



FCC / ISED Test Report

FOR:

Astronautics

Model Name:

AEC115

Product Description:

The AEC115 is an air vehicle equipment for recording and transferring of collected data via cellular and Wi-Fi radio while the vehicle is on the ground.

FCC ID: RYK-WPEQ256ACN
ISED ID: 6158A-WPEQ256ACN

Applied Rules and Standards:
47 CFR Part 15.407 (NII) & 5 GHz (UNII)
RSS-247 Issue 2 (DTSS) & (LE-LAN), and RSS-Gen Issue 5

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1 Assessment

The following device was evaluated against the applicable criteria specified in FCC rules Parts 15.407 of Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations and the relevant ISED Canada standard RSS-247.

No deviations were ascertained.

Company	Description	Model #
Astronautics	The AEC115 is an air vehicle equipment for recording and transferring of collected data via cellular and Wi-Fi radio while the vehicle is on the ground. The UNII1 band 5150-5250 is disabled for ISED.	AEC115

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2.2 Identification of the Client

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Country	United States

2.3 Identification of the Manufacturer

Manufacturer's Name:	Same as Client
Manufacturers Address:	
City/Zip Code	
Country	

3 Equipment Under Test (EUT)

3.1 EUT Specifications

Model No:	AEC115	
HW Version :	282300	
SW Version :	282283	
FCC-ID :	RYK-WPEQ256ACN	
ISED ID:	6158A-WPEQ256ACN	
FWIN:	N/A	
HVIN:	AEC115	
PMN:	mini-wACS	
Product Description:	The AEC115 is an air vehicle equipment for recording and transferring of collected data via cellular and Wi-Fi radio while the vehicle is on the ground.	
Radio Module:	Sparklan WPEQ-256ACNRBI	
Frequency Range / number of channels:	Frequency Range (MHz)	Channel Number
	5150-5250 – See note	36-48 [4]
	5725-5850	149-161 [4]
Modes of Operation / Type(s) of Modulation:	WiFi 802.11a/n/ac / BPSK	
Antenna Information as declared:	Max Gain 6.11 dBi	
Max. Output Power:	16 dBm	
Power Supply/ Rated Operating Voltage Range:	28VDC	
Operating Temperature Range	-40 °C to 55 °C	
Other Radios included in the device:	UMTS / LTE / 802.11b/g/n	
Sample Revision	<input type="checkbox"/> Prototype Unit; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Production Unit; <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Production	

Note: The UNII1 band 5150-5250 is disabled for ISED.

3.2 EUT Sample details

EUT #	Serial Number	HW Version	SW Version	Notes/Comments
1	101220052	282300	282283	

3.3 Accessory Equipment (AE) details

AE #	Type	Model	Manufacturer	Serial Number
1	Radio Certification Tester	PN 284438	Astronautics	N/A
2	Cable	PN 283704	Astronautics	N/A
3	Ultra Wide Band Antenna	FXUB66	Taoglas	N/A
4	Dipole Antenna	FXP830	Taoglas	N/A

3.4 Test Sample Configuration

EUT Set-up #	Combination of AE used for test set up	Comments
1	EUT#1 + AE#1 +AE#2+ AE#3 +AE#4	

3.5 Mode of Operation details

Mode of Operation	Description of Operating modes	Additional Information
1	802.11a	The EUT was configured to a fixed channel transmission using software that is not available to the end user.

3.6 Justification for Worst Case Mode of Operation

During the testing process, the EUT was tested with transmitter sets on low, mid and high channels, and highest power in 802.11n mode. For radiated measurements, all data in this report shows the worst case between horizontal and vertical antenna polarizations and for all orientations of the EUT.

4 Subject of Investigation

The objective of the measurements done by CETECOM Inc. was to assess the performance of the EUT according to the relevant requirements specified in FCC rules Part 15.407 of Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations and Radio Standard Specification RSS-247 of ISED Canada.

5 Measurement Results Summary

Test Specification	Test Case	Temperature and Voltage Conditions	Mode	Pass	NA	NP	Result
§15.407(e) RSS-247 6.2.4.1	Emission Bandwidth	Nominal	802.11a/n	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	■	Note 2
§15.407(a) RSS-247 6	Power Spectral Density	Nominal	802.11a/n	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	■	Note 2
§15.407(a) RSS-247 6	Maximum Output Power	Nominal	802.11a/n	■	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Note 2 Note 3
§15.407; 15.205 RSS-247 6; RSS-Gen 8.10	Band Edge Compliance	Nominal	802.11a/n	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	■	Note 2
§15.407(b); §15.209; 15.205 RSS-247 6; RSS-Gen 8.9; 8.10	Radiated TX Spurious Emissions	Nominal	802.11a/n	■	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pass
§15.207(a) RSS Gen 8.8	AC Conducted Emissions	Nominal	802.11a/n	<input type="checkbox"/>	■	<input type="checkbox"/>	Note 1

Note 1: NA= Not Applicable; NP= Not Performed.

Note 2: Leveraged from module certification for Sparklan FCC ID: RYK-WPEQ256ACN.

Note 3: Limited power verification testing was conducted only on middle channel.

6 Measurement Uncertainty

Where relevant, the following measurement uncertainty levels have been estimated for tests performed on the apparatus, with 95% confidence interval (in dB delta to result), based on a coverage factor k=2.

Measurement System	EMC 1	EMC 2
Conducted emissions (mains port)	1.12 dB	0.46 dB
Radiated emissions		
(< 30 MHz)	3.66 dB	3.88 dB
(30 MHz – 1GHz)	3.17 dB	3.34 dB
(1 GHz – 3 GHz)	5.01 dB	4.45 dB
(>3 GHz)	4.0 dB	4.79 dB

6.1 Environmental Conditions During Testing:

The following environmental conditions were maintained during the course of testing:

- Ambient Temperature: 20-25° C
- Relative humidity: 40-60%

6.2 Dates of Testing:

05/10/2022 - 05/16/2022

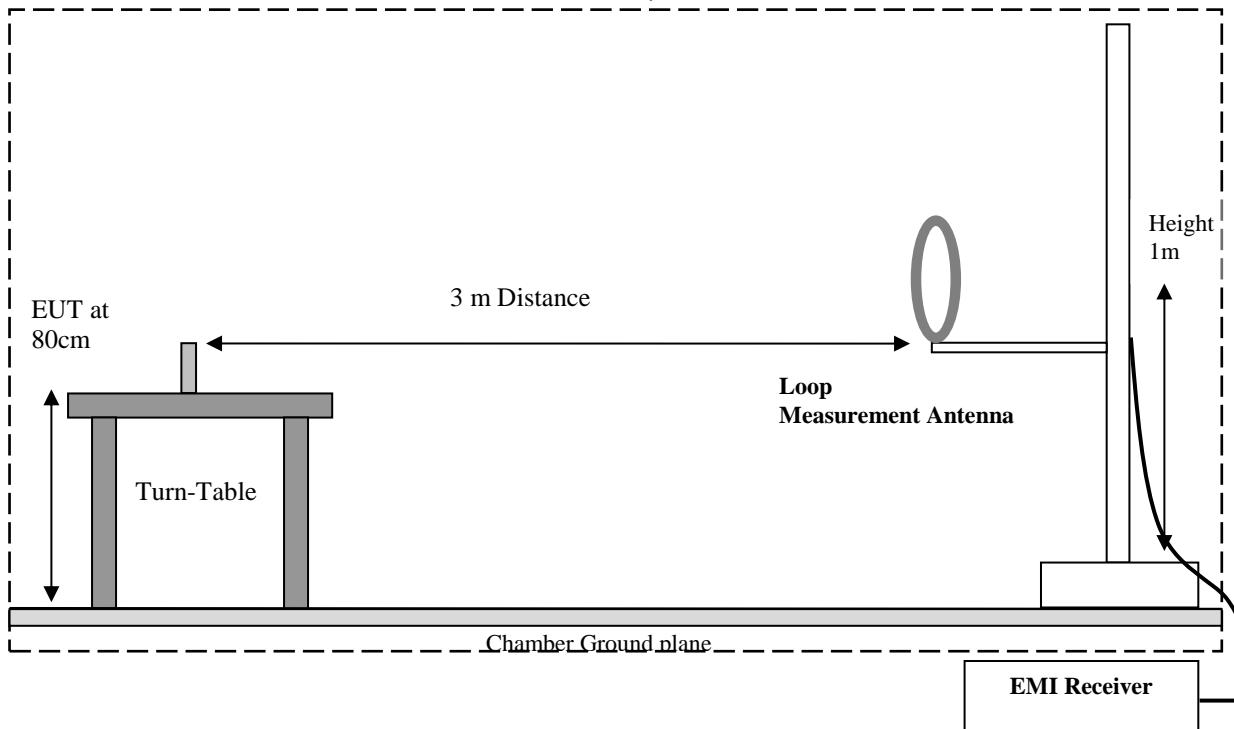
7 Measurement Procedures

7.1 Radiated Measurement

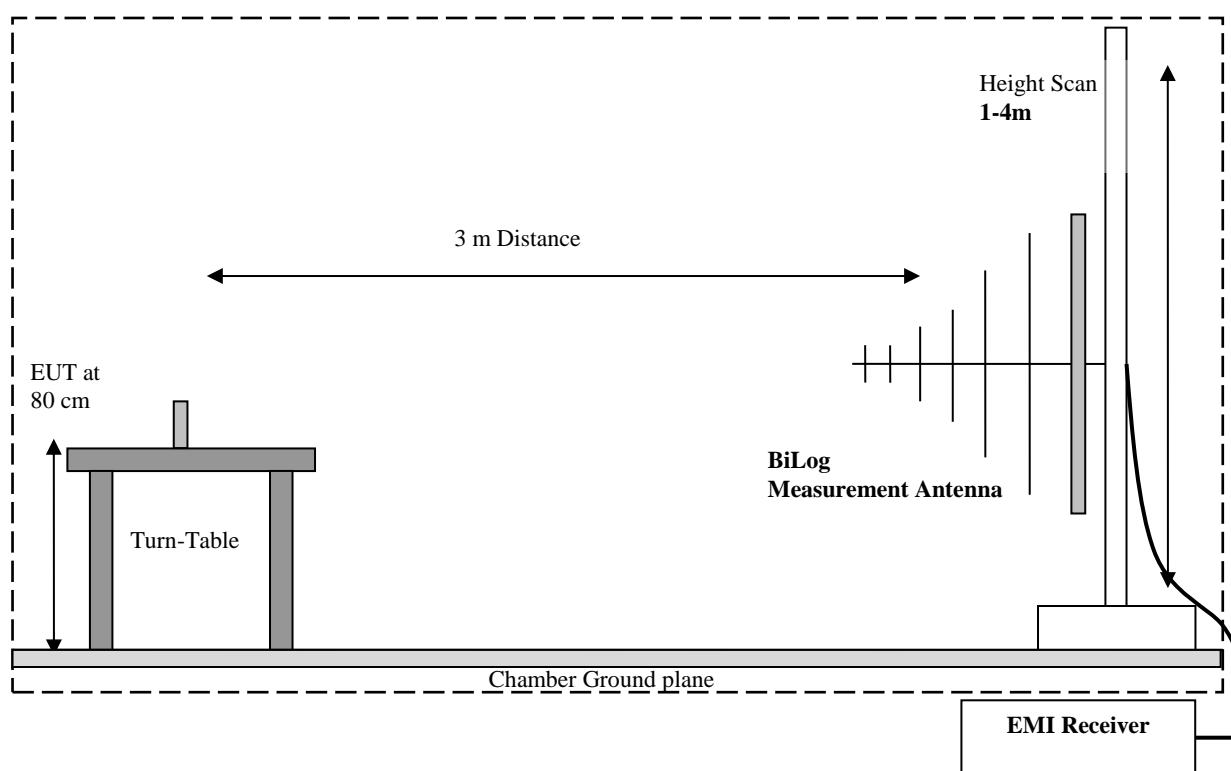
The radiated measurement is performed according to ANSI C63.10 (2013)

- The exploratory measurement is accomplished by running a matrix of 16 sweeps over the required frequency range with R&S Test-SW EMC32 for 4 positions of the turntable, two orthogonal positions of the EUT and both antenna polarizations. This procedure exceeds the requirement of the above standards to cover the 3 orthogonal axis of the EUT. A max peak detector is utilized during the exploratory measurement. The Test-SW creates an overall maximum trace for all 12 sweeps and saves the settings for each point of this trace. The maximum trace is part of the test report.
- The 10 highest emissions are selected with an automatic algorithm of EMC32 searching for peaks in the noise floor and ensuring that broadband signals are not selected multiple times.
- The maxima are then put through the final measurement and again maximized in a 90deg range of the turntable, fine search in frequency domain and height scan between 1m and 4m.
- The above procedure is repeated for all possible ways of power supply to EUT and for all supported modulations.
- In case there are no emissions above noise floor level only the maximum trace is reported as described above.
- The results are split up into up to 4 frequency ranges due to antenna bandwidth restrictions. A magnetic loop is used from 9 kHz to 30 MHz, a Biconilog antenna is used from 30 MHz to 1 GHz, and two different horn antennas are used to cover frequencies up to 40 GHz.

