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COMPLAINT FOR PATENT INFRINGEMENT

Plaintiff Silicon Laboratories Inc. ("Silicon Labs") hereby files this Complaint against Defendant MaxLinear, Inc. ("MaxLinear") for infringement of U.S. Patent No. 7,035,607 ("the '607 patent").

PARTIES

1.Plaintiff Silicon Labs is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business at400 West Cesar Chavez, Austin, Texas 78701.

2. Defendant MaxLinear is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business and corporate headquarters at 2051 Palomar Airport Road, Suite 100, Carlsbad, California 92011.

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JURISDICTION AND VENUE

3. This Complaint arises under the patent laws of the United States, Title 35 of the United States Code. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action under 35 U.S.C. §§ 271 *et seq.*, 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a).

4. Personal Jurisdiction over MaxLinear is proper because, *inter alia*, MaxLinear's principal place of business is located in the State of California and within this District.

5. Venue is proper in this judicial district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b), (c) and 1400(b) because a substantial part of the events giving rise to the claims at issue occurred in this district.

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SILICON LABS

6. Silicon Labs was founded in 1996 to design and manufacture mixed signal integrated circuits. Silicon Labs has a long history developing semiconductor based integrated circuits that are more reliable, smaller, and use less power to run than their predecessors.

7. Silicon Labs created the first embedded modem with silicon direct access arrangement technology; the first integrated radio frequency synthesizer; the first integrated complementary metal-oxide-semiconductor ("CMOS") subscriber line interface circuit; the first CMOS FM tuner; and the first successful hybrid TV tuner for integrated digital television.

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 8. Silicon Labs' products can be found in a wide variety of electronic devices, including

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 portable audio devices, digital televisions, cable set-top boxes, GPS devices, wireless routers, and

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cellular handsets. Silicon Labs' innovations have helped enable these devices to become smaller,
 more reliable, and more efficient.

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9. Silicon Labs continues to innovate in this field and invests heavily in research and
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10. Silicon Labs performs research and development in its Sunnyvale, California campus, employing approximately 80 scientists, engineers, and other personnel.

TELEVISION TUNERS

11. Television tuners must perform a complex process. The tuner must separate an, often faint, electromagnetic signal at a particular frequency from a vast collection of signals at diverse frequencies and differing power levels. This collection of signals includes a different frequency for each television channel along with potentially interfering frequencies such as Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, and cellular signals.

12. The job of the tuner is further complicated because television manufacturers expect the tuner to be able to tune different types of television signals. Most countries, including the United States, have some channels that are broadcast in analog form and others that are broadcast in digital form. In addition, different regions broadcast television signals in different formats. These formats include NTSC and PAL/SECAM for analog TV and DVB-T2/C2/T/C, ISDB-T/C, ATSC/QAM and DTMB for digital TV.

13. Historically, tuning has been performed by mixer oscillator phase-locked loop ("MOPLL") CAN tuners. These tuners consist of a printed circuit board that often requires more than 150 separate components.

14. These large MOPLL CAN tuners are being displaced by integrated silicon TV tuners that can rest comfortably on the face of a dime. Before the transition could begin in earnest, however, the silicon TV tuners needed to match the performance of the older CAN tuners.

15. Silicon Labs has been instrumental in the development of silicon TV tuners that can match, or even surpass, the performance of MOPLL CAN tuners. Silicon Labs holds over 200 U.S. patents related to fundamental RF and television technology.

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16. Silicon Labs has developed, manufactures, and sells a number of silicon TV tuner

1 products. Among these are the Si2156 and Si2158 Worldwide Digital and Analog TV Tuners.

17. The Si2156 and Si2158 tuners surpass the performance of MOPLL CAN tuners while supporting worldwide analog and digital TV standards.

THE '607 PATENT

18. On April 25, 2006, United States Patent No. 7,035,607 ("the '607 patent"), titled "Systems and Methods for Providing an Adjustable Reference Signal to RF Circuitry," was duly and legally issued to Silicon Labs. The '607 patent is owned by Silicon Labs. A copy of the '607 patent is attached as Exhibit 1.

19. To operate properly, a TV tuner requires a consistent and accurate reference frequency. Without the reference frequency, the tuner would not be able to reliably identify a given signal at a particular frequency from the other signals at similar frequencies.

