

TPS7A7x00EVM-718 Evaluation Module

This user's guide describes the functional operation of the TPS7A7200EVM-718 evaluation module (EVM) for use as a reference design and as general engineering demonstration for the TPS7A7100, TPS7A7200, and TPS7A7300 low-dropout (LDO) linear regulators. EVMs containing these other regulator integrated circuits of the same family, and using the same printed-circuit board and circuitry are available and orderable. Included in this user's guide are setup instructions, a schematic diagram, layout and thermal guidelines, a bill of materials, and test results.

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1 Introduction

Each of Texas Instruments EVMs, the TPS7A7100EVM-718, the TPS7A7200EVM-718, and the TPS7A7300EVM-718, is designed with identical circuitry, excluding the LDO regulator itself, to help engineers evaluate the operation and performance of the TPS7A7x00 linear regulator for possible use in their own circuit application. Notable features of these LDO regulators include thermal and current-limit shutdown protection, a Power Good function, pin-selectable output voltage, low dropout, and wideband performance. The EVM contains a single linear regulator in a 5-mm x 5-mm, QFN (RGW), thermally enhanced, PowerPad™ package. This regulator, including external components, is capable of delivering up to 3 A (depending on the LDO regulator) to a dynamic load across the full recommended input and output voltage range of the LDO regulator. A multipin header with jumpers is provided to enable easy manual selection of the output voltage.

2 Setup

This section describes the connectors and headers on the EVM as well as how to properly connect, set up and use the TPS7A7x00EVM-718. See the Assembly Layer diagram, [Figure 4](#), for the location and orientation of referenced components.

2.1 Input/Output Connector-Headers and Jumper Descriptions

- **J1-VIN** – Positive (+) input power supply voltage test and measurement header.
- **J2 – VOUT** – Output voltage test and measurement header.
- **J3 (pin 1) – VOUT** – Regulator output to a high-current load (up to 6 A).
- **J3 (pin 2) – GND** – Ground return from the load (up to 6 A)
- **J4 (pin 1) – VIN** – Positive (+) input power supply connector.

NOTE: Twist the positive input lead and ground return lead from the input power supply, and keep them as short as possible to minimize EMI and source inductance. Additional bulk capacitance, 68 μ F at C5, was added to the EVM to counter source inductances that may cause ringing on the load transient waveform during high-current transients. This bulk capacitance is unnecessary in a typical application circuit.

- **J4 (pin 2) – GND** – Negative (–) input power supply return connector. See preceding J4 –VIN (pin 1) note.
- **J5** - Header for setting the output voltage.

Output Voltage Set: The output voltage is set by jumpering J5 header pins, each assigned to a given voltage level, to ground where $V_{OUT} = V_{ref} + (\text{sum of jumper-voltages})$. J5 header pins are numbered sequentially, *odd* pins (1,3,5, ..., 13) ascending leftward of pin 1 on the top row. All odd pins are connected to ground. Each *even* pin is numbered right to left sequentially (2,4,6,...,14) on the bottom row; and each even pin is assigned a unique voltage level. See the pin-to-pin output voltage assignments in the following table.

VOUT = Vref + (Sum of Voltage Levels)		
Voltage Level	Voltage Set Pins	Ground Pins
50 mV	2	1
100 mV	4	3
200 mV	6	5
400 mV	8	7
800 mV	10	9
1.6 V	12	11
unused	14	13

Example: Set VOUT to 1.8 V. Connect shorting jumper from pins 10 to 9, 8 to 7, and 4 to 3. $V_{OUT} = V_{ref} + 800 \text{ mV} + 400 \text{ mV} + 100 \text{ mV} = 1.8 \text{ V}$

- **J6 – GND** – Ground header for test and measurement of VIN.
- **J7 – GND** – Ground header for test and measurement of VOUT.
- **JP1 – EN** – Enable (Disable) header. Enable the LDO output by shorting EN (pin 2) to ON (pin 1). Disable the LDO output by shorting EN (pin 2) to OFF (pin 3).
- **TP1** – Power Good (PG) test point.
- **TP4** – VIN test point for most accurate measurement of the input voltage characteristics.
- **TP2** – Ground test point to be used with TP4.
- **TP5** – VOUT test point for most accurate measurement of the output voltage.
- **TP3** – Ground test point to be used with TP5.

