

Certification Test Report

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1 GENERAL

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this report is to demonstrate compliance with Part 15 Subpart C of the FCC's Code of Federal Regulations and Industry Canada's Radio Standards Specification RSS-247 for a class II permissive change.

The purpose of this permissive change is to add an external antenna to the originally certified 2.4GHz radio.

1.2 Product Description

The BLMF1 module provides indoor geo-location information via Bluetooth Smart (Bluetooth Low Energy). The BLMF1 is connected to a luminaire driver used to power LED lighting, serving as a single beacon to provide 1-way communication with a user's device to define their physical location.

Technical Information:

Detail	Description
Frequency Range	2402 – 2480 MHz
Number of Channels	40
Modulation Format	GFSK
Operating Voltage	3.3 V
Antenna Type / Gain	Printed Inverted F Antenna / 4.4dBi

Manufacturer Information:

Acuity Brands
One Lithonia Way
Conyers, GA 30012

EUT Serial Numbers: ACS #2

Test Sample Condition: The test samples were provided in good working order with no visible defects.

1.3 Test Methodology and Considerations

The purpose of this permissive change is to add an external antenna to the originally certified 2.4GHz radio, therefore the testing was limited to radiated emissions.

For radiated emissions three orientations of the EUT were evaluated to determine worst case. The worst case orientation was determined to be the X orientation.

Software power setting during test: 4 dBm

2 TEST FACILITIES

2.1 Location

The radiated and conducted emissions test sites are located at the following address:

Advanced Compliance Solutions
5015 B.U. Bowman Drive
Buford, GA 30518
Phone: (770) 831-8048
Fax: (770) 831-8598

2.2 Laboratory Accreditations/Recognitions/Certifications

ACS is accredited to ISO/IEC 17025 by the ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board/ANAB accreditation program, and has been issued certificate number AT-2021 in recognition of this accreditation. Unless otherwise specified, all tests methods described within this report are covered under the ISO/IEC 17025 scope of accreditation.

The Semi-Anechoic Chamber Test Site, Open Area Test Site (OATS) and Conducted Emissions Site have been fully described, submitted to, and accepted by the FCC, Industry Canada and the Japanese Voluntary Control Council for Interference by information technology equipment.

FCC Registration Number: 391271

Industry Canada Lab Code: IC 4175A

VCCI Member Number: 1831

- VCCI OATS Registration Number R-1526
- VCCI Conducted Emissions Site Registration Number: C-1608

2.3 Radiated Emissions Test Site Description

2.3.1 Semi-Anechoic Chamber Test Site

The Semi-Anechoic Chamber Test Site consists of a 20' x 30' x 18' shielded enclosure. The chamber is lined with Toyo Ferrite Grid Absorber, model number FFG-1000. The ferrite tile grid is 101 x 101 x 19mm thick and weighs approximately 550 grams. These tiles are mounted on steel panels and installed directly on the inner walls of the chamber.

The turntable is 150cm in diameter and is located 160cm from the back wall of the chamber. The chamber is grounded via 1 - 8' copper ground rod, installed at the center of the back wall, it is bound to the ground plane using 3/4" stainless steel braided cable.

The turntable is all steel, flush mounted table installed in an all steel frame. The table is remotely operated from inside the control room located 25' from the range. The turntable is electrically bonded to the surrounding ground plane via steel fingers installed on the edge of the turn table. The steel fingers make constant contact with the ground plane during operation.

Behind the turntable is a 3' x 6' x 4' deep shielded pit used for support equipment if necessary. The pit is equipped with 1 - 4" PVC chases from the turntable to the pit that allow for cabling to the EUT if necessary. The underside of the turntable can be accessed from the pit so cables can be supplied to the EUT from the pit.

A diagram of the Semi-Anechoic Chamber Test Site is shown in Figure 2.3-1 below:

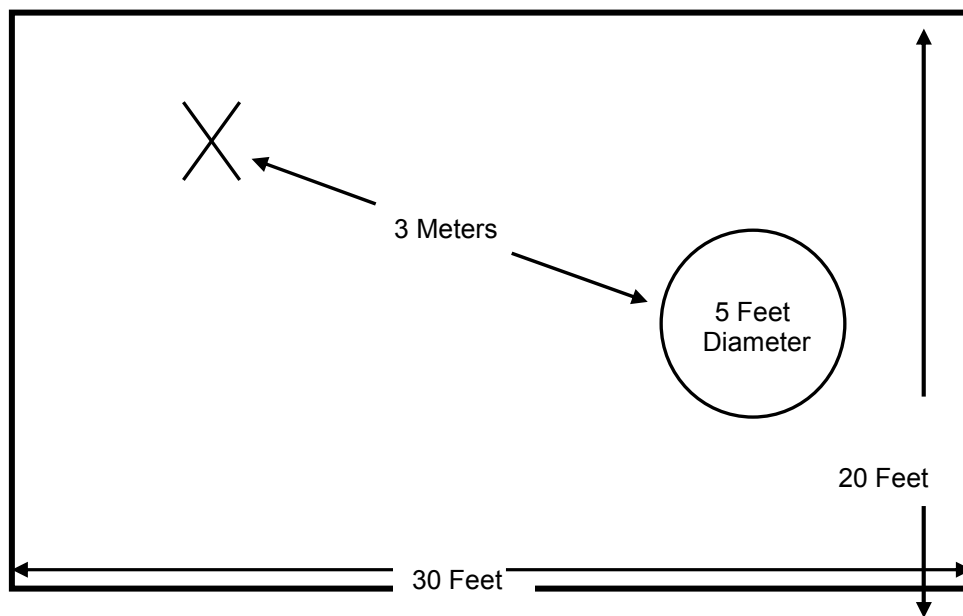


Figure 2.3-1: Semi-Anechoic Chamber Test Site

2.3.2 Open Area Tests Site (OATS)

The open area test site consists of a 40' x 66' concrete pad covered with a perforated electro-plated galvanized sheet metal. The perforations in the sheet metal are 1/8" holes that are staggered every 3/16". The individual sheets are placed to overlap each other by 1/4" and are riveted together to provide a continuous seam. Rivets are spaced every 3" in a 3 x 20 meter perimeter around the antenna mast and EUT area. Rivets in the remaining area are spaced as necessary to properly secure the ground plane and maintain the electrical continuity.

The entire ground plane extends 12' beyond the turntable edge and 16' beyond the antenna mast when set to a 10 meter measurement distance. The ground plane is grounded via 4 - 8' copper ground rods, each installed at a corner of the ground plane and bound to the ground plane using 3/4" stainless steel braided cable.

The turntable is an all aluminum 10' flush mounted table installed in an all aluminum frame. The table is remotely operated from inside the control room located 40' from the range. The turntable is electrically bonded to the surrounding ground plane via steel fingers installed on the edge of the turn table. The steel fingers make constant contact with the ground plane during operation.

Adjacent to the turntable is a 7' x 7' square and 4' deep concrete pit used for support equipment if necessary. The pit is equipped with 5 - 4" PVC chases from the pit to the control room that allow for cabling to the EUT if necessary. The underside of the turntable can be accessed from the pit so cables can be supplied to the EUT from the pit. The pit is covered with 2 sheets of 1/4" diamond style re-enforced steel sheets. The sheets are painted to match the perforated steel ground plane; however the underside edges have been masked off to maintain the electrical continuity of the ground plane. All reflecting objects are located outside of the ellipse defined in ANSI C63.4.

A diagram of the Open Area Test Site is shown in Figure 2.3-2 below:

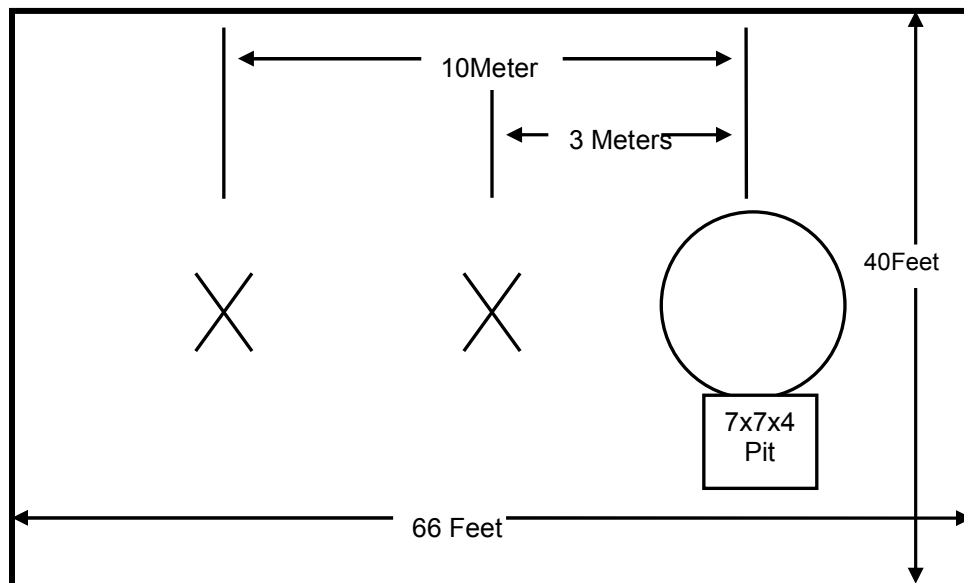


Figure 2.3-2: Open Area Test Site

2.4 Conducted Emissions Test Site Description

The AC mains conducted EMI site is located in the main EMC lab. It consists of an 8' x 8' solid aluminum horizontal ground reference plane (GRP) bonded every 3" to an 8' X 8' vertical ground plane.

