

**RF-EXPOSURE ASSESSMENT REPORT**

FCC 47 CFR Part 2.1093  
Industry Canada RSS-102

**RF-Exposure evaluation of portable equipment**

**Report Reference No.** .....: G0M-1408-4062-TFC093PE75-V01

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**Test specification:**

Standard .....: 47 CFR 1.1310 / 47 CFR 2.1091 / 47 CFR 2.1093  
OET Bulletin 65:1997  
KDB 447498 D01 v05r01:2013-05-28  
RSS-102, Issue 4:2010  
Safety Code 6:2009

**Equipment under test (EUT):**

Product description .....: Communication Headsets

Model No. .....: APX375

Additional Model(s) .....: None

Brand Name(s) .....: Sonetics

Hardware version .....: APX375 Rev A (See Additional Information)

Firmware / Software version .....: Revision A (See attached list)

FCC-ID: V9N950325400V1      IC: 7895A-95032540

**Test result** .....: **Passed**

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**Possible test case verdicts:**

- neither assessed nor tested .....: N/N
- required by standard but not appl. to test object.....: N/A
- required by standard but not tested.....: N/T
- not required by standard for the test object .....: N/R
- test object does meet the requirement.....: P (Pass)
- test object does not meet the requirement.....: F (Fail)

**Testing:**

Date of receipt of test item .....: 2014-09-22

Date (s) of assessment .....: 2014-12-16

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Date of issue .....: 2014-12-18

Total number of pages .....: 13

**General remarks:**

**The test results presented in this report relate only to the object tested.**

**The results contained in this report reflect the results for this particular model and serial number. It is the responsibility of the manufacturer to ensure that all production models meet the intent of the requirements detailed within this report.**

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**Additional comments:**

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**Subject: Hardware Software/Firmware Declaration**  
**Date: December 01, 2014**  
**Model Number: APX375 Bluetooth Headset, Revision A**

**The APX375 and APX379 Headsets share the same common hardware and software as represented in table A and as described as Hardware and Software Differences below:**

Muff Features	300 Series Model Number		
	APX379	APX377	APX375
Convertible Design: Overhead and Underhelmet	X	X	X
Identical Materials and Headset Muff Design	X	X	X
Waterproof Design	X	X	X
Wired Aux Line In	X	X	X
Internal Sound Dosimeter	X	X	X
Stereo Listen Thru	X	X	X
Automatic Noise Gate	X	X	X
Passive Noise Reduction	X	X	X
Automatic Active Noise Reduction	X	X	X
Voice Prompts	X	X	X
Wireless Bluetooth (Line in)	X		X
Wireless DECT (2 way radio)	X	X	

**Sonetics Corporation hereby declares that the above referenced model, submitted to Eurofins for FCC and IC testing has the following firmware installed:**

APX375 Bluetooth (only) Headset Revision A		(No Headband P/N: 950-3254-00 Revision A)	Qty	BOM Version Revision	Firmware Radio Related?
Item Reference	Part Number	Description			
10	490-4006-00	Firmware, GEN-3 BOOT LOADER	1	A	No
15	490-4020-00	Firmware, APX375, BLUETOOTH ONLY	1	A	Yes
20	490-4009-00	Firmware, BLUETOOTH CONFIG	1	A	Yes
25	490-4015-00	Firmware, VOICEPROMPTS, PP, ENGLISH-	1	A	Yes
30	490-4021-00	FW, APX375, CONFIGURATION	1	A	No
5	121-4036-G1	PCBA, APX375, HS, MAIN BOARD	1	G	Hardware
0	121-4031-J1	PCBA, HS-7X, BATTERY BOARD	1	J	Hardware

**Hardware and Software Differences:** between APX375 and APX379:

The APX 375 is the same physically as APX 379 with the exception that the 490-4012-00-00 and 490-4014-00 DECT Firmware is not loaded and the 490-4020-00 firmware which replaces the 490-0016-00 firmware is the same but deletes un-used DECT menus which are not used in the APX375.

