



MEG-Array®
Solder Joint Reliability Testing Results
Summary
IPC-SM-785
TELECOM - Central Office Environment



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SUBJECT:

MEG-Array® Solder Joint Reliability Testing per the TELECOM Central Office requirements of IPC-SM-785. All testing was performed at an independent test facility.

PURPOSE:

Predict solder joint "end-of-life" of the MEG-Array® Connector System

CONCLUSION:

Per the IPC-SM-785 "end-of-life" calculation method, the MEG-Array® 400 Position, 14mm Stack Connector System has the following solder joint "end-of-life" value:

MEG-Array® Solder Joint "End-of-Life" = 22.1years

PRODUCT TESTED:

- Meg-Array® 400 Position – 14mm PCB-to-PCB Stack System
- Plug Assembly P/N 84520-102 – 400 Position, 6mm
 - Receptacle Assembly P/N 74390-101 – 400 Position, 8mm

TESTING PERFORMED:

Thermal Cycling Parameters per IPC-SM-785:

| | |
|------------------------------|--|
| Temperature Range: | 0°C to 100°C |
| Dwell Time at each Extreme: | 15 minutes |
| Ramp-Rate: | 10°C/minute |
| Total time for 1 Cycle: | 50 minutes |
| Number of Cycles per 24 hrs: | 28.8 cycles |
| Electrical Event Detection: | 100Ω Event (above initial R) for a 200 nanosecond duration or longer. |
| PCB Layout: | All 400 connector positions of each individual connector sample are "daisy-chained" to yield an individual sample resistance R. |
| Test Failure Rate Criteria: | Stop test when a minimum of 63.2% sample failure rate is achieved. |
| Failure Criteria: | Fifteen 100Ω-200ns events within 100 thermal cycles of one another. The Final R was recorded after the 15 th electrical event for all failed samples. |
| Number of Samples Tested: | 30 MEG-Array® Assemblies in the Mated Condition using mechanical PCB "edge-rails" to prevent Z-Axis movement of the test PCB's (See Photos 1, 2, & 3 on Page 4 for PCB Edge-Rail depiction). |

TEST DATA:

TABLE 1 - THERMAL CYCLE DATA

| <i>Failure Number (Sequential)</i> | <i>Sample Number</i> | <i>Number of Thermal Cycles Completed</i> | <i>Initial Resistance R (W)</i> | <i>Final Resistance R (W)</i> |
|--|----------------------|---|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 | 1-7 | 928 | 9.925 | ∞ |
| 2 | 1-10 | 997 | 9.958 | ∞ |
| 3 | 1-20 | 1046 | 9.878 | 24.118 |
| 4 | 1-11 | 1194 | 9.875 | 78.997 |
| 5 | 1-5 | 1277 | 9.951 | 35.529 |
| 6 | 1-25 | 1547 | 9.993 | 28.431 |
| 7 | 1-13 | 1638 | 9.978 | 34.126 |
| 8 | 1-6 | 1659 | 9.996 | 51.584 |
| 9 | 1-9 | 1660 | 9.961 | 118.016 |
| 10 | 1-18 | 1662 | 9.994 | ∞ |
| 11 | 1-17 | 1664 | 9.968 | 24.689 |
| 12 | 1-12 | 1681 | 9.925 | 34.353 |
| 13 | 1-1 | 1741 | 9.932 | 73.470 |
| 14 | 1-4 | 1744 | 9.962 | 21.928 |
| 15 | 1-21 | 1941 | 9.905 | 17.659 |
| 16 | 1-27 | 1942 | 10.006 | 17.466 |
| 17 | 1-14 | 2050 | 9.903 | 11.083 |
| 18 | 1-18 | 2054 | 9.946 | 41.865 |
| 19 | 1-15 | 2072 | 9.922 | 15.258 |
| 20 | 1-16 | 2242 | 9.915 | 14.804 |
| 21 | 1-23 | 2303 | 9.915 | 44.219 |
| 22 | 1-28 | 2503 | 9.989 | 12.535 |
| 23 | 1-22 | 2514 | 9.975 | 12.456 |
| 24 | 1-2 | 2588 | 9.999 | 14.355 |
| 25 | 1-3 | * | 9.952 | * |
| 26 | 1-19 | * | 9.989 | * |
| 27 | 1-24 | * | 10.001 | * |
| 28 | 1-26 | * | 9.943 | * |
| 29 | 1-29 | * | 10.017 | * |
| 30 | 1-30 | * | 9.996 | * |

*Sample had not failed after 2588 Thermal Cycles (after 80% Failure-Rate was achieved and test was stopped)