The site is of sufficient size to test table top and floor standing equipment in accordance with section 6.1.4 of ANSI C63.4.

A diagram of the room is shown below in figure 4.1.3-1:

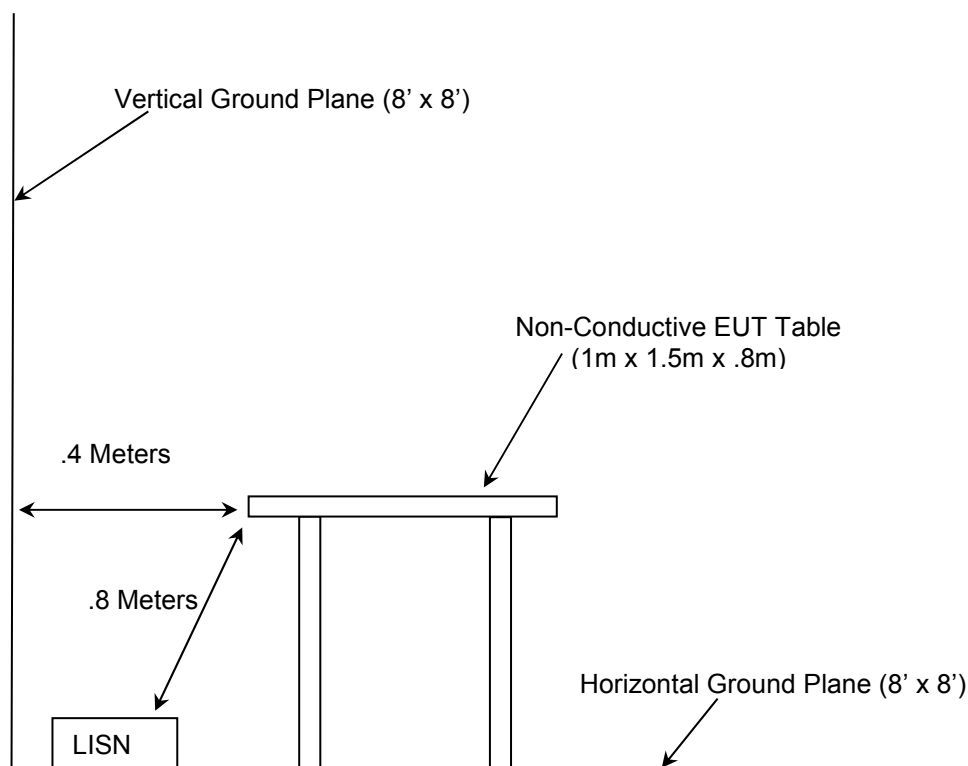


Figure 2.4-1: AC Mains Conducted EMI Site

3 APPLICABLE STANDARD REFERENCES

The following standards were used:

- ❖ ANSI C63.10-2013: American National Standard of Procedures for Compliance Testing of Unlicensed Wireless Devices
- ❖ FCC KDB 558074 D01 DTS Meas Guidance v03r04 - Guidance for Performing Compliance Measurements on Digital Transmission Systems (DTS) Operating Under §15.247, January 7, 2016
- ❖ US Code of Federal Regulations (CFR): Title 47, Part 2, Subpart J: Equipment Authorization Procedures, 2016
- ❖ US Code of Federal Regulations (CFR): Title 47, Part 15, Subpart C: Radio Frequency Devices, Intentional Radiators, 2016
- ❖ Industry Canada Radio Standards Specification: RSS-247 – Digital Transmission Systems (DTSs), Frequency Hopping Systems (FHSs) and Licence-Exempt Local Area Network (LE-LAN) Devices, Issue 1, May 2015
- ❖ Industry Canada Radio Standards Specification: RSS-GEN – General Requirements for Compliance of Radio Apparatus, Issue 4, Nov 2014.

