

## LT8333

# Low $I_Q$ Boost/SEPIC/Inverting Converter with 3A, 40V Switch

## DESCRIPTION

Evaluation circuit EVAL-LT8333-AZ features the **LT®8333** in a SEPIC configuration. It operates with a switching frequency of 2MHz and is designed to convert a 3V to 26V source to 12V output. The converter can output up to 1.25A depending on the input voltage (see Figure 3 maximum output current vs  $V_{IN}$  curve).

This evaluation circuit features Spread Spectrum Frequency Modulation (SSFM) and EMI filters to provide optimum EMI performance. This PCB layout is optimized for good EMI performance and small solution size. The evaluation board contains a selectable jumper, JP1, to aid in the selection of the desired SYNC pin mode of operation. At light load, either pulse-skipping (PULSE SKIP) or low-ripple Burst Mode® operation (BURST) can be selected to improve the efficiency.

The LT8333 boost/SEPIC/inverting converter IC operates over an input range of 2.8V to 40V, suitable for

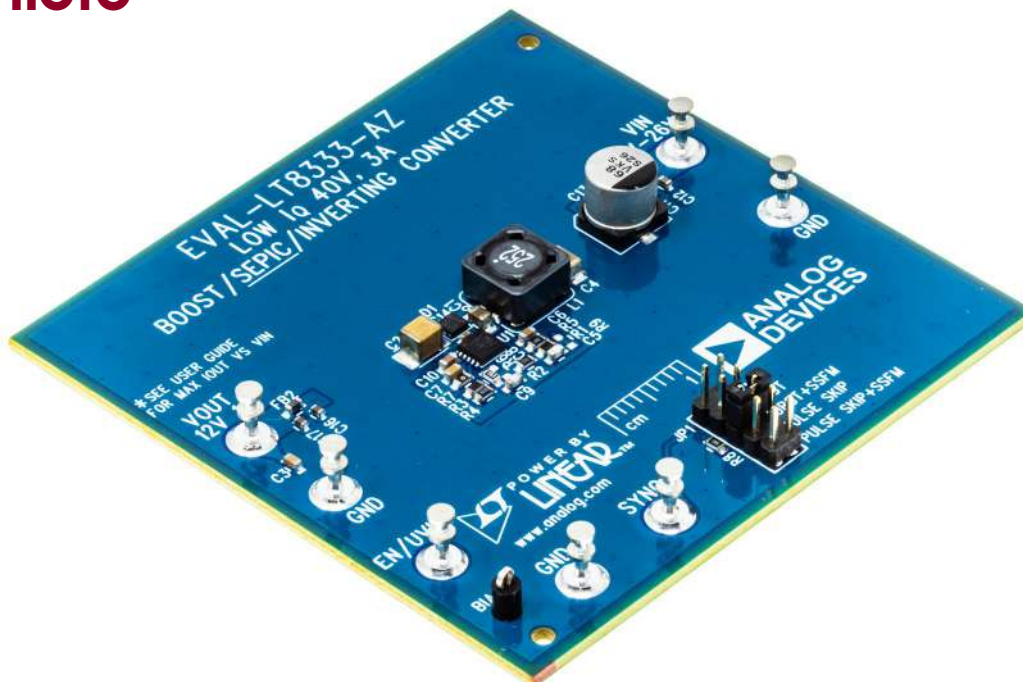
automotive, telecom, and industrial applications. The converter provides adjustable and synchronizable operation from 300kHz to 2MHz with SSFM option. The LT8333 packs other popular features such as soft-start, bias pin, input undervoltage lockout. The IC can exhibit a low quiescent current down to 9 $\mu$ A in BURST mode and 1 $\mu$ A in shutdown, which makes it ideal for battery-operated systems. The LT8333 is assembled in a thermally enhanced 10-lead 3mm  $\times$  3mm DFN package.

The data sheet gives a complete description of the device, operation, and application information. The data sheet must be read in conjunction with this demo manual for EVAL-LT8333-AZ.

