



# EVQ3438-QH-0000-00A

## 10V, 2A, High-Efficiency, Fully Integrated, Synchronous Boost Converter Evaluation Board, AEC-Q100 Qualified

### DESCRIPTION

The EVQ3438-QH-0000-00A is an evaluation board designed to demonstrate the capabilities of the MPQ3438-0000, a highly integrated, 2.6MHz quasi-fixed frequency, boost converter with a wide 0.8V to 10V input voltage ( $V_{IN}$ ) range. The MPQ3438-0000 starts from a  $V_{IN}$  as low as 2.7V, and its integrated, low on resistance ( $R_{DS(ON)}$ ) power MOSFETs support a switching current limit up to 2A. The output voltage ( $V_{OUT}$ ) ranges between  $1.25 \times V_{IN}$  and 16V.

The MPQ3438-0000 adopts an adaptive constant-off-time (COT) control topology to provide fast transient response. An internal frequency loop ensures that the switching frequency ( $f_{SW}$ ) is fixed during steady state

operation. The cycle-by-cycle current limit on the low-side MOSFET (LS-FET) prevents current runaway, and the high-side MOSFET (HS-FET) eliminates the need for an external Schottky diode.

The MPQ3438-0000 works in power-saving mode (PSM) under light-load conditions, which reduces  $f_{SW}$  and power loss.

Full protection features include configurable input under-voltage lockout (UVLO) and over-temperature protection (OTP).

The EVQ3438-QH-0000-00A is fully assembled and tested. The MPQ3438-0000 is available in a QFN-8 (1.5mmx2mm) package with wettable flanks. It is available in AEC-Q100 Grade 1.

### PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

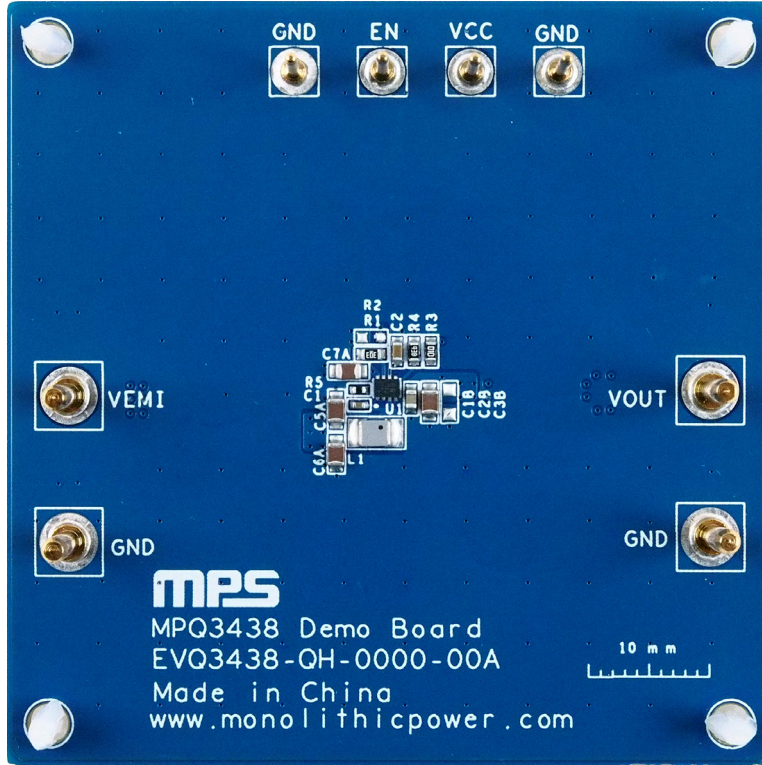
Specifications are at  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , unless otherwise noted.

Parameters	Conditions	Value
Input voltage ( $V_{IN}$ ) range	$V_{OUT}$ set to 12V	2.7V to 8V <sup>(1)</sup>
Output voltage ( $V_{OUT}$ )		12V
Output current ( $I_{OUT}$ )	$V_{IN} = 3.3V$ , $V_{OUT} = 12V$	0.3A <sup>(2)</sup>
Typical efficiency	$V_{IN} = 3.3V$ , $V_{OUT} = 12V$ , $I_{OUT} = 0.3A$	85.8%
Peak efficiency	$V_{IN} = 8V$ , $V_{OUT} = 12V$ , $I_{OUT} = 0.3A$	95.1%

#### Notes:

- 1) If  $V_{OUT}$  is below  $1.25 \times V_{IN}$ , the operating frequency folds back to prevent current spikes and provide smooth start-up control. Once  $V_{OUT}$  exceeds  $1.25 \times V_{IN}$ ,  $f_{SW}$  returns to the nominal 2.6MHz, so that  $V_{IN}$  should be below  $V_{OUT} / 1.25$ .
- 2) Due to the switching current limit (2A), the maximum  $I_{OUT}$  range is affected by  $V_{IN}$ .

**EVQ3438-QH-0000-00A EVALUATION BOARD**



**LxWxH (6.35cmx6.35cmx1.3cm)**

Board Number	MPS IC Number
EVQ3438-QH-0000-00A	MPQ3438GQHE-0000-AEC1

## QUICK START GUIDE

The EVQ3438-QH-0000-00A evaluation board is easy to set up and use to evaluate the MPQ3438-0000's performance. For proper measurement equipment set-up, refer to Figure 3 on page 5 and follow the steps below:

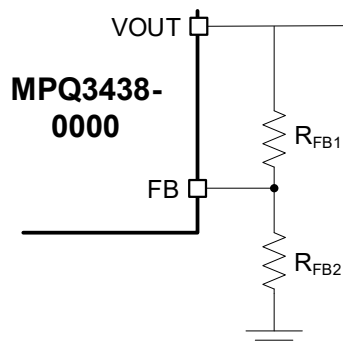
1. Preset the power supply between 2.7V and 8V, then turn off the power supply.
2. Set the load current. The maximum  $I_{OUT}$  is affected by  $V_{IN}$  due to the 2A switching current limit on the integrated low-side MOSFET (LS-FET).

Table 1 shows the maximum output current ( $I_{O\_MAX}$ ) reference for different input voltages when using  $L1 = 1.5\mu H$ , as tested on the EVQ3438-QH-0000-00A.

