

TPS65132B Evaluation Module

This user's guide describes the characteristics, operation, and use of the TPS65132B evaluation module (EVM) and its software. It includes the EVM specifications, the recommended setup (hardware and software), the schematic diagram, the board layouts, and the bill of materials.

All the measurements in the *Application Performance* section of the TPS65132B datasheet ([SLVSBM1](#)) were done with this EVM.

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1 Introduction

This EVM uses a TPS65132B to generate the positive and negative supply voltages needed by LCD panels in smartphones and tablet PCs. It can also be used as a general-purpose power supply in applications that need positive and negative supply rails (for example, op-amp or data acquisition circuits).

For easy performance evaluation of the TPS65132B, this EVM has:

- Software with a Graphical User Interface (GUI) for reading, writing, exporting, and importing the device configuration
- A USB2ANY interface adapter to control the I²C bus
- Test points for measuring the most important voltages
- Jumpers for enabling and disabling the outputs
- Input and output voltage sense terminals for making accurate four-terminal voltage measurements

1.1 Recommended Equipment

In addition to the contents of the EVM box, some or all of the equipment described in the following subsections is required.

1.1.1 Power Supply

To evaluate the full performance of the TPS65132B, a dc power supply capable of delivering 1.2 A from 2.5 V to 5.5 V is required.

1.1.2 Host Computer

To change the output voltages or configuration of the TPS65132B, a personal computer (PC) with the following minimum specifications is needed:

- Microsoft® Windows® 7 operating system
- One free USB port
- A minimum of 280MB of free hard disk space (610MB recommended)
- A minimum of 512MB of RAM

1.1.3 Software

You can download the latest version of the EVM software from the TI website at <http://www.ti.com/product/tps65132> (see also [Section 5.2](#)).

1.2 Applications

The TPS65132B device is suitable for use in any applications that need positive and negative output voltages in the range ± 4 V to ± 6 V and output currents less than ± 80 mA. Typical applications include:

- Smartphone displays
- Tablet displays
- Split-rail power supply applications

1.3 Features

- Efficiency greater than 85% at $I_O > 10$ mA
- Input voltage range of 2.5 V to 5.5 V
- Positive output voltage range of 4.0 V to 6.0 V (0.1-V steps)
- Negative output voltage range of -4.0 V to -6.0 V (0.1-V steps)
- Output voltage accuracy of better than 1%
- Programmable active discharge during shutdown
- Excellent line regulation
- Advanced power-save mode for light-load efficiency
- Thermal shutdown
- Four-layer PCB with all components on top side

2 Electrical Specifications

Table 1 gives an overview of the electrical specifications of the TPS65132B EVM.

Table 1. Electrical Specifications

Parameter		Notes and Conditions	MIN	TYP	MAX	Unit
Input Characteristics						
V_{IN}	Input voltage		2.5		5.5	V
	Input current	$V_{IN} = 3.7$ V, $I_{POS} = I_{NEG} = 40$ mA		680		mA
		$V_{IN} = 3.7$ V, $I_{POS} = I_{NEG} = 0$ mA		0.1	1	mA
Output Characteristics						
V_{POS}	Positive output voltage	$V_{IN} = 3.7$ V, $I_{POS} = 40$ mA	5.35	5.4	5.45	V
$\Delta V_{POS(\Delta V_{IN})}$	Line regulation (V_{POS})	$V_{IN} = 2.5$ V to 5.5 V, $I_{POS} = 40$ mA		5		mV
$\Delta V_{POS(\Delta I_O)}$	Load regulation (V_{POS})	$I_{POS} = 10$ mA to 40 mA, $V_I = 3.7$ V		-7		mV
V_{NEG}	Default negative output voltage	$V_{IN} = 3.7$ V, $I_{NEG} = 40$ mA	-5.45	-5.4	-5.35	V
$\Delta V_{NEG(\Delta V_{IN})}$	Line regulation (V_{NEG})	$V_{IN} = 2.5$ V to 5.5 V, $I_O = 40$ mA ⁽¹⁾		5		mV
$\Delta V_{NEG(\Delta I_O)}$	Load regulation (V_{NEG})	$I_{NEG} = 10$ mA to 40 mA, $V_{IN} = 3.7$ V		-12		mV
$V_{POS(PP)}$	Output voltage ripple (V_{POS})	$V_{IN} = 3.7$ V, $I_O = 40$ mA ⁽¹⁾		5		mV
$V_{NEG(PP)}$	Output voltage ripple NEG	$V_{IN} = 3.7$ V, $I_O = 40$ mA ⁽¹⁾		40		mV
System Characteristics						
	Switching frequency			1.6		MHz
	Peak efficiency	$V_{IN} = 3.7$ V		89%		

⁽¹⁾ I_O means that the load is connected from V_{POS} to V_{NEG} .

3 Schematic

Figure 1 is for reference only; see the bill of materials in Section 8 for specific values.

