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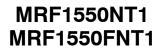
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RF Power Field Effect Transistors N-Channel Enhancement-Mode Lateral MOSFETs

Designed for broadband commercial and industrial applications with frequencies to 175 MHz. The high gain and broadband performance of these devices make them ideal for large-signal, common source amplifier applications in 12.5 volt mobile FM equipment.

- Specified Performance @ 175 MHz, 12.5 Volts Output Power — 50 Watts Power Gain — 12 dB Efficiency — 50%
- Capable of Handling 20:1 VSWR, @ 15.6 Vdc, 175 MHz, 2 dB Overdrive
 Features
- Excellent Thermal Stability
- Characterized with Series Equivalent Large Signal Impedance Parameters
- Broadband Full Power Across the Band: 135-175 MHz
- Broadband Demonstration Amplifier Information Available Upon Request
- 200°C Capable Plastic Package
- N Suffix Indicates Lead-Free Terminations. RoHS Compliant.
- In Tape and Reel. T1 Suffix = 500 Units per 44 mm, 13 inch Reel.



175 MHz, 50 W, 12.5 V LATERAL N-CHANNEL BROADBAND RF POWER MOSFETs

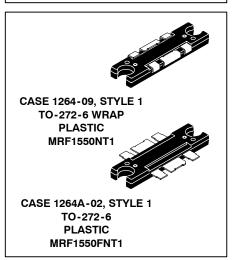


Table 1. Maximum Ratings

Rating	Symbol	Value	Unit
Drain-Source Voltage	V _{DSS}	-0.5, +40	Vdc
Gate-Source Voltage	V _{GS}	±20	Vdc
Drain Current — Continuous	۱ _D	12	Adc
Total Device Dissipation @ $T_C = 25^{\circ}C$ (1) Derate above $25^{\circ}C$	PD	165 0.50	W W/°C
Storage Temperature Range	T _{stg}	- 65 to +150	°C
Operating Junction Temperature	TJ	200	°C

Table 2. Thermal Characteristics

Characteristic	Symbol	Value ⁽²⁾	Unit
Thermal Resistance, Junction to Case	$R_{ extsf{ heta}JC}$	0.75	°C/W

Table 3. Moisture Sensitivity Level

Test Methodology	Rating	Package Peak Temperature	Unit
Per JESD 22-A113, IPC/JEDEC J-STD-020	1	260	°C

1. Calculated based on the formula $P_D = \frac{T_J - T_C}{R_{\theta JC}}$

2. MTTF calculator available at http://www.freescale.com/rf. Select Tools/Software/Application Software/Calculators to access the MTTF calculators by product.

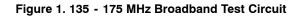
NOTE - **CAUTION** - MOS devices are susceptible to damage from electrostatic charge. Reasonable precautions in handling and packaging MOS devices should be observed.

