

# **Electromagnetic Compatibility Test Report**

Tests Performed on an RF IDeas, Inc.

Card Reader, Model RDR-6X8XAKU

Radiometrics Document RP-7054



Product Detail:

FCC: M9MRDR6X8X IC: 6571A-RDR6X8X

Equipment type: 125 kHz Card Reader

Test Standards:

US CFR Title 47, Chapter I, FCC Part 15 Subpart C

FCC Part 15 CFR Title 47: 2008

Industry Canada RSS-210, Issue 8: 2010 as required for Category I Equipment

This report concerns: Class II permissive change

FCC Part 15.209

Tests Performed For:

RF IDeas, Inc.

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Test Date(s): (Month-Day-Year)
June 9 and 10, 2011

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#### 1 ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

Equipment Under Test: A RF IDeas, Inc., AFP II Platform Card Reader Models: RDR-6X8XAKU Serial Number: A20100 This will be referred to as the EUT in this Report	
Date EUT Received at Radiometrics: (Month-Day-Year) June 9, 2011	Test Date(s): (Month-Day-Year) June 9 and 10, 2011
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#### **2 TEST SUMMARY AND RESULTS**

The EUT (Equipment Under Test) is an AFP II Platform Card Reader, Models RDR-6X8XAKU, manufactured by RF IDeas, Inc. The detailed test results are presented in a separate section. The following is a summary of the test results.

#### **Emissions Tests Results**

Environmental Phenomena	Frequency Range	Basic Standard	Test Result
RF Radiated Emissions	30-1000 MHz	RSS-210 & FCC Part 15	Pass
Conducted Emissions, AC Mains	0.15 - 30 MHz	RSS-210 & FCC Part 15	Pass
RF Radiated Emissions H-Field	0.009 – 30 MHz	RSS-210 & FCC Part 15	Pass

### 2.1 RF Exposure Compliance Requirements

Since the effective power output is less than 1 mW, The EUT meets the FCC requirement for RF exposure and is exempt from RSS-102. There are no power level adjustments and the antenna is permanently attached. The detailed calculations for RF Exposure are presented in a separate document.

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#### **3 EQUIPMENT UNDER TEST (EUT) DETAILS**

### 3.1 EUT Description

The EUT is an AFP II Platform card reader, Model RDR-6X8XAKU, manufactured by RF IDeas, Inc. The EUT was in good working condition during the tests, with no known defects.

### 3.1.1 Description of Change

The changes made to the EUT, previously certified as RDR6X8X, are as follows: The antenna was changed to provide better support for a larger readable surface on the reader and a Fair-Rite, P/N 250853017Y3, was added to the antenna circuit.

### 3.1.2 FCC Section 15.203 & RSS-GEN Antenna Requirements

The antenna is permanently attached to the PCB. The antenna is internal to the EUT and it is not readily available to be modified by the end user.

#### 3.2 Related Submittals

RF IDeas, Inc. is not submitting any other products simultaneously for equipment authorization related to the EUT.

#### **4 TESTED SYSTEM DETAILS**

### 4.1 Tested System Configuration

The system was configured for testing in a typical fashion. The EUT was placed on an 80-cm high, nonconductive test stand. The testing was performed in conditions as close as possible to installed conditions. Wiring was consistent with manufacturer's recommendations. Power was supplied at 115 VAC, 60 Hz single-phase to the host computer. The EUT was powered from either the USB or PS/2 port.

The identification for all equipment, plus descriptions of all cables used in the tested system, are:

**Tested System Configuration List** 

Item	Description Ty	pe*	Manufacturer	Model Number	Serial Number
1	Card Reader	П	RF IDeas	RDR-6X8XAKU	A29100001
2	Thinkpad Notebook PC H		Lenovo	2842-F7U	LR-LGXYE 10/09
3	PC power supply P		Lenovo	42T4418	11S42T4418Z1ZGWG07R9PZ
4	Router P		Allied Telesyn International	AT-MR815T	S1R482731B

<sup>\*</sup> Type: E = EUT, P = Peripheral, S = Support Equipment; H = Host Computer

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#### **List of Cables**

QTY	Length (m)	Cable Description	Connected to (Item #)	Shielded?
1	1.85	#1 and #2	Yes	
1	1.5	Ethernet Cable from router to computer	#2 and #4	Yes
1	1.8	AC Cord to Computer	#3 Power input	No
1	1.5	DC Cord to Computer		No

See previous table for Item #'s.