2.2 Soldering Guidelines

Any solder rework to modify the EVM for the purpose of repair or other application reasons must be performed using a hot-air system to avoid damaging the integrated circuit IC especially.

2.3 Initial Setup and Equipment Interconnect

- VOUT Select. Program the desired output voltage per instruction 2.1, bullet J5. Use the shorting jumpers provided with the EVM to jumper the header pins. Note that the EVM is preset for VOUT equal to 1.8 V. The jumper across J5 pins 13 to 14 is no-connect and unused.
- Disable the EVM. Add a shorting jumper to JP1 from EN (pin 2) to OFF (pin3)
- Input Power Supply connection. Before connecting the input power supply to the EVM, verify that its output voltage is set to the desired supply voltage (less than 6.5 V) and that its current limit is set to approximately 4 A. Now turn off the power supply. Connect the positive voltage lead (+) from input power supply to VIN (J4, pin 1) of the EVM. Connect the ground lead (–) from the input power supply to GND (J4, pin 2). Note that for the recommended best thermal and ac performance, ensure that the input voltage at TP4 is 0.5 V to 1 V above VOUT.
- Connect a 0-A to 2-A load between VOUT (J3, pin 1) and GND (J3, pin 2).

3 Operation

- Turn on the input power supply. Verify that the output voltage, VOUT, is near 0 V.
- Enable the output by reconnecting the jumper on JP1 to short the EN (pin 2) to the ON (pin 1).
- Vary the load current and VIN voltage as necessary for test purposes.

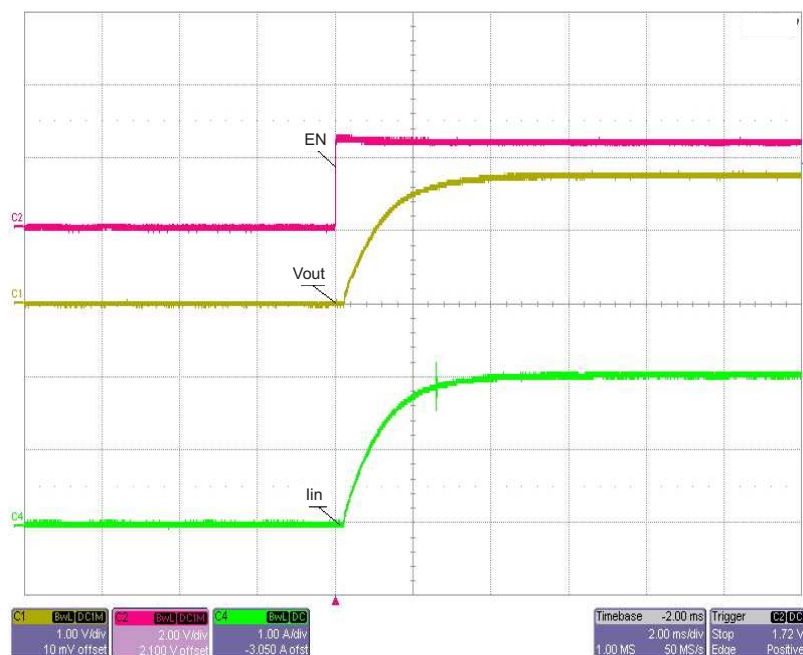
Note that power dissipation (P_{disp}) across the TPS7A7X00 itself depends on the VIN-to-VOUT voltage drop and the output load current, I_{Load} ($P_{\text{disp}} = (V_{\text{IN}} - V_{\text{OUT}}) \times I_{\text{Load}}$). If the power dissipation is high, then the customer may see the output voltage transitioning on-off-on due to the shutdown effect of the thermal-limit shutdown circuit.

4 Test Results

This section provides typical performance waveforms for the TPS7A4001EVM-709 characteristic of this EVM design.

4.1 Turnon Characteristic

Figure 1 shows the VOUT ramp-up waveform at turnon (ENable) as well as the input surge current into the IN pin of the LDO itself when the LDO starts up into a fully loaded output.

