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This version of the MXH832 Users Guide is valid for firmware version 12.
## Terms and acronyms

Important terms and acronyms used in this manual

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Term</th>
<th>Definition</th>
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<tr>
<td>AOC</td>
<td><strong>Active Optical Cable.</strong> PCIe fiber cable assembly.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CMI</td>
<td><strong>Cable Management Interface.</strong> The 2-wire management interface for communication between subsystems connected by a PCIe 3.0 cable. Details can be found in the PCI-SIG External Cabling Specification 3.0.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CMI Controller</td>
<td>Microcontroller on the MXH832 used to manage and implement the CMI communications.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>eXpressWare</td>
<td>Dolphin’s software stack for PCIe clustering and IO. Please visit <a href="http://www.dolphinis.com">www.dolphinis.com</a> for more information.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Host mode</td>
<td>The card is installed in a root complex / Host PC.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lane</td>
<td>One PCI Express Lane contains a differential pair for transmission and a differential pair for reception.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Link</td>
<td>A collection of one or more PCI Express Lanes providing the communication path between an Upstream and Downstream Port.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MiniSAS-HD</td>
<td>Standard cable without CMI support.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PCIe 3.0 cable</td>
<td>Cable compliant to the preliminary PCI-SIG External Cabling Specification 3.0. Support for CMI.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Port</td>
<td>PCIe Cable port. The MXH832 has four x4 ports, named P1, P2, P3, P4. These ports can be merged to two x8 ports, or one x16 port. The physical ports are identified by text on the PCIe brackets.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Target mode</td>
<td>The card is installed in an expansion chassis</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wake</td>
<td>A mechanism used by a downstream device to request the reapplication of main power when in the L2 Link state.</td>
</tr>
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</table>
MXH832 High Level Specification

The MXH832 is a low profile, half-length PCIe adapter that can be configured as a Transparent Host Adapter card or a Target adapter card. Once installed in any server’s or PC’s PCI Express compliant slot, a MXH832 can connect to another MXH832 configured for Transparent Target operation or any target device compliant to the PCI Express External Cabling specification 3.0. The MXH832 configured as a Transparent Target card can be installed in a PCI Express compliant expansion upstream slot. Please contact Dolphin for a list of compliant expansion chassis. The MXH832 supports PCIe Gen1, Gen2 and Gen3 speeds and x1, x2, x4, x8 and x16 link-widths. The card will operate at the highest common speed shared between the slot and the card (Gen3) and the widest common link-width (x16).

- PCI Express Base Specification, Rev. 3.1.
- PCI Express CEM Specification, Rev. 3.0.
- PCI Express External Cabling specification 3.0 (Work in progress, rev 0.7)
- PCI Express Gen3 8.0 GT/s per lane signaling – 128 GT/s total signaling.
- PCI Express Gen3 x16 edge connector. The card installs in any PCI Express slot that has a physical x16 connector.
- Compliant with PCI Express Gen1 through Gen3 computers and IO systems, auto detection.
- The MXH832 supports transparent connections to IO systems (Host and Target operation).
- Quad SFF-8644 cable connector
  - Durability max total 250 mating cycles
- Cable port configurations, up to
  - One x16
  - Two x8
  - Four x4
- Microsemi Switchtec PM8532 PFX PCI Express Gen3 chipset.
- 170 nanosecond cut-through latency port to port.
- Support for MiniSAS-HD copper cables between MXH832 cards.
- Support for PCI Express 3.0 copper cables with CMI.
- Support for active optical fibers up to 100 meters.
- Dimensions are 167.65mm (6.600 inches) x 68.90 mm (2.731 inches)
- Comes with both a low profile and a standard profile PCI Express bracket.
- Host clock isolation. Automatic support for host running CFC or SSC mode.
- Prepared for SRIS.
- VAUX powered board management controllers for flexible configuration and cable management.
- Flash recovery option. PFX Multi configuration support.
- Power consumption:
  - 12 Volt: Max 19.6 Watts without AOC attached.
  - 12 Volt: Max 26 Watts with 4 AOCs attached
  - +3.3 Volt: Not connected
  - +3.3 Volt AUX: 1 W
- Port power supply (per cable port): 3.3 Volt +/- 5%, 0.6 A
- Operating Temperature: 0°C - 55°C (32°F - 131°F), Air Flow: 150 LFM
- Operating Temperature with AOC: 0°C - 45°C (32°F - 113°F), Air Flow: 150 LFM
- Operating Temperature: 0°C - 50°C (32°F - 122°F), Air Flow: ~0 LFM
- Relative Humidity: 5% - 95% (non-condensing)
- Regulatory:
  - CE
  - EN-55032, EN 55024, Class A.
  - RoHS
  - FCC 15 Subpart B Class A.
  - WEEE
  - Pending Korean KC mark
MXH833
The MXH833 is a special version of the MXH832 modified to interface to a range of Expansion systems available from One Stop Systems. The MXH833 must only be used as a target card and in combination with these systems. The MXH833 can be used in combination with the MXH832 host card. Please contact Dolphin for more information.