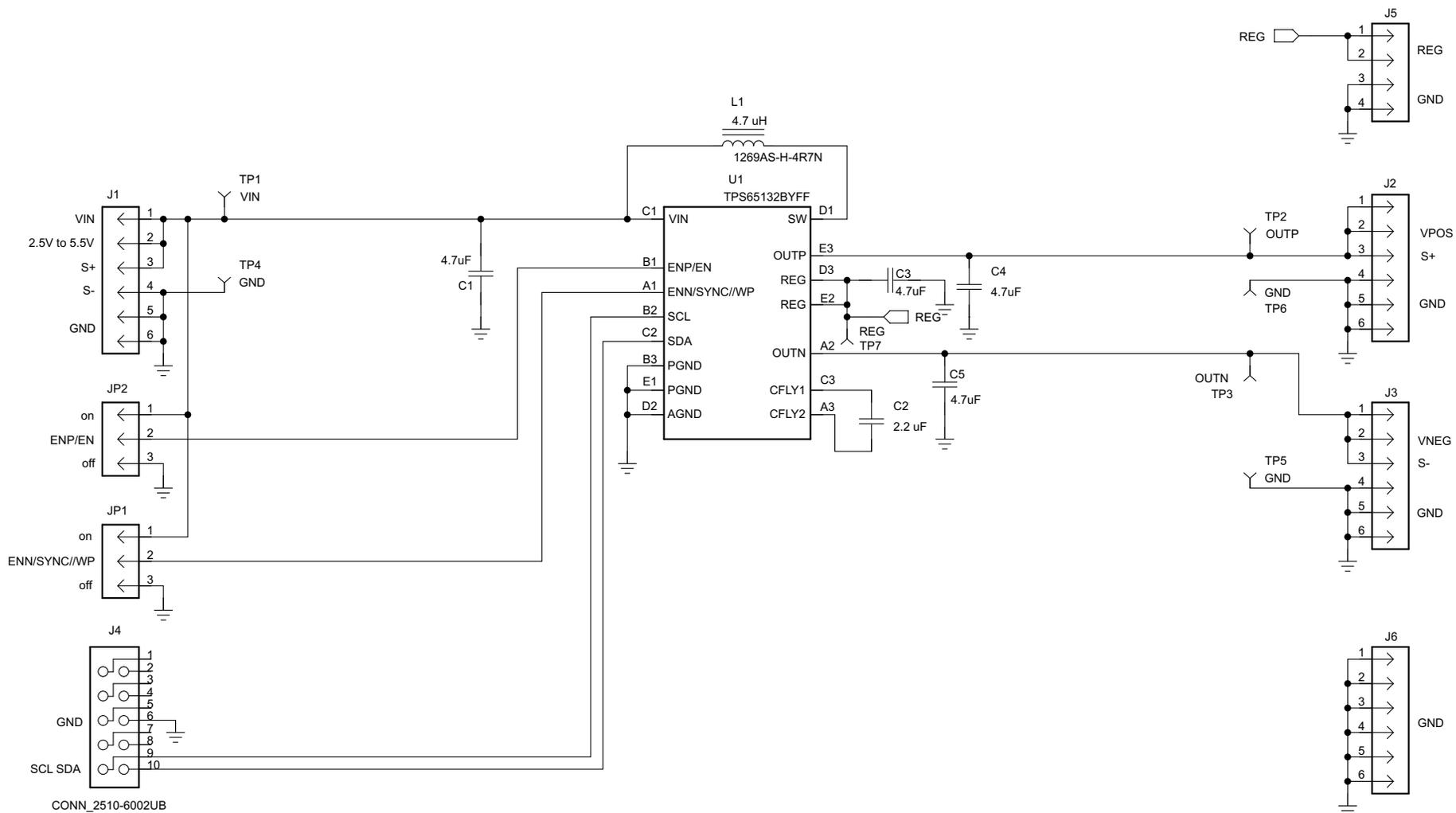


Figure 1. Schematic

4 Connectors, Jumpers and Test Points

Table 2, Table 3, and Table 4 give an overview of the connector, jumper, and test point connections of the EVM.

Table 2. Connector Overview

Connector		Signal	Pin	Description	Remarks
J1	Input Supply	VIN	1, 2	Input Supply	
		S+	3	Input Supply Sense	
		GND	4, 5, 6	Ground	
J2	Positive Output	VPOS	1, 2	Positive Output	
		S+	3	Positive Output Sense	
		GND	4, 5, 6	Ground	
J3	Negative Output	VNEG	1, 2	Negative Output	
		S-	3	Negative Output Sense	
		GND	4, 5, 6	Ground	
J4	I ² C Bus	SCL	9	Clock	Use the 10-way ribbon cable supplied with the EVM to connect J4 to the USB2ANY interface adapter (Figure 8).
		SDA	10	Data	
		GND	6	Ground	
J5	Boost Output	REG	1, 2	Boost Converter Output	A load can be connected between the boost converter output and ground.
		GND	3, 4	Ground	
J6	Ground	GND	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	Ground	Use these pins when you do a measurement and need a ground connection.

Table 3. Jumper Overview

Jumper		Signal	Pin	Description	Remarks
JP1	Negative Output Enable/Disable	VIN	1	Input Supply	Connect a jumper between pins 1 and 2 to enable the negative output, or between pins 2 and 3 to disable it.
		ENN	2	Negative Output Enable	
		GND	3	Ground	
JP2	Positive Output Enable/Disable	VIN	1	Input Supply	Connect a jumper between pins 1 and 2 to enable the positive output, or between pins 2 and 3 to disable it.
		ENP	2	Positive Output Enable	
		GND	3	Ground	

Table 4. Test Point Overview

Test Point	Signal	Description
TP1	VIN	Input Supply
TP2	OUTP	Positive Output
TP3	OUTN	Negative Output
TP4	GND	Ground
TP5	GND	Ground
TP6	GND	Ground
TP7	REG	Boost Converter Output

5 Setup

5.1 Hardware Connections

Figure 2 shows how to connect the EVM to a dc power supply, a load, and a host PC.