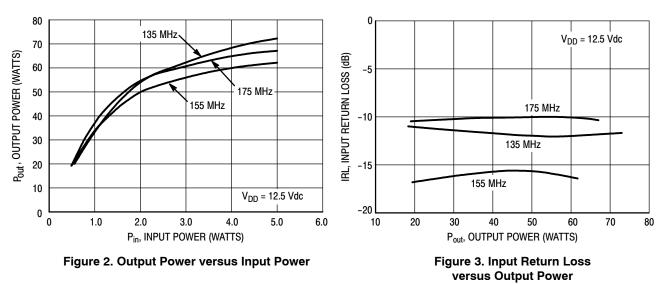


Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Off Characteristics	·				
Zero Gate Voltage Drain Current $(V_{DS} = 60 \text{ Vdc}, V_{GS} = 0 \text{ Vdc})$	I _{DSS}	_		1	μAdc
Gate - Source Leakage Current (V _{GS} = 10 Vdc, V _{DS} = 0 Vdc)	I _{GSS}	_	_	0.5	μAdc
On Characteristics		1			
Gate Threshold Voltage (V _{DS} = 12.5 Vdc, I _D = 800 μA)	V _{GS(th)}	1		3	Vdc
Drain-Source On-Voltage $(V_{GS} = 5 \text{ Vdc}, I_D = 1.2 \text{ A})$	R _{DS(on)}	-	_	0.5	Ω
Drain-Source On-Voltage (V _{GS} = 10 Vdc, I _D = 4.0 Adc)	V _{DS(on)}	-	_	1	Vdc
Dynamic Characteristics				-	
Input Capacitance (Includes Input Matching Capacitance) $(V_{DS} = 12.5 \text{ Vdc}, V_{GS} = 0 \text{ V}, f = 1 \text{ MHz})$	C _{iss}	_	_	500	pF
Output Capacitance $(V_{DS} = 12.5 \text{ Vdc}, V_{GS} = 0 \text{ V}, f = 1 \text{ MHz})$	C _{oss}	-	_	250	pF
Reverse Transfer Capacitance (V _{DS} = 12.5 Vdc, V _{GS} = 0 V, f = 1 MHz)	C _{rss}	_	_	35	pF
RF Characteristics (In Freescale Test Fixture)					
$\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Common-Source Amplifier Power Gain} \\ (V_{DD} = 12.5 \mbox{ Vdc}, \ P_{out} = 50 \mbox{ Watts}, \ I_{DQ} = 500 \mbox{ mA}) \qquad f = 175 \ \mbox{MHz} \end{array}$	G _{ps}	-	14.5	_	dB
Drain Efficiency (V _{DD} = 12.5 Vdc, P _{out} = 50 Watts, I _{DQ} = 500 mA) f = 175 MHz	η	_	55	_	%

Table 4. Electrical Characteristics (T_C = 25°C unless otherwise noted)

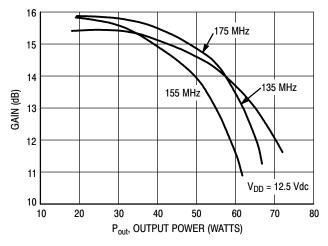
$V_{GG} \rightarrow C_{10} - C_{9}$	$\begin{array}{c} \hline C8 \\ \hline C8 \\ \hline \\ \hline \\ \hline \\ \hline \\ \\ \hline \\ \\ \hline \\ \hline \\ \\ \hline \\ \hline \\ \hline \\ \hline \\ \\ \hline \hline \\ \hline \\ \hline \\ \hline \\ \hline \hline \\$		$ \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \end{array}\\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \end{array} \\ \end{array} $ } \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} } \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} } \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} } \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} } \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} } \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} } \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} } \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} } \\ \end{array} \\ \bigg } \\ \bigg
B1	Ferroxcube #VK200	L4	1 Turn, #26 AWG, 0.240″ ID
C1	180 pF, 100 mil Chip Capacitor	L5	3 Turn, #24 AWG, 0.180″ ID
C2	10 pF, 100 mil Chip Capacitor	N1, N2	Type N Flange Mounts
C3	33 pF, 100 mil Chip Capacitor	R1	5.1 Ω, 1/4 W Chip Resistor
C4, C16	24 pF, 100 mil Chip Capacitors	R2	39 Ω Chip Resistor (0805)
C5	160 pF, 100 mil Chip Capacitor	R3	1 kΩ, 1/8 W Chip Resistor
C6	240 pF, 100 mil Chip Capacitor	R4	33 k Ω , 1/4 W Chip Resistor
C7, C17	300 pF, 100 mil Chip Capacitors	Z1	1.000" x 0.080" Microstrip
C8, C18	$10 \mu\text{F}, 50 \text{V}$ Electrolytic Capacitors	Z2	0.400" x 0.080" Microstrip
C9, C19	0.1 μF, 100 mil Chip Capacitors	Z3	0.200" x 0.080" Microstrip
C10	470 pF, 100 mil Chip Capacitor	Z4	0.200″ x 0.080″ Microstrip
C11, C12	200 pF, 100 mil Chip Capacitors	Z5, Z6	0.100" x 0.223" Microstrip
C13	22 pF, 100 mil Chip Capacitor	Z	0.160″ x 0.080″ Microstrip
C14	30 pF, 100 mil Chip Capacitor	Z8	0.260″ x 0.080″ Microstrip
C15	6.8 pF, 100 mil Chip Capacitor	Z9	0.280″ x 0.080″ Microstrip
C20	1,000 pF, 100 mil Chip Capacitor	Z10	0.270″ x 0.080″ Microstrip
L1	18.5 nH, Coilcraft #A05T	Z11	0.730" x 0.080" Microstrip
L2	5 nH, Coilcraft #A02T	Board	Glass Teflon [®] , 31 mils
L3	1 Turn, #24 AWG, 0.250″ ID		