**Table 1:  $V_{IN}$  vs.  $I_{O\_MAX}$**

$V_{OUT}$ (V)	$V_{IN}$ (V)	$I_{O\_MAX}$ (A)
12	3.3	0.3
	5	0.5
	6	0.6
	8	0.9

3. Connect the power supply terminals to (see Figure 2 on page 4):
  - a. Positive (+): VEMI
  - b. Negative (-): GND
4. Connect the load terminals to (see Figure 2 on page 4):
  - a. Positive (+): VOUT
  - b. Negative (-): GND
5. After making the connections, turn on the power supply. The board should automatically start up.
6. To use the enable function, apply a digital input to the EN pin. Apply a voltage on the EN pin that exceeds its high threshold (1V maximum), and the MPQ3438 starts up some of its internal circuits in micro-power mode. If the EN voltage ( $V_{EN}$ ) exceeds the turn-on threshold (1.2V), the MPQ3438-0000 enables all functions and starts boost operation. If the enable function is not used, EN can be connected directly to  $V_{IN}$ .
7. The 12V output voltage ( $V_{OUT}$ ) is set by an internal, integrated feedback resistor divider (see Figure 1).



**Figure1: Feedback Divider Network**

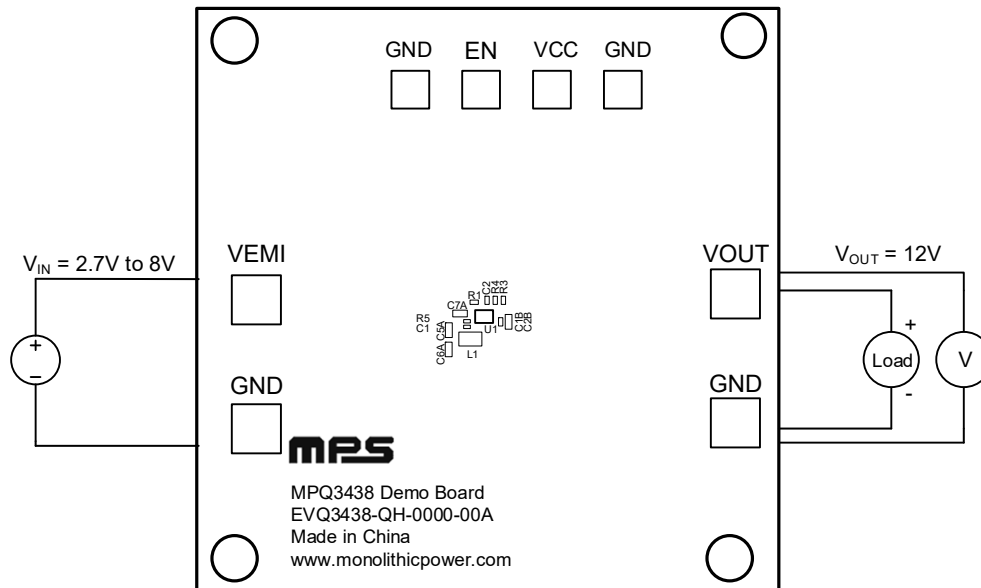
Table 2 lists the recommended feedback resistor values for common  $V_{OUT}$  values.

**Table 2: Feedback Resistor Selection for the MPQ3438-0000**

$V_{OUT}$ (V)	$R_{FB1}$ (k $\Omega$ )	$R_{FB2}$ (k $\Omega$ )
8	100 (1%)	14.3 (1%)
12	100 (1%)	9.09 (1%)
16	100 (1%)	6.65 (1%)

Refer to the Application Information section in the MPQ3438-0000's datasheet to calculate the inductance and output capacitance.

Figure 2 shows the measurement equipment set-up.



**Figure 2: Measurement Equipment Set-Up**

## EVALUATION BOARD SCHEMATIC

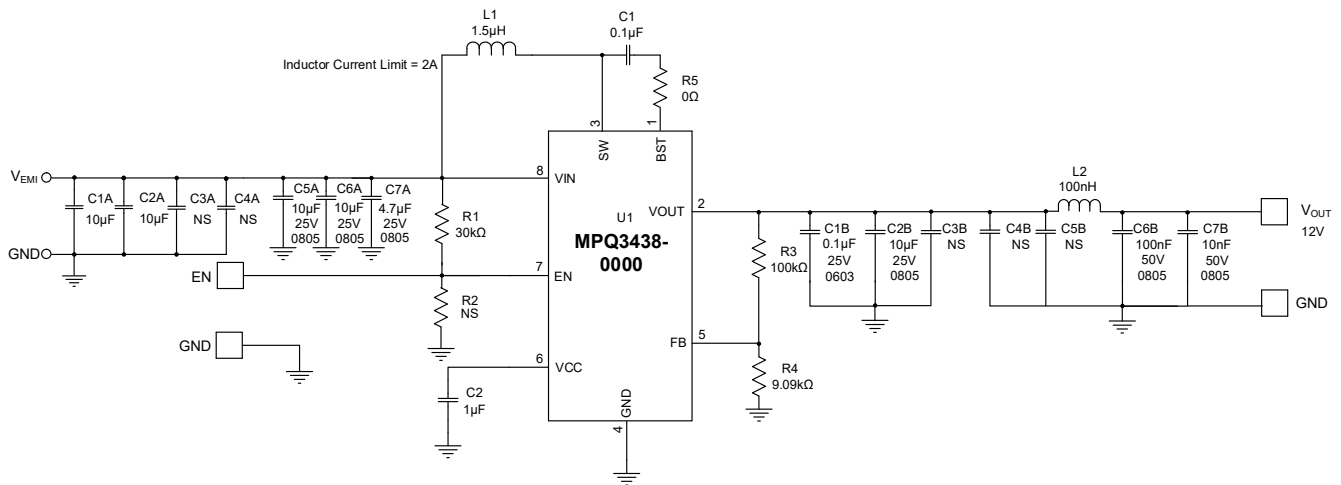
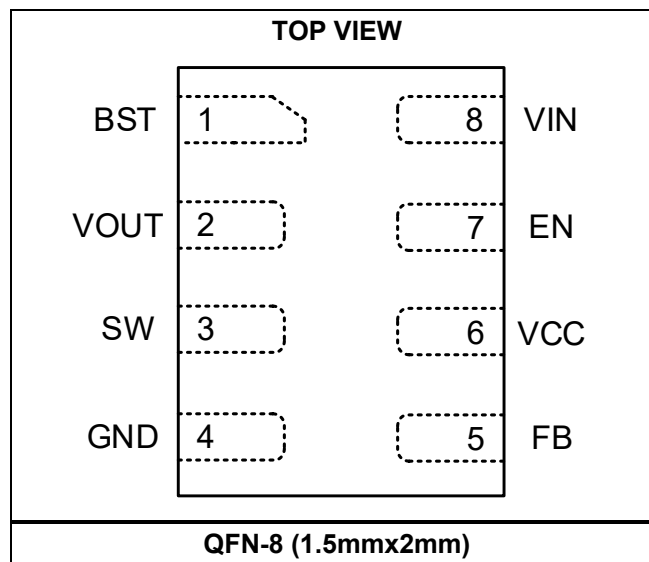


