

FCC Part 15, Class B (DoC) Emissions Test Report

for Sierra Wireless, Inc. on the CDMA Transceiver Model: Aircard 510

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Trade Name:

Model No.:

Serial No.:

Applicant:

Contact:

Address:

Tel. number:

Fax number:

Applicable Regulation:

Equipment Class:

Test Site Location:

Date of Test:

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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 modern.

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 (5 Subpart B | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Test Condition | Description | Class | Compliance Status | | | | | | |
| Conducted Emission | 0.45 MHz - 30 MHz | В | Pass | | | | | | |
| (AC main) | | | j | | | | | | |
| Radiated Emission | 30 MHz - 1000 MHz | В | Pass | | | | | | |

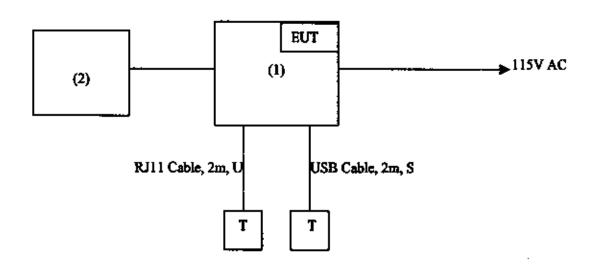
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4.0 System Test Configuration

4.1 Support Equipment

| Support Equipment | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|---------------|----------|--------------|------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Equp. | Equipment | Manufacturer | Model # | \$/N# | FCC ID | | | | | |
| # | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Computer | H | F1260A | F1200-80055 | DOC | | | | | |
| 2 | Monitor | Dell Computer | D1428-HS | 02922CV22495 | GWGPM04EIX | | | | | |

4.2 Block Diagram of Test Setup



| * - EUT |
|--------------------------------|
| ** Will Straight F Will Issue |
| **= No ferrites on video cable |
| **= No ferrates on video cable |
| |

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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

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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 µV/m | Classe Bast Jun dB(p.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, $dB(\mu V)$, and microvolts (μV) . To convert between them, use the following formulas: $20 LOG_{10}(\mu V) = dB(\mu V)$, $dB(m) = dB(\mu V)$ -107.

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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 $FS = Field Strength in dB(\mu V/m)$

RA = Receiver Amplitude (including preamplifier) in $dB(\mu V)$

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 $FS = Field Strength in dB(\mu V/m)$

 $RR = RA - AG in dB(\mu V)$

LF = CF + AF in dB/m

Assume a receiver reading of 52.0 dB(μ V) is obtained. The antenna factor of 7.4 1/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.

 $RA = 52.0 dB(\mu V)$

 $AF = 7.4 \, dB/m$

 $RR = 23.0 dB(\mu V)$

CF = 1.6 dB

LF = 9.0 dB

AG = 29.0 dB

FS = RR + LF

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

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

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5.3 Configuration Photographs

Worst-Case Radiated Emission at 73.7 MHz





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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

- 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 ≥100 kHz, VBW ≥ 100 kHz
 Detector mode: Peak unless otherwise specified in the data page

| Radiated Emissions | |
|--------------------|--|
| Test Data | |

| Company: Sierra Wireless Inc. | | Model #: | Aircard 510 | Standard F | CC 8 15B |
|-------------------------------|--------------|------------|---------------|------------|--|
| EUT: | • | S/N #: | | Limits | 2 |
| Project #: | - | Toet Date: | March 31,2000 | | |
| Test Mode: Rx | | Engineer: | | Ontv | 0 20B:::::: |
| | | | 7 II 111111 J | Relaxation | ************************************** |

| Antenn | a Lised | Pre-Am | ip Used | | Cable I | Jsed | | Transducer Used | 200 |
|------------------|---------|-------------|----------|------|---------|------|--------|-----------------|-----|
| Number: 2 | 18 B | 8 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | *** |
| Model: EMCG S142 | 0 EM | 00 E0[P100: | AFT18655 | None | tions. | None | Site 2 | Notie | 200 |