Packaging
The MXH832 includes the following components.

- MXH832 Adapter Board
- Low profile bracket
- Anti-static bag
- Getting started guide

Pre-Installation Questions
Certain steps should be taken prior to installing the MXH832. You should determine the following configuration requirements.

- Which PCIe slot and system will the card be installed in?
- Will the board act as a host adapter or target adapter?
- What is the speed and link width of the slot that the card will be installed in?
- What is the operating environment in which the card will be installed?
- What type and length of cables will be used?
- How to establish proper operational conditions, temperature and air-flow.

PCIe Slot Determination
The MXH832 supports PCIe Gen1, Gen2 and Gen3 speeds and x1, x2, x4, x8 and x16 link-widths. The slot width and speed will affect the performance of the card. The card can be physically installed in a x4, x8 or x16 connector. The card will auto configure to the slot speed and width.

MXH832 Host / Target Configuration
The MXH832 can act as either a host adapter or target adapter. The MXH832 has a DIP switch bank to control these functions. The DIP switch labeled SW1 can be found close to the upper edge of the board. The main configuration options are host or target operations. The default DIP switch setting is transparent host x16 operations. Additional settings are target operations, two x8 links, four x4 links, alternative edge clock routing and quad edge target.

Operating Environment
To maximize lifetime for the product and maintain the warranty, please honor the specified operating temperature and make sure the specified air flow is present. Special care should be considered when the MXH832 is used in office type cabinets in combination with other high energy consuming PCIe devices, e.g. not active-cooled GPUs:

- Operating Temperature: 0°C - 55°C (32°F - 131°F), Air Flow: 150 LFM
- Operating Temperature with AOC: 0°C - 45°C (32°F - 113°F), Air Flow: 150 LFM
- Operating Temperature: 0°C - 50°C (32°F - 122°F), Air Flow: ~0 LFM
- Relative Humidity: 5% - 95% (non-condensing)

Cable Connections
The MXH832 is designed to support both long and short copper cables as well as active optical cables (AOC). The default configuration supports cables between 0.5 and 9 meters or fiber cables. If you are connecting the MXH832 to a compliant target device not designed by Dolphin, other settings or limitations may apply.

The MXH832 cable connector is compliant to the SFF-8644 industry specification and supports standard x4/x8 Mini-SAS HD cables or x4/x8 PCI Express 3.0 cables compliant to the PCIe External Cabling Specification 3.0. Four x4 or two x8 cables are needed for full PCIe x16 connectivity.
PCI Express 3.0 Cables
When used with cables compliant to the new PCIe External Cable standard 3.0, the MXH832 card will transmit a CMI Reset message downstream. The card can be connected to a MXH832 in Target mode or any PCIe device compliant to the new cable standard. Support for additional CMI messages are being implemented and will be available with the next firmware maintenance release, please contact Dolphin for details.

MiniSAS-HD Cables
When used with standard MiniSAS-HD cables that does not support the new CMI functionality, the onboard CPU will synthetize a PCIe #CPERST and forward it to the downstream MXH832 card. CWAKE and CPOWERON is not supported using standard MiniSAS-HD cables.

