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for
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on the
CDMA Transceiver
Model: Aircard 510

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VERIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

Report No. J20007760B

Verification is hereby issued to the named APPLICANT and is VALID ONLY for the equipment tested hereon for use under the rules and regulations listed below

Equipment Under Test:

Trade Name:

Model No.:

Serial No.:

CDMA Transceiver

Sierra Wireless

Aircard 510

Not Labeled

Applicant:

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FCC Part 15, Subpart B, and

Industry Canada ICES-003 issue 2

Equipment Class:

Class B

Test Site Location:

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1.0 Introduction

This report is designed to show compliance with the FCC Part 15, Subpart B Rules for an unintentional radiator. The test procedures, as described in American National Standards Institute C63.4-1992, were employed. A description of the product and operating configuration, the various provisions of the rules, the methods for determining compliance, and a detailed summary of the results are included within this test report.

2.0 Description of Equipment

The Model Aircard 510 is a PCS CDPD modem.

A production version of the sample was received on February 11, 2000 in good condition.

3.0 Test Summary

Test results are given in full in section 5 and 6.

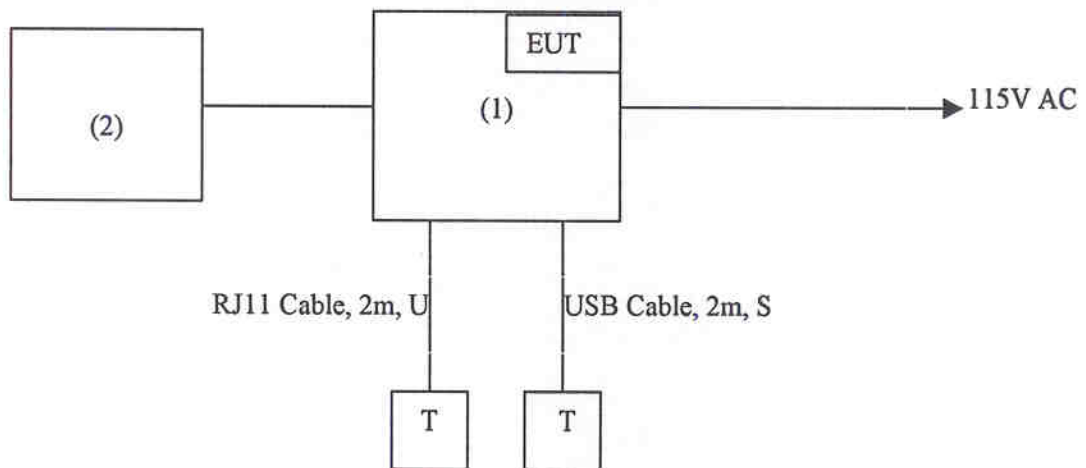
FCC Part 15 Subpart B Summary of Test Results			
Test Condition	Description	Class	Compliance Status
Conducted Emission (AC main)	0.45 MHz - 30 MHz	B	Pass
Radiated Emission	30 MHz - 1000 MHz	B	Pass

4.0 System Test Configuration

4.1 Support Equipment

Support Equipment					
Equip. #	Equipment	Manufacturer	Model #	S/N #	FCC ID
1	Computer	HP	F1260A	F1200-80055	DOC
2	Monitor	Dell Computer	D1428-HS	02922CV22495	GWGPM04EIX

4.2 Block Diagram of Test Setup



* = EUT	S = Shielded;	F = With Ferrite
** = No ferrites on video cable	U = Unshielded	

4.3 Justification

The system was configured for testing in a typical fashion (as a customer would normally use it).

4.4 Software Exercise Program

There was no special software used during the tests.

4.5 Mode of Operation During Test

The EUT was operating in continuous transmitting mode.

4.6 Modifications Required for Compliance

The following modifications were installed during compliance testing in order to bring the product into compliance (Please note that this list does not include changes made specifically by Sierra Wireless, Inc. prior to compliance testing):

None

4.7 Additions, deviations and exclusions from standards

None

5.0 Radiated Emissions

5.1 Radiated Emission Limits

The following radiated emission limits apply to Class B unintentional radiators:

Radiated Emissions Limits, Section 15.109(a)

Frequency MHz	Class B at 3m $\mu\text{V/m}$	Class B at 3m $\text{dB}(\mu\text{V/m})$
30-88	100	40
88-216	150	43.5
216-960	200	46
Above 960	500	54

Note: Three sets of units are commonly used for EMI measurement, decibels below one milliwatt (-dBm), decibels above a microvolt, $\text{dB}(\mu\text{V})$, and microvolts (μV). To convert between them, use the following formulas: $20 \text{ LOG}_{10}(\mu\text{V}) = \text{dB}(\mu\text{V})$, $\text{dB(m)} = \text{dB}(\mu\text{V}) - 107$.

