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Assessment report

RF EXPOSURE REPORT ACCORDING TO

FCC 47 CFR Part 2.1091
ISED RSS-102 Issue 5:2015

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| (*) Identification of item under evaluation | Smart Gas Meter |
| (*) Trademark | Mesura Metering |
| (*) Model and /or type reference | PRODIGI US1 |
| (*) Other identification of the product | HW version: 1.0 SW version: 1.0 FCC ID: 2AWRB-PRODIGI1 IC ID: 26345-PRODIGI1 |
| (*) Features | LoRa communication |
| Manufacturer | Mesura Metering Srl Via Statale 11/13, Ponte San Marco, 25011, Calcinato – Brescia (Italy) |
| Test method requested, standard | FCC 47 CFR Part 2.1091 Radiofrequency radiation exposure evaluation: mobile devices. ISED RSS-102 Issue 5 (2015-03) – Radio Frequency Exposure Compliance of Radiocommunication Apparatus (All Frequency Bands) IEEE Std C95.3™ -2002 (R2008). IEEE Recommended Practice for Measurements and Computations of Radio Frequency Electromagnetic Fields With Respect to Human Exposure to Such Fields, 100 kHz–300 GHz |
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Identification of the client

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General description of the device under evaluation

The device under evaluation consists of a Smart Gas Meter, who is able to record gas consumption and send the information remotely

According to the manufacturer, during its normal use, the separation distance between the radiating structures of the device and nearby users will be greater than 20cm. In order to perform the assessment a conservative evaluation distance of 20 cm has been used.

The equipment specifications declared by the manufacturer for the supported technology are:

| Technology / Mode | Band | Frequency (MHz) | Maximum Conducted Output Power RMS Burst (Incl. Tune-Up) (dBm) | Antenna peak gain (dBi) | Maximum E.I.R.P. (dBm) | Maximum E.I.R.P. (mW) |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------------|--|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| LoRa | ISM (USA) | 902 - 928 | 22.00 | 2.31 | 24.31 | 269.77 |

Table 1: Equipment specifications

RF Exposure Assessment result and verdict

FCC assessment:

Limits for Maximum Permissible Exposure (MPE) to comply with FCC 47 CFR § 2.1091 are defined in “§1.1310 Radiation Exposure limits, paragraph (e)”:

| Technology / Mode | Band | Frequency (MHz) | Distance (cm) | Power density (mW/cm ²) | FCC General Population Limit (mW/cm ²) | Verdict |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|--|-------------|
| LoRa | ISM (USA) | 902 - 928 | 20.00 | 0.05 | 0.60 | Pass |

Table 2: Assessment result and verdict

ISED assessment:

Limits for RF Field Strength to comply with RSS-102 Issue 5 are defined in “Health Canada’s RF exposure guideline, Safety code 6”:

| Technology / Mode | Band | Frequency (MHz) | Distance (cm) | Power density (W/m ²) | ISED General Public Limit (W/m ²) | Verdict |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|---|-------------|
| LoRa | ISM (USA) | 902 - 928 | 20.00 | 0.54 | 2.74 | Pass |

Table 3: Assessment result and verdict

Appendix A: FCC RF Exposure information

FCC RF Exposure evaluation for mobile devices

Devices operating in standalone mobile device exposure conditions may contain a single transmitter or multiple transmitters that do not transmit simultaneously. A minimum test separation distance ≥ 20 cm is required between the antenna and radiating structures of the device and nearby persons to apply mobile device exposure limits. The distance must be at least 20 cm and fully supported by the operating and installation configurations of the transmitter and its antenna(s), according to the source-based time-averaged maximum power requirements of § 2.1091(d)(2). In cases where cable losses or other attenuations are applied to determine compliance, the most conservative operating configurations and exposure conditions must be evaluated. The minimum test separation distance required for a device to comply with mobile device exposure conditions must be clearly identified in the installation and operating instructions, for all installation and exposure conditions, to enable users and installers to comply with RF exposure requirements. For mobile devices that have the potential to operate in portable device exposure conditions, similar to the configurations described in § 2.1091(d)(4), a KDB inquiry is required to determine the SAR test requirements for demonstrating compliance.

When a device qualifies for the categorical exclusion provision of § 2.1091(c), the minimum test separation distance may be estimated, when applicable, by simple calculations according to plane-wave equivalent conditions, to ensure the transmitter and its antenna(s) can operate in manners that meet or exceed the estimated distance. The source-based time-averaged maximum radiated power, according to the maximum antenna gain, must be applied to calculate the field strength and power density required to establish the minimum test separation distance. When the estimated test separation distance becomes overly conservative and does not support compliance, MPE measurement or computational modeling may be used to determine the required minimum separation distance.