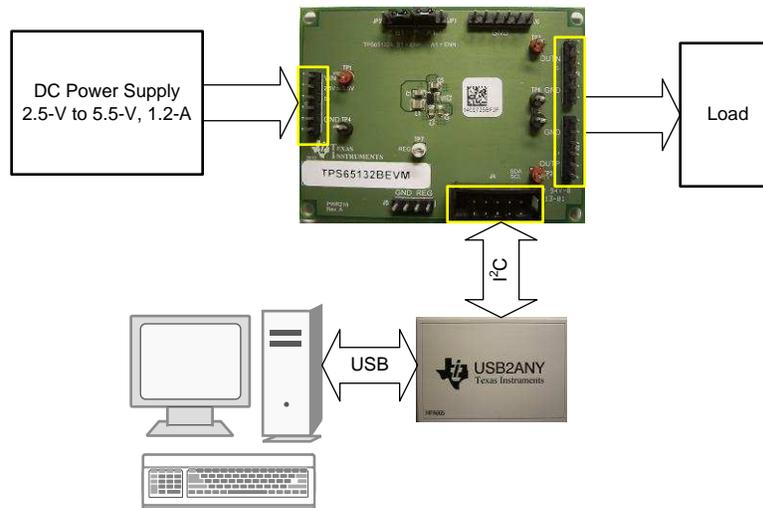


Figure 2. Hardware Setup – Full Functionality

If no changes to the output voltages or to any other configuration settings are needed, use the simplified set-up shown in Figure 3. If using the simplified setup, the TPS65132B device starts up with the register settings stored in its EEPROM the last time it was programmed.

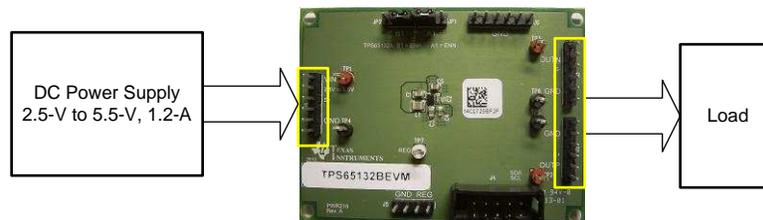


Figure 3. Hardware Setup – Simplified

Use two-terminal (Figure 4) or four-terminal (Figure 5) connections to connect the power supply to the EVM. Two-terminal connections are simpler, but four terminal connections are more accurate.

To minimize parasitic inductance, TI recommends using a short cable (less than 20 cm) and twist the power (VIN) and return (GND) conductors together.

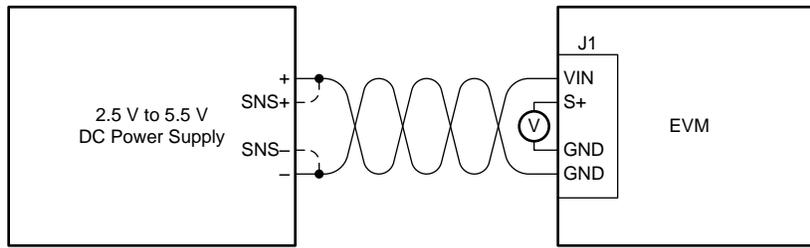


Figure 4. Two-Terminal Power Supply Connection

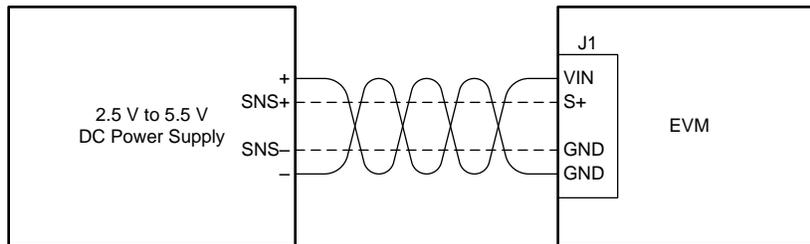


Figure 5. Four-Terminal Power Supply Connection

Connect single-ended loads between VPOS and ground and between VNEG and ground (Figure 6) or connect a differential load between VPOS and VNEG (Figure 7).

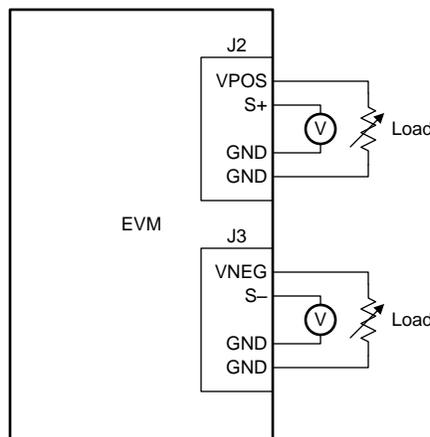


Figure 6. Single-Ended Load Connections

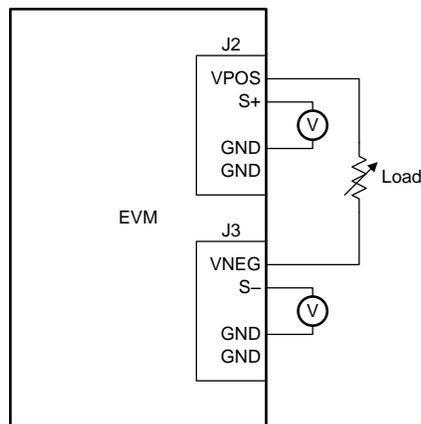


Figure 7. Differential Load Connection

When connecting the USB2ANY interface adapter to the EVM, use the middle ten connections (Figure 8).



Figure 8. Ribbon Cable Connected to the Ten Middle Pins of the USB2ANY Interface Adapter

5.2 Software Installation

To change the register settings, install the EVM software on a host PC and install a USB2ANY interface adapter to connect the host PC to the EVM hardware (Figure 2). To download the latest version of the EVM software:

- Go to the TPS65132B product folder on the TI Web site (<http://www.ti.com/product/tps65132>)
- Download the software zip file
- Unzip the file
- Run the program *setup.exe* (TI recommends uninstalling existing versions of the EVM software before installing a new one)

After installing the software, an icon with the name TPS65132 EVM is on the desktop of the host computer. If this icon is not seen, browse the program files in the Start menu for the software. The default location is *All Programs* → *Texas Instruments* → *TPS65132*.

Connect the USB2ANY interface adapter to the host computer and then start the software. If the system asks to update the firmware in the interface adapter, follow the on-screen instructions until the update is complete.