20. The reference frequency is typically generated from a vibrating quartz crystal. These crystals are typically sold at specific vibration frequencies and the frequency can vary somewhat depending on the operating conditions of the crystal, such as its temperature.

21. It is often desirable for a TV manufacturer to tune, or "pull," this reference frequency. This pulling has typically been done by adding external load capacitors to the crystal oscillator circuit. But this method requires additional components external to the TV tuner.

22. Silicon Labs invented circuitry for providing adjustable capacitance in a crystal oscillator circuit. One benefit of this circuitry is that it allowed the adjustable capacitance to be integrated within the silicon TV tuner, eliminating the need for adjustable external capacitors. Silicon Labs patented this invention in the '607 patent.

23. The Si2156 and Si2158 products include crystal oscillator circuitry that is patented in the '607 patent.

MAXLINEAR

24. MaxLinear manufactures and/or sells a number of products, including, but not limited to, MxL101, MxL111, MxL131, MxL135, MxL201, MxL203, MxL241, MxL242 MxL256, MxL258, MxL261, MxL265, MxL267, MxL301, MxL601, MxL602, MxL603, MxL605, MxL703, MxL751, MxL800SM, MxL801SM, MxL805SM, MxL806SM, MxL810SM, MxL800SM-EVK,

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MxL5003, MxL5007, MxL7001, MxL7002, and MaxLinear's S/S2 satellite receiver products..

25. Among these is the MxL601 TV tuner. Upon information and belief, MaxLinear began manufacture and sale of the MxL601 product in mid to late 2011. The MxL601 product competes with Silicon Labs' Si2156 and Si2158 products.

Upon information and belief, MaxLinear sells the MxL601 product to customers in 26. the United States.

27. Furthermore, MaxLinear sells the MxL601 product to customers outside the United States with knowledge that these customers will incorporate the MxL601 product into their own devices (such as televisions) and with knowledge that the customers will import their devices that contain the MxL601 product into the United States for sale to and use by end users within the United States.

For example, MaxLinear's May 2012 investor presentation¹ shows that approximately 28. 10 percent of its revenue is generated from sales to customers within the United States and approximately 30 percent of its revenue is generated for sales of products in which the end user is within the United States.

29. 16 MaxLinear announced in November 2011 that it would supply the MxL601 to Sharp Corp. ("Sharp") for implementation into its TVs.

18 30. MaxLinear's sales of the MxL601 to Sharp displaced Silicon Labs sales to Sharp of Silicon Labs' Si2156 product.

31. MaxLinear sold devices to Sharp with the knowledge that Sharp would incorporate the MxL601 product into its TVs and then import those TVs into the United States for sale to end users who would use those TVs within the United States.

32. When the MxL601 was announced, Silicon Labs suspected that MaxLinear used some of Silicon Labs' patented technology. As such, Silicon Labs diligently sought product samples and datasheets for analysis.

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¹ Attached as Exhibit 2, at 21 (retrieved on July 17, 2012 from http://phx.corporateir.net/External.File?item=UGFyZW50SUQ9NDY2ODgwfENoaWxkSUQ9NDk2NjA5fFR5cGU9M 0 = - &t = 1).

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33. Silicon Labs purchased a 2012 model Sharp TV at Best Buy in Austin, Texas. The purchased TV was disassembled and found to include the MxL601 product.

34. Because of the potential overlap between the intellectual property developed by Silicon Labs and the MxL601 product, as well as other MaxLinear products, Silicon Labs also sent MaxLinear an inquiry letter on March 26, 2012, highlighting Silicon Labs' prior work in this area and requesting assurances that MaxLinear was not infringing Silicon Labs' intellectual property.

35. In response, counsel for MaxLinear sent Silicon Labs a letter on April 2, 2012 requesting additional information. MaxLinear stated that, upon receipt of the information it would "review the information and schedule a time to meet with Silicon Labs' representatives to address the patent(s) identified by Silicon Labs."

36. On May 3, 2012 Silicon Labs sent MaxLinear a letter providing additional information about Silicon Labs' patented technology. In this letter, Silicon Labs provided a list of 19 patents that are "exemplary" of Silicon Labs' more than 200 issued U.S. RF and TV patents. Silicon Labs also requested "assurances that MaxLinear products, in particular the MXL301 and MXL601 products, do not implement any of Silicon Labs' patented technology."

