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802.11a/b/g/n PCI EXPRESS MINI CARD

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1. ATTESTATION OF TEST RESULTS

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EUT DESCRIPTION: 802.11a/b/g/n PCI EXPRESS MINI CARD

MODEL TESTED: AR5BXB72P

SERIAL NUMBER: 6F648D4FSX5GD (EUT CARD)

PT386519 (EUT Laptop)

DATE TESTED: APRIL 09-10, 2007

APPLICABLE STANDARDS

STANDARD TEST RESULTS

FCC PART 15 SUBPART E NO NON-COMPLIANCE NOTED

Compliance Certification Services, Inc. tested the above equipment in accordance with the requirements set forth in the above standards. The test results show that the equipment tested is capable of demonstrating compliance with the requirements as documented in this report.

Note: The results documented in this report apply only to the tested sample, under the conditions and modes of operation as described herein. This document may not be altered or revised in any way unless done so by Compliance Certification Services and all revisions are duly noted in the revisions section. Any alteration of this document not carried out by Compliance Certification Services will constitute fraud and shall nullify the document. No part of this report may be used to claim product certification, approval, or endorsement by NVLAP, NIST, or any government agency.

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2. TEST METHODOLOGY

The tests documented in this report were performed in accordance with ANSI C63.4-2003, FCC CFR 47 Part 2 and FCC CFR 47 Part 15.

3. FACILITIES AND ACCREDITATION

The test sites and measurement facilities used to collect data are located at 47173 Benicia Street, Fremont, California, USA. The sites are constructed in conformance with the requirements of ANSI C63.4, ANSI C63.7 and CISPR Publication 22. All receiving equipment conforms to CISPR Publication 16-1, "Radio Interference Measuring Apparatus and Measurement Methods."

CCS is accredited by NVLAP, Laboratory Code 200065-0. The full scope of accreditation can be viewed at http://www.ccsemc.com.

4. CALIBRATION AND UNCERTAINTY

4.1. MEASURING INSTRUMENT CALIBRATION

The measuring equipment utilized to perform the tests documented in this report has been calibrated in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations, and is traceable to recognized national standards.

4.2. MEASUREMENT UNCERTAINTY

Where relevant, the following measurement uncertainty levels have been estimated for tests performed on the apparatus:

PARAMETER	UNCERTAINTY
Radiated Emission, 30 to 200 MHz	+/- 3.3 dB
Radiated Emission, 200 to 1000 MHz	+4.5 / -2.9 dB
Radiated Emission, 1000 to 2000 MHz	+4.5 / -2.9 dB
Power Line Conducted Emission	+/- 2.9 dB

Uncertainty figures are valid to a confidence level of 95%.

5. EQUIPMENT UNDER TEST

5.1. DESCRIPTION OF EUT

The AR5BXB72P is designed for 802.11a/b/g/n applications using the AR541X/51XX chipset with a PCI Express Mini card interface. It has three receive chains and two transmit chains (2x3 Configuration).

5.2. DESCRIPTION OF CLASS II CHANGE

Adding portable configuration to operation in the 5470-5725 MHz band.

5.3. DESCRIPTION OF AVAILABLE ANTENNAS

The EUT utilizes a set of three identical PIFA antennas, manufactured by WNC, with a maximum gain of 7.44 dBi in the 5.5 GHz band.

5.4. SOFTWARE AND FIRMWARE

The EUT driver software installed in the host support equipment during testing was AR5002, ANWI Diagnostic Kernel Drive.

The test utility software used during testing was Art Software Revision 0.3 Build #3 Art 11n, AtherosAirPortDK.kext.

5.5. WORST-CASE CONFIGURATION AND MODE

The worst-case mode from the original filing, as determined by the highest spurious emissions levels, is the 802.11n HT20 and 802.11n HT40 Mode.

5.6. DESCRIPTION OF TEST SETUP

SUPPORT EQUIPMENT

PERIPHERAL SUPPORT EQUIPMENT LIST							
Description Manufacturer Model Serial Number FCC ID							
Laptop	Apple	MAC BOOK Pro	PT386519	DoC			
Mouse	Apple	A1152	KY5350QDTU3MA	DoC			
AC Adapter	Apple	A52	Y56230009TLYDVT	DoC			