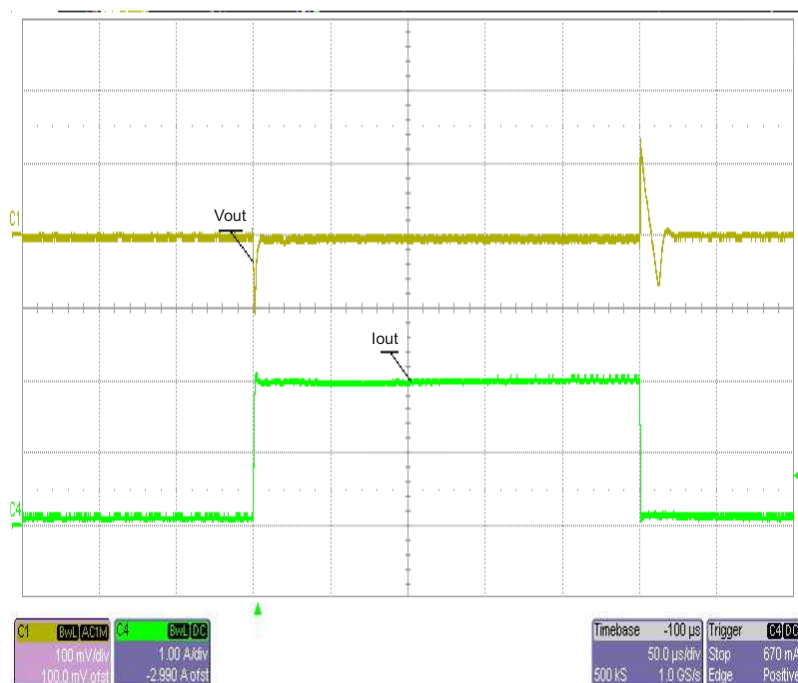


NOTE: C1 (yellow) VOUT - Turnon Ramp to 1.8V, C2 (red) I_{IN} - Surge Current for a Fully Loaded output.

Figure 1. Turnon Sequence

4.2 Output Load Transient

Figure 2 shows the VOUT transient response (C1, yellow) for a load-step transition from 100 mA to 2 A (C4, green).



NOTE: C4 - Load Current Step (100mA - 2A), C1 VOUT - Output voltage transient response.

Figure 2. Step-Load and Output Voltage Transient Response

5 Thermal Guidelines and Layout Recommendations

Thermal management is a key consideration in the design of any dc-dc converter but is especially important for an LDO regulator when the power dissipation is high. Use [Equation 1](#) to approximate the worst-case junction temperature for the application:

$$T_J = T_A + P_d \times \theta_{JA} \quad (1)$$

where T_J is the junction temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$), T_A is the ambient temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$), P_d is the power dissipation in the device (W), and θ_{JA} is the thermal resistance from junction to ambient ($^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{W}$). The maximum silicon junction temperature must not be allowed to exceed 125°C for reliable operation. The layout design must use copper trace and plane areas smartly, as thermal sinks, so as to not allow T_J to exceed the absolute maximum rating under all load, voltage, and temperature conditions for a given application.

The designer must carefully consider the thermal design of the printed-circuit board (PCB) for optimal performance over temperature. For this EVM, [Figure 6](#) shows that the RGW package footprint employs a square thermal pad, centered under the device, for conducting heat to the copper-spreading layers of the PCB. The thermal pad is soldered directly to a pad on the PCB containing a 5x5 pattern of 10-mil vias for conducting heat to the bottom-side ground plane copper. Approximately 4 in² of 2-oz copper is used on the bottom side of the EVM for dissipating heat generated by the LDO regulator.

[Table 1](#) is based on thermal resistance information from the Thermal Information Table of the TPS7A7x00 data sheet for comparison with the approximate thermal resistance, θ_{JA} , calculated for this EVM layout to show the variation in junction-ambient thermal resistances for varying copper areas. The High-K thermal resistance, θ_{JA} , is determined using a standard JEDEC High-K (2s2p) board having dimensions of 3-inch x 3-inch with two 1-oz internal power and ground planes and one 2-oz copper bottom plane for spreading/sinking heat from the IC component.

Table 1. Thermal Resistance, θ_{JA} , and Maximum Power Dissipation

Board	Package	θ_{JA}	Maximum Dissipation Without Derating ($T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$)	Max Dissipation Without Derating ($T_A = 70^{\circ}\text{C}$)
High-K	RGW	30.5 $^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{W}$	3.27 W	1.8 W
TPS7A7X00EVM-718	RGW	24 $^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{W}$	4 W	2.3 W

The thermal resistance for the TPS7A7A00EVM-718 is the measured value for this particular layout scheme. The maximum power dissipation is proportional to the volume of copper volume connected to the package.

