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Re: IPC 9592 Power Conversion Devices

Dear Sir/Madam,

Following the publication of your draft IPC 9592, the European Power Supply Manufacturers Association (EPSMA) has carefully considered the content.

The EPSMA is very concerned about this draft.

- A guideline is useful but the document should look different. The draft has the content of a guideline but the language of a standard.
- Manufacturers have established quality systems, approved by certified agencies. Changes to meet the IPC 9592 draft are therefore impractical. The document leaves no room for alternative ways of securing quality.
- The document is too broad, attempting to address too many types of products and applications in a single document.
- It should leverage existing standards e.g. JEDEC, IEC, IEEE, ISO etc. instead of having many redundant or conflicting details within the document.
- Required documentation is excessive and makes it impossible to protect suppliers' confidential information.
- Extensive testing as specified increases cost and time to market, approaching that of High-Rel/Mil requirements.

The power supply industry offers its expertise to produce a new document, leading to feasible and economically viable requirements.

We hope to work closely with you to produce such a document,

Yours faithfully,

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