

# TEST REPORT FROM RFI GLOBAL SERVICES LTD

Test of: Modular Ubitag V2.0

To: FCC Part 15.517: 2008 Subpart F

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# 1. Customer Information

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# 2. Summary of Testing

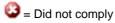
#### 2.1. General Information

Specification Reference:	47CFR15.517 – Technical requirements for indoor UWB systems	
Specification Title:	Code of Federal Regulations Volume 47 (Telecommunications) 2008: Part 15 Subpart F (UltraWideband Operation) - Section 15.517	
Specification Reference:	47CFR15.207 & 47CFR15.209	
Specification Title:	Code of Federal Regulations Volume 47 (Telecommunications) 2008: Part 15 Subpart C (Radio Frequency Devices) - Sections 15.207 & 15.209	
Site Registration:	FCC: 209735	
Location of Testing:	RFI Global Services Ltd, Wade Road, Basingstoke, Hampshire, RG24 8AH.	
Test Dates:	09 September to 11 September 2009	

# 2.2. Summary of Test Results

FCC Reference (47CFR)	Measurement	Port Type	Result
Part 15.207	Transmitter AC Conducted Spurious Emissions	AC Mains	<b>(</b>
Part 15.517(b)	Transmitter Ultra Wide Bandwidth (UWB)	Antenna	<b>(</b>
Parts 15.517(c) & 15.209	15.517(c) & 15.209 Transmitter Radiated Spurious Emissions Below 960 MHz		<b>©</b>
Parts 15.517(c)(d)	Transmitter Radiated Spurious Emissions Above 960 MHz	Antenna	<b>②</b>
Part 15.517(e)	Transmitter Emission Peak Level	Antenna	<b>②</b>
Key to Results			





#### 2.3. Methods and Procedures

Reference:	ANSI C63.4 (2003)
Title:	American National Standard Methods of Measurement of Electromagnetic Emissions from Low Voltage Electrical and Electronic Equipment in the Range of 9 kHz to 40 GHz.

# 2.4. Deviations from the Test Specification

For the measurements contained within this test report, there were no deviations from, additions to, or exclusions from the test specification identified above.

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# 3. Equipment Under Test (EUT)

# 3.1. Identification of Equipment Under Test (EUT)

Brand Name: Ubisense		
Description:	UWB Tag	
Model Number:	Modular Ubitag V2.0	
Serial Number:	10	
FCC ID:	SEAMOD21	

## 3.2. Description of EUT

The equipment under test was a location tag.

#### 3.3. Modifications Incorporated in the EUT

No modifications were applied to the EUT during testing.

## 3.4. Additional Information Related to Testing

Tested Technology:	Ultra Wide Band (UWB)	
Type of Radio Device:	Transmitter	
Power Supply Requirement(s):	Nominal 3.3 V DC	
Pulse Repetition Frequency:	6.5 MHz	
Band of Operation:	6 to 8.5 GHz	
Test Centre Frequency	7.2 GHz (approx) - single channel operation	

#### 3.5. Support Equipment

The following support equipment was used to exercise the EUT during testing:

Description:	AC/DC Power Supply Unit	
Brand Name:	Stontronics	
Model Name or Number:	3A-061WP03	
Serial Number:	T3915ST	

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# 4. Operation of the EUT during Testing

#### 4.1. Operating Modes

The EUT was tested in the following operating mode(s):

• The EUT is normally operated with an extremely low duty cycle (<1%), therefore in order that measurements could be made satisfactorily the EUT was set to transmit with 100% duty cycle. This results in a worse-case scenario where the reported level is higher than that which would be obtained with any lower duty cycle.

#### 4.2. Configuration and Peripherals

The EUT was tested in the following configuration(s):

Connected to external DC Supply.

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### 5. Measurements, Examinations and Derived Results

#### 5.1. General Comments

Measurement uncertainties are evaluated in accordance with current best practice. Our reported expanded uncertainties are based on standard uncertainties, which are multiplied by an appropriate coverage factor to provide a statistical confidence level of approximately 95%. Please refer to Section 6. Measurement Uncertainties for details.

Measurements above 1 GHz used the RMS detector function on the spectrum analyzer, with a sweep time set to 500ms or less – the spectrum analyzer scan had 500 points, and so a sweep time of 500ms or less ensured that the averaging time per point was 1ms or less. The VBW was always greater than or equal to the RBW unless noted.

The operational requirement stated in part 15.517 (a) states that a UWB device is limited solely for indoor use only. The client has supplied a declaration of conformance to this section in a separate exhibit, reference document FCC Part 15.517 (a) 26\_10\_09. This document is included in Appendix 2 of this report.