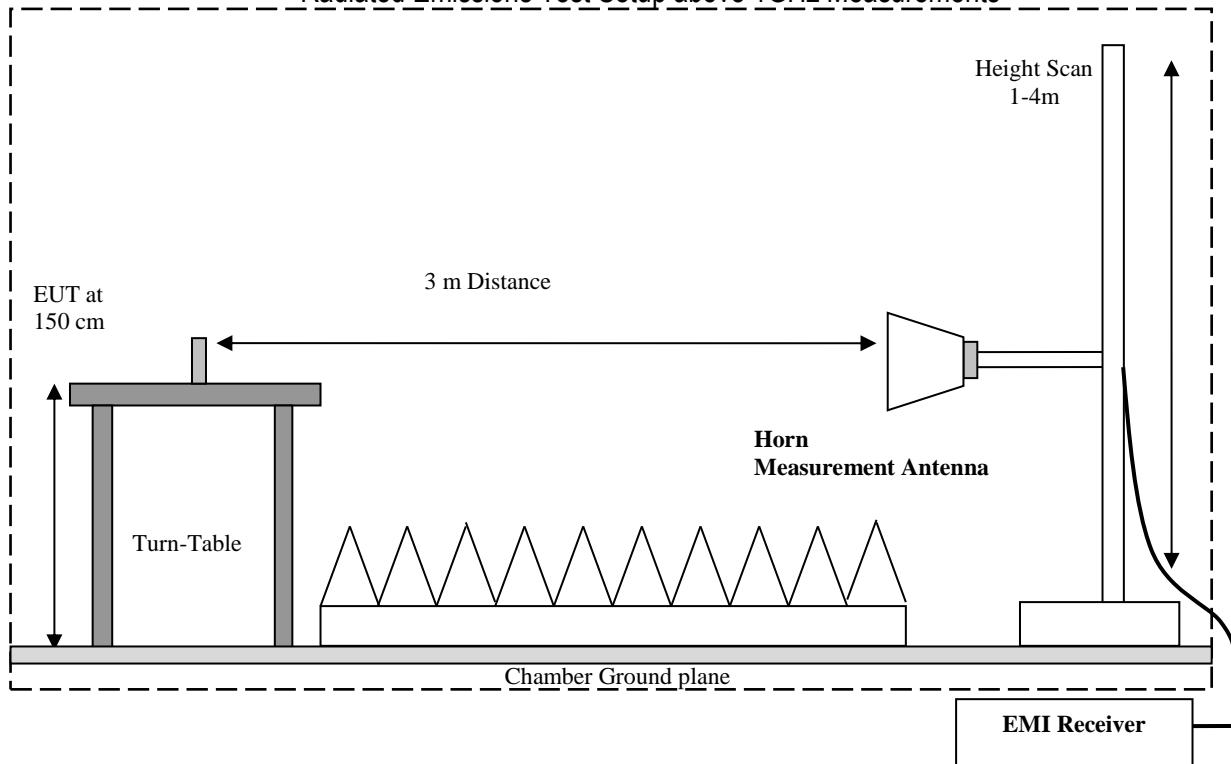
Radiated Emissions Test Setup below 30MHz Measurements



Radiated Emissions Test Setup 30MHz-1GHz Measurements



Radiated Emissions Test Setup above 1GHz Measurements



7.1.1 Sample Calculations for Field Strength Measurements

Field Strength is calculated from the Spectrum Analyzer/ Receiver readings, taking into account the following parameters:

1. Measured reading in dB μ V
2. Cable Loss between the receiving antenna and SA in dB and
3. Antenna Factor in dB/m

All radiated measurement plots in this report are taken from a test SW that calculates the Field Strength based on the following equation:

$$FS \text{ (dB}\mu\text{V/m)} = \text{Measured Value on SA (dB}\mu\text{V)} + \text{Cable Loss (dB)} + \text{Antenna Factor (dB/m)}$$

Example:

Frequency (MHz)	Measured SA (dB μ V)	Cable Loss (dB)	Antenna Factor Correction (dB)	Field Strength Result (dB μ V/m)
1000	80.5	3.5	14	98.0

8 Test Result Data

8.1 Output Power Verification Measurement

8.1.1 Measurement according to FCC 789033 D02 General UNII Test Procedures New Rules v02r01

Spectrum Analyzer settings:

- Set span to encompass the entire emission bandwidth (EBW) (or, alternatively, the entire 99% occupied bandwidth) of the signal.
- Set RBW = 1 MHz
- Set the VBW \geq 3 MHz
- Detector = RMS
- Number of points in sweep \geq 2 Span / RBW. (This ensures that bin-to-bin spacing is \leq RBW/2, so that narrowband signals are not lost between frequency bins.)
- Sweep time = Auto Couple
- Trace mode = Trace average at least 100 traces in power averaging (i.e., RMS mode).
- If transmit duty cycle $<$ 98%, use a video trigger with the trigger level set to enable triggering only on full power pulses. Transmitter must operate at maximum power control level for the entire duration of every sweep. If the EUT transmits continuously (i.e., with no off intervals) or at duty cycle \geq 98%, and if each transmission is entirely at the maximum power control level, then the trigger shall be set to “free run.”

Compute power by integrating the spectrum across the EBW (or, alternatively, the entire 99% occupied bandwidth) of the signal using the instrument’s band power measurement function with band limits set equal to the EBW (or occupied bandwidth) band edges. If the instrument does not have a band power function, sum the spectrum levels (in power units) at 1 MHz intervals extending across the EBW (or, alternatively, the entire 99% occupied bandwidth) of the spectrum.

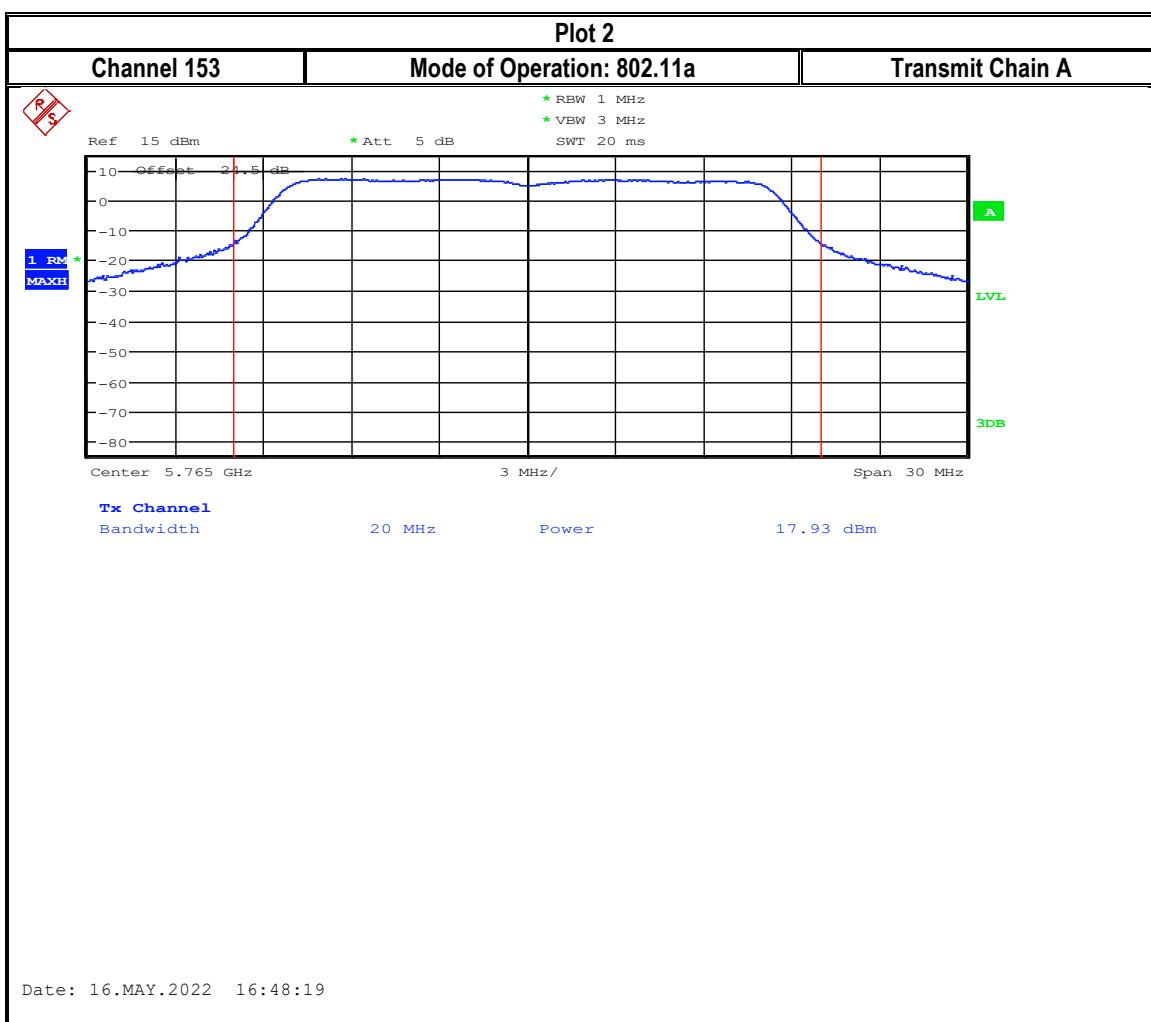
8.1.2 Test conditions and setup:

Ambient Temperature	EUT Set-Up #	EUT operating mode	Power Input
22°C	1	802.11a	28 VDC

8.1.3 Measurement result:

Plot #	Channel #	RF Output Power (dBm)	Target power (dBm)	Result
1	40	16.56	16 \pm 2	Pass
2	153	17.93	16 \pm 2	Pass





8.2 Radiated Transmitter Spurious Emissions

8.2.1 Measurement according to ANSI C63.10 (2013)

Spectrum Analyzer Settings:

- Frequency = 9 KHz – 30 MHz
- RBW = 9 KHz
- Detector: Peak
- Frequency = 30 MHz – 1 GHz
- Detector = Peak / Quasi-Peak
- RBW= 120 KHz (<1GHz)
- Frequency > 1 GHz
- Detector = Peak / Average
- RBW = 1 MHz
- Radiated spurious emissions shall be measured for the transmit frequencies, transmit power, and data rate for the lowest, middle and highest channel in each frequency band of operation and for the highest gain antenna for each antenna type, and using the appropriate parameters and test requirements.
- The highest (or worst-case) data rate shall be recorded for each measurement.
- For testing at distance other than the specified in the standard, the limit conversion is calculated by using 40 dB/decade extrapolation factor as follow: Conversion factor (CF) = $40 \log(D/d) = 40 \log(300m / 3m) = 80\text{dB}$

8.2.2 Limits:

FCC §15.407

- Unwanted emissions below 1 GHz must comply with the general field strength limits set forth in §15.209.
- The provisions of §15.205 apply to intentional radiators operating under this section.

FCC §15.209 & RSS-Gen 8.9

- Except as provided elsewhere in this subpart, the emissions from an intentional radiator shall not exceed the field strength levels specified in the following table:

Frequency of emission (MHz)	Field strength ($\mu\text{V}/\text{m}$)	Measurement Distance (m)	Field strength @ 3m ($\text{dB}\mu\text{V}/\text{m}$)
0.009–0.490	$2400/F(\text{kHz}) / \text{-----}$	300	-
0.490–1.705	$24000/F(\text{kHz}) / \text{-----}$	30	-
1.705–30.0	$30 / (29.5)$	30	-
30–88	100	3	40 $\text{dB}\mu\text{V}/\text{m}$
88–216	150	3	43.5 $\text{dB}\mu\text{V}/\text{m}$
216–960	200	3	46 $\text{dB}\mu\text{V}/\text{m}$
Above 960	500	3	54 $\text{dB}\mu\text{V}/\text{m}$

FCC §15.205 & RSS-Gen 8.10

- Except as shown in paragraph (d) of this section, only spurious emissions are permitted in any of the frequency bands listed below:

MHz	MHz	MHz	GHz
0.090-0.110	16.42-16.423	399.9-410	4.5-5.15
10.495-0.505	16.69475-16.69525	608-614	5.35-5.46
2.1735-2.1905	16.80425-16.80475	960-1240	7.25-7.75
4.125-4.128	25.5-25.67	1300-1427	8.025-8.5
4.17725-4.17775	37.5-38.25	1435-1626.5	9.0-9.2
4.20725-4.20775	73-74.6	1645.5-1646.5	9.3-9.5
6.215-6.218	74.8-75.2	1660-1710	10.6-12.7
6.26775-6.26825	108-121.94	1718.8-1722.2	13.25-13.4
6.31175-6.31225	123-138	2200-2300	14.47-14.5
8.291-8.294	149.9-150.05	2310-2390	15.35-16.2
8.362-8.366	156.52475-156.52525	2483.5-2500	17.7-21.4
8.37625-8.38675	156.7-156.9	2690-2900	22.01-23.12
8.41425-8.41475	162.0125-167.17	3260-3267	23.6-24.0
12.29-12.293	167.72-173.2	3332-3339	31.2-31.8
12.51975-12.52025	240-285	3345.8-3358	36.43-36.5
12.57675-12.57725	322-335.4	3600-4400	Above 38.6
13.36-13.41			

- Radiated emissions which fall in the restricted bands, as defined in §15.205(a), must also comply with the radiated emission limits specified in §15.209(a) (see §15.205(c)).