TEST VEHICLE PHOTOS (TYPICAL)

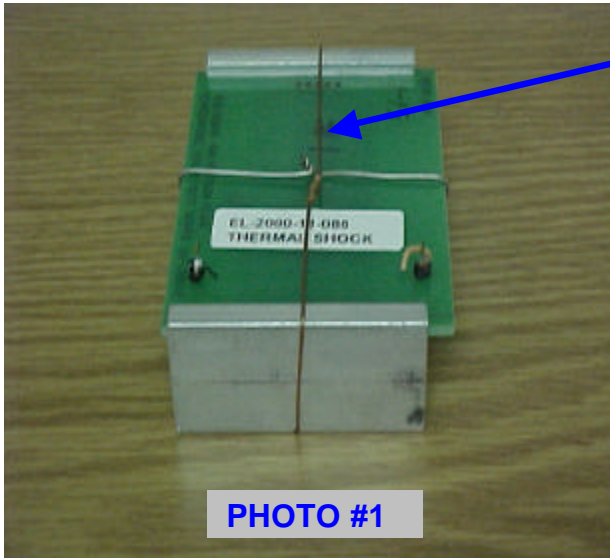


PHOTO #1

Wire used to secure mated system together

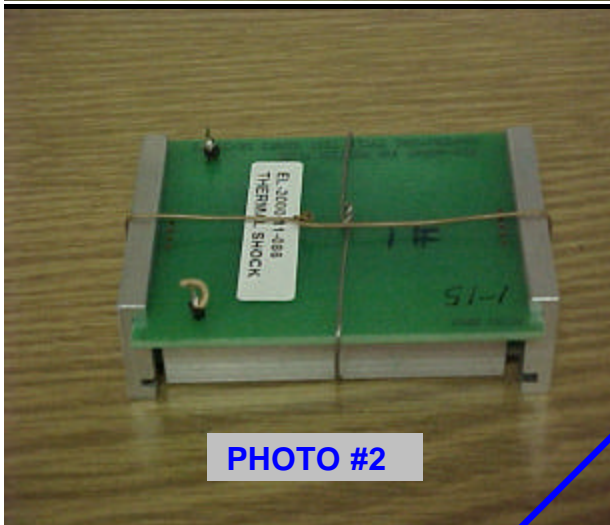


PHOTO #2

PCB "edge-rails" to prevent Z-Axis movement of PCB's during testing (typical on both ends of both test PCB's)

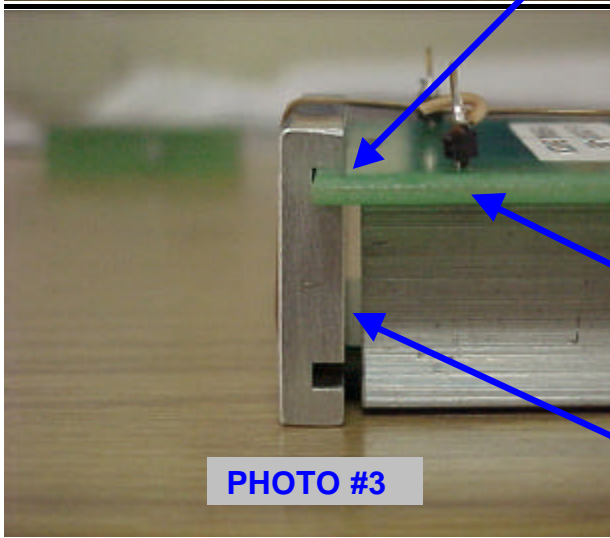
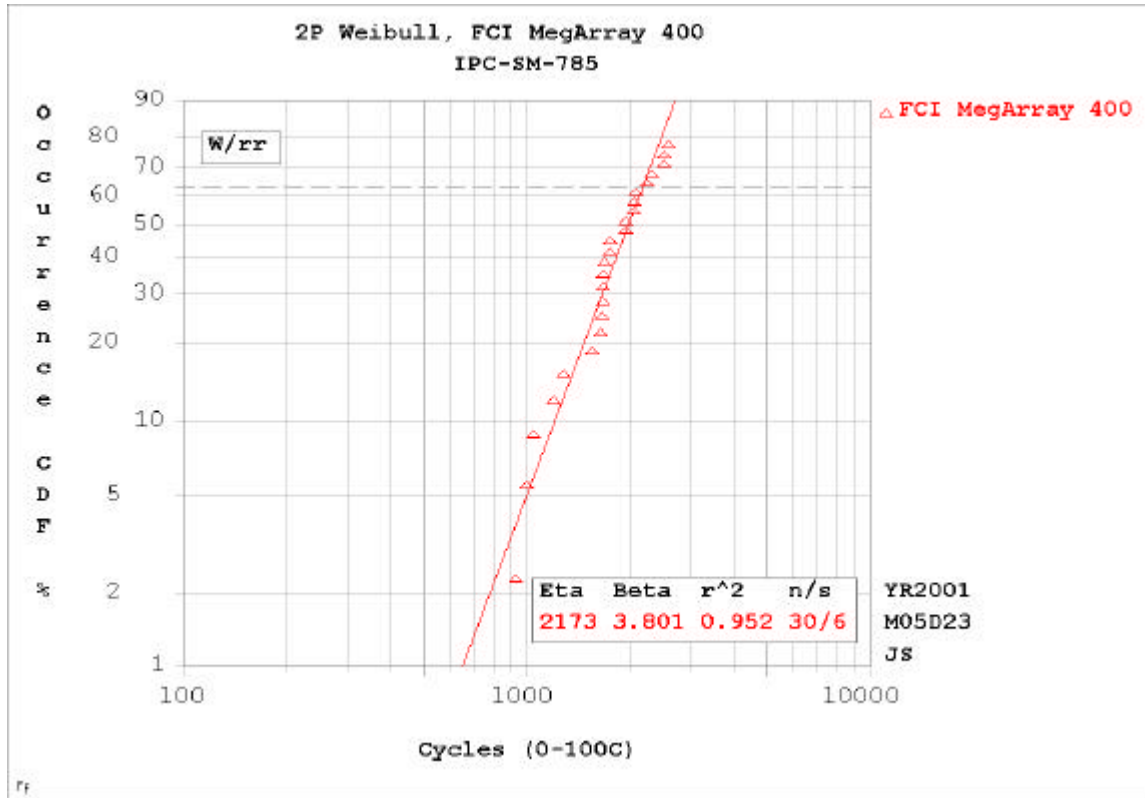