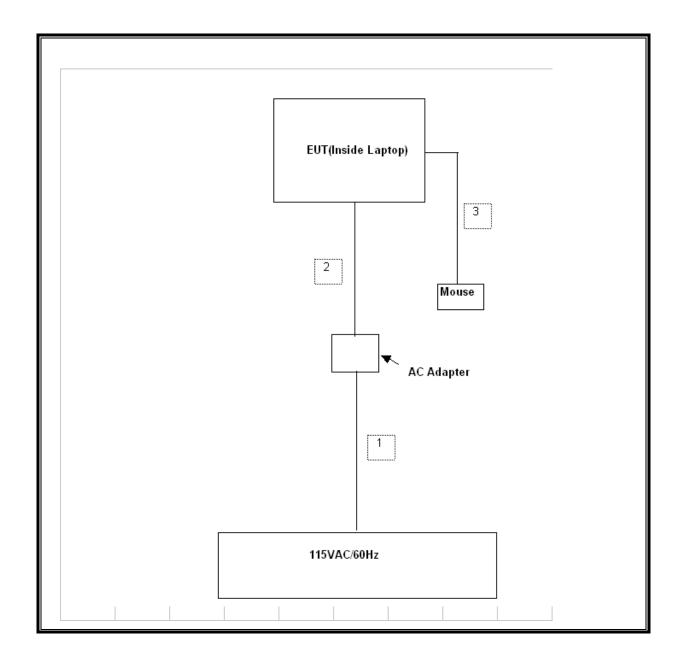
I/O CABLES

I/O CABLE LIST								
Cable	Port	# of	Connector	Cable	Cable	Remarks		
No.		Identical	Туре Туре		Length			
		Ports						
1	AC	1	US 115V	Un-shielded	1.5m	No		
2	DC	1	Apple DC	Un-shielded	1.5m	No		
3	USB	1	USB	Un-shielded	.7m	No		

TEST SETUP

The EUT is installed in the host laptop computer. Test software exercised the radio card.

SETUP DIAGRAM FOR TESTS



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6. TEST AND MEASUREMENT EQUIPMENT

The following test and measurement equipment was utilized for the tests documented in this report:

TEST EQUIPMENT LIST							
Description	Manufacturer	Model	Serial Number	Cal Due			
Quasi-Peak Adaptor	Agilent / HP	85650A	3145A01654	1/21/2008			
SA Display Section 2	Agilent / HP	85662A	2816A16696	4/7/2008			
SA RF Section, 1.5 GHz	Agilent / HP	85680B	2814A04227	1/7/2008			
Antenna, Bilog 30 MHz ~ 2 Ghz	Sunol Sciences	JB1	A121003	8/13/2007			
Antenna, Horn 1 ~ 18 GHz	ETS	3117	29301	4/22/2007			
Preamplifier, 1 ~ 26.5 GHz	Agilent / HP	8449B	3008A00561	10/3/2007			
Spectrum Analyzer 3 Hz ~ 44 GHz	Agilent / HP	E4446A	US42070220	11/26/2007			
LISN, 10 kHz ~ 30 MHz	FCC	LISN-50/250-25-2	2023	9/15/2007			
LISN, 10 kHz ~ 30 MHz	Solar	8012-50-R-24-BNC	8379443	9/15/2007			
EMI Test Receiver	R&S	ESHS 20	827129/006	1/27/2008			

7. LIMITS AND RESULTS

7.1. RADIATED EMISSIONS

7.1.1. TRANSMITTER RADIATED SPURIOUS EMISSIONS

LIMITS

§15.205 (a) Except as shown in paragraph (d) of this section, only spurious emissions are permitted in any of the frequency bands listed below:

MHz	MHz	MHz	GHz
0.090 - 0.110	16.42 - 16.423	399.9 - 410	4.5 - 5.15
¹ 0.495 - 0.505	16.69475 - 16.69525	608 - 614	5.35 - 5.46
2.1735 - 2.1905	16.80425 - 16.80475	960 - 1240	7.25 - 7.75
4.125 - 4.128	25.5 - 25.67	1300 - 1427	8.025 - 8.5
4.17725 - 4.17775	37.5 - 38.25	1435 - 1626.5	9.0 - 9.2
4.20725 - 4.20775	73 - 74.6	1645.5 - 1646.5	9.3 - 9.5
6.215 - 6.218	74.8 - 75.2	1660 - 1710	10.6 - 12.7
6.26775 - 6.26825	108 - 121.94	1718.8 - 1722.2	13.25 - 13.4
6.31175 - 6.31225	123 - 138	2200 - 2300	14.47 - 14.5
8.291 - 8.294	149.9 - 150.05	2310 - 2390	15.35 - 16.2
8.362 - 8.366	156.52475 - 156.52525	2483.5 - 2500	17.7 - 21.4
8.37625 - 8.38675	156.7 - 156.9	2655 - 2900	22.01 - 23.12
8.41425 - 8.41475	162.0125 - 167.17	3260 - 3267	23.6 - 24.0
12.29 - 12.293	167.72 - 173.2	3332 - 3339	31.2 - 31.8
12.51975 - 12.52025	240 - 285	3345.8 - 3358	36.43 - 36.5
12.57675 - 12.57725	322 - 335.4	3600 - 4400	$\binom{2}{}$
13.36 - 13.41			·

¹ Until February 1, 1999, this restricted band shall be 0.490-0.510 MHz.

§15.205 (b) Except as provided in paragraphs (d) and (e), the field strength of emissions appearing within these frequency bands shall not exceed the limits shown in Section 15.209. At frequencies equal to or less than 1000 MHz, compliance with the limits in Section 15.209 shall be demonstrated using measurement instrumentation employing a CISPR quasi-peak detector. Above 1000 MHz, compliance with the emission limits in Section 15.209 shall be demonstrated based on the average value of the measured emissions. The provisions in Section 15.35 apply to these measurements.