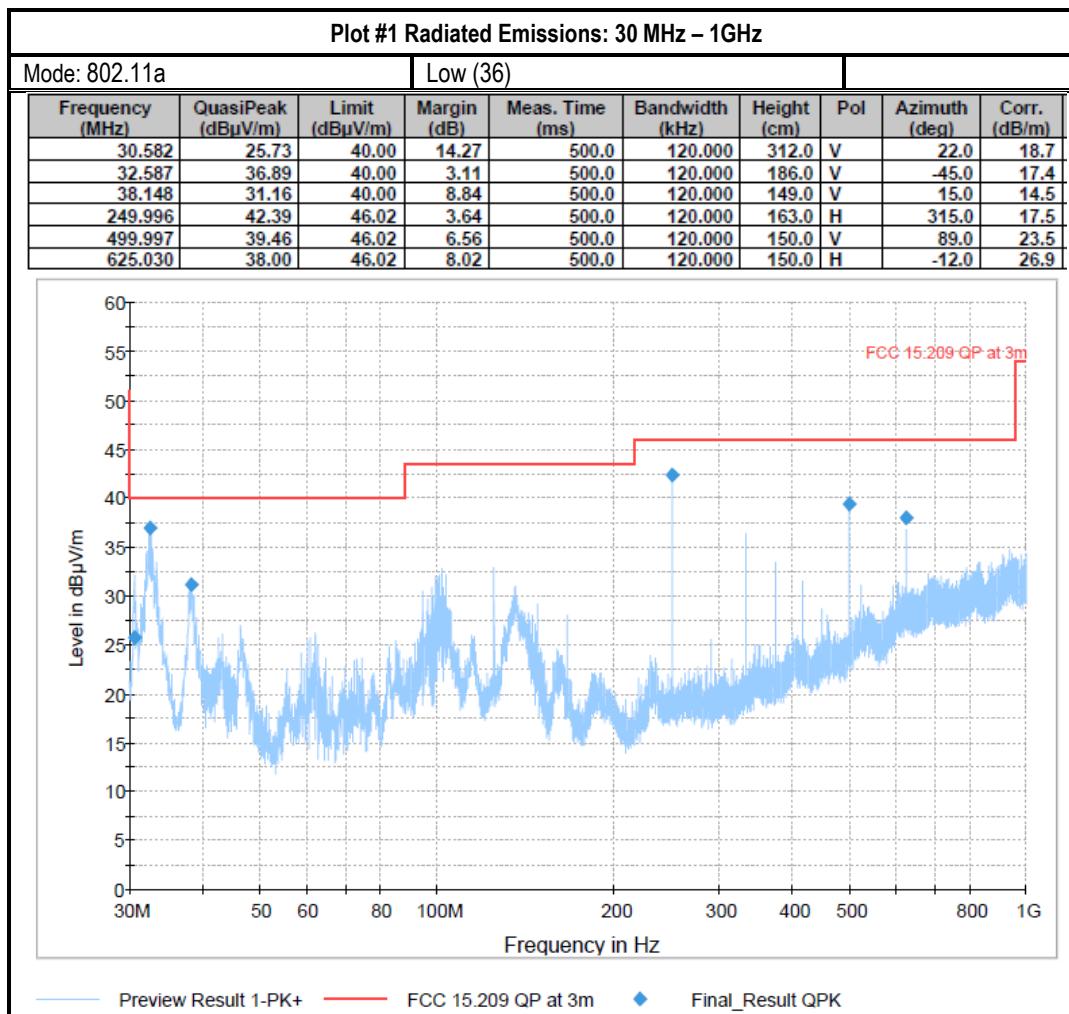
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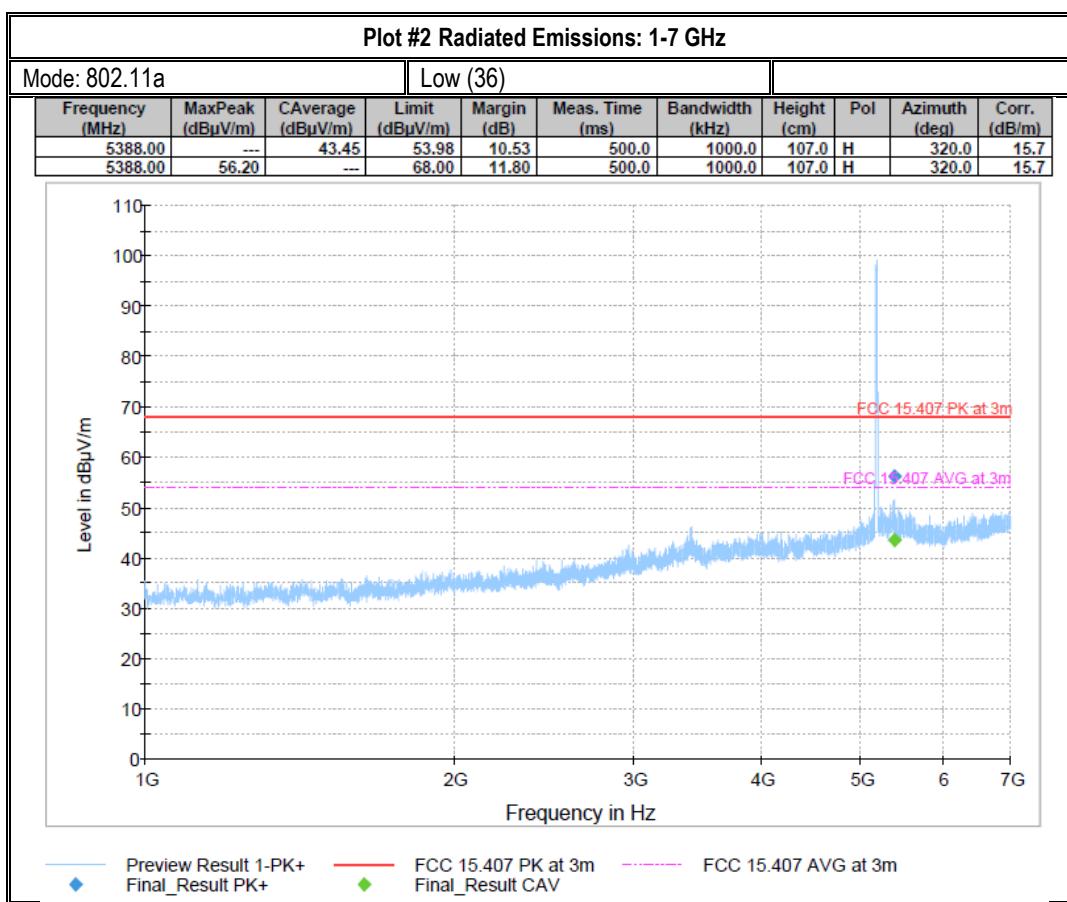
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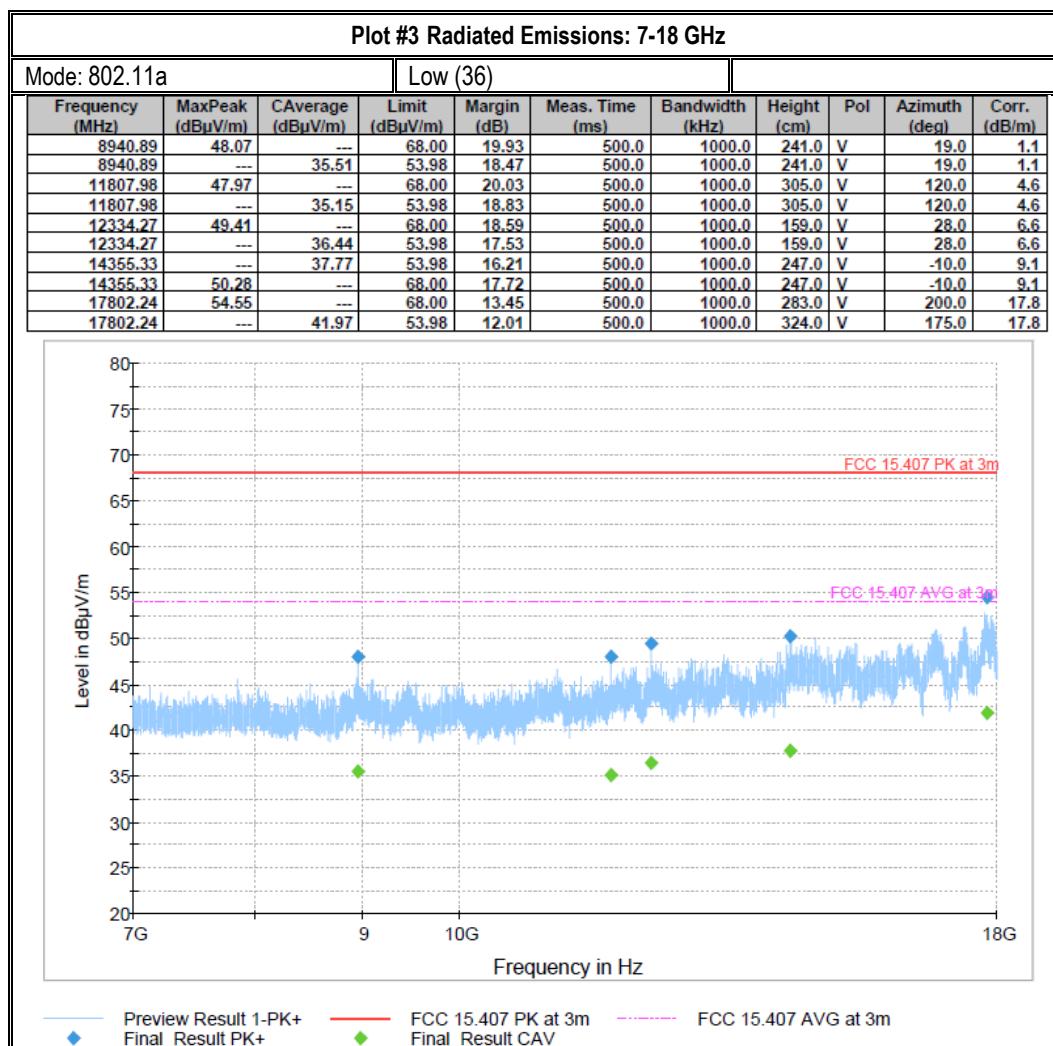
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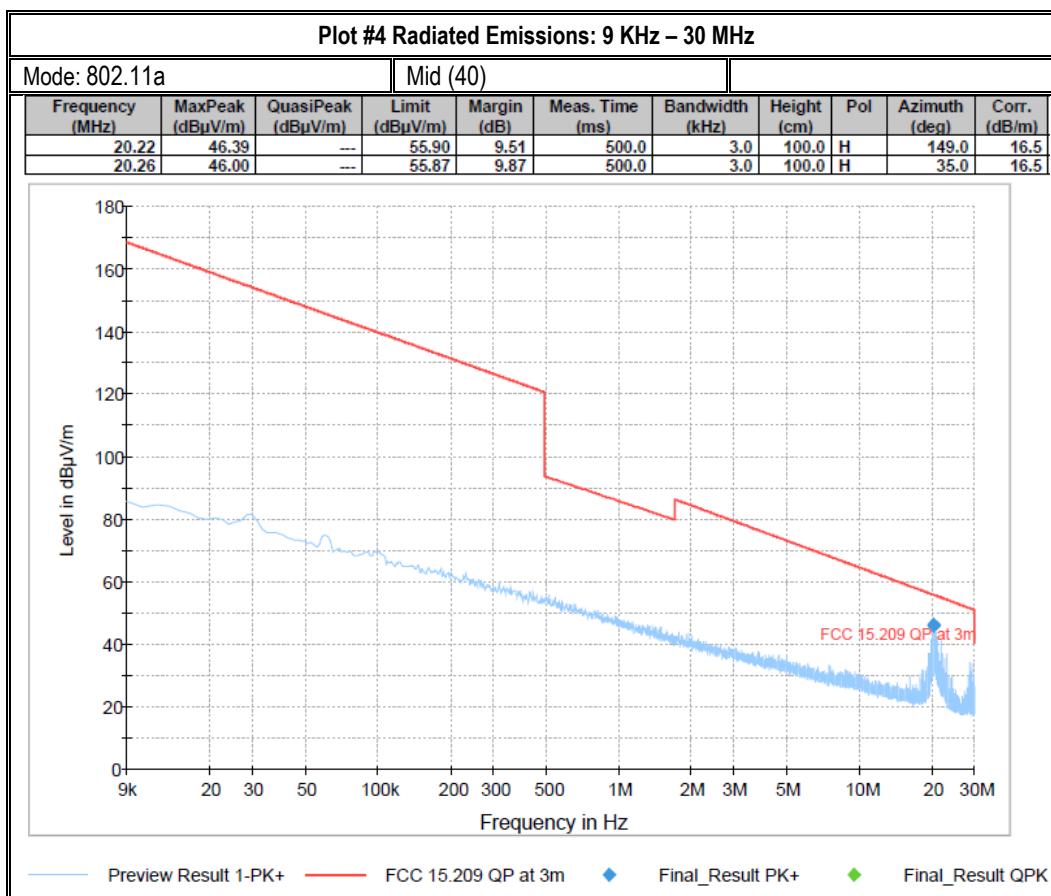
Plot #	EUT Operating Mode	Channel #	Scan Frequency	Limit	Result
1-3	802.11a	Low (36)	30 MHz – 18 GHz	See section 8.2.2	Pass
4-9	802.11a	Mid (40)	9 kHz – 40 GHz	See section 8.2.2	Pass
10-13	802.11a	High (48)	30 MHz – 18 GHz	See section 8.2.2	Pass
14-16	802.11a	Low (149)	30 MHz – 18 GHz	See section 8.2.2	Pass
17-22	802.11a	Mid (153)	9 kHz – 40 GHz	See section 8.2.2	Pass
23-25	802.11a	High (161)	30 MHz – 18 GHz	See section 8.2.2	Pass

