

# PLS63-W

Hardware Interface Overview

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# 1 Introduction

This document<sup>1</sup> describes the hardware of the PLS63-W module. It helps you quickly retrieve interface specifications, electrical and mechanical details and information on the requirements to be considered for integrating further components.

## 1.1 Product Variants

This document applies to the following module variants:

- PLS63-W Module

## 1.2 Key Features at a Glance

| Feature                                | Implementation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <i>General</i>                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Frequency bands                        | PLS63-W integrates all the bands required to have a global coverage across the world (NORAM / LATAM / EMEA /APAC).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| GSM class                              | Small MS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Output power (according to release 99) | Class 4 (+33dBm $\pm$ 2dB) for GSM850<br>Class 4 (+33dBm $\pm$ 2dB) for GSM900<br>Class 1 (+30dBm $\pm$ 2dB) for GSM1800<br>Class 1 (+30dBm $\pm$ 2dB) for GSM1900<br>Class E2 (+27dBm $\pm$ 3dB) for GSM 850 8-PSK<br>Class E2 (+27dBm $\pm$ 3dB) for GSM 900 8-PSK<br>Class E2 (+26dBm +3 /-4dB) for GSM 1800 8-PSK<br>Class E2 (+26dBm +3 /-4dB) for GSM 1900 8-PSK                                                                                                     |
| Output power (according to Release 99) | Class 3 (+24dBm +1/-3dB) for UMTS 850, WCDMA FDD BdXIX<br>Class 3 (+24dBm +1/-3dB) for UMTS 850, WCDMA FDD BdVI<br>Class 3 (+24dBm +1/-3dB) for UMTS 850, WCDMA FDD BdV<br>Class 3 (+24dBm +1/-3dB) for UMTS 900, WCDMA FDD BdVIII<br>Class 3 (+24dBm +1/-3dB) for UMTS 1700, WCDMA FDD BdIII<br>Class 3 (+24dBm +1/-3dB) for UMTS 1900, WCDMA FDD BdII<br>Class 3 (+24dBm +1/-3dB) for UMTS 2100, WCDMA FDD BdIV<br>Class 3 (+24dBm +1/-3dB) for UMTS 2100, WCDMA FDD BdI |

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## 1.2 Key Features at a Glance

| Feature                                   | Implementation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Output power (according to Release 8)     | Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 600, LTE FDD Bd71<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 700, LTE FDD Bd12 <MFBI Bd17><br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 700, LTE FDD Bd13<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 700, LTE FDD Bd14<br>Class 3 (+23dBm+2/-2.5dB) for LTE 700, LTE FDD Bd28<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 850, LTE FDD Bd26<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 850, LTE FDD Bd18<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 850, LTE FDD Bd19<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 800, LTE FDD Bd20<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 850, LTE FDD Bd5<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 900, LTE FDD Bd8<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 1800, LTE FDD Bd3<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 1900, LTE FDD Bd2<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 1900, LTE FDD Bd25<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 2100, LTE FDD Bd1<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 2100, LTE FDD Bd4<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 2100, LTE FDD Bd66<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 2600, LTE FDD Bd7<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 2300, LTE TDD Bd40<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 2500, LTE TDD Bd41<br>Class 3 (+23dBm ±2dB) for LTE 2600, LTE TDD Bd38 |
| Power supply                              | Normal operation:<br>$3.0V \leq V_{BATT+} \leq 4.5V$<br>Typ value is 3.8V<br>Extended operation: TBD                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Operating temperature (board temperature) | Normal operation: -30°C to +85°C<br>Extended operation: -40°C to -30°C, +85°C to +90°C                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Physical                                  | Dimensions: 33mm x 29mm x 2.31mm<br>Weight: approx. 4.8g                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| RoHS                                      | All hardware components fully compliant with EU RoHS Directive                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>LTE features</b>                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 3GPP Release 10                           | UE CAT 1 for PLS63 (DL 10Mbps, UL 5Mbps)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>HSPA feature</b>                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 3GPP Release 7                            | UE CAT. 8, 6 for PLS63<br>HSDPA – DL 7.2Mbps<br>HSUPA – UL 5.7Mbps<br><br>Compressed mode (CM) supported according to 3GPP TS25.212                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>UMTS features</b>                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 3GPP Release 4                            | PS data rate – 384 kbps DL / 384 kbps UL<br>CS data rate – 64 kbps DL / 64 kbps UL                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

## 1.2 Key Features at a Glance

| Feature                        | Implementation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| <i>GSM/GPRS/EGPRS features</i> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Data transfer                  | GPRS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Multislot Class 12</li> <li>• Mobile Station Class B</li> <li>• Coding Scheme 1 – 4</li> </ul> EGPRS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Multislot Class 12</li> <li>• EDGE E2 power class for 8 PSK</li> <li>• Downlink coding schemes – CS 1-4, MCS 1-9</li> <li>• Uplink coding schemes – CS 1-4, MCS 1-9</li> <li>• SRB loopback and test mode B</li> <li>• 8-bit, 11-bit RACH</li> <li>• 1 phase/2 phase access procedures</li> <li>• Link adaptation and IR</li> <li>• NACC, extended UL TBF</li> <li>• Mobile Station Class B</li> </ul> |
| SMS                            | Point-to-point MT and MO<br>Cell broadcast<br>Text and PDU mode<br>Storage: SIM card plus SMS locations in mobile equipment                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <i>GNSS Features</i>           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Protocol                       | NMEA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Modes                          | Standalone GNSS (GPS, GLONASS, Beidou, Galileo)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| General                        | Automatic power saving modes.<br>DC feed bridge and control of power supply for active antenna                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <i>Software</i>                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| AT commands                    | Hayes 3GPP TS 27.007, TS 27.005                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| SIM Application Toolkit        | Default (Network) bearer support for BIP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Firmware update                | Generic update from host application over USB modem                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <i>Interfaces</i>              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Module interface               | Surface mount device with solderable connection pads (SMT application interface). Land grid array (LGA) technology ensures high solder joint reliability and allows the use of an optional module mounting socket.<br><br>For more information on how to integrate SMT modules see also <a href="#">[4]</a> . This application note comprises chapters on module mounting and application layout issues as well as on additional SMT application development equipment.                                                                                                                              |
| USB                            | USB 2.0 High Speed (480Mbit/s) device interface. Full Speed (12Mbit/s) compliant.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |



## 1.2 Key Features at a Glance

| Feature                        | Implementation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| 2 serial interfaces            | ASC0 (in parts shared with GPIO lines): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8-wire modem interface with status and control lines, unbalanced, asynchronous</li> <li>Fixed baud rates: 300bps to 921,600bps</li> <li>Supports RTS0/CTS0 hardware flow control.</li> </ul> ASC1 (shared with GPIO lines): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4-wire, unbalanced asynchronous interface</li> <li>Fixed baud rates: 300bps to 921,600bps and 3Mbps</li> <li>Supports RTS1/CTS1 hardware flow control</li> </ul> |
| Audio                          | 1 digital interface (PCM), shared with GPIO lines                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 2 UICC interfaces (switchable) | Supported chip cards: UICC/SIM/USIM 3V, 1.8V                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| GPIO interface                 | 22 GPIO lines comprising:<br>13 lines shared with ASC0, ASC1 lines, with network status indication, fast shutdown and SIM switch<br>4 GPIO lines shared with PCM interface<br>9 GPIO lines not shared                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| I <sup>2</sup> C interface     | Supports I <sup>2</sup> C serial interface.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Digital audio interface        | 1 digital interface can be configured as PCM or I <sup>2</sup> S(TBD).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| RING0                          | Support RING0 to wake up host from power down modes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Antenna interface pads         | 50Ω. UMTS/GSM/LTE main antenna, UMTS/LTE Rx Diversity antenna, GNSS antenna.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| ADC inputs                     | Analog-to-Digital Converter with unbalanced analog inputs, for example, for the (external) antenna diagnosis                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Power on/off, Reset</b>     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Power on/off                   | Switch on by hardware signal IGT<br>Switch off by AT command<br>Switch off by hardware signal FST_SHDN instead of AT command<br>Automatic switch off in case of critical temperature or voltage conditions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Reset                          | Orderly reset by AT command<br>Reset by emergency reset signal EMERG_RST.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Special features</b>        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Real time clock                | Timer functions via AT commands.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Evaluation kit</b>          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| LGA DevKit                     | LGA DevKit designed to test LGA modules.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Evaluation module              | PLS63-W module soldered onto a dedicated PCB that can be connected to an adapter in order to be mounted onto the DSB75 or DSB mini.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| DSB-mini                       | DSB-mini Development Support Board designed to test and type approve. It is the cost optimized development board alternative to DSB75.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| DSB75                          | DSB75 Development Support Board designed to test and type approve modules and provide a sample configuration for application engineering. A special adapter is required to connect the PLS63-W evaluation module to the DSB75.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

## 1.3 PLS63-W System Overview

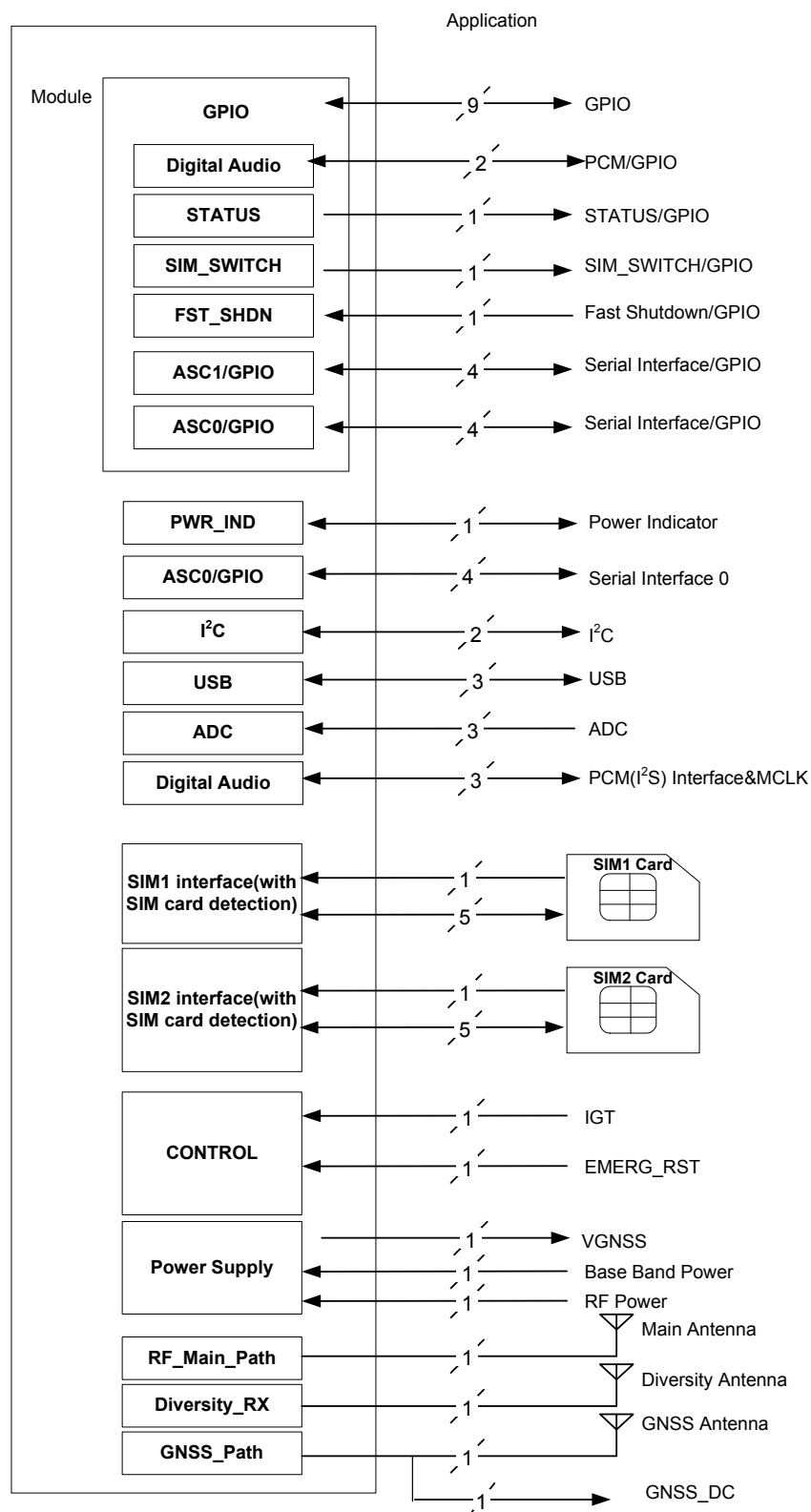


Figure 1: PLS63-W system overview

## 2 Interface Characteristics

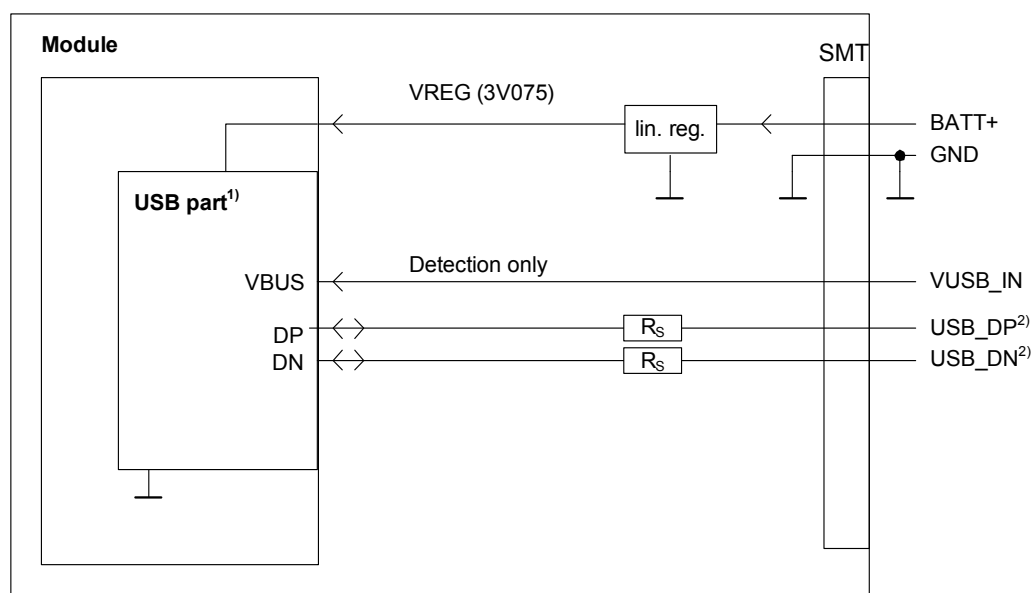
PLS63-W is equipped with an SMT application interface that connects to the external application. The SMT application interface incorporates the various application interfaces as well as the RF antenna interface.