Figure 3: Evaluation Board Schematic

## PACKAGE REFERENCE



**EVQ3438-QH-0000-00A BILL OF MATERIALS**

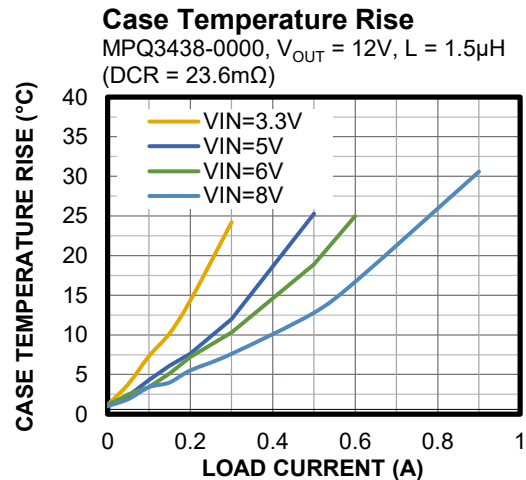
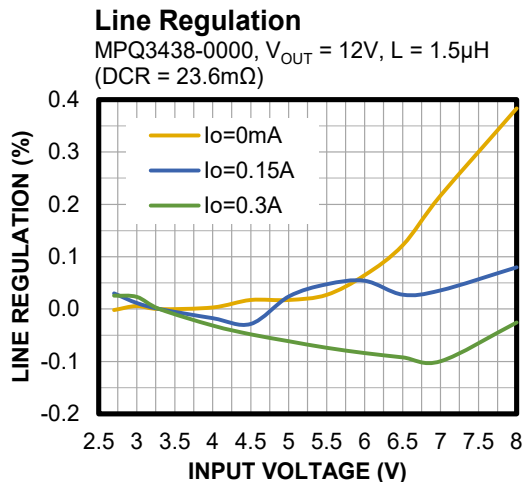
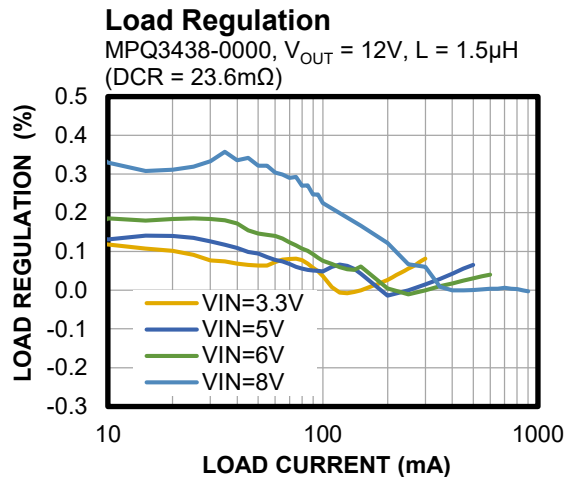
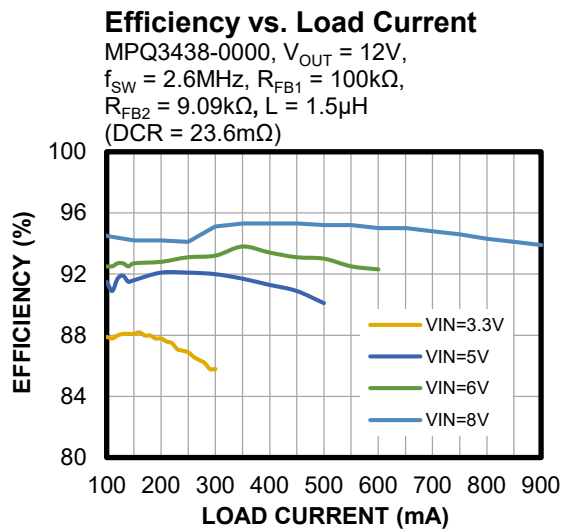
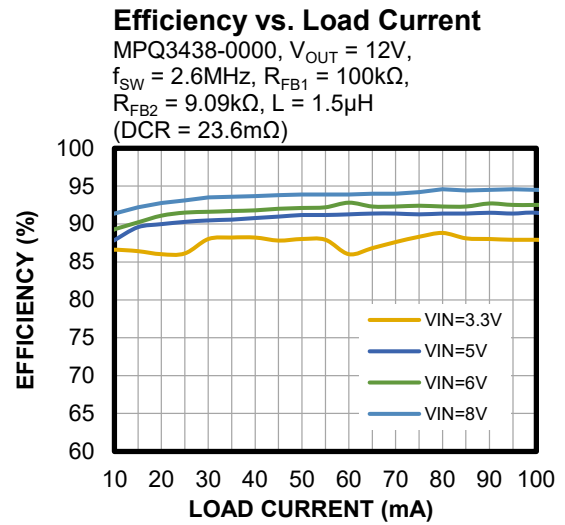
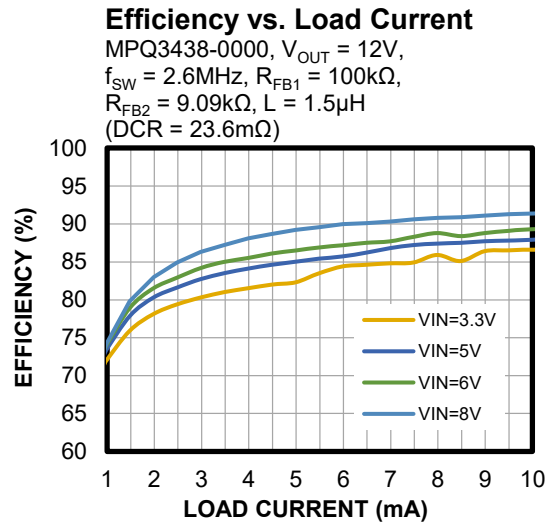
Qty	Ref	Value	Description	Package	Manufacturer	Manufacturer PN
1	C1	0.1 $\mu$ F	Capacitor, 50V, X7R	0402	Murata	GRM155R71H104KE14D
1	C2	1 $\mu$ F	Capacitor, 16V, X7R	0603	Murata	GRM188R71C105KA12D
1	C1B	0.1 $\mu$ F	Capacitor, 50V, X7R	0603	Murata	GRM188R71H104KA93D
5	C1A, C2A, C5A, C6A, C2B	10 $\mu$ F	Capacitor, 35V, X7R	0805	Murata	GRM21BR6YA106KE43L
1	C7A	4.7 $\mu$ F	Capacitor, 35V, X7R	0805	Murata	CGA4J1X7R1V475KT000 N
1	C6B	10nF	Capacitor, 50V, X7R	0805	TDK	C2012X7R1H103K
1	C7B	100nF	Capacitor, 50V, X7R	0805	Murata	GRM21BR71H104KA01L
0	C3A, C3B, C4A, C4B, C5B	NS	Capacitor, 16V, X7R	0805	Murata	GRM216R71C103KA01D
1	L1	1.5 $\mu$ H	Inductor, 50m $\Omega$ , 3.1A	SMD	Cyntec	VCTA25201B-1R5MS6-99
1	L2	100nH	Inductor, 9m $\Omega$ , 12.8A	SMD	Cyntec	VCTA25201B-R10MS6-99
1	R1	30k $\Omega$	Film resistor, 1%	0603	Yageo	RC0603FR-0730KL
0	R2	NS	Film resistor, 1%	0603		
1	R3	100k $\Omega$	Film resistor, 1%	0603	Yageo	RC0603FR-07100KL
1	R4	9.09k $\Omega$	Film resistor, 1%	0603	Yageo	RC0603FR-079K09L
1	R5	0 $\Omega$	Film resistor, 1%	0402	Yageo	RC0402FR-070RL
4	VCC, EN, GND, GND	1.0mm	Connector, 1.0mm golden pin	DIP	Custom <sup>(3)</sup>	
4	VOUT, VEMI, GND, GND	2.0mm	Connector, 2.0mm golden pin	DIP	Custom <sup>(3)</sup>	
1	U1	MPQ3438- 0000	Boost converter	QFN-8 (1.5mmx 2mm)	MPS	MPQ3438GQHE-0000