**[Design files for this circuit board are available.](#)**

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## BOARD PHOTO



# DEMO MANUAL

## EVAL-LT8333-AZ

### PERFORMANCE SUMMARY Specifications are at $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$

| PARAMETER  | CONDITIONS  | MIN | TYP  | MAX | UNIT          |
|--|---|-----|------|-----|---------------|
| Input Voltage ( $V_{IN}$ )   | $V_{OUT} = 12\text{V}$  | 3   |      | 26  | V             |
| Output Voltage ( $V_{OUT}$ )   | $R1 = 1\text{M}\Omega, R2 = 154\text{k}\Omega$                                      |     | 12   |     | V             |
| Output Voltage Ripple ( $\Delta V_{OUT}$ )   | $V_{IN} = 12\text{V}, V_{OUT} = 12\text{V}, I_{OUT} = 1.1\text{A}$ (Measured at C2) |     | 40   |     | mV            |
| Maximum Output Current ( $I_{OUT}$ )   | $V_{OUT} = 12\text{V}, V_{IN} = 9\text{V}$  |     | 1    |     | A             |
|  | $V_{OUT} = 12\text{V}, V_{IN} = 12\text{V}$   |     | 1.1  |     | A             |
|  | $V_{OUT} = 12\text{V}, V_{IN} = 16\text{V to } 26\text{V}$                          |     | 1.25 |     | A             |
| Switching Frequency ( $f_{SW}$ )   | $R5 = 20.0\text{k}\Omega, \text{SSFM OFF}$  |     | 2    |     | MHz           |
|  | $R5 = 20.0\text{k}\Omega, \text{SSFM ON}$   | 2   |      | 2.4 | MHz           |
| Input EN Voltage (Rising)  | $R3 = 1\text{M}\Omega, R4 = 1.15\text{M}\Omega$                                     |     | 3.2  |     | V             |
| Input UVLO Voltage (Falling)   | $R3 = 1\text{M}\Omega, R4 = 1.15\text{M}\Omega$                                     |     | 3.0  |     | V             |
| Typical Efficiency (with EMI Filters)  | $V_{IN} = 9\text{V}, V_{OUT} = 12\text{V}, I_{OUT} = 1\text{A}$                     |     | 86   |     | %             |
|  | $V_{IN} = 12\text{V}, V_{OUT} = 12\text{V}, I_{OUT} = 1.1\text{A}$                  |     | 87   |     | %             |
|  | $V_{IN} = 16\text{V}, V_{OUT} = 12\text{V}, I_{OUT} = 1.25\text{A}$                 |     | 87   |     | %             |
| Zero Load Quiescent Current ( $V_{OUT} = 12\text{V}$ )*<br>$R1 = 1\text{M}\Omega, R2 = 154\text{k}\Omega$<br>$R3 = 1\text{M}\Omega, R4 = 1.15\text{M}\Omega$ | $V_{IN} = 9\text{V}, \text{JP1} = \text{BURST}$                                     |     | 37   |     | $\mu\text{A}$ |
|  | $V_{IN} = 9\text{V}, \text{JP1} = \text{PULSE SKIP}$                                |     | 1.2  |     | mA            |
|  | $V_{IN} = 12\text{V}, \text{JP1} = \text{BURST}$                                    |     | 33   |     | $\mu\text{A}$ |
|  | $V_{IN} = 12\text{V}, \text{JP1} = \text{PULSE SKIP}$                               |     | 1.1  |     | mA            |

\*Please see PULSE SKIP, BURST, SSFM, SYNC section on how to achieve lower quiescent current.



### QUICK START PROCEDURE

#### OUTPUT VOLTAGE AND POWER

The LT8333 is a low  $I_Q$  non-synchronous DC/DC converter that can be configured in boost, SEPIC, or inverting converters. Although EVAL-LT8333-AZ is designed to regulate 12V output from a 3V to 26V source, the feedback resistors R1 and R2 can be easily adjusted for higher or lower output voltage. In addition to adjusting feedback resistors, the input and output capacitors should be sized appropriately. The catch diode, D1, must also be able to handle the switch voltage.