² Above 38.6

§15.209 (a) Except as provided elsewhere in this Subpart, the emissions from an intentional radiator shall not exceed the field strength levels specified in the following table:

Frequency (MHz)	Field Strength (microvolts/meter)	Measurement Distance (meters)
30 - 88	100 **	3
88 - 216	150 **	3
216 - 960	200 **	3
Above 960	500	3

^{**} Except as provided in paragraph (g), fundamental emissions from intentional radiators operating under this Section shall not be located in the frequency bands 54-72 MHz, 76-88 MHz, 174-216 MHz or 470-806 MHz. However, operation within these frequency bands is permitted under other sections of this Part, e.g., Sections 15.231 and 15.241.

^{§15.209 (}b) In the emission table above, the tighter limit applies at the band edges.

TEST PROCEDURE

The EUT is placed on a non-conducting table 80 cm above the ground plane. The antenna to EUT distance is 3 meters. The EUT is configured in accordance with ANSI C63.4. The EUT is set to transmit in a continuous mode.

For measurements below 1 GHz the resolution bandwidth is set to 100 kHz for peak detection measurements or 120 kHz for quasi-peak detection measurements. Peak detection is used unless otherwise noted as quasi-peak.

For measurements above 1 GHz the resolution bandwidth is set to 1 MHz, then the video bandwidth is set to 1 MHz for peak measurements and 10 Hz for average measurements.

The spectrum from 30 MHz to 40 GHz is investigated with the transmitter set to the lowest, middle, and highest channels in each band.

The frequency range of interest is monitored at a fixed antenna height and EUT azimuth. The EUT is rotated through 360 degrees to maximize emissions received. The antenna is scanned from 1 to 4 meters above the ground plane to further maximize the emission. Measurements are made with the antenna polarized in both the vertical and the horizontal positions.

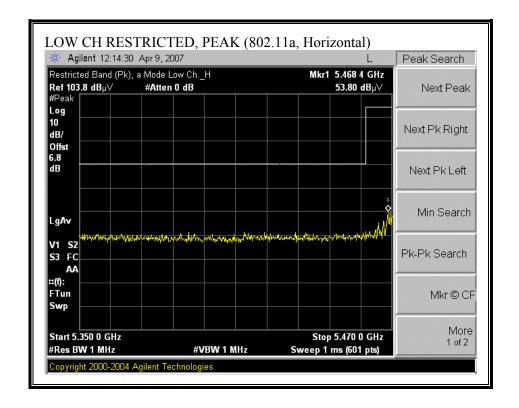
7.1.2. TRANSMITTER ABOVE 1 GHZ FOR 5470 TO 5725 MHz BAND

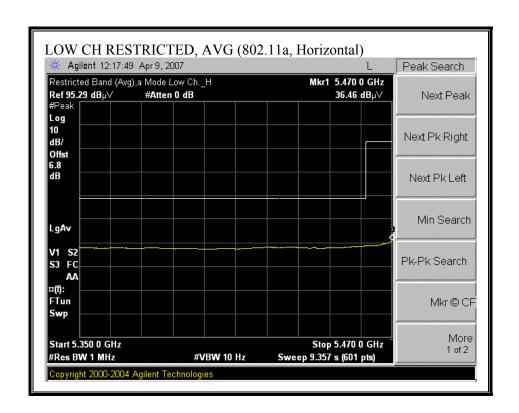
REPORTING NOTES

The nearby restricted band stops 10 MHz below the authorized band. A single plot is taken to show both restricted band emission levels and out-of-band radiated spurious emission levels at and near the lower authorized bandedge. The out-of-band spurious limits of -7 dBm Peak EIRP and -27 dBm Average EIRP are converted to the equivalent 3 meter field strengths of 88.2 dBuV/m Peak and 68.2 dBuV/m Average, respectively, for reporting purposes.

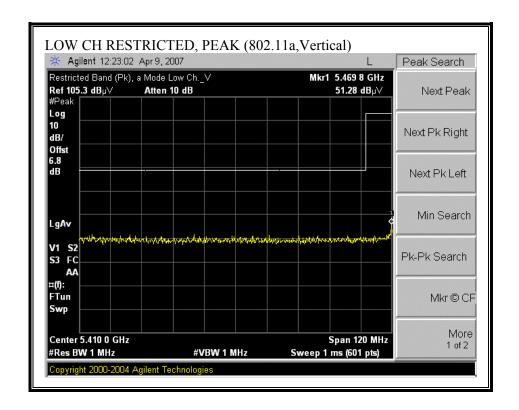
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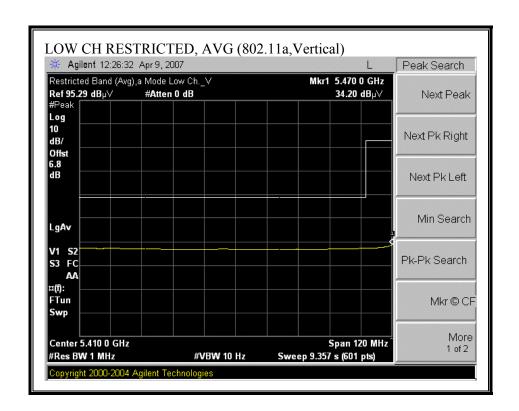
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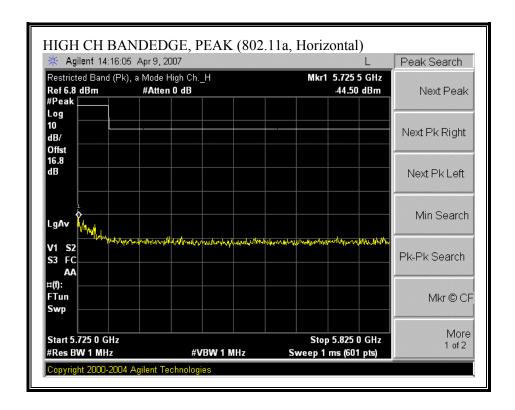