37. Rather than "schedule a time to meet with Silicon Labs' representatives to address the patent(s) identified by Silicon Labs" as promised in its April 2 letter, MaxLinear filed a complaint for declaratory judgment in this District on May 13, 2012. See Case No. 3:12CV1161-H-MDD.

38. The '607 patent is not among the 19 patents at issue in the suit filed by MaxLinear.

39. On May 22, 2012, Silicon Labs sent MaxLinear a letter requesting datasheets and product samples for the MaxLinear Products. Upon information and belief, MaxLinear provides datasheets and product samples to third parties, including prospective customers.

23 40. On May 25, 2012, MaxLinear responded to Silicon Labs' letter by refusing to provide the requested information. 24

25 41. Silicon Labs performed an analysis of the MxL601. This analysis was completed in 26 July 2012.

27 42. The MxL601 product includes the crystal oscillator tuning circuitry that was invented 28 by Silicon Labs and patented by Silicon Labs in the '607 patent.

43. Among MaxLinear's products is the MxL242 cable tuner.

44. Upon information and belief, MaxLinear sells the MxL242 product to customers in the United States.

45. Furthermore, MaxLinear sells the MxL242 product to customers outside the United States with knowledge that these customers will incorporate the MxL242 product into their own devices (such as cable modems and set-top boxes) and with knowledge that the customers will import their devices that contain the MxL242 product into the United States for sale to and use by end users within the United States.

46. In September 2011, Silicon Labs purchased an Arris TM802G Telephony Modem online from Austin, Texas for delivery to Austin, Texas. The purchased modem was disassembled and found to include the MxL242 product.

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47. The Arris TM802G modem is a currently available for purchase via Amazon.com at http://www.amazon.com/Arris-TM802G-Telephony-Modem/dp/B005O3PLF2

The MxL242 product is configured to be coupled to a crystal. 48.

49. On information and belief, the MxL242 product comprises capacitors that are configured to adjust the resonance frequency of a crystal oscillator circuit.

50. On information and belief, the MxL242 product contains a frequency synthesizer.

18 51. On information and belief, the MxL242 product is configured to provide a reference 19 frequency from a crystal oscillator circuit to a frequency synthesizer.

52. Among MaxLinear's products are the MxL201 and MxL301 TV tuners.

21 53. MaxLinear's December 3, 2009 press briefing presentation shows that the MxL201 is related to the MxL301 and MxL241.² 22

23 54. On information and belief, the architecture of the MxL601 is derived from the MxL201 and MxL301. 24

55. Upon information and belief, MaxLinear sells the MxL301 product to customers in the United States.

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Attached as Exhibit 3, at 12 (retrieved on July 17, 2012 from http://www.eefocus.com/data/09-12/27_1261129166/File/1261131346.pdf).

56. Furthermore, MaxLinear sells the MxL301 product to customers outside the United States with knowledge that these customers will incorporate the MxL301 product into their own devices (such as cable modems and set-top boxes) and with knowledge that the customers will import their devices that contain the MxL301 product into the United States for sale to and use by end users within the United States.

6 57. On information and belief, the MxL301 product is configured to be coupled to a crystal.

58. On information and belief, the MxL301 product comprises capacitors that are configured to adjust the resonance frequency of a crystal oscillator circuit.

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On information and belief, the MxL301 product contains a frequency synthesizer.

11 60. On information and belief, the MxL301 product is configured to provide a reference
12 frequency from a crystal oscillator circuit to a frequency synthesizer.

61. Upon information and belief, MaxLinear sells the MxL201 product to customers in the United States.

62. Furthermore, MaxLinear sells the MxL201 product to customers outside the United States with knowledge that these customers will incorporate the MxL201 product into their own devices (such as cable moderns and set-top boxes) and with knowledge that the customers will import their devices that contain the MxL201 product into the United States for sale to and use by end users within the United States.

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 63. On information and belief, the MxL201 product is configured to be coupled to a

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 crystal.

64. On information and belief, the MxL201 product comprises capacitors that are configured to adjust the resonance frequency of a crystal oscillator circuit.

65. On information and belief, the MxL201 product contains a frequency synthesizer.

25 66. On information and belief, the MxL201 product is configured to provide a reference
26 frequency from a crystal oscillator circuit to a frequency synthesizer.

