Compact Flash Express Plug Test Adapter

User Manual



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Introduction

This user's manual documents the Compact Flash Express Plug Test Adapter, hereafter denoted as CFX Plug Test Adapter (CFX-TPA-P). The test adapter, shown in Figure 1, tests CFX hosts against the CFexpress Specification (Version 1.00, August 2016), PCI Express® Base Specification Rev. 4.0 (Version 1.00, September 2017), and PCI Express Card Electromechanical Specification Rev. 4.0 (Version 0.9, May 2019).

The CFX Plug Test Adapter assembly allows easy access, via SMA connections, to measure or inject data signals. The user can also access +3.3V, its respective GND, Resets and other control lines via a low-speed 6-position connector. A mating 6-position connector housing and contacts are provided to connect these 6 signals to a wiring assembly provided by the user.

NOTE: To avoid damaging the cables, use the handling techniques described in the Care and Handling section before making any connections or configuring a test setup.

Always use a static-safe workstation when performing tests, as explained in the "Electrostatic Discharge Information" section.

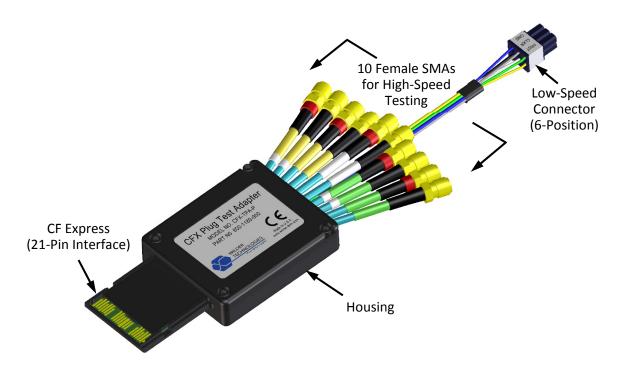


Figure 1. The CFX Plug Test Adapter (Host Plug).

The 6-position keyed/latching harness connector is Molex part number 43025-0600. The mating plug connector housing and contact pins for 26-30awg wire are provided with each CFX-TPA-P assembly (Molex part numbers 43020-0601 for the 6-position plug housing and 43031-0011 for the 26-30awg plug contacts). Replacement plug parts can be purchased through Molex distributors.

Product Inspection

Upon receiving the CFX-TPA-P from Wilder Technologies, perform the following product inspection:

- Inspect the outer shipping container, foam-lined instrument case, and product for damage.
 Retain the outer cardboard shipping container until the contents of the shipment have been inspected for completeness and the product has been checked mechanically and electrically.
 Use the foam-lined instrument-case for secure storage of the Wilder Technologies CFX Plug Test Adapter when not in use.
- Locate the shipping list and verify that all items ordered were received.
- In the unlikely event that the product is defective or incomplete, the "Limited Warranty" section discusses how to contact Wilder Technologies for technical assistance and/or how to package the product for return.

The CFX Plug Test Adapter Care and Handling Precautions

The CFX Plug Test Adapter requires careful handling to avoid damage. Improper handling techniques, or using too small a cable bend radius, can damage the coaxial cable connections within the adapter housing or the cables themselves. This can occur at any point along the cable. To achieve optimum performance and to prolong the CFX-TPA-P's life, observe the following handling precautions:

• CAUTION 1: Avoid Torque Forces (Twisting)

While individual coaxial cables within the test adapter have some rotational freedom, twisting the CFX-TPA-P as a unit, with one end held stationary, may damage or severely degrade performance. Adherence to Caution 5 (below) helps to avoid twisting.

• CAUTION 2: Avoid Sharp Cable Bends

Never bend coaxial cables into a radius of 26 mm (1-inch) or less. Never bend cables greater than 90°. Single or multiple cable bends must be kept within this limit. Bending the CFX-TPA-P cables less than a 26mm (1-Inch) radius will permanently damage or severely degrade test adapter performance.