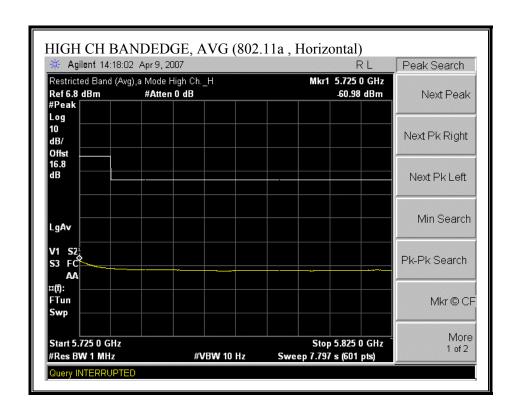


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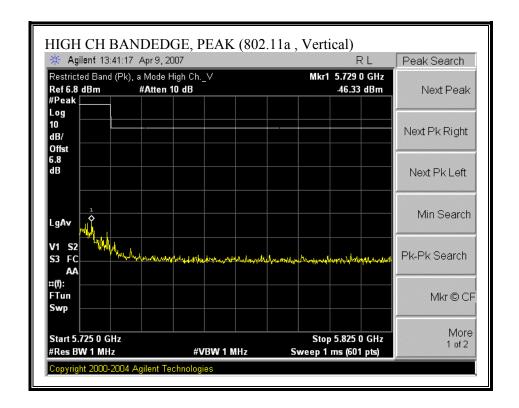


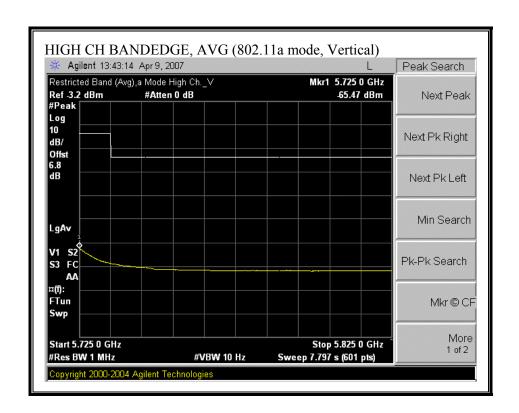




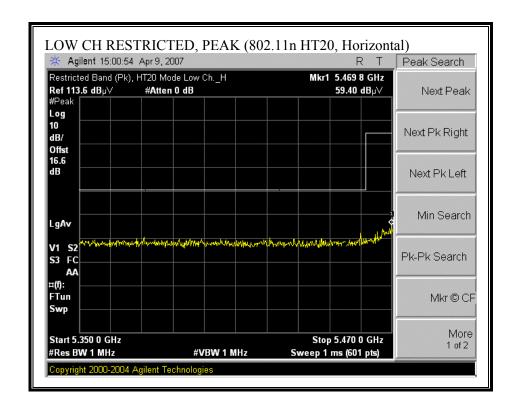


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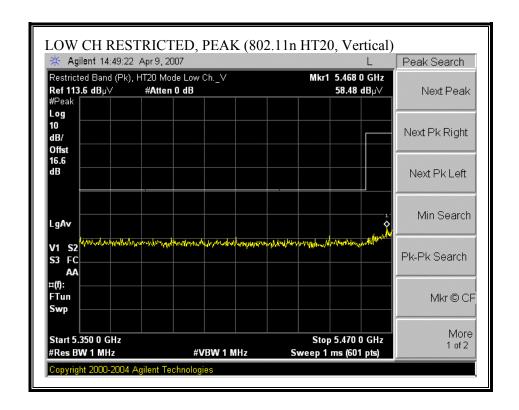


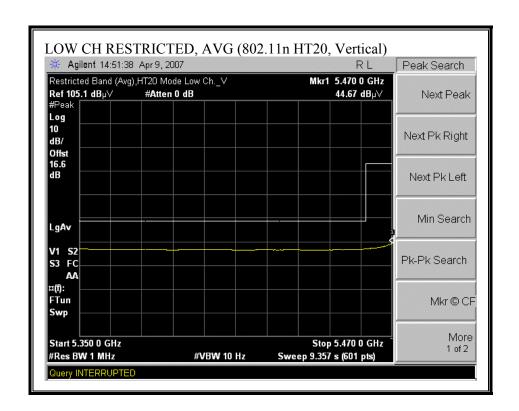


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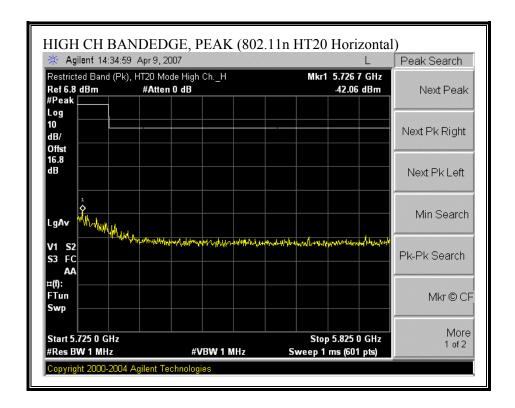


