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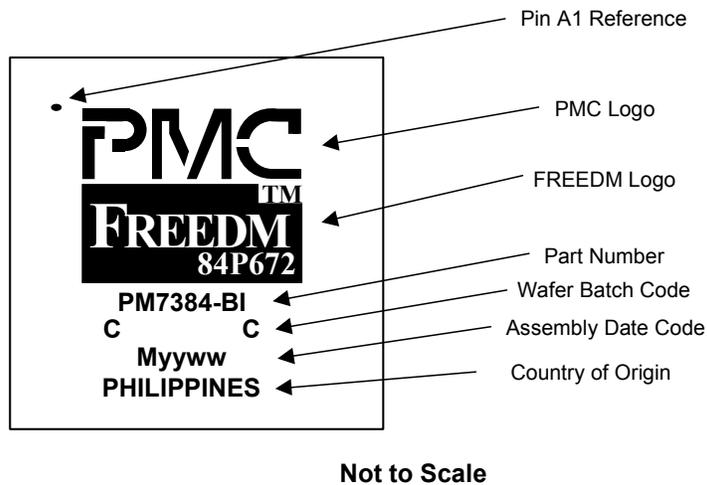
1. Introduction

In this document, Section 2 lists the known functional errata for revision C of PM7384 FREEDM-84P672 and Section 3 lists errors found in Issue 5 of the FREEDM-84P672 datasheet (PMC-1990445).

1.1. Device Identification

The information contained in Section 2 relates to Revision C of PM7384 FREEDM-84P672 only. The device revision code is marked at the end of the Wafer Batch Code on the face of the device (as shown in Figure 1.1). PM7384 FREEDM-84P672 Revision C is packaged in a 352-pin Ball Grid Array (SBGA).

Figure 1.1: PM7384 FREEDM-84P672 Branding Format.



1.2. Reference

- PMC-1990445, FREEDM-84P672 Long Form Data Sheet, Issue 5.

2. FREEDM-84P672 Revision C Functional Deficiency List

This section lists the known functional deficiencies for Revision C of FREEDM-84P672 (as of the publication date of this document). For each deficiency, the known work-around and the operating constraints, with and without the work-around, are also described.

Please report any functional deficiencies not covered in this document to PMC-Sierra.

2.1. Dropped data on unchannelised DS3 SBI SPE.

Description:

When the TCAS672 block is configured to transmit a DS-3 on one of the SBI SPE's, there is a small probability that data bytes may be dropped from the transmit data stream.

Workarounds:

Carrying out the following procedure during configuration will eliminate this problem:

1. Place the SPE into T1 mode (SBI_MODE = 1 in register 440, 444 or 448 hex)
2. Wait at least 125 us
3. Place the SPE into DS-3 mode (SBI_MODE = 0 in register 440, 444 or 448 hex)

Performance with workaround:

With the extra configuration step, FREEDM-84P672 works correctly.

Performance without workaround:

Bytes of transmit data may be dropped during transfer to the SBI bus.

2.2. TEMUX loss of frame may cause data corruption.

Description:

When a link on the TEMUX loses frame, corrupted pointer information may be sent over the SBI Bus to the FREEDM, resulting in data corruption on the FREEDM.

When frame synchronization returns, the TEMUX will automatically recover and begin transmitting data to the FREEDM. However, due to the corrupted pointer information, the FREEDM may not recover and clear the data corruption in all cases.

Workarounds:

The tributaries affected by the loss of framing must be disabled in the EXSBI then reenabled following recovery of framing synchronization on the TEMUX.

Performance with workaround:

With the affected links disabled then reenabled after each failure, the FREEDM-84A672 works correctly.

Performance without workaround:

The affected links may experience data corruption.

2.3. FREEDM may not generate PCI disconnect if host attempts a read multiple command which reads beyond register address 0xFFF.

Description:

If a host incorrectly attempts a read multiple command whose address range spans beyond a point 4K bytes from the start of the FREEDM-84P672 register space, the FREEDM-84P672 may not issue a PCI disconnect and the PCI bus may hang.

Workarounds:

Ensure that the PCI host only accesses valid FREEDM-84P672 register addresses.

Performance with workaround:

FREEDM-84P672 works correctly.