CAUTION 3: Avoid Cable Tension (Pull Forces)

Never apply tension (pull forces) to an individual coaxial cable that is greater than 2.3 kg (5 lbs.). To avoid applying tension, always place accessories and equipment on a surface that allows adjustment to eliminate tension on the CFX-TPA-P and cables. Use adjustable elevation stands or apparatus to accurately place and support the CFX-TPA-P.

CAUTION 4: Connect the CFX-TPA-P First

To prevent twisting, bending, or applying tension to the coaxial cables when connecting a CFX-TPA-P, always attach the CFX-TPA-P to the device under test (DUT) or cable under test before attaching any SMA connectors. Carefully align the CFX connectors and then gently push the connectors together until fully seated.

If the CFX-TPA-P must be turned or twisted to make connection to the DUT, avoid using the CFX-TPA-P housing alone to make this occur. Try to distribute the torque forces along the length of the test setup and cabling. If this is not possible, it is recommended to first loosen or disconnect the SMA connections at the CFX-TPA-P, make the connection to the DUT and then re-tighten or attach the test equipment leads.

NOTE: Only grip the test adapter housing when inserting or extracting the CFX-TPA-P to or from the DUT. Pulling directly on the CFX-TPA-P cables or using them to insert the CFX-TPA-P may cause damage.

CAUTION 5: Carefully Make SMA Connections

To connect the CFX-TPA-P SMA connectors, follow these steps:

- 1. Hold the cable stationary by grasping the cable at the black heat-shrink section near the SMA connector.
- 2. Insert the mating SMA barrel and hand-tighten the free-spinning SMA nut onto the connector while avoiding pulling, bending, or twisting the CFX-TPA-P coaxial cable.

3. The CFX-TPA-P SMA connectors have flats that accept an open-end 1/4-inch or 6.5mm wrench. When attaching instrument cables to the CFX-TPA-P, it is recommended that the CFX-TPA-P SMA connectors be mechanically held and the test leads be tightened to the equipment manufacturer's torque recommendations, normally 5 in-lbs., using a 5/16-inch open-end wrench.

If the test set-up requires repositioning, first loosen or disconnect the SMA connections to avoid twisting, bending, or tension.

NOTE: A drop in signal amplitude by half or 6dB during the testing of a channel may indicate that a cable has been mechanically pulled free of coaxial cable connections internal to the assembly. This could be determined by checking if the cable has any lateral play relative to the TPA. This would only occur when the TPA has exceeded the pull force as specified within the mechanical specification. If the cable cannot be re-seated, the test adapter will need to be sent back to the factory for service.

• CAUTION 6: Independently Support Instrument Cables or Accessories

Excessive weight from instrument cables and/or accessories connected to the CFX-TPA-P can
cause damage or affect the test adapter performance. Be sure to provide appropriate means
to support and stabilize all test set-up components.

General Test Adapter, Cable, and Connector

Observing simple precautions can ensure accurate and reliable measurements.

Handling and Storage

Before each use of the CFX-TPA-P, ensure that all connectors are clean. Handle all cables carefully and store the CFX-TPA-P in the foam-lined instrument case when not in use, if possible. Do not set connectors contact end down. Install the SMA protective end caps when the CFX-TPA-P is not in use.

Visual Inspection

Be sure to inspect all cables carefully before making a connection. Inspect all cables for metal particles, scratches, deformed threads, dents, or bent, broken, or misaligned center conductors. Do not use damaged cables.

Cleaning

If necessary, clean the connectors using low-pressure (less than 60 PSI) compressed air or nitrogen with an effective oil-vapor filter and condensation trap. Clean the cable threads, if necessary, using a lint-free swab or cleaning cloth moistened with isopropyl alcohol. Always completely dry a connector before use. Do not use abrasives to clean the connectors. Reinspect connectors, making sure no particles or residue remains.

Making Connections

Before making any connections, review the "Care and Handling Precautions" section. Follow these guidelines when making connections:

- Align cables carefully
- Make preliminary connection lightly
- To tighten, turn connector nut only
- Do not apply bending force to cable
- Do not over-tighten preliminary connections
- Do not twist or screw-in cables
- Use an appropriately sized torque wrench (depends on SMA gender), and do not tighten past the "break" point of the torque wrench (normally set to 5 in-lbs.)

