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LDO Regulator - Ultra-Low Noise, High PSRR, RF and Analog Circuits

NCP167 700 mA

The NCP167 is a linear regulator capable of supplying 700 mA output current. Designed to meet the requirements of RF and analog circuits, the NCP167 device provides low noise, high PSRR, low quiescent current, and very good load/line transients. The device is designed to work with a 1 μ F input and a 1 μ F output ceramic capacitor. It is available in two thickness ultra–small 0.35P, 0.65 mm x 0.65 mm Chip Scale Package (CSP) and XDFN4 0.65P, 1 mm x 1 mm.

Features

- Operating Input Voltage Range: 1.9 V to 5.5 V
- Available in Fixed Voltage Option: 1.8 V to 5.2 V
- ±2% Accuracy Over Load/Temperature
- Ultra Low Quiescent Current Typ. 12 µA
- Standby Current: Typ. 0.1 µA
- Very Low Dropout: 210 mV at 700 mA
- Ultra High PSRR: Typ. 85 dB at 20 mA, f = 1 kHz
- Ultra Low Noise: 8.5 μV_{RMS}
- Stable with a 1 µF Small Case Size Ceramic Capacitors
- Available in –WLCSP4 0.65 mm x 0.65 mm x 0.33 mm –XDFN4 1 mm x 1 mm x 0.4 mm
- These Devices are Pb–Free, Halogen Free/BFR Free and are RoHS Compliant

Typical Applications

- Battery-powered Equipment
- Wireless LAN Devices
- Smartphones, Tablets
- Cameras, DVRs, STB and Camcorders

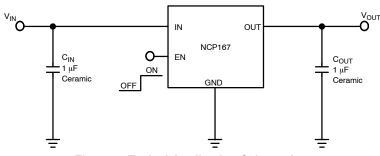


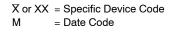
Figure 1. Typical Application Schematics



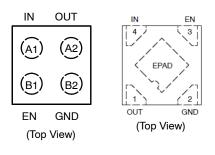
XDFN4 CASE 711AJ

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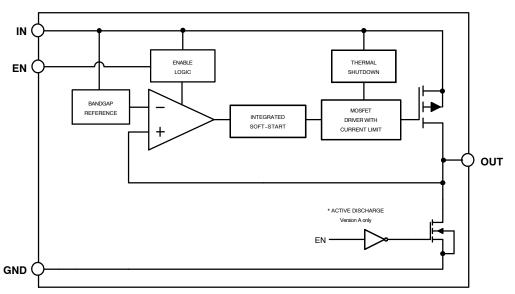






ORDERING INFORMATION

See detailed ordering and shipping information on page 10 of this data sheet.





PIN FUNCTION DESCRIPTION

Pin No. CSP4	Pin No. XDFN4	Pin Name	Description
A1	4	IN	Input voltage supply pin
A2	1	OUT	Regulated output voltage. The output should be bypassed with small 1 μF ceramic capacitor.
B1	3	EN	Chip enable: Applying V _{EN} < 0.4 V disables the regulator, Pulling V _{EN} > 1.2 V enables the LDO.
B2	2	GND	Common ground connection
-	EPAD	EPAD	Expose pad should be tied to ground plane for better power dissipation

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Rating	Symbol	Value	Unit
Input Voltage (Note 1)	V _{IN}	–0.3 V to 6	V
Output Voltage	V _{OUT}	–0.3 to V _{IN} + 0.3, max. 6 V	V
Chip Enable Input	V _{CE}	–0.3 to V _{IN} + 0.3, max. 6 V	V
Output Short Circuit Duration	t _{SC}	unlimited	S
Maximum Junction Temperature	TJ	150	°C
Storage Temperature	T _{STG}	–55 to 150	°C
ESD Capability, Human Body Model (Note 2)		2000	V
ESD Capability, Machine Model (Note 2)	ESD _{MM}	200	V

Stresses exceeding those listed in the Maximum Ratings table may damage the device. If any of these limits are exceeded, device functionality should not be assumed, damage may occur and reliability may be affected.

