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Customer: ECLO LDA

FAR No.: 40045571

FAILURE ANALYSIS REPORT DEVICE TYPE: DS1921G-F5#

DATE: January 9, 2013

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MAXIM PHILIPPINE OPERATING CORPORATION FAILURE ANALYSIS REPORT

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BACKGROUND:

Customer: ECLO LDA Received: January 3, 2013 Address: 4-1B, Tv. Venceslau de Morais, Completed: January 9, 2013

Leiria, Leiria, 2400, Portugal

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Customer Ref #: not provided RMA #: 150142

Qty. Returned: 4

Device Type: DS1921G-F5# Package Type: F5 iButton
Die Type: 90-1921G#F50 Process: E6LA1ES

Reported Failure Mode(s): "They are dead, being impossible to communicate with them using OneWireViewer, only the serial numbers can be read."

| Serial Number | ROM ID | Date Code | Lot# | Assembler |
|------------------|------------------|-----------|------------|-------------------|
| 1 | 6C0000002E78E821 | 1227 | MG383607AA | Batangas Assembly |
| 2 | 3D0000002E717621 | 1227 | MG383607AA | Batangas Assembly |
| 3 | 520000002E7B0B21 | 1227 | MG383607AA | Batangas Assembly |
| 4 | 0F0000001BD4D441 | 1117 | MG376815AA | Batangas Assembly |

^{*}Note: SN4 is a DS1922L-F5# part.

Failure Conditions:

| | Customer's Incoming Electrical Inspection |
|---|--|
| | Qualification/Reliability Evaluation |
| | Field Failure |
| | Internal Evaluation |
| | Production Line |
| | Sample Evaluation |
| | 0 Km/0 Hour |
| X | Not Reported (Failure rate and Sample Size not provided) |

CONCLUSION:

SN 1 to 3: Units were confirmed as valid electrical failures. Analysis determined that units failed due to depleted battery, which resulted in functional failure. X-ray inspection revealed that the crystal barrel is in contact with the positive terminal of the battery. Internal visual inspection after decanning revealed contact indication of crystal barrel to positive terminal of battery. Battery analysis showed depleted lithium and dry cathode pill.

SN 4: Unit was confirmed as valid electrical failure. Analysis determined that unit failed due to depleted battery, which resulted in functional failure. Battery analysis showed the cause of battery depletion is due to heavy load discharge.

ANALYSIS SUMMARY:

| Bake at °C f | for <u>hrs.</u> | X | External Visual |
|----------------|-----------------|---|---------------------------------|
| X Curve Trace | | X | Internal Visual (Low/High Mag.) |
| X ATE | | X | Photos Attached |
| X Bench Test | | | Passivation Removal |
| Mechanical De | capsulation | | Metal Removal |
| Chemical Deca | psulation | | Oxide Removal |
| Liquid Crystal | | | Poly Etch |
| Emission Micro | oscopy | | WRIGHT Etch |
| Cross Section | | | FIB Cross Section |
| Scanning Acou | stic Microscopy | | SEM Inspection |
| Microprobe | | X | X-Ray |
| X Decanning | | X | Battery Analysis |
| | | | Dattery Final Join |

EXTERNAL VISUAL INSPECTION:

SN 1 to 4: No apparent package anomaly could be observed.

ELECTRICAL VERIFICATION:

ATE Test:

SN 1 to 4: Units were tested on ATE at room temperature (25°C) and failed on Battery Trip Point (VBAT) and other test parameters.

Curve Trace:

SN 1 to 4: No I/V curve anomaly.

Bench Test:

SN 1 to 4: Units were bench tested using DS9090K Evaluation Kit and 1-Wire viewer software. Units were verified failing on bench showing CRC16 error. Temperature and clock could not be read and synchronized.

ANALYSIS DETAILS:

X-Rav:

SN 1 to 3: X-ray inspection revealed crystal barrel to positive battery terminal short. *Refer to figures 1 and 2*.

SN 4: X-ray inspection did not reveal any apparent anomaly.

Decanning/Internal Visual Inspection/Battery Voltage Measurement:

SN 1 to 3: Units were decanned for internal visual inspection. Internal visual inspection revealed indication of crystal barrel to positive battery terminal short. Discolored crystal could also be observed during internal visual inspection. Battery voltages of the units were found to be depleted. *Refer to figures 3 to 5*.