PHOTO #3

Single Layer Test PCB's
- PCB Thickness = .093" Nominal (Typ)
- No Internal Ground Planes

Edge-Rail Material: Aluminum

2 Parameter Weibull Distribution of Test Data:



Distribution Analysis (Regression)

Weibull [t0 = None ... 2 Parameter]

Correlation(r)=.9757049 r²=.952 ccc²=.9121 r²-ccc²= .0399 (Okay)
Characteristic Value=2173 Weibull Slope=3.801 Method=rr

Weibull [t0 = 632.5634 ... 3 Parameter] [Scale Not As Recorded]

Correlation(r)=.9813256 r²=.963 ccc²=.9577 r²-ccc²= .0053 (Okay)
Characteristic Value=1580 Weibull Slope=2.112 Method=rr/t0^β

LogNorm [t0 = None ... 2 Parameter]

Correlation(r)=.9813256 r²=.963 ccc²=.9284 r²-ccc²= .0346 (Okay)
Log-Mean Antilog=1945 Std. Dev. Factor=1.465 Method=rr

Normal+ [t0 = None ... 2 Parameter]

Correlation(r)=.9767292 r²=.954 ccc²=.9284 r²-ccc²= .0256 (Okay)
Mean=1985 Std. Deviation=622.5 Method=rr

Optimum Distribution: Weibull [t0 = None ... 2 Parameter]

Note: Weibull Distribution was third party generated using the testing data shown in TABLE 1

END-OF-LIFE CALCULATION:

Per IPC-SM-785, the following Modified Coffin-Manson (Norris-Landsberg) Equation (EQ 1) is used to calculate the Acceleration Factor (AF) for product features that are purely "creep" dominated such as solder joints:

$$\text{EQ 1: } AF = [\Delta T_L / \Delta T_F]^{1.9} [F_F / F_L]^{1/3} e^{(1414\{1/T_{\text{max}_F} - 1/T_{\text{max}_L}\})}$$

Where:

AF = Calculated Acceleration Factor (Cyclic Basis)
 ΔT = Package/Board Temperature Difference Between T_{OFF} & T_{ON} ($^{\circ}\text{K}$)
 T_{MAX} = Maximum Solder Joint Temperature
F = Cyclic Frequency (in cycles per 24 hour period)
F, L Subscripts = Denotes Field and Lab (i.e. ATC) Conditions, Respectively

Values used in Modified Coffin-Manson to Calculate AF:

ΔT_L = 100 $^{\circ}\text{K}$ (Testing Temperature Range: 0 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to 100 $^{\circ}\text{C}$)
 ΔT_F = 15 $^{\circ}\text{K}$ (Use 15 $^{\circ}\text{K}$ for Central Office; Use 35 $^{\circ}\text{K}$ for Outdoor)
 T_{MAX_L} = 373 $^{\circ}\text{K}$ (100 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ Test Temperature Extreme)
 T_{MAX_F} = 318 $^{\circ}\text{K}$ (Use 45 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ for both Central Office & Outdoor)
 F_L = 28.8 Cycles/24 Hours (Based on 50 minute test cycle)
 F_F = 6 Cycles/24 Hours (Use 6 for TELECOM which is considered 1 Cycle/Day)

$$AF = [100^{\circ}\text{K} / 15^{\circ}\text{K}]^{1.9} [6 \text{ cycles/day} / 28.8 \text{ cycles/day}]^{1/3} e^{(1414\{1/318\text{K} - 1/373\text{K}\})}$$

$$AF = 41.98499$$

For End-of-Life (Estimated Field Life):

$$\text{EQ 2:} \quad N_F = AF \times N_L$$

Where:

N_F = Cyclic Failure Life in the Field

N_L = Cyclic Failure Life in the Lab (i.e. ATC)

AF = Acceleration Factor from Modified Coffin-Manson Equation

The Cumulative Weibull Probability Function is as follows:

$$\text{EQ 3 :} \quad Fw(t) = 1 - e^{-(t/\alpha)^\beta}$$

Where :

$Fw(t)$ = Cumulative Probability Function (Input = Allowable Failure Rate)

t = Cyclic Failure Life (in Cycles)

α = Eta = Time Constant/Characteristic from 2P Weibull Distribution (in Cycles)

β = Weibull Exponent Constant from 2P Weibull Distribution

$$\text{EQ 4:} \quad t = N_L = \text{Cyclic Failure Life}$$

Solving the EQ 3 for the cyclic failure life t yields EQ 5:

$$Fw(t) = 1 - e^{-(t/\alpha)^\beta}$$

$$Fw(t) - 1 = - e^{-(t/\alpha)^\beta}$$

$$1 - Fw(t) = e^{-(t/\alpha)^\beta}$$

$$\ln[1 - Fw(t)] = -(t/\alpha)^\beta$$

$$\{-\ln[1 - Fw(t)]\}^{1/\beta} = t/\alpha$$

$$\text{EQ 5 : } \quad t = \alpha \{-\ln[1 - F_w(t)]\}^{1/\beta}$$

Substituting a .01% Failure Rate into EQ 5 for $F_w(t)$ yields the following (.01% Failure Rate = 100 ppm Failure Rate):

$$t = \alpha \{-\ln[1 - F_w(t)]\}^{1/\beta}$$

Where :

$F_w(t) = .0001$ Failure Rate

$\alpha = \text{Eta} = 2173$ (Time Constant/Characteristic from 2P Weibull Distribution)

$\beta = 3.801$ (Weibull Exponent Constant from 2P Weibull Distribution)

$$t = 2173 \text{ Cycles } \{-\ln[1 - F_w(.0001)]\}^{1/3.801} = 192.636 \text{ Cycles}$$

Per EQ 4 :

$$N_L = t = 192.639 \text{ Cycles}$$

Substituting N_L into EQ 2 yields :

$$N_F = A_F \times N_L$$

$$N_F = 41.98499 \times 192.639 \text{ Cycles}$$

$$N_F = 8087.94 \text{ Cycles (Cyclic Field End-of Life)}$$

TELECOM = 1 Cycle/Day

$$[8087.94 \text{ Cycles}] / [365 \text{ Cycles/Year}] = 22.158 \text{ years}$$

END-OF-LIFE = 22.1 Years

TEST EQUIPMENT LIST

| <i>Equipment</i> | <i>Manufacturer</i> | <i>Model#</i> | <i>Lab#</i> | <i>Last Cal</i> | <i>Next Cal</i> |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------|------------------|-----------------|
| <i>Digital Multimeter</i> | Hewlett Packard | 3441A | TL567 | 02/05/00 | 02/05/01 |
| <i>Harness</i> | Trace Laboratories | N/A | N/A | Verified as used | |
| <i>Chart Recorder</i> | Honeywell | DR4500 | TL542 | 07/16/00 | 07/16/01 |
| <i>Temp Cycling Chamber</i> | BLUE M | OV520- 2 | TL576 | Verified as used | |
| <i>Event Detector</i> | Analysis Tech | STD256 | TL492 | 04/13/00 | 04/13/01 |
| <i>Data Logger</i> | Fluke | 2635A TL543 | | 07/02/00 | 07/02/01 |
| <i>Holding Fixture</i> | Trace Labs | N/A | N/A | Verified as used | |