### 2.1 Application Interface

#### 2.1.1 USB Interface

PLS63-W supports a USB 2.0 High Speed (480Mbit/s) device interface that is Full Speed (12Mbit/s) compliant. The USB I/O pins are capable of driving the signal at min 3.0V. The impedances, serial and pull up resistors are implemented according to “Universal Serial Bus Specification Revision 2.0”<sup>1</sup>, No further additional components are required.

The external application is responsible for supplying the VUSB\_IN line. This line is used for cable detection only. The USB part (driver and transceiver) is supplied by means of BATT+. This is because PLS63-W is designed as a self-powered device compliant with the “Universal Serial Bus Specification Revision 2.0”.



<sup>1)</sup> All serial (including R<sub>S</sub>) and pull-up resistors for data lines are implemented.

<sup>2)</sup> If the USB interface is operated in High Speed mode (480MHz), it is recommended to take special care routing the data lines USB\_DP and USB\_DN. Application layout should in this case implement a differential impedance of 90 ohms for proper signal integrity.

**Figure 2:** USB circuit

To properly connect the module's USB interface to the external application, a USB 2.0 compatible connector and cable or hardware design is required. For more information on the USB related signals see [Table 3](#). Furthermore, the USB modem driver distributed with PLS63-W needs to be installed.

1. The specification is ready for download on <http://www.usb.org/developers/docs/>

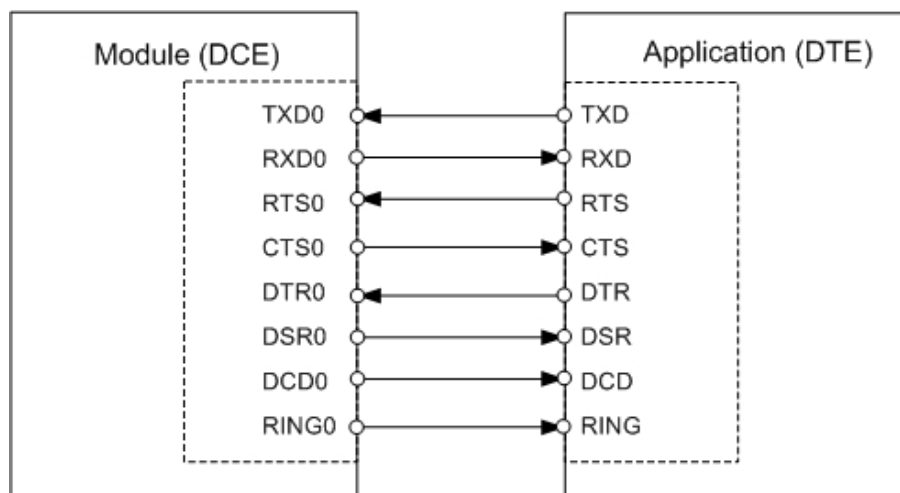
While a USB connection is active, the module will never switch to SLEEP mode. Only if the USB interface is in Suspend mode, the module is able to switch to SLEEP mode.

### 2.1.2 Serial Interface ASC0

PLS63-W offers an 8-wire unbalanced, asynchronous modem interface ASC0 conforming to ITU-T V.24 protocol DCE signaling. The electrical characteristics do not comply with ITU-T V.28. The significant levels are 0V (for low data bit or active state) and 1.8V (for high data bit or inactive state). For electrical characteristics please refer to [Table 3](#).

PLS63-W is designed for use as a DCE. Based on the conventions for DCE-DTE connections it communicates with the customer application (DTE) using the following signals:

- Port TXD @ application sends data to the module's TXD0 signal line
- Port RXD @ application receives data from the module's RXD0 signal line



**Figure 3:** Serial interface ASC0

#### Features:

- Includes the data lines TXD0 and RXD0, the status lines RTS0 and CTS0 and, in addition, the modem control lines DTR0, DSR0, DCD0 and RING0.
- The RING0 signal serves to indicate incoming calls and other types of URCs (Unsolicited Result Code). It can also be used to send pulses to the host application, for example to wake up the application from power saving state.
- Configured for 8 data bits, no parity and 1 stop bit.
- ASC0 can be operated at fixed bit rates from 300bps up to 921600bps.
- Supports RTS0/CTS0 hardware flow control. The hardware hand shake line RTS0 has an internal pull down resistor causing a low level signal, if the line is not used and open. Although hardware flow control is recommended, this allows communication by using only RXD and TXD lines.

Note: The ASC0 modem control lines DTR0, DCD0, DSR0 and RING0 can also be configured as GPIO lines. If configured as GPIO lines, these GPIO lines are assigned as follows:

GPIO1-->DTR0  
 GPIO2-->DCD0  
 GPIO3-->DSR0  
 GPIO24-->RING0

Configuration is done by AT command (see [1]). The configuration is non-volatile and becomes active after a module restart.

Notes: No data must be sent over the ASC0 interface before the interface is active and ready to receive data (see Section 3.1.1).

### 2.1.3 Serial Interface ASC1

Four PLS63-W GPIO lines can be configured as ASC1 interface signals to provide a 4-wire unbalanced, asynchronous modem interface ASC1 conforming to ITU-T V.24 protocol DCE signalling. The electrical characteristics do not comply with ITU-T V.28. The significant levels are 0V (for low data bit or active state) and 1.8V (for high data bit or inactive state). For electrical characteristics please refer to Table 3.

PLS63-W is designed for use as a DCE. Based on the conventions for DCE-DTE connections it communicates with the customer application (DTE) using the following signals:

- Port TXD @ application sends data to module's TXD1 signal line
- Port RXD @ application receives data from the module's RXD1 signal line

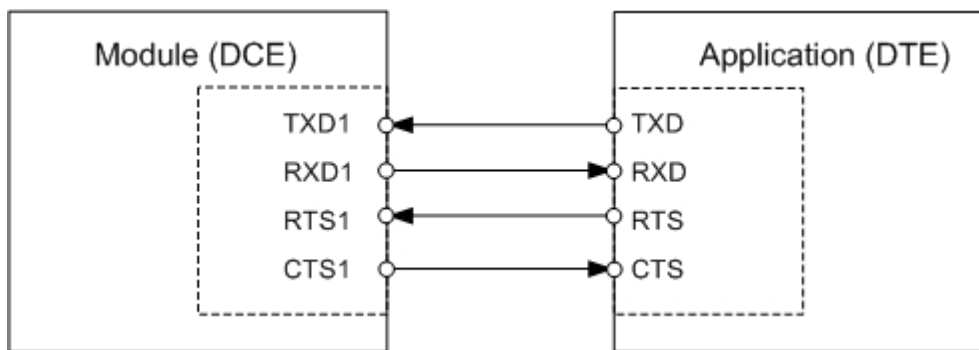


Figure 4: Serial interface ASC1

#### Features

- Includes only the data lines TXD1 and RXD1 plus RTS1 and CTS1 for hardware hand-shake.
- On ASC1 no RING line is available.
- Configured for 8 data bits, no parity and 1 or 2 stop bits.
- ASC1 can be operated at fixed bit rates from 300 bps to 921,600bps and 3Mbps
- Supports RTS1/CTS1 hardware flow. The hardware hand shake line RTS0 has an internal pull down resistor causing a low level signal, if the line is not used and open. Although hardware flow control is recommended, this allows communication by using only RXD and TXD lines.

Notes: The ASC1 interface lines are originally available as GPIO lines. If configured as ASC1 lines, the GPIO lines are assigned as follows:

GPIO16-->RXD1  
 GPIO17-->TXD1  
 GPIO18-->RTS1  
 GPIO19-->CTS1

Configuration is done by AT command (see [1]). The configuration is non-volatile and becomes active after a module restart.

## 2.1.4 UICC/SIM/USIM Interface

PLS63-W has two UICC/SIM/USIM interfaces (includes eSIM interface) compatible with the 3GPP 31.102 and ETSI 102 221. These are wired to the host interface in order to be connected to an external SIM card holder. Five pads on the SMT application interface are reserved for each of the two SIM interfaces.

The UICC/SIM/USIM interface supports 3V and 1.8V SIM cards. Please refer to [Table 1](#) for electrical specifications of the UICC/SIM/USIM interface lines depending on whether a 3V or 1.8V SIM card is used.

The CCINx signal serves to detect whether a tray (with SIM card) is present in the card holder. Using the CCINx signal is mandatory for compliance with the GSM 11.11 recommendation if the mechanical design of the host application allows the user to remove the SIM card during operation.

**Table 1:** Signals of the SIM interface (SMT application interface)

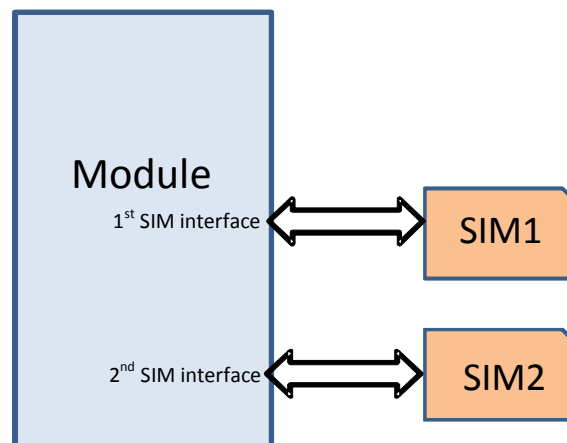
| Signal           | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| GND              | Ground connection for SIM interfaces. Optionally a separate SIM ground line using e.g., pad N11, may be used to improve EMC.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| CCCLK1<br>CCCLK2 | Chipcard clock lines for 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> SIM interface.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| CCVCC1<br>CCVCC2 | SIM supply voltage lines for 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> SIM interface.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| CCIO1<br>CCIO2   | Serial data lines for 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> SIM interface, input and output.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| CCRST1<br>CCRST2 | Chipcard reset lines for 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> SIM interface.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| CCIN1<br>CCIN2   | Input on the baseband processor for detecting a SIM card tray in the holder. If the SIM is removed during operation the SIM interface is shut down immediately to prevent destruction of the SIM. The CCINx signal is active low.<br>The CCINx signal is mandatory for applications that allow the user to remove the SIM card during operation.<br>The CCINx signal is solely intended for use with a SIM card. It must not be used for any other purposes. Failure to comply with this requirement may invalidate the type approval of PLS63-W. |

Note: No guarantee can be given, nor any liability accepted, if loss of data is encountered after removing the SIM card during operation. Also, no guarantee can be given for properly initializing any SIM card that the user inserts after having removed the SIM card during operation. In this case, the application must restart PLS63-W.

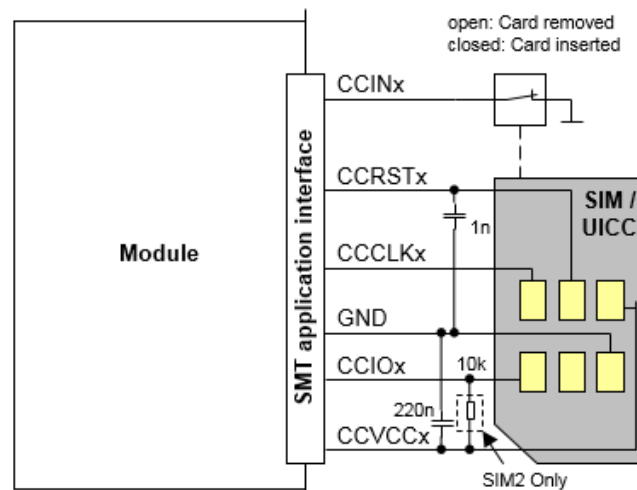
By default, only the module's 1<sup>st</sup> SIM interface is available and can be used. The usage of the module's 2<sup>nd</sup> SIM interface has to be configured by AT command.

As an alternative to connecting the module's two SIM interfaces and switching between these via AT command, it is possible to connect the first of the module's SIM interfaces via an external SIM switch that in turn provides access to a further SIM interface. For details see [Section 2.1.4.1](#).

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**Figure 5:** Module's two UICC/SIM/USIM interfaces



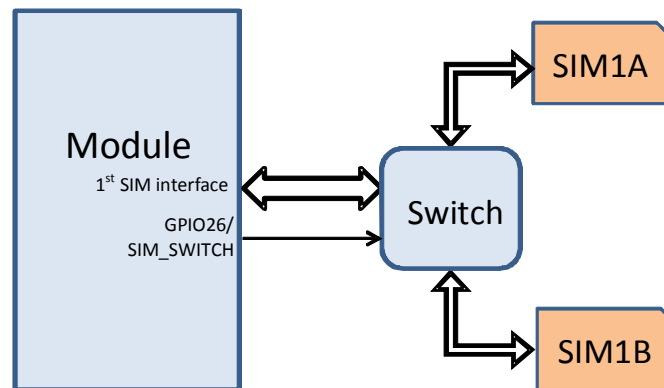
**Figure 6:** UICC/SIM/USIM interfaces connected

The total cable length between the SMT application interface pads on PLS63-W and the pads of the external SIM card holder must not exceed 100mm in order to meet the specifications of 3GPP TS 51.010-1 and to satisfy the requirements of EMC compliance.

To avoid possible cross-talk from the CCCLKx signal to the CCIOx signal be careful that both lines are not placed closely next to each other. A useful approach is using the GND line to shield the CCIOx line from the CCCLKx line.