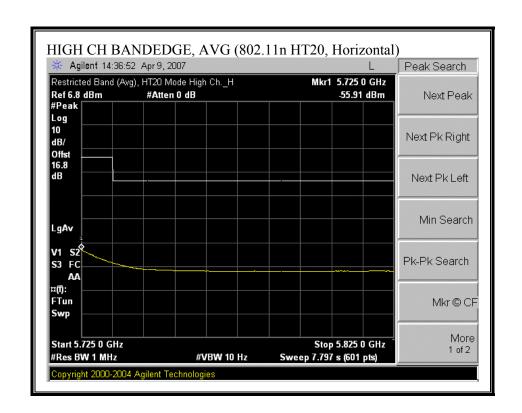
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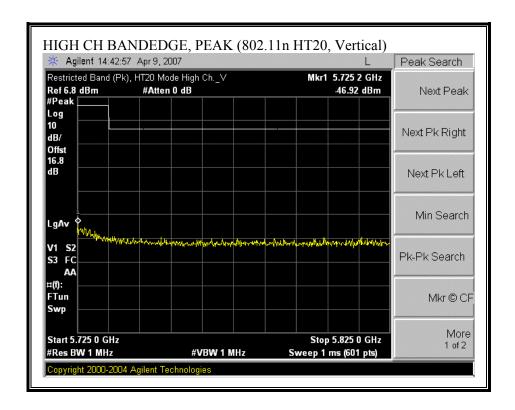


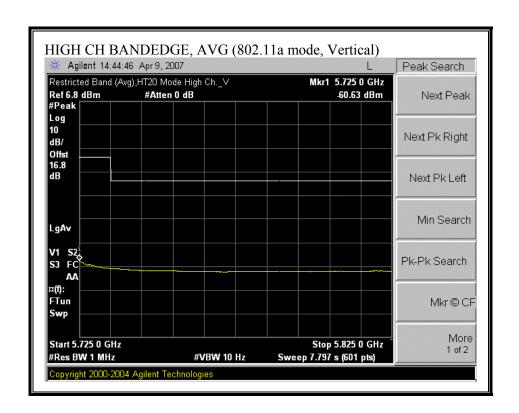
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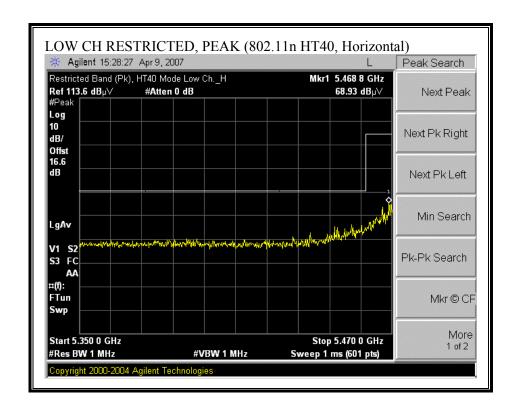


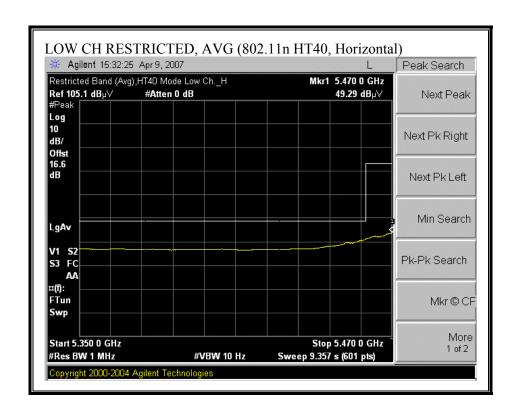
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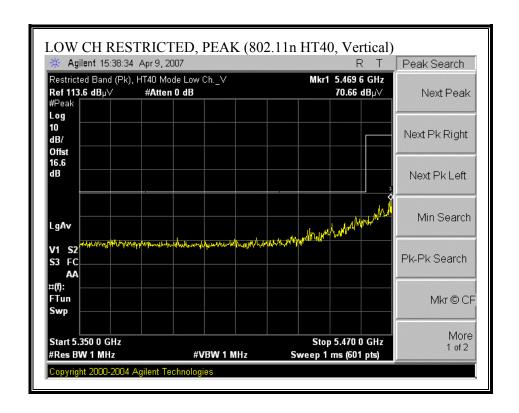