The 3A peak switch current limit and EMI filters allow a maximum 1.25A output current at 16V<sub>IN</sub> or higher. Figure 3 shows the maximum output current versus V<sub>IN</sub>.

#### PULSE SKIP, BURST, SSFM, SYNC

The LT8333 achieves low power consumption at light loads. The different SYNC/MODE pin states can be evaluated by changing the position of jumper JP1. It is easy to change from BURST to PULSE SKIP and to explore SSFM ON, SSFM OFF, and external SYNC with this jumper.

PULSE SKIP allows low quiescent current at light load consumption without changing switching frequency until a very light load. BURST allows the lowest light load power consumption and has a unique low ripple feature on the LT8333. These two features can be explored further in the data sheet of the LT8333. The feedback resistors, R1 and R2, can be replaced with higher resistance values for better no-load input current results. For even lower no-load input current, the EN/UVLO pin should be shorted to V<sub>IN</sub> and the R4 resistor should be removed.

Spread Spectrum Frequency Modulation (SSFM) can be enabled to reduce the emissions of the converter. SSFM spreads the frequency between the R<sub>T</sub>-programmed frequency and +20% higher.

If an external SYNC signal is provided, the SYNC option of JP1 can be used to synchronize with an external clock. The clock frequency should be slightly higher than the R<sub>T</sub>-programmed frequency for best performance.

#### EN/UVLO

R3 and R4 set the undervoltage lockout falling and rising thresholds. The LT8333 data sheet gives a formula for calculating these values. EVAL-LT8333-AZ has a falling UVLO threshold of 3V and a rising threshold of 3.2V. This threshold can easily be adjusted by changing resistors R3 and R4 according to the data sheet equations.

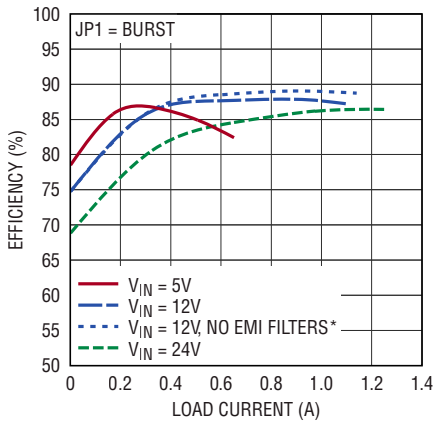
#### BIAS

In this evaluation circuit, the bias pin is unused and tied to GND through R7. However, the bias pin can be connected to an auxiliary input supply for powering INTV<sub>CC</sub> to improve efficiency when  $4.4V \leq \text{BIAS} \leq V_{IN}$ . To use the BIAS pin, R7 needs to be replaced by an 0603 sized ceramic capacitor with a value of at least 1 $\mu$ F, and BIAS terminal should be connected to an auxiliary source, which could be V<sub>OUT</sub>.

#### OUTPUT SHORT-CIRCUIT PROTECTION

The LT8333 configured in a SEPIC configuration protects the circuitry when the output is shorted. Thus, the EVAL-LT8333-AZ prevents damage to circuitry during quick transient output short-circuits. However, the existing diode on the evaluation circuit is selected for optimizing efficiency and quiescent current, but not for protecting continuous short-circuits. If continuous output short-circuit protection is required, a diode with the current rating above the "Switch Overcurrent Threshold" stated in the data sheet is recommended.