### 4.2 Special Accessories

No special accessories were used during the tests in order to achieve compliance.

### 4.3 Equipment Modifications

No modifications were made to the EUT at Radiometrics' test facility in order to comply with the standards listed in this report.

#### **5 TEST SPECIFICATIONS AND RELATED DOCUMENTS**

Document	Date	Title
FCC CFR Title 47	2008	Code of Federal Regulations Title 47, Chapter 1, Federal Communications Commission, Part 15 - Radio Frequency Devices
ANSI C63.4-2003	2003	Methods of Measurement of Radio Noise Emissions from Low-Voltage Electrical and Electronic Equipment in the Range of 9 kHz to 40 GHz
IC RSS-210 Issue 8	2010	Low Power Licence-Exempt Radiocommunication Devices (All Frequency Bands) Category I Equipment
IC RSS-Gen Issue 3	2010	General Requirements and Information for the Certification of Radiocommunication Equipment (RSS-Gen)

The test procedures used are in accordance with the Industry Canada RSS-212 and ANSI document C63.4-2003, "Methods of Measurement of Radio Noise Emissions from Low-Voltage Electrical and Electronic Equipment in the Range of 9 kHz to 40 GHz". The specific procedures are described herein. Radiated testing was performed at an antenna to EUT distance of 3 meters. The antenna was raised and lowered from 1 to 4 meters.

### **6 RADIOMETRICS' TEST FACILITIES**

The results of these tests were obtained at Radiometrics Midwest Corp. in Romeoville, Illinois, USA. Radiometrics is accredited by A2LA (American Association for Laboratory Accreditation) to conform to ISO/IEC 17025: 2005 "General Requirements for the Competence of Calibration and Testing Laboratories". Radiometrics' Lab Code is 121191 and Certification Number is 1495.01. Radiometrics' scope of accreditation includes all of the test methods listed herein. A copy of the accreditation can be accessed on our web site (www.radiomet.com). Radiometrics accreditation status can be verified at A2LA's web site (www.a2la2.org).

The following is a list of shielded enclosures located in Romeoville, Illinois used during the tests:

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- Chamber A: Is an anechoic chamber that measures 24' L X 12' W X 12' H. The walls and ceiling are fully lined with ferrite absorber tiles. The floor has a 10' x 10' section of ferrite absorber tiles located in the center. Panashield of Rowayton, Connecticut manufactured the chamber. The enclosure is NAMAS certified.
- Chamber E: Is a custom made anechoic chamber that measures 52' L X 30' W X 18' H. The walls and ceiling are fully lined with RF absorber. Pro-shield of Collinsville, Oklahoma manufactured the chamber.
- Test Station F: Is an area that measures 10' D X 12' W X 10' H. The floor and back wall are metal shielded. This area is used for conducted emissions measurements.

A separate ten-foot long, brass plated, steel ground rod attached via a 6 inch copper braid grounds each of the above chambers. Each enclosure is also equipped with low-pass power line filters.

The FCC has accepted these sites as test site number US1065. The FCC test site Registration Number is 732175. Details of the site characteristics are on file with the Industry Canada as site number IC3124A-1.

A complete list of the test equipment is provided herein. The calibration due dates are indicated on the equipment list. The equipment is calibrated in accordance to ANSI/NCSL Z540-1 with traceability to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

#### 7 DEVIATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS FROM THE TEST SPECIFICATIONS

There were no deviations or exclusions from the test specifications.

#### **8 CERTIFICATION**

Radiometrics Midwest Corporation certifies that the data contained herein was taken under conditions that meet or exceed the requirements of the test specification. The results relate only to the EUT listed herein. Any modifications made to the EUT subsequent to the indicated test date will invalidate the data and void this certification.