SN 4: Unit was decanned for internal visual inspection. Internal visual inspection did not reveal any apparent anomaly. Battery voltage of the unit was found to be depleted. *Refer to the table below for the battery voltage measurements*.

| Serial Number | Battery Voltage | | |
|------------------------|------------------------|--|--|
| KGU (DS1921) | 3.434 V | | |
| KGU (DS1922) | 3.359 V | | |
| SN 1 (DS1921) | 0.252 V | | |
| SN 2 (DS1921) | 0.133 V | | |
| SN 3 (DS1921) | 0.014 V | | |
| SN 4 (DS1922) | 0.217 V | | |
| ATE Test Limits | Min = 2.80 V | | |
| (DS1921) | Max = 3.50 V | | |
| ATE Test Limits | Min = 2.70 V | | |
| (DS1922) | Max = 3.65 V | | |

Battery Analysis:

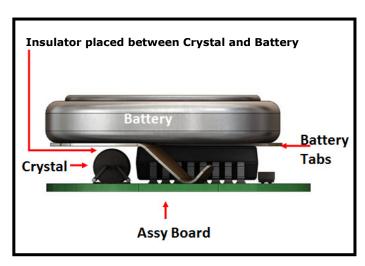
SN 1 and 4 were chosen as representative sample for battery analysis.

SN 1 and 4: Battery of the units was decanned to expose the internal structure of the battery. Internal visual inspection on the batteries revealed dry cathode pill, no lithium on battery can, and dark separator which indicate heavy load discharge. *Refer to figures 6 to 14*.

DISCUSSION:

SN 1 to 3: Units were confirmed as valid electrical failures. Analysis determined that units failed due to depleted battery, which resulted in functional failure. X-ray inspection revealed that the crystal barrel is in contact with the positive terminal of the battery. Internal visual inspection after decanning revealed contact indication of crystal barrel to positive terminal of battery. Battery analysis showed depleted lithium and dry cathode pill. The cause of depleted battery is most likely due to crystal to battery short.

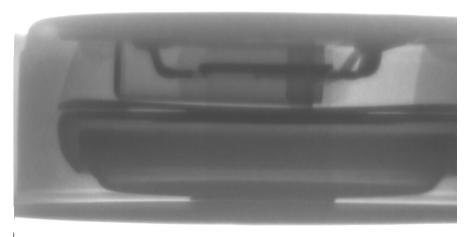
A corrective action was already implemented on DS1921 devices by adding an insulator in a form of Kapton tape in between the crystal and battery tab to prevent crystal to battery short. The units were not included in the corrective action since this was implemented on August 2012 and the units were assembled last week of December 2011. *Below is the DS1921 assembly photo*.



SN 4: Unit was confirmed as valid electrical failure. Analysis determined that unit failed due to depleted battery, which resulted in functional failure. Battery analysis showed the cause of battery depletion is due to heavy load discharge.



Figure 1.

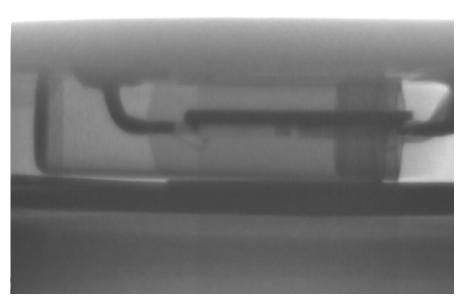


SN 1:

Magnification: n/a

X-ray photo showing the crystal barrel shorted to the connection of positive terminal of the battery.

Figure 2.



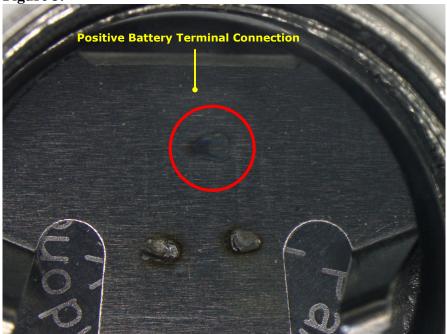
SN 2:

Magnification: n/a

X-ray photo showing the crystal barrel shorted to the connection of positive terminal of the battery.



Figure 3.

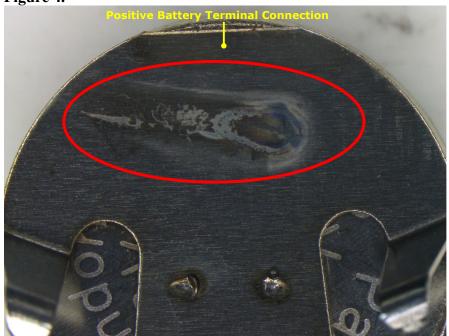


SN 1:

Magnification: 12X

Optical photo showing the indication of crystal barrel to positive terminal of the battery short after decanning.

Figure 4.