4 LIST OF TEST EQUIPMENT

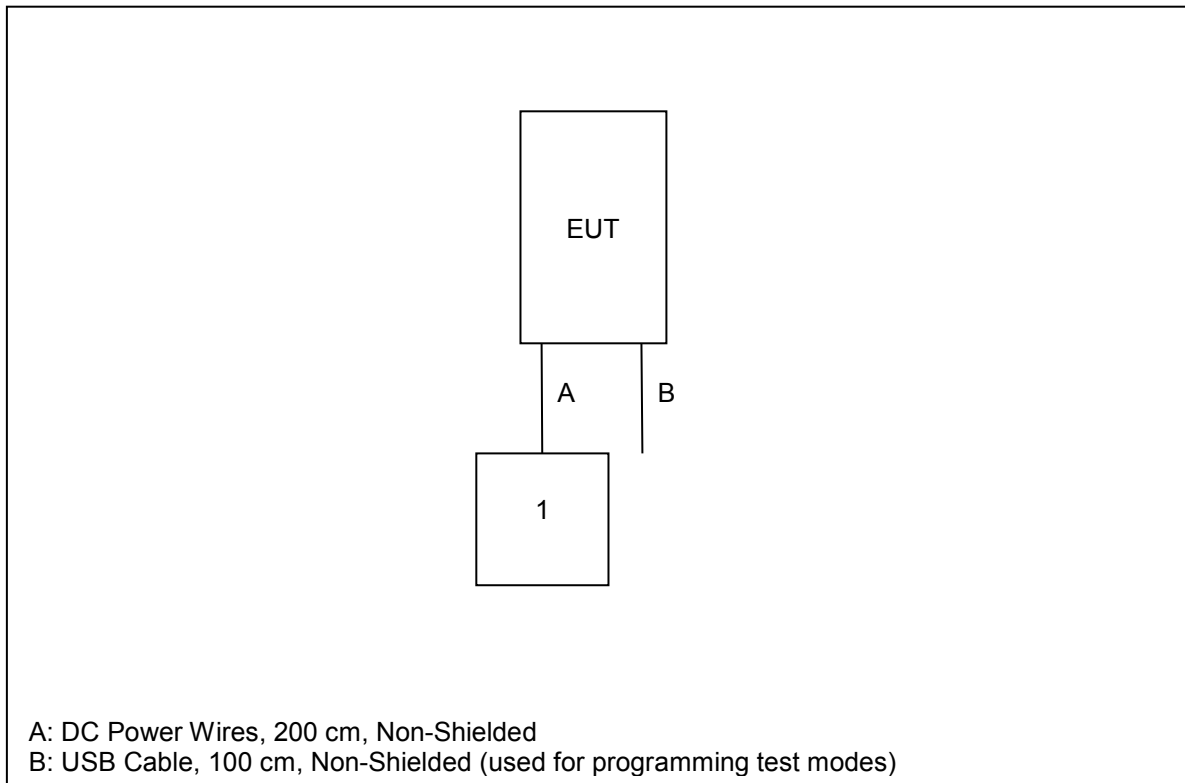
The calibration interval of test equipment is annually or the manufacturer's recommendations. Where the calibration interval deviates from the annual cycle based on the instrument manufacturer's recommendations, it shall be stated below.

Table 4-1: Test Equipment

AssetID	Manufacturer	Model #	Equipment Type	Serial #	Last Calibration Date	Calibration Due Date
1	Rohde & Schwarz	ESMI - Display	Spectrum Analyzers	833771/007	7/14/2015	7/14/2016
2	Rohde & Schwarz	ESMI-Receiver	Spectrum Analyzers	839587/003	7/14/2015	7/14/2016
30	Spectrum Technologies	DRH-0118	Antennas	970102	4/30/2015	4/30/2017
40	EMCO	3104	Antennas	3211	2/10/2015	2/10/2017
73	Agilent	8447D	Amplifiers	2727A05624	7/15/2015	7/15/2016
167	ACS	Chamber EMI Cable Set	Cable Set	167	10/20/2015	10/20/2016
292	Florida RF Cables	SMR-290AW-480.0-SMR	Cables	None	3/3/2015	3/3/2016
334	Rohde&Schwarz	3160-09	Antennas	49404	11/4/2010	NCR
335	Suhner Sucoflex	SF-102A	Cables	882/2A	7/14/2015	7/14/2016
338	Hewlett Packard	8449B	Amplifiers	3008A01111	8/21/2015	8/21/2017
345	Suhner Sucoflex	102A	Cables	1077/2A	7/14/2015	7/14/2016
412	Electro Metrics	LPA-25	Antennas	1241	7/24/2014	7/24/2016
422	Florida RF	SMS-200AW-72.0-SMR	Cables	805	10/30/2015	10/30/2016
432	Microwave Circuits	H3G020G4	Filters	264066	5/20/2015	5/20/2016
616	Florida RF Cables	SMRE-200W-12.0-SMRE	Cables	N/A	9/3/2015	9/3/2016

5 SUPPORT EQUIPMENT**Table 5-1: Support Equipment**

Item	Equipment Type	Manufacturer	Model/Part Number	Serial Number
1	DC Power Supply	Agilent	6286A	2109A-06095

6 EQUIPMENT UNDER TEST SETUP BLOCK DIAGRAM**Figure 6-1: Test Setup Block Diagram**

7 SUMMARY OF TESTS

Along with the tabular data shown below, plots were taken of all signals deemed important enough to document.