#### 9 TEST EQUIPMENT TABLE

					Frequency	Cal	Cal
RMC ID	Manufacturer	Description	Model No.	Serial No.	Range	Period	Date
AMP-22	Anritsu	Pre-amplifier	MH648A	M23969	0.1-1200MHz	12 Mo.	01/18/11
ANT-44	Impossible	Super Log Antenna	SL-20M2G	1002	20-2000MHz	24 Mo.	11/25/09
	Machine						
ANT-53	EMCO	Loop Antenna	6507	1453	1 kHz-30 MHz	24 Mo	11/04/09
HPF-01	Solar	High Pass Filter	7930-100	HPF-1	0.15-30MHz	24 Mo.	10/27/09
LSN-01	Electrometrics	50 uH LISN	FCC/VDE 50/2	1001	0.01-30MHz	12 Mo.	06/30/10
LSN-03	Farnell	50 uH LISN	1EXLSN30B	000314	0.01-30MHz	12 Mo.	06/30/10
REC-03	Anritsu	Spectrum Analyzer	MS2601B	MT94589	0.01-2200MHz	12 Mo.	03/18/11
REC-07	Anritsu	Spectrum Analyzer	MS2601A	MT53067	0.01-2200MHz	12 Mo.	01/21/11
THM-02	Fluke	Temp/Humid Meter	971	93490471	N/A	12 Mo.	04/01/10

Note: All calibrated equipment is subject to periodic checks.

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#### **10 TEST SECTIONS**

#### **10.1 AC Conducted Emissions**

The tests and limits are in accordance with FCC section 15.207 and RSS Gen section 7.2.2.

A computer-controlled analyzer was used to perform the conducted emissions measurements. The frequency range was divided into 500 subranges equally spaced on a logarithmic scale. The computer recorded the peak of each subrange. This data was then plotted on semi-log graph paper generated by the computer and plotter. Adjusting the positions of the cables and orientation of the test system then maximizes the highest emissions.

Mains Conducted emission measurements were performed using a 50 Ohm/50 uH Line Impedance Stabilization Network (LISN) as the pick-up device. Measurements were repeated on both leads within the power cord. If the EUT power cord exceeded 80 cm in length, the excess length of the power cord was made into a 30 to 40 cm bundle near the center of the cord. The LISN was placed on the floor at the base of the test platform and electrically bonded to the ground plane.

FCC/IC Limits of Conducted Emissions at the AC Mains Ports

Frequency Range	Class B Limits (dBuV)						
(MHz)	Quasi-Peak	Average					
0.150 - 0.50*	66 - 56	56 - 46					
0.5 - 5.0	56	46					
5.0 - 30	60	50					
* The limit decreases linearly with the logarithm of the frequency in this range.							

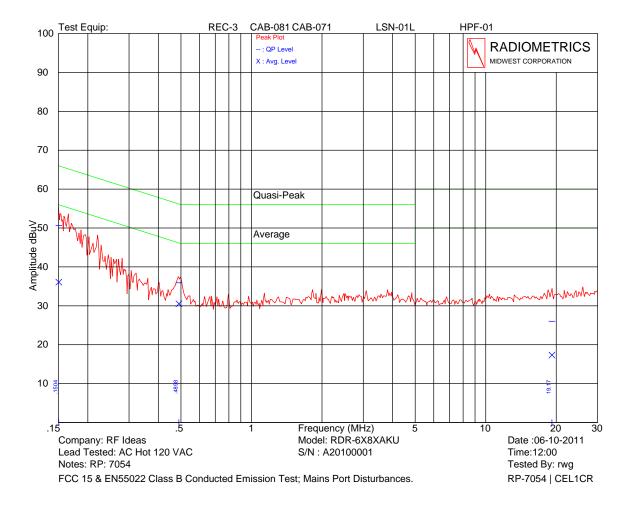
The initial step in collecting conducted data is a peak detector scan and the plotting of the measurement range. Significant peaks are then marked as shown on the following table, and these signals are then measured with the quasi-peak detector. The following represents the worst case emissions from the host computer (with the EUT connected) power cord, after testing all modes of operation.