6 Software Operation

The EVM software can be used with all variants of the TPS65132 device. When the software starts, select the device you want to evaluate from the drop-down menu and then click on OK. (refer to [Figure 9](#)).

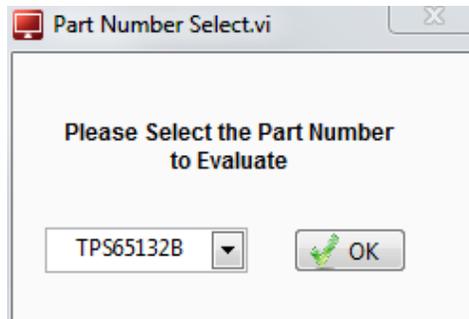


Figure 9. Device Selection Window

After selecting the device variant and clicking the **OK** button, the software shows the Settings window as is in [Figure 10](#).

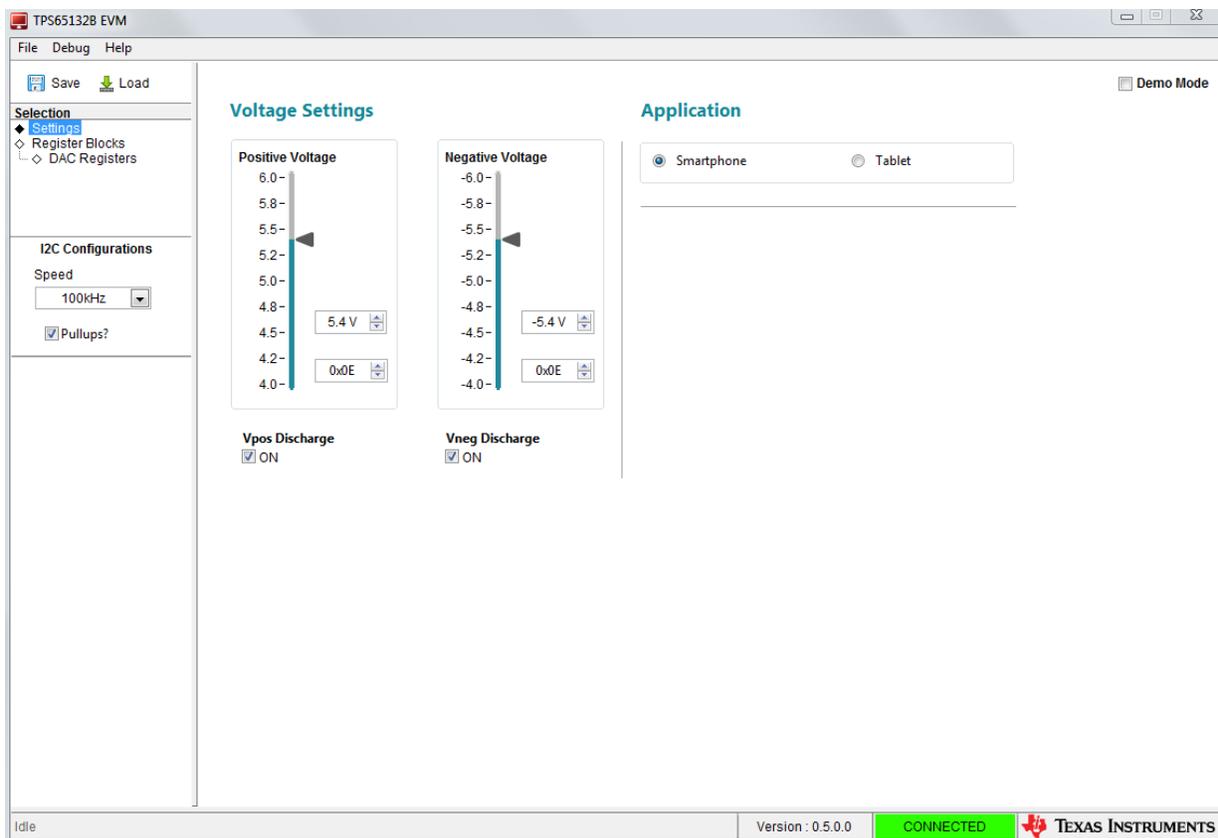


Figure 10. Settings Window

6.1 Save and Load

Export configurations for reuse later:

- Clicking on the *Save* icon exports the configuration.
- Clicking on the *Load* icon imports a saved configuration.

6.2 I²C Bus Configuration

6.2.1 Slave Address

The EVM software uses the slave address 0x3E to communicate with the TPS65132B device over the I²C bus. This address cannot be changed.

6.2.2 Bus Speed

The I²C bus of the EVM can operate in Standard mode (100 kbps) or Fast mode (400 kbps). Select the desired I²C bus speed from the *Speed* drop-down menu.

6.2.3 Pullups

The USB2ANY interface adapter has pullup resistors for the I²C bus. Disable the pullup resistors if they are not needed.

- Check the *Pullups?* checkbox if using the I²C pullup resistors in the USB2ANY interface adapter (refer to [Figure 11](#)). This is the most common setting.
- Uncheck the *Pullups?* checkbox if there are I²C pullup resistors somewhere else in your system (refer to [Figure 12](#)).