**Note:**

3) MPS custom-produces these pins. Contact an MPS FAE for more information.

## EVB TEST RESULTS

Performance curves and waveforms are tested on the evaluation board.  $V_{IN} = 3.3V$ ,  $V_{OUT} = 12V$ ,  $C_{OUT} = 10\mu F$ ,  $L = 1.5\mu H$ ,  $T_A = 25^\circ C$ , unless otherwise noted.

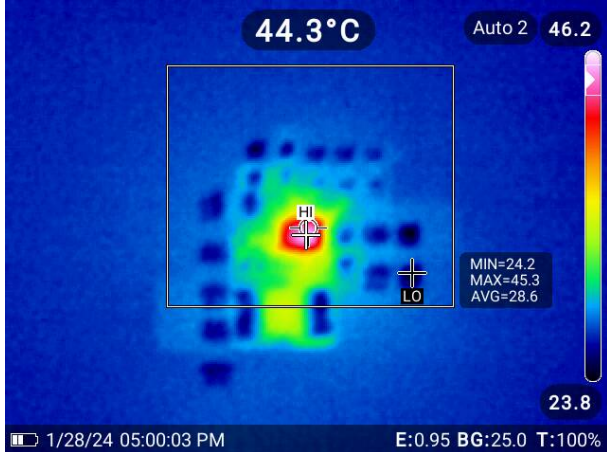


## EVB TEST RESULTS *(continued)*

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### Thermal Performance

$V_{IN} = 3.3V$ ,  $I_{OUT} = 0.3A$ , no forced airflow,  $T_{CASE} = 44.3^\circ C$



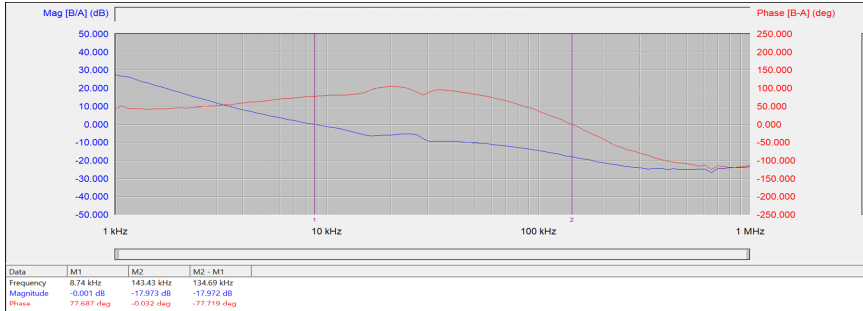


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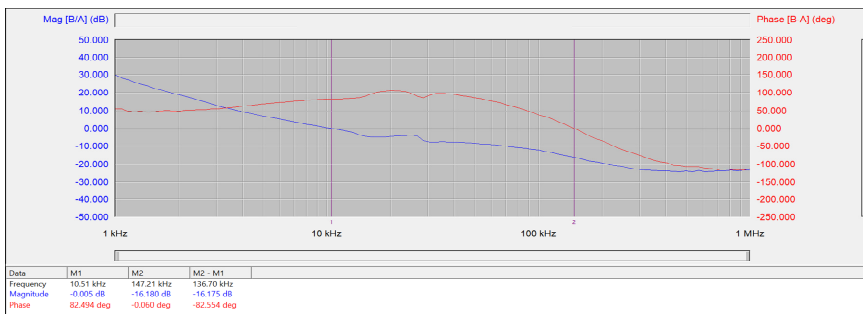
### Loop Performance