| Frequency | Reading | Detector | Act / | unp. | Mt. Pol | | Pre-Amp | losert. | D.C. | Net | Limit | Margin |
|-----------|-----------|----------|-------|------|---------|-------------------|---------|------------|--------|----------|----------------------|-------------|
| WHz * | 48(JV) | PANO | i | g | ΗΨ | Factor dBit/mj | 48 | Loss aB | # # | dBijaV/m | @3m dB(uVm) | 2.48 |
| 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 | Ö | 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 | Ÿ | 9.2 | 0.0 | 2,1 | 0.0 | 35.5 | 43.5 | -8.0 |
| 176.97 | 22.9 | Peak | 2 | Q. | Н | 9.1 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 34.2 | 43.5 | -9.3 |
| 275.25 | 20.6 | Peak | 2 | Ö | 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 |
| : | · T· · | | | | | | - | | | | | ·= |
| · | : : | | | | | | - | • . | | | | |
| | | | • | | | | - | | | | | <u></u> |
| : | • | | • • : | - | | | - | | | | | |
| | : | | | | | | - | | | | · · · · - | |

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.

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- 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 | Class B aV | Class II | |
|-----------------|---------------|----------|--|
| MHz | μ V | dB(µV) | |
| 0.43 - 1.703 | | 48 | |
| 1.705 to 30.000 | 250 | 48 | |

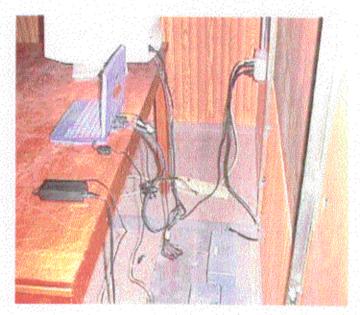
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6.2 Configuration Photographs

Worst-Case Line-Conducted Emission at 2.2 MHz





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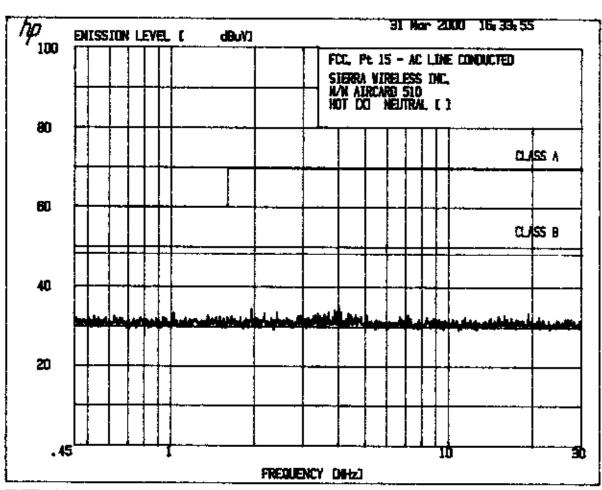
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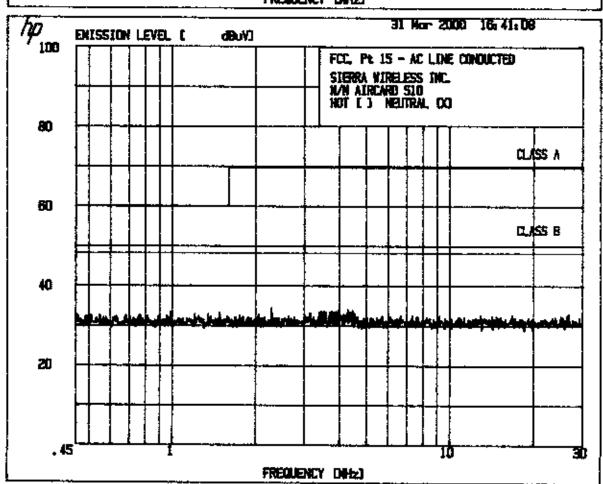
The results on the following page(s) were obtained when the device was tested in the condition described in section 4.

Results: Passed by 13 dB at 2.2 MHz

Note: a) A complete scan from 0.45 - 30 MHz was made.

Analyzer setting: RBW ≥ 9 kHz, VBW ≥ 9 kHz
 Detector mode: Peak unless otherwise specified in the data page





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- 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 Electronica | 8028-50-TS-24-BNC | 941501 | 12 | 12/10/00 | Х | | | | | |
| LISN | Solar Electronics | 8028-50-TS-24-BNC | 941502 | 12 | 12/10/00 | Х | | | | | |
| Bi-Log Antenna | EMCO | 3143 | 9509-1160 | 12 | 4/15/00 | . х | | | | | |
| Spectrum Analyzer | Hewlett Packard | 8591EM | 3536A00451 | 12 | 2/2/01 | Х | | | | | |

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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.