27 67. On information and belief, the architecture of the MxL242 is derived from the
28 MxL201 and MxL241.

68. Upon information and belief, MaxLinear sells the MxL241 product to customers in the United States.

69. Furthermore, MaxLinear sells the MxL241 product to customers outside the United States with knowledge that these customers will incorporate the MxL241 product into their own devices (such as cable modems and set-top boxes) and with knowledge that the customers will import their devices that contain the MxL241 product into the United States for sale to and use by end users within the United States.

8 70. On information and belief, the MxL241 product is configured to be coupled to a crystal.

71. On information and belief, the MxL241 product comprises capacitors that are configured to adjust the resonance frequency of a crystal oscillator circuit.

72. On information and belief, the MxL241 product contains a frequency synthesizer.

73. On information and belief, the MxL241 product is configured to provide a reference frequency from a crystal oscillator circuit to a frequency synthesizer.

THE TV DESIGN CYCLE

74. TV manufacturers typically design their products early in a calendar year. They select their component suppliers in approximately the fall, and then manufacture their product for sale beginning early the following year.

75. Thus, TVs on sale in 2012 were designed in early 2011 and component suppliers were chosen in the fall of 2011.

76. Within the next few months, TV manufacturers will select their component suppliers for the 2013 calendar year.

23 77. MaxLinear announced its MxL601 product in the fall of 2011 such that it was
24 available to TV manufacturers developing their 2012 models.

78. On information and belief, MaxLinear has offered the MxL601 product at a price substantially below the price Silicon Labs' has offered its Si2156 and Si2158 products.

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79. MaxLinear has not licensed the '607 patent.

80. MaxLinear has not sought to license the '607 patent.

81. On information and belief, the MxL601's lower price was possible, at least in part, because it incorporated technology, such as the crystal oscillator circuitry disclosed and patented in the '607 patent, for which MaxLinear did not have to bear the research and development costs incurred by Silicon Labs.

82. Because of MaxLinear's infringement of the '607 patent Silicon Labs has been harmed in ways for which monetary damages are inadequate, such as price erosion, loss of goodwill, lost business opportunities, and lost reputation.

83. Because of MaxLinear's infringement of the '607 patent Silicon Labs has suffered monetary damages.

84. MaxLinear's continuing infringement will compounds the harm to Silicon Labs. This is particularly true in the next few months as TV manufacturers choose their component suppliers for the 2013 calendar year.

COUNT I

(Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 7,035,607 by MxL601)

85. Silicon Labs incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 84 above as if fully set forth herein.

86. To the extent that MaxLinear was unaware of the '607 patent prior to the date of this suit, this Complaint provides MaxLinear with notice of the '607 patent. MaxLinear has knowledge of the '607 patent and its infringement of the '607 patent.

87. On information and belief, MaxLinear intended its MxL601 product to be a replacement for Silicon Labs' Si2156 product, at least as early as November 2011.

88. On information and belief, MaxLinear, through its counsel, reviewed the '607 patent
and its prosecution history on or before May 13, 2012.

89. On information and belief, MaxLinear, through its counsel, considered the effect, if any, of the prosecution history of the '607 patent on the scope of each of the claims of U.S. Patent No. 7,200,364.

27 90. On information and belief, MaxLinear knew or should have known of the '607 patent
28 before MaxLinear sued Silicon Labs on May 13, 2012. *See* Case No. 3:12CV1161-H-MDD.

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91. On information and belief, MaxLinear offers to sell the MxL601 product within the
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6 States.

94. On information and belief, MaxLinear has previously tested the MxL601 product in the United States.

95. On information and belief, MaxLinear plans to continue to test the MxL601 product in the United States.

96. MaxLinear has been and is currently infringing and will continue to directly infringe, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, one or more claims of the '607 patent by making, using, offering to sell, and selling within the United States and/or importing into the United States the MxL601 product.

97. MaxLinear has been and is currently actively inducing and encouraging infringement, and will continue to actively induce and encourage infringement, of one or more claims of the '607 patent. MaxLinear has knowledge of the '607 patent and that the MxL601 product, on its own and/or when incorporated into devices, such as televisions, infringes the '607 patent. MaxLinear has induced and encouraged the direct infringement of the patent by its customers and end users by directing them and encouraging them to make, use, sell, and offer to sell within the United States and/or to import into the United States one or more devices that embody the patented invention and that incorporate the MxL601 product.