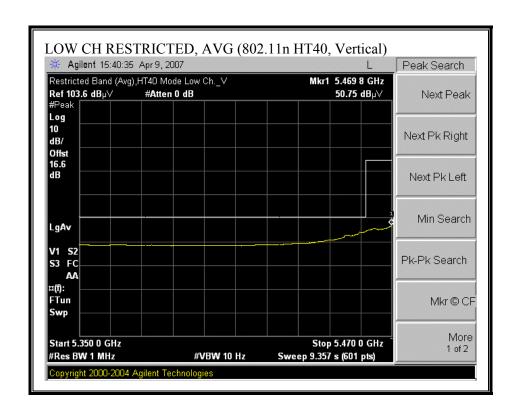
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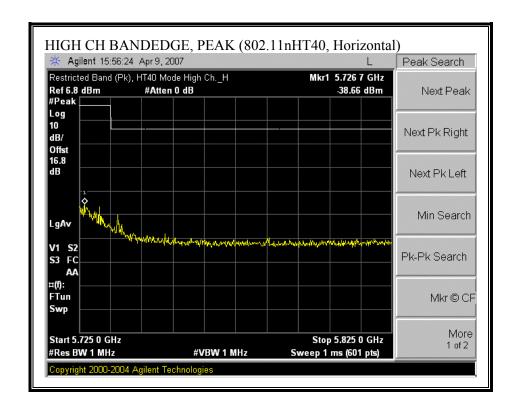


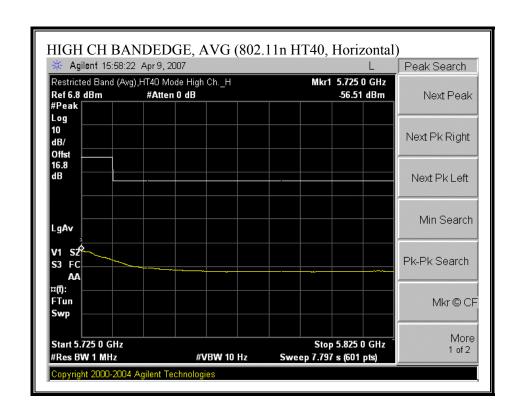
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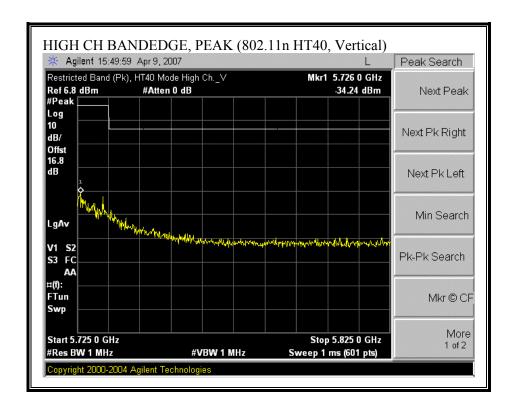


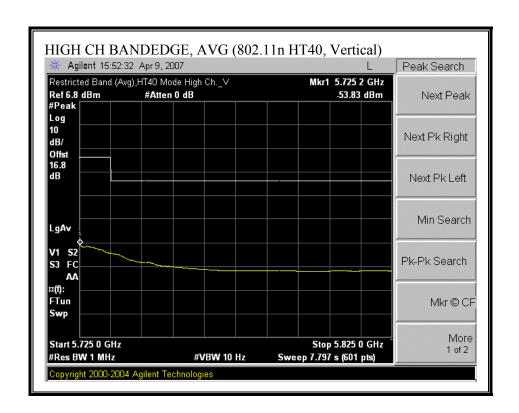
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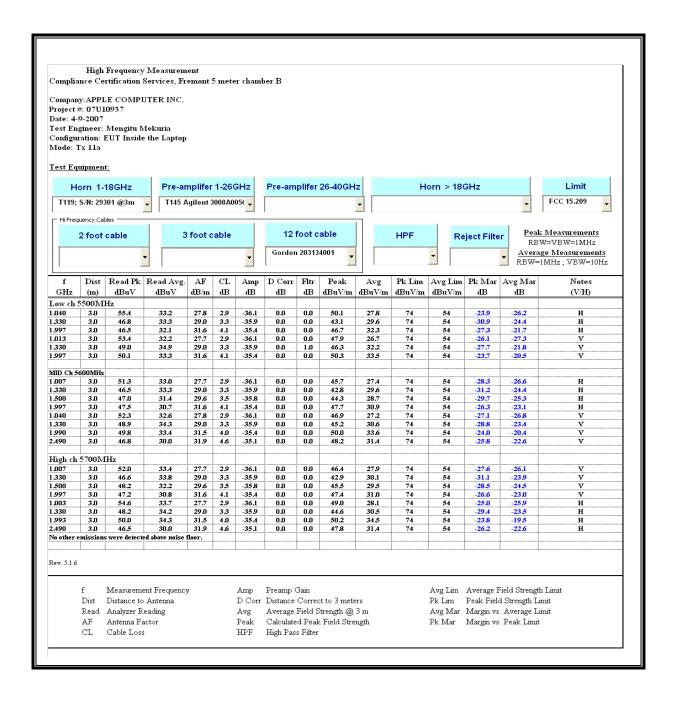
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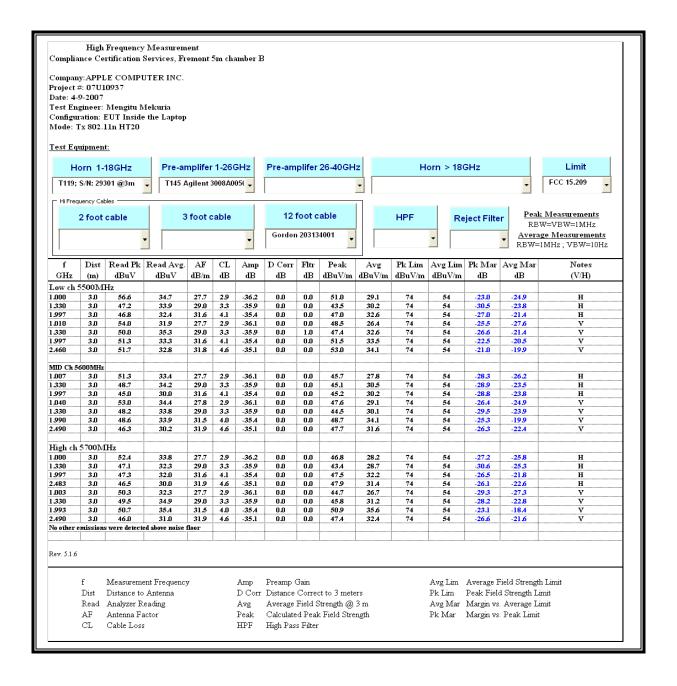