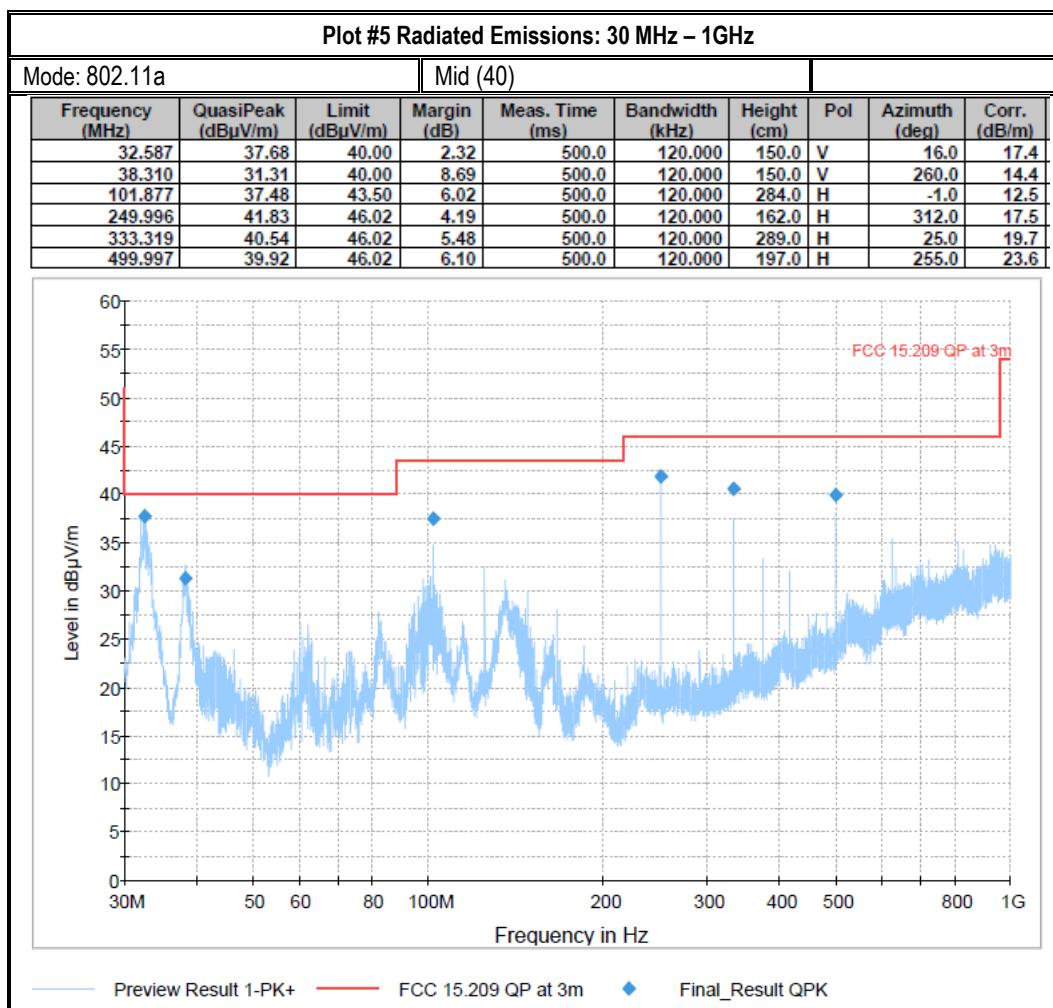
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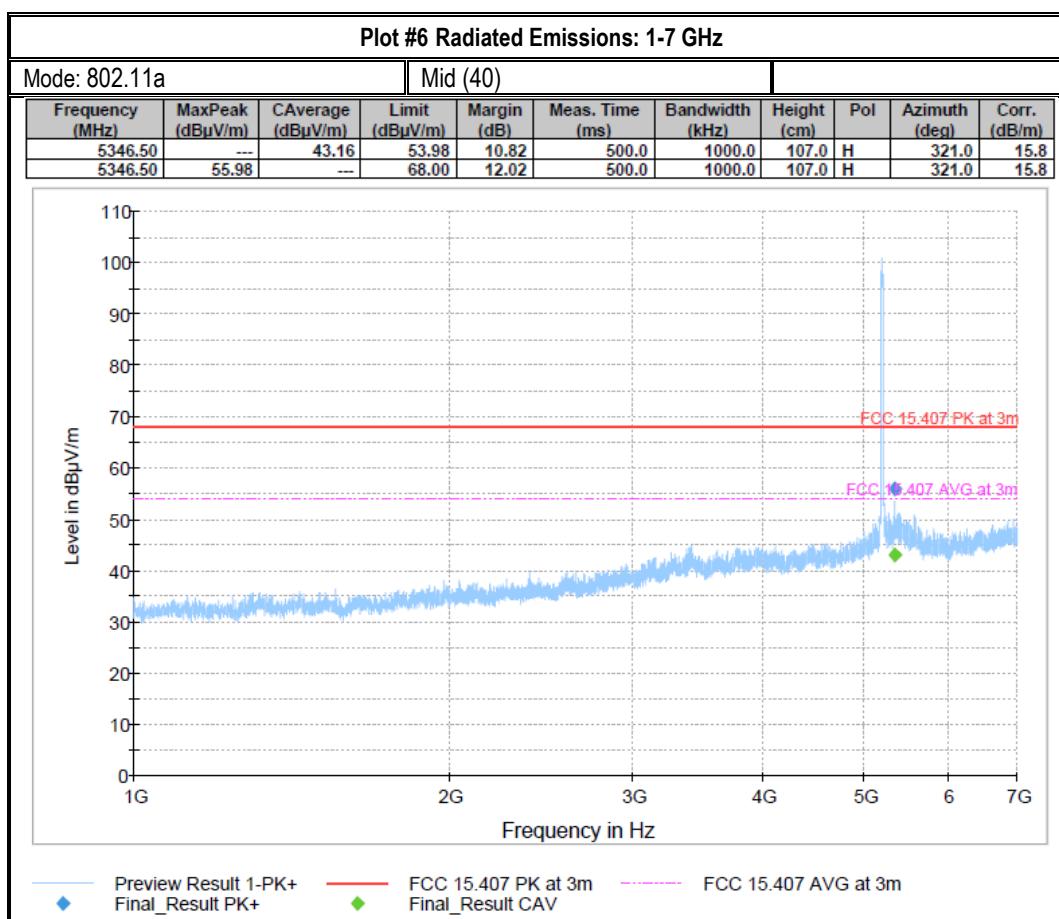


