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STEMDOTZ

FCC 1.1307:2023

Bluetooth Low Energy

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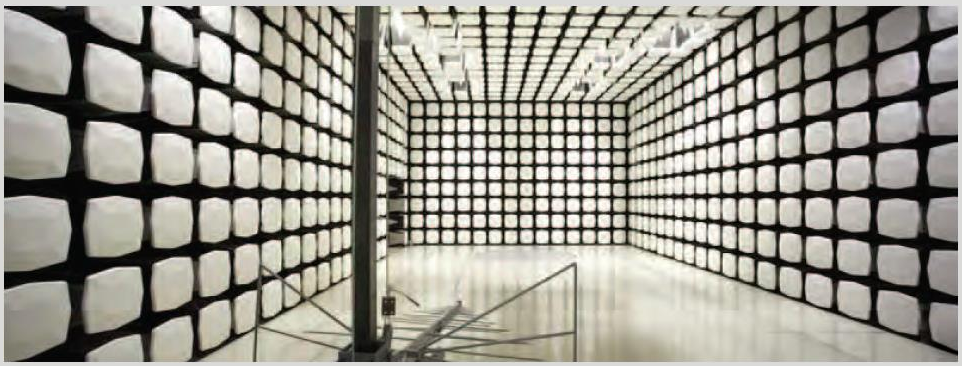

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Last Date of Evaluation: April 21, 2023
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RF Exposure Evaluation

Standards

Specification	Method
FCC 1.1307:2023	FCC 1.1307:2023

Results

Method Clause	Description	Applied	Results	Comments
(b)(3)(i)(B)	Exemption From RF Exposure Evaluation	Yes	Pass	None

Deviations From Evaluation Standards

None

Approved By:

Donald Facteau, Process Architect

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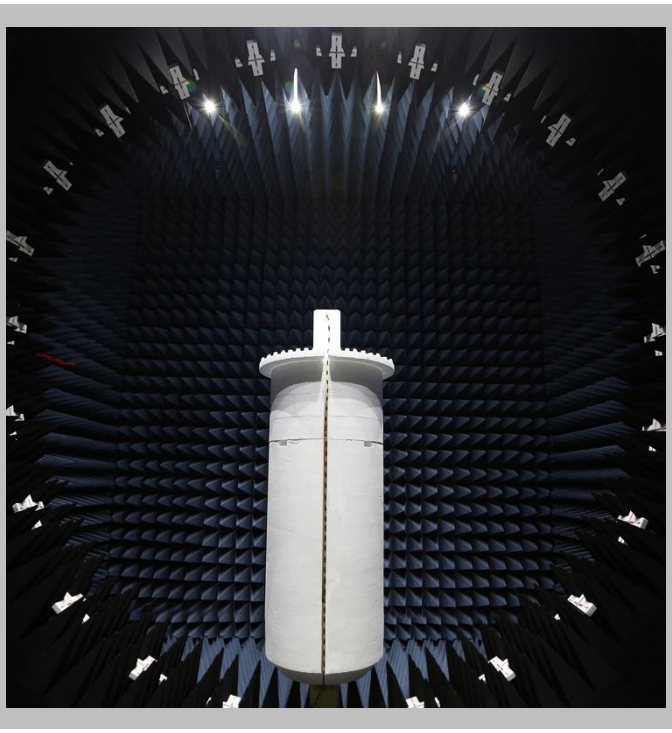