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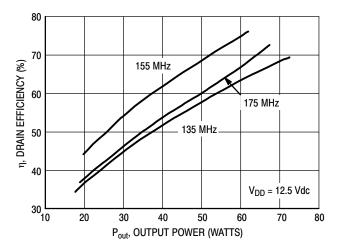


Figure 5. Drain Efficiency versus Output Power

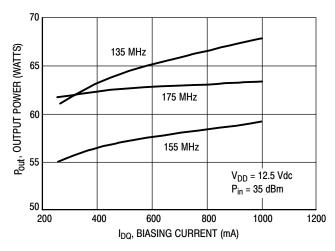


Figure 6. Output Power versus Biasing Current

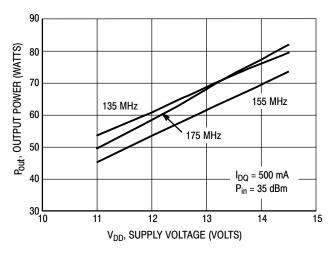


Figure 8. Output Power versus Supply Voltage

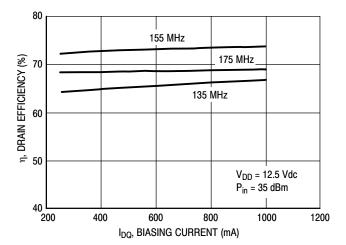
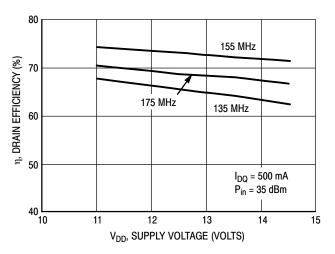


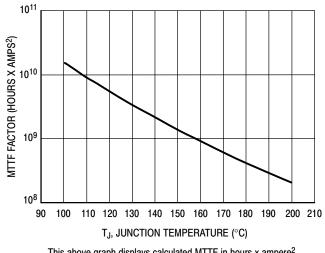
Figure 7. Drain Efficiency versus Biasing Current





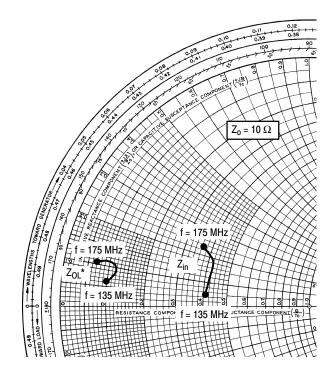
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This above graph displays calculated MTTF in hours x ampere² drain current. Life tests at elevated temperatures have correlated to better than $\pm 10\%$ of the theoretical prediction for metal failure. Divide MTTF factor by I_D^2 for MTTF in a particular application.





 V_{DD} = 12.5 V, I_{DQ} = 500 mA, P_{out} = 50 W

f MHz	Z_{in} Ω	Ζ_{ΟL}* Ω
135	4.1 + j0.5	1.0 + j0.6
155	4.2 + j1.7	1.2 + j.09
175	3.7 + j2.3	0.7 + j1.1

Z_{in} = Complex conjugate of source impedance.

$$\begin{split} Z_{OL}{}^{\star} &= & Complex \ conjugate \ of \ the \ load \\ & impedance \ at \ given \ output \ power, \\ & voltage, \ frequency, \ and \ \eta_D > 50 \ \%. \end{split}$$