Electrostatic Discharge Information

Protection against electrostatic discharge (ESD) is essential while connecting, inspecting, or cleaning the CFX-TPA-P test adapter and connectors attached to a static-sensitive circuit (such as those found in test sets).

Electrostatic discharge can damage or destroy electronic components. Be sure to perform all work on electronic assemblies at a static-safe work station, using two types of ESD protection:

- Conductive table-mat and wrist-strap combination
- Conductive floor-mat and heel-strap combination

When used together, both of these types provide a significant level of ESD protection. Used alone, the table-mat and wrist-strap combination provide adequate ESD protection. To ensure user safety, the static-safe accessories must provide at least 1 M Ω of isolation from ground. Acceptable ESD accessories may be purchased from a local supplier.

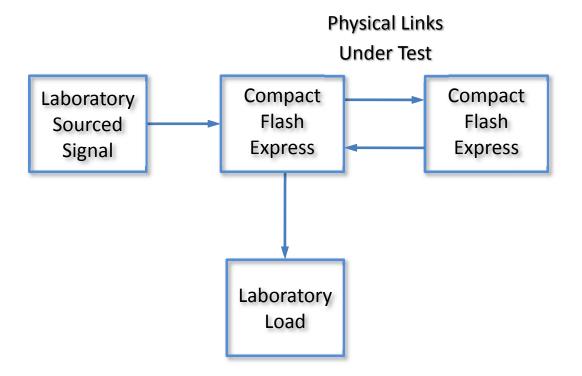
WARNING: These techniques for a static-safe work station should not be used when working on circuitry with a voltage potential greater than 500 volts.

User Model

The CFX-TPA-P supports all testing of Compact Flash Express related interface specifications. It's capable of performing beyond the scope of measurements required, limited only by the specifications, environmental, care and handling as stated in this document.

The following example illustrates a typical testing setup.

This example shows an CFX Plug TPA used to test a host:



Calibration Through De-Embedding

The CFX Host Test Adapter is a fully passive component. Therefore, calibration compensating for the losses must occur within the test instrumentation that drives the CFX receiver or looks at the response of the CFX transmitter.

The CFX-TPA-P have Touchstone S4P files for de-embedding the electrical length and losses within the TPA up to the CFX connector interface pads. (Contact Wilder Technologies, support@wilder-tech.com, to obtain a copy of the S4P files.) The Touchstone S4P files enable the test engineer to compensate for the last four of the following six repeatable, systematic errors that occur when moving the reference plane:

- Signal leakage effects: Directivity errors
- Signal leakage effects: Crosstalk errors
- Reflection effects: Source Impedance Mismatching errors
- Reflection effects: Load Impedance Mismatching errors
- Bandwidth effects: Receiver Transmission in Test Equipment errors
- Bandwidth effects: Receiver Reflection-tracking in Test Equipment errors

These errors are corrected on each port. Refer to the Instrument Manual for instructions on the instrument's specific de-embedding process.

NOTE: The reference plane is the boundary, both physically and electrically, between the calibrated and un-calibrated portions of the circuit. Everything outside the reference plane is considered part of the DUT. Any instrument that does not use calibration or deembedding of the test fixture defines the DUT as the total of externally connected components. If the de-embedding file is not used, all the CFX-TPA-P and associated coaxial cables, as well as cables connecting the TPA assembly to the test instrument, would be a part of the DUT.

Non-repeatable errors, such as drift or random errors, can be reduced but not corrected. Drift errors aggregate over time or with environmental changes such as temperature shift. To eliminate drift errors, perform an instrumentation-level calibration.

A random error cannot be corrected through calibration since the error occurred randomly. Random errors are typically associated with either test instrument noise or test repeatability problems. Reduce test instrument noise by increasing source power, lowering the IF bandwidth, or averaging results over multiple sweeps. Reduce test repeatability problems using a torque wrench or, again, by averaging over multiple sweeps.