1. Refer to ELECTRICAL CHĂRACTERISTICS and APPLICATION INFORMATION for Safe Operating Area.

2. This device series incorporates ESD protection and is tested by the following methods:

ESD Human Body Model tested per EIA/JESD22–A114

ESD Machine Model tested per EIA/JESD22-A115

Latchup Current Maximum Rating tested per JEDEC standard: JESD78.

THERMAL CHARACTERISTICS

Rating	Symbol	Value	Unit
Thermal Characteristics, WLCSP4 (Note 3) Thermal Resistance, Junction-to-Air Thermal Characteristics, XDFN4 (Note 3) Thermal Resistance, Junction-to-Air		108	°C 44/
		198	°C/W

3. Measured according to JEDEC board specification. Detailed description of the board can be found in JESD51-7

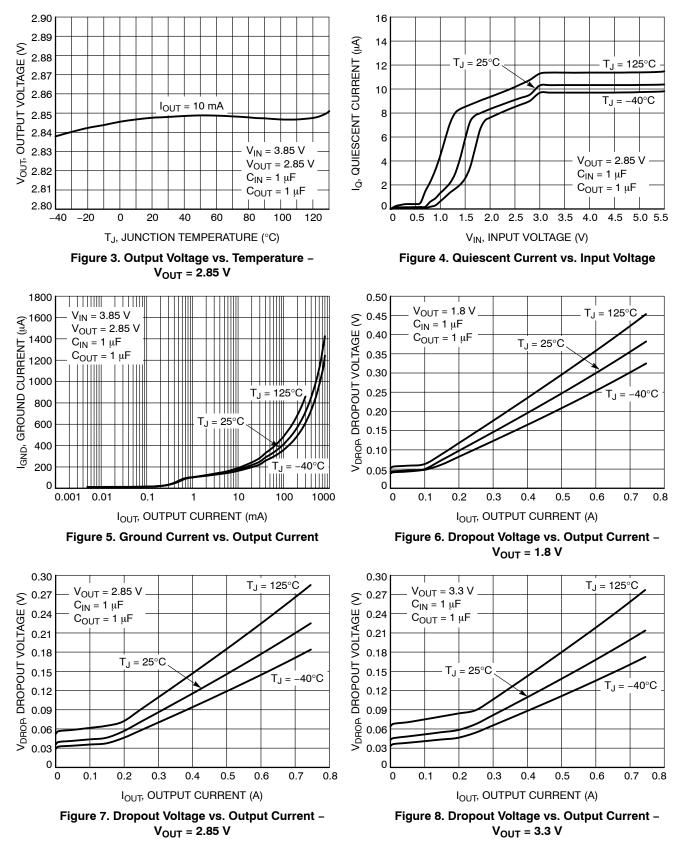
Parameter	Test Conditions		Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Operating Input Voltage			V _{IN}	1.9		5.5	V
Output Voltage Accuracy (Note 5)	$\label{eq:VIN} \begin{array}{l} V_{IN} = V_{OUT(NOM)} + 1 \text{ V to } 5.5 \text{ V} \\ 0 \text{ mA} \leq I_{OUT} \leq 700 \text{ mA} \end{array}$		V _{OUT}	-2		+2	%
Line Regulation	V _{OUT(NOM)} + 1	$V \le V_{IN} \le 5.5 V$	Line _{Reg}		0.02		%/V
Load Regulation	l _{OUT} = 1 mA to 700 mA	WLCSP4	Lood		0.001		%/mA
	700 mA	XDFN4	Load _{Reg}		0.002		
Dropout Voltage (Note 6)	I _{OUT} = 700 mA	V _{OUT(NOM)} = 1.8 V	N/		315	450	mV
		V _{OUT(NOM)} = 3.3 V	V _{DO}		190	290	
Output Current Limit	V _{OUT} = 90%	VOUT(NOM)	I _{CL}	800	1000		
Short Circuit Current	V _{OUT} = 0 V		I _{SC}		1050		mA
Quiescent Current	I _{OUT} = 0 mA		lQ		9.7	18	μΑ
Shutdown Current	$V_{EN} \leq 0.4 \text{ V}, V_{IN} = 4.8 \text{ V}$		I _{DIS}		0.01	1	μΑ
EN Pin Threshold Voltage	EN Input Voltage "H"		V _{ENH}	1.2			v
	EN Input Voltage "L"		V _{ENL}			0.4	
EN Pull Down Current	V _{EN} = 4.8 V		I _{EN}		0.2	0.5	μΑ
Turn-On Time	C_{OUT} = 1 µF, From assertion of V _{EN} to V _{OUT} = 95% V _{OUT(NOM)}				120		μs
Power Supply Rejection Ratio	$ \begin{array}{ll} V_{OUT(NOM)} = 3.3 \ V, & f = 100 \ Hz \\ I_{OUT} = 20 \ mA & f = 1 \ kHz \\ f = 10 \ kHz \\ f = 100 \ kHz \end{array} $		PSRR		83 85 80 63		dB
Output Voltage Noise	f = 10 Hz to 100 kHz I _{OUT} = 20 mA		V _N		8.5		μV_{RMS}
Thermal Shutdown Threshold	Temperature rising Temperature falling		T _{SDH}		160		°C
			T _{SDL}		140		°C
Active output discharge resistance	V _{EN} < 0.4 V, V	/ersion A only	R _{DIS}		280		Ω