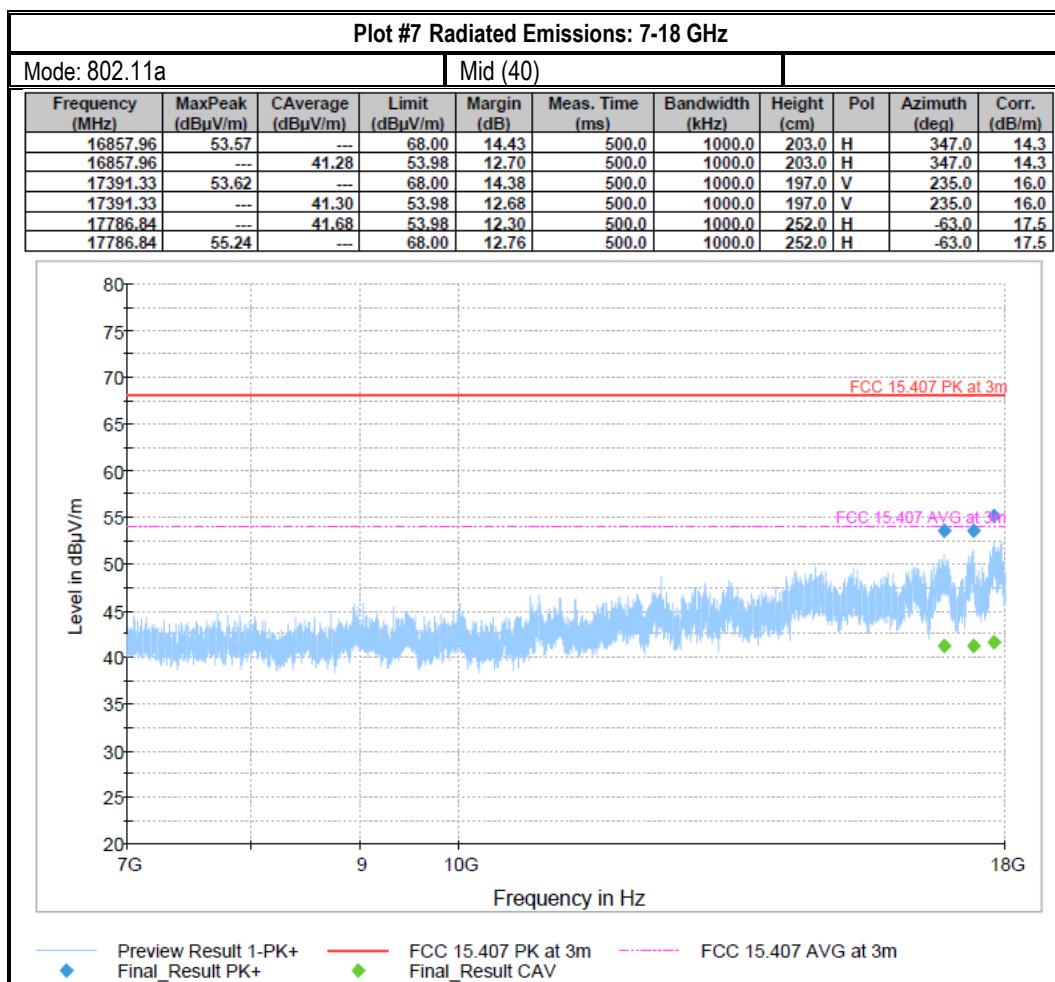


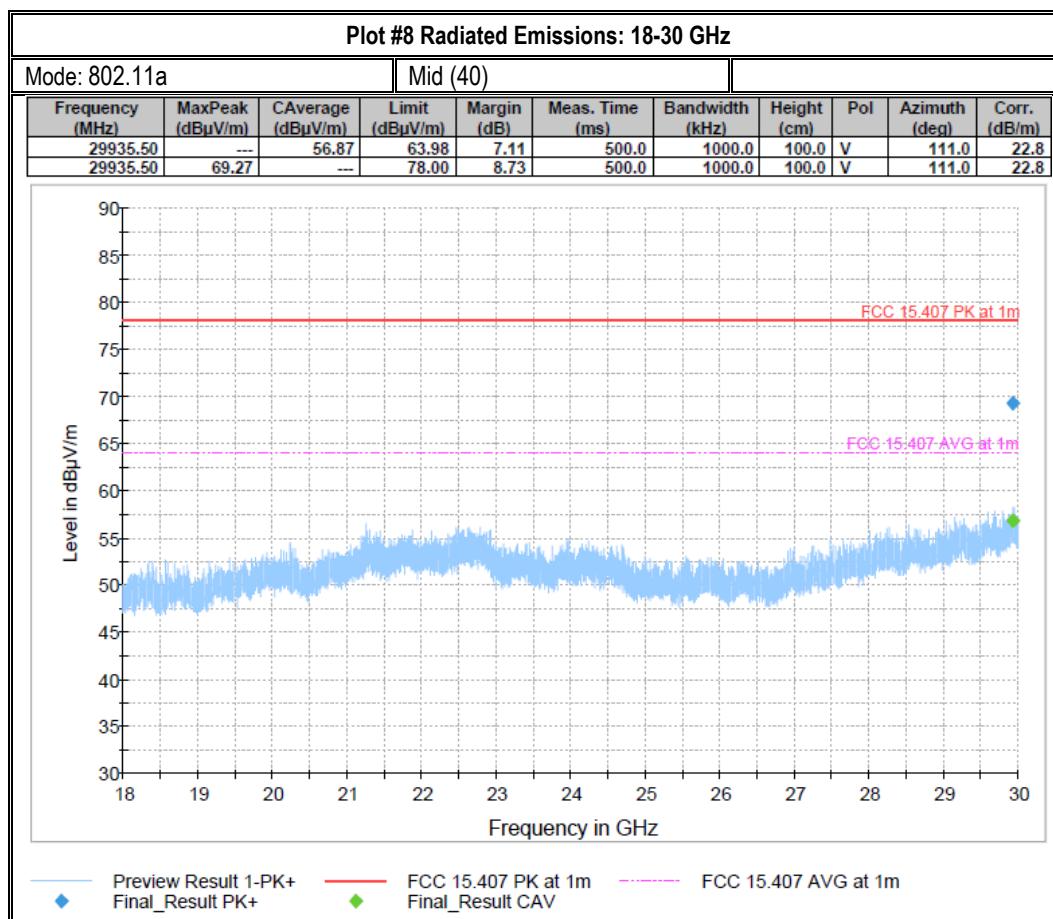


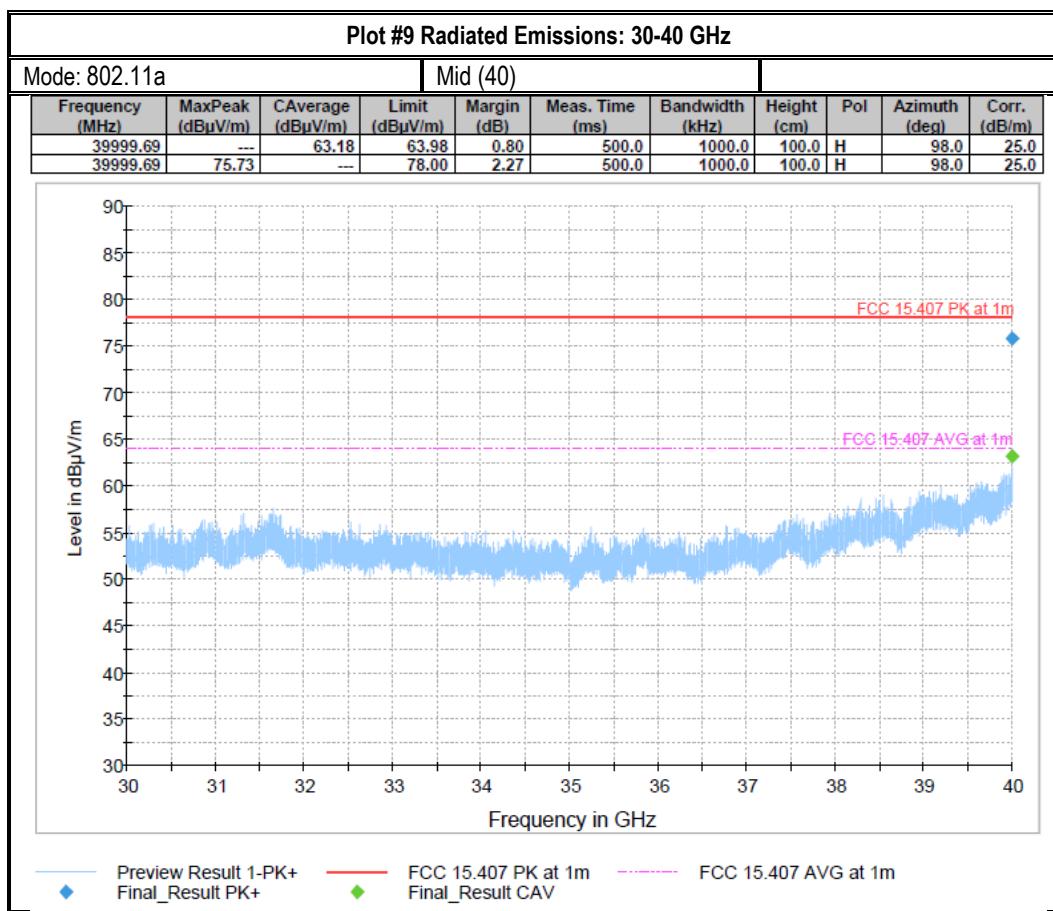


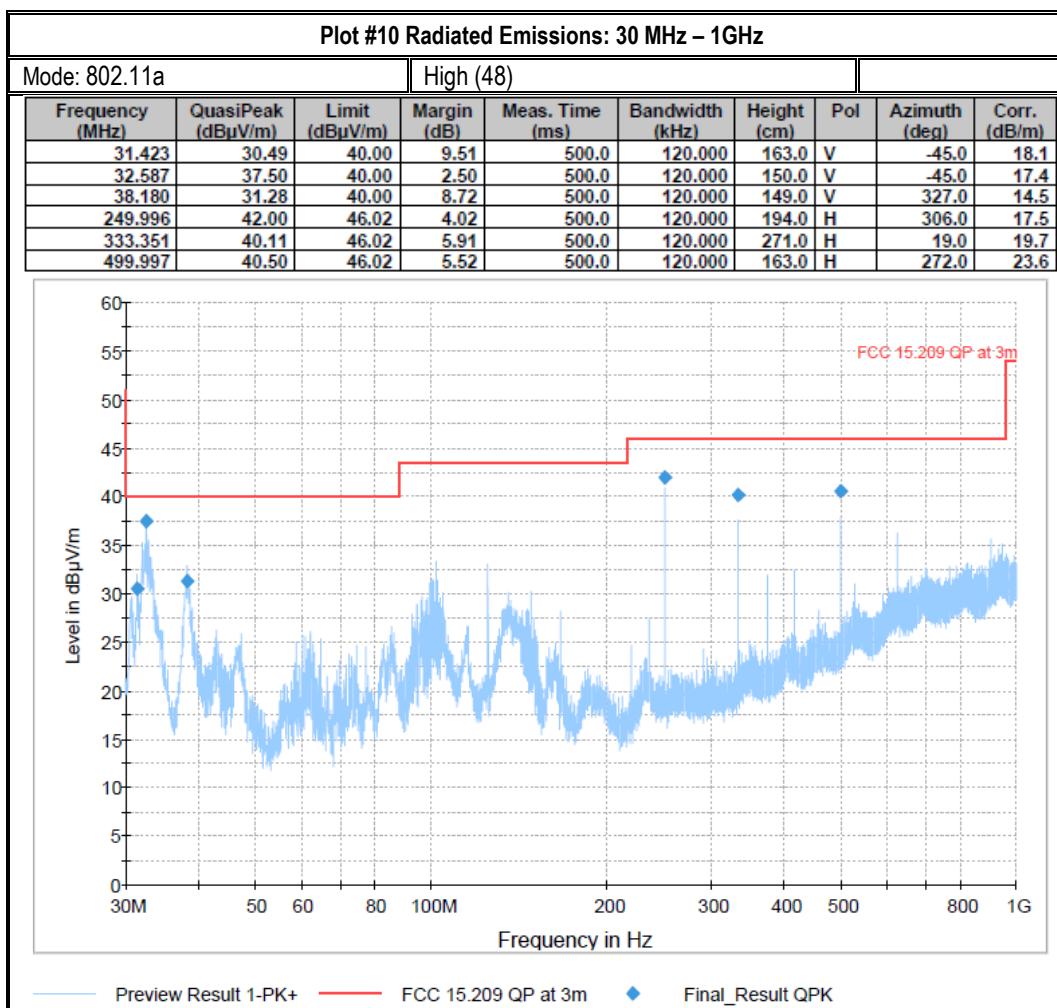


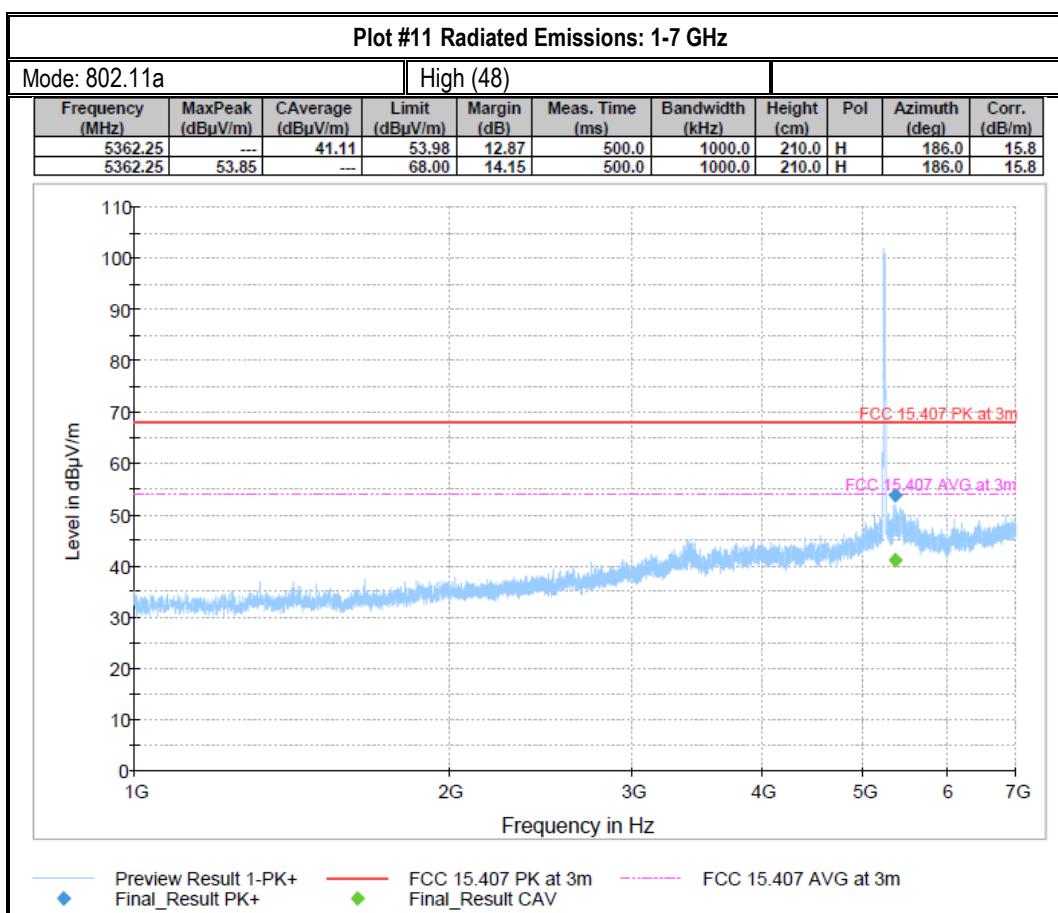


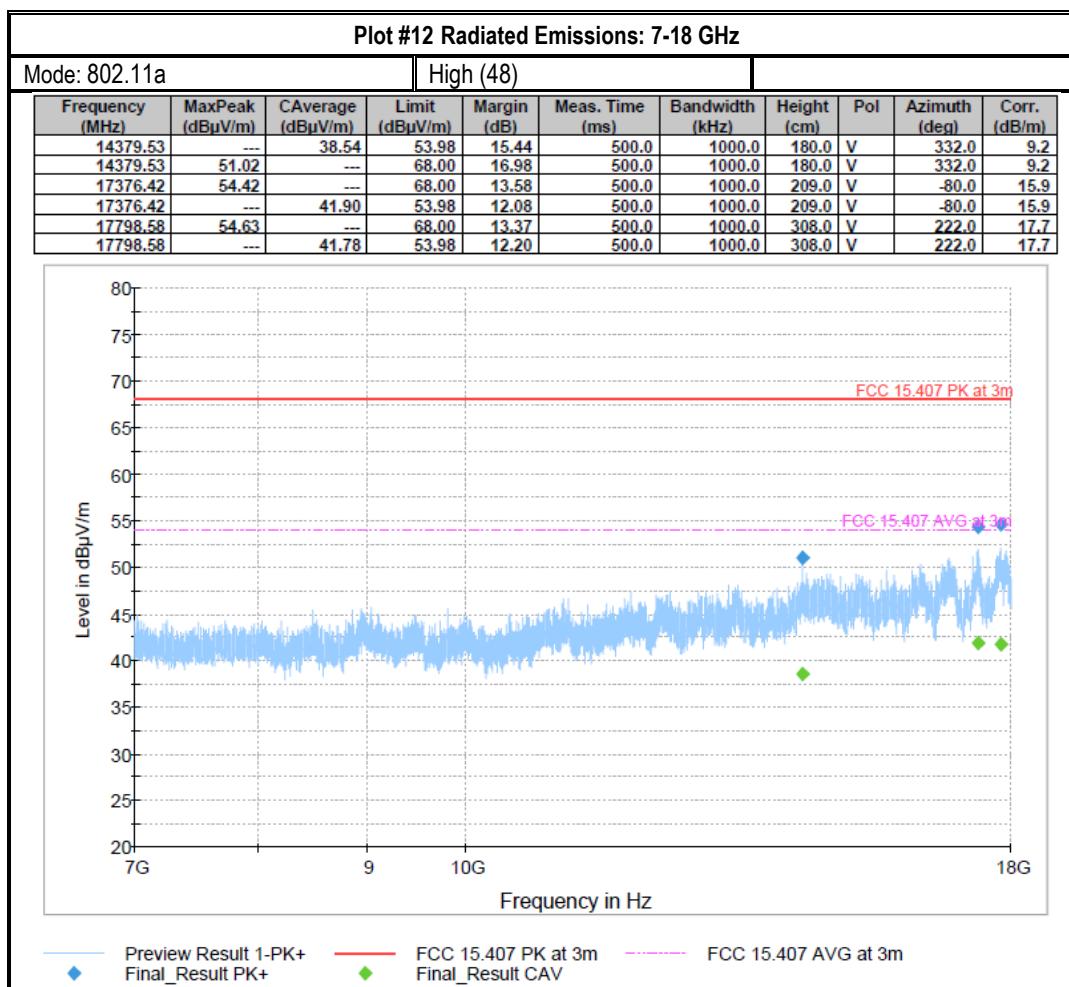


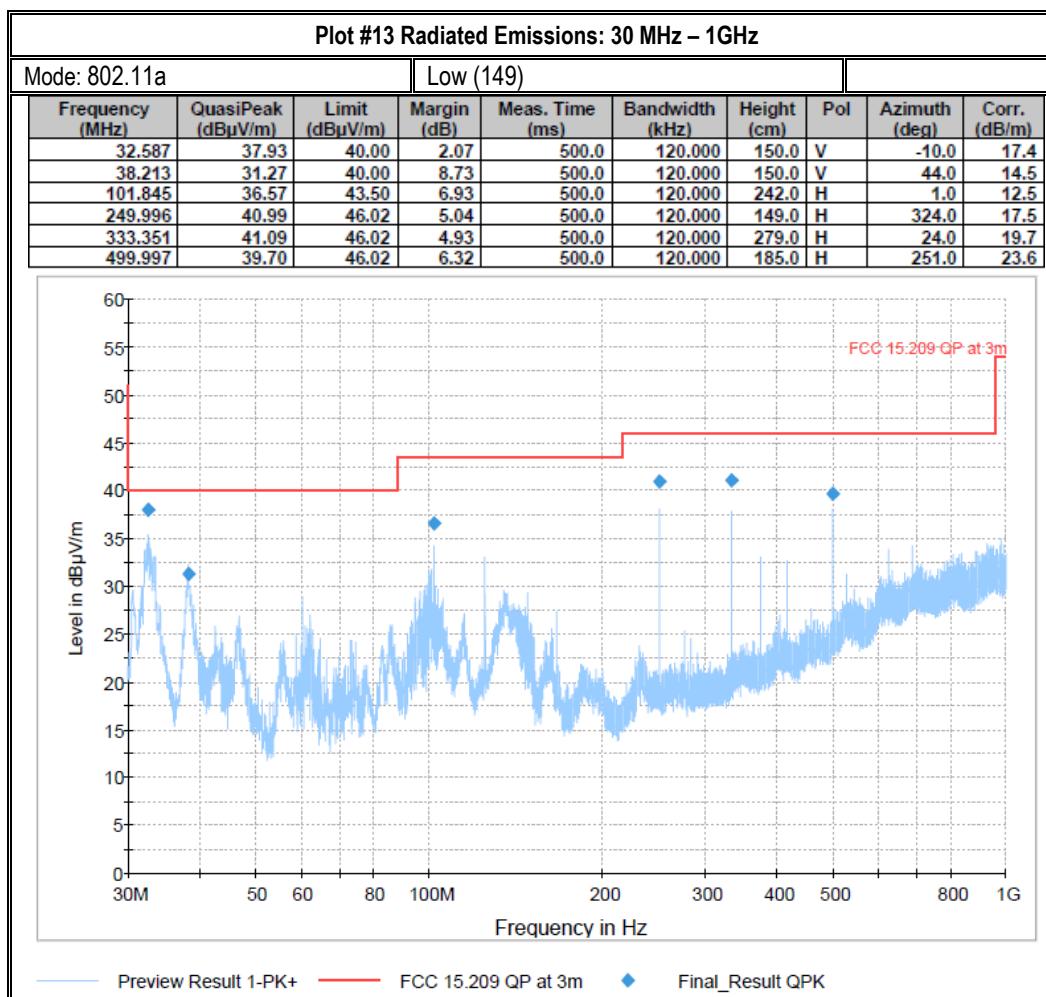


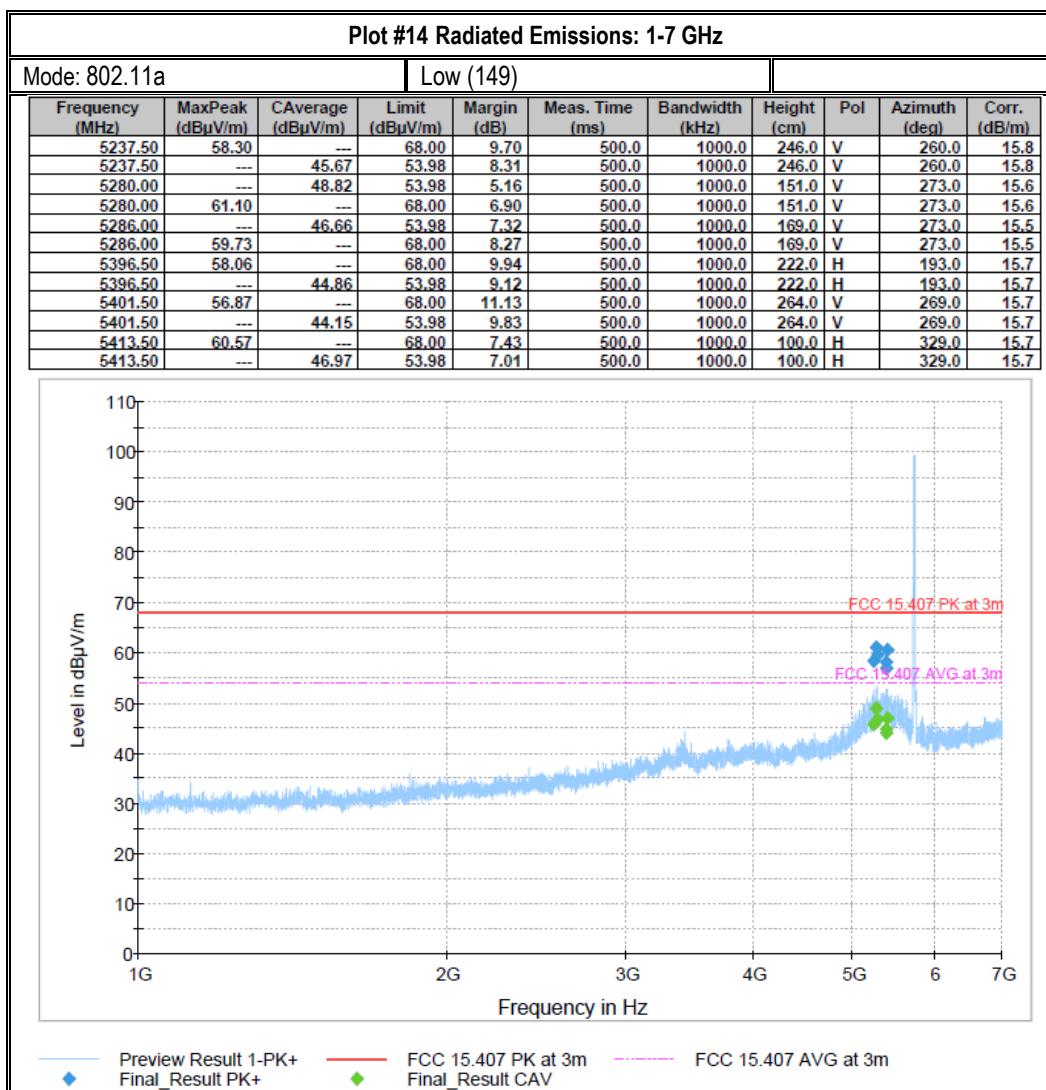


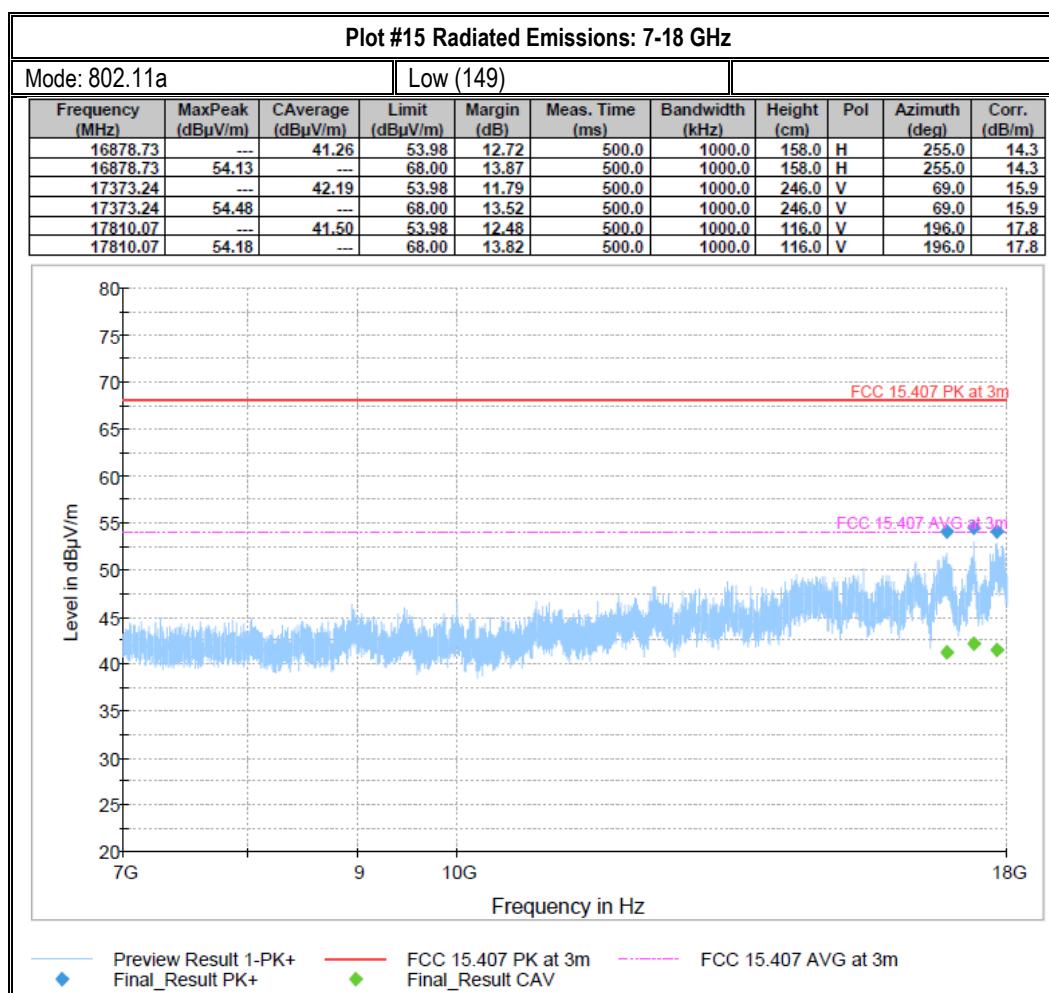


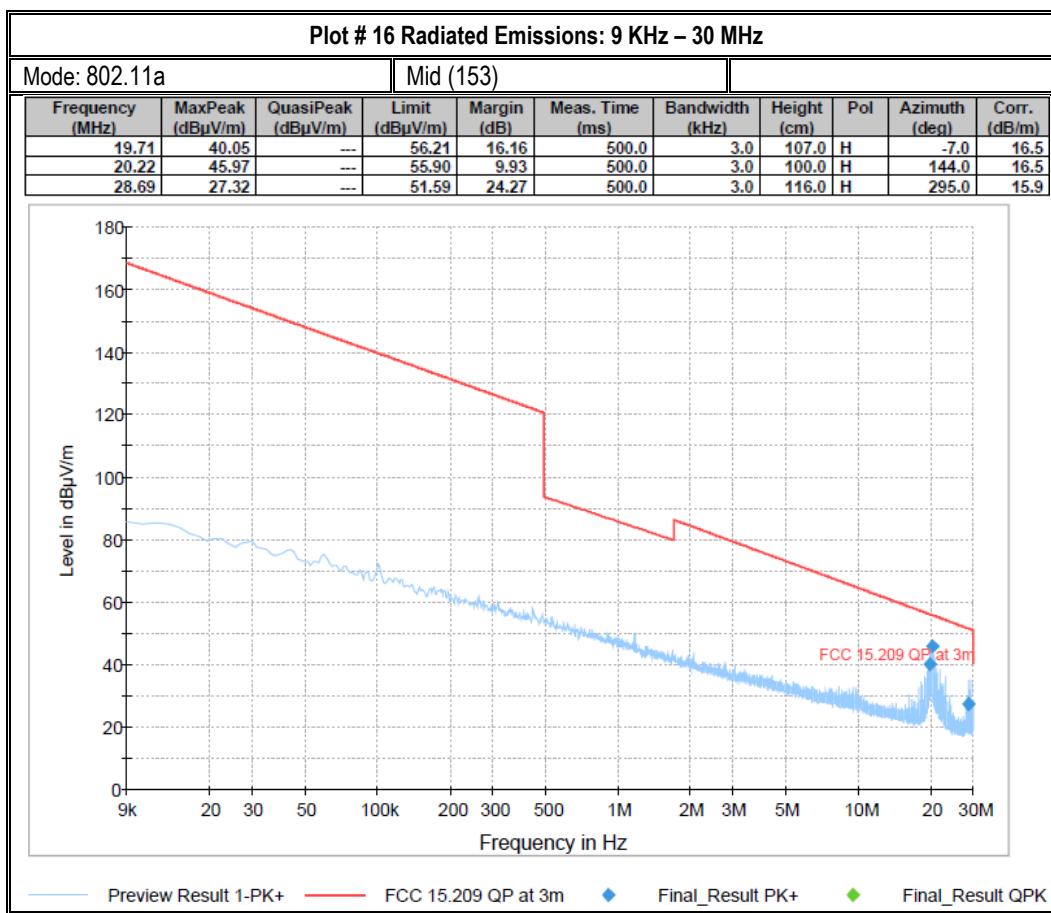


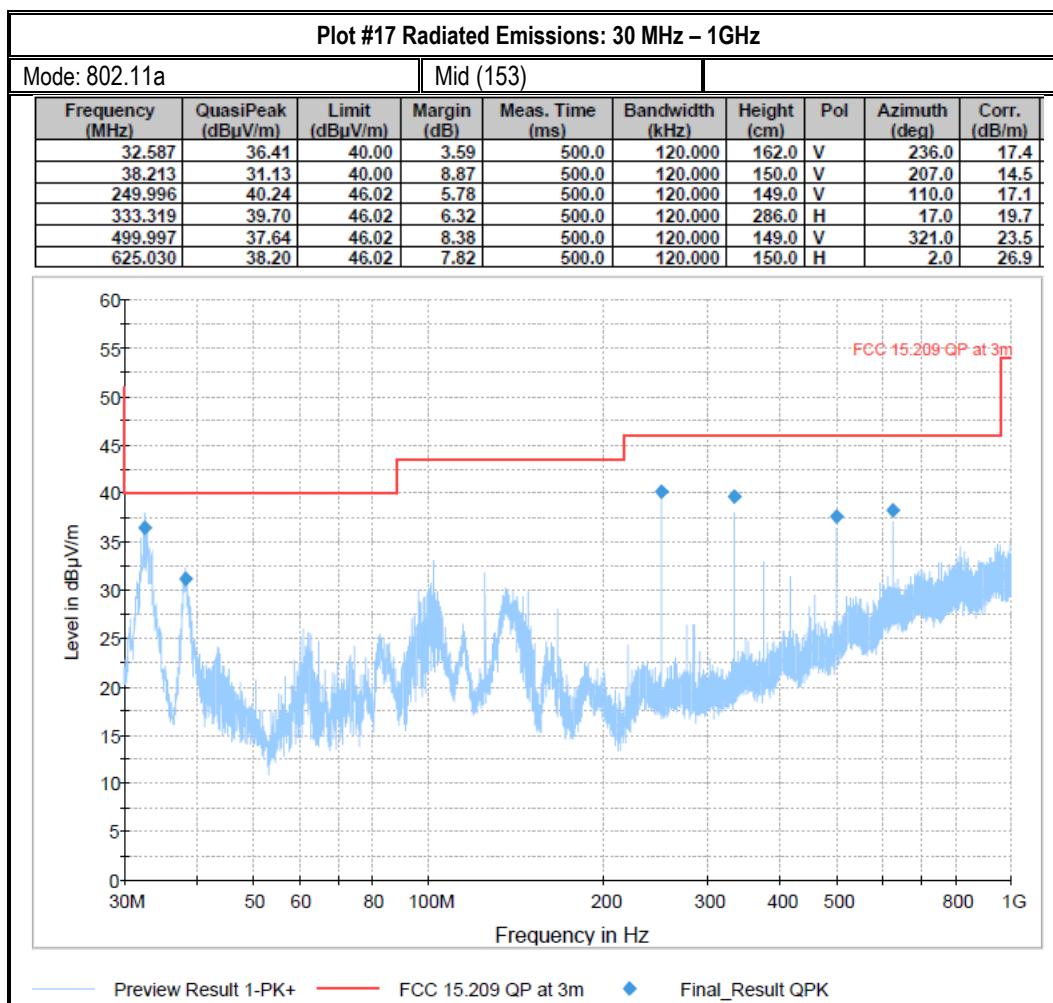


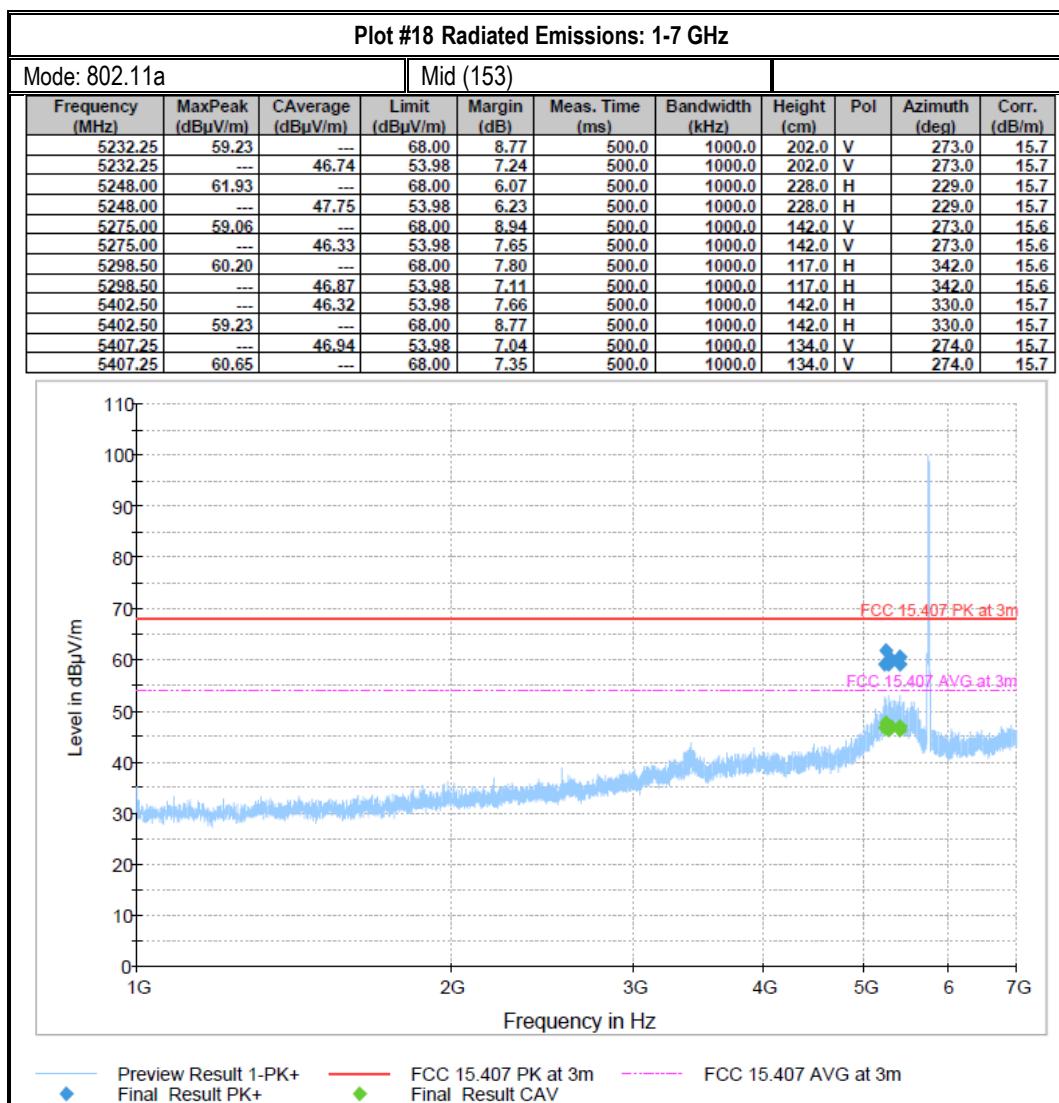


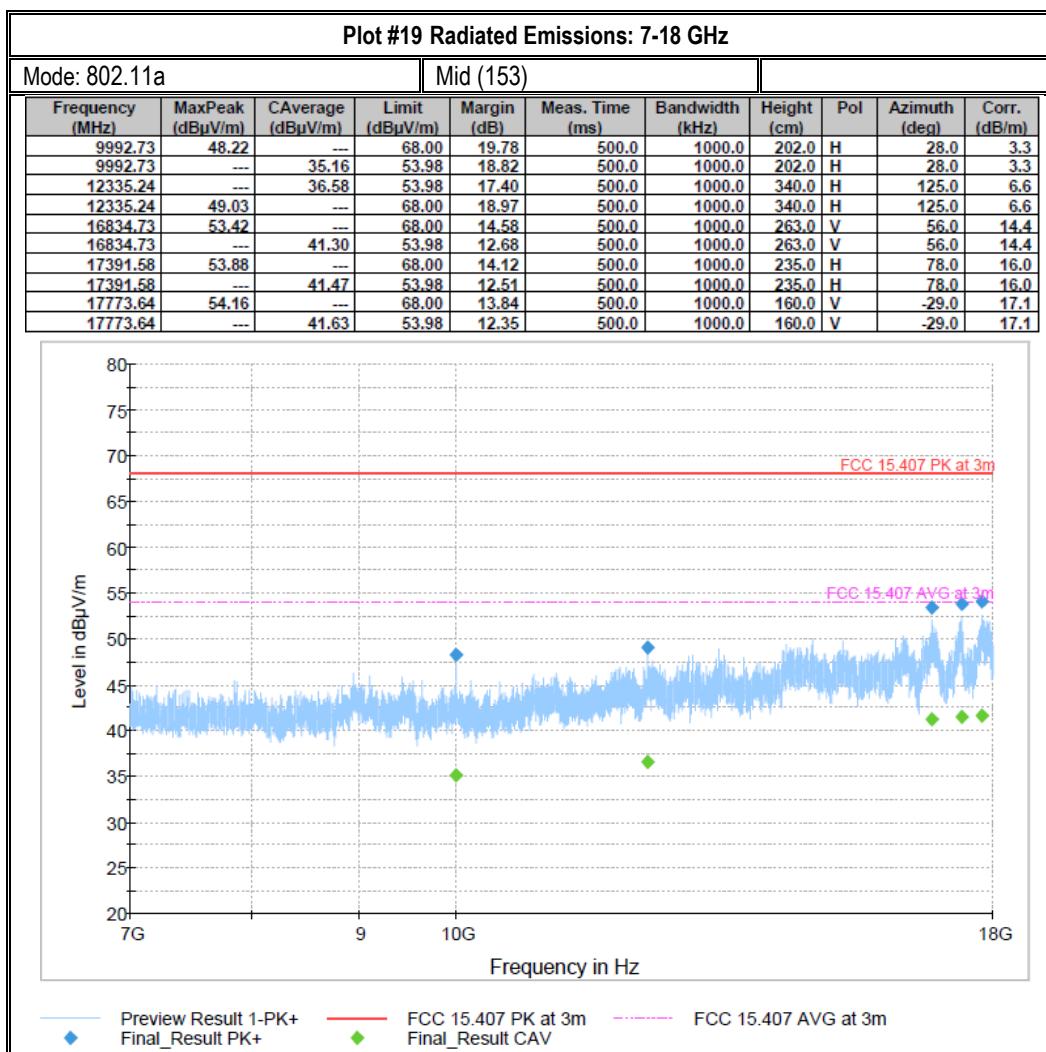


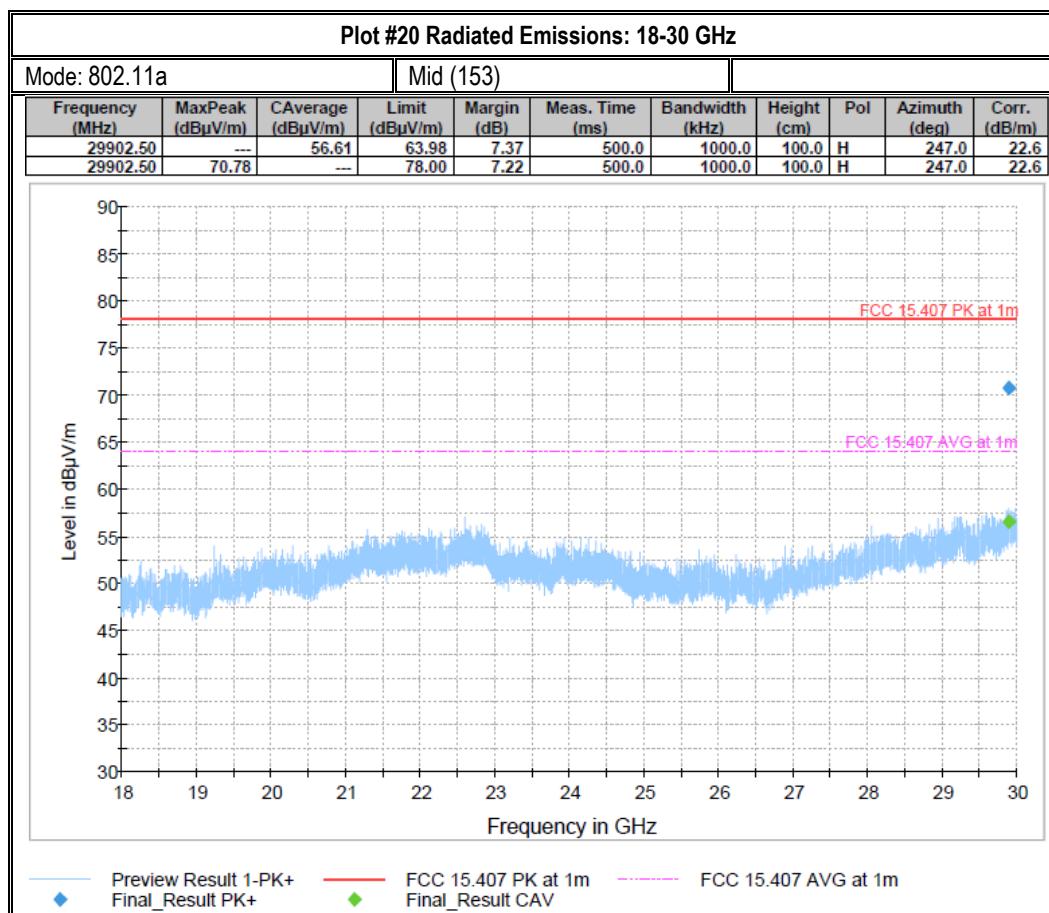


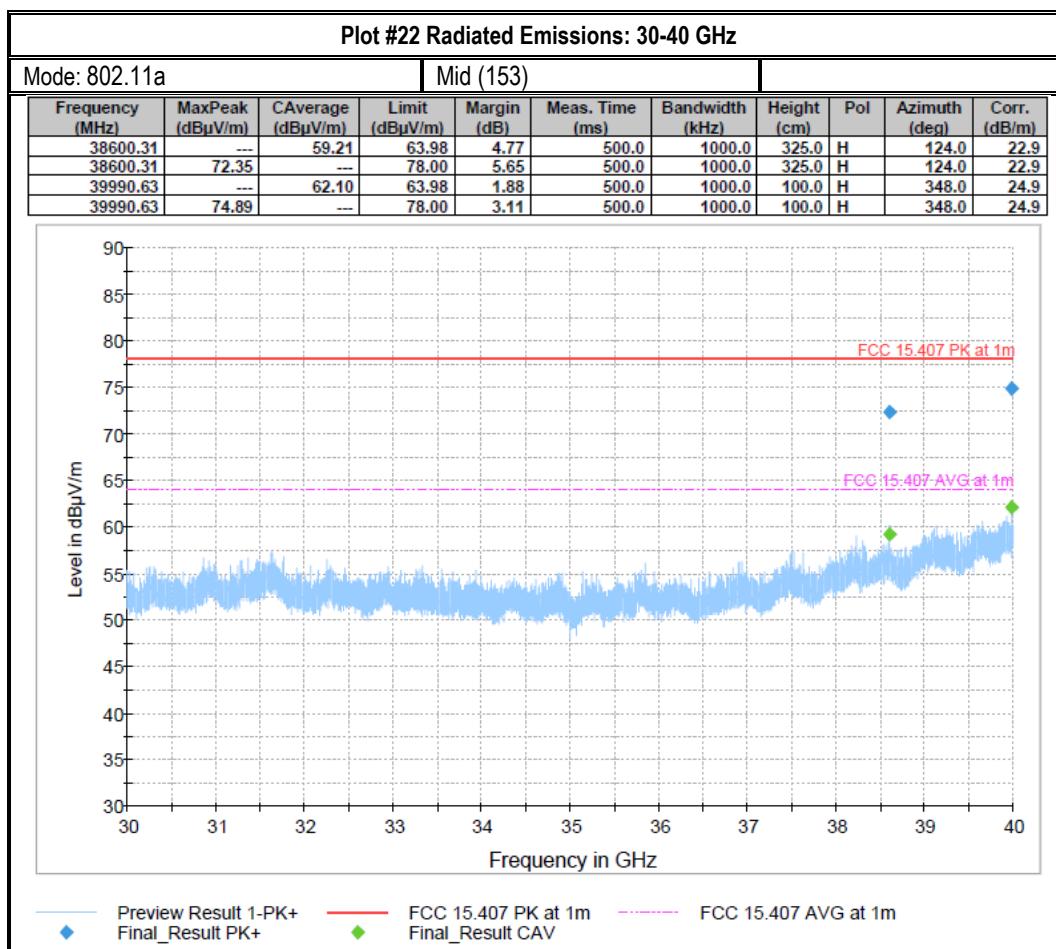


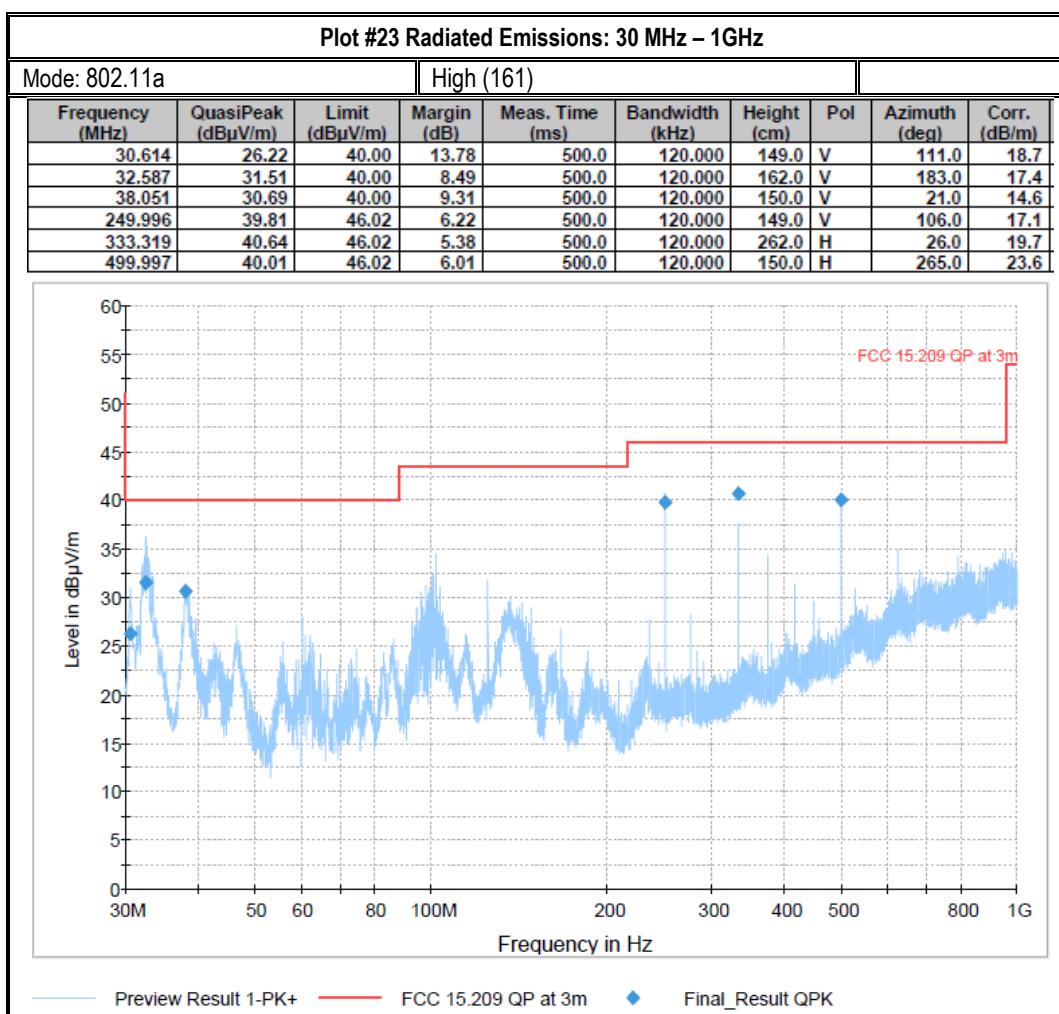










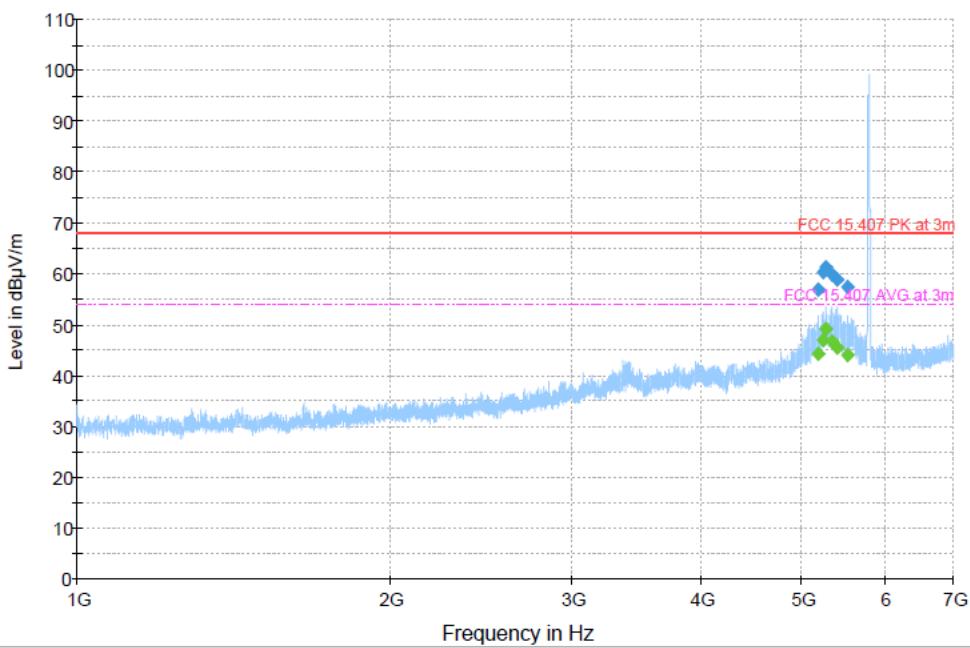


Plot #24 Radiated Emissions: 1-7 GHz