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# 5.2. Test Results

# 5.2.1. Transmitter AC Conducted Spurious Emissions

#### **Test Summary:**

FCC Part:	15.207
Test Method Used:	As detailed in ANSI C63.4 Section 7 and relevant annexes

#### **Environmental Conditions:**

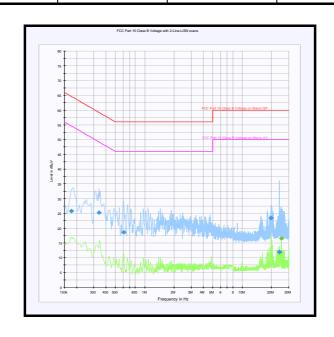
Temperature (°C):	28
Relative Humidity (%):	32

#### **Results: Quasi Peak Detector Measurements**

Frequency (MHz)	Line	Quasi Peak Level (dBμV)	Limit (dΒμV)	Margin (dB)	Result
0.177000	Live	25.8	64.6	38.8	Complied
0.339000	Neutral	25.3	59.2	33.9	Complied
0.609000	Live	18.7	56.0	37.3	Complied
19.707000	Neutral	23.4	60.0	36.6	Complied
23.995500	Live	11.9	60.0	48.1	Complied
24.000000	Neutral	12.0	60.0	48.0	Complied

#### **Results: Average Detector Measurements**

Frequency (MHz)	Line	Average Level (dBμV)	Limit (dBμV)	Margin (dB)	Result
25.057500	Neutral	16.6	50.0	33.4	Complied



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# 5.2.2. Transmitter Ultra Wide Bandwidth (UWB)

#### **Test Summary:**

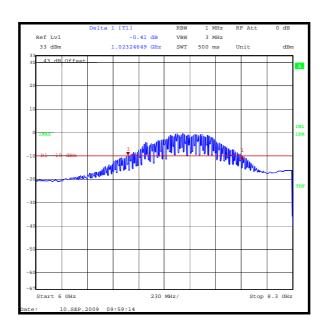
FCC Part:	15.517(b)
Test Method Used:	The Ultra Wide Bandwidth (UWB) was determined by measuring the -10dB bandwidth of the EUT with a spectrum analyser. The RBW was set to 1 MHz, VBW 3 MHz and an RMS Detector used. The sweep time was set to 500ms or less ensuring that an averaging time per point was 1ms or less.

#### **Environmental Conditions:**

Temperature (°C):	24
Relative Humidity (%):	33

#### Results:

Lower UWB Edge (MHz)	Upper UWB Edge (MHz)	Allowable Frequency Band (MHz)		Result
6825.050	7839.078	3100	10600	Complied



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#### 5.2.3. Transmitter Radiated Spurious Emissions Below 960 MHz

#### **Test Summary:**

FCC Part:	15.517(c) and 15.209		
Test Method Used:	As detailed in ANSI C63.4 Section 8 and relevant annexes referencing FCC Part 15.521		

#### **Environmental Conditions:**

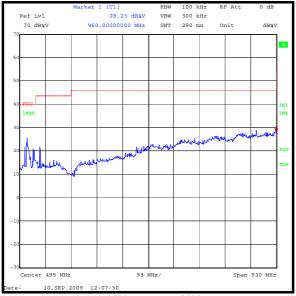
Temperature (°C):	27
Relative Humidity (%):	29

#### **Results:**

Frequency	Antenna	Level	Limit	Margin	Result
(MHz)	Polarity	(dBμV/m)	(dBμV/m)	(dB)	
960	Horizontal	28.2	54	25.8	Complied

#### Note(s):

- 1. No spurious emissions were detected above the noise floor of the measuring receiver; therefore, the highest peak noise floor reading of the measuring receiver was recorded as shown in the table above.
- 2. The emissions observed below 100 MHz were ambients and did not emanate from the EUT.



30 MHz to 960 MHz

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# 5.2.4. Transmitter Radiated Spurious Emissions Above 960 MHz

#### **Test Summary:**

FCC Part:	15.517(c)(d)		
Test Method Used:	As detailed in ANSI C63.4 Section 8 and relevant annexes referencing FCC Part 15.521		

#### **Environmental Conditions:**

Temperature (°C):	27
Relative Humidity (%):	29

#### Results:

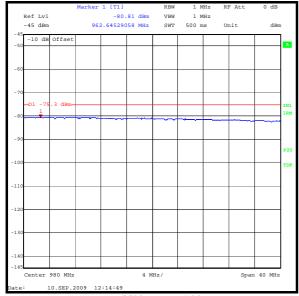
Frequency (MHz)	Antenna Polarity	Level (dBm/MHz)	Limit (dBm/MHz)	Margin (dB)	Result
962.642	Vertical	-80.8	-75.3	5.5	Complied
1576.994	Vertical	-81.4	-75.3	6.1	Complied
1978.577	Vertical	-73.8	-53.3	20.5	Complied
3093.327	Vertical	-71.8	-51.3	20.5	Complied
7488.778	Vertical	-44.8	-41.3	3.5	Complied
17466.132	Vertical	-64.1	-51.3	12.8	Complied