$I_{OUT} = 0.3A$ ,  $T_A = 25^\circ C$



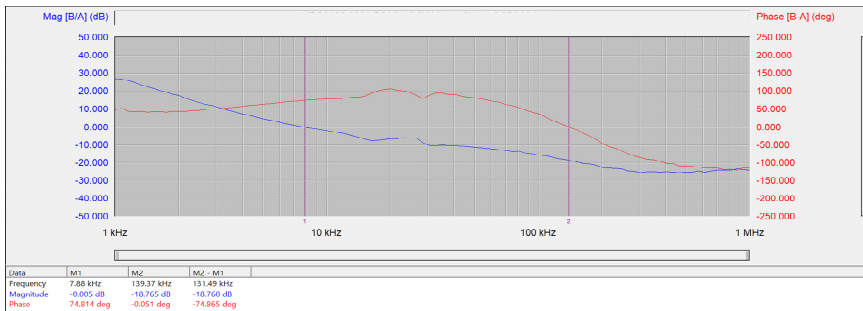
### Loop Performance

$I_{OUT} = 0.3A$ ,  $T_A = -40^\circ C$



### Loop Performance

$I_{OUT} = 0.3A$ ,  $T_A = 125^\circ C$

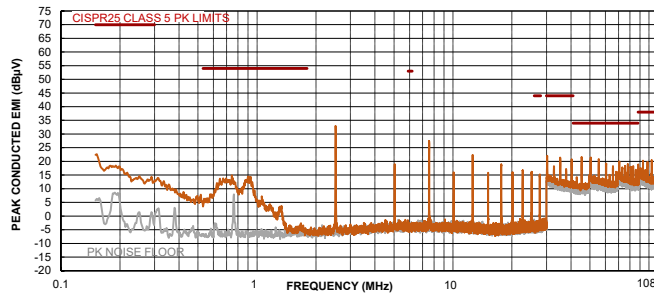


## EVB TEST RESULTS (continued)

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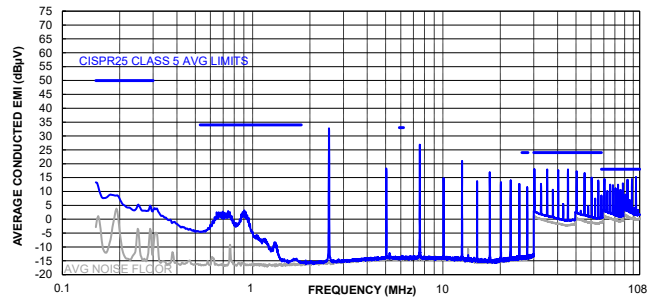
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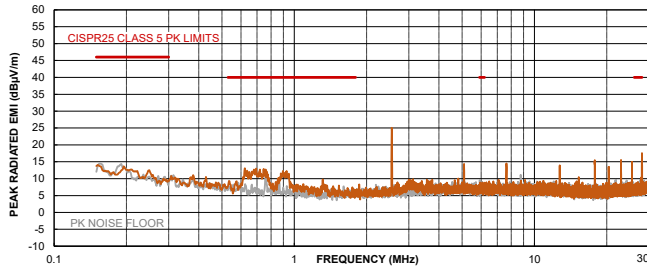
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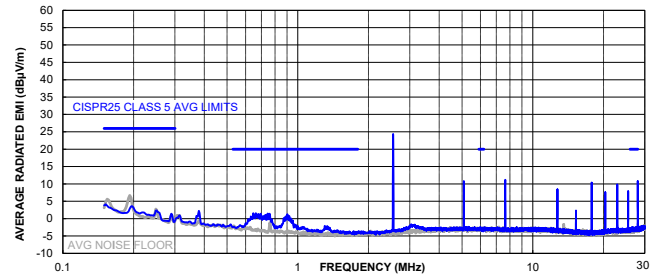
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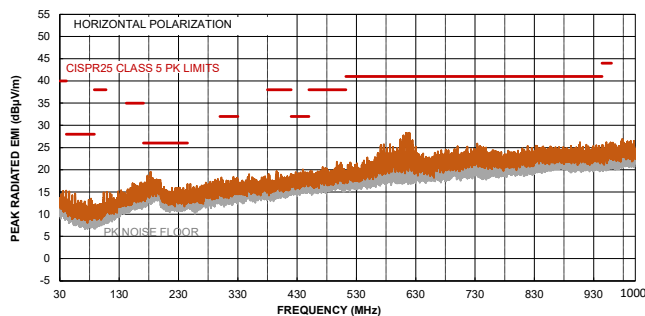
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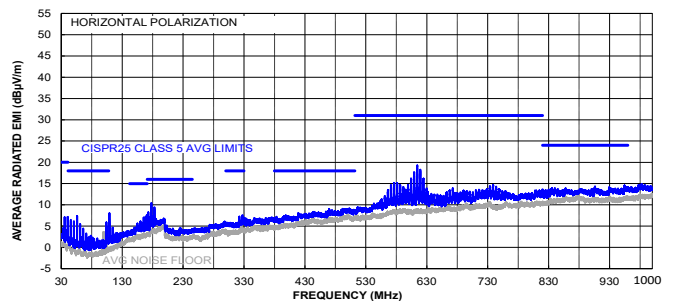
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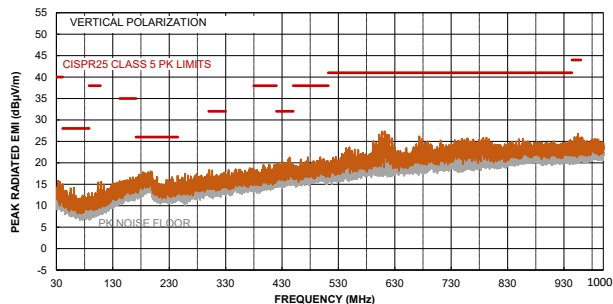
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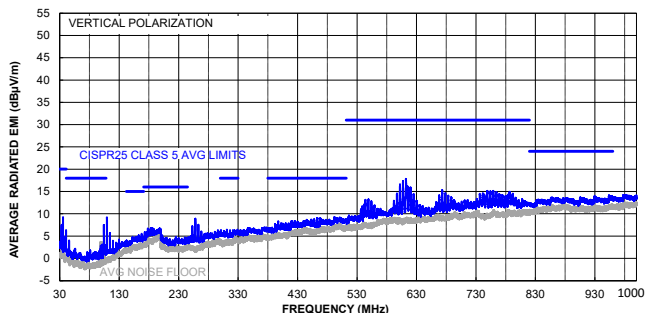
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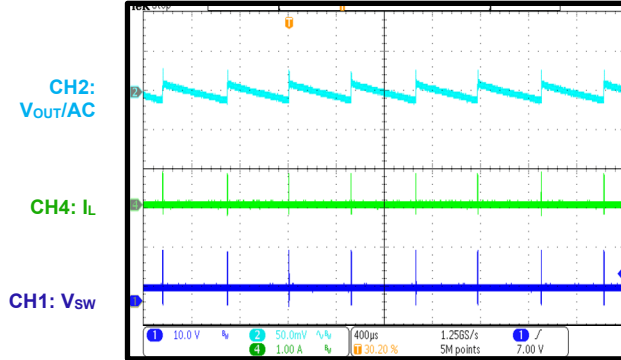


