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The Dash Pro - Right

FCC 2.1093:2017

10.6 MHz NFMI Radio

Bluetooth Radio

Report # STAK0082.11



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CERTIFICATE OF EVALUATION

Last Date of Evaluation: April 20, 2017
Starkey Laboratories, Inc.
Model: The Dash Pro - Right

Technical Brief

Standards

Specification	Method
FCC 2.1093:2017	FCC 447498 D01 General RF Exposure Guidance v06

Results

Method Clause	Description	Applied	Results	Comments
4.3.1	SAR Evaluation Exclusion	Yes	Pass	

Deviations From Evaluation Standards

None

Approved By:

Donald Facteau, Systems Architect

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RF Exposure Condition



The following RF Exposure conditions were used for the assessment documented in this report:

Intended Use	Portable
Location on Body (if applicable)	Head/Torso
How is the Device Used	Right Earphone
Co-located Radios	10.6 MHz FCC 15.209 radio Bluetooth radio
Simultaneous Transmitting Radios	10.6 MHz FCC 15.209 radio and Bluetooth radio
Body Worn Accessories	N/A
Environment	General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure

REVISION HISTORY



Revision Number	Description	Date	Page Number
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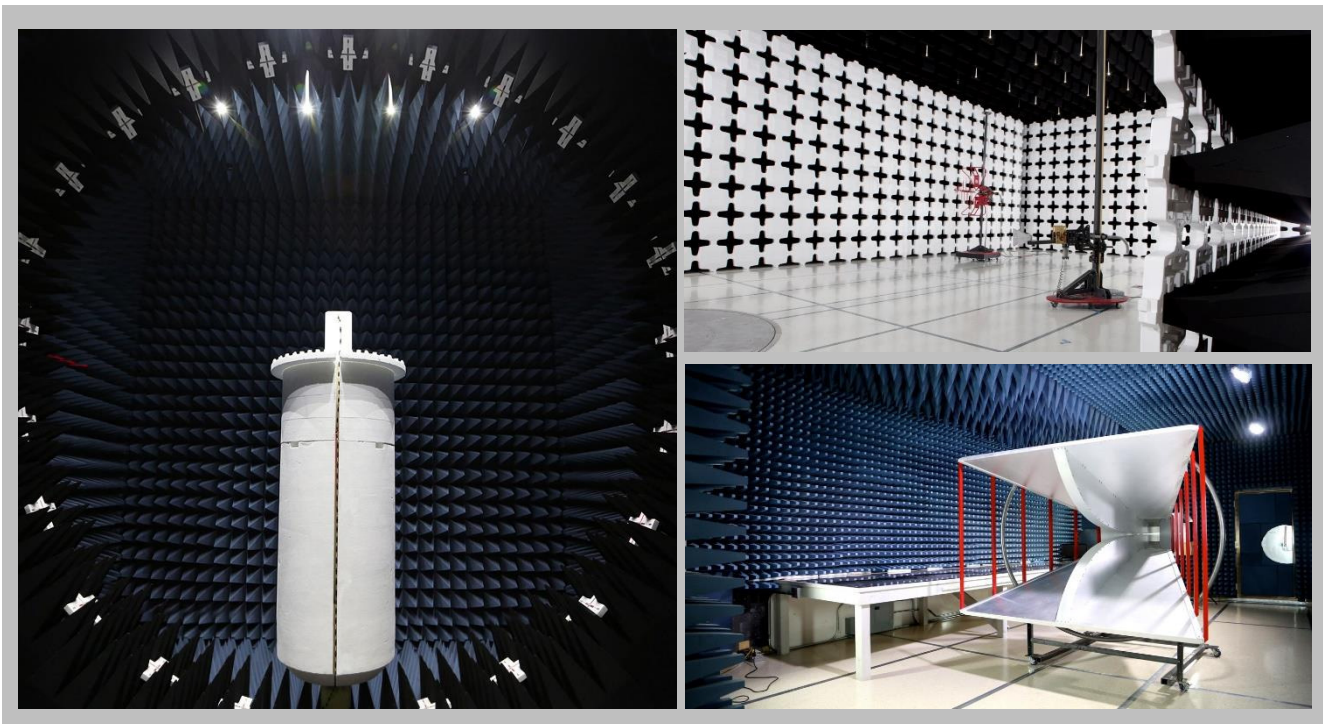
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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION



Client and Equipment Under Evaluation Information

Company Name:	Starkey Laboratories, Inc.
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Evaluation Requested By:	Bill Mitchell
Model:	The Dash Pro - Right
Date of Evaluation:	April 20, 2017

Information Provided by the Party Requesting the Evaluation

Functional Description of the Equipment:

Right Earphone containing both a 10.6 MHz FCC 15.209 radio and a 2.4 GHz Bluetooth radio utilizing both Bluetooth Classic (BR/EDR) and Bluetooth Low Energy.

Objective:

To demonstrate compliance with FCC RF exposure requirements for 2.1093 portable devices.



SAR TEST EXCLUSION

OVERVIEW

Human exposure to RF emissions from portable devices (47 CFR §2.1093) used with the radiating antenna closer than 20 cm to the user requires Specific Absorption Rate (SAR) to evaluate the environmental impact of human exposure to radiofrequency (RF) radiation.

COMPLIANCE WITH FCC 2.1093

“Portable devices that operate in the Cellular Radiotelephone Service pursuant to part 22 of this chapter; the Personal Communications Service (PCS) pursuant to part 24 of this chapter; the Satellite Communications Services pursuant to part 25 of this chapter; the Miscellaneous Wireless Communications Services pursuant to part 27 of this chapter; the Maritime Services (ship earth station devices only) pursuant to part 80 of this chapter; the Specialized Mobile Radio Service, the 4.9 GHz Band Service, and the 3650 MHz Wireless Broadband Service pursuant to part 90 of this chapter; the Wireless Medical Telemetry Service (WMTS) and the Medical Device Radiocommunication Service (MedRadio), pursuant to subparts H and I of part 95 of this chapter, respectively, unlicensed personal communication service, unlicensed NII devices and millimeter wave devices authorized under §§15.253(f), 15.255(g), 15.257(g), 15.319(i), and 15.407(f) of this chapter; and the Citizens Broadband Radio Service pursuant to part 96 of this chapter are subject to routine environmental evaluation for RF exposure prior to equipment authorization or use. All other portable transmitting devices are categorically excluded from routine environmental evaluation for RF exposure prior to equipment authorization or use, except as specified in §§1.1307(c) and 1.1307(d) of this chapter. Applications for equipment authorization of portable transmitting devices subject to routine environmental evaluation must contain a statement confirming compliance with the limits specified in paragraph (d) of this section. Technical information showing the basis for this statement must be submitted to the Commission upon request.”

The EUT will be used with a separation distance of less than 20 centimeters between the radiating antenna and the body of the user or nearby persons and must therefore be considered a portable transmitter per 47 CFR 2.1093(b).

COMPLIANCE WITH FCC KDB 447498 D01 General RF Exposure Guidance v06

“KDB 447498 D01 General RF Exposure Guidance v06” provides the procedures, requirements, and authorization policies for mobile and portable devices.

Standalone radio SAR test exclusion is covered under section 4.3.1. Unless specifically required by the published RF exposure KDB procedures, standalone 1-g head or body and 10-g extremity SAR evaluation for general population exposure conditions, by measurement or numerical simulation, is not required when the corresponding SAR Test Exclusion Thresholds are met as shown in the Limits section below.

Simultaneous transmission SAR test exclusion is covered under section 4.3.2. SAR test exclusion is determined for each operating configuration and exposure condition according to the reported standalone SAR of each applicable simultaneously transmitting antenna. When the sum of 1-g or 10-g SAR of all simultaneously transmitting antennas in an operating mode and exposure condition combination is within the SAR limit, SAR test exclusion applies to that simultaneous transmission configuration.

SAR TEST EXCLUSION

LIMITS

Limits for General Population /Uncontrolled Exposure: 47 CFR 1.1310 (c)

The SAR limits for general population/uncontrolled exposure are 0.08 W/kg, as averaged over the whole body, and a peak spatial-average SAR of 1.6 W/kg, averaged over any 1 gram of tissue (defined as a tissue volume in the shape of a cube). Exceptions are the parts of the human body treated as extremities, such as hands, wrists, feet, ankles, and pinnae, where the peak spatial-average SAR limit is 4 W/kg, averaged over any 10 grams of tissue (defined as a tissue volume in the shape of a cube). Exposure may be averaged over a time period not to exceed 30 minutes to determine compliance with general population/uncontrolled SAR limits.