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8.0 Miscellaneous Information or Other Comments

None.

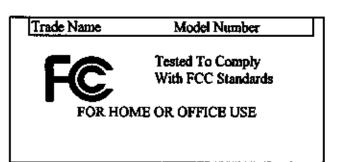
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8.1 Labeling - USA

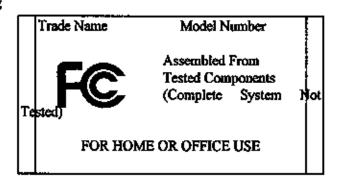
Products subject to Declaration of Conformity (DoC) shall be labeled as shown below. The label shall be located in a conspicuous location on the device and shall contain the unique identification described in FCC Section 2.1074.

The label shall not be a stick-on, paper label. The label on these products shall be permanently affixed to the product and shall be readily visible to the purchaser at the time of purchase, as described in FCC Section 2.925(d). "Permanently affixed" means that the label is etched, engraved, stamped, silkscreened, indelibly printed, or otherwise permanently marked on a permanently attached part of the equipment or on a nameplate of metal, plastic, or other material fastened to the equipment by welding, riveting, or a permanent adhesive. The label must be designed to last the expected lifetime of the equipment in the environment in which the equipment may be operated and must not be readily detachable.

(i) If the product is authorized based on testing of the product or system



(ii) If the product is authorized based on assembly using separately authorized components and the resulting product is not separately tested:



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8.2 Labeling - Canada

Canadian Emissions and Labeling Requirements

The Canadian Government has announced an amendment of the radio act which will require computing equipment to comply with EMI Specifications in Canada. The effective date for products imported into Canada is January 31, 1989.

The intent of the amendment is to establish Canadian Regulations which are harmonized with the existing FCC Regulations. As such, no retesting is required and devices which have been tested and comply with the FCC Specifications (Class A or B) also comply with the Canadian Specification (Class A or B).

A record of the measurements and results shall be retained by the manufacturer or importer for a period of at least five years and made available for examination on the request of the Canadian Government.

A written notice indicating compliance must accompany each unit of digital apparatus to the end user. The notice shall be in the form of a label that is affixed to the apparatus. Where because of insufficient space or other restrictions it is not feasible to affix a label to the apparatus, the notice may be in form of a statement included in the user's manual.

A suggested text for the notice, in English and French, is as follows:

This Class [*] digital apparatus meets all requirements of the Canadian Interference-Causing Equipment Regulations.

Cet appareil numérique de la classe [*] respecte toutes les exigences du Réglement sur le matériel brouilleur du Canada.

*Insert either "A" or "B" but not both as appropriate for the equipment requirements.

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8.3 Compliance Information - USA

If a product must be tested and authorized under a Declaration of Conformity, a compliance information statement shall be supplied with the product at the time of marketing or importation, containing the following information:

- (a) Identification of the product, e.g., name and model number.
- (b) A statement that the product complies with Part 15 of the regulations:

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

(c) The identification, by name, address and telephone number, of the responsible party. The responsible party for a Declaration of Conformity must be located within the United States.

The compliance information statement shall be included in the user's manual or as a separate sheet.

The users manual or instruction manual shall also caution the user that:

Changes or modifications not expressly approved the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

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8.4 Manufacturer's Certification

Declaration of Conformity

| Standard to which conformity is declared: Fo | CC PART 15 \$ 24 | | |
|---|---|--|--|
| Manufacturer/Importer⊕s Information | | | |
| Name: SIERRA | WIRELESS, INC. | | |
| Address: <u>Su</u> | THE 150 BC, CANADA, VEVOLL | | |
| Telephone Number: | 804-231-1100 | | |
| Equipment Information | | | |
| Type of Equipment: | S BAND COMA NIRELESS MODEM | | |
| Trade Name: | AIRCARD | | |
| Model Number:5/ | <u> </u> | | |
| Test Report Reference: J2ddd 776 & (PART IS . PDF) | | | |
| I, the undersigned, hereby declare that the equipment specified above conforms to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. | | | |
| (Signature) | | | |
| DOMINIQUE KNONG, RF | ENGINEELING TECHNOLOGIST (Name & Title) | | |
| A = A | | | |
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