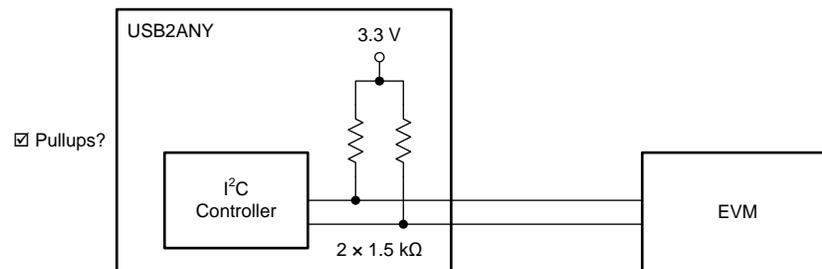


Figure 11. I²C Bus Internal Pullup Connection

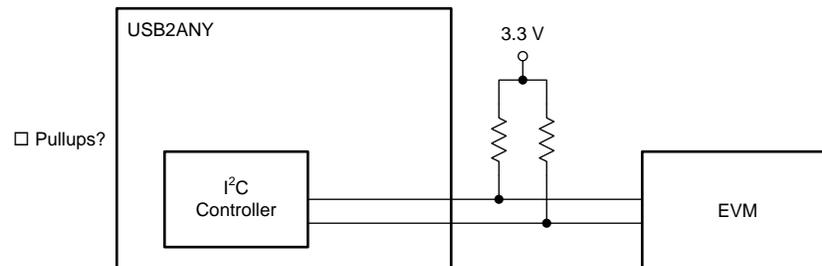


Figure 12. I²C Bus External Pullup Connection

NOTE: The external pullup resistors (if used) must be connected to 3.3 V ([Figure 12](#)). Pullup voltages lower than 3.3 V can cause incorrect operation. Pullup voltages higher than 3.3 V can damage the USB2ANY interface adapter.

The maximum value of the external pullup resistors depends on the I²C bus capacitance (refer to UM10204 – *I²C-bus specification and user manual* from NXP). A higher bus capacitance needs smaller pullup resistors. A value in the range 1.5 kΩ to 10 kΩ works well in most applications.

6.3 Settings Window

The *Settings* window is shown in [Figure 10](#).

6.3.1 Output Voltage

The positive and negative output voltages are adjustable in the following ways:

- Drag the voltage sliders
- Click on the up- and down-arrows of the voltage entry boxes
- Enter a voltage in the voltage entry boxes
- Click on the up- and down-arrows of the hexadecimal entry boxes
- Enter a hexadecimal number in the hexadecimal entry boxes

NOTE: If an incorrect value is entered into the voltage or hexadecimal entry boxes, the software rounds that entry down to the nearest correct value. If a value below the minimum output voltage is entered, the software uses the minimum value.

Use the *Vpos Discharge* and *Vneg Discharge* checkboxes to enable and disable the output discharge resistors.

- Check the *Vpos Discharge* check box to enable the *Vpos* discharge resistor. Uncheck this checkbox to disable the discharge resistor.
- Check the *Vneg Discharge* check box to enable the *Vneg* discharge resistor. Uncheck this checkbox to disable the discharge resistor.

6.3.2 Application

Use the *Smartphone* and *Tablet* radio buttons to select if the TPS65132B operates in Smartphone mode or Tablet mode. The maximum output current in Tablet mode is higher than in Smartphone mode. Refer to the TPS65132B data sheet ([SLVSBM1](#)) for more information.

6.4 DAC Registers Window

The *DAC Registers* window shows the contents of the EEPROM and DAC registers the last time they were read. The register contents are shown in hexadecimal and binary. The *Field View* decodes the register settings into a more user-friendly format.

Change the content of the registers in the following ways:

- Enter hexadecimal values in the EEPROM and Reg Data columns
- Click on the individual bits to toggle them
- Select values from the drop-down lists in the Field View