7.1 Antenna Requirement – FCC 15.203

The EUT utilizes an external printed inverted F antenna (PIFA) with a peak gain of 4.4dBi and is coupled to the EUT via a U.FL connector.

7.2 Emission Levels – FCC 15.247(d), 15.205, 15.209; IC RSS-247 5.5, RSS-Gen 8.9/8.10

7.2.1 Emissions into Restricted Frequency Bands

7.2.1.1 Measurement Procedure

The unwanted emissions into restricted bands were measured radiated over the frequency range of 30MHz to 25GHz, 10 times the highest fundamental frequency.

The EUT was rotated through 360° and the receive antenna height was varied from 1m to 4m so that the maximum radiated emissions level would be detected. For frequencies below 1000MHz, quasi-peak measurements were made using a RBW of 120 kHz and a VBW of 300 kHz. For frequencies above 1000MHz, peak and average measurements were made with RBW and VBW of 1 MHz and 3 MHz respectively.

Each emission found to be in a restricted band as defined by section 15.205, including any emission at the operational band-edge, was compared to the radiated emission limits as defined in section 15.209.

7.2.1.2 Duty Cycle Correction

For average radiated measurements, using a 0.376% duty cycle, the measured level was reduced by a factor 48.496dB. The duty cycle correction factor is determined using the formula: $20\log(0.376/100) = -48.496\text{dB}$. A detailed analysis of the duty cycle timing is provided in the Theory of Operation accompanying the original application for certification.

7.2.1.3 Measurement Results

Table 7.2.1.3-1: Radiated Spurious Emissions Tabulated Data

Frequency (MHz)	Level (dBuV)		Antenna Polarity (H/V)	Correction Factors (dB)	Corrected Level (dBuV/m)		Limit (dBuV/m)		Margin (dB)	
	pk	Qpk/Avg			pk	Qpk/Avg	pk	Qpk/Avg	pk	Qpk/Avg
Low Channel										
2390	54.46	34.45	H	-5.47	48.99	-19.52	74.0	54.0	25.0	73.5
Middle Channel										
4880	46.45	35.11	H	2.06	48.51	-11.33	74.0	54.0	25.5	65.3
4880	44.17	32.95	V	2.06	46.23	-13.49	74.0	54.0	27.8	67.5
7320	55.35	46.94	H	7.84	63.19	6.29	74.0	54.0	10.8	47.7
7320	55.7	46.99	V	7.84	63.54	6.34	74.0	54.0	10.5	47.7
High Channel										
2483.5	77.03	40.80	H	-5.01	72.02	-12.71	74.0	54.0	2.0	66.7
2483.5	67.91	36.02	V	-5.01	62.90	-17.49	74.0	54.0	11.1	71.5
7440	54.51	45.72	H	7.92	62.43	5.14	74.0	54.0	11.6	48.9
7440	54.59	45.77	V	7.92	62.51	5.19	74.0	54.0	11.5	48.8

7.2.1.4 Sample Calculation:

$$R_C = R_U + CF_T$$

Where:

CF_T	=	Total Correction Factor (AF+CA+AG)-DC (Average Measurements Only)
R_U	=	Uncorrected Reading
R_C	=	Corrected Level
AF	=	Antenna Factor
CA	=	Cable Attenuation
AG	=	Amplifier Gain
DC	=	Duty Cycle Correction Factor

Example Calculation: Peak

Corrected Level: $54.46 - 5.47 = 48.99\text{dBuV/m}$

Margin: $74.0\text{dBuV/m} - 48.99\text{dBuV/m} = 25.0\text{dB}$

Example Calculation: Average

Corrected Level: $34.45 - 5.47 - 48.496 = -19.52\text{dBuV}$

Margin: $54.0\text{dBuV} - -19.52\text{dBuV} = 73.5\text{dB}$

8 CONCLUSION

In the opinion of ACS, Inc. the BLMF1, provided by Acuity Brands Lighting, Inc. meets the requirements of FCC Part 15 subpart C and Industry Canada's Radio Standards Specification RSS-247.

END REPORT