### 2.1.4.1 SIM\_SWITCH Line

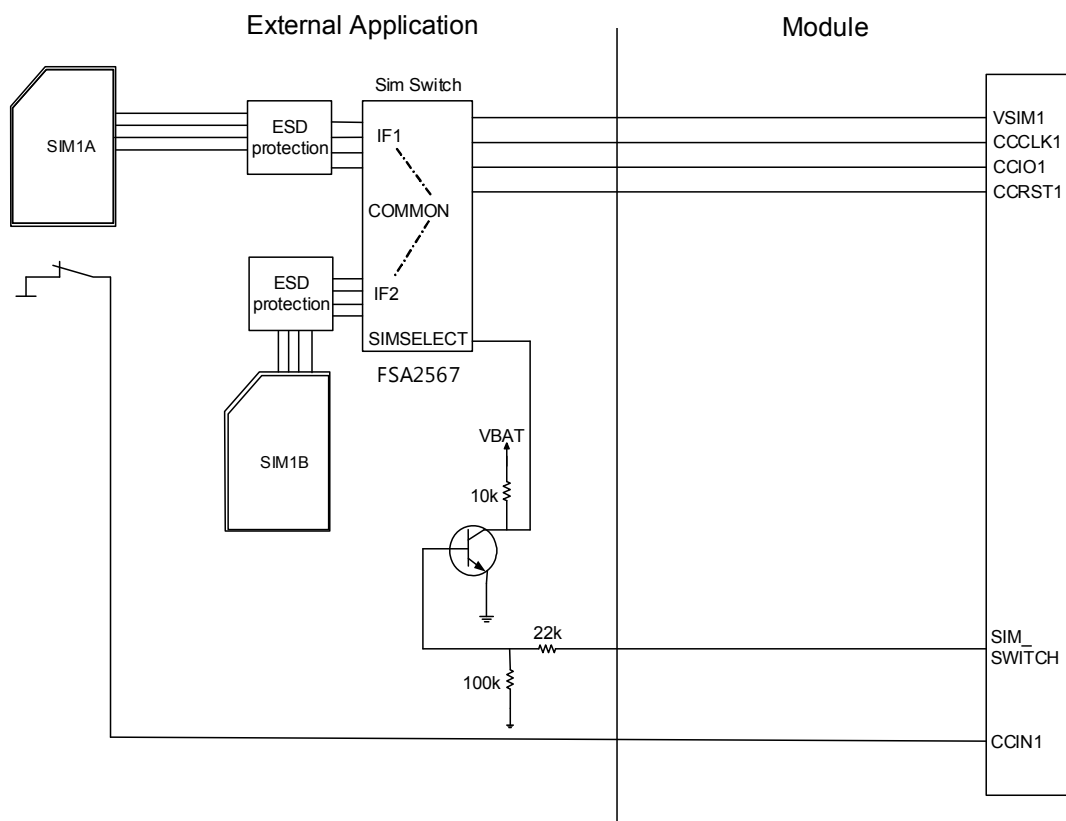
As an alternative to connecting the module's two SIM interfaces and switching between these interfaces by means of AT command, it is possible to connect the first of the module's SIM interfaces via an external SIM switch that in turn provides access to a further SIM interface.



**Figure 7:** External UICC/SIM/USIM switch

The module's GPIO26 line can in this case be configured as SIM\_SWITCH line in order to control the external SIM switch as shown in the sample circuit in [Figure 8](#). A low state would then indicate the usage of the first SIM interface (SIM1A), a high state would indicate the usage of the second interface (SIM1B).

The configuration of the SIM\_SWITCH (GPIO26) line is done via AT command, is non-volatile, and available after the next module restart.



**Figure 8:** Sample circuit for SIM interface connection via SIM switch



## 2.1.5 GPIO Interface

The following table shows the configuration variants for the GPIO pads. All variants are mutually exclusive, i.e. a pad configured for instance as Status LED is locked for alternative usage.

**Table 2:** GPIO lines and possible alternative assignment

| GPIO   | Fast Shutdown | Status LED | ASC0  | ASC1 | SIM SWITCH | DAI  |
|--------|---------------|------------|-------|------|------------|------|
| GPIO1  |               |            | DTR0  |      |            |      |
| GPIO2  |               |            | DCD0  |      |            |      |
| GPIO3  |               |            | DSR0  |      |            |      |
| GPIO4  | FST_SHDN      |            |       |      |            |      |
| GPIO5  |               | Status LED |       |      |            |      |
| GPIO6  |               |            |       |      |            |      |
| GPIO7  |               |            |       |      |            |      |
| GPIO8  |               |            |       |      |            |      |
| GPIO11 |               |            |       |      |            |      |
| GPIO12 |               |            |       |      |            |      |
| GPIO13 |               |            |       |      |            |      |
| GPIO14 |               |            |       |      |            |      |
| GPIO15 |               |            |       |      |            |      |
| GPIO16 |               |            |       | RXD1 |            |      |
| GPIO17 |               |            |       | TXD1 |            |      |
| GPIO18 |               |            |       | RTS1 |            |      |
| GPIO19 |               |            |       | CTS1 |            |      |
| GPIO20 |               |            |       |      |            | DOUT |
| GPIO21 |               |            |       |      |            | DIN  |
| GPIO24 |               |            | RING0 |      |            |      |
| GPIO25 |               |            |       |      |            |      |
| GPIO26 |               |            |       |      | SIM_SWITCH |      |

## 2.1.6 Digital Audio Interface

PLS63-W supports one digital audio interface that can be deployed as PCM. Inter\_IC Sound (I<sup>2</sup>S) interface is under development.

### 2.1.6.1 Pulse Code Modulation Interface

PLS63-W's PCM interface can be used to connect audio devices capable of pulse code modulation. The PCM functionality is limited to the use of wideband codec with 16kHz sample rate only. The PCM interface runs at 16kHz sample rate (62.5μs frame length), while the signal processing maintains this rate in a wideband AMR call or samples automatically down

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to 8kHz in a narrowband call. Therefore, the PCM sample rate is independent of the audio bandwidth of the call.

The PCM interface has the following characteristics:

- Master mode
- Long frame synchronization
- 16kHz/8kHz sample rate
- 512 kHz bit clock at 16kHz sample rate
- 256 kHz bit clock at 8kHz sample rate

Table 3 lists the available PCM interface signals.

**Table 3:** Overview of PCM pin functions

| Signal name | Signal direction master | Description                                                                                                                                                                      |
|-------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| DOUT        | O                       | PCM Data from PLS63-W to external codec.                                                                                                                                         |
| DIN         | I                       | PCM Data from external codec to PLS63-W.                                                                                                                                         |
| FSC         | O                       | Frame synchronization signal to external codec.                                                                                                                                  |
| BCLK        | O                       | Bit clock to external codec. Note: If the BCLK2 signal is permanently provided (AT^SAIC parameter <clk_mode> = 0), the module will no longer enter its power save (SLEEP) state. |
| MCLK        | -                       | Audio master clock. Be synchronous to BCLK to use in external codec. Can be switched on and off.                                                                                 |

Note: PCM data is always formatted as 16-bit uncompressed two's complement. Also, all PCM data and frame synchronization signals are written to the PCM bus on the rising clock edge and read on the falling edge.

### 2.1.6.2 Inter-IC Sound Interface (TBD)

The I<sup>2</sup>S Interface is a standardized bidirectional I<sup>2</sup>S based digital audio interface for transmission of mono voice signals for telephony services.

The I<sup>2</sup>S properties and capabilities comply with the requirements lay out in the Phillips I<sup>2</sup>S Bus Specifications, revised June 5, 1996.

The I<sup>2</sup>S interface has the following characteristics:

- Bit clock mode: Master
- Sampling rate: 8kHz (narrowband), 16kHz (wideband)
- 256kHz bit clock at 8kHz sample rate
- 512kHz bit clock at 16kHz sample rate

[Table 4](#) lists the available I<sup>2</sup>S interface signals

**Table 4:** Overview of I<sup>2</sup>S pin functions

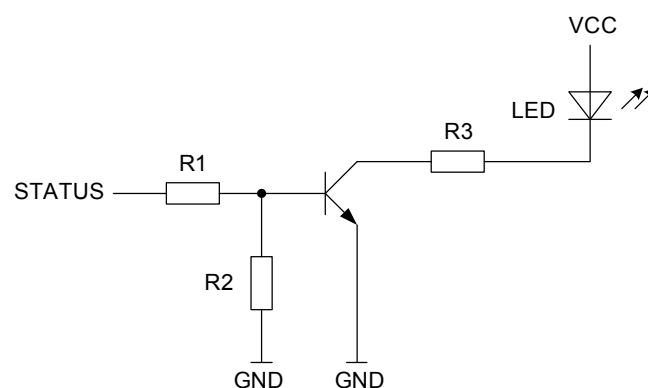
| Signal name on SMT application interface | Signal configuration inactive | Signal direction Master | Description                                                                                            |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| DOUT                                     | PD                            | O                       | I <sup>2</sup> S data from PLS63-W to external codec                                                   |
| DIN                                      | PD                            | I                       | I <sup>2</sup> S data from external codec to PLS63-W                                                   |
| FSC                                      | PD                            | O                       | Frame synchronization signal to/from external codec Word alignment (WS)                                |
| BCLK                                     | PU                            | O                       | Bit clock to external codec. BCLK signal low/high time varies between 45% and 55% of its clock period. |

## 2.1.7 Control Signals

### 2.1.7.1 Status LED

The GPIO5 interface line can be configured to drive a status LED that indicates different operating mode (for GPIOs see [2.1.5](#)). GPIO and LED functionality are mutually exclusive.

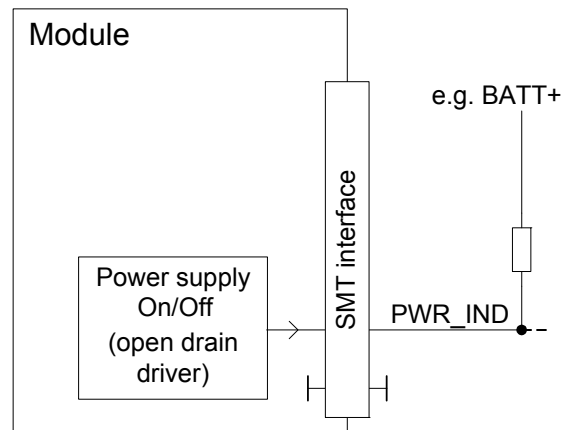
To take advantage of this function connect an LED to the GPIO5/STATUS line as shown in [Figure 9](#)



**Figure 9:** Status signaling with LED driver

### 2.1.7.2 Power Indication

The power indication signal PWR\_IND notifies the on/off state of the module. High state of PWR\_IND indicates that the module is switched off. The state of PWR\_IND immediately changes to low when IGT is pulled low. For state detection an external pull-up resistor is required.



**Figure 10:** Power indication signal

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## 2.2 RF Antenna Interface

The PLS63-W GSM/UMTS/LTE antenna interface comprises a GSM/UMTS/LTE main antenna as well as a UMTS/LTE Rx diversity antenna to improve signal reliability and quality<sup>1</sup>. The RF interface has an impedance of 50Ω. PLS63-W is capable of sustaining a total mismatch at the antenna line without any damage, even when transmitting at maximum RF power.

The external antenna must be matched properly to achieve best performance regarding radiated power, modulation accuracy and harmonic suppression. Antenna matching networks are not included on the PLS63-W module and should be placed in the host application if the antenna does not have an impedance of 50Ω.

Regarding the return loss PLS63-W provides the following values in the active band:

**Table 5:** Return loss in the active band

| State of module | Return loss of module | Recommended return loss of application |
|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Receive         | $\geq 8\text{dB}$     | $\geq 12\text{dB}$                     |
| Transmit        | not applicable        | $\geq 12\text{dB}$                     |

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1. By delivery default the UMTS/LTE Rx diversity antenna is configured as available for the module since its usage is mandatory for LTE. Please refer to [\[1\]](#) for details on how to configure antenna settings.

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## 2.2.1 Antenna Installation

The antenna is connected by soldering the antenna pads (ANT\_MAIN, ANT\_DRX and ANT\_GNSS) and their neighboring ground pads directly to the application's PCB.

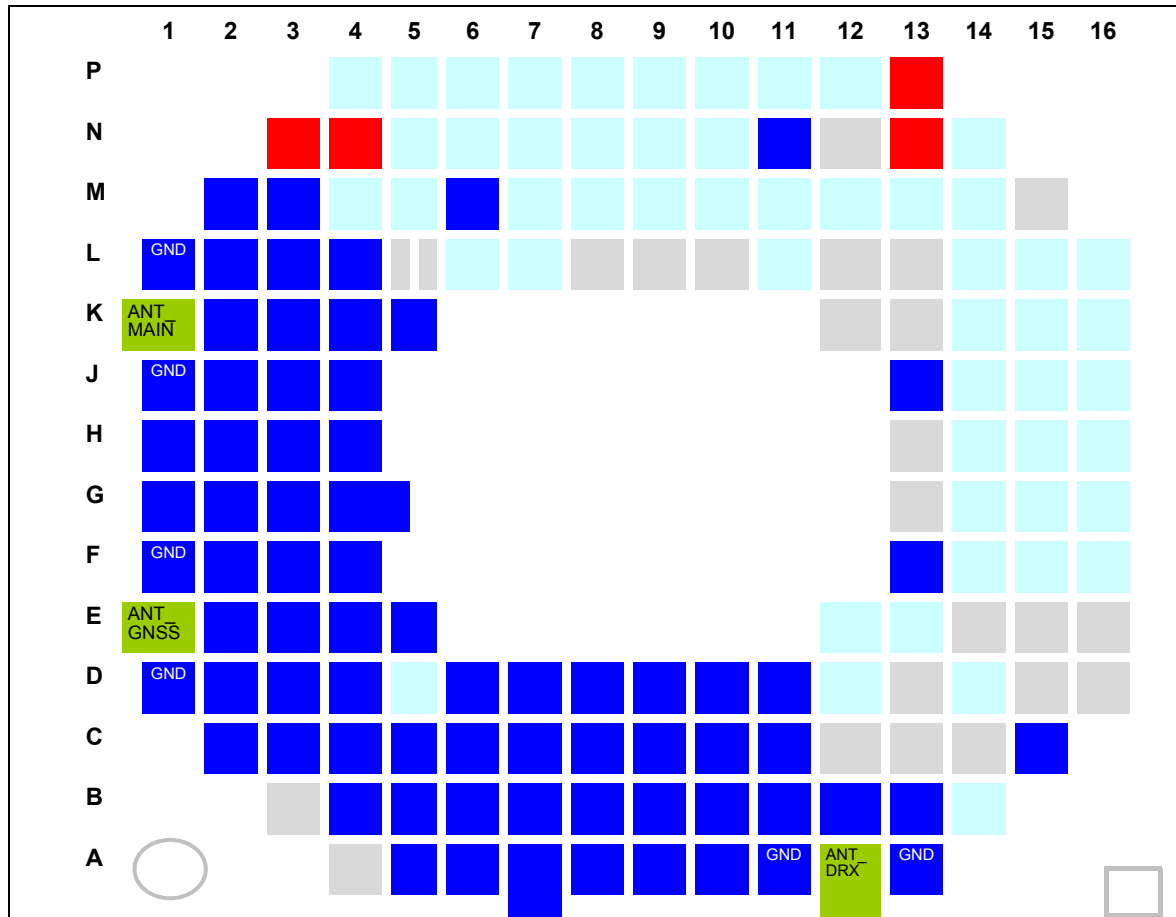


Figure 11: Antenna pads (bottom view)

The distance between the antenna pads and their neighboring GND pads has been optimized for best possible impedance. To prevent mismatch, special attention should be paid to these pads on the application's PCB.