Test Date : June 10, 2011

QP readings are quasi-peak with a 9 kHz bandwidth and no video filter.

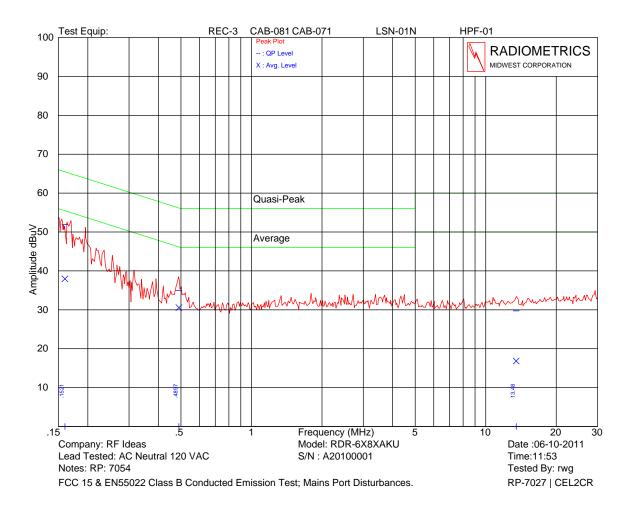
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Judgment: Passed by at least 6 dB

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AC Mains LISN AC Mains Router Host Computer EUT

Figure 1. Conducted Emissions Test Setup

Notes:

1x1.5m surface

- LISN's at least 80 cm from EUT chassis
- Vertical conductive plane 40 cm from rear of table top
- EUT power cord bundled

#### 10.2 Radiated RF Emissions

Radiated emission measurements were performed with linearly polarized broadband antennas. The results obtained with these antennas can be correlated with results obtained with a tuned dipole antenna. The radiated emission measurements were performed with a spectrum analyzer. The bandwidth used from 150 kHz to 30 MHz is 9 or 10 kHz and the bandwidth from 30 MHz to 1000 MHz is 100 or 120 kHz. Above 1 GHz, a 1 MHz bandwidth is used. A 10 dB linearity check is performed prior to start of testing in order to determine if an overload condition exists.

From 30 to 1000 MHz, an Anritsu spectrum analyzer was used. For tests from 1 to 25 GHz, an HP 8566 spectrum analyzer was used. Figure 4 herein lists the details of the test equipment used during radiated emissions tests.

Final radiated emissions measurements were performed inside of an anechoic chamber at a test distance of 3 meters. The anechoic chamber is designated as Chamber E. This Chamber meets the Site Attenuation requirements of ANSI C63.4 and CISPR 16-1. Chamber E is located at 12 East Devonwood Ave. Romeoville, Illinois EMI test lab.

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The entire frequency range from 30 to 1000 MHz was slowly scanned with particular attention paid to those frequency ranges which appeared high. Measurements were performed using two antenna polarizations, (vertical and horizontal). The worst case emissions were recorded. All measurements may be performed using either the peak, average or quasi-peak detector functions. If the peak detector data exceeds or is marginally close to the limits, the measurements are repeated using a quasi-peak detector or average function as required by the specification for final determination of compliance.

The detected emission levels were maximized by rotating the EUT, adjusting the positions of all cables, and by scanning the measurement antenna from 1 to 4 meters above the ground.