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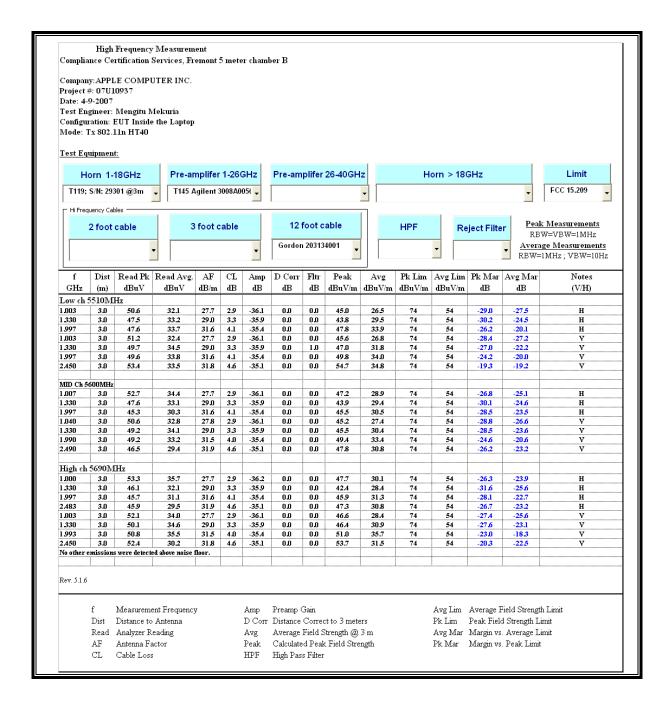
HARMONICS AND SPURIOUS EMISSIONS (802.11a MODE)



HARMONICS AND SPURIOUS EMISSIONS (802.11n HT20 MODE)

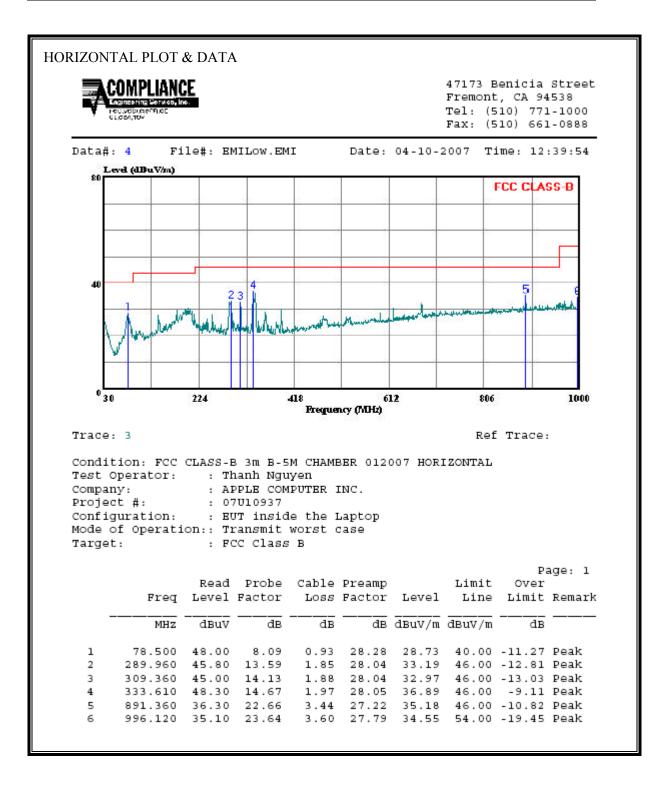


HARMONICS AND SPURIOUS EMISSIONS (802.11n HT40 MODE)