98. MaxLinear has and is currently contributorily infringing, and will continue to contributorily infringe, one or more claims of the '607 patent.

99. The apparatus and method claims of the '607 patent are directly infringed by MaxLinear's United States customers and end users in the United States. These customers and end users use the MxL601 product to practice methods that are patented in the '607 patent.

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100. The MxL601 product embodies all, or a majority, of the elements of the infringed

claims and is thus a material part of the patented invention and is not staple article or commodity of
 commerce suitable for substantial noninfringing use.

101. MaxLinear knew and does now know that devices incorporating the MxL601 product infringe the '607 patent. MaxLinear knew and does now know that use of those devices infringes the '607 patent.

102. As a direct and proximate consequence of MaxLinear's direct and indirect infringement of the '607 patent, Silicon Labs has suffered and will continue to suffer irreparable injury and damages for which Silicon Labs is entitled to relief.

103. MaxLinear has continued to infringe and will continue to infringe despite its knowledge of the '607 patent and its infringement of the '607 patent.

104. MaxLinear's acts of infringement have been objectively reckless making this case exceptional and entitling Silicon Labs to enhanced damages and reasonable attorneys' fees pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 284 and 285.

COUNT II

(Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 7,035,607 by MxL242)

105. Silicon Labs incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 104 above as if fully set forth herein.

18 106. On information and belief, MaxLinear offers to sell the MxL242 product within the
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22 108. On information and belief, MaxLinear imports the MxL242 product into the United
23 States.

109. On information and belief, MaxLinear has previously tested the MxL242 product in the United States.

26 110. On information and belief, MaxLinear plans to continue to test the MxL242 product
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111. MaxLinear has been and is currently infringing and will continue to directly infringe,

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either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, one or more claims of the '607 patent by making, using, offering to sell, and selling within the United States and/or importing into the United States the MxL242 product.

112. MaxLinear has been and is currently actively inducing and encouraging infringement, and will continue to actively induce and encourage infringement, of one or more claims of the '607 patent. MaxLinear has knowledge of the '607 patent and that the MxL242 product, on its own and/or when incorporated into devices, such as televisions, infringes the '607 patent. MaxLinear has induced and encouraged the direct infringement of the patent by its customers and end users by directing them and encouraging them to make, use, sell, and offer to sell within the United States and/or to import into the United States one or more devices that embody the patented invention and that incorporate the MxL242 product.

113. MaxLinear has and is currently contributorily infringing, and will continue to contributorily infringe, one or more claims of the '607 patent.

114. The apparatus and method claims of the '607 patent are directly infringed by MaxLinear's United States customers and end users in the United States. These customers and end users use the MxL242 product to practice methods that are patented in the '607 patent.

115. The MxL242 product embodies all, or a majority, of the elements of the infringed claims and is thus a material part of the patented invention and is not staple article or commodity of commerce suitable for substantial noninfringing use.

116. MaxLinear knew and does now know that devices incorporating the MxL242 product infringe the '607 patent. MaxLinear knew and does now know that use of those devices infringes the '607 patent.

117. As a direct and proximate consequence of MaxLinear's direct and indirect infringement of the '607 patent, Silicon Labs has suffered and will continue to suffer irreparable injury and damages for which Silicon Labs is entitled to relief.

118. MaxLinear has continued to infringe and will continue to infringe despite its knowledge of the '607 patent and its infringement of the '607 patent.

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exceptional and entitling Silicon Labs to enhanced damages and reasonable attorneys' fees pursuant
 to 35 U.S.C. §§ 284 and 285.

COUNT III

(Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 7,035,607 by MxL241)

120. Silicon Labs incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 119 above as if fully set forth herein.

7 121. On information and belief, MaxLinear offers to sell the MxL241 product within the
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9 122. On information and belief, MaxLinear sells the MxL241 product within the United
10 States.

11 123. On information and belief, MaxLinear imports the MxL241 product into the United
12 States.

124. On information and belief, MaxLinear has previously tested the MxL241 product in the United States.

125. On information and belief, MaxLinear plans to continue to test the MxL241 product in the United States.

126. MaxLinear has been and is currently infringing and will continue to directly infringe, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, one or more claims of the '607 patent by making, using, offering to sell, and selling within the United States and/or importing into the United States the MxL241 product.

