MACOM Launches New X-Band High Power Amplifiers for Commercial Radar and Communication Applications

Two-stage and three-stage MMIC Amplifiers Boast up to 41dBm of Saturated Pulsed Output Power and 40% Power Added Efficiency

Lowell, Mass., April 28, 2014, - M/A-COM Technology Solutions Inc. (“MACOM”), a leading supplier of high performance RF, microwave, and millimeter wave products, today announced two new high power MMIC amplifiers ideal for X-Band communication and radar applications.

The MAAP-015030 two stage 8.5 - 11.75 GHz GaAs MMIC power amplifier has a saturated pulsed output power of 41dBm, a large signal gain of 21dB and 40% power added efficiency. The power amplifier can be biased using a direct gate voltage or using an on chip gate bias circuit providing an excellent bare die solution for high power X-Band applications.

The MAAP-015035 is a three stage 8.5 - 11.5 GHz GaAs pHEMT MMIC power amplifier capable of achieving a saturated pulsed output power of 41 dBm and a small signal gain of 36 dB. The gate terminals of the power amplifier can be biased directly using a direct gate voltage or using an on chip gate bias circuit. The chip provides 40 % power added efficiency and offers very high gain which eliminates the need for a driver amplifier in customers’ circuits.

“The combination of high power, high gain and excellent power added efficiency performance, makes these two power amplifiers very attractive solutions for high power X-Band applications”, said Paul Beasly, Product Manager. “Furthermore, the versatile biasing options and wide-band operation make the devices ideal for a wide range of X-band applications such as marine, weather and surface-movement radar, as well as perimeter security and communication links”.

The table below outlines typical performance:

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Samples of both the MAAP-015030 and MAAP-015035 are available from stock. Final datasheets and additional product information can be obtained from the MACOM website at: www.macom.com

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