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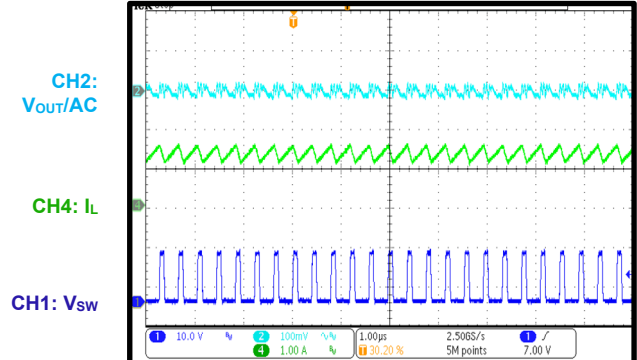
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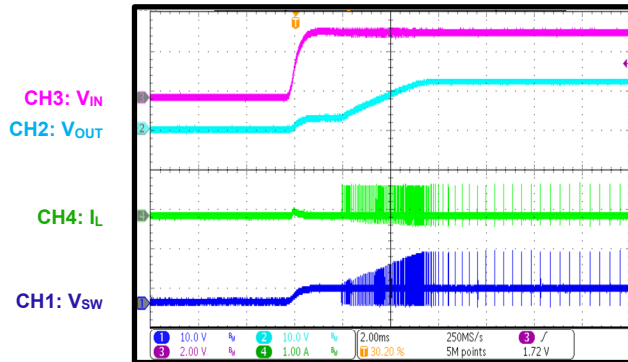
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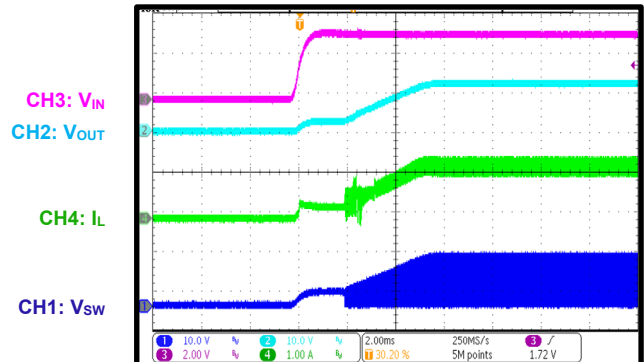
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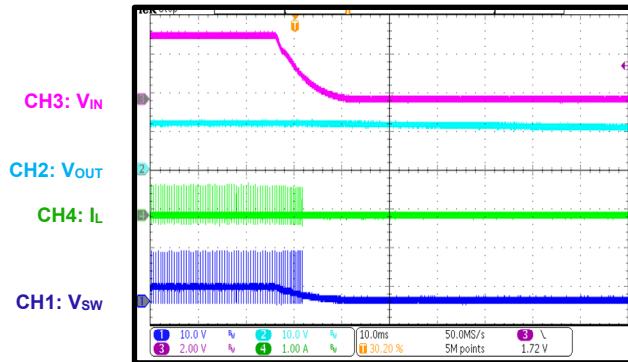
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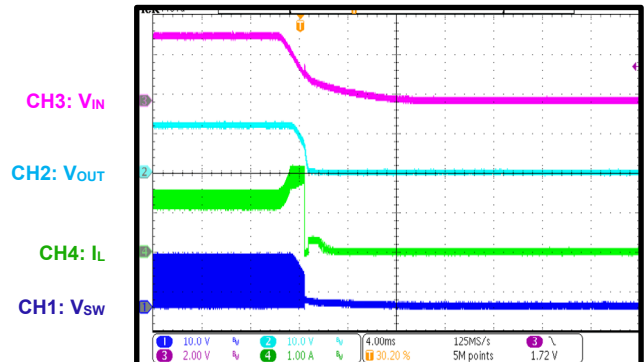
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### Shutdown through VIN

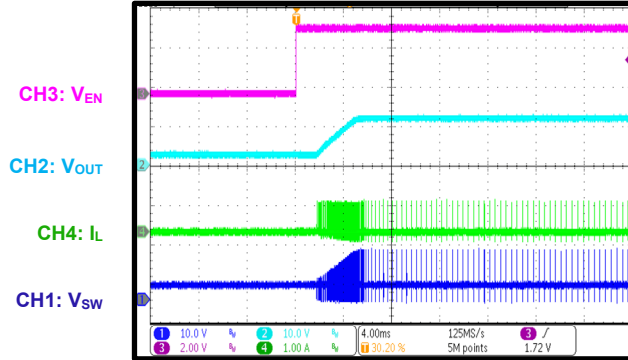
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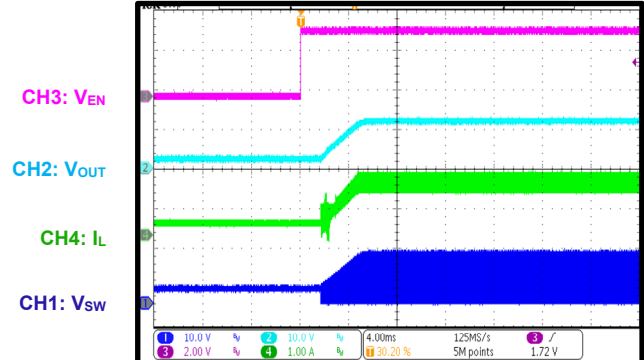
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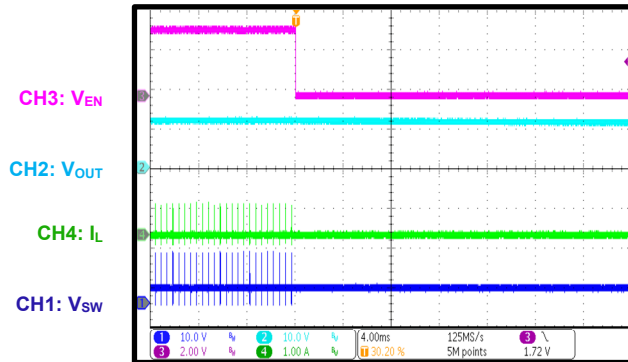
**Start-Up through EN**  
 $I_{OUT} = 0A$ , AAM mode