The 121-4036-G1 Mainboard in the APX375 is physically the same PCBA as the APX379 except the following DECT related components are omitted from the PCBA: C1, C2, C3, C4, C5, C6, C9, C10, C13, C15, C16, C17, C19, C20, C23, C24, C26, C27, C106, C166, E1, J1, J6, J10, L1, L2, L6, L10, L14, L16, L86, L90, R5, R19, R20, R23, R24, R27, R28, R39, R40, R43, R54, R72, R74, R75, R78, R82, R138, R169, R286, R290, S1, U1, U7, U10, U11

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## Version History

Version	Issue Date	Remarks	Revised by
01	2014-12-18	Initial Release	

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## 1 Equipment (Test item) Description

<b>Description</b>	Communication Headsets
<b>Model</b>	APX375
<b>Additional Model(s)</b>	None
<b>Brand Name(s)</b>	Sonetechs
<b>Serial number</b>	None
<b>Hardware version</b>	APX375 Rev A (See Additional Information)
<b>Software / Firmware version</b>	Revision A (See attached list)
<b>FCC-ID</b>	V9N950325400V1
<b>IC</b>	7895A-95032540
<b>Equipment type</b>	End product

## 1.1 Reference Documents

Document type	Document No.	Issued by	Date
FCC 15.247 Test Report	G0M-1408-4062-TFC247BT75-V01	Eurofins Product Service GmbH	2014-12-18

## 1.2 Radiation Sources

Mode #	Description	
Bluetooth	Frequency range [MHz]	2402 – 2480
	Channels	79
	Modulations	GFSK
	Maximum conducted power [dBm]	-0.8
	Maximum transmission duty cycle [%]	78

## 2 Result Summary

<b>FCC 47 CFR Part 2.1093, KDB447498, IC RSS-102</b>			
<b>Product Specific Standard Section</b>	<b>Requirement</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
47 CFR 2.1093 KDB447498	SAR evaluation exemption : Bluetooth	PASS	
RSS-102 2.5.1	SAR evaluation exemption : Bluetooth	PASS	
<b>Remarks:</b>			

### 3 RF-Exposure Classifications

Device Types	
Fixed	A fixed device is defined as a device physically secured at one fixed location and cannot be easily re-located.
Mobile	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. (47 CFR 2.1091)
Portable	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. (47 CFR 2.1093)

Exposure Categories	
Occupational / Controlled	Limits apply in situations in which persons are exposed as a consequence of their employment provided those persons are fully aware of the potential for exposure and can exercise control over their exposure. Limits for occupational/controlled exposure also apply in situations when an individual is transient through a location where occupational/controlled limits apply provided he or she is made aware of the potential for exposure.
General population / uncontrolled	Exposures apply in situations in which the general public may be exposed, or in which persons that are exposed as a consequence of their employment may not be fully aware of the potential for exposure or cannot exercise control over their exposure.

## 4 Assessment

### 4.1 SAR Exemption Assessment –FCC KDB447498 / RSS-102

<b>Low Power Exclusion acc. to FCC KDB447498 / IC RSS-102</b>		<b>Verdict: PASS</b>
Assessment according to reference	Reference Method	
	KDB447498 & 2.1093 / RSS-102 & Safety Code 6	
Device type	portable	
Exposure category	General population	
<b>FCC/IC SAR Limits</b>		
Region	Occupational SAR values [W/kg]	General public SAR values [W/kg]
Whole-body SAR averaging mass = entire body	0.4	0.08
Partial-body SAR averaging mass = 1g	8.0	1.6
Hands, Wrists, Feet and Ankles SAR averaging mass = 10g	20	4
<b>FCC SAR test exclusion</b>		

Excerpt from KDB 447498:

Unless specifically required by the published RF exposure KDB procedures, standalone 1-g head or body and 10-g extremity SAR evaluation for general population exposure conditions, by measurement or numerical simulation, is not required when the corresponding SAR Exclusion Threshold condition, listed below, is satisfied. These test exclusion conditions are based on source-based time-averaged maximum conducted output power of the RF channel requiring evaluation, adjusted for tune-up tolerance, and the minimum test separation distance required for the exposure conditions.

