# FCC §15.247 (i) & §1.1307 (b) (3) & §2.1091- MPE-BASED EXEMPTION

## **Applicable Standard**

#### According to KDB 447498 D04 Interim General RF Exposure Guidance

MPE-Based Exemption:

An alternative to the SAR-based exemption is provided in § 1.1307(b)(3)(i)(C), for a much wider frequency range, from 300 kHz to 100 GHz, applicable for separation distances greater or equal to  $\lambda/2\pi$ , where  $\lambda$  is the free-space operating wavelength in meters. The MPE-based test exemption condition is in terms of ERP, defined as the product of the maximum antenna gain and the delivered maximum time-averaged power. For this case, a RF source is an RF exempt device if its ERP (watts) is no more than a frequency-dependent value, as detailed tabular form in Appendix B. These limits have been derived based on the basic specifications on Maximum Permissible Exposure (MPE) considered for the FCC rules in § 1.1310(e)(1).

Table 1 to § $1.1307(b)(3)(i)(C)$ - Single RF Sources Subject to Routine Environmental Evaluation					
RF Source frequency (MHz)	Threshold ERP (watts)				
0.3-1.34	1,920 R <sup>2</sup> .				
1.34-30	3,450 R <sup>2</sup> /f <sup>2</sup> .				
30-300	3.83 R <sup>2</sup> .				
300-1,500	0.0128 R <sup>2</sup> f.				
1,500-100,000	19.2R <sup>2</sup> .				

f = frequency in MHz;

R = minimum separation distance from the body of a nearby person (appropriate units, e.g., m);

For multiple RF sources: Multiple RF sources are exempt if:

in the case of fixed RF sources operating in the same time-averaging period, or of multiple mobile or portable RF sources within a device operating in the same time averaging period, if the sum of the fractional contributions to the applicable thresholds is less than or equal to 1 as indicated in the following equation:

 $\sum_{i=1}^{a} \frac{P_i}{P_{th,i}} + \sum_{i=1}^{b} \frac{ERP_j}{ERP_{th,j}} + \sum_{k=1}^{c} \frac{Evaluated_k}{Exposure\ Limit_k} \le 1$ 

### Result

### For worst case:

Mode	Frequency (MHz)	Tune up conducted power <sup>#</sup>	Antenna Gain <sup>#</sup>		ERP		Evaluation Distance	ERP Limit
		(dBm)	(dBi)	(dBd)	(dBm)	(mW)	(m)	(mW)
BLE	2402-2480	-2.00	0.37	-1.78	-3.78	0.42	0.2	768
NB-IoT Band 2	1850-1910	25.00	0.45	-1.70	23.3	213.80	0.2	768
NB-IoT Band 4	1710-1755	25.00	0.45	-1.70	23.3	213.80	0.2	768
NB-IoT Band 5	824-849	25.00	0.18	-1.97	23.03	200.91	0.2	422
NB-IoT Band 12	699-716	25.00	0.23	-1.92	23.08	203.24	0.2	358
NB-IoT Band 13	777-787	25.00	0.23	-1.92	23.08	203.24	0.2	398
NB-IoT Band 17	704-716	25.00	0.23	-1.92	23.08	203.24	0.2	360
NB-IoT Band 25	1850-1915	25.00	0.45	-1.70	23.3	213.80	0.2	768
NB-IoT Band 66	1710-1780	25.00	0.45	-1.70	23.3	213.80	0.2	768
NB-IoT Band 85	698-716	25.00	0.23	-1.92	23.08	203.24	0.2	357

Note 1: The tune-up power and antenna gain was declared by the applicant. Note 2: 0dBd=2.15dBi.

Simultaneous transmitting consideration (worst case):

The ratio=  $ERP_{BLE}$  /limit+ $ERP_{NB-IoT Band 85}$ /limit= 0.42/768+203.24/357=0.570<1.0

To maintain compliance with the FCC's RF exposure guidelines, place the equipment at least 20cm from nearby persons.

#### **Result: Compliant**