The wiring of the antenna connection, starting from the antenna pad to the application's antenna should result in a 50Ω line impedance. Line width and distance to the GND plane need to be optimized with regard to the PCB's layer stack. Some examples are given in [Section 2.2.2](#).

To prevent receiver desensitization due to interferences generated by fast transients like high speed clocks on the external application PCB, it is recommended to realize the antenna connection line using embedded Stripline rather than Micro-Stripline technology. Please see [Section 2.2.2](#) for examples of how to design the antenna connection in order to achieve the required 50Ω line impedance.

For type approval purposes, the use of a 50Ω coaxial antenna connector (U.FL-R-SMT) might be necessary. In this case the U.FL-R-SMT connector should be placed as close as possible to PLS63-W's antenna pad.

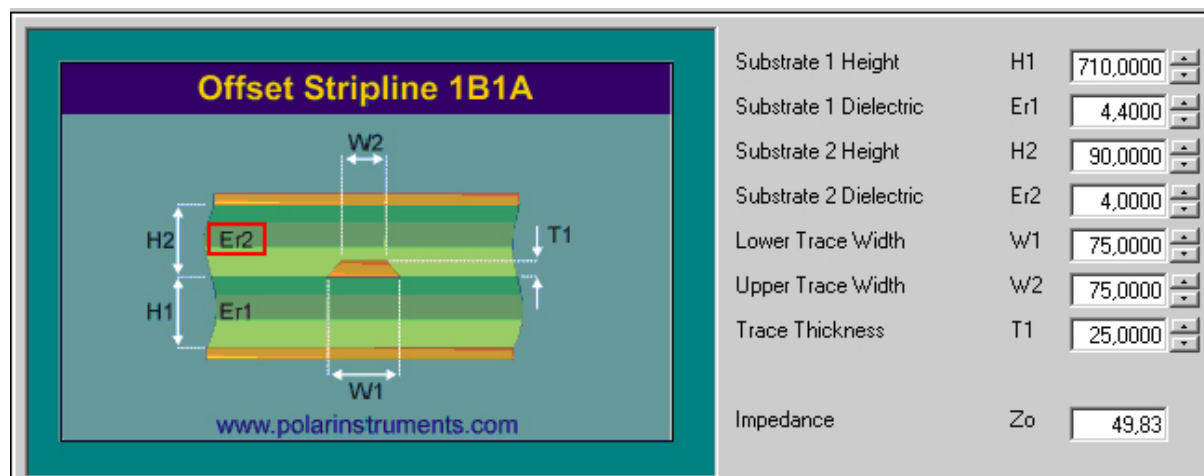
## 2.2.2 RF Line Routing Design

### 2.2.2.1 Line Arrangement Examples

Several dedicated tools are available to calculate line arrangements for specific applications and PCB materials - for example from <http://www.polarinstruments.com/> (commercial software) or from <http://www.awr.com/awr-software/options/tx-line/> (free software).

#### Embedded Stripline

This figure below shows a line arrangement example for embedded stripline with 65 $\mu$ m FR4 prepreg (type: 1080) and 710 $\mu$ m FR4 core (4-layer PCB).

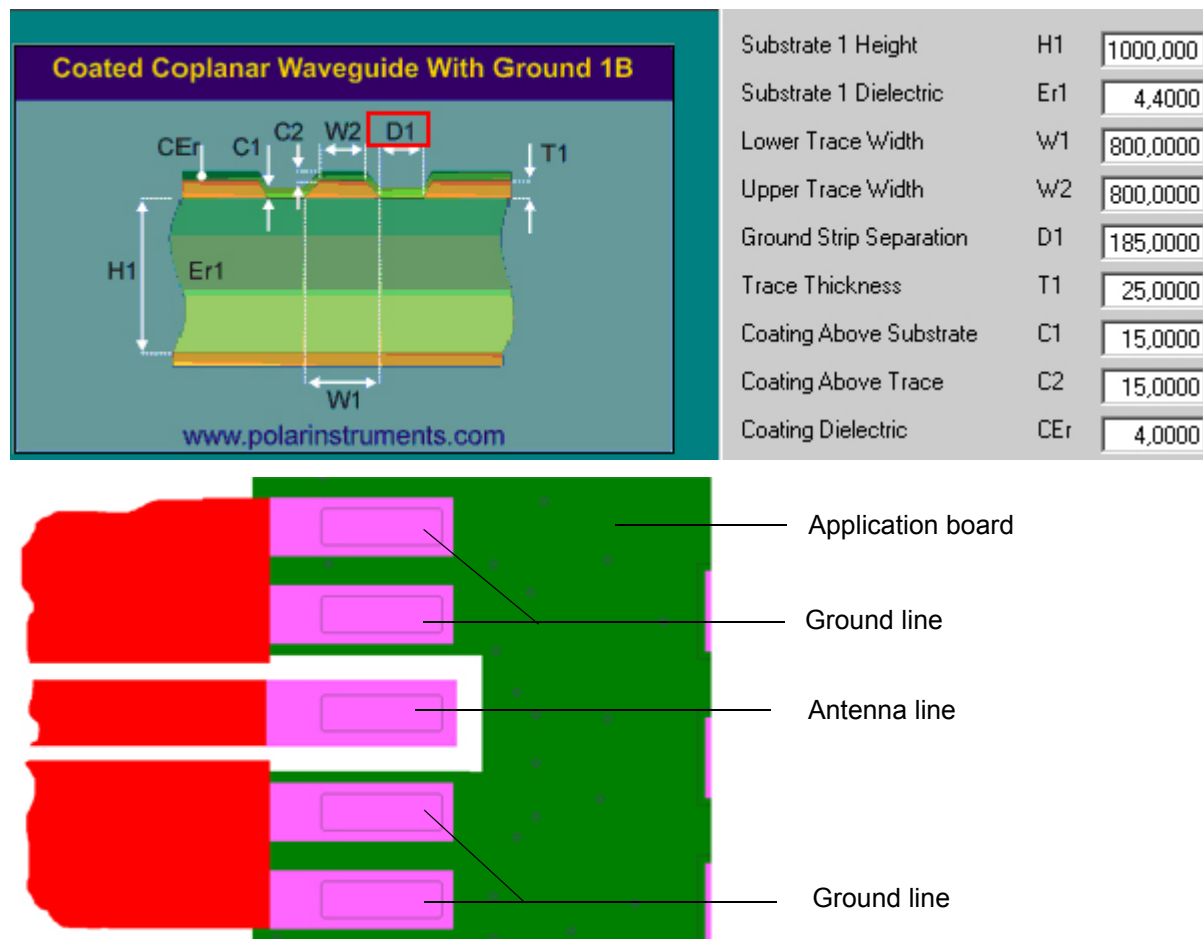


**Figure 12:** Embedded Stripline with 65 $\mu$ m prepreg (1080) and 710 $\mu$ m core

### Micro-Stripline

This section gives two line arrangement examples for micro-stripline.

- Micro-Stripline on 1.0mm Standard FR4 2-Layer PCB  
The following two figures show examples with different values for D1 (ground strip separation).



**Figure 13:** Micro-Stripline on 1.0mm standard FR4 2-layer PCB - example 1



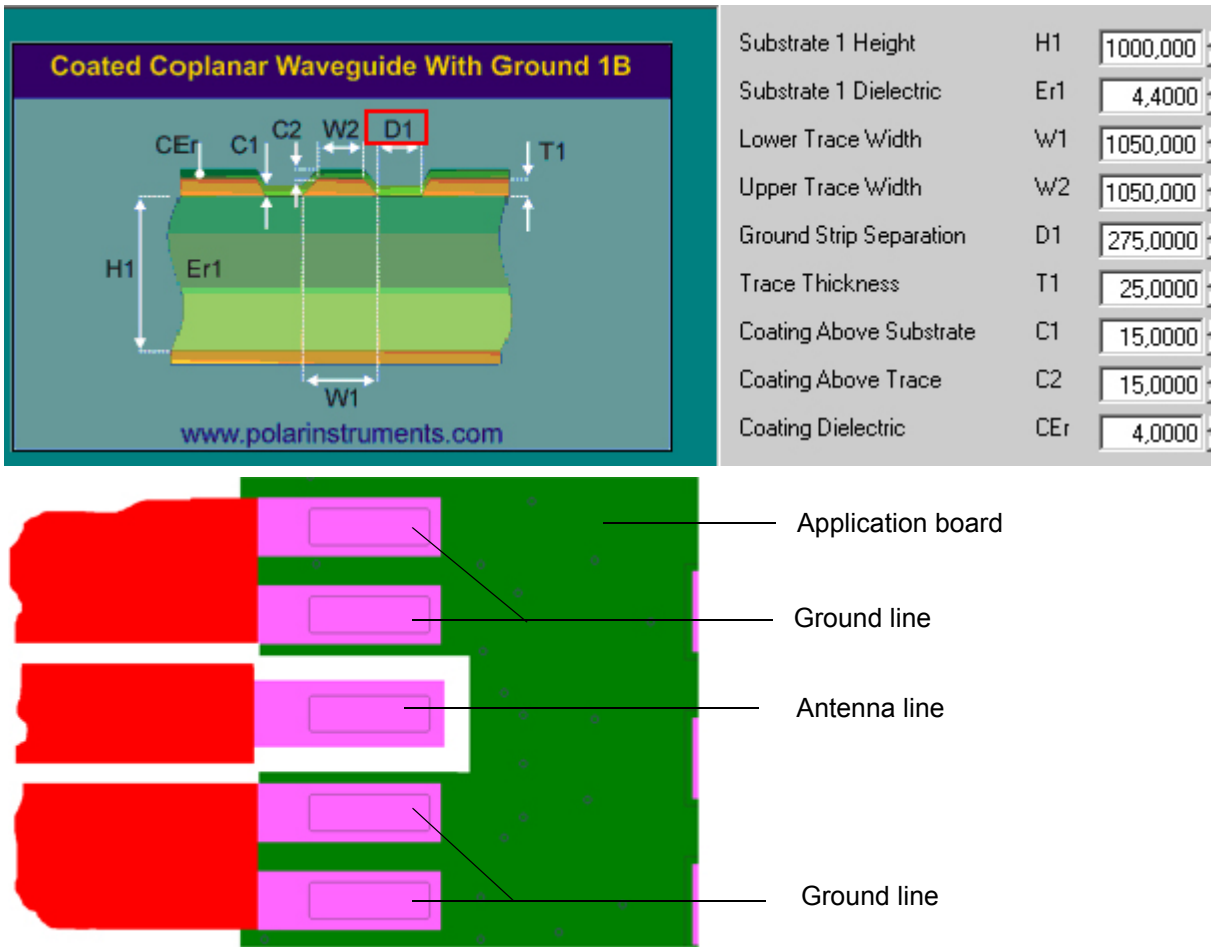
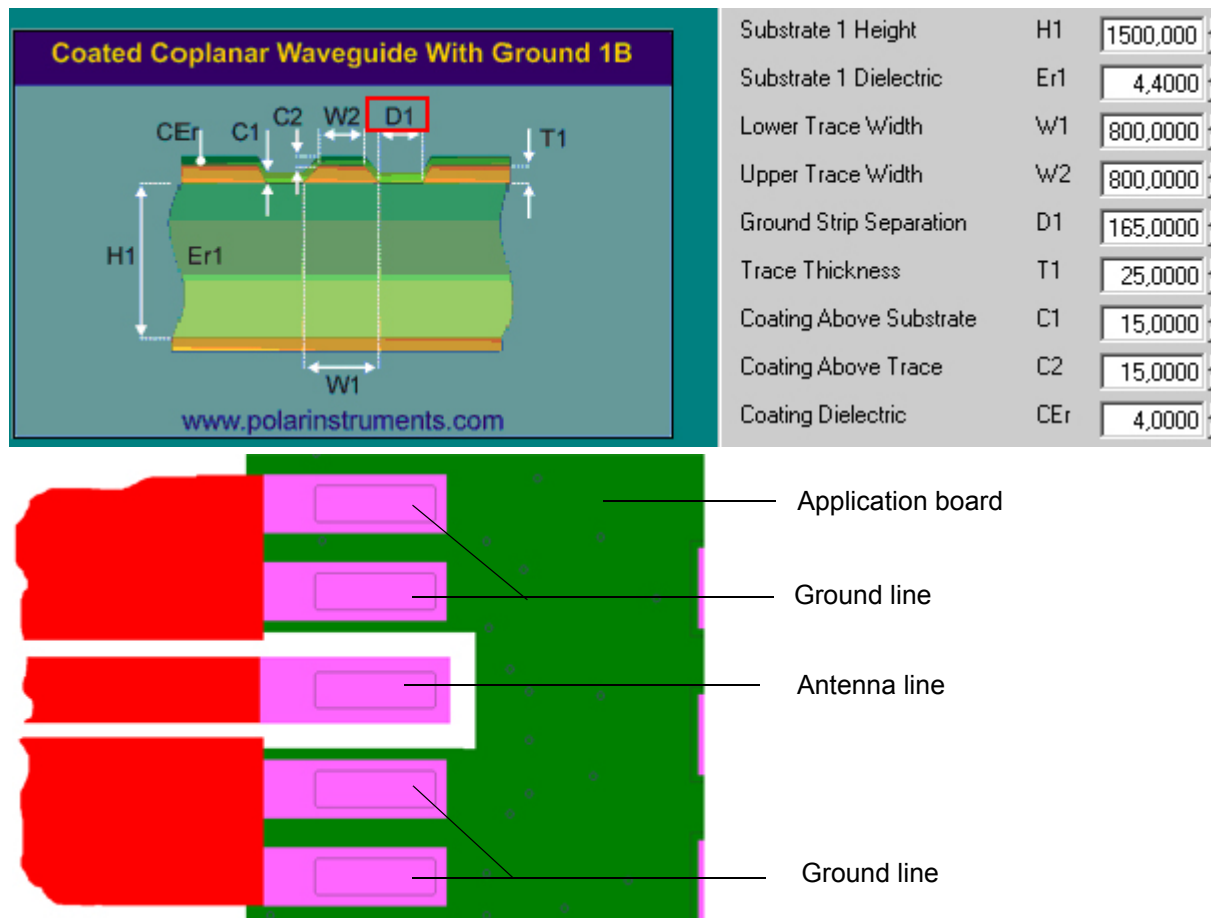


