



PROCESS CHANGE NOTIFICATION

PCN1716

Substrate Material Change for Selected Stratix® GX Ball Grid Array Package Types

Change Description:

Intel® Programmable Solutions Group (“Intel PSG”, formerly Altera) is announcing a change in substrate material for selected Stratix® GX ball grid array package types.

The existing substrate material supplier is discontinuing production of the halogenated core material for laminated substrate by end of 2017.

The replacement material is already qualified and used in high volume on other FPGA products for >5 years.

Table 1: Changes to BOM

Product Family	Package - Pin	Affected Material	Change From	Change To
STRATIX GX	FBGA - 672/1020	Core Material	Mitsubishi HL832	Mitsubishi HL832NX-A

Note: The rest of the Bill of Materials (BOM) remain the same

Products Affected:

Table 2

Package Type	Product Family	Package – Pin Count
Flip Chip	STRATIX GX	FBGA - 1020/672

The list of affected OPNs can be downloaded in Excel form:

www.altera.com/content/dam/altera-www/global/en_US/pdfs/literature/pcn/pcn1716-opn-list-rev-1-0-0.xlsx

Recommended Action

Customers are requested to:

1. Acknowledge receipt of this notification.
2. Review and provide approval of this change at the earliest convenience.

Please refer to the “Product Transition Dates” for the key milestones.

Upon implementation, Intel PSG may continue to ship pre-change material until inventory is depleted.

Product Transition Dates:

Customers are requested to take note of the key dates shown in the table below.

Table 3

Milestone	Date
Last date to acknowledge receipt of this notification ¹	September 29, 2017
Estimated earliest shipment date of changed products ²	February 30, 2018
Last date to order Pre-PCN material	November 30, 2017

Note 1: J-STD-046, section 3.2.3.1b, stipulates that lack of acknowledgement of the PCN within 30 days constitutes acceptance of the change.

Note 2: Effective the earliest ship date listed above, Intel PSG may begin the shipment of changed products.

Intel PSG reserves the right to continue shipment of pre-change product after the change implementation date, and customers will receive shipments of either pre-change or post-change product.

Reason for Change:

The existing substrate material supplier is discontinuing production of the halogenated core material for laminated substrate by end of year 2017. The supplier is no longer able to maintain consistent production efficiency and short lead times of halogenated materials due to decreasing demand.

The halogen-free core material also supports corporate and customer green initiatives related to controlled or restricted substances.

Impact and Benefit of Change:

The change will not impact the form, fit, and function of the product. Product datasheet and package specifications remain the same.

The replacement substrate material is already being used on other FPGA products and meets quality and reliability requirements.

Additional qualification testing was performed to further evaluate the quality and reliability performance of the replacement substrate material applied to the product-package combination for this specific PCN. (See Qualification Data section)

Method to Identify Change Product:

An earliest datecode of implementation can be identified and shared upon request as reference information related to this change. This earliest datecode of implementation may vary per product and depends on the depletion of existing inventory.

Upon implementation, Intel PSG may continue to ship pre-change material until inventory is depleted.

Qualification Data:

Qualification testing was performed to further evaluate the quality and reliability performance of the replacement substrate material applied to the product-package combination for this specific PCN. (See Table 4)

Table 4: Product Qualification (for Stratix GX Devices)

Test	Time point	Conditions	# of Lots	SS/lot	Results (Fail/Total SS)
Temperature Cycle Test (TCB)	1000X	-55°C /125°C	3	45	0/135
Unbiased Highly Accelerated Stress Test (uHAST)	96hrs	130°C / 85%RH	3	45	0/135

Note 1: Preconditioning (J-STD-020, MSL3 @ 245C/260C) performed on all samples prior to each reliability test.

Note 2: Rel#: 17070038, 17070039, 17080049

Table 4a: Vehicle Devices:

Package Type	Package	Base Die
Flip Chip	FBGA - 672	EP1SGX25Z13
	FBGA - 1020	EP1SGX40Z13

Note: Qualification vehicles were selected to represent various die and package combinations, to identify the largest die or package, or largest die-to-package ratio.

Table 5: Additional Qualification Data (for Wire Bond Devices)

Test	Time point	Conditions	# of Lots	SS/lot	Results (Fail/Total SS)
High Temperature Storage Test (Bake)	1000hrs	150°C	3	76-77	0/230
Temperature Cycle Test (TCB)	1000X	-55°C /125°C	5	77-82	0/393
Highly Accelerated Stress Test (HAST)	96hrs	130°C / 85%RH with bias	3	75-83	0/253
Unbiased Highly Accelerated Stress Test (uHAST)	96hrs	130°C / 85%RH	4	76-82	0/312

Note 1: Preconditioning (J-STD-020, MSL3 @ 245C/260C) performed on all samples prior to each reliability test.

Note 2: Rel#: 17060012, 17060016, 17060018/17080014, 17060027, 17060051

Table 5a: Vehicle Devices

Package Type	Package	Base Die
Wire Bond	FBGA - 484	EP3CLS200T60
	FBGA - 400	EP1C20Y13
	UBGA - 88	EPC16FS35
	PBGA - 672	EP1S25T13

Note: Qualification vehicles were selected to represent various die and package combinations, to identify the largest die or package, or largest die-to-package ratio.

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Intel PSG references J-STD-046 guidelines for PCN.

In accordance with J-STD-046, this change is deemed acceptable to the customer if no acknowledgement is received within 30 days from date of notification.

Revision History

Date	Rev	Description
08/25/2017	1.0.0	Initial Release
12/22/2017	1.1.0	Qualification Data Update

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