6 Board Layouts

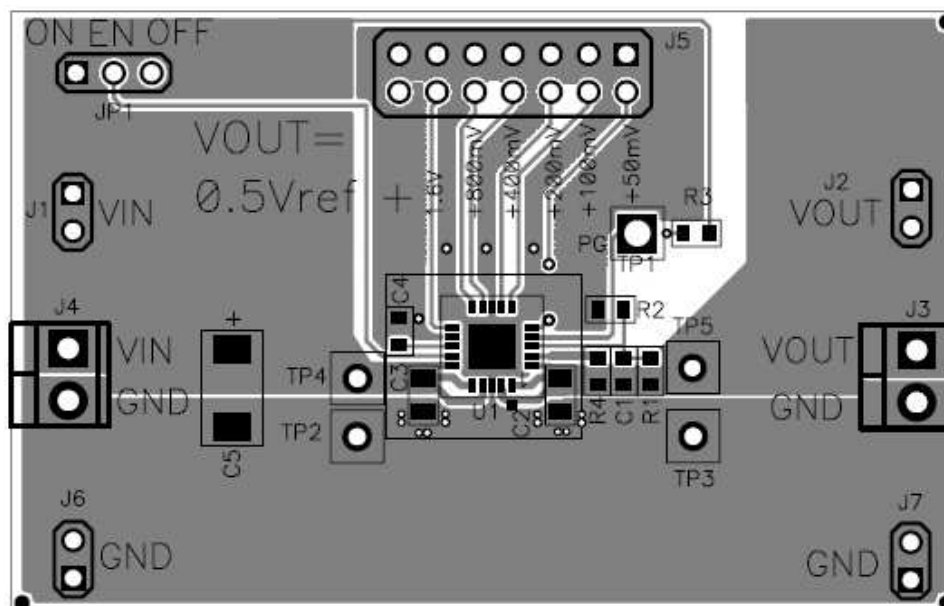


Figure 3. Assembly Layer

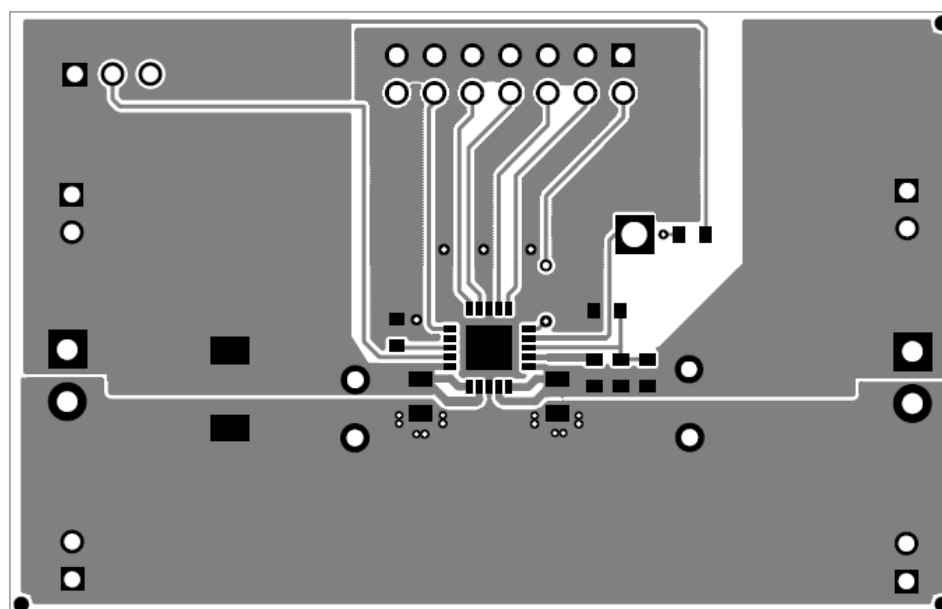


Figure 4. Top Layer Routing

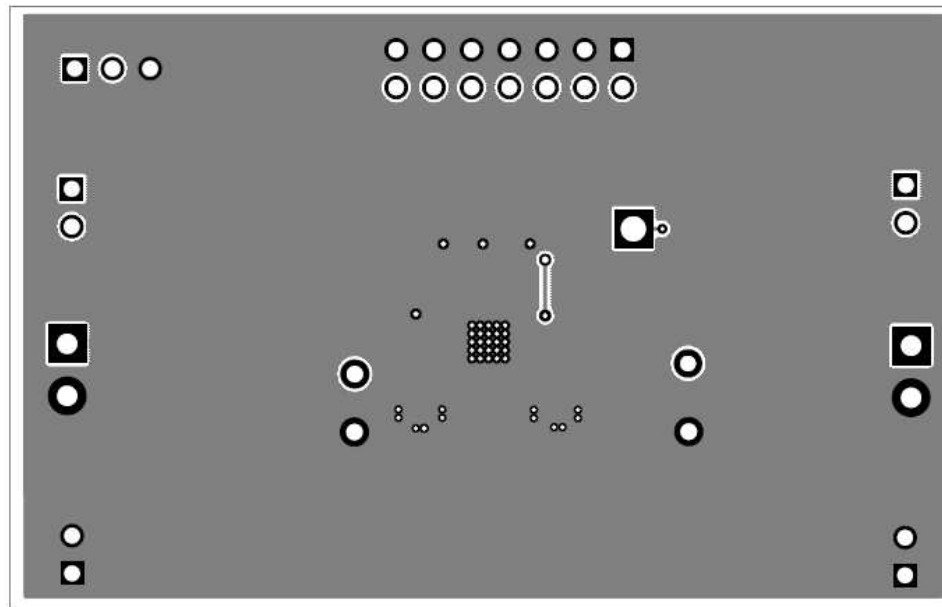


Figure 5. Bottom Layer Routing

7 Schematic and Bill of Materials

7.1 Schematic

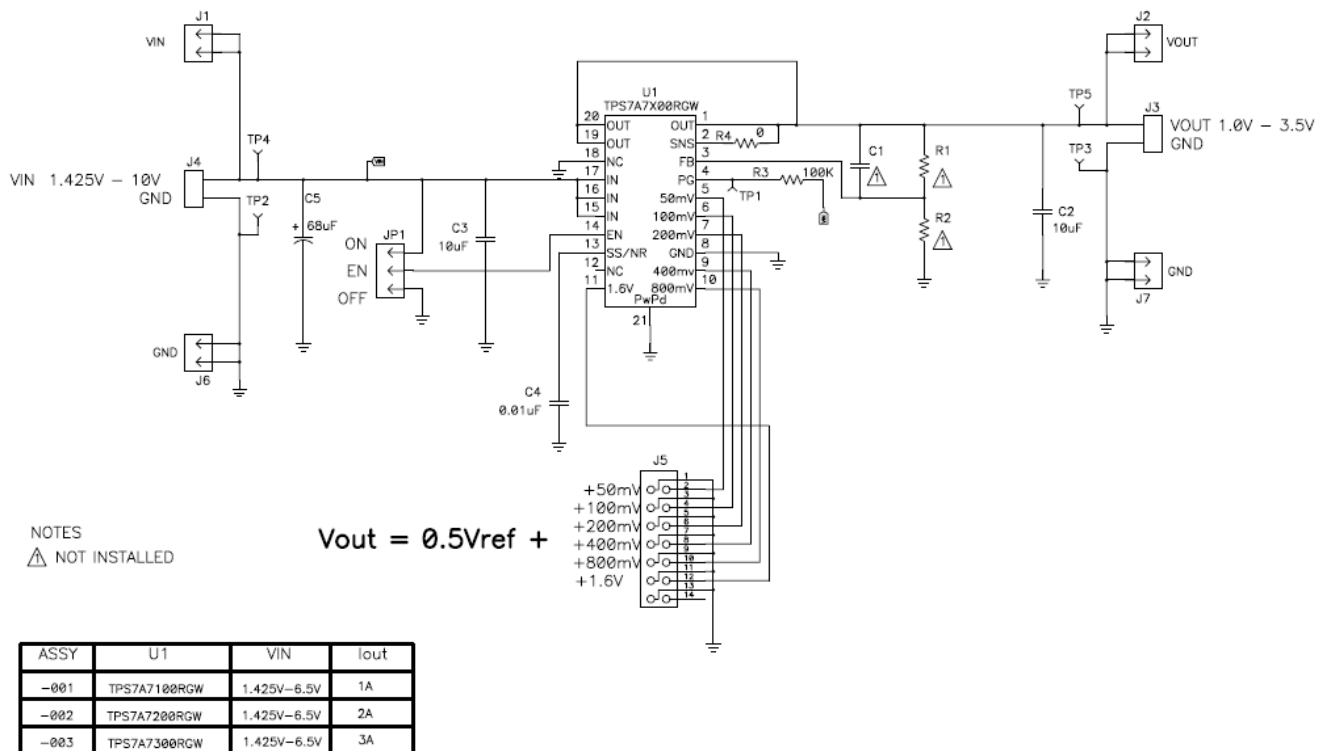


Figure 6. TPS7A7x00EVM-718 Schematic

7.2 Bill of Materials

Table 2. TPS7A7x00EVM-718 Bill of Materials
HPA718A BOM

Count	Count	Count						
-001	-002	-003	RefDes	Value	Description	Size	Part Number	MFR
0	0	0	C1	33pF	Capacitor, Ceramic, 10V, X5R, 10%	0603	STD	STD
2	2	2	C2, C3	10uF	Capacitor, Ceramic, 10V, X5R, 10%	0805	STD	STD
1	1	1	C4	0.01uF	Capacitor, Ceramic, 10V, X5R, 10%	0603	STD	STD
1	1	1	C5	68uF	Capacitor, Tant, 10V, Temp - 55 ~ 125 C°, ±20%	2312	T495C686M010ZTE25C	Kemet
4	4	4	J1, J2, J6, J7	PEC02SAAN	Header, Male 2-pin, 100mil spacing	0.100 inch x 2	PEC02SAAN	Sullins
1	1	1	JP1	PEC03SAAN	Header, Male 3-pin, 100mil spacing	0.100 inch x 3	PEC03SAAN	Sullins