5.2 Field Strength Calculation

The field strength is calculated by adding the Antenna Factor and Cable Factor, and subtracting the Amplifier Gain (if any) from the measured reading. The basic equation with a sample calculation is as follows:

$$FS = RA + AF + CF - AG$$

where FS = Field Strength in dB(μ V/m)

RA = Receiver Amplitude (including preamplifier) in dB(μ V)

CF = Cable Attenuation Factor in dB

AF = Antenna Factor in dB/m

AG = Amplifier Gain in dB

In the following table(s), the reading shown on the data table reflects the preamplifier gain. An example for the calculations in the following table is as follows:

$$FS = RR + LF$$

where FS = Field Strength in dB(μ V/m)

RR = RA - AG in dB(μ V)

LF = CF + AF in dB/m

Assume a receiver reading of 52.0 dB(μ V) is obtained. The antenna factor of 7.4 dB/m and cable factor of 1.6 dB is added. The amplifier gain of 29 dB is subtracted, giving a field strength of 32 dB(μ V/m). This value in dB μ V/m was converted to its corresponding level in μ V/m.

$$RA = 52.0 \text{ dB}(\mu\text{V})$$

$$AF = 7.4 \text{ dB/m}$$

$$CF = 1.6 \text{ dB}$$

$$AG = 29.0 \text{ dB}$$

$$FS = RR + LF$$

$$FS = 23 + 9 = 32 \text{ dB}(\mu\text{V/m})$$

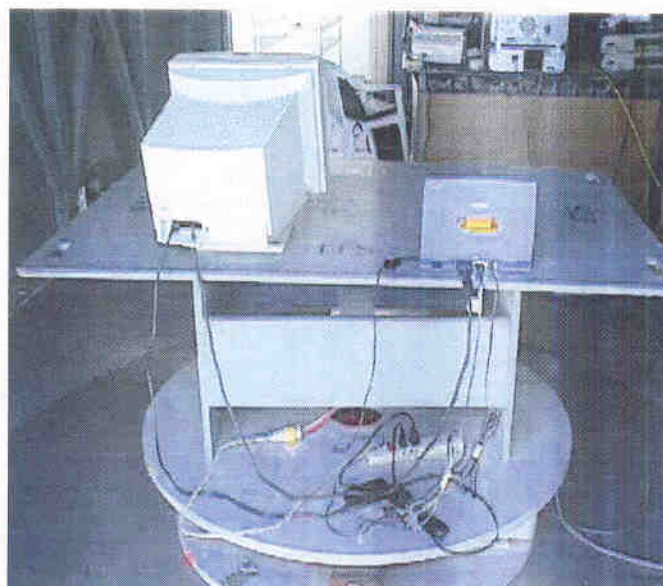
$$RR = 23.0 \text{ dB}(\mu\text{V})$$

$$LF = 9.0 \text{ dB}$$

$$\text{Level in } \mu\text{V/m} = \text{Common Antilogarithm } \{[32 \text{ dB}(\mu\text{V/m})]/20\} = 39.8 \mu\text{V/m}$$

5.3 Configuration Photographs

**Worst-Case Radiated Emission
at 73.7 MHz**



5.4 Test Data

The results on the following page(s) were obtained when the device was tested in the condition described in section 4.