127. MaxLinear has been and is currently actively inducing and encouraging infringement, and will continue to actively induce and encourage infringement, of one or more claims of the '607 patent. MaxLinear has knowledge of the '607 patent and that the MxL241 product, on its own and/or when incorporated into devices, such as televisions, infringes the '607 patent. MaxLinear has induced and encouraged the direct infringement of the patent by its customers and end users by directing them and encouraging them to make, use, sell, and offer to sell within the United States and/or to import into the United States one or more devices that embody the patented invention and that incorporate the MxL241 product.

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128. MaxLinear has and is currently contributorily infringing, and will continue to contributorily infringe, one or more claims of the '607 patent.

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129. The apparatus and method claims of the '607 patent are directly infringed by MaxLinear's United States customers and end users in the United States. These customers and end users use the MxL241 product to practice methods that are patented in the '607 patent.

130. The MxL241 product embodies all, or a majority, of the elements of the infringed claims and is thus a material part of the patented invention and is not staple article or commodity of commerce suitable for substantial noninfringing use.

131. MaxLinear knew and does now know that devices incorporating the MxL241 product infringe the '607 patent. MaxLinear knew and does now know that use of those devices infringes the '607 patent.

132. As a direct and proximate consequence of MaxLinear's direct and indirect infringement of the '607 patent, Silicon Labs has suffered and will continue to suffer irreparable injury and damages for which Silicon Labs is entitled to relief.

133. MaxLinear has continued to infringe and will continue to infringe despite its knowledge of the '607 patent and its infringement of the '607 patent.

134. MaxLinear's acts of infringement have been objectively reckless making this case exceptional and entitling Silicon Labs to enhanced damages and reasonable attorneys' fees pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 284 and 285.

COUNT IV

(Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 7,035,607 by MxL201)

22 135. Silicon Labs incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 134 above as if fully set
23 forth herein.

24 136. On information and belief, MaxLinear offers to sell the MxL201 product within the
25 United States.

26 137. On information and belief, MaxLinear sells the MxL201 product within the United
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138. On information and belief, MaxLinear imports the MxL201 product into the United

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139. On information and belief, MaxLinear has previously tested the MxL201 product in the United States.

140. On information and belief, MaxLinear plans to continue to test the MxL201 product in the United States.

141. MaxLinear has been and is currently infringing and will continue to directly infringe, either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, one or more claims of the '607 patent by making, using, offering to sell, and selling within the United States and/or importing into the United States the MxL201 product.

142. MaxLinear has been and is currently actively inducing and encouraging infringement, and will continue to actively induce and encourage infringement, of one or more claims of the '607 patent. MaxLinear has knowledge of the '607 patent and that the MxL201 product, on its own and/or when incorporated into devices, such as televisions, infringes the '607 patent. MaxLinear has induced and encouraged the direct infringement of the patent by its customers and end users by directing them and encouraging them to make, use, sell, and offer to sell within the United States and/or to import into the United States one or more devices that embody the patented invention and that incorporate the MxL201 product.

143. MaxLinear has and is currently contributorily infringing, and will continue to contributorily infringe, one or more claims of the '607 patent.

144. The apparatus and method claims of the '607 patent are directly infringed by MaxLinear's United States customers and end users in the United States. These customers and end users use the MxL201 product to practice methods that are patented in the '607 patent.

145. The MxL201 product embodies all, or a majority, of the elements of the infringed claims and is thus a material part of the patented invention and is not staple article or commodity of commerce suitable for substantial noninfringing use.

MaxLinear knew and does now know that devices incorporating the MxL201 product
infringe the '607 patent. MaxLinear knew and does now know that use of those devices infringes the
'607 patent.

147. As a direct and proximate consequence of MaxLinear's direct and indirect infringement of the '607 patent, Silicon Labs has suffered and will continue to suffer irreparable injury and damages for which Silicon Labs is entitled to relief.

148. MaxLinear has continued to infringe and will continue to infringe despite its knowledge of the '607 patent and its infringement of the '607 patent.

149. MaxLinear's acts of infringement have been objectively reckless making this case exceptional and entitling Silicon Labs to enhanced damages and reasonable attorneys' fees pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 284 and 285.