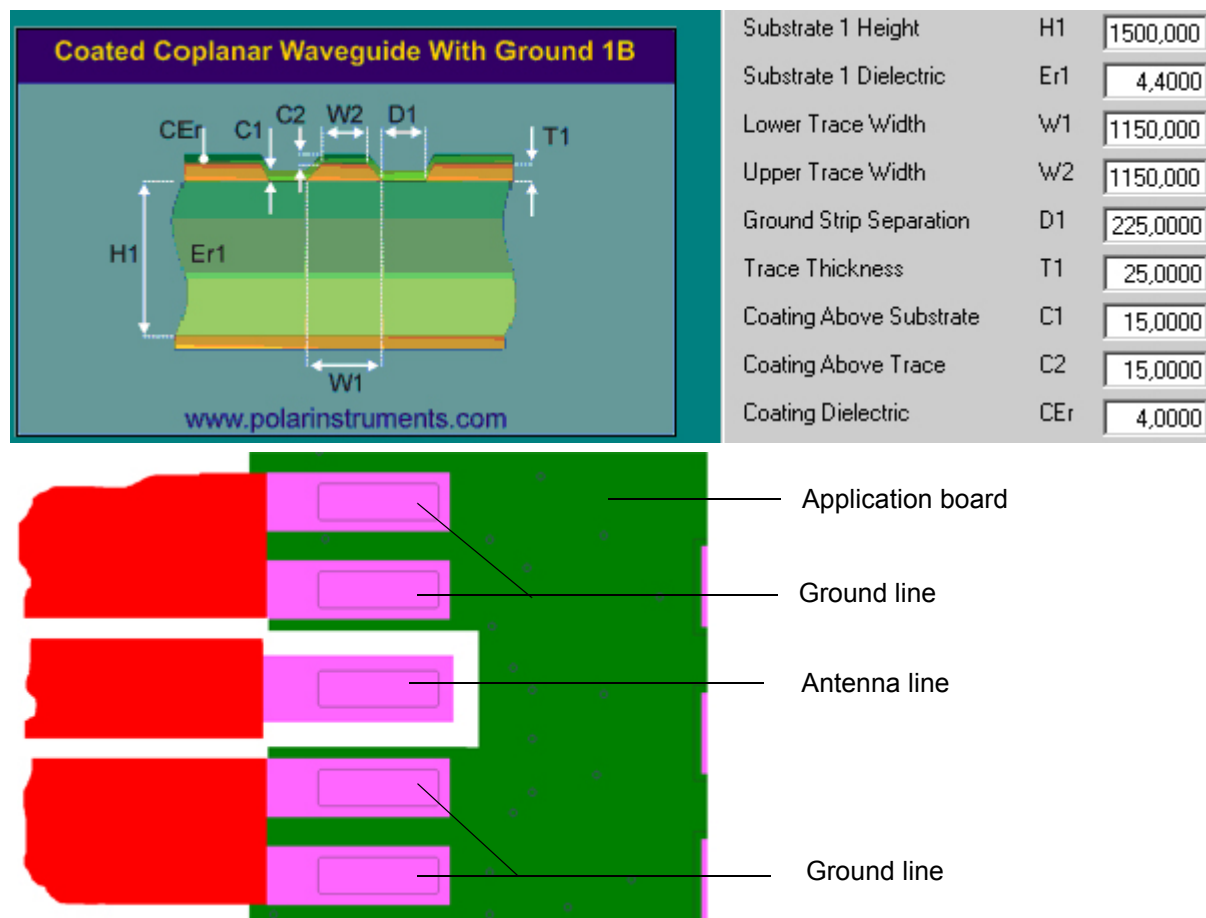
Figure 14: Micro-Stripline on 1.0mm Standard FR4 PCB - example 2

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- Micro-Stripline on 1.5mm Standard FR4 2-Layer PCB  
The following two figures show examples with different values for D1 (ground strip separation).



**Figure 15:** Micro-Stripline on 1.5mm Standard FR4 PCB - example 1

**Figure 16:** Micro-Stripline on 1.5mm Standard FR4 PCB - example 2

### 2.2.2.2 Routing Example

#### Interface to RF Connector

Figure 17 shows a sample connection of a module's antenna pad at the bottom layer of the module PCB with an application PCB's coaxial antenna connector. Line impedance depends on line width, but also on other PCB characteristics like dielectric, height and layer gap. The sample stripline width of 0.33mm is recommended for an application with a PCB layer stack resembling the one of the PLS63-W evaluation board shown in Figure 18. For different layer stacks the stripline width will have to be adapted accordingly.

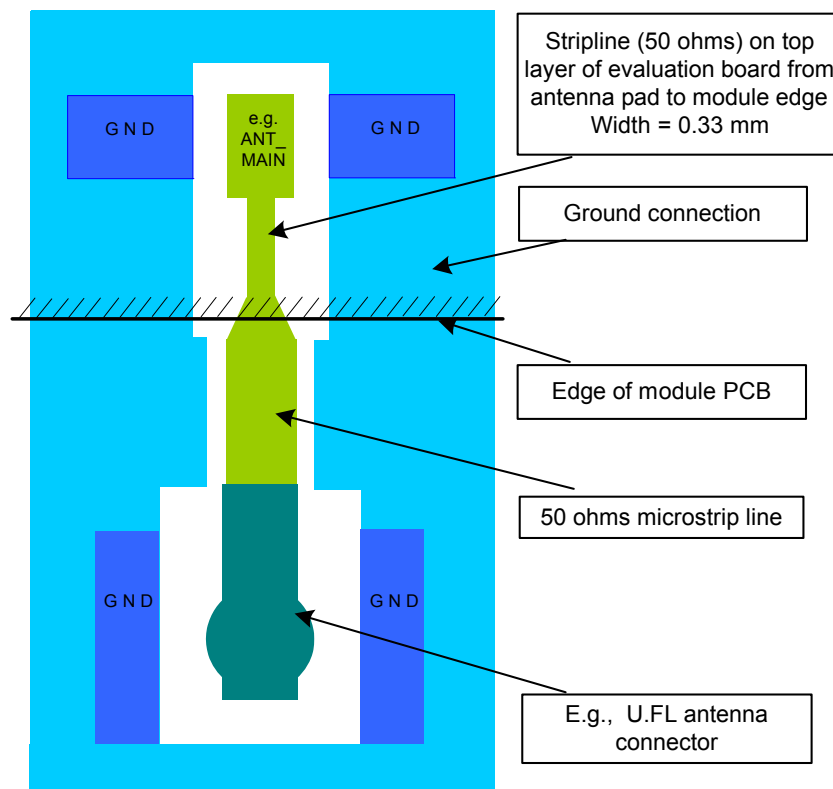


Figure 17: Routing to application's RF connector

| Layer No. |  | Construction                     | Finished thckness (um) |
|-----------|--|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| s/m       |  |                                  | 15                     |
| 1         |  |                                  | 25                     |
|           |  | Prepreg :1080X1 RC:64%           | 65                     |
| 2         |  |                                  | 25                     |
|           |  | CORE:28mil H/Hoz 7628x4          | 708                    |
| 3         |  |                                  | 25                     |
|           |  | Prepreg :1080X1 RC:64%           | 65                     |
| 4         |  |                                  | 25                     |
| s/m       |  |                                  | 15                     |
|           |  | Total thickness (including S/M): | 968                    |

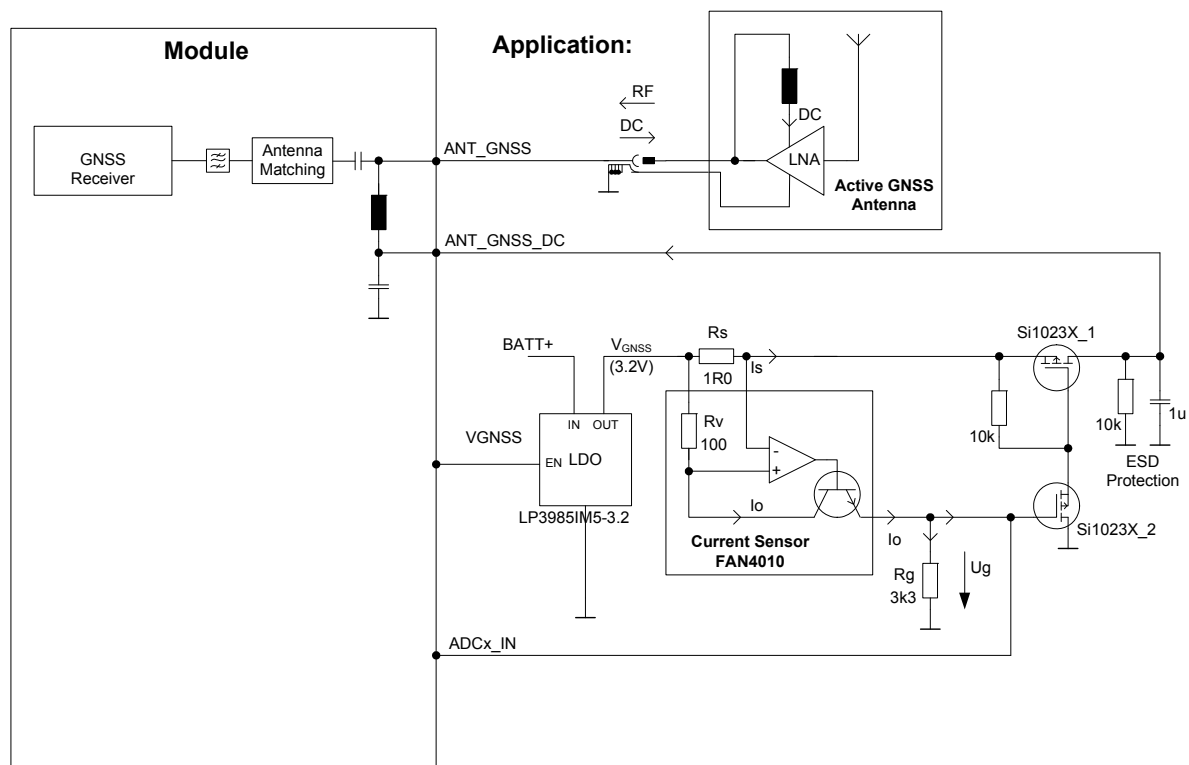
Figure 18: PLS63-W evaluation board layer table

## 2.3 GNSS Antenna Interface

In addition to the RF antenna interface PLS63-W also has a GNSS antenna interface. The GNSS pad's shape is the same as for the RF antenna interface (see [Section 2.2.1](#)).

It is possible to connect active or passive GNSS antennas. In either case they must have 50Ω impedance. The simultaneous operation of GSM/UMTS/LTE and GNSS is implemented.

PLS63-W provides the signal VGNSS to enable an active GNSS antenna power supply. [Figure 19](#) shows the flexibility in realizing the power supply for an active GNSS antenna by giving a sample circuit realizing the supply voltage for an active GNSS antenna.



**Figure 19:** Supply voltage for active GNSS antenna

## 2.3 GNSS Antenna Interface

Figure 20 shows a sample circuit realizing ESD protection for a passive GNSS antenna. Connecting the input ANT\_GNSS\_DC to GND prevents ESD from coupling into the module.