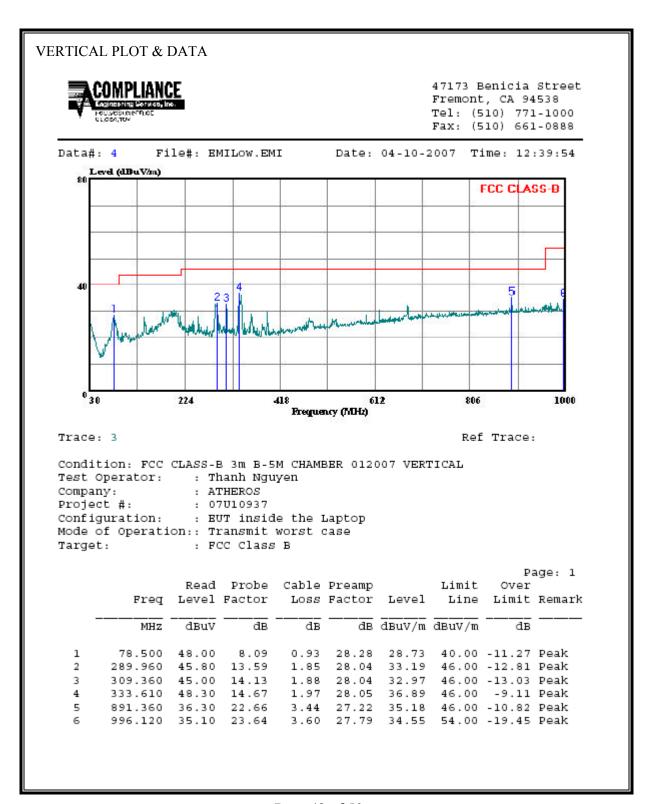
7.1.3. WORST-CASE RADIATED EMISSIONS BELOW 1 GHz

SPURIOUS EMISSIONS 30 TO 1000 MHz (WORST-CASE CONFIGURATION, HORIZONTAL)



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SPURIOUS EMISSIONS 30 TO 1000 MHz (WORST-CASE CONFIGURATION, VERTICAL)



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7.2. POWERLINE CONDUCTED EMISSIONS

LIMIT

\$15.207 (a) Except as shown in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, for an intentional radiator that is designed to be connected to the public utility (AC) power line, the radio frequency voltage that is conducted back onto the AC power line on any frequency or frequencies within the band 150 kHz to 30 MHz shall not exceed the limits in the following table, as measured using a 50 μ H/50 ohms line impedance stabilization network (LISN). Compliance with the provisions of this paragraph shall be based on the measurement of the radio frequency voltage between each power line and ground at the power terminal

The lower limit applies at the boundary between the frequency ranges.

Frequency of Emission (MHz)	Conducted I	Limit (dBuV)
	Quasi-peak	Average
0.15-0.5	66 to 56 °	56 to 46 *
0.5-5	56	46
5-30	60	50

Decreases with the logarithm of the frequency.

TEST PROCEDURE

The EUT is placed on a non-conducting table 40 cm from the vertical ground plane and 80 cm above the horizontal ground plane. The EUT is configured in accordance with ANSI C63.4.

The resolution bandwidth is set to 9 kHz for both peak detection and quasi-peak detection measurements. Peak detection is used unless otherwise noted as quasi-peak.

Line conducted data is recorded for both NEUTRAL and HOT lines.

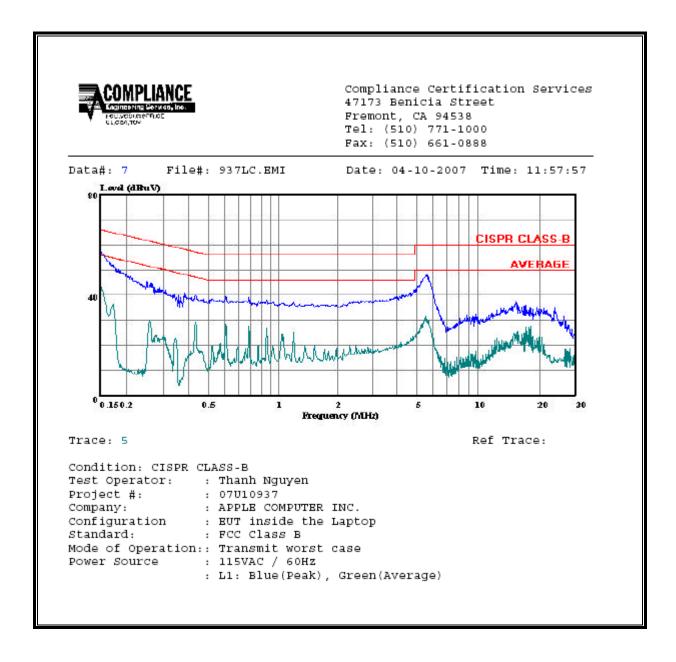
RESULTS

No non-compliance noted:

6 WORST EMISSIONS

	CONDUCTED EMISSIONS DATA (115VAC 60Hz)								
Freq.	Reading			Closs	Limit	EN_B	Marg	rii;	Remark
(MHz)	PK (dBuV)	QP (dBuV)	AV (dBuV)	(dB)	QP	AV	QP (dB)	AV(dB)	L1/L2
0.15	57.75		42.23	0.00	66.00	56.00	-8.25	-13.77	L1
0.61	39.56		28.30	0.00	56.00	46.00	-16.44	-17.70	L1
5.74	47.67		31.55	0.00	60.00	50.00	-12.33	-18.45	L1
0.15	57.34		42.89	0.00	66.00	56.00	-8.66	-13.11	L2
0.61	39.71		30.19	0.00	56.00	46.00	-16.29	-15.81	L2
5.65	48.09		31.21	0.00	60.00	50.00	-11.91	-18.79	L2
6 Worst 1	 Data 								

LINE 1 RESULTS



LINE 2 RESULTS