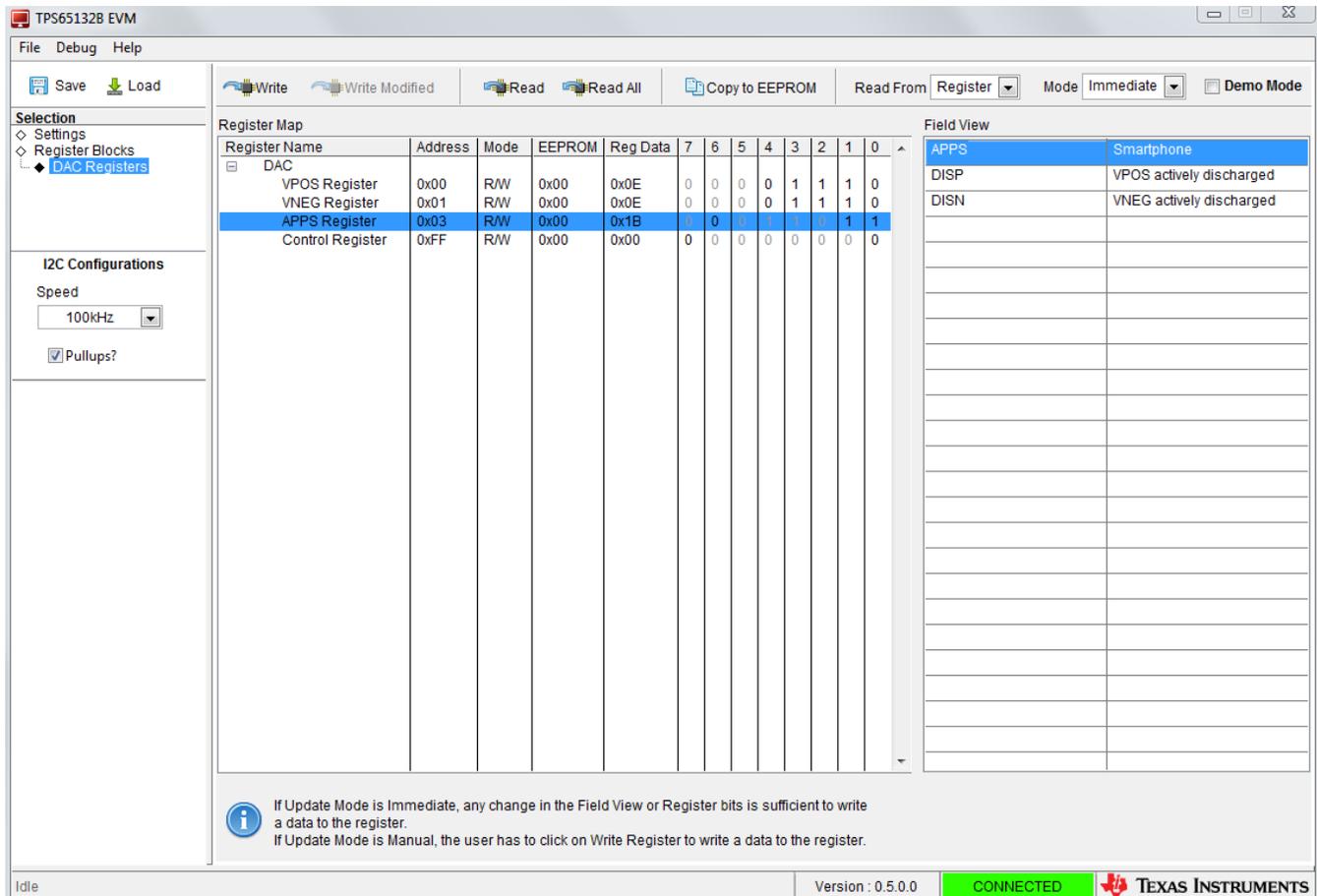


Figure 13. DAC Registers Window

Use the icons at the top of the window to select which data the window shows.

- Click on *Write* to program the registers in the TPS65132B device with the contents shown in the GUI window.
- Click on *Write Modified* to program only the selected register in the TPS65132B device with the contents shown in the GUI window.
- Click on *Read* to refresh only the value of the selected register shown in the GUI window.
- Click on *Read All* to refresh the value of all registers.
- Click on *Copy to EEPROM* to copy the current register settings to the EEPROM in the TPS65132B device. The values in the EEPROM are the ones used by the TPS65132B device during start-up.
- If *Read From* = EEPROM, the values are read out of the EEPROM when *Read* or *Read All* is clicked. If *Read From* = Register, the values are read out of the (volatile) registers.
- If *Mode* = Immediate, any changes made to the register bits or in the Field View have an immediate effect. If *Mode* = Manual, changes have no effect until *Write Register* is clicked.

6.5 Demo Mode

The EVM software can be used on its own, that is:

- Without a USB2ANY interface adapter connected to the host PC
- Without an EVM connected to the USB2ANY interface adapter

If starting the EVM software when one of the previous conditions is true, an error message like the one shown in Figure 14 displays. Clicking on *Continue in Demo Mode* operates the software as if an EVM were connected, but it shows simulated data. Clicking *Stop* shuts the software down.

If starting in Demo Mode and then connecting to an EVM, uncheck the Demo Mode checkbox in the top right of the window to exit Demo Mode. If this box is unchecked when there is no EVM connected, an error message like the one shown in Figure 14 displays.