Mechanical and Environmental Specifications

NOTE: All specifications in this manual are subject to change.

Table 1. General Specifications

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
Usage Environment	Controlled indoor environment
Plug Test Adapter Length (w/standard cables)	198 mm +/- 2 mm (7.80 inches +/08 inches) (Characteristic)
Operating Temperature	0°C to +55°C (32°F to +131°F) (Characteristic)
Relative Humidity (Operating)	20%-80% (noncondensing) Maximum Gradation 10% /Hour
Storage Temperature	-40°C to +70°C (-40°F to +158°F) (Characteristic)

CFX-TPA-P Cable Pin-out

The CFX-TPA-P cables provide 10 SMA connectors (access for two lanes of PCIe differential Tx and Rx, and one lane for differential reference clock) and one 6-Position low-speed connector. Labels clearly mark each cable or connector. The following figure refers to the pin-description tables for the plug connector.

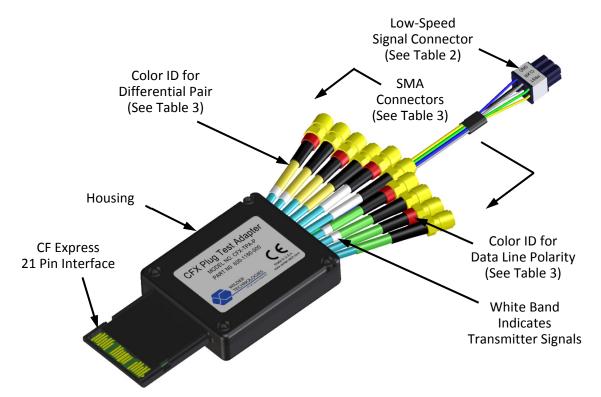


Figure 2. Cable Connectors (CFX-TPA-P shown).

Table 2. CFX-TPA-P 6-Position Low-Speed Cable Connector Pinout

Label	Pin No.	Description
GND	Pin 1	Power Ground
CLKREQ#	Pin 2	PCI Express Reference Clock Request
PERST#	Pin 3	PCI Express Reset
GND	Pin 4	Power Ground
INS#	Pin 5	Media Present (module presence detect pin, pull-up required by "Host)
+3.3V	Pin 6	Power Source

Table 3. CFX-TPA-P (Plug) Pin Assignments

Pin Description	Connector Pin Number	Destination Name	Color ID for Data Line Polarity	Color ID for Differential Pair
Signal Ground	1	Signal Ground, GND	N/A	N/A
PER n1 Receiver Negative	2	HOST PER1-	Red	Green
PER p1 Receiver Positive	3	HOST PER1 +	Black	Green
Signal Ground	4	Signal Ground, GND	N/A	N/A
PET n1 Transmitter Negative	5	HOST PET1-	Black	Green/Wht Band
PET p1 Transmitter Positive	6	HOST PET1+	Red	Green/Wht Band
Signal Ground*	7	Signal Ground, GND	N/A	N/A
Reserved	8	No connection	N/A	N/A
PCI Express Functional Reset	9	PERST#	N/A	N/A
+3.3 Volts	10	+3.3V	N/A	N/A
REFCLK needed for PCI Express interface	11	CLKREQ#	N/A	N/A
Media Detection and Power Control	12	INS#	N/A	N/A
PCIe Ref Clock Negative	13	REFCLK-	Black	White
PCIe Ref Clock Positive	14	REFCLK+	Red	White
Signal Ground	15	Signal Ground, GND	N/A	N/A
PER n0 Receiver Negative	16	HOST PERO-	Black	Yellow
PER p0 Receiver Positive	17	HOST PER0+	Red	Yellow
Signal Ground	18	Signal Ground, GND	N/A	N/A
PET n0 Transmitter Negative	19	HOST PETO-	Black	Yellow/Wht Band
PET p0 Transmitter Positive	20	HOST PET0+	Red	Yellow/Wht Band
Signal Ground	21	Signal Ground, GND	N/A	N/A