The minimum test separation distance is determined by the smallest distance from the antenna and radiating structures or outer surface of the device, according to the host form factor, exposure conditions and platform requirements, to any part of the body or extremity of a user or bystander

The 1-g and 10-g SAR test exclusion thresholds for **100 MHz to 6 GHz** at *test separation distances  $\leq 50$  mm* are determined by:

$$\frac{\text{max. power of channel [mW]}}{\text{min. test separation distance [mm]}} \cdot \sqrt{f[\text{GHz}]} \leq \begin{cases} 3.0 & 1g \text{ SAR} \\ 7.5 & 10g \text{ SAR} \end{cases}$$

- $f$  [GHz] is the RF channel transmit frequency in GHz
- Power and distance are rounded to the nearest mW and mm before calculation
- The result is rounded to one decimal place for comparison

The test exclusions are applicable only when the minimum test separation distance is  $\leq 50$  mm and for transmission frequencies between 100 MHz and 6 GHz. When the minimum test separation distance is  $< 5$  mm, a distance of 5 mm is applied to determine SAR test exclusion.

**IC SAR evaluation exemptions**

Excerpt from RSS-102 Issue 4:

**SAR evaluation is required** if the separation distance between the user and the radiating element of the device is less than or equal to 20 cm, except when the device operates as follows:

from 3 kHz up to 1 GHz inclusively, and with **output power** (i.e. the higher of the conducted or equivalent isotropically radiated power (e.i.r.p.) source-based, time-averaged output power) that is **less than or equal to 200 mW for general public use** and **1000 mW for controlled use**;

**above 1 GHz and up to 2.2 GHz** inclusively, and with **output power** (i.e. the higher of the conducted or radiated (e.i.r.p.) source-based, time-averaged output power) that is **less than or equal to 100 mW for general public use** and **500 mW for controlled use**;

**above 2.2 GHz and up to 3 GHz** inclusively, and with **output power** (i.e. the higher of the conducted or radiated (e.i.r.p.) source-based, time-averaged output power) that is **less than or equal to 20 mW for general public use** and **100 mW for controlled use**;

**above 3 GHz and up to 6 GHz** inclusively, and with **output power** (i.e. the higher of the conducted or radiated (e.i.r.p.) source-based, time-averaged output power) that is **less than or equal to 10 mW for general public use** and **50 mW for controlled use**.

**Assessment procedure**

For the radiation source included into the device the output power is taken from a corresponding RF test report. If needed the output power is converted to source based, time-averaged output power. Finally the output power is compared to the FCC and IC low power SAR evaluation exemption level.

<b>Assessment results</b>	
Transmission mode	
Operating mode frequency range [MHz]	2402 – 2480
Assessment frequency [MHz]	2480
Transmission duty cycle [%]	78
Peak conducted power [dBm]	-0.8
Minimum separation distance [mm]	5.0
Source-based, time averaged power	
Duty cycle correction [dB]	-1.08
Averaged conducted power [dBm]	-1.88
Averaged conducted power [mW]	0.65
Averaged radiated power	
Antenna gain [dBi]	1.7
Averaged radiated power [dBm e.i.r.p.]	-0.18
Averaged radiated power [mW e.i.r.p.]	0.96
SAR evaluation exemption power levels	
FCC SAR test exclusion condition	$\frac{0.65[mW]}{5.0[mm]} \cdot \sqrt{2.480} = 0.2 \leq 3.0 \rightarrow \text{PASS}$
IC SAR test exclusion condition	$0.96 \text{ mW} \leq 20 \text{ mW} \rightarrow \text{PASS}$
Verdict	
<b>The source-based, time-averaged output power of the EUT fulfills the SAR test exclusion requirements according to FCC KDB447498 and IC RSS-102</b>	
Comments:	