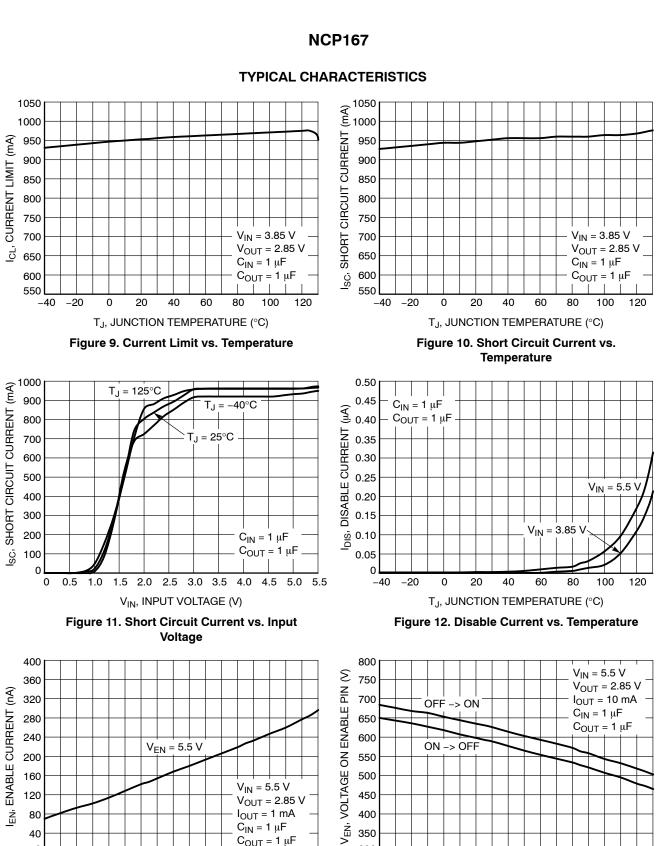
$\textbf{ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS} - 40^{\circ}C \leq T_J \leq 125^{\circ}C; \ V_{IN} = V_{OUT(NOM)} + 1 \ V; \ I_{OUT} = 1 \ \text{mA}, \ C_{IN} = C_{OUT} = 1 \ \mu\text{F}, \ \text{unless otherwise}$	
noted. $V_{EN} = 1.2 \text{ V}$. Typical values are at $T_J = +25^{\circ}C$ (Note 4).	