#### **10.2.1 Field Strength Calculation**

The field strength is calculated by adding the Antenna Factor and Cable Loss, and by subtracting the Amplifier Gain from the measured reading. The basic equation is as follows:

FS = RA + AF + CF - AG

Where: FS = Field Strength

RA = Receiver Amplitude AF = Antenna Factor

CF = Cable Attenuation Factor

AG = Amplifier Gain

#### 10.2.2 Radiated Emissions Test Results

Test Date	6/9/2011
Test Distance	3 Meters
Specification	FCC Part 15 Subpart C & RSS-210
Abbreviations	P = peak; Q = QP Pol = Antenna Polarization; V = Vertical; H = Horizontal;
	For Antenna Type Bi-Log = (ANT-44); Horn = (ANT-13)
EUT	Model RDR-6X8XAKU

	Meter		Antenna		Corr.	Field Strength		Margin
	Reading	Dect.	Factor		Factors	dBuV/m		Under Limit
Freq. MHz	dBuV	Type	dB	Pol/ ID#	dB	EUT	Limit	dB
32.4	34.8	Р	16.1	H/44	-28.0	22.9	40.0	17.1
58.0	44.6	Р	11.5	H/44	-27.7	28.4	40.0	11.6
70.0	48.0	Р	7.6	H/44	-27.5	28.1	40.0	11.9
94.4	48.4	Р	8.4	H/44	-27.1	29.7	43.5	13.8
94.4	46.9	Р	8.4	H/44	-27.1	28.2	43.5	15.3
149.6	51.1	Р	10.0	H/44	-26.8	34.3	43.5	9.2
160.0	51.6	Q	10.4	H/44	-26.7	35.3	43.5	8.2
169.6	53.0	Р	9.5	H/44	-26.6	35.9	43.5	7.6
179.2	47.7	Р	9.2	H/44	-26.5	30.4	43.5	13.1
179.2	49.1	Р	9.2	H/44	-26.5	31.8	43.5	11.7
189.2	48.6	Р	9.5	H/44	-26.4	31.7	43.5	11.8
199.2	49.6	Р	9.6	H/44	-26.3	32.9	43.5	10.6
209.2	47.8	Р	10.4	H/44	-26.3	31.9	43.5	11.6
271.5	49.5	Р	13.0	H/44	-26.0	36.5	46.0	9.5
340.4	46.9	Р	14.4	H/44	-25.7	35.6	46.0	10.4

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	Meter		Antenna		Corr.		strength	Margin
	Reading	Dect.	Factor		Factors	dBu	iV/m	Under Limit
Freq. MHz	dBuV	Type	dB	Pol/ ID#	dB	EUT	Limit	dB
400.0	50.1	Q	15.7	H/44	-25.5	40.3	46.0	5.7
429.4	43.0	Р	17.0	H/44	-25.4	34.6	46.0	11.4
459.1	35.9	Р	16.7	H/44	-25.1	27.5	46.0	18.5
499.4	39.9	Р	17.0	H/44	-25.0	31.9	46.0	14.1
501.0	39.3	Р	17.0	H/44	-25.0	31.3	46.0	14.7
640.0	38.3	Р	18.9	H/44	-23.7	33.5	46.0	12.5
810.0	40.1	Р	20.6	H/44	-22.8	37.9	46.0	8.1
899.0	31.4	Р	21.2	H/44	-21.7	30.9	46.0	15.1
983.0	30.3	Р	22.1	H/44	-20.9	31.5	54.0	22.5
40.4	43.1	Р	15.4	V/44	-27.9	30.6	40.0	9.4
57.2	50.5	Р	11.7	V/44	-27.7	34.5	40.0	5.5
94.4	44.9	Р	8.4	V/44	-27.1	26.2	43.5	17.3
149.6	44.8	Р	10.0	V/44	-26.8	28.0	43.5	15.5
159.6	46.3	Р	10.4	V/44	-26.7	30.0	43.5	13.5
169.2	46.2	Р	9.6	V/44	-26.6	29.2	43.5	14.3
199.2	42.0	Р	9.6	V/44	-26.3	25.3	43.5	18.2
218.8	37.1	Р	11.4	V/44	-26.3	22.2	46.0	23.8
271.5	47.1	Р	13.0	V/44	-26.0	34.1	46.0	11.9
400.0	46.2	Q	15.7	V/44	-25.5	36.4	46.0	9.6
429.4	42.2	Р	17.0	V/44	-25.4	33.8	46.0	12.2
499.4	42.9	Р	17.0	V/44	-25.0	34.9	46.0	11.1
518.0	42.2	Р	17.6	V/44	-24.8	35.0	46.0	11.0
604.0	38.0	Р	18.6	V/44	-23.9	32.7	46.0	13.3
686.0	37.0	Р	19.5	V/44	-23.8	32.7	46.0	13.3
757.0	36.8	Р	20.4	V/44	-23.3	33.9	46.0	12.1
820.0	35.7	Р	21.5	V/44	-22.6	34.6	46.0	11.4
952.0	35.4	Р	22.5	V/44	-21.2	36.7	46.0	9.3