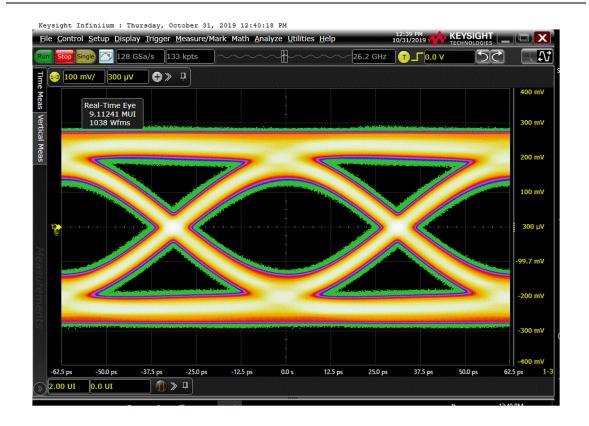
^{*}Note: Pin 7 of CFX Plug Test Adapter deviates from the CFexpress Specification 1.00 assignment of Reserved/NC.

Electrical Specifications

NOTE: All specifications in this manual are subject to change.

Table 4. Electrical Specifications

SPECIFICATION	MINIMUM	TYPICAL	MAXIMUM	NOTES
Differential Impedance (ohms), 15 ps Rise Time, 10 – 90 percent	92		110	All Differential Pairs, Plug and Test Coupon Receptacle, excluding CFX connector.
Intra-pair Skew (ps)	-5		5	All Differential Pairs, on Plug.
Differential IL (GHz), at -0.5 dB, at -1 dB, at -1.5 dB	2 10	5		All differential pairs on Plug.
Differential RL (GHz), at -20 dB, at -8 dB	3 10			All differential pairs on Plug.
Differential NEXT (dB), at 8 GHz, at 10 GHz	-32 -20			All differential pairs except REFCLK, single aggressor with three-inch cables on Plug, six-inch cables on Test Coupon Receptacle, and terminations.
Current Carrying (A)			1	+3.3V Power.



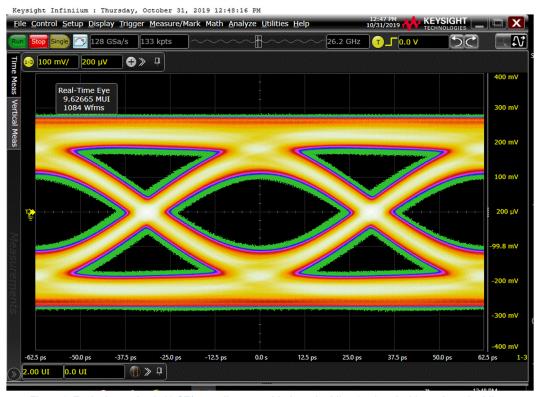


Figure 3. Typical mated pair 16 GT/s eye diagram, with de-embedding (top) and without de-embedding (bottom) – eye diagrams used with the express permission of concerned parties.



Figure 4. Typical mated pair balanced insertion loss, without de-embedding.

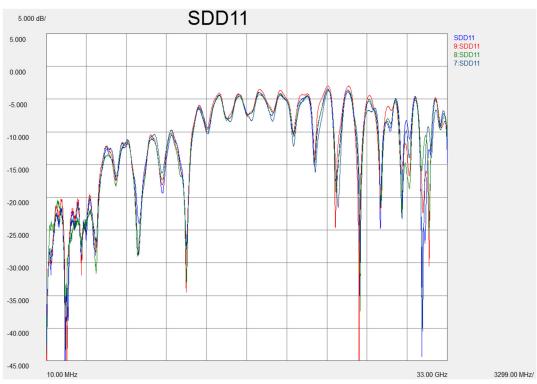


Figure 5. Typical mated pair balanced return loss, without de-embedding.