Results:	Passed by 4.2 dB at 73.7 MHz
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- Note:
- a) A complete scan from 30-1000 MHz was made with antenna oriented horizontally and vertically.
 - b) All emissions not reported are at least 20 dB below the limits
 - c) Analyzer setting: RBW \geq 100 kHz, VBW \geq 100 kHz
Detector mode: Peak unless otherwise specified in the data page

Radiated Emissions

Test Data

Company:	Sierra Wireless Inc.				Model #:	Aircard 510	Standard	FCC § 15B
EUT:					S/N #:		Limits	2
Project #:					Test Date:	March 31,2000	Test Distance	3 meters
Test Mode:	Rx				Engineer:	Xi-Ming Y.	Duty Relaxation	0 dB

	Antenna Used			Pre-Amp Used			Cable Used			Transducer Used
Number:	2	18	8	8	10	0	0	0	3	0
Model:	EMCO 3143	0	EMCO 3115	CDI_P100 0	AFT18855	None	None	None	Site 2 10m	None

Frequency	Reading	Detector	Ant	Amp.	Ant. Pol.	Ant. Factor	Pre-Amp	Insert. Loss	D. C. F.	Net	Limit @3m	Margin
MHz	dB(μV)	P/A/Q	#	#	H/V	dB(1/m)	dB	dB	dB	dB(μV/m)	dB(μV/m)	dB
68.79	26.3	Peak	2	0	V	5.8	0.0	1.5	0.0	33.6	40.0	-6.4
73.74	28.7	Peak	2	0	V	5.6	0.0	1.5	0.0	35.8	40.0	-4.2
111.14	27.6	Peak	2	0	V	7.0	0.0	1.7	0.0	36.3	43.5	-7.2
116.00	30.0	Peak	2	0	V	7.3	0.0	1.7	0.0	39.0	43.5	-4.5
167.08	24.2	Peak	2	0	V	9.2	0.0	2.1	0.0	35.5	43.5	-8.0
176.97	22.9	Peak	2	0	H	9.1	0.0	2.2	0.0	34.2	43.5	-9.3
275.25	20.6	Peak	2	0	H	12.4	0.0	2.8	0.0	35.8	46.0	-10.2
460.00	12.0	Peak	2	0	H	17.5	0.0	3.6	0.0	33.1	46.0	-12.9

Notes:	a) D.C.F.:Distance Correction Factor
	b) Insert. Loss (dB) = Cable A + Cable B + Cable C .
	c) Net (dB) = Reading + Antenna Factor - Pre-amp + Insert. Loss. - Transducer Loss - Duty Relaxation (transmitter only).
	d) Negative signs (-) in Margin column signify levels below the limits.
	e) All other emissions not reported are below the equipment noise floor which is at least 20 dB below the limits.

6.0 AC Mains Line-Conducted Emissions

6.1 Line Conducted Emission Limits

The following AC line conducted emission limits apply to Class B unintentional radiators:

Conducted Emissions Limits, Section 15.107(a)

Frequency MHz	Class B μV	Class B dB(μV)
0.45 - 1.705	250	48
1.705 to 30.000	250	48

Note: Three sets of units are commonly used for EMI measurement, decibels below one milliwatt (-dBm), decibels above a microvolt, dB(μV), and microvolts (μV). To convert between them, use the following formulas: $20 \text{ LOG}_{10}(\mu V) = \text{dB}(\mu V)$, $\text{dB}(m) = \text{dB}(\mu V) - 107$.