## TEST RESULTS



\*FB1 AND FB2 REPLACED WITH  $0\Omega$  RESISTORS

Figure 2. EVAL-LT8333-AZ Efficiency with and without EMI Filters at  $V_{OUT} = 12V$

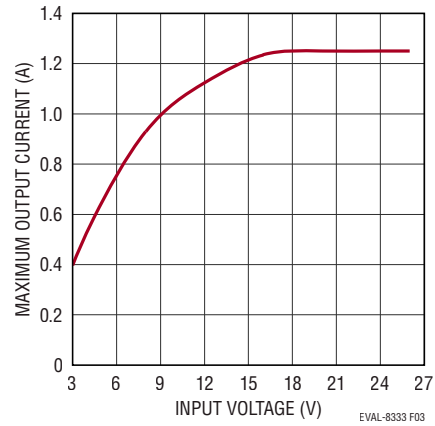


Figure 3. EVAL-LT8333-AZ Steady State Maximum Output Current vs Input Voltage

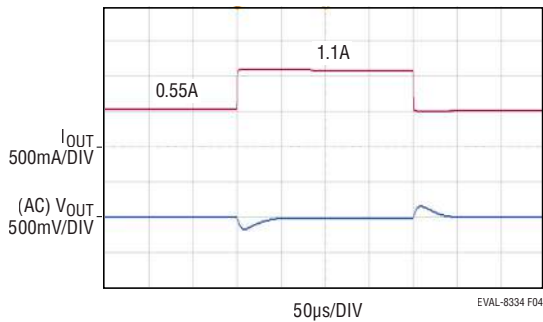


Figure 4. EVAL-LT8333-AZ Output Voltage Transient Response at  $V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $V_{OUT} = 12V$ ,  $I_{OUT} = 0.55A$  to 1.1A (JP1 = PULSE SKIP)

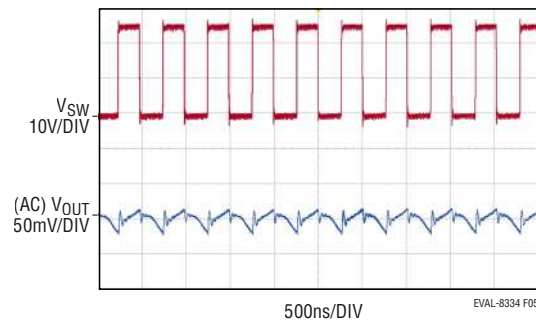
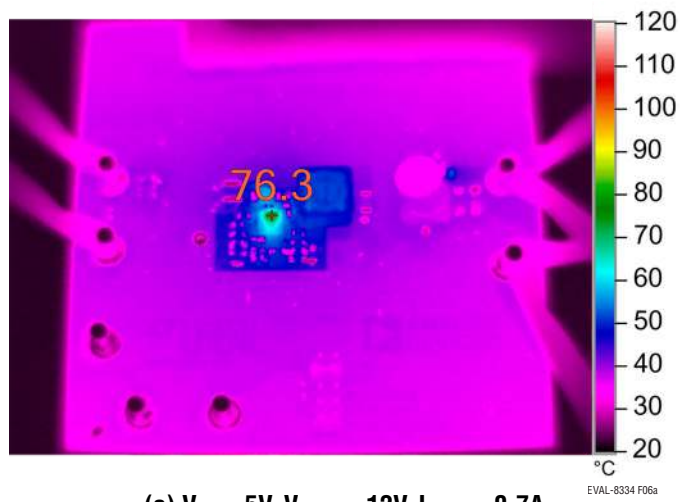
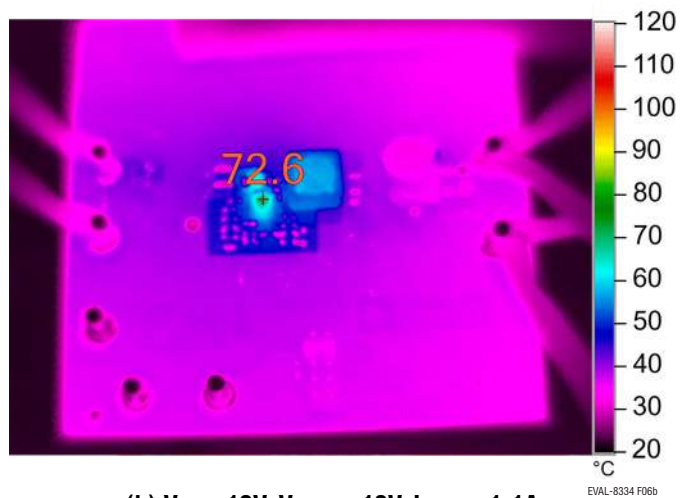