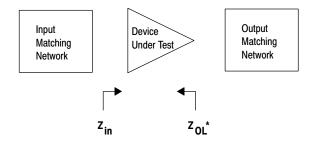


Figure 11. Series Equivalent Input and Output Impedance

	•			$I_{DQ} = 500 \text{ mA}$					
f	S	11	S	21	S	12	s	22	
MHz	S ₁₁	$\angle \phi$	S ₂₁	$\angle \phi$	S ₁₂	$\angle \phi$	S ₂₂	$\angle \phi$	
50	0.93	-178	4.817	80	0.009	-39	0.86	- 176	
100	0.94	-178	2.212	69	0.009	-3	0.88	- 175	
150	0.95	-178	1.349	61	0.008	-8	0.90	- 174	
200	0.95	-178	0.892	54	0.006	-13	0.92	- 174	
250	0.96	-178	0.648	51	0.005	-7	0.93	- 174	
300	0.97	-178	0.481	47	0.004	-8	0.95	- 174	
350	0.97	-178	0.370	46	0.005	4	0.95	- 174	
400	0.98	-178	0.304	43	0.001	15	0.97	- 174	
450	0.98	-178	0.245	43	0.005	81	0.97	- 174	
500	0.98	-178	0.209	43	0.003	84	0.97	- 174	
550	0.99	-177	0.178	41	0.007	70	0.98	- 175	
600	0.98	-178	0.149	41	0.010	106	0.96	- 175	
				I _{DQ} = 2.0 mA	L Contraction of the second seco				
f	S	11	S	21	S	S ₁₂ S ₂₂			
MHz	S ₁₁	$\angle \phi$	S ₂₁	$\angle \phi$	S ₁₂	$\angle \phi$	S ₂₂	$\angle \phi$	
50	0.93	-177	4.81	80	0.003	- 119	0.93	- 178	
100	0.94	-178	2.20	69	0.006	4	0.93	- 178	
150	0.95	-178	1.35	61	0.003	-1	0.93	-177	
200	0.95	-178	0.89	54	0.004	18	0.93	-176	
250	0.96	-178	0.65	51	0.001	28	0.94	- 176	
300	0.97	-178	0.48	47	0.004	77	0.94	-175	
350	0.97	-178	0.37	46	0.006	85	0.95	- 175	
400	0.98	-178	0.30	43	0.007	53	0.96	- 174	
450	0.98	-178	0.25	43	0.006	74	0.97	- 174	
500	0.98	-177	0.21	44	0.006	84	0.97	- 174	
550	0.99	-177	0.18	41	0.002	106	0.97	- 175	
600	0.98	-178	0.15	41	0.004	116	0.96	- 174	

Table 5. Common Source Scattering Parameters (V_{DD} = 12.5 Vdc)

l_{DQ} = 500 mA

 $I_{DQ} = 4.0 \text{ mA}$

f	S ₁₁		S	S ₂₁ S ₁		12	S	22
MHz	S ₁₁	$\angle \phi$	S ₂₁	$\angle \phi$	S ₁₂	$\angle \phi$	S ₂₂	$\angle \phi$
50	0.97	-179	5.04	87	0.002	- 116	0.94	- 179
100	0.96	-179	2.43	82	0.006	42	0.94	-178
150	0.96	-179	1.60	77	0.004	13	0.94	-177
200	0.96	-179	1.14	74	0.003	43	0.95	-176
250	0.97	- 179	0.89	71	0.004	65	0.95	- 175
300	0.97	-179	0.71	68	0.006	68	0.95	- 175
350	0.97	-179	0.57	67	0.006	74	0.97	- 174

Table 5. Common Source Scattering Parameters (V_{DD} = 12.5 Vdc) (continued)

f	S	11	S	21	S	12	S	22
MHz	S ₁₁	$\angle \phi$	S ₂₁	$\angle \phi$	S ₁₂	$\angle \phi$	S ₂₂	$\angle \phi$
400	0.97	-179	0.49	63	0.005	58	0.97	-173
450	0.98	-178	0.41	63	0.005	73	0.98	-173
500	0.98	- 178	0.36	62	0.003	128	0.98	- 173
550	0.98	- 178	0.32	58	0.004	57	0.99	- 174
600	0.98	- 178	0.27	58	0.009	83	0.98	- 174

I_{DQ} = 4.0 mA (continued)

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DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

This device is a common-source, RF power, N-Channel enhancement mode, Lateral <u>Metal-Oxide Semiconductor</u> <u>Field-Effect Transistor (MOSFET)</u>. Freescale Application Note AN211A, "FETs in Theory and Practice", is suggested reading for those not familiar with the construction and characteristics of FETs.

This surface mount packaged device was designed primarily for VHF and UHF mobile power amplifier applications. Manufacturability is improved by utilizing the tape and reel capability for fully automated pick and placement of parts. However, care should be taken in the design process to insure proper heat sinking of the device.

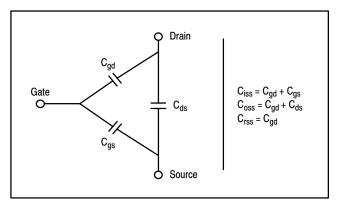
The major advantages of Lateral RF power MOSFETs include high gain, simple bias systems, relative immunity from thermal runaway, and the ability to withstand severely mismatched loads without suffering damage.