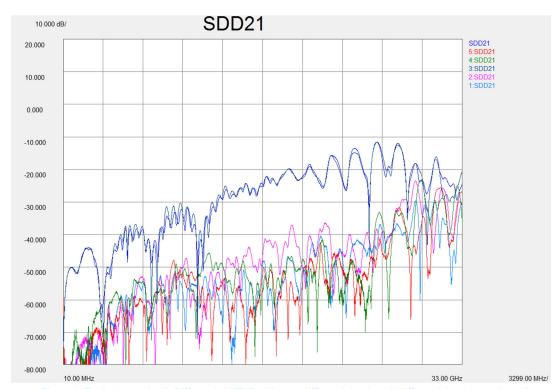


Figure 6. Typical mated-pair Differential NEXT, adjacent differential pairs, all differential pairs terminated at both ends. Plug TPA and Test Coupon Receptacle TPA shown.

Wilder Technologies, LLC - Limited Warranty

Wilder Technologies, LLC warrants that each Test Adapter, 1) is free from defects in materials and workmanship and, 2) conforms to Wilder Technologies specifications for a period of 12 months. See Consumable and Fragile Material Warranty for exceptions to the 12-month warranty

The warranty period for a Test Adapter is a specified, fixed period commencing on the date of ship from Wilder Technologies, LLC. If you did not purchase your Test Adapter directly from Wilder Technologies, LLC, the serial number and a valid proof of purchase will be required to establish your purchase date. If you do not have a valid proof of purchase, the warranty period will be measured from the date of ship from Wilder Technologies, LLC.

If, during the warranty period, the Test Adapter is not in good working order, Wilder Technologies, LLC will, at its option, repair or replace it at no additional charge, except as is set forth below. In some cases, the replacement Test Adapter may not be new and may have been previously installed. Regardless of the Test Adapter's production status, Wilder Technologies, LLC appropriate warranty terms apply.

Consumable and Fragile Material Warranty

Wilder Technologies, LLC warrants that consumable materials and all fragile materials supplied by Wilder Technologies, LLC either as part of an instrument or system, or supplied separately, will be free from defects in material and workmanship at the time of shipment.

Extent of Warranty

The warranty does not cover the repair or exchange of a Test Adapter resulting from misuse, accident, modification, unsuitable physical or operating environment, improper maintenance by you, or failure caused by a product for which Wilder Technologies, LLC is not responsible. The warranty is voided by removal or alteration of Test Adapter or parts identification labels. The initial three months are unconditional; the remaining months excludes plugs, receptacles and SMA connectors. Connectors are wear items and excluded from the warranty after the initial three months.

These warranties are your exclusive warranties and replace all other warranties or conditions, express or implied, including but not limited to, the implied warranties or conditions or merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose. These warranties give you specific legal rights and you may also have other rights which vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction. Some jurisdictions do not allow the exclusion or limitation of express or implied warranties, so the above exclusion or limitation may not apply to you. In that event, such warranties are limited in duration to the warranty period. No warranties apply after that period.

Items Not Covered by Warranty

Wilder Technologies, LLC does not warrant uninterrupted or error-free operation of a Test Adapter.

Any technical or other support provided for a Test Adapter under warranty, such as assistance via telephone with "how-to" questions and those regarding Test Adapter set-up and installation, will be provided **WITHOUT WARRANTIES OF ANY KIND**.

Warranty Service

Warranty service may be obtained from Wilder Technologies, LLC by returning a Wilder Technologies, LLC Returns Material Authorization and the Test Adapter to Wilder Technologies, LLC during the warranty period. To obtain RMA number, contact support@wilder-tech.com.

You may be required to present proof of purchase or other similar proof of warranty entitlement. You are responsible for any associated transportation charges, duties and insurance between you and Wilder Technologies, LLC. In all instances, you must ship Test Adapters in Wilder Technologies, LLC approved packaging. Information on packaging guidelines can be found at: www.wilder-tech.com. Wilder Technologies, LLC will ship repaired or replacement Test Adapter Delivery Duty Prepaid (DDP) and will pay for return shipment. You will receive title to the repaired or replacement Test Adapter and you will be the importer of record.