Figure 5. EVAL-LT8333-AZ Output Voltage Ripple  $\Delta V_{OUT}$  Across C2 at  $V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $V_{OUT} = 12V$ ,  $I_{OUT} = 1.1A$ ; EVAL-LT8333-AZ is Assembled with EMI Filters (SSFM is OFF)

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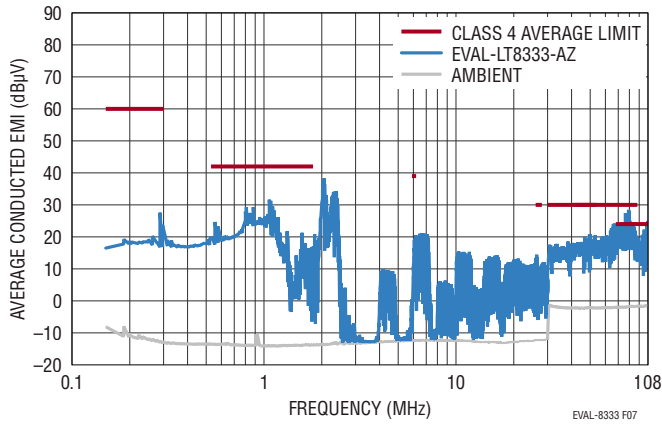
(a)  $V_{IN} = 5V$ ,  $V_{OUT} = 12V$ ,  $I_{OUT} = 0.7A$



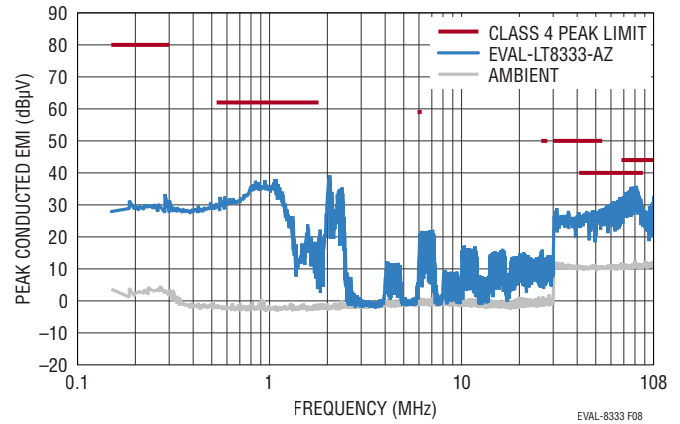
(b)  $V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $V_{OUT} = 12V$ ,  $I_{OUT} = 1.1A$

Figure 6. EVAL-LT8333-AZ Thermals (JP1 = BURST)

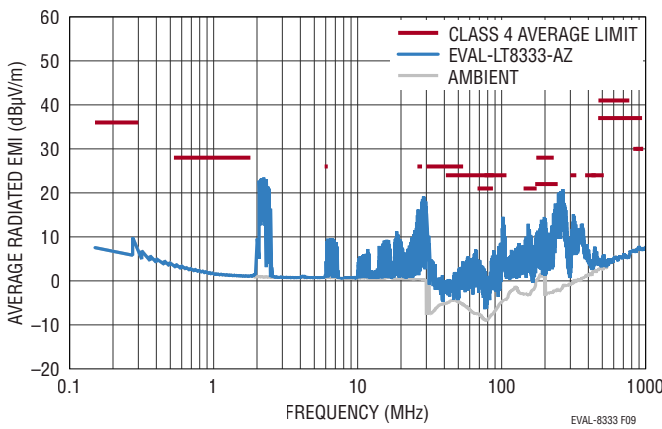
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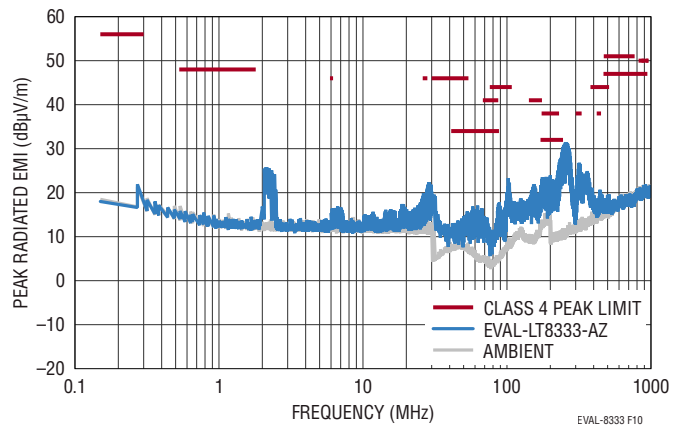
**Figure 7. EVAL-LT8333-AZ CISPR25 Voltage Conducted EMI Average Performance with 12V<sub>IN</sub> to 12V<sub>OUT</sub> at 1A, JP1 = BURST + SSFM**