6.2 Configuration Photographs

**Worst-Case Line-Conducted Emission
at 2.2 MHz**

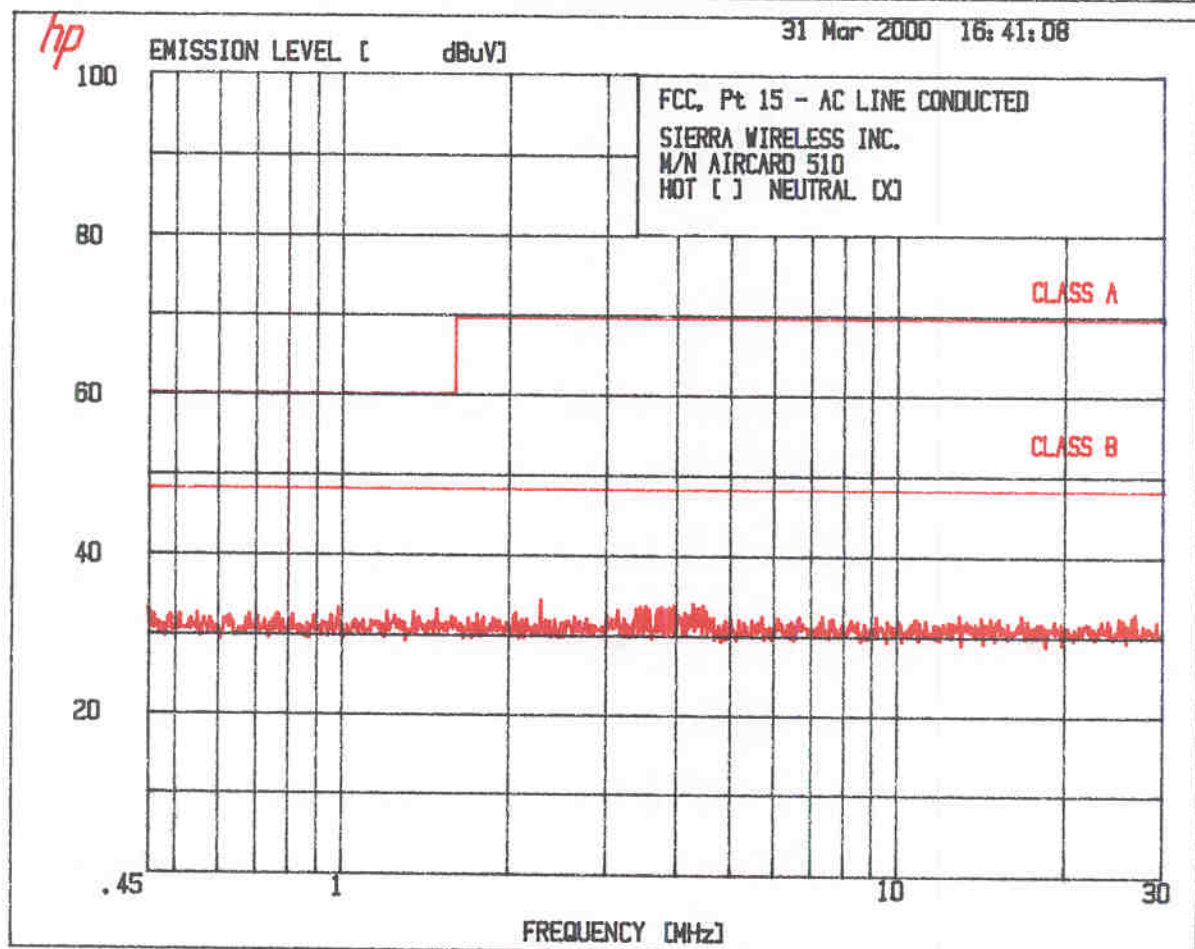
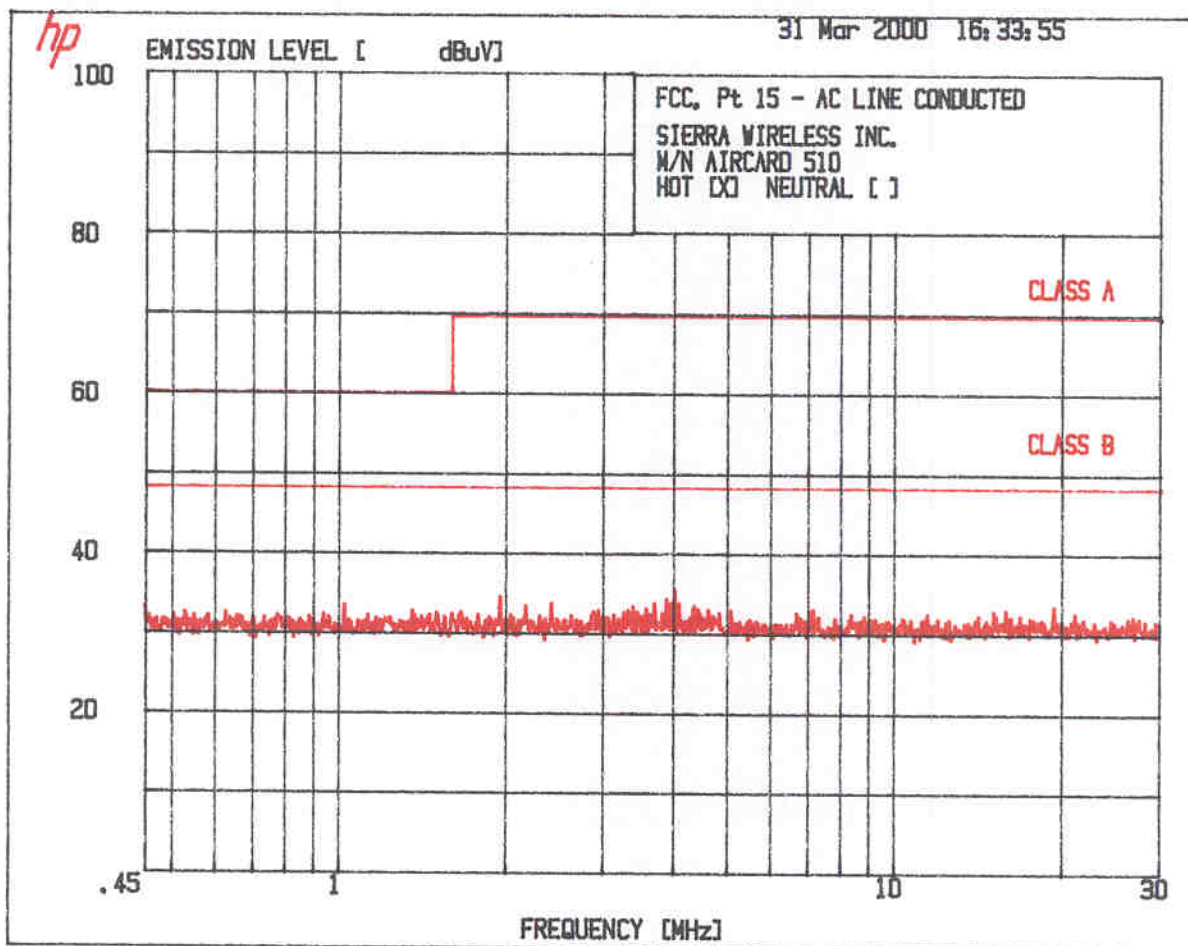