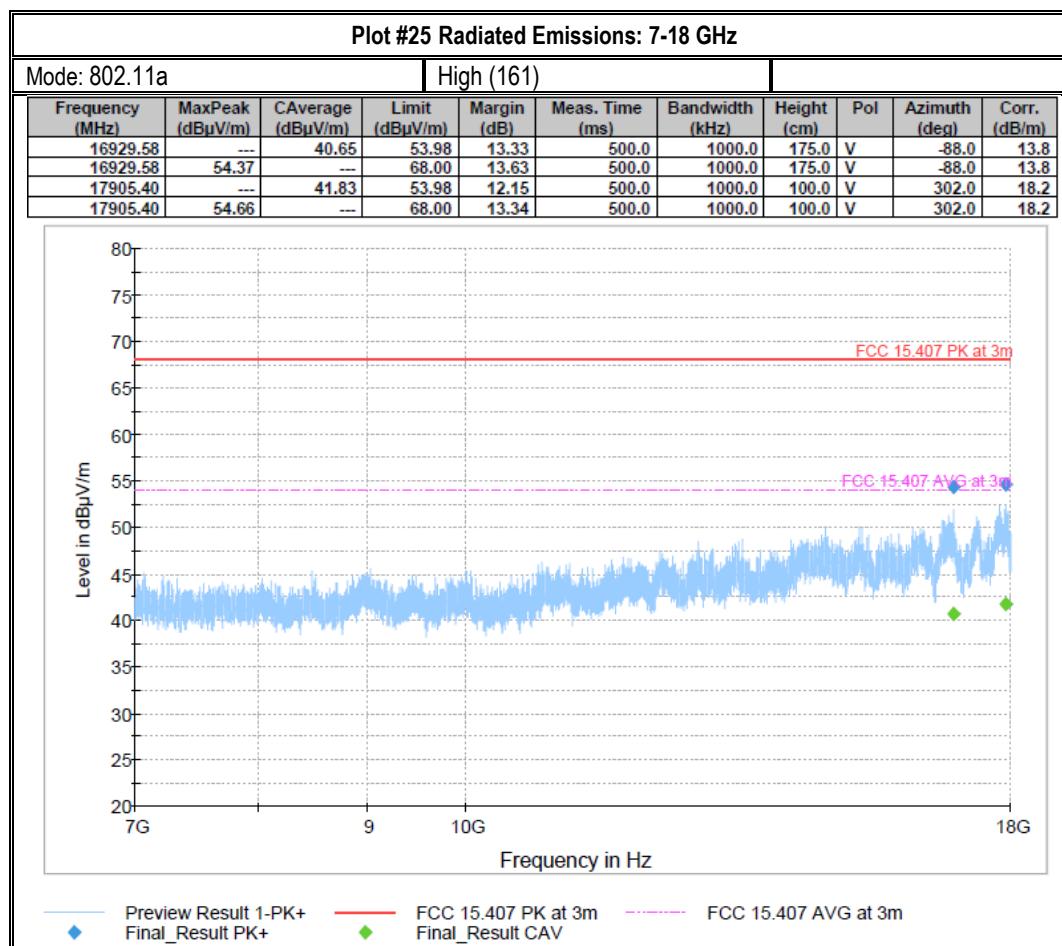
Mode: 802.11a

High (161)

Frequency (MHz)	MaxPeak (dBuV/m)	CAverage (dBuV/m)	Limit (dBuV/m)	Margin (dB)	Meas. Time (ms)	Bandwidth (kHz)	Height (cm)	Pol	Azimuth (deg)	Corr. (dB/m)
5182.75	56.99	--	68.00	11.01	500.0	1000.0	248.0	V	273.0	15.2
5182.75	--	44.31	53.98	9.67	500.0	1000.0	248.0	V	273.0	15.2
5237.00	--	47.01	53.98	6.97	500.0	1000.0	186.0	V	274.0	15.8
5237.00	60.44	--	68.00	7.56	500.0	1000.0	186.0	V	274.0	15.8
5279.75	--	49.13	53.98	4.85	500.0	1000.0	151.0	V	274.0	15.6
5279.75	61.32	--	68.00	6.68	500.0	1000.0	151.0	V	274.0	15.6
5342.25	59.79	--	68.00	8.21	500.0	1000.0	100.0	H	319.0	15.8
5342.25	--	46.73	53.98	7.25	500.0	1000.0	100.0	H	319.0	15.8
5404.00	58.95	--	68.00	9.05	500.0	1000.0	245.0	V	270.0	15.7