**Figure 8. EVAL-LT8333-AZ CISPR25 Voltage Conducted EMI Peak Performance with 12V<sub>IN</sub> to 12V<sub>OUT</sub> at 1A, JP1 = BURST + SSFM**



**Figure 9. EVAL-LT8333-AZ CISPR25 Radiated EMI Average Performance with 12V<sub>IN</sub> to 12V<sub>OUT</sub> at 1A, JP1 = BURST + SSFM**



**Figure 10. EVAL-LT8333-AZ CISPR25 Radiated EMI Peak Performance with 12V<sub>IN</sub> to 12V<sub>OUT</sub> at 1A, JP1 = BURST + SSFM**

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## EVAL-LT8333-AZ

### PARTS LIST

| ITEM   | QTY | REFERENCE | PART DESCRIPTION   | MANUFACTURER/PART NUMBER          |
|--|-----|-----------|--|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Required Electrical Components</b>        |     |           |  |                                   |
| 1  | 1   | C1        | CAP, 1 $\mu$ F, X7R, 50V, 10%, 0805, AEC-Q200  | MURATA, GCM21BR71H105KA03L        |
| 2  | 1   | C2        | CAP, 22 $\mu$ F, X7R, 25V, 20%, 1210, AEC-Q200   | TAIYO YUDEN, TMK325B7226MMHP      |
| 3  | 1   | C4        | CAP, 10 $\mu$ F, X5R, 50V, 10%, 1206, AEC-Q200   | MURATA, GRT31CR61H106KE01L        |
| 4  | 1   | C5        | CAP, 4.7pF, C0G, 25V, $\pm$ 0.25pF, 0603, AEC-Q200   | KEMET, C0603C479C3GACAUTO         |
| 5  | 1   | C6        | CAP, 0.1 $\mu$ F, X7R, 25V, 10%, 0603, AEC-Q200  | SAMSUNG, CL10B104KA8WPNC          |
| 6  | 1   | C7        | CAP, 1 $\mu$ F, X7R, 25V, 10%, 0603, AEC-Q200  | MURATA, GCM188R71E105KA64D        |
| 7  | 1   | C9        | CAP, 330pF, C0G, 50V, 10%, 0603, AEC-Q200  | AVX, 06035A331K4T2A               |
| 8  | 1   | C10       | CAP, 1 $\mu$ F, X5R, 50V, 10%, 0603, AEC-Q200  | TAIYO YUDEN, UMK107ABJ105KAHT     |
| 9  | 2   | R1, R3    | RES., 1M, 1%, 1/10W, 0603, AEC-Q200  | VISHAY, CRCW06031M00FKEA          |
| 10   | 1   | R2        | RES., 154k, 1%, 1/10W, 0603, AEC-Q200  | PANASONIC, ERJ3EKF1543V           |
| 11   | 1   | R4        | RES., 1.15M, 1%, 1/10W, 0603, AEC-Q200   | VISHAY, CRCW06031M15FKEA          |
| 12   | 1   | R5        | RES., 20k, 1%, 1/10W, 0603, AEC-Q200   | PANASONIC, ERJ3EKF2002V           |
| 13   | 1   | R6        | RES., 56k, 5%, 1/10W, 0603, AEC-Q200   | VISHAY, CRCW060356K0JNEA          |
| 14   | 1   | D1        | DIODE, SCHOTTKY, 40V, 2A, SOT1061, AEC-Q101  | NEXPERIA, PMEG4020EPA             |