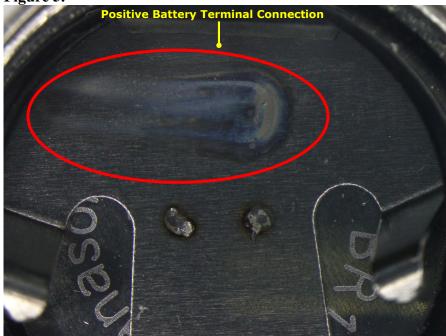
SN 2:

Magnification: 12X

Optical photo showing the indication of crystal barrel to positive terminal of the battery short after decanning.



Figure 5.



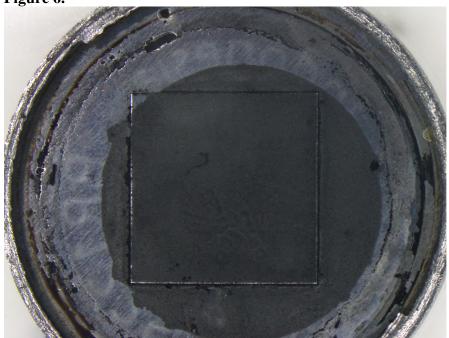
SN 3:

Magnification: 12X

photo Optical showing the indication of crystal barrel to positive terminal of the battery short

after decanning.

Figure 6.



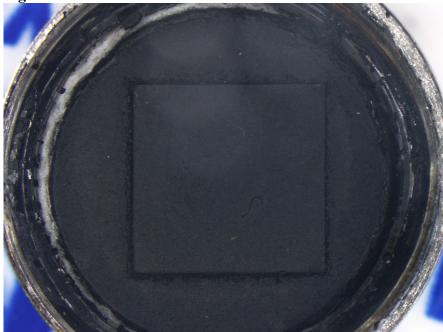
SN 1:

Magnification: 12X

Optical photo showing no lithium on the battery can.



Figure 7.



SN 1:

Magnification: 12X

Optical photo showing dry cathode

pill.

Figure 8.



SN 1:

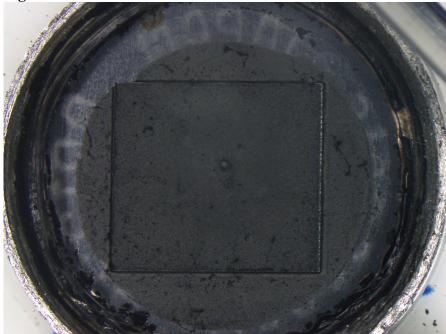
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Optical photo showing dark separator indicating heavy load

discharge.



Figure 9.



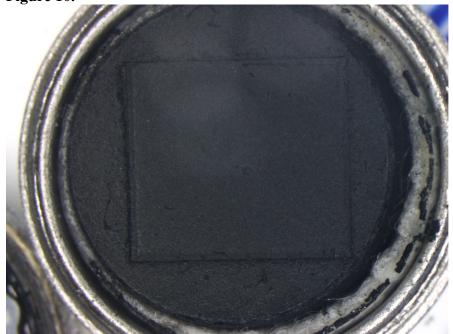
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Optical photo showing no lithium

on the battery can.

Figure 10.



SN 4:

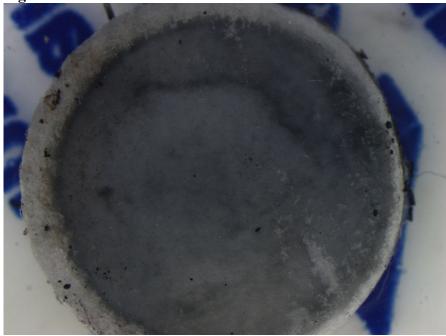
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Optical photo showing dry cathode

pill.



Figure 11.



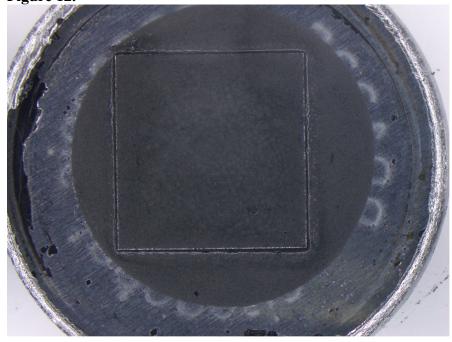
SN 4:

Magnification: 12X

Optical photo showing dark separator indicating heavy load

discharge.

Figure 12.



KGU:

Magnification: 12X

Optical photo showing lithium

present on the battery can.

Figure 13.



KGU:

Magnification: 12X

Optical photo showing moist

cathode pill.

Figure 14.



KGU:

Magnification: 12X

Optical photo showing white separator of a known good unit

(KGU).