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MaxLinear and HiSilicon Reference Designs Drive Next Generation Smart Cable Gateway Set-Top Box Market

LAS VEGAS--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- MaxLinear Inc. (NYSE: MXL), a leading provider of radio frequency (RF) and mixed-signal integrated circuits for cable and satellite broadband communications, the connected home, data center, metro, long-haul fiber networks, and wireless infrastructure, and HiSilicon Technologies Co., Ltd. today announced joint reference designs to address ultra-high definition (UHD) and high definition (HD) smart cable gateway set-top boxes (STB).

HiSilicon gateway platforms utilize MaxLinear's MxL214C Full-Spectrum CaptureTM (FSC[™]) cable receiver IC, which digitizes the entire cable spectrum, performs the digital tuning and demodulation of up to four cable channels reducing power consumption, complexity and cost.

The smart gateway STB solution allows OEMs to enhance cable operator operations and consumer's viewing experience by using MaxLinear's leading FSC[™] technology and providing features such as fast channel change, multi-screen share and remote network monitoring.

The reference platforms combine MaxLinear's MxL214C cable receiver with HiSilicon's 4K Hi3796 or HD Hi3716 system-on-chip (SoC) in order to provide cable operators with the best-in-class UHD and HD smart STB solutions.

Operators in China have already adopted these platforms to enable them to convert existing standard definition TV subscribers to the next generation of digital enhanced UHD and HD content delivery services at a limited cost.

"HiSilicon has been at the forefront of the movement to UHD and HD, helping cable operators with next generation cable set-top boxes that help them differentiate their services and gain new customers," said John Liu, GM of STB product line, HiSilicon. "We combined our leading back-end audio/video decoder SoCs with MaxLinear's front-end MxL214C cable receiver IC to deliver the best STB designs."

"MaxLinear is extremely pleased to be a strategic partner to HiSilicon to target the next generation smart cable gateway set-top box market," said Will Torgerson, Vice President & General Manager, MaxLinear Broadband Group. "MaxLinear's multichannel FSC™ cable receiver in conjunction with HiSilicon's high performance audio/video decoders provide cable operators with competitive features in a very low power, simple and cost-effective design."

The joint reference designs will be on display at CES 2017, January $5^{th} - 8^{th}$ 2017, in MaxLinear's private suite at The Venetian Hotel in Las Vegas.

Availability

The MxL214C device is available for sampling and is in mass production. Contact the MaxLinear sales team at <u>sales@maxlinear.com</u> for details.

About HiSilicon Technologies

HiSilicon Technologies Co., Ltd. is a leading chipset solution provider for telecom networks, wireless terminals and digital media. HiSilicon has the advantage of providing end-to-end chipsets and solutions, from telecom networks to consumer electronics. Set-top box chipsets have been deployed at more than 100 global operators in over 50 countries, the accumulated volume exceeding 70 million units for IPTV and 80 million units for DVB. For more than 20 years, meeting customers' demands is a driving force for HiSilicon. HiSilicon always aims to provide high quality chip solutions with excellent services and support, and notably a very quick response to customers' requests. HiSilicon Technologies will continuously help customers in their value creation. For more information, please visit http://www.hisilicon.com.

About MaxLinear, Inc.

MaxLinear, Inc. (NYSE: MXL), a leading provider of radio frequency (RF) and mixed-signal integrated circuits for cable and satellite broadband communications, the connected home, data center, metro, long-haul fiber networks, and wireless infrastructure markets. MaxLinear is headquartered in Carlsbad, California. For more information, please visit <u>www.maxlinear.com</u>.

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