

Product Change Notice

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Re: DC-DC and System Module Labeling

To Our Valued Customers:

We appreciate your use of Vicor modules. The purpose of this notice is to inform you of an improvement and cosmetic change to the product.

PCN Type:

Notice of a product cosmetic change and improvement .

Product(s) Affected:

DC-DC Converters

Maxi, Mini, Micro

VI-2xx, VI-Jxx

MI-2xx, MI-Jxx

System modules

FIAMs, FARMs, M-FIAMs, ARMs, ENMODs,

VI-HAM, VI-RAM, VI-AIM, VI-IAM

MI-IAM, MI-RAM, MI-AIM

Proposed Changes:

For Maxi, Mini, Micro, FIAMs, FARMs, M-FIAMs, ARMs and ENMODs, the label will change to a silver background with black lettering from the current black background with white lettering.

For VI-2xx, VI-Jxx, MI-2xx, MI-Jxx, VI-RAM, VI-IAM, VI-AIM, VI-HAM, MI-IAM, MI-RAM, MI-AIM, the label will change to a more reflective silver color and the Vicor logo will change to black. See an example of the change in Figure 1 below.

A significant improvement is the addition of side labels denoting the part number and serial number of the module that will provide date of manufacture information. Figure 2 shows an example of the side label.

Customer Impact:

Customer impact is nil. The new labeling is significantly more readable and the side labels eliminate the problem of identifying the module when it is mounted on a PCB.

No electrical, functional or physical dimension changes have been made to the product.

Reliability/qualification summary

The new labels have been subjected to and passed an exhaustive series qualification tests that are standard for all modules.

Timing of the change

The conversion to the new labels will be phased in during the month of April, 2008. The Maxi, Mini, Micro, FARM, ARM, FIAM, M-FIAM and ENMODs will be phased in first with the remainder of the products following about 4 weeks later. For a short period, it's possible that shipments will contain modules with both types of labels.



Previous Label

New Label

Figure 1: New label (right) compared to previous label (left)



Figure 2: New side label

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