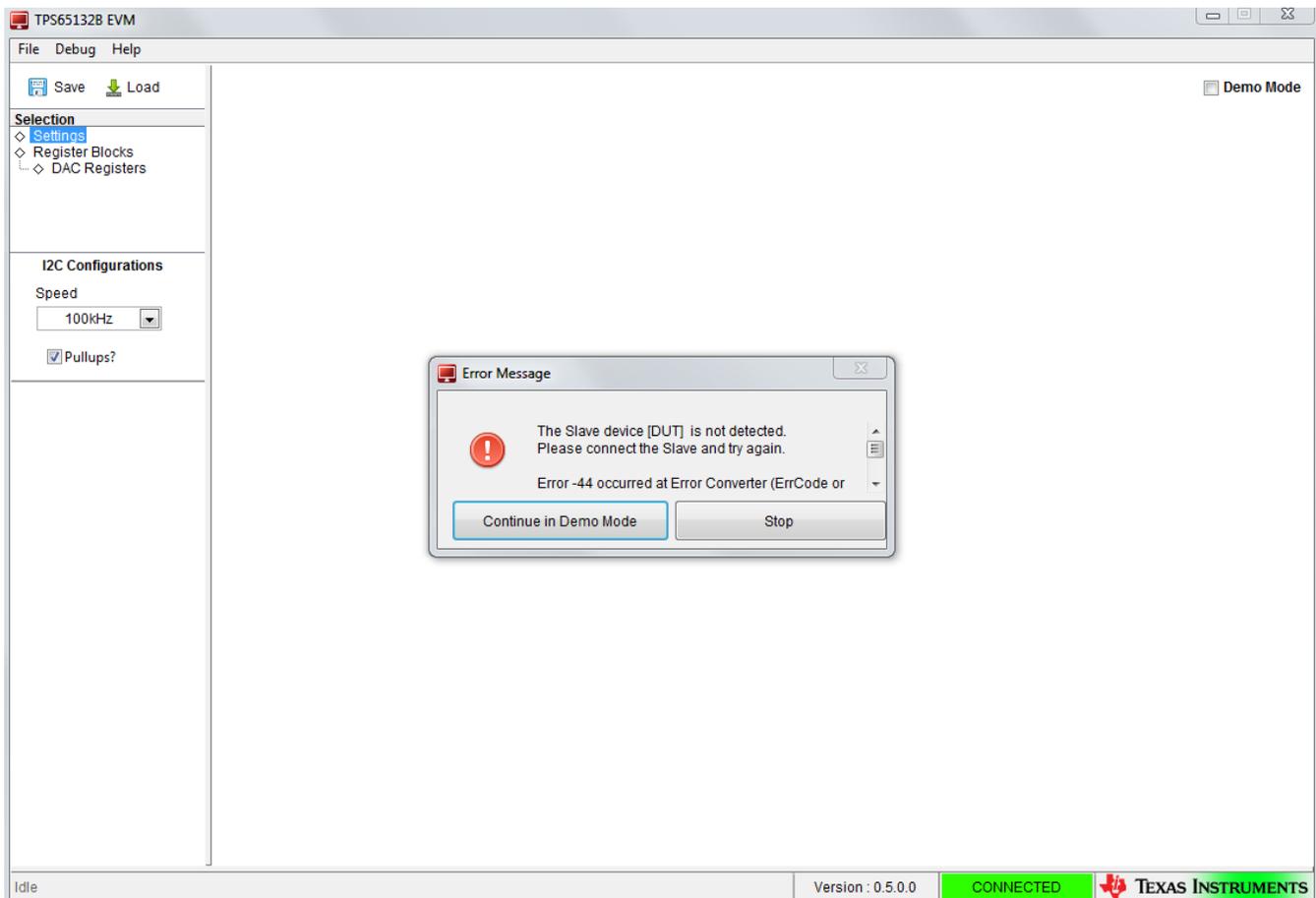


Figure 14. Demo Mode Prompt with No EVM Connected

7 PCB Layout

Figure 15 through Figure 19 show the design of the TPS65132B EVM printed-circuit board (PCB). The EVM has been designed using a four-layer, 35- μm (1 oz), copper-clad circuit board. All components are on the top side, and all signal traces on the top and bottom layers allow the user to easily view, probe, and evaluate the TPS65132B control IC. Moving components to both sides of the PCB can offer additional size reduction for space-constrained systems.

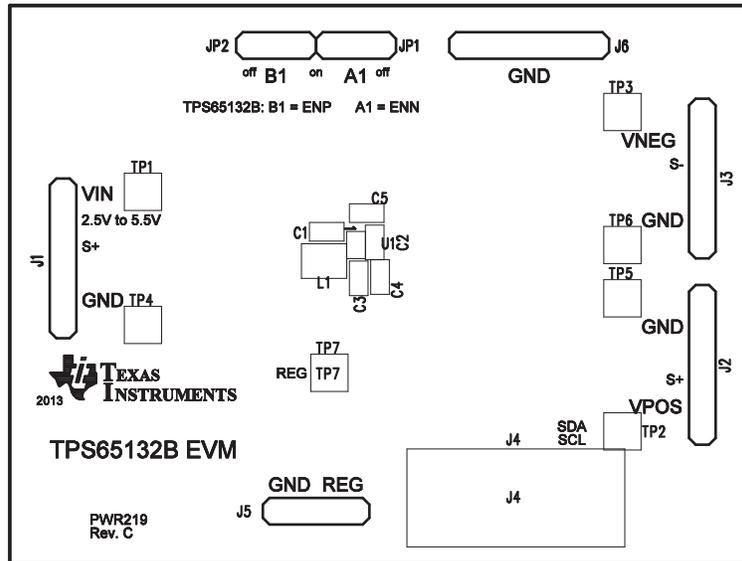


Figure 15. Component Placement (Top View)

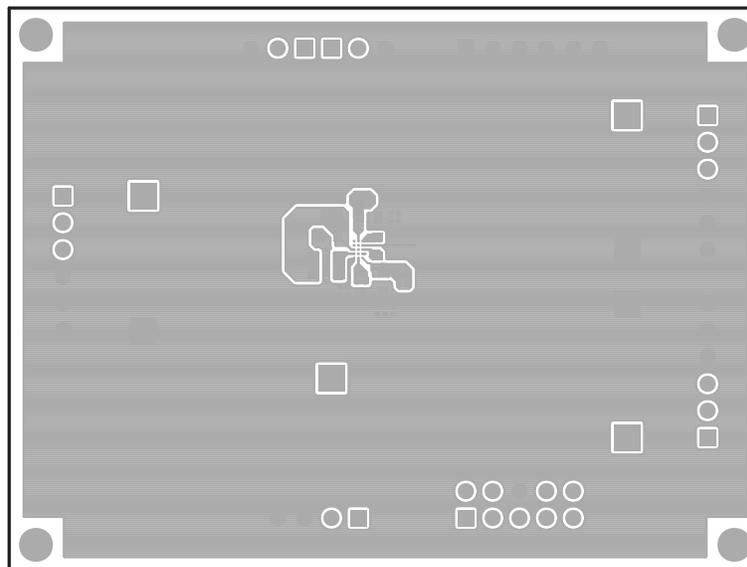


Figure 16. PCB Top Layer (Top View)

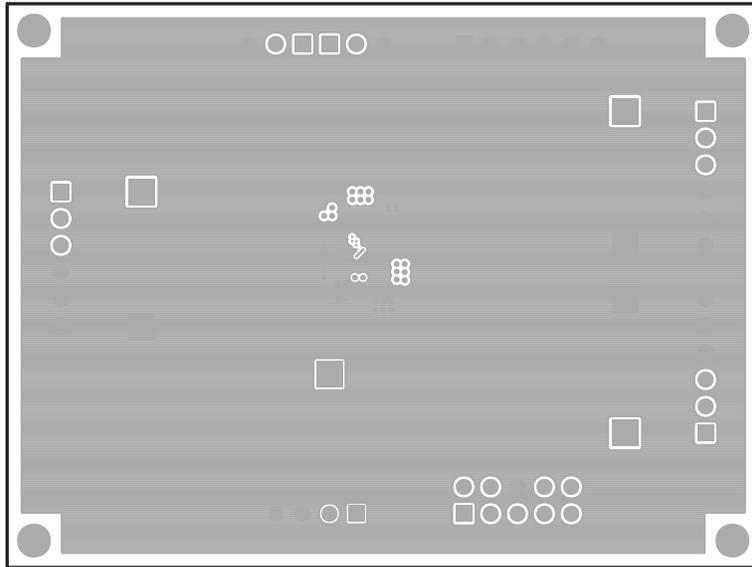


Figure 17. PCB Inner Layer 1 (Top View)

