for both die and components. The die attach material is changed from epoxy to solder, which is already used for attaching components in the same µModule device package. In order to use the solder die attach, the die attach paddle (DAP) has been modified by splitting the DAP into multiple pads for dice D1 and U1. Linear has been shipping several µModule devices using solder for die attach and component attach.

Besides these changes, no functional, parametric, mechanical, or datasheet specifications are affected and the component bill of materials remains unchanged. Similarly, there are no changes associated with the package footprint, PCB layout or product top marking, so the customer applications will be unaffected.

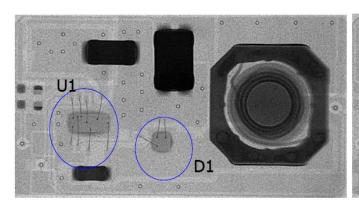
Parts incorporating the new substrate design have been fully characterized and tested for package level reliability. The change was qualified by performing extensive characterization over the full operating voltage and temperature ranges and MSL3 preconditioning. Devices from the same µModule device product families have been subjected to 1000 cycles of temperature cycles and thermal shock. Products built using the improved design are targeted for shipment around late November 2013.

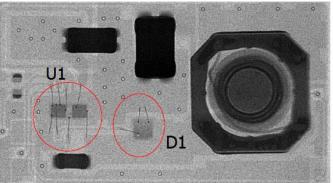
Should you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at 408-432-1900 ext. 2519, or by E-mail at NGIRN@linear.com. If I do not hear from you by June 28th, 2013, we will consider this change approved by your company.

Sincerely,

Naib Girn Quality Assurance Manage

LTM8021- Current and New Design

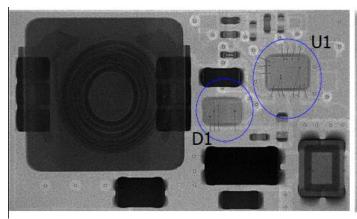


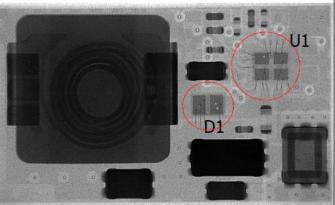


Current Design

New Design

LTM8031 Current and New Design





Current Design

New Design



PACKAGE RELIABILITY DATA

LTM80xx Solder Die Attach Qualification Report					
5/17/2013					
OPERATING LIFE TEST					
DEVICE TYPE	SAMPLE SIZE	OLDEST DATE CODE	NEWEST DATE CODE	K DEVICE HOURS AT +150°C	NUMBER OF FAILURES
LTM8008	77 77	1210	1210	77.00 77.00	0
• J-STD-020 MSL 3		G: 192h +30°C/609	6R.H. SOAK, 3x RE	FLOW AT +245°C P	
DEVICE TYPE	SAMPLE SIZE	OLDEST DATE CODE	NEWEST DATE CODE		NUMBER OF FAILURES
LTM8001 LTM8008 LTM8021 LTM8023 LTM8025 LTM8028 LTM8029 LTM8032 LTM8045 LTM8047 LTM8048	199 462 204 204 204 184 246 204 152 77 274	1236 1210 1308 1245 1245 1238 1239 1302 1225 1242 1232	1236 1210 1308 1245 1245 1236 1239 1302 1225 1242 1236		0 0 0 0
LTM8052 LTM8058	358 204 2,972	1239 1239	1239 1239		0 0 0
HIGH TEMPERATURE BAKE at 150°C					
DEVICE TYPE	SAMPLE SIZE	OLDEST DATE CODE	NEWEST DATE CODE	K DEVICE HOURS AT +150°C	NUMBER OF FAILURES
LTM8001 LTM8008 LTM8021 LTM8023 LTM8025 LTM8029 LTM8032 LTM8045 LTM8052 LTM8058	25 77 50 50 50 50 74 50 50 50	1236 1210 1306 1245 1245 1239 1302 1225 1239 1239	1236 1210 1306 1245 1245 1239 1302 1225 1239 1239	25.00 77.00 25.00 50.00 50.00 74.00 50.00 50.00 50.00 50.00	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
HIGHLY ACCELERATED STRESS TEST (+131°C/85%R.H. w BIAS)					
DEVICE TYPE	SAMPLE SIZE	OLDEST DATE CODE	NEWEST DATE CODE	K DEVICE HOURS AT +85°C	NUMBER OF FAILURES
LTM8008	46 46	1210	1210	88.32 88.32	0
UNBIASED HIGHLY ACCELERATED STRESS TEST (+131°C/85%R.H.) (1)					
DEVICE TYPE	SAMPLE SIZE	OLDEST DATE CODE	NEWEST DATE CODE	K DEVICE HOURS AT +131*C	NUMBER OF FAILURES
LTM8001 LTM8023 LTM8025 LTM8028 LTM8029 LTM8032 LTM8045 LTM8048 LTM8052 LTM8058	43 50 50 30 70 50 49 46 50 50 488	1236 1245 1245 1236 1239 1302 1225 1236 1239 1239	1236 1245 1245 1236 1239 1302 1225 1236 1239 1239	4.13 4.80 4.80 2.88 6.72 4.80 8.23 2.21 4.80 4.80 48.17	0 0 0 0 0 0