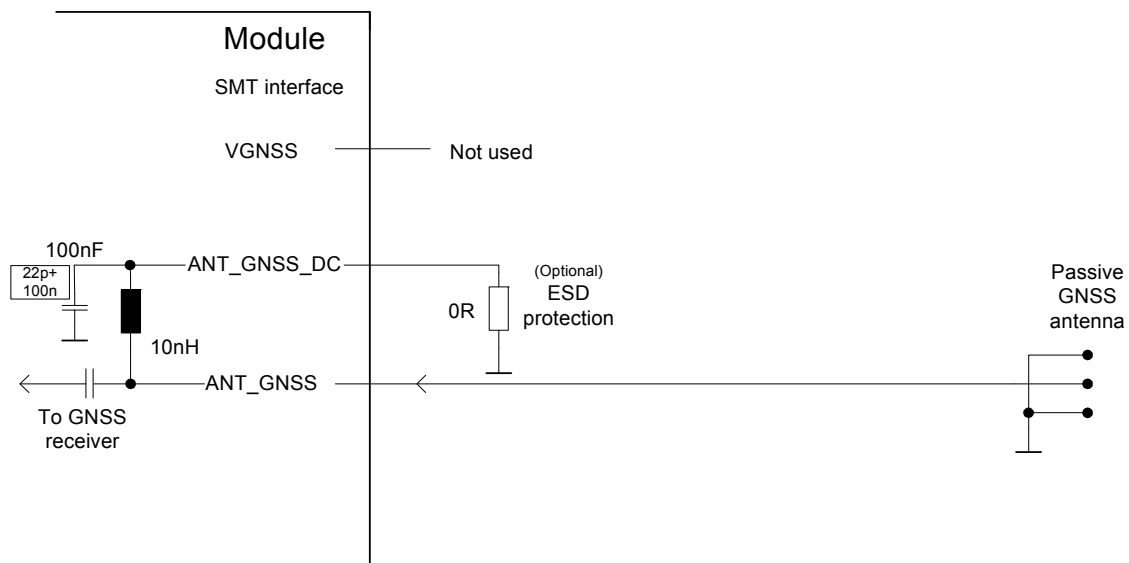


Figure 20: ESD protection for passive GNSS antenna

### 2.3.1 GNSS Antenna Diagnostic

GNSS antenna diagnosis does require an external detection circuit. The antenna DC supply current can be measured via ADCx\_IN. The ADCx\_IN input voltage ( $U_G$ ) may be generated by a sample circuit shown in Figure 19. The circuit allows to check the presence and the connection status of an active GNSS antenna. Passive GNSS antennas cannot be detected. Therefore, GNSS antenna detection is only available in active GNSS antenna mode. This mode is configured by the AT command: AT^SGPSC (for details see [1])

Having enabled the active GNSS antenna mode the presence and connection status of an active GNSS antenna can be checked using the AT command AT^SRADC to monitor ADCx\_IN. The following table lists sample current ranges for possible antenna states as well as sample voltage ranges as possible decision thresholds to distinguish between the antenna connection states. Please refer to [1] for more information on the command AT^SRADC.

Table 6: Sample ranges of the GNSS antenna diagnostic measurements and their possible meaning

| Antenna connection status                                                                 | Current ranges ( $I_S$ ) <sup>1</sup> | Voltage ranges ( $U_G$ ) |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Antenna not connected                                                                     | <1.4mA                                |                          |
| Decision threshold                                                                        |                                       | 59mV $\pm$ 20%           |
| Antenna connected                                                                         | 2.2mA...20mA                          |                          |
| Decision threshold                                                                        |                                       | 825mV $\pm$ 20%          |
| Antenna short circuited to ground                                                         | >30mA                                 |                          |
| GNSS antenna detection is not possible because GNSS antenna power supply is switched off. | --                                    |                          |

1. Please note that the mA ranges 1.4mA...2.2mA and 20mA...30mA are tolerance ranges. The decision threshold should be defined within these ranges.

## 3 Operating Characteristics

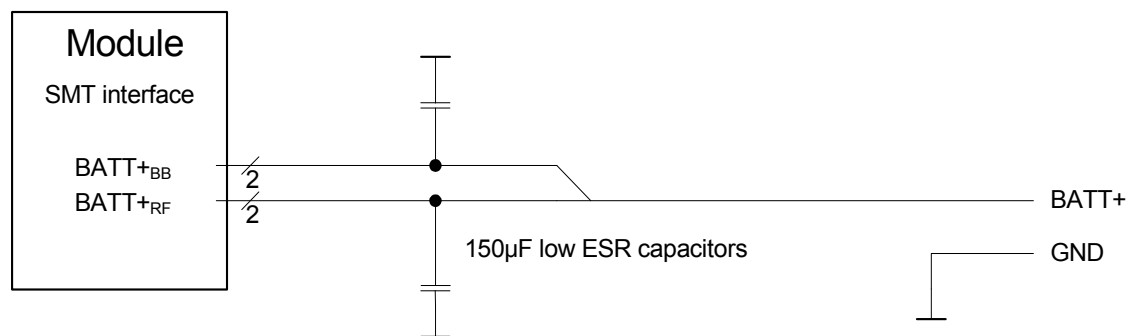
### 3.1 Power Supply

PLS63-W needs to be connected to a power supply at the SMT application interface - 4 lines BATT+, and GND. There are two separate voltage domains for BATT+:

- BATT+<sub>BB</sub> with two lines for the general power management.
- BATT+<sub>RF</sub> with two lines for the RF.

Please note that throughout the document BATT+ refers to both voltage domains and power supply lines - BATT+<sub>BB</sub> and BATT+<sub>RF</sub>.

The main power supply from an external application has to be a single voltage source and has to be expanded to sub paths (star structure). 150μF capacitors should be placed as close as possible to the BATT+ pads. [Figure 21](#) shows a sample circuit for decoupling capacitors for BATT+.



**Figure 21:** Decoupling capacitor(s) for BATT+

The power supply of PLS63-W must be able to provide the peak current during the uplink transmission.

All the key functions for supplying power to the device are handled by the power management section of the analog controller. This IC provides the following features:

- Stabilizes the supply voltages for the baseband using low drop linear voltage regulators and DC-DC step down switching regulators.
- Switches the module's power voltages for the power-up and -down procedures.
- SIM switch to provide SIM power supply.

## **4 Mechanical Dimensions, Mounting and Packaging**

### **4.1 Mechanical Dimensions of PLS63-W**

[Figure 22](#) shows the top and bottom view of PLS63-W and provides an overview of the board's mechanical dimensions. For further details see [Figure 22](#).

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4.1 Mechanical Dimensions of PLS63-W

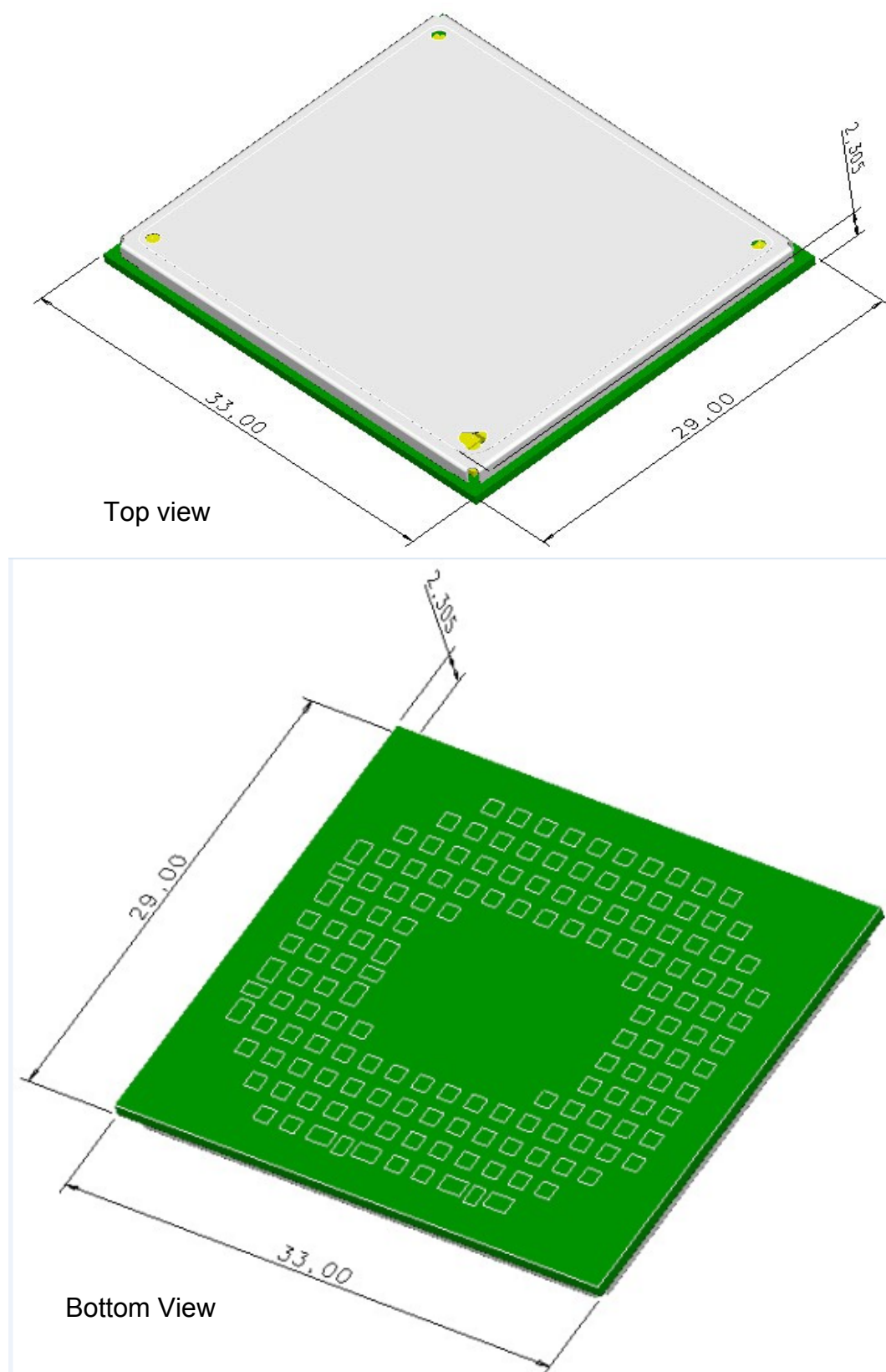
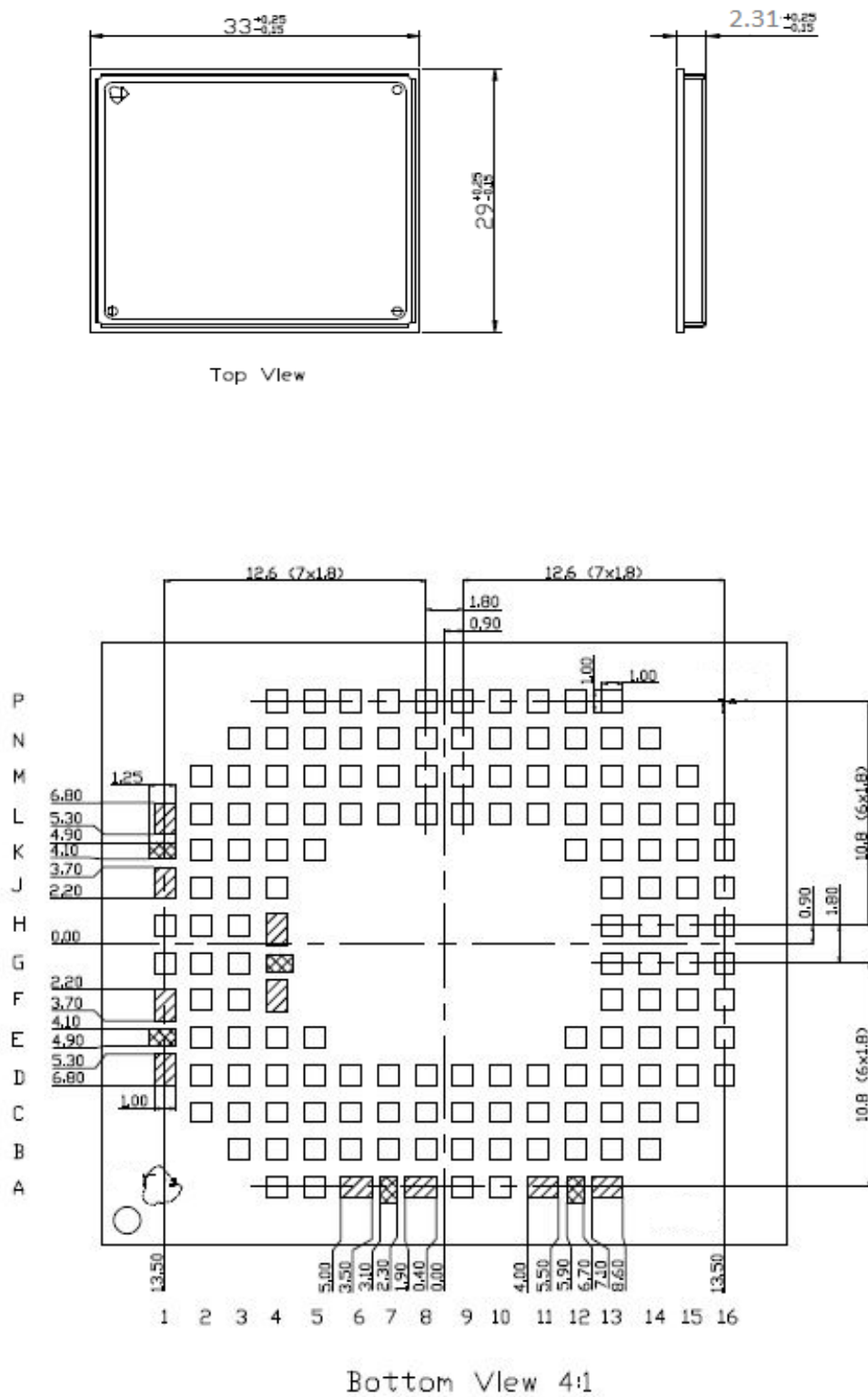