5404.00	--	45.60	53.98	8.38	500.0	1000.0	245.0	V	270.0	15.7
5539.75	57.46	--	68.00	10.54	500.0	1000.0	245.0	V	269.0	15.9
5539.75	--	44.16	53.98	9.81	500.0	1000.0	245.0	V	269.0	15.9



◆ Preview Result 1-PK+ Final_Result PK+ ♦ FCC 15.407 PK at 3m Final_Result CAV - FCC 15.407 AVG at 3m



9 Test setup photos

Setup photos are included in supporting file name: "EMC_ASTRO-019-22001_15.407_Setup_Photos.pdf"

10 Test Equipment And Ancillaries Used For Testing

Equipment Name/Type	Manufacturer	Model	Serial #	Calibration Cycle	Last Calibration Date
EMI Receiver/Analyzer	Rohde&Schwarz	ESU 40	100251	3 Years	9/13/2021
Biconlog Antenna	EMCO	3142E	166067	3 years	3/12/2020
Horn Antenna	EMCO	3115	35114	3 years	8/10/2020
Horn Antenna	ETS Lindgren	3117-PA	215984	3 years	1/31/2021
Horn Antenna	ETS Lindgren	3116C-PA	169535	3 years	9/30/2020
Digital Thermometer	Control Company	36934-164	191871986	3 Years	10/20/2021
Signal Analyzer	Rohde & Schwarz	FSV40	101022	3 Years	9/14/2021

Note : Equipment used meets the measurement uncertainty requirements as required per applicable standards for 95% confidence levels.

Calibration due dates, unless defined specifically, falls on the last day of the month. Items indicated "N/A" for cal status either do not specifically require calibration or is internally characterized before use.

11 History

Date	Report Name	Changes to report	Report prepared by
6-10-2022	EMC_ASTRO-019-22001_15.407	Initial Version	Kris Lazarov
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