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RF Exposure Study - Engineering Analysis per

FCC 2.1091

AIR-AP1815I-x-K9
(x=B,S,T)

Cisco Aironet 802.11ac Dual Band Access Points

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1.0   Attestation Statement of Compliance

The Cisco AIR-AP1815I-B-K9, 802.11AC radio has been evaluated for Maximum Permissible Exposure in compliance with 47 Code of Federal Regulations 2.1091. The evaluation was in accordance with methodology as referenced in FCC Bulletin OET 65C (rev 01-01) along with KDB 447498 D01 General RF Exposure Guidance. This report serves as the additional technical analysis of the Cisco radio modules

This study addresses the addition of an additional pair of transmitters using the data derived in the afore mentioned report
2.4GHz BLE report
2.4GHz DTS report
5GHz UNII-1 report
5GHz UNII-2 report
5GHz UNII-2ext report
5GHz UNII-3 report

The limits used for this evaluation are in line with the recommendations of the World Health Organizations (WHO) International Committee on Non Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP) as well as the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) C95.1.

The limits chosen are of **General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure**.

The following case scenarios were used :
2.4GHz WLAN
5GHz WLAN

This device must be installed to provide a separation distance of at least 20 cm from all persons. Installers must be provided with antenna installation and transmitter operating conditions for satisfying RF exposure compliance.

Based on the study this case scenario, the General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure and the minimum recommended distance is around 20cm (8 inches) from the antenna.

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2.0   EUT Description

The Cisco Aironet 802.11ac-Dual Band Access Points support the following modes of operation. The modes are further defined in the radio Theory of Operation. The modes included in this report represent the worst case data for all modes. Data is recorded at the lowest supported data rate for each mode. This report covers operation on channel 1-11.

802.11n/ac - Non HT20, One Antenna, 6 to 54 Mbps
802.11n/ac - Non HT20, Two Antennas, 6 to 54 Mbps

802.11n/ac - HT/VHT20, One Antenna, M0 to M7
802.11n/ac - HT/VHT20, Two Antennas, M0 to M7
802.11n/ac - HT/VHT20, Two Antennas, M8 to M15

802.11n/ac - HT/VHT20 Beam Forming, Two Antennas, M0 to M7
802.11n/ac - HT/VHT20 Beam Forming, Two Antennas, M8 to M15

802.11n/ac - HT/VHT20 STBC, Two Antennas, M0 to M7

802.11n/ac - Non HT40 Duplicate, One Antenna, 6 to 54 Mbps
802.11n/ac - Non HT40 Duplicate, Two Antennas, 6 to 54 Mbps

802.11n/ac - HT/VHT40, One Antenna, M0 to M7
802.11n/ac - HT/VHT40, Two Antennas, M0 to M7
802.11n/ac - HT/VHT40, Two Antennas, M8 to M15

802.11n/ac - HT/VHT40 Beam Forming, Two Antennas, M0 to M7
802.11n/ac - HT/VHT40 Beam Forming, Two Antennas, M8 to M15

802.11n/ac - HT/VHT40 STBC, Two Antennas, M0 to M7

802.11n/ac - Non HT80 Duplicate, One Antenna, 6 to 54 Mbps
802.11n/ac - Non HT80 Duplicate, Two Antennas, 6 to 54 Mbps

802.11ac - VHT80, One Antenna, M0 to M9 1ss
802.11ac - VHT80, Two Antennas, M0 to M9 1ss
802.11ac - VHT80, Two Antennas, M0 to M9 2ss

802.11ac - VHT80 Beam Forming, Two Antennas, M0 to M9 1ss
802.11ac - VHT80 Beam Forming, Two Antennas, M0 to M9 2ss

802.11ac - VHT80 STBC, Two Antennas, M0 to M9 1ss

The following antennas are supported by this product series.
The data included in this report represent the worst case data for all antennas.

Frequency	Part Number	Antenna Type	Antenna Gain (dBi)
2.4 GHz	BlueTooth	Omni	2
2.4 / 5 GHz	2x2 Internal	Omni	2 / 4

3.0 Methodology

All calculations were made in accordance with ANSI C95.1, and FCC OET 65C.