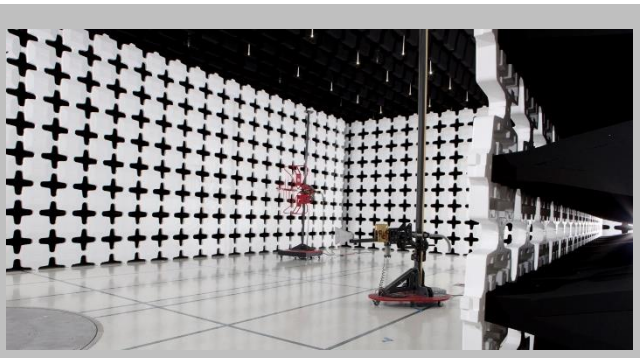

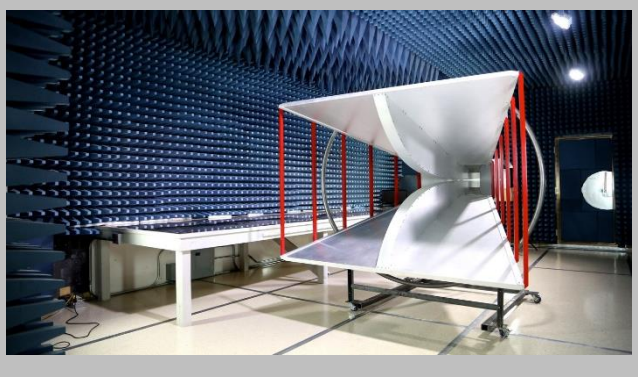

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Client and Equipment Under Evaluation Information

Company Name:	Vernier Software and Technology
Address:	13979 SW Millikan Way
City, State, Zip:	Beaverton, OR 97005-2886
Evaluation Requested By:	Robert Fogg
EUT:	STEMDOTZ
Date of Evaluation:	4/21/2023

Information Provided by the Party Requesting the Evaluation

Functional Description of the Equipment:

STEMDotz is a roughly elliptical device with a maximum length of 4.6 cm (1.811 inch) and 1.3 cm (0.512 inch) tall. The device runs via battery power provided by a 3V 2032 cell battery connected to the bottom of the PCB. The device is centered around the STMicro BlueNRG-2 bluetooth low energy SoC, which controls communication with the host device and data collection from onboard sensors for ambient light, temperature and humidity, 3-axis accelerometer and magnetometer, as well as barometric pressure. All data from the sensors is processed and communicated via BLE 5.3 standard to a peripheral host device.

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Objective:

To demonstrate compliance with FCC Requirements for RF exposure for 1.1307 RF exempt devices

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	The STEMDOTZ may be used at a distance of less than 20 cm from the user.
Radios Contained in the Same Host Device	Bluetooth Low Energy
Simultaneous Transmitting Radios	None
Body Worn Accessories	None
Environment	General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure

EXEMPTION FROM RF EXPOSURE EVALUATION

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OVERVIEW

With respect to the limits on human exposure to RF emissions provided in 47 CFR §1.1310, if equipment can be shown to qualify for an exemption pursuant to 47 CFR §1.1307(b)(3), an evaluation is not required.

COMPLIANCE WITH FCC 1.1310

Per 1.1307(b)(3), (i) For single RF sources (*i.e.,* any single fixed RF source, mobile device, or portable device, as defined in paragraph (b)(2) of this section): A single RF source is exempt if:

(A) The available maximum time-averaged power is no more than 1 mW, regardless of separation distance. This exemption may not be used in conjunction with other exemption criteria other than those in paragraph (b)(3)(ii)(A) of this section. Medical implant devices may only use this exemption and that in paragraph (b)(3)(ii)(A);

(B) Or the available maximum time-averaged power or effective radiated power (ERP), whichever is greater, is less than or equal to the threshold P_{th} (mW) described in the following formula. This method shall only be used at separation distances (cm) from 0.5 cm to 40 cm and at frequencies from 0.3 GHz to 6 GHz (inclusive). P_{th} is given by:

$$P_{th}(mW) = \begin{cases} ERP_{20\ cm}(d/20\ cm)^x & d \le 20\ cm \\ ERP_{20\ cm} & 20\ cm\ < d\ \le 40\ cm \end{cases}$$

Where

$$x = -\log_{10}\left(\frac{60}{ERP_{20\ cm}\sqrt{f}}\right)\ and\ f\ is\ in\ GHz\,;$$

And

$$ERP_{20\ cm}(mW) = \begin{cases} 2040f & 0.3\ GHz\ \le f\ < 1.5\ GHz \\ 3060 & 1.5\ GHz\ \le f\ \le 6\ GHz \end{cases}$$

(C) Or using Table 1 and the minimum separation distance (R in meters) from the body of a nearby person for the frequency (f in MHz) at which the source operates, the ERP (watts) is no more than the calculated value prescribed for that frequency. For the exemption in Table 1 to apply, R must be at least λ/2π, where λ is the free-space operating wavelength in meters. If the ERP of a single RF source is not easily obtained, then the available maximum time-averaged power may be used in lieu of ERP if the physical dimensions of the radiating structure(s) do not exceed the electrical length of λ/4 or if the antenna gain is less than that of a half-wave dipole (1.64 linear value).