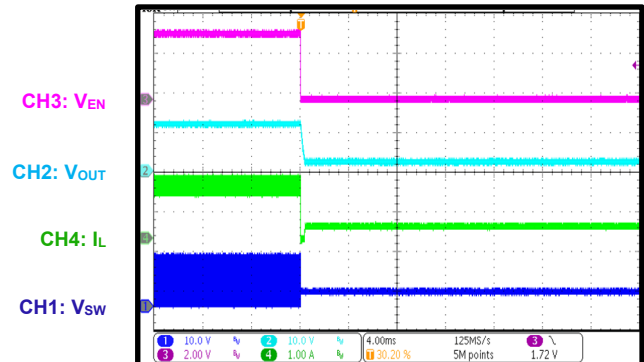
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 $I_{OUT} = 0.3A$



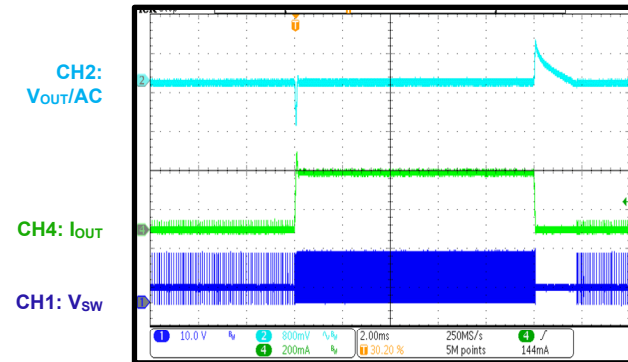
**Shutdown through EN**  
 $I_{OUT} = 0A$



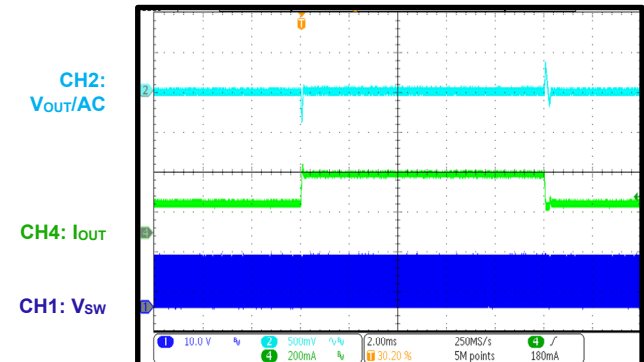
**Shutdown through EN**  
 $I_{OUT} = 0.3A$



**Load Transient Response**  
 $I_{OUT} = 0A$  to  $0.3A$ ,  $1.6A/\mu s$



**Load Transient Response**  
 $I_{OUT} = 0.15A$  to  $0.3A$ ,  $1.6A/\mu s$

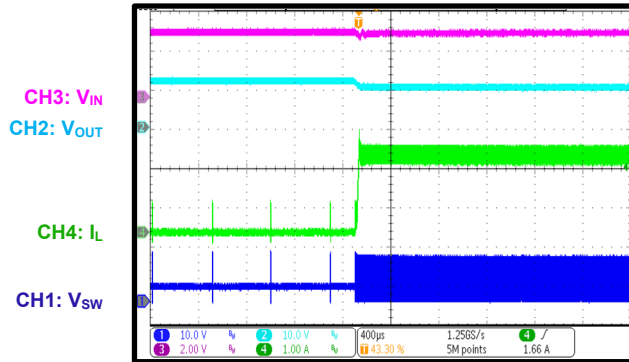


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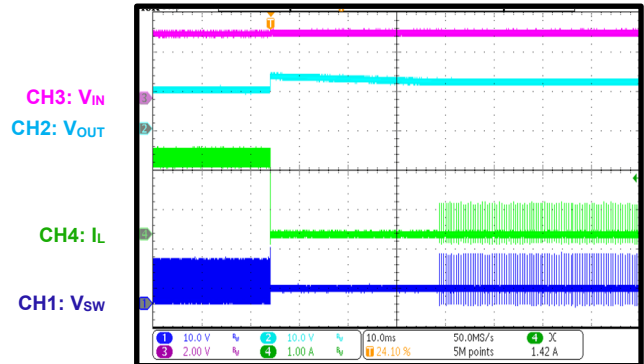
### OCP Entry

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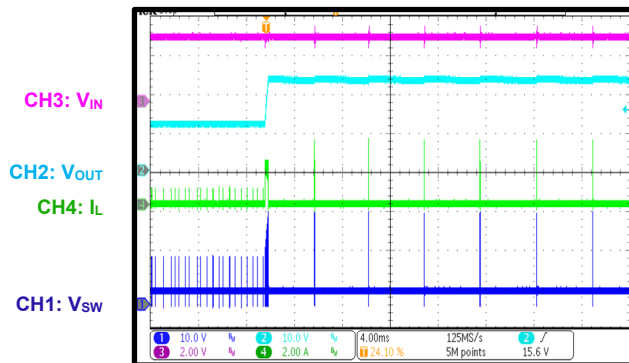
### OCP Recovery