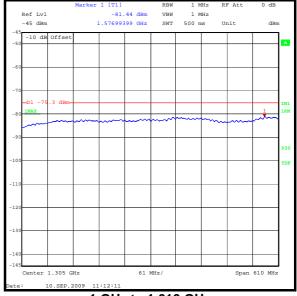
#### Bands 1164 to 1240 MHz & 1559 to 1610 MHz

Frequency (MHz)	Antenna Polarity	Level (dBm/kHz)	Limit (dBm/kHz)	Margin (dB)	Result
1227.816	Vertical	-100.4	-85.3	15.1	Complied
1566.971	Vertical	-98.1	-85.3	12.8	Complied

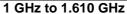
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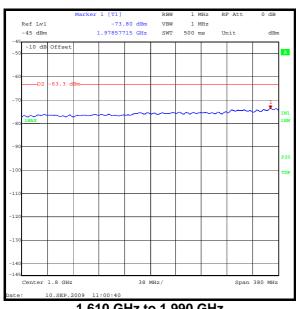
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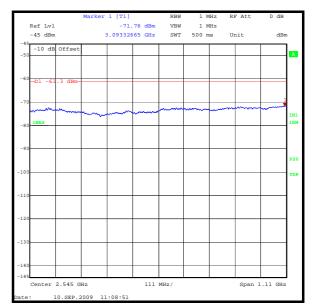




960 MHz to 1 GHz







1.610 GHz to 1.990 GHz

1.990 GHz to 3.1 GHz

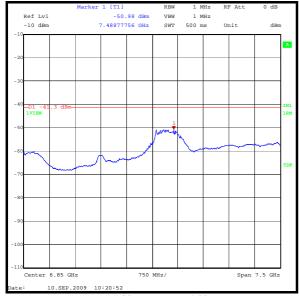
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r 1 [T1] RBW 1 MHz -44.78 dBm VBW 1 MHz 7.20860784 GHz SWT 500 ms

Unit

dBm

#### **Transmitter Radiated Spurious Emissions Above 960 MHz (continued)**



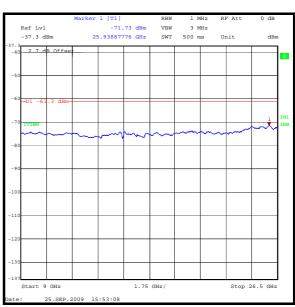


-10 dBm

Center 7.143555862 GHz



10.6 GHz to 18 GHz

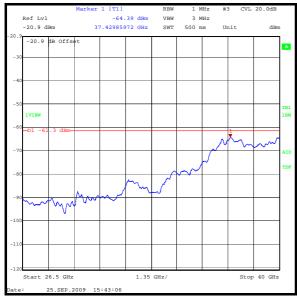


23.4375 MHz/

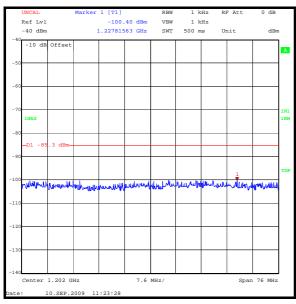
18 GHz to 26.5 GHz

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#### **Transmitter Radiated Spurious Emissions Above 960 MHz (continued)**



26.5 GHz to 40 GHz



Band 1164 MHz to 1240 MHz

**Band 1559 MHz to 1610 MHz** 

Note: The scans of frequency ranges 1.610 to 1.990 GHz, 1.990 to 3.1 GHz, 10.6 to 18 GHz, 18 to 26.5 GHz and 26.5 to 40 GHz indicate a limit line 10 dB tighter than specified in 15.517(c) because the EUT was simultaneously evaluated against the requirements of Part 15.519 and the limits for these bands as stipulated in 15.519(c) are those shown in these plots.

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#### 5.2.5. Transmitter Emissions Peak Level

#### **Test Summary:**

FCC Part:	15.517(e)
Test Method Used:	As detailed in FCC Part 15.521(g)

#### **Environmental Conditions:**

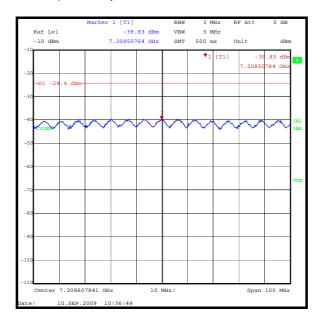
Temperature (°C):	27
Relative Humidity (%):	29

#### **Results:**

Frequency F <sub>M</sub> (MHz)	Antenna Polarity	Level (dBm/3 MHz)	Limit (dBm/3 MHz)	Margin (dB)	Result
7208.508	Vertical	-39.8	-24.4*	15.4	Complied

#### Note(s):

1. \*A resolution bandwidth (RBW) of 3 MHz was used and therefore the limit was calculated to be 20\*log(3/50) = -24.4 dBm/3 MHz (which equates to 0 dBm in a 50 MHz measurement bandwidth).