| 15   | 1   | L1        | IND., 2.5 $\mu$ H, SHIELDED COUPLED INDUCTORS, 20%, 6.2A, 33m $\Omega$ , SMD, 7.5mm $\times$ 7.5mm | COILCRAFT, MSD7342-252MLB         |
| 16   | 1   | U1        | IC, BOOST/SEPIC/INVERTING CONVERTER, 3mm $\times$ 3mm, DFN   | ANALOG DEVICES, LT8333RDD#PBF     |
| <b>Optional Low EMI Components</b>           |     |           |  |                                   |
| 1  | 1   | FB1       | IND., 600 $\Omega$ AT 100MHZ, FERRITE BEAD, 25%, 2A, 150m $\Omega$ , 0805                          | WURTH ELEKTRONIK, 742792040       |
| 2  | 1   | FB2       | IND., 120 $\Omega$ AT 100MHZ, FERRITE BEAD, 25%, 1.25A, 140m $\Omega$ , 0603                       | MURATA, NFZ18SM121SN10D           |
| 3  | 1   | C3        | CAP, 1 $\mu$ F, X7R, 25V, 10%, 0603, AEC-Q200  | MURATA, GCM188R71E105KA64D        |
| 4  | 2   | C11, C12  | CAP, 1 $\mu$ F, X5R, 50V, 20%, 0402  | TAIYO YUDEN, UMK105CBJ105MV-F     |
| 5  | 2   | C16, C17  | CAP, 2.2 $\mu$ F, X5R, 25V, 10%, 0402, AEC-Q200  | MURATA, GRT155R61E225KE13D        |
| 6  | 1   | C13       | CAP, 68 $\mu$ F, ALUM, 35V, 20%, 6.3mm $\times$ 5.8mm, AEC-Q200                                    | PANASONIC, EEEFK1V680SP           |
| 7  | 1   | C14       | CAP, 0.1 $\mu$ F, X7R, 25V, 10%, 0402, AEC-Q200  | MURATA, GCM155R71E104KE02D        |
| <b>Optional Electrical Components</b>        |     |           |  |                                   |
| 1  | 0   | C8        | CAP, OPTION, 0603  |                                   |
| 2  | 0   | R9        | RES., OPTION, 0603   |                                   |
| 3  | 1   | R8        | RES., 100k, 1%, 1/10W, 0603, AEC-Q200  | VISHAY, CRCW0603100KFKEA          |
| 4  | 1   | R7        | RES., 0 $\Omega$ , 1/10W, 0603, AEC-Q200   | VISHAY, CRCW06030000Z0EA          |
| <b>Hardware: For Evaluation Circuit Only</b> |     |           |  |                                   |
| 1  | 7   | E1 - E7   | TEST POINT, TURRET, 0.094" MTG. HOLE, PCB 0.062" THK   | MILL-MAX, 2501-2-00-80-00-00-07-0 |
| 2  | 1   | JP1       | CONN., HDR, MALE, 2 $\times$ 5, 2mm, VERT, ST, THT   | WURTH ELEKTRONIK, 62001021121     |
| 3  | 1   | TP1       | TEST POINT, 1-POS, 0.040" MTG. HOLE, 2.54mm DIA $\times$ 4.57mm L, THT, BLACK                      | KEYSTONE, 5001                    |
| 4  | 1   | XJP1      | CONN., SHUNT, FEMALE, 2-POS, 2mm   | WURTH ELEKTRONIK, 60800213421     |







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