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PACKAGE RELIABILITY DATA LTM80xx Solder Die Attach Qualification Report 5/17/2013 • TEMPERATURE/HUMIDITY STORAGE (+85°C/85%R.H.) (1) NUMBER K DEVICE DEVICE SAMPLE OLDEST DATE CODE NEWEST HOURS AT +85°C DATE CODE FAILURES LTM8008 77 1210 1210 77.00 0 77.00 0 TEMP CYCLE FROM -65°C to +150°C (1) NUMBER DEVICE SAMPLE SIZE OLDEST DATE CODE NEWEST DATE CODE K DEVICE CYCLES FAILURES LTM8008 231 1210 1210 231.00 LTM8032 77 1302 1302 38.50 0 LTM8052 77 1239 77.00 1239 0 385 346.50 0 TEMP CYCLE FROM -55°C to +125°C (1) NUMBER DEVICE K DEVICE OLDEST SAMPLE NEWEST TYPE DATE CODE DATE CODE CYCLES FAILURES LTM8001 77 1236 1236 77.00 0 LTM8023 77 1245 1245 77.00 0 LTM8025 77 1245 1245 77.00 0 LTM8028 77 1236 1236 77.00 0 LTM8029 77 1239 1239 77.00 0 LTM8045 77 1225 1225 77.00 0 LTM8047 77 1242 1242 77.00 0 LTM8048 102 1232 1236 140.50 O LTM8052 77 1239 1239 77.00 0 LTM8058 77 1239 1239 77.00 0 795 833.50 0 • THERMAL SHOCK FROM -65°C to +150°C (1) NUMBER DEVICE TYPE K DEVICE CYCLES OLDEST DATE CODE NEWEST DATE CODE OF FAILURES LTM8008 231 1210 1210 231.00 LTM8032 77 1302 1302 77.00 O LTM8052 77 1239 1239 77.00 0 385 385.00 0 THERMAL SHOCK FROM -55°C to +125°C (1) NUMBER DEVICE K DEVICE CYCLES SAMPLE OLDEST DATE CODE NEWEST DATE CODE FAILURES LTM8001 77 1236 1236 77.00 0 LTM8023 77 1245 1245 77.00 0 77 LTM8025 1245 1245 77.00 0 LTM8028 77 1236 1236 77.00 0 LTM8029 77 1239 1239 77.00 0 LTM8045 75 1225 1225 75.00 0 LTM8048 126 1232 1236 126.00 0 LTM8052 77 1239 1239 77.00 0 LTM8058 77 1239 1239 77.00 0 740 740.00 BOARD MOUNT TEMP CYCLE FROM -40°C to +125°C K DEVICE DEVICE OLDEST DATE CODE SAMPLE NEWEST SIZE DATE CODE CYCLES FAILURES LTM8008 15 1210 1210 22.50

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(1) Environmental stress are preceded by JEDEC Level 3 Preconditioning: 192h 30°C/60% R.H. soak, followed by 3x

22.50

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Reflow at 245°C