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## **6. Measurement Uncertainty**

No measurement or test can ever be perfect and the imperfections give rise to error of measurement in the results. Consequently the result of a measurement is only an approximation to the value of the measurand (the specific quantity subject to measurement) and is only complete when accompanied by a statement of the uncertainty of the approximation.

The expression of uncertainty of a measurement result allows realistic comparison of results with reference values and limits given in specifications and standards.

The uncertainty of the result may need to be taken into account when interpreting the measurement results.

The reported expanded uncertainties below are based on a standard uncertainty multiplied by an appropriate coverage factor such that a confidence level of approximately 95% is maintained. For the purposes of this document "approximately" is interpreted as meaning "effectively" or "for most practical purposes".

Measurement Type	Range	Confidence Level (%)	Calculated Uncertainty
Conducted Spurious Emissions	0.15 MHz to 30 MHz	95%	±3.72 dB
Transmitter Ultra Wide Bandwidth	N/A	95%	±0.92 ppm
Radiated Spurious Emissions	30 MHz to 40000 MHz	95%	±2.94 dB
Transmitter Emission Peak Level	N/A	95%	±2.94 dB

The methods used to calculate the above uncertainties are in line with those recommended within the various measurement specifications. Where measurement specifications do not include guidelines for the evaluation of measurement uncertainty the published guidance of the appropriate accreditation body is followed.

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# **Appendix 1. Test Equipment Used**

RFI No.	Instrument	Manufacturer	Type No.	Serial No.	Date Last Calibrated	Cal. Interval (Months)
A1534	Pre Amplifier	Hewlett Packard	8449B OPT H02	3008A00405	Calibrated before use	-
A1818	Antenna	EMCO	3115	00075692	25 Oct 2008	12
A1975	High Pass Filter	AtlanTecRF	AFH-03000	090424010	Calibrated before use	-
A288	Antenna	Chase	CBL6111A	1589	13 Mar 2009	12
A436	Antenna	Flann	20240-20	330	24 Apr 2009	36
K0002	3m RSE Chamber	Rainford EMC	N/A	N/A	01 Sep 2009	12
M1124	Spectrum Analyser	Rohde & Schwarz	ESIB26	100046K	09 Mar 2009	12

**NB** In accordance with UKAS requirements all the measurement equipment is on a calibration schedule.

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# Appendix 2. Ubisense Declaration - FCC Part 15.517 (a) 26\_10\_09

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RE: MODULAR UBITAG V2.0, FCC ID SEAMOD 21 REQUIREMENTS OF FCC PART 15.517(a)

To the Reviewing Engineer:

FCC Part 15.517(a) "Technical Requirements for indoor UWB systems" states that:

Operation under the provisions of this section is limited to UWB transmitters employed solely for indoor operation.

- (1) Indoor UWB devices, by the nature of their design, must be capable of operation only indoors. The necessity to operate with a fixed indoor infrastructure, e.g., a transmitter that must be connected to the AC power lines, may be considered sufficient to demonstrate this.
- (2) The emissions from equipment operated under this section shall not be intentionally directed outside of the building in which the equipment is located, such as through a window or a doorway, to perform an outside function, such as the detection of persons about to enter a building.
- (3) The use of outdoor mounted antennas, e.g., antennas mounted on the outside of a building or on a telephone pole, or any other outdoors infrastructure is prohibited.
- (4) Field disturbance sensors installed inside of metal or underground storage tanks are considered to operate indoors provided the emissions are directed towards the ground.
- (5) A communications system shall transmit only when the intentional radiator is sending information to an associated receiver.



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#### The applicant hereby declares that:

- The Modular Ubitag V2.0 is a wireless device intended to be used for the real-time location of objects within buildings (applications include healthcare, workplace productivity, security, retail management and manufacturing), and will be marketed as such.
- The Modular Ubitag V2.0 will not transmit ultra-wideband signals unless it receives suitable trigger commands (over a separate §15.249 conventional radio link) from an associated base station. Base stations will be professionally installed, in accordance with instructions detailing procedures for adjusting the power of the base stations' conventional radio signals to ensure that they cannot trigger Ubitags outside the building.
- Furthermore, the Modular Ubitag V2.0 User's Guide (see Exhibits) also stresses the requirement for indoor use, and reiterates the technical requirements for indoor UWB systems listed in §15.517.

Sincerely,

Dr Andy Ward

Chief Technology Officer