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1.0 SCOPE

1.1 Non-IC Component Evaluations This document describes manufacturing process simulations for use with applicable component specifications to assure that electronic components can meet expected reliability requirements after exposure to assembly factory processes. It is not intended as an assembly production specification or a stand-alone qualification document. The procedure consists of a set of assembly process simulations that can be performed by either the component user or manufacturer prior to reliability testing as specified in the applicable component qualification and reliability monitoring documents. The simulations include alternative conditions depending on the component type, physical characteristics and anticipated use. The levels defined can be used for describing either expected performance characteristics by the manufacturer or the required characteristics for the users assembly process.

It is expected that a single component would be evaluated for a subset of the alternative conditions. For example, large connectors might be qualified utilizing the lower of two reflow temperature ranges while smaller packages, which typically become much hotter during infrared or convection reflow, might be qualified for the higher range. Similarly, components with physical characteristics that prohibit total immersion cleaning would not be evaluated for this type of cleaning process.

Unless otherwise specified, this document applies to both surface-mount (SM) reflowed components and through-hole (TH) components, which are wave soldered or reflowed. For wave solder of SM components, user and supplier should work together to identify appropriate procedures.

1.2 Process Limitation This document is not intended as an assembly production specification. The ranges of times and temperatures for component evaluations are considered to be outside the optimal conditions for assembly processes. The component body temperature, time at maximum temperature, and thermal spike, etc., in the actual assembly process should at no time exceed the lower limits of the specified test conditions with which the component is evaluated per this document.

2.0 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

2.1 Institute for Interconnecting and Packaging Electronic Circuits (IPC)¹

IPC-AC-62 Aqueous Cleaning Handbook

IPC-OI-645 Standard for Visual Optical Inspection Aids

IPC-TM-650 Test Methods Manual

Method 2.6.9.1 Test to Determine Sensitivity of Electronic Components to Ultrasonic Energy

IPC-SM-817 General Requirements for Dielectric Surface Mounting Adhesives

2.2 Joint Industry Standards¹

J-STD-002 Solderability Tests for Component Leads, Terminations, Lugs, Terminals, and Wires

J-STD-020 Moisture-Induced Sensitivity Classification for Plastic Integrated Circuit Surface Mount Devices

2.3 Electronic Industries Association²

EIA-541 Packaging Material Standards for ESD Sensitive Items

EIA-625 Requirements for Handling Electrostatic-Discharge-Sensitive (ESDS) Devices

JESD22-A113 Preconditioning of Plastic Surface Mount Devices Prior to Reliability Testing

3.0 TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

Spike The peak temperature of a component lead on the solder side of the board while in contact with molten solder minus its temperature prior to entering the wave. This parameter is also referred to sometimes as the “delta T” or thermal shock.

Ramp Rate Greatest temperature difference in four consecutive seconds in the entire reflow thermal profile divided by four.

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