Performance without workaround:

PCI bus may hang necessitating a system reset.

2.4. FREEDM may under-report number of Transmit FIFO underrun events if two such events occur close together.

Description:

The FREEDM-84P672 reports underrun events on a per-channel basis to the host by setting bit STATUS[2] when a TDR is returned to the TDR Free Queue. If a packet underflows near the end of the packet and the next packet on the same channel underflows near the start of the packet, it is possible that only one TDR is returned to the TDR Free Queue with STATUS[2] set even though 2 underrun events occurred.

Workarounds:

None.

Performance without workaround:

Per channel underrun events can occasionally go unreported.

2.5. Incorrect T1 tributary CAS Phase Information may be generated on SBI Bus.

Description:

When a T1 tributary in the transmit direction is configured as a clock slave (CLK_MSTR bit in register 0x698 set to 0) and the T1 tributary is operating at a line rate faster than the FREEDM's base T1 line rate (i.e. the T1 line rate derived from REFCLK, which the FREEDM uses when a tributary is operating as a clock master), there is a risk that this condition can cause the FREEDM's Insert SBI (INSBI) block to generate incorrect Channel Associated Signalling Phase Information. This can result in a downstream transmit framer re-aligning to the incorrect signalling phase and consequently generating incorrect T1 multiframe signalling.

Workarounds:

The generation of incorrect CAS Phase Information over the SBI bus is caused by the underrunning of a FIFO within the INSBI block which containing signalling information. The underrun is caused by the faster than nominal T1 tributary rate and excessive delay in responding to this by increasing the rate at which the FIFO is written to. The delay in responding can, however, be reduced by altering a FIFO threshold coefficient located in FREEDM register 0x6A4. This register (Documented in section 3.1 of this document.) defaults to the value 'xxxxxxx00101110' after reset (i.e. the value 2E hex, with only the 8 least significant bits valid). The register should be re-programmed to the value 6E hex after device reset. (Bits other than the 8 least significant bits can be set to any value.)

Performance with workaround:

FREEDM-84P672 operates correctly.

Performance without workaround:

Transmit T1 tributaries which are configured as clock slaves may experience T1 multiframe signalling errors if the T1 tributary is operating at a faster than nominal line rate.

2.6. Delay Required After Writes to SBI Master Configuration Registers

Description:

After a write to register 0x04C SBI ADD BUS Master Configuration a delay is required before subsequent access to this or any INSBI register is permitted. Likewise, after a write to register 0x048 SBI DROP BUS Master Configuration a delay is required before subsequent access to this or any EXSBI register is permitted.

Workarounds:

A delay should be implemented after writing to 0x04C SBI ADD BUS Master Configuration register before subsequent accesses to this or any INSBI registers. Likewise, a delay should be implemented after writing to 0x048 SBI DROP BUS Master Configuration register before subsequent accesses to this or any EXSBI registers. The wait period, in each case, must be sufficient to ensure that a C1FP pulse has occurred between the first register write and any subsequent writes.

Performance with workaround:

With the implementation of a wait period sufficient enough to ensure that a C1FP pulse has occurred between the first register write and any subsequent writes, F84A672 will work correctly even on fast micro controller accesses.

Performance without workaround:

Without the implementation of a delay, customers with fast micro controller port accesses to the FREEDM may observe corrupt packets in one or several SBI SPEs.

2.7. Reset of SBI Tributaries are Required if C1FP is Sourced Externally (such as from a TEMUX)

Description:

When the C1FP signal is supplied externally by devices such as the TEMUX or TEMUX-84, the FREEDM84's SBI Insert block may come up in a state where the framing information passed across the SBI Bus does not contain correct framing alignment. There is no means to detect this problem in the FREEDM or the attached TEMUX/TEMUX-84. This problem would be detected at the far end framer where occasion loss of frame would be detected.

Workarounds:

All SBI tributaries in use must be reset when first initialized. This requires the tributaries to be enabled, disabled, and then re-enabled after the C1FP pulse is sourced. When using the SBI Bus in asynchronous mode at least 500us should be allowed to pass after disabling a tributary to ensure the C1FP signal has been sourced at least once, prior to re-enabling the tributary.