Product parametric performance is indicated in the Electrical Characteristics for the listed test conditions, unless otherwise noted. Product performance may not be indicated by the Electrical Characteristics if operated under different conditions.
Performance guaranteed over the indicated operating temperature range by design and/or characterization. Production tested at T_A = 25°C. Low duty cycle pulse techniques are used during the testing to maintain the junction temperature as close to ambient as possible.

5. Respect SOA.
 6. Dropout voltage is characterized when V_{OUT} falls 100 mV below V_{OUT(NOM)}.







CURRENT LIMIT (mA)

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I_{SC}, SHORT CIRCUIT CURRENT

ENABLE CURRENT (nA)

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0

-40

-20

0

20

40

TJ, JUNCTION TEMPERATURE (°C)

Figure 13. Current to Enable Pin vs.

Temperature

60

80

100

120

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300

-40

-20

0

20

40

TJ, JUNCTION TEMPERATURE (°C)

Figure 14. Enable Voltage Threshold vs.

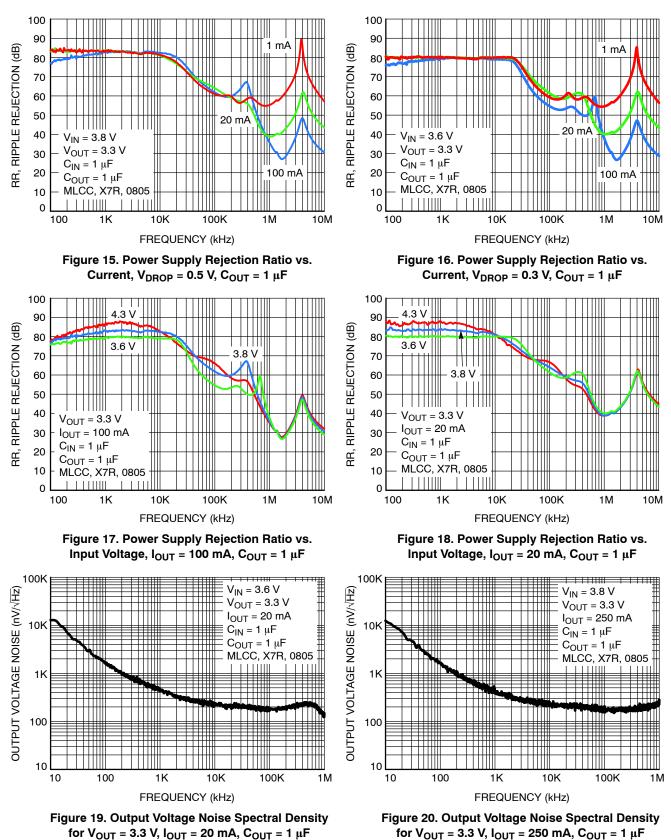
Temperature

60

80

100

120



TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

APPLICATIONS INFORMATION

General

The NCP167 is an ultra-low noise 700 mA low dropout regulator designed to meet the requirements of RF applications and high performance analog circuits. The NCP167 device provides very high PSRR and excellent dynamic response. In connection with low quiescent current this device is well suitable for battery powered application such as cell phones, tablets and other. The NCP167 is fully protected in case of current overload, output short circuit and overheating.

Input Capacitor Selection (CIN)

Input capacitor connected as close as possible is necessary for ensure device stability. The X7R or X5R capacitor should be used for reliable performance over temperature range. The value of the input capacitor should be 1 μ F or greater to ensure the best dynamic performance. This capacitor will provide a low impedance path for unwanted AC signals or noise modulated onto constant input voltage. There is no requirement for the ESR of the input capacitor but it is recommended to use ceramic capacitors for their low ESR and ESL. A good input capacitor will limit the influence of input trace inductance and source resistance during sudden load current changes.

Output Decoupling (COUT)

The NCP167 requires an output capacitor connected as close as possible to the output pin of the regulator. The recommended capacitor value is 1 μ F and X7R or X5R dielectric due to its low capacitance variations over the specified temperature range. The NCP167 is designed to remain stable with minimum effective capacitance of 0.7 μ F to account for changes with temperature, DC bias and package size. Especially for small package size capacitors such as 0201 the effective capacitance drops rapidly with the applied DC bias. Please refer Figure 21.