1	1	1	J5	PEC07DAAN	Header, Male 2x7 pin, 100mil spacing	0.100 inch x 2 x 7	PEC07DAAN	Sullins
2	2	2	J3, J4	ED555/2DS	Terminal Block, 2-pin, 6-A, 3.5mm	0.27 x 0.25 inch	ED555/2DS	OST
0	0	0	R1, R2	DNI	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	STD	STD
1	1	1	R3	100K	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	STD	STD
1	1	1	R4	0	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	STD	STD
1	1	1	TP1	5013	Test Point, Orange, Thru Hole	TH	5013	Keystone
2	2	2	TP2, TP3	5001	Test Point, Black, Thru Hole Color Keyed	TH	5001	Keystone
2	2	2	TP4, TP5	5000	Test Point, Red, Thru Hole Color Keyed	TH	5000	Keystone
1	0	0	U1	TPS7A7100RGW	IC, 2A, Fast Transient, Very Low Dropout Regulator	QFN-20	TPS7A7100RGW	TI
0	1	0	U1	TPS7A7200RGW	IC, 2A, Fast Transient, Very Low Dropout Regulator	QFN-20	TPS7A7200RGW	TI
0	0	1	U1	TPS7A7300RGW	IC, 2A, Fast Transient, Very Low Dropout Regulator	QFN-20	TPS7A7300RGW	TI
1	1	1	--	HPA718	1.600 x 2.500 x 0.062 inch 2 layer 2oz. PCB	1.600 in. x 2.500 in.	HPA718	Any
5	5	5		Shunt	Shunt, 100-mil, Black	0.1	929950-00	3M
1	1	1	--		Label (See note 5)	1.25 x 0.25 inch	THT-13-457-10	Brady

- Notes:
- These assemblies are ESD sensitive, ESD precautions shall be observed.
 - These assemblies must be clean and free from flux and all contaminants.
Use of no clean flux is not acceptable.
 - These assemblies must comply with workmanship standards IPC-A-610 Class 2.
 - Ref designators marked with an asterisk ("**") cannot be substituted.
All other components can be substituted with equivalent MFG's components.
 - Install label after final wash. Text shall be 8 pt font. Text shall be per Table 1.

Table 1

Assembly number	Text
HPA718-001	TPS7A7100EVM-718
HPA718-002	TPS7A7200EVM-718
HPA718-003	TPS7A7300EVM-718

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- 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.

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