Performance with workaround:

The framing alignment passed on the SBI bus will be correct and frame loss should not occur. As a result the FREEDM84 will operate correctly.

Performance without workaround:

The framing information passed on the SBI bus may not contain correct framing alignment. As a result, frame loss may be detected at the far end framer.

3. Documentation Errors

This section lists the known documentation errors in Issue 5 of PMC-1990445 FREEDM-84P672 Datasheet.

Please report any documentation errors not covered in this document to PMC-Sierra.

3.1. Addition of “SBI INSERT MIN THR and MAX THR for T1”.

Description:

Register 0x6A4: SBI INSERT MIN THR and MAX THR for T1 was omitted from the Datasheet. The following text describes the register:

Register 0x6A4 : SBI INSERT MIN THR and MAX THR for T1

Bit	Type	Function	Default
Bit 31 to 8	R/W	Reserved	0000H
Bit 7	R/W	MIN_THR_T1[3]	0
Bit 6	R/W	MIN_THR_T1[2]	0
Bit 5	R/W	MIN_THR_T1[1]	1
Bit 4	R/W	MIN_THR_T1[0]	0
Bit 3	R/W	MAX_THR_T1[3]	1
Bit 2	R/W	MAX_THR_T1[2]	1
Bit 1	R/W	MAX_THR_T1[1]	1
Bit 0	R/W	MAX_THR_T1[0]	0

MIN_THR_T1[3:0]:

The Minimum Threshold for T1 bits (MIN_THR_T1[3:0]) specify the FIFO depth below which a positive justification on the SBI ADD bus is performed, in clock master mode, or a speed up request is made from the INSBI to the SIPO block in clock slave mode.

Note - The value of this field defaults to 2 hex after device reset, but should be set to 6 hex for correct operation with T1 tributaries. (Refer to Section 2.5 of this document for additional information.)

MAX_THR_T1[3:0]:

The Maximum Threshold for T1 bits (MAX_THR_T1[3:0]) specify the FIFO depth which when exceeded will cause a negative justification on the SBI ADD bus to be performed, in clock master mode, or a slow down request from the INSBI to the SIPO block to be made in clock slave mode. The actual Maximum threshold used is the programmed value plus sixteen.

3.2. PROV and DELIN bits in Register 0x204 are Write-Only

PROV and DELIN bits in Register 0x204 are write-only and not read/write. Changes to the register table are shown below.

Register 0x204 : RHDL Indirect Channel Data Register #1

Bit	Type	Function	Default
Bit 15	R/W W	PROV	0
Bit 14	R/W	STRIP	0
Bit 13	R/W W	DELIN	0
Bit 12	R	TAVAIL	X
Bit 11	W	Reserved	X
Bit 10	W	FPTR[10]	X
Bit 9	W	FPTR[9]	X
Bit 8	W	FPTR[8]	X
Bit 7	W	FPTR[7]	X
Bit 6	W	FPTR[6]	X
Bit 5	W	FPTR[5]	X
Bit 4	W	FPTR[4]	X
Bit 3	W	FPTR[3]	X
Bit 2	W	FPTR[2]	X
Bit 1	W	FPTR[1]	X
Bit 0	W	FPTR[0]	X

3.3. 7BIT, INVERT, CRC[1], and CRC[0] bits in Register 0x208 are Write-Only

7BIT, INVERT, CRC[1], and CRC[0] bits in Register 0x208 are write-only and not read/write. Changes to the register table are shown below.

Register 0x208 : RHDLC Indirect Channel Data Register #2

Bit	Type	Function	Default
Bit 15	R/W W	7BIT	0
Bit 14	R/W	PRIORITY	0
Bit 13	R/W W	INVERT	0
Bit 12		Unused	X
Bit 11	R/W W	CRC[1]	0
Bit 10	R/W W	CRC[0]	0
Bit 9	R/W	OFFSET[1]	0
Bit 8	R/W	OFFSET[0]	0
Bit 7		Unused	X
Bit 6		Unused	X
Bit 5		Unused	X
Bit 4		Unused	X
Bit 3	R/W	XFER[3]	0
Bit 2	R/W	XFER[2]	0
Bit 1	R/W	XFER[1]	0
Bit 0	R/W	XFER[0]	0

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