MOSFET CAPACITANCES

The physical structure of a MOSFET results in capacitors between all three terminals. The metal oxide gate structure determines the capacitors from gate-to-drain (C_{gd}), and gate-to-source (C_{gs}). The PN junction formed during fabrication of the RF MOSFET results in a junction capacitance from drain-to-source (C_{ds}). These capacitances are characterized as input (C_{iss}), output (C_{oss}) and reverse transfer (C_{rss}) capacitances on data sheets. The relationships between the inter-terminal capacitances and those given on data sheets are shown below. The C_{iss} can be specified in two ways:

- 1. Drain shorted to source and positive voltage at the gate.
- Positive voltage of the drain in respect to source and zero volts at the gate.

In the latter case, the numbers are lower. However, neither method represents the actual operating conditions in RF applications.



DRAIN CHARACTERISTICS

One critical figure of merit for a FET is its static resistance in the full-on condition. This on-resistance, $R_{DS(on)}$, occurs in the linear region of the output characteristic and is specified at a specific gate-source voltage and drain current. The drain-source voltage under these conditions is termed $V_{DS(on)}$. For MOSFETs, $V_{DS(on)}$ has a positive temperature coefficient at high temperatures because it contributes to the power dissipation within the device.

 BV_{DSS} values for this device are higher than normally required for typical applications. Measurement of BV_{DSS} is not recommended and may result in possible damage to the device.

GATE CHARACTERISTICS

The gate of the RF MOSFET is a polysilicon material, and is electrically isolated from the source by a layer of oxide. The DC input resistance is very high - on the order of $10^9 \Omega$ — resulting in a leakage current of a few nanoamperes.

Gate control is achieved by applying a positive voltage to the gate greater than the gate-to-source threshold voltage, $V_{GS(th)}$.

Gate Voltage Rating — Never exceed the gate voltage rating. Exceeding the rated V_{GS} can result in permanent damage to the oxide layer in the gate region.

Gate Termination — The gates of these devices are essentially capacitors. Circuits that leave the gate open-circuited or floating should be avoided. These conditions can result in turn-on of the devices due to voltage build-up on the input capacitor due to leakage currents or pickup.

Gate Protection — These devices do not have an internal monolithic zener diode from gate-to-source. If gate protection is required, an external zener diode is recommended. Using a resistor to keep the gate-to-source impedance low also helps dampen transients and serves another important function. Voltage transients on the drain can be coupled to the gate through the parasitic gate-drain capacitance. If the gate-to-source impedance and the rate of voltage change on the drain are both high, then the signal coupled to the gate may be large enough to exceed the gate-threshold voltage and turn the device on.

DC BIAS

Since this device is an enhancement mode FET, drain current flows only when the gate is at a higher potential than the source. RF power FETs operate optimally with a quiescent drain current (I_{DQ}), whose value is application dependent. This device was characterized at $I_{DQ} = 150$ mA, which is the suggested value of bias current for typical applications. For special applications such as linear amplification, I_{DQ} may have to be selected to optimize the critical parameters.

The gate is a dc open circuit and draws no current. Therefore, the gate bias circuit may generally be just a simple resistive divider network. Some special applications may require a more elaborate bias system.

GAIN CONTROL

Power output of this device may be controlled to some degree with a low power dc control signal applied to the gate, thus facilitating applications such as manual gain control, ALC/AGC and modulation systems. This characteristic is very dependent on frequency and load line.

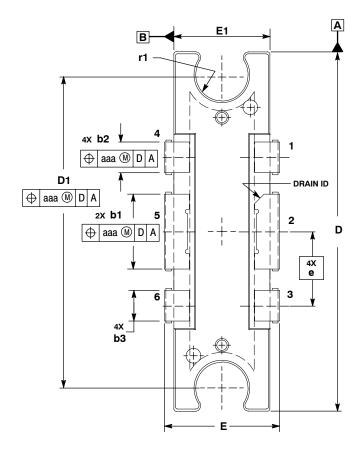
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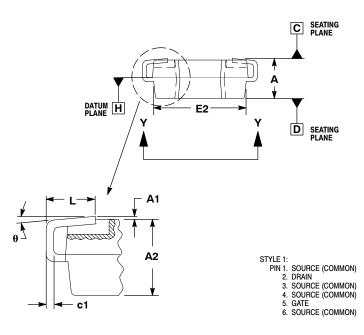
Impedance matching networks similar to those used with bipolar transistors are suitable for this device. For examples see Freescale Application Note AN721, "Impedance Matching Networks Applied to RF Power Transistors." Large-signal impedances are provided, and will yield a good first pass approximation.