For 100 MHz to 6 GHz and test separation distances ≤ 50 mm, the SAR test exclusion thresholds are 1-g for head and body SAR and 10-g SAR for extremity SAR.

ASSESSMENT

For 100 MHz to 6 GHz and test separation distances ≤ 50 mm, the 1-g and 10-g SAR test exclusion thresholds are determined by the following:

$$\left[\frac{\text{(max. power of channel, including tune-up tolerance, mW)}}{\text{(min. test separation distance, mm)}} \right] \cdot [vf(\text{GHz})] = 3.0$$
 for 1-g SAR and $= 7.5$ for 10-g extremity SAR,
where

- $f(\text{GHz})$ is the RF channel transmit frequency in GHz
- Power and distance are rounded to the nearest mW and mm before calculation
- The result is rounded to one decimal place for comparison
- 3.0 and 7.5 are referred to as the numeric thresholds in the step b below

The test exclusions are applicable only when the minimum test separation distance is ≤ 50 mm and for transmission frequencies between 100 MHz and 6 GHz. When the minimum test separation distance is < 5 mm, a distance of 5 mm according to 4.1f) is applied to determine SAR test exclusion.

The SAR Test Exclusion Threshold is summarized in the following table:

Radio	Transmit Frequency (MHz)	Measured Conducted Output Power (mW)	Duty Cycle	Minimum Separation Distance (mm)	Exclusion Threshold	Limit	Compliant
BT	2480	7.055	0.167	5	0.371	3.0	Yes

Values for the measured radiated and conducted output powers, and the antenna gains were obtained from:

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Model Name: The Dash Pro, Model B1002-S Right
IC #: 6903A-2AF5TB1002R

To whom it may concern,

We attest that the minimum spacing between the antenna of The Dash Pro Right and the body is 5 mm.

We further attest that the maximum duty cycle of the 2.4 to 2.483 GHz Bluetooth radio in this product is defined by version 4.1 of the Bluetooth Core Specification and that **the worst case duty cycle is 16.7%.**

During SCO, the phone transmits a packet, which the Dash receives. The Dash then transmits a packet (microphone audio) to send to the phone. For Classic Basic Rate Bluetooth operation (1 Mb/s modulation), that means the duty cycle is 1 in 6 (16.7%). This is rarely used as all modern phones support EDR (BT 2.1) onwards. So the Dash negotiates to eSCO packets (2eV3), and these transmit for half the duration of the slot, meaning the duty cycles is actually, for the most part, 1 in 12 (8.3%). However, with 2eV3, there is an opportunity to retransmit a lost packet, in which case, under interference conditions, the radio could revert to as much as 1 in 6 (16.7%) duty cycle.

In A2DP, the phone is doing most of the transmissions, possibly up to 50% duty cycle (1 in 2), if using all 3 basic rate slots, but again, EDR is negotiated and this results, for the phone, more like a 1 in 4 (25%) duty cycle. One would think the same must be true for the Dash, but since there is no Microphone data during A2DP (music), it is simply acknowledging the packets it receives. These ACK packets, known as POLL or NULL packets, are much shorter in duration (as they only contain Header and CRC, no payload), and so the Dash in A2DP mode has duty cycles less than 1 in 12 (8.3%).

So, the worst case for Dash Pro, with Basic Rate SCO, is a 1 in 6 (16.7%) duty cycle, using a Bluetooth 1.0 device. Typically, with almost all devices today that are Bluetooth version 2.1 or later, the duty cycle will be typically 1 in 12 (8.3%), worst case 1 in 6 (16.7%).

Assuming only the duty cycle is lowered, Element Material Technologies has worked out that the threshold for the maximum duty cycle to meet the thresholds in RSS-102 is 56%. Since our worst case duty cycle is 16.7%, please include this duty cycle attestation in a revised RF exposure report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William J. Mitchell".

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