Active Optical Cables (AOC)
The MXH832 card is compliant with active fiber optic cables up to 100 meters. Special configuration of the card needs to be performed for working with long fibers (Contact Dolphin). CWAKE and CPOWERON is not supported using standard AOC cables.

CMI Functionality
The 8.4 firmware release supports the following CMI operations:

- Publishes card and CMI status information in readable memory map
- Supports sending and receiving CMI reset, wake and power status messages
- Supports receiving indicators (LED/messages).
Installation

Step 1 - Unpack board

The MXH832 card is shipped in an anti-static bag to prevent static electricity damage. The card should only be removed from the bag after ensuring that anti-static precautions are taken. Static electricity from your clothes or work environment can damage your PCI Express adapter card or your PC. Always wear a grounded anti-static wrist strap while opening the PC and when the MXH832 is removed from the anti-static bag.

Unpack the MXH832 from the anti-static bag using proper anti-static procedures.

Step 2 - Change PCIe Bracket if necessary

The MXH832 package includes a standard and low-profile PCI Express bracket. By default, the standard height bracket is installed on the board. If you need to replace the mounted bracket with a low-profile bracket, carefully unscrew the two mounting screws to remove the full height bracket. Save the two mounting screws and replace the bracket with the low-profile bracket. Use the two mounting screws to install the low-profile bracket. The screws should be carefully tightened, but be careful not to over-tighten. Make sure you are properly grounded to avoid static discharges that may destroy the adapter card before performing this procedure.

Step 3 - Configure the Board for Proper Operation

Set the DIP switch settings for proper operation depends on the firmware. Please refer to the section Configuration and DIP Switches on page 11 for details.

Step 4 - Install the Adapter Card

Before installing the adapter card, make sure you are properly grounded to avoid static discharges that may destroy your computer or the adapter card. Ensure you are properly grounded before opening your computer or the anti-static bag containing the MXH832. Please follow your computer’s or expansion chassis manual on how to install a PCI Express card.

The MXH832 Adapter card can be installed into any PCI Express x16 slot. The MXH832 supports PCI Express Gen1, Gen2 and Gen3 signaling. NOTE: A Gen3 slot is recommended as it typically doubles the performance compared to a Gen2 slot. The MXH832 is an x16 card, so maximum performance will only be attained if the slot provides full electrical x16 signaling.

The MXH832 supports hosts using either spread spectrum or constant frequency clocking. The card implements clock isolation.

Step 5 - Installing and Removing the Cable

Installing and removing cables should be done with both host and expansion system powered off. Please contact your Dolphin representative if you intend to continuously connect and disconnect the PCI Express cables.

Connecting the Cable

Please carefully install the cable connector into the connector housing on the MXH832 adapter card. Cable port 1 is located at the top of the PCIe bracket, ref Figure 1 PCIe Bracket to the right. To install the cable, match the cable house with the connector on the MXH832 adapter card. Use even pressure to insert the connector until it is secure. Adhere to ESD guidelines when installing the cables to ensure you don’t damage the board. Computer cables should always use strain relief to protect the connected equipment from excessive force on the cable. This is especially important for cables between racks. Note that for wider than x4 connections, the same cable-ports (ie port 1 through 4) should be used on both host and target for each individual cable, to ensure that the cards properly link up as x8 or x16.
## Supported cable lengths

The MXH832 supports both copper and active optical cables (AOC). Project targets can be found in Table 1 below. Long cable qualification is in progress, please contact Dolphin for details. The max distance may change when connecting to other PCIe products.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Cable</th>
<th>Speed</th>
<th>Distance</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Copper MiniSAS-HD</td>
<td>Gen3</td>
<td>9 meters</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Copper MiniSAS-HD</td>
<td>Gen1</td>
<td>12 meters</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Copper PCIe 3.0 cable</td>
<td>Gen3</td>
<td>TBD</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fiber optic (AOC)</td>
<td>Gen3</td>
<td>TBD</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Table 1: Cable Specifications

## Disconnecting the Cable

Please carefully pull the release tab to release the cable from the locking latches and gently pull the cable out of the connector guides.

## Step 6 - Verify Installation & LEDs

The MXH832 comes with 4 bi-color LEDs which show the corresponding cable port status according to Table 2: LED below.