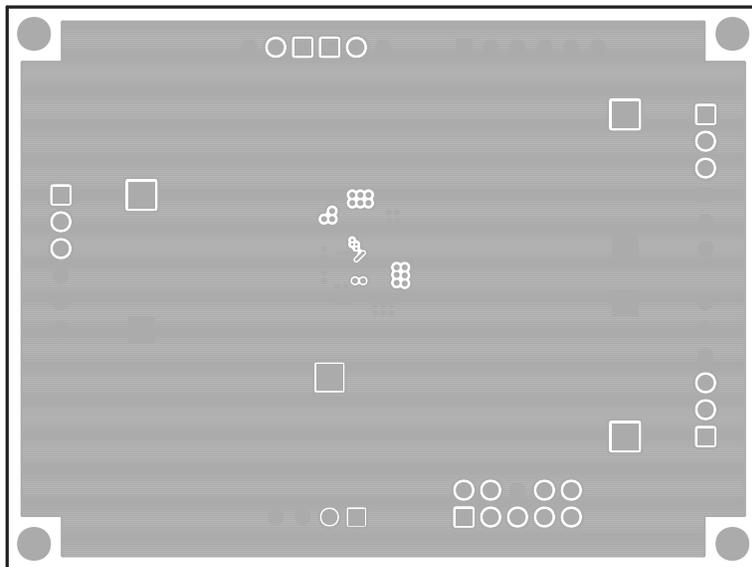


Figure 18. PCB Inner Layer 2 (Top View)

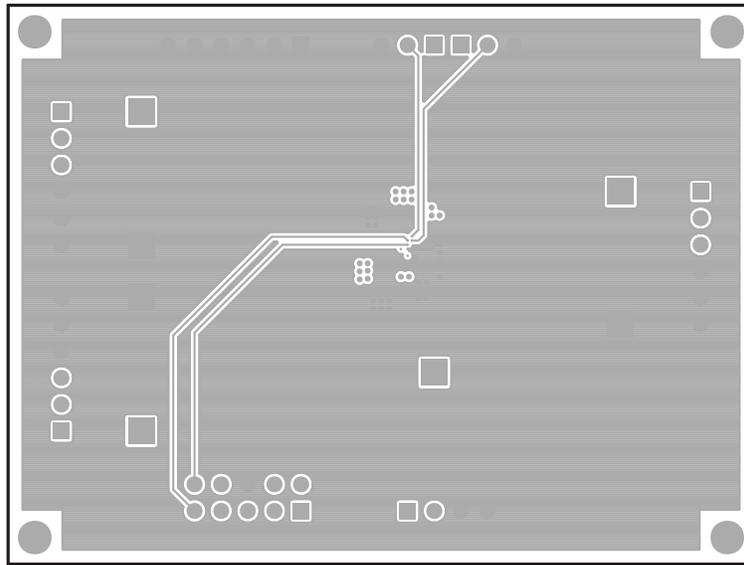


Figure 19. PCB Bottom Layer (Bottom View)

8 List of Materials

Table 5 contains the EVM bill of materials.

Table 5. Bill of Materials

Count	REFDES	Value	Description	Size	Part Number	Manufacturer
4	C1, C3, C4, C5	4.7 μ F	Capacitor, Ceramic, X5R, 16-V, \pm 10%	0603	GRM188R61C475KAAJ	Murata
1	C2	2.2 μ F	Capacitor, Ceramic, X5R, 16-V, \pm 10%	0603	GRM188R61C225KAAD	Murata
4	J1, J2, J3, J6	—	Header, Male 6-pin, 100-mil Spacing,	0.100" x 6	PEC06SAAN	Sullins
1	J4	—	Connector, Male, Straight 2x5-pin, 100-mil Spacing, 4-Wall	0.338" x 0.788"	N2510-6002RB	3M
1	J5	—	Header, Male, 4-pin, 100-mil Spacing,	0.100" x 4	PEC04SAAN	Sullins
2	JP1, JP2	—	Header, Male, 3-pin, 100-mil Spacing,	0.100" x 3	PEC03SAAN	Sullins
1	L1	4.7 μ H	Inductor, SMT, \pm 30%	2520	1269AS-H-4R7N	Toko
3	TP1, TP2, TP3	—	Test Point, Red, Thru-Hole	0.125" x 0.125"	5010	Keystone
3	TP4, TP5, TP6	—	Test Point, Black, Thru-Hole	0.125" x 0.125"	5011	Keystone
1	TP7	—	Test Point, White, Thru-Hole	0.125" x 0.125"	5012	Keystone
1	U1	—	IC, Single-Inductor, Dual-Output Power Supply, \pm 5.4-V	DSBGA	TPS65132BYFF	TI

Revision History

Changes from Original (March 2014) to A Revision

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- The SLVU866A is almost entirely rewritten from the original release of the TPS65132B EVM user's guide. 1

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 - 3.1.1 *Notice applicable to EVMs not FCC-Approved:*

This kit is designed to allow product developers to evaluate electronic components, circuitry, or software associated with the kit to determine whether to incorporate such items in a finished product and software developers to write software applications for use with the end product. This kit is not a finished product and when assembled may not be resold or otherwise marketed unless all required FCC equipment authorizations are first obtained. Operation is subject to the condition that this product not cause harmful interference to licensed radio stations and that this product accept harmful interference. Unless the assembled kit is designed to operate under part 15, part 18 or part 95 of this chapter, the operator of the kit must operate under the authority of an FCC license holder or must secure an experimental authorization under part 5 of this chapter.
 - 3.1.2 *For EVMs annotated as FCC – FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Part 15 Compliant:*

CAUTION

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

FCC Interference Statement for Class A EVM devices

NOTE: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his own expense.

FCC Interference Statement for Class B EVM devices

NOTE: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

3.2 Canada

3.2.1 For EVMs issued with an Industry Canada Certificate of Conformance to RSS-210

Concerning EVMs Including Radio Transmitters:

This device complies with Industry Canada license-exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Concernant les EVMs avec appareils radio:

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Concernant les EVMs avec antennes détachables

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