COUNT V

(Infringement of U.S. Patent No. 7,035,607 by MxL301)

11 150. Silicon Labs incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 149 above as if fully set
12 forth herein.

13 151. On information and belief, MaxLinear offers to sell the MxL301 product within the
14 United States.

15 152. On information and belief, MaxLinear sells the MxL301 product within the United
16 States.

17 153. On information and belief, MaxLinear imports the MxL301 product into the United18 States.

19 154. On information and belief, MaxLinear has previously tested the MxL301 product in
20 the United States.

21 155. On information and belief, MaxLinear plans to continue to test the MxL301 product
22 in the United States.

156. MaxLinear has been and is currently infringing and will continue to directly infringe,
either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents, one or more claims of the '607 patent by making,
using, offering to sell, and selling within the United States and/or importing into the United States
the MxL301 product.

27 157. MaxLinear has been and is currently actively inducing and encouraging infringement,
28 and will continue to actively induce and encourage infringement, of one or more claims of the '607

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patent. MaxLinear has knowledge of the '607 patent and that the MxL301 product, on its own and/or when incorporated into devices, such as televisions, infringes the '607 patent. MaxLinear has induced and encouraged the direct infringement of the patent by its customers and end users by directing them and encouraging them to make, use, sell, and offer to sell within the United States and/or to import into the United States one or more devices that embody the patented invention and that incorporate the MxL301 product.

158. MaxLinear has and is currently contributorily infringing, and will continue to contributorily infringe, one or more claims of the '607 patent.

159. The apparatus and method claims of the '607 patent are directly infringed by MaxLinear's United States customers and end users in the United States. These customers and end users use the MxL301 product to practice methods that are patented in the '607 patent.

160. The MxL301 product embodies all, or a majority, of the elements of the infringed claims and is thus a material part of the patented invention and is not staple article or commodity of commerce suitable for substantial noninfringing use.

161. MaxLinear knew and does now know that devices incorporating the MxL301 product infringe the '607 patent. MaxLinear knew and does now know that use of those devices infringes the '607 patent.

162. As a direct and proximate consequence of MaxLinear's direct and indirect infringement of the '607 patent, Silicon Labs has suffered and will continue to suffer irreparable injury and damages for which Silicon Labs is entitled to relief.

163. MaxLinear has continued to infringe and will continue to infringe despite its knowledge of the '607 patent and its infringement of the '607 patent.

164. MaxLinear's acts of infringement have been objectively reckless making this case exceptional and entitling Silicon Labs to enhanced damages and reasonable attorneys' fees pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 284 and 285.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE PLAINTIFF Silicon Labs prays for a judgment as follows:

a) that MaxLinear's MxL601, MxL301, MxL201, MxL242 and MxL241 products infringe

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- b) that use of MaxLinear's MxL601, MxL301, MxL201, MxL242 and MxL241 products infringe the '607 patent;
- c) that a preliminary injunction be issued against further direct or indirect infringement of the '607 patent by MaxLinear, and its officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons in active concert or participation with them, through making, using, selling, or importing the MxL601 product;
- d) that a permanent injunction be issued against further direct or indirect infringement of the '607 patent by MaxLinear and its officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons in active concert or participation with them, through making, using, selling, or importing the MxL601, MxL301, MxL201, MxL242 and MxL241 products;
- e) that MaxLinear account and pay actual damages, but no less than a reasonable royalty, to Silicon Labs to compensate for MaxLinear's infringement as provided by 35 U.S.C. § 284;
- f) that MaxLinear's infringement was willful;
- g) that MaxLinear pay treble damages in light of its willful infringement as provided by 35 U.S.C. § 284;
- h) that this is an exceptional case and that, as a result, Silicon Labs is entitled to recover its attorneys' fees pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285;
- i) that MaxLinear pay interest and costs to Silicon Labs as provided for by 35 U.S.C.
 § 284; and
 - j) such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and fair.

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1	DEMAND FOR A JURY TRIAL
2	Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38(b), Silicon Labs demands a jury trial on all
3	issues triable of right by a jury.
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6	Dated: July 17, 2012
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The JS 44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. *(SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON NEXT PAGE OF THIS FORM.)*

I. (a) PLAINTIFFS SILICON LABORATORIE	ES, INC.	,		DEFENDANTS MAXLINEAR, INC.				
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