The LEDs are visible through cut-outs in the PCIe bracket on each side of the cable connector block.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>LED color</th>
<th>Function</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Off</td>
<td>No cable installed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Yellow</td>
<td>Cable installed, no link</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Green</td>
<td>Cable installed, link gen 3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Green blinking</td>
<td>Cable installed, link gen 1/2</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Table 2: LED behavior
Operation

Configuration and DIP Switches
The MXH832 has one bank of 8 DIP switches. The default factory setting for the MXH832 is Transparent Host mode, single (up to x16) link connection.
The MXH832 has DIP switches for setting special modes or operations, the meaning of each DIP switch depends on the loaded firmware. Please carefully read the documentation shipped with the card before modifying any DIP switch settings. Please pay close attention to ON and OFF positions written on the DIP switch.

DIP Switches

Figure 2: DIP Switch shows the DIP switch for the MXH832. It is used to configure the adapter card. Please leave all undocumented DIP switches in the default position. Table 3: DIP Switch settings shows all the various DIP switch settings for the MXH832.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>DIP no.</th>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>ON</th>
<th>OFF</th>
<th>Default</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1-5</td>
<td>OPT1-5</td>
<td>Configuration selector, details below</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>OFF</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>OPT6</td>
<td>CMI Disable</td>
<td>Will disable the CMI interface.</td>
<td>CMI will be used if a PCIe 3.0 cable is detected</td>
<td>OFF</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>URES</td>
<td>Holds the management processors in reset</td>
<td>Board management is held in reset</td>
<td>Normal operation</td>
<td>OFF</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>SAFE</td>
<td>Enables the card to boot if the EEPROM has been corrupted</td>
<td>Safe EEPROM</td>
<td>Normal operation</td>
<td>OFF</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Table 3: DIP Switch settings

Note: DIP switch configuration options may be changed in the future versions. Please always consult the latest user guide for details. The table above is valid for version 12.

Target Card Clocking Option
When the card is used in Transparent Target configuration, the default configuration settings will enable the card to provide a reference clock on the edge connector pins 13A + 14A. To enable compatibility with some expansion backplanes, the card can also optionally provide the reference clock on edge connector pins 6A + 7A. Please consult your backplane vendor to determine the backplane requirements.
### DIP switch Settings

#### DIP Switch settings for MXH832 Host operation

The following DIP Switch settings should be considered when configuring the MXH832 for **Transparent Host** operation:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Use Case</th>
<th>Configuration MXH832 Host</th>
<th>DIP ON</th>
<th>DIP switch view</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>A+D</td>
<td>Transparent Host One x16 port (P1+P2+P3+P4)</td>
<td>(all off) (Shipping Default)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B</td>
<td>Transparent Host Two x8 ports (P1+P2, P3+P4)</td>
<td>OPT-1</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C</td>
<td>Transparent Host Four x4 ports (P1,P2,P3,P4)</td>
<td>OPT-2</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

#### DIP Switch settings for MXH832 Target operation

The following DIP Switch settings should be considered when configuring the MXH832 for **Transparent Target** operation:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Use Case</th>
<th>Configuration MXH832 Target</th>
<th>DIP ON</th>
<th>DIP switch view</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>A</td>
<td>Transparent Target One x16 port (P1+P2+P3+P4)</td>
<td>OPT-1 OPT-2</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B</td>
<td>Transparent Target One x8 port (P1+P2)</td>
<td>OPT-5</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C</td>
<td>Transparent Target One x4 port (P1, P4)</td>
<td>OPT-1 OPT-2</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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Transparent Use Cases

The MXH832 card may be used as both a Host card and a Target card. A Host and Target card can be used as a pair or the Host card can be used with a compliant Target device. The supported use cases and the DIP switch settings are summarized in section Configuration and DIP Switches on page 11.

Use Case A - 1 Host – Single Expansion Configuration PCIe x16

The Host system has a MXH832 adapter configured for Host operation and a direct x16 link to a MXH832 configured for Target operation. If you only need a x8 or x4 link, please configure according to use case B or C.