Since RF power MOSFETs are triode devices, they are not unilateral. This coupled with the very high gain of this device yields a device capable of self oscillation. Stability may be achieved by techniques such as drain loading, input shunt resistive loading, or output to input feedback. The RF test fixture implements a parallel resistor and capacitor in series with the gate, and has a load line selected for a higher efficiency, lower gain, and more stable operating region.

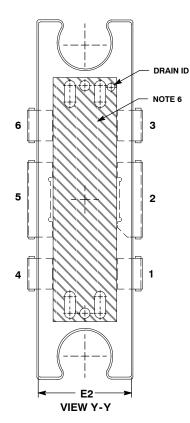
Two-port stability analysis with this device's S-parameters provides a useful tool for selection of loading or feedback circuitry to assure stable operation. See Free-scale Application Note AN215A, "RF Small-Signal Design Using Two-Port Parameters" for a discussion of two port network theory and stability.

PACKAGE DIMENSIONS





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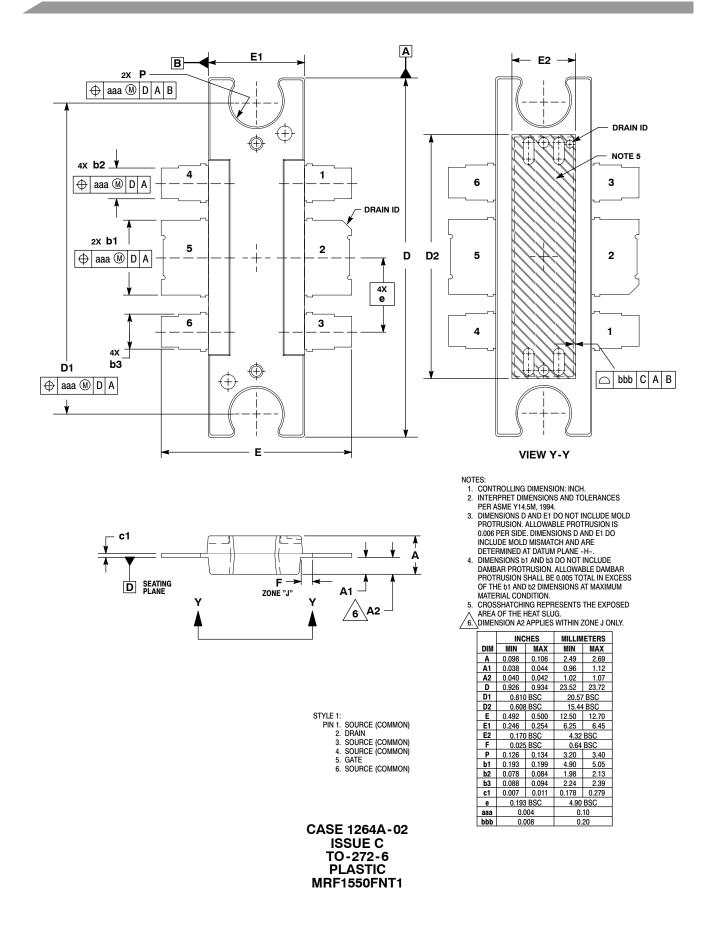


NOTES:

- NOTES: 1. CONTROLLING DIMENSION: INCH . 2. INTERPRET DIMENSIONS AND TOLERANCES PER ASME Y14.5M, 1994. 3. DATUM PLANE -H- IS LOCATED AT TOP OF LEAD AND IS COINCIDENT WITH THE LEAD WHERE THE LEAD EXITS THE PLASTIC BODY AT THE TOP OF THE PARTING LINE. 4. DIMENSION D AND E ID ON NOT INCLUDE MOLD.
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DIM	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX
Α	0.098	0.108	2.49	2.74
A1	0.000	0.004	0.00	0.10
A2	0.100	0.104	2.54	2.64
D	0.928	0.932	23.57	23.67
D1	0.806	0.814	20.47	20.68
Ε	0.296	0.304	7.52	7.72
E1	0.248	0.252	6.30	6.40
E2	0.241	0.245	6.12	6.22
L	0.060	0.070	1.52	1.78
b1	0.193	0.199	4.90	5.05
b2	0.078	0.084	1.98	2.13
b3	0.088	0.094	2.24	2.39
c1	0.007	0.011	0.18	0.28
е	0.193	BSC	4.90	BSC
r1	0.063	0.068	1.60	1.73
θ	0 °	6 °	0 °	6 °
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