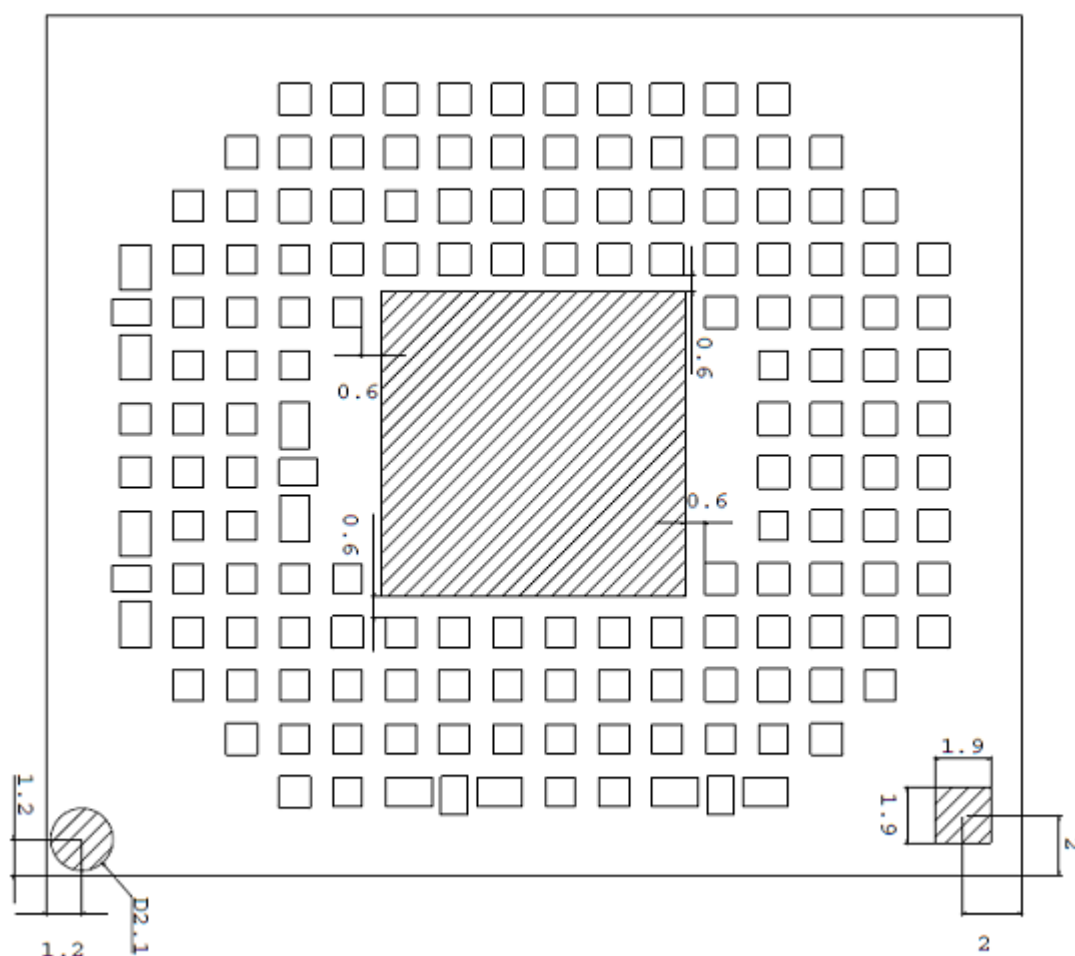
Figure 22: PLS63-W– top and bottom view

4.1 Mechanical Dimensions of PLS63-W



**Figure 23:** Dimensions of PLS63-W (all dimensions in mm)

4.1 Mechanical Dimensions of PLS63-W



**Figure 24:** Dimensions of PLS63-W (keepout area recommended)

## 5 Regulatory and Type Approval Information

### 5.1 Directives and Standards

PLS63-W is designed to comply with the directives and standards listed below.

It is the responsibility of the application manufacturer to ensure compliance of the final product with all provisions of the applicable directives and standards as well as with the technical specifications provided in the "PLS63-W Hardware Interface Description".<sup>1</sup>

**Table 7:** Directives

|                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                      |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2014/53/EU                                 | Directive of the European Parliament and of the council of 16 April 2014 on the harmonization of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of radio equipment and repealing Directive 1999/05/EC.<br><br>The product is labeled with the CE conformity mark. |   |
| 2002/95/EC (RoHS 1)<br>2011/65/EC (RoHS 2) | Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 January 2003 (and revised on 8 June 2011) on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment (RoHS)                                                                             |  |

**Table 8:** Standards of North American type approval

|                                    |                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                       |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CFR Title 47                       | Code of Federal Regulations, Part 22, Part 24; US Equipment Authorization FCC                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| OET Bulletin 65<br>(Edition 97-01) | Evaluating Compliance with FCC Guidelines for Human Exposure to Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields                                               |                                                                                       |
| UL 60 950-1                        | Product Safety Certification (Safety requirements)                                                                                                  |  |
| NAPRD.03 V6.1                      | Overview of PCS Type certification review board Mobile Equipment Type Certification and IMEI control<br>PCS Type Certification Review board (PTCRB) |                                                                                       |
| RSS132 (Issue2)<br>RSS133 (Issue5) | Canadian Standard                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                       |

**Table 9:** Standards of European type approval

|                               |                                                                                                                                                                               |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3GPP TS 51.010-1              | Digital cellular telecommunications system (Release 7); Mobile Station (MS) conformance specification;                                                                        |
| GCF-CC V3.79                  | Global Certification Forum - Certification Criteria                                                                                                                           |
| ETSI EN 301 511<br>V12.5.1    | Global System for Mobile communications (GSM); Mobile Stations (MS) equipment; Harmonized Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.2 of Directive 2014/53/EU |
| ETSI EN 301 908-01<br>V13.1.1 | IMT cellular networks; Harmonized Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.2 of the Directive 2014/53/EU; Part 1: Introduction and common requirements       |

1. Manufacturers of applications which can be used in the US shall ensure that their applications have a PTCRB approval. For this purpose they can refer to the PTCRB approval of the respective module.

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**Table 9:** Standards of European type approval

|                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ETSI EN 301 908-02<br>V11.1.2   | IMT cellular networks; Harmonized Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.2 of the Directive 2014/53/EU; Part 2: CDMA Direct Spread (UTRA FDD) User Equipment (UE)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| ETSI EN 301 489-52<br>V1.1.0    | Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) standard for radio equipment and services; Part 52: Specific conditions for Cellular Communication Mobile and portable (UE) radio and ancillary equipment; Harmonized Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.1(b) of Directive 2014/53/EU                                                                                                                                    |
| ETSI EN 301 908-13<br>V13.1.1   | IMT cellular networks; Harmonized Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.2 of the Directive 2014/53/EU; Part 13: evolved Universal Terrestrial Radio Access (E-UTRA) User Equipment (UE).                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Draft ETSI EN 301 489-01 V2.2.3 | Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) standard for radio equipment and services; Part 1: Common technical requirements; Harmonized Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.1(b) of Directive 2014/53/EU and the essential requirements of article 6 of Directive 2014/30/EU                                                                                                                                         |
| ETSI EN 301489-19<br>V2.1.1     | ElectroMagnetic Compatibility (EMC) standard for radio equipment and services; Part 19: Specific conditions for Receive Only Mobile Earth Stations (ROMES) operating in the 1,5 GHz band providing data communications and GNSS receivers operating in the RNSS band (ROGNSS) providing positioning, navigation, and timing data; Harmonised Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.1(b) of Directive 2014/53/EU |
| ETSI EN 303 413<br>V1.1.1       | Satellite Earth Stations and Systems (SES); Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) receivers; Radio equipment operating in the 1 164 MHz to 1 300 MHz and 1 559 MHz to 1 610 MHz frequency bands; Harmonised Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.2 of Directive 2014/53/EU                                                                                                                                 |
| EN 62368-1:2014 +<br>A11:2017   | Audio/video, information and communication technology equipment - Part 1: Safety requirements                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

**Table 10:** Requirements of quality

|               |                                                                                                                                      |
|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| IEC 60068     | Environmental testing                                                                                                                |
| DIN EN 60529  | IP codes                                                                                                                             |
| EN 62311:2008 | Assessment of electronic and electrical equipment related to human exposure restrictions for electromagnetic fields (0 Hz - 300 GHz) |

**Table 11:** Standards of the Ministry of Information Industry of the People's Republic of China

|                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| SJ/T 11363-2006 | "Requirements for Concentration Limits for Certain Hazardous Substances in Electronic Information Products" (2006-06).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| SJ/T 11364-2006 | <p>"Marking for Control of Pollution Caused by Electronic Information Products" (2006-06).</p> <p>According to the "Chinese Administration on the Control of Pollution caused by Electronic Information Products" (ACPEIP) the EPUP, i.e., Environmental Protection Use Period, of this product is 20 years as per the symbol shown here, unless otherwise marked. The EPUP is valid only as long as the product is operated within the operating limits described in the Hardware Interface Description.</p> <p>Please see <a href="#">Table 12</a> for an overview of toxic or hazardous substances or elements that might be contained in product parts in concentrations above the limits defined by SJ/T 11363-2006.</p>  |

| 部件名称<br>Name of the part                  | 有毒有害物质或元素 Hazardous substances |           |           |                 |               |                 |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
|                                           | 铅<br>(Pb)                      | 汞<br>(Hg) | 镉<br>(Cd) | 六价铬<br>(Cr(VI)) | 多溴联苯<br>(PBB) | 多溴二苯醚<br>(PBDE) |
| 金属部件<br>(Metal Parts)                     | O                              | O         | O         | O               | O             | O               |
| 电路模块<br>(Circuit Modules)                 | X                              | O         | O         | O               | O             | O               |
| 电缆及电缆组件<br>(Cables and Cable Assemblies)  | O                              | O         | O         | O               | O             | O               |
| 塑料和聚合物部件<br>(Plastic and Polymeric parts) | O                              | O         | O         | O               | O             | O               |

O:

表示该有毒有害物质在该部件所有均质材料中的含量均在SJ/T11363-2006 标准规定的限量要求以下。  
Indicates that this toxic or hazardous substance contained in all of the homogeneous materials for this part is below the limit requirement in SJ/T11363-2006.

X:

表示该有毒有害物质至少在该部件的某一均质材料中的含量超出SJ/T11363-2006标准规定的限量要求。  
Indicates that this toxic or hazardous substance contained in at least one of the homogeneous materials used for this part *might exceed* the limit requirement in SJ/T11363-2006.

## 5.2 SAR requirements specific to portable mobiles

Mobile phones, PDAs or other portable transmitters and receivers incorporating a GSM/UMTS module must be in accordance with the guidelines for human exposure to radio frequency energy. This requires the Specific Absorption Rate (SAR) of portable PLS63-W based applications to be evaluated and approved for compliance with national and/or international regulations.

Since the SAR value varies significantly with the individual product design manufacturers are advised to submit their product for approval if designed for portable use. For European/US/Australian-markets the relevant directives are mentioned below. It is the responsibility of the manufacturer of the final product to verify whether or not further standards, recommendations or directives are in force outside these areas.

### *Products intended for sale on US markets*

ES 59005/ANSI C95.1 Considerations for evaluation of human exposure to Electromagnetic Fields (EMFs) from Mobile Telecommunication Equipment (MTE) in the frequency range 30MHz - 6GHz

### *Products intended for sale on European markets*

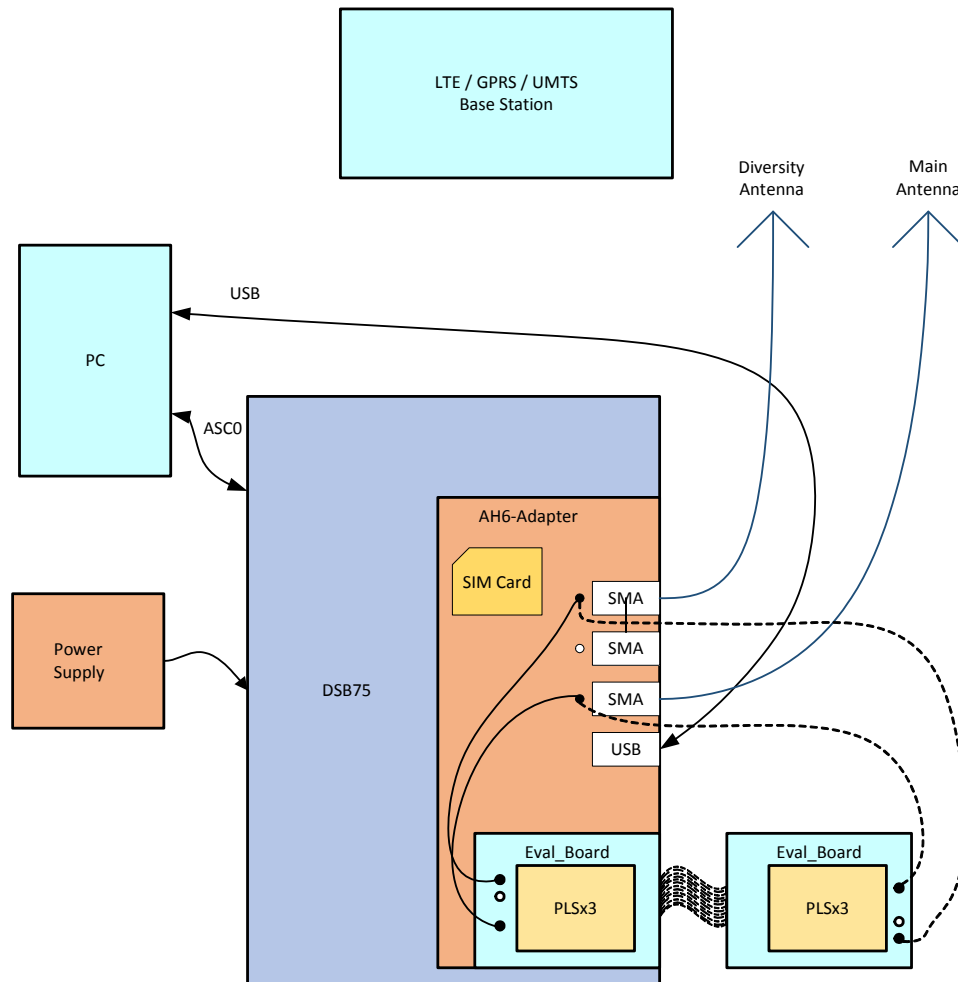
|               |                                                                                                                                                                 |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| EN 50360      | Product standard to demonstrate the compliance of mobile phones with the basic restrictions related to human exposure to electromagnetic fields (300MHz - 3GHz) |
| EN 62311:2008 | Assessment of electronic and electrical equipment related to human exposure restrictions for electromagnetic fields (0 Hz - 300 GHz)                            |

Please note that SAR requirements are specific only for portable devices and not for mobile devices as defined below:

- **Portable device:**  
A portable device is defined as a transmitting device designed to be used so that the radiating structure(s) of the device is/are within 20 centimeters of the body of the user.
  - **Mobile device:**  
A mobile device is defined as a transmitting device designed to be used in other than fixed locations and to generally be used in such a way that a separation distance of at least 20 centimeters is normally maintained between the transmitter's radiating structure(s) and the body of the user or nearby persons. In this context, the term "fixed location" means that the device is physically secured at one location and is not able to be easily moved to another location.
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### 5.3 Reference Equipment for Type Approval

The reference setup submitted to type approve PLS63-W (including a special approval adapter for the DSB75) is shown in the following figure<sup>1</sup>:



**Figure 25:** Reference equipment for Type Approval

1. For RF performance tests a mini-SMT/U.FL to SMA adapter with attached 6dB coaxial attenuator is chosen to connect the evaluation module directly to the GSM/UMTS test equipment instead of employing the SMA antenna connectors on the PLS63-W-DSB75 adapter as shown in Figure 25. The following products are recommended:

Hirose SMA-Jack/U.FL-Plug conversion adapter HRMJ-U.FLP(40)

(for details see <http://www.hirose-connectors.com/> or <http://www.farnell.com/>)

Aeroflex Weinschel Fixed Coaxial Attenuator Model 3T/4T

(for details see <http://www.aeroflex.com/ams/weinschel/pdfs/wmod3&4T.pdf>)



## 5.4 Compliance with FCC/IC/ISED Rules and Regulations

The Equipment Authorization Certification for the reference application described in [Section 5.3](#) will be registered under the following identifiers:

*FCC Identifier: PB5HPRO-4GV2*

*ISED Certification Number: 4650A-HPRO4GV2*

*Granted to Quake Global, Inc.*

Manufacturers of mobile or fixed devices incorporating PLS63-W modules are authorized to use the FCC Grants and ISED Certificates of the PLS63-W modules for their own final products according to the conditions referenced in these documents. In this case, an FCC/IC label of the module shall be visible from the outside, or the host device shall bear a second label stating "Contains FCC ID: PH5HPRO4GV2", and accordingly "Contains IC: 4650A-HPRO4GV2". The integration is limited to fixed or mobile categorized host devices, where a separation distance between the antenna and any person of min. 20cm can be assured during normal operating conditions.