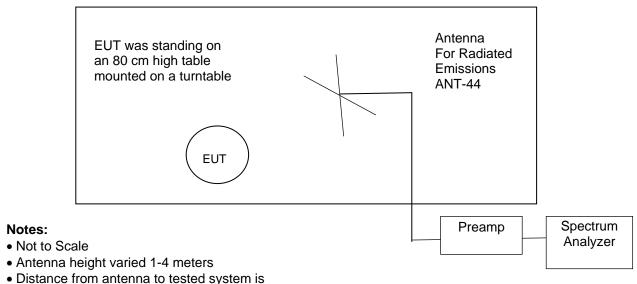
Judgment: Passed by 5.5 dB

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Figure 2. Drawing of Radiated Emissions Test Setup

Chamber E, anechoic



3 meters
AC cords not shown. They are connected to AC outlet with low-pass filter on turntable

	Receive	Pre-	Spectrum	High Pass
Frequency Range	Antenna	Amplifier	Analyzer	Filter
0.01 to 30 MHz	ANT-53	None	REC-07	None
30 to 1000 MHz	ANT-44	AMP-22	REC-07	None

### 10.3 Magnetic Field Measurements and Decay Factor Calculations

Radiated emission measurements are performed with shielded loop antennas. An EMCO Loop antenna was used. The antenna was rotated in order to find the maximize readings.

The decay exponent used is 3. The distance correction factor is calculated as follows:

Distance factor (dB) = 40\*Log(TD/300)

TD is the actual test distance in meters. 300 meters is the specification distance. The actual Distance correction factor at 3 meters is -80 dB.

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# 10.3.1 Magnetic Field Radiated Emissions Results (0.009 to 30 MHz)

Test Date	06/09/2011
Test Distance	3 Meters
Specification	FCC 15 & RSS-210
Notes	Corr. Factors = cable loss - preamp gain - distance factor.
	Decay Exponent = 2
	Shielded Loop Antennas were used for this test.
Abbreviations	P = peak; Q = QP
Configuration	RDR-6X8XAKU

								FCC	
	meter	Loop			Cable	FCC	Field	15.209	Margin
Freq	reading	Ant	Dist	Decay	Loss	Distance	Strength	Limit	under
(kHz)	dBuV	Factor	(m)	exp	dB	factor dB	dBuV/m	dBuV/m	limit
125.0	64.5	20.0	3.0	2.0	0.0	-80.0	4.5	25.7	21.2
250.0	41.9	19.8	3.0	2.0	0.0	-80.0	-18.3	19.6	37.9
375.0	37.5	19.5	3.0	2.0	0.0	-80.0	-23.0	16.1	39.1
500.0	37.4	19.1	3.0	2.0	0.0	-40.0	16.5	33.6	17.1
625.0	32.1	19.0	3.0	2.0	0.0	-40.0	11.1	31.7	20.6
750.0	31.3	18.9	3.0	2.0	0.0	-40.0	10.2	30.1	19.9
875.0	28.1	19.0	3.0	2.0	0.1	-40.0	7.2	28.8	21.6
1000.0	27.6	19.0	3.0	2.0	0.1	-40.0	6.7	27.6	20.9
1125.0	26.5	19.0	3.0	2.0	0.1	-40.0	5.6	26.6	21.0
1250.0	25.1	18.9	3.0	2.0	0.1	-40.0	4.1	25.7	21.6

Judgement: Passed by 17.1 dB.

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