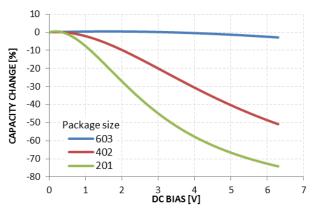


Figure 21. Capacity vs DC Bias Voltage

There is no requirement for the minimum value of Equivalent Series Resistance (ESR) for the C_{OUT} but the

maximum value of ESR should be less than 1.7 Ω . Larger output capacitors and lower ESR could improve the load transient response or high frequency PSRR. It is not recommended to use tantalum capacitors on the output due to their large ESR. The equivalent series resistance of tantalum capacitors is also strongly dependent on the temperature, increasing at low temperature.

Enable Operation

The NCP167 uses the EN pin to enable/disable its device and to deactivate/activate the active discharge function. If the EN pin voltage is <0.4 V the device is guaranteed to be disabled. The pass transistor is turned–off so that there is virtually no current flow between the IN and OUT. The active discharge transistor is active so that the output voltage V_{OUT} is pulled to GND through a 280 Ω resistor. In the disable state the device consumes as low as typ. 10 nA from the V_{IN}. If the EN pin voltage >1.2 V the device is guaranteed to be enabled. The NCP167 regulates the output voltage and the active discharge transistor is turned–off. The EN pin has internal pull–down current source with typ. value of 200 nA which assures that the device is turned–off when the EN pin is not connected. In the case where the EN function isn't required the EN should be tied directly to IN.

Output Current Limit

Output Current is internally limited within the IC to a typical 1000 mA. The NCP167 will source this amount of current measured with a voltage drops on the 90% of the nominal V_{OUT} . If the Output Voltage is directly shorted to ground ($V_{OUT} = 0$ V), the short circuit protection will limit the output current to 1050 mA (typ.). The current limit and short circuit protection will work properly over whole temperature range and also input voltage range. There is no limitation for the short circuit duration.

Thermal Shutdown

When the die temperature exceeds the Thermal Shutdown threshold ($T_{SD} = 160^{\circ}$ C typical), Thermal Shutdown event is detected and the device is disabled. The IC will remain in this state until the die temperature decreases below the Thermal Shutdown Reset threshold ($T_{SDU} = 140^{\circ}$ C typical). Once the IC temperature falls below the 140°C the LDO is enabled again. The thermal shutdown feature provides the protection from a catastrophic device failure due to accidental overheating. This protection is not intended to be used as a substitute for proper heat sinking.

Reverse Current

The PMOS pass transistor has an inherent body diode which will be forward biased in the case that $V_{OUT} > V_{IN}$. Due to this fact in cases, where the extended reverse current condition can be anticipated the device may require additional external protection.

Power Supply Rejection Ratio

The NCP167 features very high Power Supply Rejection ratio. If desired the PSRR at higher frequencies in the range 100 kHz - 10 MHz can be tuned by the selection of C_{OUT} capacitor and proper PCB layout.

Turn-On Time

The turn-on time is defined as the time period from EN assertion to the point in which V_{OUT} will reach 98% of its nominal value. This time is dependent on various application conditions such as $V_{OUT(NOM)}$, C_{OUT} , T_A .

Power Dissipation

As power dissipated in the NCP167 increases, it might become necessary to provide some thermal relief. The

maximum power dissipation supported by the device is dependent upon board design and layout. Mounting pad configuration on the PCB, the board material, and the ambient temperature affect the rate of junction temperature rise for the part. The maximum power dissipation the NCP167 can handle is given by:

$$\mathsf{P}_{\mathsf{D}(\mathsf{MAX})} = \frac{\left[125^{\circ}\mathsf{C} - \mathsf{T}_{\mathsf{A}}\right]}{\theta_{\mathsf{J}\mathsf{A}}} \tag{eq. 1}$$