For mobile and fixed operation configurations the antenna gain, including cable loss, must not exceed the limits listed in the following [Table 13](#) for FCC and ISED.

**Table 13:** Antenna gain limits for FCC and ISED

| Operation band               | FCC limit | ISED limit | Unit |
|------------------------------|-----------|------------|------|
| Maximum gain in GSM/GPRS 850 | 8.60      | 5.30       | dBi  |
| Maximum gain in PCS 1900     | 10.20     | 10.20      | dBi  |
| Maximum gain in WCDMA Band 2 | 8.01      | 8.01       | dBi  |
| Maximum gain in WCDMA Band 4 | 5.00      | 5.00       | dBi  |
| Maximum gain in WCDMA Band 5 | 9.40      | 6.10       | dBi  |
| Maximum gain in LTE Band 2   | 8.01      | 8.01       | dBi  |
| Maximum gain in LTE Band 4   | 5.00      | 5.00       | dBi  |
| Maximum gain in LTE Band 5   | 9.40      | 6.10       | dBi  |
| Maximum gain in LTE Band 7   | 8.01      | 8.01       | dBi  |
| Maximum gain in LTE Band 12  | 8.70      | 5.61       | dBi  |
| Maximum gain in LTE Band 13  | 9.16      | 5.93       | dBi  |
| Maximum gain in LTE Band 26  | 9.30      | 6.10       | dBi  |
| Maximum gain in LTE Band 38  | 8.01      | 8.01       | dBi  |
| Maximum gain in LTE Band 41  | 8.01      | 8.01       | dBi  |
| Maximum gain in LTE Band 66  | 5.00      | 5.00       | dBi  |

### IMPORTANT:

Manufacturers of portable applications incorporating PLS63-W modules are required to have their final product certified and apply for their own FCC Grant related to the specific portable mobile. This is mandatory to meet the SAR requirements for portable mobiles (see [Section 5.2](#) for detail).

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

Note: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003.

#### FCC Part 15.19 Warning Statement

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 UNDESIRE OPERATION.

If Canadian approval is requested for devices incorporating PLS63-W modules the below notes will have to be provided in the English and French language in the final user documentation. Manufacturers/OEM Integrators must ensure that the final user documentation does not contain any information on how to install or remove the module from the final product.

#### Notes (IC):

(EN) This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003 and RSS-210. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

(FR) Cet appareil numérique de classe B est conforme aux normes canadiennes ICES-003 et RSS-210. Son fonctionnement est soumis aux deux conditions suivantes: (1) cet appareil ne doit pas causer d'interférence et (2) cet appareil doit accepter toute interférence, notamment les interférences qui peuvent affecter son fonctionnement.

#### (EN) Radio frequency (RF) Exposure Information

The radiated output power of the Wireless Device is below the Industry Canada (IC) radio frequency exposure limits. The Wireless Device should be used in such a manner such that the potential for human contact during normal operation is minimized.

This device has also been evaluated and shown compliant with the IC RF Exposure limits under mobile exposure conditions. (antennas at least 20cm from a person's body).

#### (FR) Informations concernant l'exposition aux fréquences radio (RF)

La puissance de sortie émise par l'appareil de sans fil est inférieure à la limite d'exposition aux fréquences radio d'Industry Canada (IC). Utilisez l'appareil de sans fil de façon à minimiser les contacts humains lors du fonctionnement normal.

Ce périphérique a également été évalué et démontré conforme aux limites d'exposition aux RF

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d'IC dans des conditions d'exposition à des appareils mobiles (les antennes se situent à moins de 20cm du corps d'une personne).

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## 6 Document Information

### 6.1 Revision History

New document: "PLS63-W Hardware Interface Overview"

| Chapter | What is new             |
|---------|-------------------------|
| --      | Initial document setup. |

### 6.2 Related Documents

- [1] PLS63-W AT Command Set
- [2] PLS63-W Release Note
- [3] Universal Serial Bus Specification Revision 2.0, April 27, 2000
- [4] Application Note 48: SMT Module Integration

### 6.3 Terms and Abbreviations

| Abbreviation | Description                                                                                  |
|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ADC          | Analog-to-digital converter                                                                  |
| AGC          | Automatic Gain Control                                                                       |
| ANSI         | American National Standards Institute                                                        |
| ARFCN        | Absolute Radio Frequency Channel Number                                                      |
| ARP          | Antenna Reference Point                                                                      |
| ASC0/ASC1    | Asynchronous Controller. Abbreviations used for first and second serial interface of PLS63-W |
| B            | Thermistor Constant                                                                          |
| BER          | Bit Error Rate                                                                               |
| BIP          | Bearer Independent Protocol                                                                  |
| BTS          | Base Transceiver Station                                                                     |
| CB or CBM    | Cell Broadcast Message                                                                       |
| CE           | Conformité Européene (European Conformity)                                                   |
| CHAP         | Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol                                                  |
| CPU          | Central Processing Unit                                                                      |
| CS           | Coding Scheme                                                                                |
| CSD          | Circuit Switched Data                                                                        |
| CTS          | Clear to Send                                                                                |
| DAC          | Digital-to-Analog Converter                                                                  |
| dBm0         | Digital level, 3.14dBm0 corresponds to full scale, see ITU G.711, A-law                      |

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## 6.3 Terms and Abbreviations

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| Abbreviation | Description                                         |
|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| DCE          | Data Communication Equipment (typically modems)     |
| DRX          | Discontinuous Reception                             |
| DSB          | Development Support Box                             |
| DSP          | Digital Signal Processor                            |
| DSR          | Data Set Ready                                      |
| DTR          | Data Terminal Ready                                 |
| DTX          | Discontinuous Transmission                          |
| EFR          | Enhanced Full Rate                                  |
| EIRP         | Equivalent Isotropic Radiated Power                 |
| EMC          | Electromagnetic Compatibility                       |
| ERP          | Effective Radiated Power                            |
| ESD          | Electrostatic Discharge                             |
| ETS          | European Telecommunication Standard                 |
| ETSI         | European Telecommunication Standards Institute      |
| FCC          | Federal Communications Commission (U.S.)            |
| FDMA         | Frequency Division Multiple Access                  |
| FR           | Full Rate                                           |
| GMSK         | Gaussian Minimum Shift Keying                       |
| GPIO         | General Purpose Input/Output                        |
| HiZ          | High Impedance                                      |
| HR           | Half Rate                                           |
| I/O          | Input/Output                                        |
| IC           | Integrated Circuit                                  |
| IMEI         | International Mobile Equipment Identity             |
| ISO          | International Standards Organization                |
| ITU          | International Telecommunications Union              |
| kbps         | kbits per second                                    |
| LED          | Light Emitting Diode                                |
| Li-Ion/Li+   | Lithium-Ion                                         |
| Li battery   | Rechargeable Lithium Ion or Lithium Polymer battery |
| LPM          | Link Power Management                               |
| Mbps         | Mbits per second                                    |
| MMI          | Man Machine Interface                               |
| MO           | Mobile Originated                                   |
| MS           | Mobile Station ( module), also referred to as TE    |
| MSISDN       | Mobile Station International ISDN number            |
| MT           | Mobile Terminated                                   |

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## 6.3 Terms and Abbreviations

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| Abbreviation | Description                                                                                    |
|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NTC          | Negative Temperature Coefficient                                                               |
| OEM          | Original Equipment Manufacturer                                                                |
| PA           | Power Amplifier                                                                                |
| PAP          | Password Authentication Protocol                                                               |
| PBCCH        | Packet Switched Broadcast Control Channel                                                      |
| PCB          | Printed Circuit Board                                                                          |
| PCL          | Power Control Level                                                                            |
| PDU          | Protocol Data Unit                                                                             |
| PLL          | Phase Locked Loop                                                                              |
| PPP          | Point-to-point protocol                                                                        |
| PSK          | Phase Shift Keying                                                                             |
| PSU          | Power Supply Unit                                                                              |
| PWM          | Pulse Width Modulation                                                                         |
| R&TTE        | Radio and Telecommunication Terminal Equipment                                                 |
| RAM          | Random Access Memory                                                                           |
| RF           | Radio Frequency                                                                                |
| RLS          | Radio Link Stability                                                                           |
| RMS          | Root Mean Square (value)                                                                       |
| RoHS         | Restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment. |
| ROM          | Read-only Memory                                                                               |
| RTC          | Real Time Clock                                                                                |
| RTS          | Request to Send                                                                                |
| Rx           | Receive Direction                                                                              |
| SAR          | Specific Absorption Rate                                                                       |
| SAW          | Surface Acoustic Wave                                                                          |
| SELV         | Safety Extra Low Voltage                                                                       |
| SIM          | Subscriber Identification Module                                                               |
| SMD          | Surface Mount Device                                                                           |
| SMS          | Short Message Service                                                                          |
| SMT          | Surface Mount Technology                                                                       |
| SPI          | Serial Peripheral Interface                                                                    |
| SRAM         | Static Random Access Memory                                                                    |
| TA           | Terminal adapter (e.g. module)                                                                 |
| TDMA         | Time Division Multiple Access                                                                  |
| TE           | Terminal Equipment, also referred to as DTE                                                    |
| TLS          | Transport Layer Security                                                                       |
| Tx           | Transmit Direction                                                                             |

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6.3 Terms and Abbreviations

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| Abbreviation | Description                                 |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------|
| UART         | Universal asynchronous receiver-transmitter |
| URC          | Unsolicited Result Code                     |
| USSD         | Unstructured Supplementary Service Data     |
| VSWR         | Voltage Standing Wave Ratio                 |

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## 6.4 Safety Precaution Notes

The following safety precautions must be observed during all phases of the operation, usage, service or repair of any cellular terminal or mobile incorporating PLS63-W. Manufacturers of the cellular terminal are advised to convey the following safety information to users and operating personnel and to incorporate these guidelines into all manuals supplied with the product. Failure to comply with these precautions violates safety standards of design, manufacture and intended use of the product.

|                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|    | <p>When in a hospital or other health care facility, observe the restrictions on the use of mobiles. Switch the cellular terminal or mobile off, if instructed to do so by the guidelines posted in sensitive areas. Medical equipment may be sensitive to RF energy. The operation of cardiac pacemakers, other implanted medical equipment and hearing aids can be affected by interference from cellular terminals or mobiles placed close to the device. If in doubt about potential danger, contact the physician or the manufacturer of the device to verify that the equipment is properly shielded. Pacemaker patients are advised to keep their hand-held mobile away from the pacemaker, while it is on.</p>                                                                                                                                                                |
|    | <p>Switch off the cellular terminal or mobile before boarding an aircraft. Make sure it cannot be switched on inadvertently. The operation of wireless appliances in an aircraft is forbidden to prevent interference with communications systems. Failure to observe these instructions may lead to the suspension or denial of cellular services to the offender, legal action, or both.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|  | <p>Do not operate the cellular terminal or mobile in the presence of flammable gases or fumes. Switch off the cellular terminal when you are near petrol stations, fuel depots, chemical plants or where blasting operations are in progress. Operation of any electrical equipment in potentially explosive atmospheres can constitute a safety hazard.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|  | <p>Your cellular terminal or mobile receives and transmits radio frequency energy while switched on. Remember that interference can occur if it is used close to TV sets, radios, computers or inadequately shielded equipment. Follow any special regulations and always switch off the cellular terminal or mobile wherever forbidden, or when you suspect that it may cause interference or danger.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|  | <p>Road safety comes first! Do not use a hand-held cellular terminal or mobile when driving a vehicle, unless it is securely mounted in a holder for speakerphone operation. Before making a call with a hand-held terminal or mobile, park the vehicle. Speakerphones must be installed by qualified personnel. Faulty installation or operation can constitute a safety hazard.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|  | <p><b>IMPORTANT!</b><br/>         Cellular terminals or mobiles operate using radio signals and cellular networks. Because of this, connection cannot be guaranteed at all times under all conditions. Therefore, you should never rely solely upon any wireless device for essential communications, for example emergency calls.<br/>         Remember, in order to make or receive calls, the cellular terminal or mobile must be switched on and in a service area with adequate cellular signal strength.<br/>         Some networks do not allow for emergency calls if certain network services or phone features are in use (e.g. lock functions, fixed dialing etc.). You may need to deactivate those features before you can make an emergency call.<br/>         Some networks require that a valid SIM card be properly inserted in the cellular terminal or mobile.</p> |