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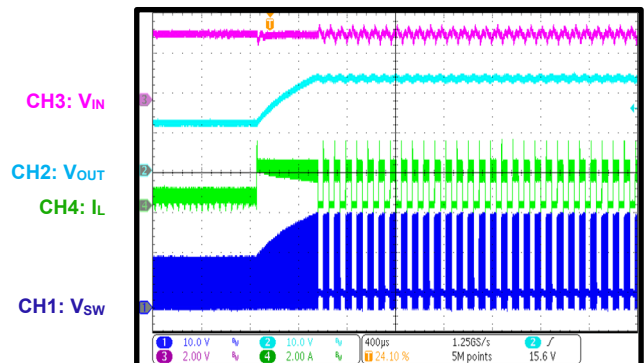
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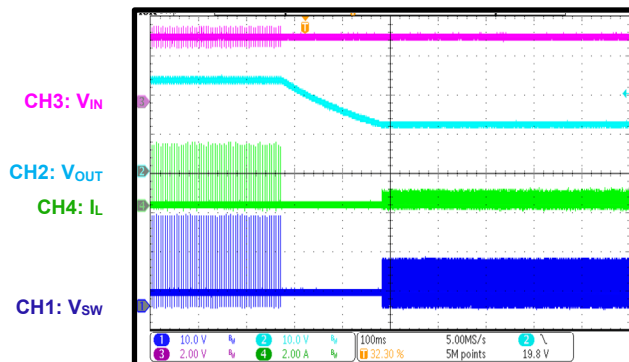
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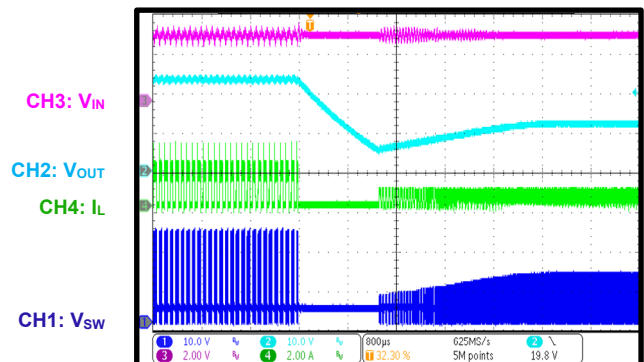
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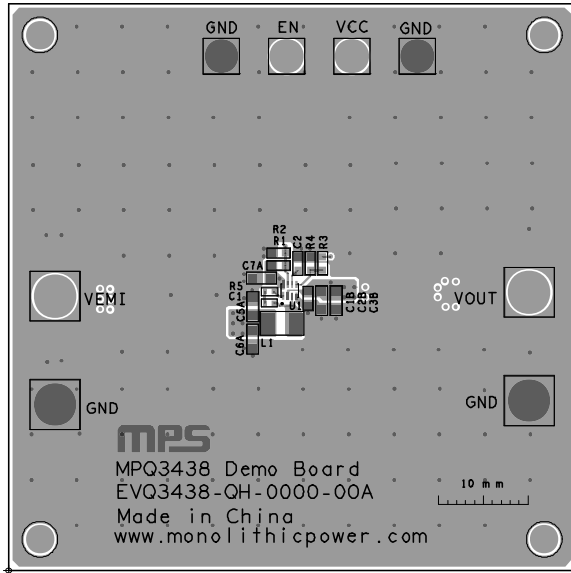


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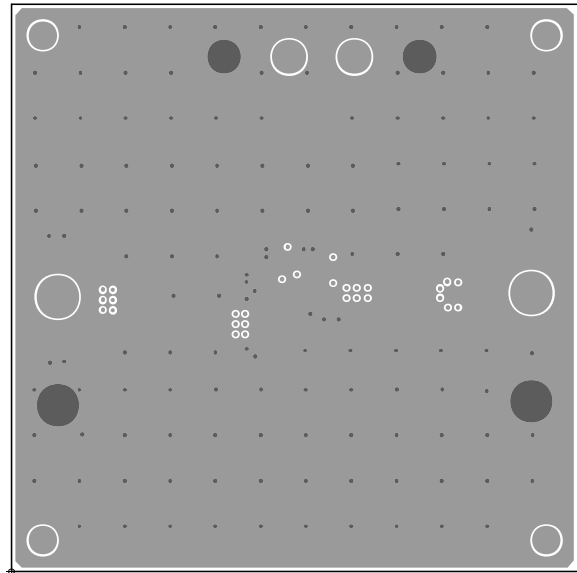
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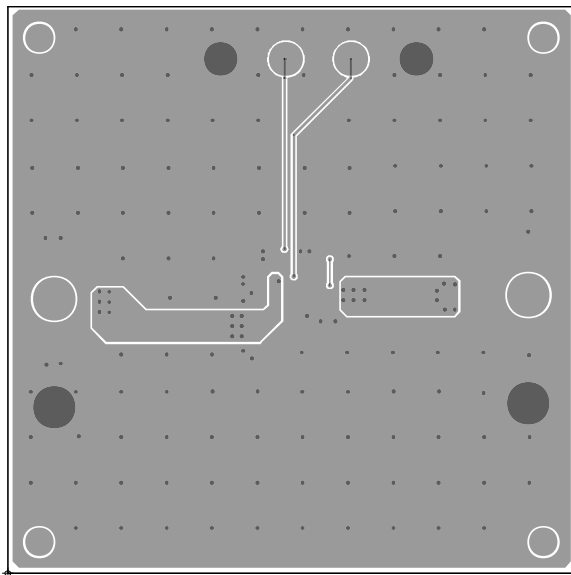
**PCB LAYOUT** (4)



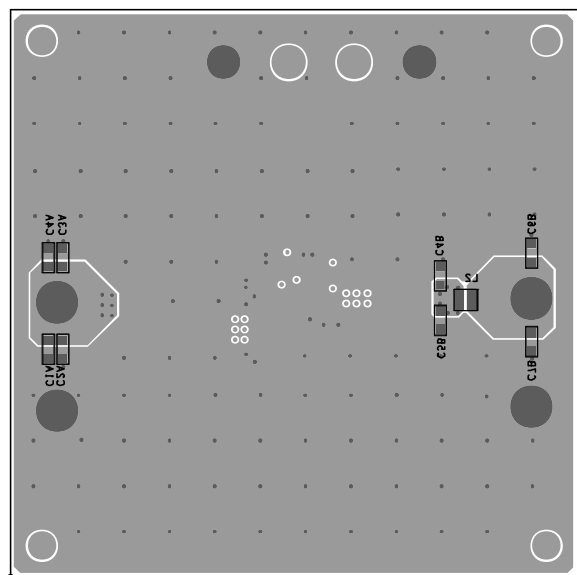
**Figure 4: Top Silk and Top Layer**



**Figure 5: Mid-Layer 1**



**Figure 6: Mid-Layer 2**



**Figure 7: Bottom Layer and Bottom Silk**

**Note:**

4) The copper thickness is 2oz.



## REVISION HISTORY

Revision #	Revision Date	Description	Pages Updated
1.0	2/23/2024	Initial Release	-

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