Wilder Technologies, LLC – Terms & Conditions of Sale

- Other Documents: This Agreement may NOT be altered, supplemented, or amended by the use of any other
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- 5. RETURNED GOODS: WILDER TECHNOLOGIES, LLC, will accept only those goods for return that have been authorized for return. All goods authorized for return shall be assigned a Returned Material Authorization (RMA) Number. The RMA Number shall be clearly marked on the shipping container(s) and all documentation accompanying the goods authorized for return. The RMA Number shall be assigned by WILDER TECHNOLOGIES, LLC pursuant to the conditions set forth in Paragraph 4, WARRANTY.
- 6. UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS: In the event this offer is accepted under Government contract, WILDER TECHNOLOGIES, LLC, agrees to accept clauses required by Government regulations and to waive WILDER TECHNOLOGIES, LLC conditions inconsistent therewith. WILDER TECHNOLOGIES, LLC, certifies that it is a regular manufacturer or dealer of the goods and/or services offered herein and that the prices offered do not exceed those charged to any customer for like quantities, services or materials under the same conditions.

Compliance with Environmental Legislation

Wilder Technologies, LLC, is dedicated to complying with the requirements of all applicable environmental legislation and regulations, including appropriate recycling and/or disposal of our products.



WEEE Compliance Statement

The European Union adopted Directive 2002/96/EC on Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE), with requirements that went into effect August 13, 2005. WEEE is intended to reduce the disposal of waste from electrical and electronic equipment by establishing guidelines for prevention, reuse, recycling and recovery.

Wilder Technologies has practices and processes in place to conform to the requirements in this important Directive.

In support of our environmental goals, effective January 1st, 2009 Wilder Technologies, LLC has partnered with EG Metals Inc. – Metal and Electronics Recycling of Hillsboro, Oregon, www.egmetalrecycling.com, to recycle our obsolete and electronic waste in accordance with the European Union Directive 2002/96/EC on waste electrical and electronic equipment ("WEEE Directive").

As a service to our customers, Wilder Technologies is also available for managing the proper recycling and/or disposal of all Wilder Technologies products that have reached the end of their useful life. For further information and return instructions, contact support@wilder-tech.com.



Compliance to RoHS 2 Substance Restrictions

Wilder Technologies, LLC certifies that the parts described in this document are compliant to the substance restrictions of Directive 2011/65/EU of the European Parliament, and of the Council of 8 June, 2011 on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment (RoHS 2 Directive), prohibiting the use in homogeneous materials in excess of the listed maximum concentration value, except in cases where use is allowed by applicable exemptions listed in Annex III and Annex IV of the Directive.

Compliance with RoHS 2 has been verified through internal controls at design and production sites, including establishment of processes for specifying and controlling materials and segregation of non-compliant parts, receipt of supplier declarations of compliance and/or analytical test.

Glossary of Terms

TERMINOLOGY	DEFINITION
Aggressor	A signal imposed on a system (i.e., cable assembly) to measure response on other signal carriers.
Decibel (dB)	Ten times the common logarithm (i.e. log10) of the ratio of relative powers.
Informative	The designation of a test that is not required for compliance but is considered important from a characterization standpoint. It is provided for informational purposes only.
Insertion loss	The ratio, expressed in dB, of incident power to delivered power.
Near-end crosstalk	Crosstalk that is propagated in a disturbed channel in the opposite direction as the propagation of a signal in the aggressor channel. The terminals of the aggressor channel and the victim channel are usually close to each other.
Normative	The designation of a test that is required for compliance.
Physical link	Two differential signal pairs, one pair in each direction that connect two physical phy's (see the current PCle specification.)
Return Loss	The ratio, expressed in dB, of incident power to reflected power.
CFX-TPA-P	CFX Plug Test Point Access. A specialized assembly that interfaces to a CFX receptacle and enables access of signals for measurement or stimulation.
Victim	A signal carrier on a system that has a response imposed on it by other signals in the system.

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