4.0 Technical Requirements

4.1 Single Band Operation – Limits

FCC Limits for Maximum Permissible Exposure (MPE)
(A) Limits for Occupational/Controlled Exposure

Frequency Range (MHz)	Electric Field Strength (E) (V/m)	Magnetic Field Strength (H) (A/m)	Power Density (S) (mW/cm^2)	Averaging Time $|E|^2$, $|H|^2$ or S (minutes)
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
300-1500	--	--	f/300	6
1500-100,000	--	--	5	6

(B) Limits for General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure

Frequency Range (MHz)	Electric Field Strength (E) (V/m)	Magnetic Field Strength (H) (A/m)	Power Density (S) (mW/cm^2)	Averaging Time $|E|^2$, $|H|^2$ or S (minutes)
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
300-1500	--	--	f/1500	30
1500-100,000	--	--	1.0	30

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

NOTE 1: See Section 1 for discussion of exposure categories.

NOTE 2: The averaging time for General Population/Uncontrolled exposure to fixed transmitters is not applicable for mobile and portable transmitters. See 47 CFR §§2.1091 and 2.1093 on source-based time-averaging requirements for mobile and portable transmitters.

5.0   Calculations

Given

$$E=\sqrt{(30*P*G)}/d \quad \text{and} \quad S=E^2/3770$$

where

E=Field Strength in Volts/meter
P=Power in Watts
G=Numeric Antenna Gain
d=Distance in meters
S=Power Density in mW/cm^2

Combine equations and rearrange the terms to express the distance as a function of the remaining variables:

$$d=\sqrt{((30*P*G)/(3770*S))}$$

Changing to units of power in mW and distance in cm, using:

$$P(mW)=P(W)/1000 \quad d(cm)=100*d(m)$$

yields

$$d=100*\sqrt{((30*(P/1000)*G)/(3770*S))}$$
$$d=0.282*\sqrt{(P*G/S)}$$

where

d=Distance in cm
P=Power in mW
G=Numeric Antenna Gain
S=Power Density in mW/cm^2

Substituting the logarithmic form of power and gain using:

$$P(mW)=10^{(P(dBm)/10)} \quad G(numeric)=10^{(G(dBi)/10)}$$

yields

$$\mathbf{d=0.282*10^{((P+G)/20)}/\sqrt{S}} \qquad \text{Equation (1)}$$

and

$$\mathbf{s=((0.282*10^{((P+G)/20)})/d)^2} \qquad \text{Equation (2)}$$

where

d=MPE distance in cm
P=Power in dBm
G=Antenna Gain in dBi
S=Power Density in mW/cm^2

6.0   Results

Equation (1) and the measured peak power are used to calculate the MPE distance. Note that for mobile or fixed location transmitters such as an access point, the minimum separation distance is 20 cm even if the calculations indicate that the MPE distance may be less.

S=1mW/cm^2 maximum. Using the peak power levels recorded in the test report along with Equation 1 above, the MPE distances are calculated as follows.

MPE Calculations:

Band	Power Density (mW/cm^2)	Peak Transmit Power (dBm)	Antenna Gain (dBi)	MPE Distance (cm)	Limit (cm)	Margin (cm)
2.4GHz BLE	1	3.8	2	0.55	20	19.45
2.4GHz DTS	1	19.6	2	3.39	20	16.61
5GHz UNII-1	1	20.1	7*	6.39	20	13.61
5GHz UNII-2	1	19.5	7*	5.96	20	14.04
5GHz UNII-2e	1	19.6	7*	6.03	20	13.97
5GHz UNII-3	1	18.3	7*	5.19	20	14.81

*Correlated Gain

To maintain compliance, installations will assure a separation distance of at least 20 cm.

Using Equation 2, the MPE levels (s) at 20 cm are calculated as follows:

Band	MPE Distance (cm)	PeakTransmit Power (dBm)	Antenna Gain (dBi)	Power Density (mW/cm^2)	Limit (mW/cm^2)	Margin (mW/cm^2)
2.4GHz BLE	20	3.8	2	0.00	1	1.00
2.4GHz DTS	20	19.6	2	0.03	1	0.97
5GHz UNII-1	20	20.1	7*	0.10	1	0.90
5GHz UNII-2	20	19.5	7*	0.09	1	0.91
5GHz UNII-2e	20	19.6	7*	0.09	1	0.91
5GHz UNII-3	20	18.3	7*	0.07	1	0.93

* Correlated Gain

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Calculations with additional transmitters

2.4GHz WLAN (Highest power)
5GHz WLAN (Highest power)

TX1 + TX2   = % of standard
(0.03) + (0.1) = 0.13

D (estimate) = 20* $\sqrt{\%}$

D =   7.2 cm which is less than 20 cm recommended

The configuration above co-location calculation is for **General Population/Uncontrolled exposure**. The minimum distance recommended is **20 cm (8 inches)** when all antennas are within 20 cm of each other.

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References

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