The power dissipated by the NCP167 for given application conditions can be calculated from the following equations:

$$\mathsf{P}_\mathsf{D} \approx \mathsf{V}_\mathsf{IN} \cdot \mathsf{I}_\mathsf{GND} + \mathsf{I}_\mathsf{OUT} \! \left(\mathsf{V}_\mathsf{IN} - \mathsf{V}_\mathsf{OUT} \right) \qquad (\mathsf{eq. 2})$$

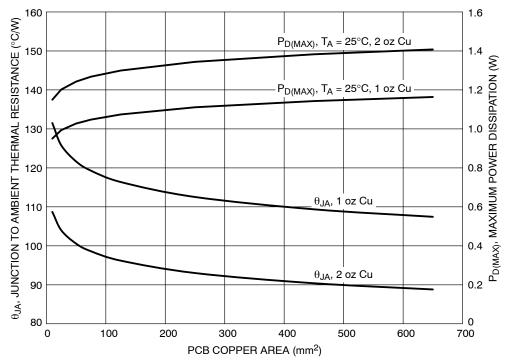
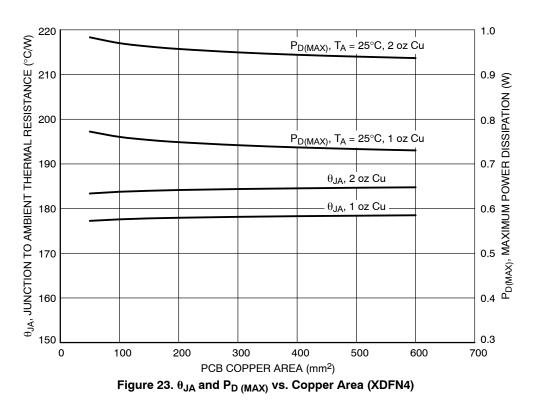


Figure 22. θ_{JA} and $P_{D\ (MAX)}$ vs. Copper Area (CSP4)



PCB Layout Recommendations

To obtain good transient performance and good regulation characteristics place C_{IN} and C_{OUT} capacitors close to the device pins and make the PCB traces wide. In order to minimize the solution size, use 0402 or 0201 capacitors with appropriate capacity. Larger copper area connected to the

pins will also improve the device thermal resistance. The actual power dissipation can be calculated from the equation above (Equation 2). Expose pad can be tied to the GND pin for improvement power dissipation and lower device temperature.

ORDERING INFORMATION (XDFN4)

Device	Nominal Output Voltage	Description	Marking	Package	Shipping [†]
NCP167AMX180TBG	1.8 V	700 mA, Active Discharge	СН		
NCP167AMX280TBG	2.8 V	700 mA, Active Discharge	CP		
NCP167AMX285TBG	2.85 V	700 mA, Active Discharge	СК		
NCP167AMX300TBG	3.0 V	700 mA, Active Discharge	CQ	XDFN4	3000 or 5000 / Tape & Reel
NCP167AMX330TBG	3.3 V	700 mA, Active Discharge	CR	(Pb-Free)	(Note 7)
NCP167AMX350TBG	3.5 V	700 mA, Active Discharge	CL		
NCP167BMX330TBG	3.3 V	700 mA, Non-Active Discharge	AR]	