6.3 Test Data

The results on the following page(s) were obtained when the device was tested in the condition described in section 4.

Results:	Passed by 13 dB at 2.2 MHz
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- Note: a) A complete scan from 0.45 - 30 MHz was made.
- b) Analyzer setting: RBW \geq 9 kHz, VBW \geq 9 kHz
Detector mode: Peak unless otherwise specified in the data page



Sierra Wireless, Inc., Aircard 510

Date of Test: March 31, 2000

7.0 Test Equipment

7.1 Equipment List

All test sites are FCC listed, IC accepted, and NVLAP accredited.

Industry Canada identifier number	IC 2059
NVLAP Lab Code	200201-0

Instruments used for emission compliance tests described in this report are listed below:

TEST EQUIPMENT FOR EMISSION TESTING						
EQUIPMENT	MFG.	MODEL	SERIAL NUMBER	CAL. INTERVAL (Months)	CAL. DUE DATE (m/d/y)	USED
LISN	Solar Electronics	8028-50-TS-24-BNC	980235	12	2/9/01	X
LISN	Solar Electronics	8028-50-TS-24-BNC	941501	12	12/10/00	X
LISN	Solar Electronics	8028-50-TS-24-BNC	941502	12	12/10/00	X
Bi-Log Antenna	EMCO	3143	9509-1160	12	4/15/00	X
Spectrum Analyzer	Hewlett Packard	8591EM	3536A00451	12	2/2/01	X

7.2 Measurement Uncertainty

7.2.1 Radiated Emission - 3m Open Site Test Distance

The uncertainty in the measured field strength is estimated as follows, for a minimum confidence probability of 95 %

Freq. Range	Detection Mode	Uncertainty
30 MHz to 200 MHz	Quasi-peak	± 4.4 dB
200 MHz to 1000 MHz	Quasi-peak	$+ 5.0 / - 3.6$ dB

7.2.2 Conducted Emission - AC Supply

The uncertainty in the measured voltage is estimated as follows, for a minimum confidence probability of 95 %

Freq. Range	Detection Mode	Uncertainty
9 kHz to 150 kHz	Average	± 2.1 dB
	Quasi-peak	± 2.5 dB
150 kHz to 30 MHz	Average	± 2.4 dB
	Quasi-peak	± 2.6 dB

7.3 Measurement Traceability

All measurements described in this report are traceable to National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) standards.