



Descartes Systems (USA) LLC

PLT003

EN IEC 62311: 2020

Bluetooth Low Energy Radio

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Last Date of Evaluation: July 6, 2022
Descartes Systems (USA) LLC
EUT: PLT003

RF Exposure Evaluation

Standards

Specification	Method
EN IEC 62311: 2020	EN IEC 62311: 2020 EN 62479: 2010

Results

Method Clause	Description	Applied	Results	Comments
4.2	Assessment of RF Exposure for Low Power Equipment	Yes	Pass	None

Deviations From Evaluation Standards

None

Approved By:



Donald Facteau, Process Architect

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Revision Number	Description	Date (yyyy-mm-dd)	Page Number
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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Client and Equipment Under Evaluation Information

Company Name:	Descartes Systems (USA) LLC
Address:	37 N Orange Ave #500
City, State, Zip:	Orlando, FL 32801
Evaluation Requested By:	Maria Vivas
EUT:	PLT003
Date of Evaluation:	July 6, 2022

Information Provided by the Party Requesting the Evaluation

Functional Description of the Equipment:

Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) tag used to monitor movement of goods and equipment. Each tag is made up of a Nordic nRF5810 module encased in a housing. Also included are three lithium metal cell batteries.

The COREInsight BLE Beacon tag is an active BLE beacon. The COREInsight Beacon tag advertises at a consistent rate of 7 times every 60seconds. COREInsight® Readers listen for special (custom) adverts from the Beacon Tag and when it is in range (approx. 60 meters), the Reader logs these detections. The COREInsight Beacon tag is classed as an always active device but its adverts are “non-connectable”, therefore, don’t allow any “pairing” to be established with the tag. Between advertisements the Tag goes into sleep mode (neither listens nor transmits).

The device always advertises 7 times every 60 seconds. Therefore the maximum and minimum possible advertising rate is 7 times every 60 seconds (each lasting 20ms. Total 140ms/minute). $140\text{ms} / 60000\text{ms} = 0.23\%$ duty cycle. Duty cycle information provided by Rorie McPherson.

Objective:

To demonstrate compliance with EU RF Exposure requirements.

RF EXPOSURE CONDITION



The following RF Exposure conditions were used for the assessment documented in this report:	
Intended Use	Mobile
Location on Body (if applicable)	NA
How is the Device Used	The PLT003 is used at a distance of granter than 20 cm from the user.
Radios Contained in the Same Host Device	Bluetooth Low Energy
Simultaneous Transmitting Radios	None
Body Worn Accessories	N/A
Environment	General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure

ASSESSMENT OF RF EXPOSURE FOR LOW POWER EQUIPMENT

OVERVIEW

Council Recommendation 1999/519/EC requires the assessment of human exposure to electromagnetic fields from RF devices for the purposes of limiting the exposure to the general public.

Compliance with EN IEC 62311:2020

EN IEC 62311:2020 applies to electronic and electrical equipment for which no dedicated product- or product family standard regarding human exposure to electromagnetic fields applies. The frequency range covered is 0 Hz to 300 GHz.

The compliance criteria as stated in Section 4 of EN IEC 62311:2020,

“In general, the basic restrictions shall be used as exposure limits for the assessment of compliance. However, in most cases reference levels are used as limits. Such reference levels for exposure to electric, magnetic and electromagnetic fields are derived from the basic restrictions using realistic worst-case assumptions about exposure. If the reference levels are met, then the basic restrictions will also be met;...”

Table 1 of EN IEC 62311: 2020 provides a simplified assessment method for low power equipment based upon maximum output power:

Assessment method	Subject of assessment		Applicability area and limitations	Applicable standard, for example
Simplified assessment (possible for particular cases)	Maximum out power (only applicable for $f > 10$ MHz)	SAR	Presumption of local/whole body SAR assessment by low power exclusion level	IEC 62479

Low power equipment are defined as those falling under the scope of EN 62479 (both intentional and unintentional transmitters). Annex A of EN 62479 list the low power exclusion levels for various exposure conditions. When the antenna is used greater than 20 cm from the user's head or torso, power density is the basic restriction. A conservative exclusion level is defined as:

“When power density is the basic restriction, a conservative minimum value for P_{\max} can be derived, equal to the power density limit (S) multiplied by the averaging area (a):

$$P_{\max} = S \cdot a \quad (A.2)$$

Example values of P_{\max} according to Equation (A.2) are provided in Table A.1 ..”

Table A.1 shows that for a general population exposure $P_{\max} = 20$ mW. Therefore, compliance with the low power exclusion level of 20 mW deems a device inherently compliant.

As shown in the table below, the devices are deemed inherently compliant with all the applicable RF Exposure requirements in the EU; including the basic restriction as specified in Council Recommendation 1999/519/EC.

ASSESSMENT OF RF EXPOSURE FOR LOW POWER EQUIPMENT

ASSESSMENT PER EN 62479:2010

Radio	Transmit Frequency (MHz)	Radiated Output Power	Duty Cycle	Minimum Separation Distance (cm)	Calculated Radiated Exposure Power (mW) EIRP	Calculated Conducted Exposure Power (mW)	Limit (mW)	Compliant
Bluetooth Low Energy	2402-2480	4 dBm EIRP	0.2%	20	0.01	0.01	20.0	Yes

The information in the table above was obtained from:

The rated value was used in these calculations. From client supplied information and Element test report # DESC0001.4.

Evaluator: Jody House

End of Test Report