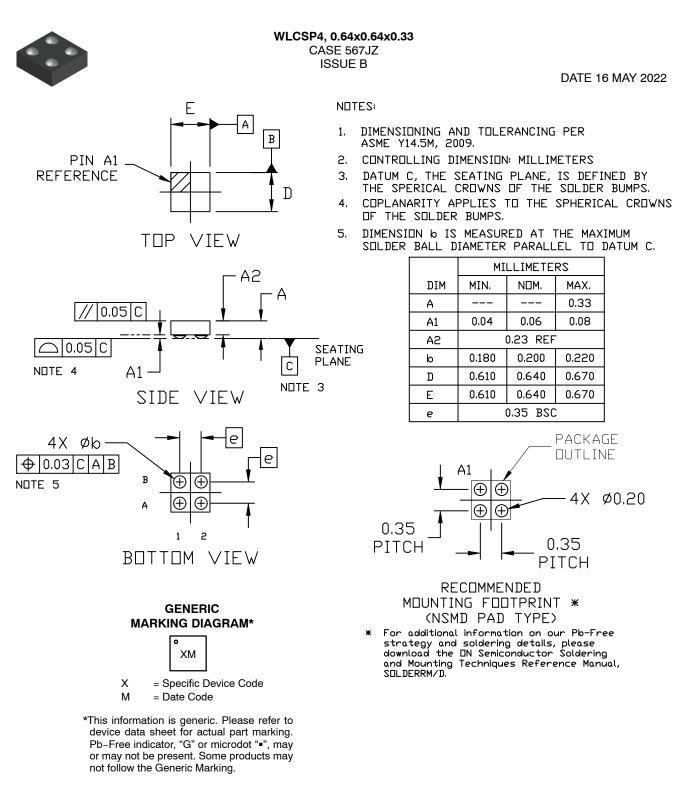
7. Product processed after October 1, 2022 are shipped with quantity 5000 units / tape & reel.

ORDERING INFORMATION (WLCSP4)

Device	Nominal Output Voltage	Description	Marking*	Rotation	Package	Shipping [†]
NCP167AFCT180T2G	1.8 V		Н	0 °		
NCP167AFCT285T2G	2.85 V		К	0°		
NCP167AFCT295T2G	2.95 V	700 mA, Active Discharge	Р	0°		
NCP167AFCT330T2G	3.3 V		R	0 °	WLCSP4	5000 or 10000 / Tape
NCP167AFCT350T2G	3.5 V		L	0 °	(Pb-Free)	& Reel
NCP167AFCTC350T2G	3.5 V	700 mA, Active Discharge, Backside Coating	L	0°		(Note 8)
NCP167BFCT330T2G	3.3 V	700 mA, Non–Active Discharge	R	180°		

*Marking letter with overbar. 8. Product processed after April 1, 2023 are shipped with quantity 10000 units / tape & reel

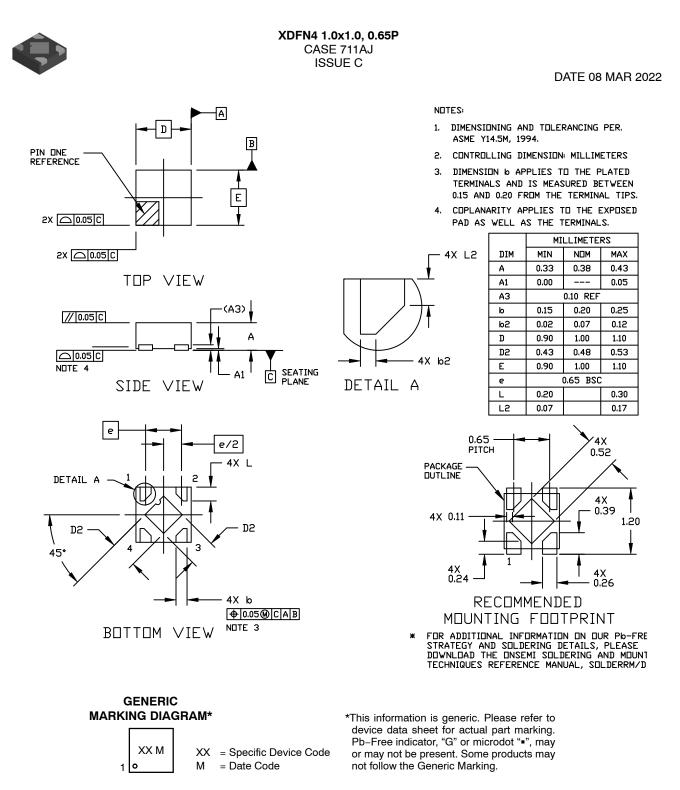




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