According to §1.1310 Radiofrequency radiation exposure limits, paragraph (e), the limits for Maximum Permissible Exposure (MPE) to radiofrequency electromagnetic fields are:

TABLE 1—LIMITS FOR MAXIMUM PERMISSIBLE EXPOSURE (MPE)

| Frequency range (MHz) | Electric field strength (V/m) | Magnetic field strength (A/m) | Power density (mW/cm ²) | Averaging time (minutes) |
|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| (A) Limits for Occupational/Controlled Exposure | | | | |
| 0.3–3.0 | 614 | 1.63 | *100 | 6 |
| 3.0–30 | 1842/f | 4.89/f | *900/f ² | 6 |
| 30–300 | 61.4 | 0.163 | 1.0 | 6 |
| 300–1,500 | | | f/300 | 6 |
| 1,500–100,000 | | | 5 | 6 |
| (B) Limits for General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure | | | | |
| 0.3–1.34 | 614 | 1.63 | *100 | 30 |
| 1.34–30 | 824/f | 2.19/f | *180/f ² | 30 |
| 30–300 | 27.5 | 0.073 | 0.2 | 30 |
| 300–1,500 | | | f/1500 | 30 |
| 1,500–100,000 | | | 1.0 | 30 |

f = frequency in MHz * = Plane-wave equivalent power density

FCC MPE Evaluation

Each supported transmission technology will be evaluated to determine if it is in compliance with limits for Maximum Permissible Exposure (MPE) to radiofrequency electromagnetic fields.

In order to perform the assessment, the following equations have been used for the calculations; these equations are accurate in the far-field of an antenna and will over-predict power density in the near field, where they could be used for making a "worst case" or conservative prediction:

$$\text{Power density: } S[W / m^2] = \frac{P_{E.I.R.P.}[W]}{4\pi R[m]^2}$$

Where:

S = power density

$P_{E.I.R.P.}$ = Equivalent isotropically radiated power

R = distance to the center of radiation of the antenna (evaluation distance)

Appendix B: ISED RF Exposure information

ISED RF Exposure evaluation for mobile devices

According to RSS-102 Issue 5, Paragraph “4. Exposure Limits”, Industry of Canada has adopted the RF field strength limits established in Health Canada’s RF exposure guideline, Safety code 6:

**Table 4: RF Field Strength Limits for Devices Used by the General Public
(Uncontrolled Environment)**

| Frequency Range (MHz) | Electric Field (V/m rms) | Magnetic Field (A/m rms) | Power Density (W/m ²) | Reference Period (minutes) |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 0.003-10 ⁻²¹ | 83 | 90 | - | Instantaneous* |
| 0.1-10 | - | 0.73/ $f^{0.5}$ | - | 6** |
| 1.1-10 | 87/ $f^{0.5}$ | - | - | 6** |
| 10-20 | 27.46 | 0.0728 | 2 | 6 |
| 20-48 | 58.07/ $f^{0.25}$ | 0.1540/ $f^{0.25}$ | 8.944/ $f^{0.5}$ | 6 |
| 48-300 | 22.06 | 0.05852 | 1.291 | 6 |
| 300-6000 | 3.142 $f^{0.3417}$ | 0.008335 $f^{0.3417}$ | 0.02619 $f^{0.6834}$ | 6 |
| 6000-15000 | 61.4 | 0.163 | 10 | 6 |
| 15000-150000 | 61.4 | 0.163 | 10 | 616000/ $f^{1.2}$ |
| 150000-300000 | 0.158 $f^{0.5}$ | 4.21 x 10 ⁻⁴ $f^{0.5}$ | 6.67 x 10 ⁻⁵ f | 616000/ $f^{1.2}$ |

Note: f is frequency in MHz.
 *Based on nerve stimulation (NS).
 ** Based on specific absorption rate (SAR).

Table 6: RF Field Strength Limits for Controlled Use Devices (Controlled Environment)

| Frequency Range (MHz) | Electric Field (V/m rms) | Magnetic Field (A/m rms) | Power Density (W/m ²) | Reference Period (minutes) |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 0.003-10 ⁻²³ | 170 | 180 | - | Instantaneous* |
| 0.1-10 | - | 1.6/ f | - | 6** |
| 1.29-10 | 193/ $f^{0.5}$ | - | - | 6** |
| 10-20 | 61.4 | 0.163 | 10 | 6 |
| 20-48 | 129.8/ $f^{0.25}$ | 0.3444/ $f^{0.25}$ | 44.72/ $f^{0.5}$ | 6 |
| 48-100 | 49.33 | 0.1309 | 6.455 | 6 |
| 100-6000 | 15.60 $f^{0.25}$ | 0.04138 $f^{0.25}$ | 0.6455 $f^{0.5}$ | 6 |
| 6000-15000 | 137 | 0.364 | 50 | 6 |
| 15000-150000 | 137 | 0.364 | 50 | 616000/ $f^{1.2}$ |
| 150000-300000 | 0.354 $f^{0.5}$ | 9.40 x 10 ⁻⁴ $f^{0.5}$ | 3.33 x 10 ⁻⁴ f | 616000/ $f^{1.2}$ |

Note: f is frequency in MHz.
 *Based on nerve stimulation (NS).
 ** Based on specific absorption rate (SAR).

ISED MPE Evaluation

Each supported transmission technology will be evaluated to determine if it is in compliance with RSS-102 Issue 5, RF Field Strength Limits for devices used by the General Public.

In order to perform the assessment, the following equations have been used for the calculations; these equations are accurate in the far-field of an antenna and will over-predict power density in the near field, where they could be used for making a "worst case" or conservative prediction:

$$\text{Power density: } S[W / m^2] = \frac{P_{E.I.R.P.}[W]}{4\pi R[m]^2}$$

Where:

S = power density

$P_{E.I.R.P.}$ = Equivalent isotropically radiated power

R = distance to the center of radiation of the antenna (evaluation distance)