TABLE 1 TO §1.1307(b)(3)(i)(C)—SINGLE RF SOURCES SUBJECT TO ROUTINE ENVIRONMENTAL EVALUATION

RF Source frequency (MHz)	Threshold ERP (watts)
0.3-1.34	1,920 R^2.
1.34-30	3,450 R^2/f^2.
30-300	3.83 R^2.
300-1,500	0.0128 R^2f.
1,500-100,000	19.2R^2.

(ii) For multiple RF sources: Multiple RF sources are exempt if:

(A) The available maximum time-averaged power of each source is no more than 1 mW and there is a separation distance of two centimeters between any portion of a radiating structure operating and the nearest portion of any other radiating structure in the same device, except if the sum of multiple sources is less than 1 mW during the time-averaging period, in which case they may be treated as a single source (separation is not required). This exemption may not be used in conjunction with other exemption criteria other than those is paragraph (b)(3)(i)(A) of this section. Medical implant devices may only use this exemption and that in paragraph (b)(3)(i)(A).

(B) in the case of fixed RF sources operating in the same time-averaging period, or of multiple mobile or portable RF sources within a device operating in the same time averaging period, if the sum of the fractional contributions to the applicable thresholds is less than or equal to 1 as indicated in the following equation.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{a} \frac{P_i}{P_{th,i}} + \sum_{j=1}^{b} \frac{ERP_j}{ERP_{th,j}} + \sum_{k=1}^{c} \frac{Evaluated_k}{Exposure\ Limit_k} \leq 1$$

Where:

a = number of fixed, mobile, or portable RF sources claiming exemption using paragraph (b)(3)(i)(B) of this section for P_{th}, including existing exempt transmitters and those being added.

b = number of fixed, mobile, or portable RF sources claiming exemption using paragraph (b)(3)(i)(C) of this section for Threshold ERP, including existing exempt transmitters and those being added.

c = number of existing fixed, mobile, or portable RF sources with known evaluation for the specified minimum distance including existing evaluated transmitters.

P_i = the available maximum time-averaged power or the ERP, whichever is greater, for fixed, mobile, or portable RF source *i* at a distance between 0.5 cm and 40 cm (inclusive).

$P_{th,i}$ = the exemption threshold power (P_{th}) according to paragraph (b)(3)(i)(B) of this section for fixed, mobile, or portable RF source *i.*

ERP_j = the ERP of fixed, mobile, or portable RF source *j.*

$ERP_{th,j}$ = exemption threshold ERP for fixed, mobile, or portable RF source *j,* at a distance of at least λ/2π according to the applicable formula of paragraph (b)(3)(i)(C) of this section.

$Evaluated_k$ = the maximum reported SAR or MPE of fixed, mobile, or portable RF source *k* either in the device or at the transmitter site from an existing evaluation at the location of exposure.

$Exposure\ Limit_k$ = either the general population/uncontrolled maximum permissible exposure (MPE) or specific absorption rate (SAR) limit for each fixed, mobile, or portable RF source *k,* as applicable from §1.1310

The relationship between EIRP and ERP is:

$$ERP\ (dBm) = EIRP\ (dBm) - 2.14\ dB$$

Where EIRP is the sum of the conducted power (dBm) and the antenna gain (dBi).

EXEMPTION FROM RF EXPOSURE EVALUATION

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ASSESSMENT

The exemption from RF exposure evaluation is summarized in the following table(s):

Radio	Transmit Frequency (MHz)	Conducted Output Power	Power Tolerance (dB)	Duty Cycle	Antenna Assembly Gain (dBi)	Minimum Separation Distance (cm)	Calculated Radiated Exposure Power (mW) ERP	Calculated Conducted Exposure Power (mW dBm)	Limit (mW)	Compliant
Bluetooth Low Energy	2402	0 dBm	2.0	100.0%	1.6	0.5	1.4	1.6	2.8	Yes

The information in the table above was obtained from:

The rated value was used in these calculations. Customer supplied information and Element report VERN0149.2 were used.

Evaluator: Jay Whitworth

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