![Figure 3: Use Case A](image)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Host card ports</th>
<th>Target card ports</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>P1</td>
<td>P1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>P2</td>
<td>P2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>P3</td>
<td>P3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>P4</td>
<td>P4</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Table 4: Required x16 cabling

Always connect a cable from Port #x to Port #x.
A failure connecting any of the cables will cause the link to re-train to x8 or x4.

Use Case B – 1 Host – Single or Dual Expansion Configuration – PCIe x8

The host has a MXH832 adapter configured for Transparent Host operation and a direct x8 link is used to connect one or two independent downstream target systems.

![Figure 3: Use Case A](image)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Host card ports</th>
<th>Target card 1 ports</th>
<th>Target card 2 ports</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>P1</td>
<td>P1</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>P2</td>
<td>P2</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>P3</td>
<td></td>
<td>P1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>P4</td>
<td></td>
<td>P2</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Table 5: Required x8 cabling
Use Case C – 1 Host - Quad Expansion Configuration – PCIe x4
The host has a MXH832 adapter configured for Transparent Host operation and 1-4 direct x4 links is used to connect 1-4 independent downstream target systems.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Host card ports</th>
<th>Target card 1 port</th>
<th>Target card 2 port</th>
<th>Target card 3 port</th>
<th>Target card 4 port</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>P1</td>
<td>P1</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>P2</td>
<td></td>
<td>P1</td>
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<td></td>
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<td>P3</td>
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<td>P1</td>
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<tr>
<td>P4</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>P1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Table 6: Required x4 cabling

Use Case D – 1 Host – Transparent fan-out using MXS824 - PCIe x16
The MXH832 is compliant to the MXS824 24 port PCIe switch. The switch enables large-scale Transparent PCIe fanout to hundreds of PCIe devices. Please find more details in the MXS824 Users Guide.

Use Case E – Multi Host – Transparent fan-out using MXS824 - PCIe x16
Dolphin is working on solutions to enable multi host sharing of PCIe devices. Please contact Dolphin for more information.
EEPROM and Firmware Upgrade

The MXH832 design uses a microcontroller to implement the PCIe CMI protocol and other maintenance functions. Dolphin may from time to time publish updated firmware for the microcontroller or EEPROM data for the card. Please contact Dolphin for instructions on how to upgrade the MXH832. Please note that standard Microsemi firmware tools cannot be used to upgrade the firmware.

Identifying the Card

The card has a label-sticker with the serial number in the format 'MXH832-YY-ZZZZZZ', where YY denotes the card revision (e.g. BB) and ZZZZZZ denotes the serialized production number (e.g. 012345) – this whole string makes up the serial number of the card (i.e. MXH832-BB-012345).

You can also get this information using lspci in Linux:

First, identify the devices for the Dolphin Host card:

```
# lspci | grep "Device 8532"
01:00.0 PCI bridge: PMC-Sierra Inc. Device 8532
01:00.1 Memory controller: PMC-Sierra Inc. Device 8532
02:00.0 PCI bridge: PMC-Sierra Inc. Device 8532
```
Then run `lspci` and identify the card. It will show up as something like

```bash
# lspci -v 1:0.0
01:0.0 PCI bridge: PMC-Sierra Inc. Device 8532 [prog-if 00 [Normal decode]]  
  Flags: bus master, fast devsel, latency 0, IRQ 25  
  Primary: bus master, latency 0, subordinates 0, sec-laten  
  Bus: primary=01, secondary=02, subordinate=03, sec-latency=0  
  I/O bridge: 000002000-00002fff  
  I/O behind bridge: 000000000-000000000
df3fffff  
  Prefetchable memory behind bridge: 000000000-000000000
df3fffff  
  Capabilities: [40] Express Upstream Port, MSI 00  
  Capabilities: [7c] MSI: Enable+ Count=1/8 Maskable- 64bit+  
  Capabilities: [8c] Power Management version 3  
  Capabilities: [94] Subsystem: Dolphin Interconnect Solutions AS Device 0832  
  Capabilities: [100] Advanced Error Reporting  
  Capabilities: [138] Power Budgeting <?
```

```
# lspci -v 1:0.1
01:0.1 Memory controller: PMC-Sierra Inc. Device 8532  
  Subsystem: Dolphin Interconnect Solutions AS Device 0832  
  Flags: bus master, fast devsel, latency 0  
  Memory at f7800000 (64-bit, non-prefetchable) [size=4M]  
  Capabilities: [40] MSI: Enable- Count=1/4 Maskable- 64bit+  
  Capabilities: [50] MSI-X: Enable- Count=4 Masked-  
  Capabilities: [5c] Power Management version 3  
  Capabilities: [64] Express Endpoint, MSI 00  
  Capabilities: [100] Advanced Error Reporting  
  Capabilities: [138] Device Serial Number 00-00-42-42-00-00-00-ff  
  Capabilities: [144] Access Control Services
```

```
# lspci -v 2:0.0
02:0.0 PCI bridge: PMC-Sierra Inc. Device 8532 [prog-if 00 [Normal decode]]  
  Flags: bus master, fast devsel, latency 0, IRQ 26  
  Bus: primary=02, secondary=03, subordinate=03, sec-latency=0  
  I/O bridge: 000002000-00002fff  
  Prefetchable memory behind bridge: 000000000-000000000
df3fffff  
  Capabilities: [40] Express Downstream Port (Slot+), MSI 00  
  Capabilities: [7c] MSI: Enable+ Count=1/8 Maskable- 64bit+  
  Capabilities: [8c] Power Management version 3  
  Capabilities: [94] Subsystem: Dolphin Interconnect Solutions AS Device 0832  
  Capabilities: [100] Advanced Error Reporting  
  Capabilities: [138] Power Budgeting <?
```

Second, do

```bash
# lspci -v 2:0.1
02:0.1 Memory controller: PMC-Sierra Inc. Device 8532  
  Subsystem: Dolphin Interconnect Solutions AS Device 0832  
  Flags: bus master, fast devsel, latency 0  
  Memory at f7800000 (64-bit, non-prefetchable) [size=4M]  
  Capabilities: [40] MSI: Enable- Count=1/4 Maskable- 64bit+  
  Capabilities: [50] MSI-X: Enable- Count=4 Masked-  
  Capabilities: [5c] Power Management version 3  
  Capabilities: [64] Express Endpoint, MSI 00  
  Capabilities: [100] Advanced Error Reporting  
  Capabilities: [138] Device Serial Number 00-00-42-42-00-00-00-ff  
  Capabilities: [144] Access Control Services
```

Kernel driver in use: pcieport  
Kernel modules: shpchp
This shows the card as revision 0x4242 (hexadecimal values of the ‘BB’ letters in the ASCII table), with the production number 0x000000ff (00000255 in decimal).

Support
Please email pci-support@dolphinics.com if you have any questions.
Technical Information

Board revision history

The following table gives a general overview of the hardware revision history.

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<td>MXH832-CF</td>
<td>• New improved heat sink with better mounting.</td>
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<td>• Current shipping version.</td>
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Simplified schematics

The figure below shows the MXH824 simplified schematics. Only the main functions are shown.

Figure 5: MXH832 Simplified Schematics
**PCIe Cable Port Signals**

The external PCI Express SFF-8644 cable connector supports the following signals:

- **PETpN/PETnN**: PCI Express Transmitter pairs, labeled where N is the Lane number (starting with 0); “p” is the true signal while “n” is the complement signal.
- **PERpN/PERnN**: PCI Express Receiver pairs, labeled where N is the Lane number (starting with 0); “p” is the true signal while “n” is the complement signal.
- **PWR**: Power to support AOC and signal conditioning components within the cable assembly.
- **MGTPWR**: Power supplied to the connector for cable management components that are needed while the link is not active. This needs to be active if the subsystem has power.
- **CBLPRSNT#**: Cable present detect, an active-low signal pulled-down by the cable when it is inserted into the MXH832 connector.
- **CADDR**: Signal used to configure the upstream cable management device address.
- **CINT#**: Signal asserted by the cable assembly to indicate a need for service via the CMI controller.
- **CMISDA**: Management interface data line. Used for both initial link setup and sideband messages when used with CMI compliant cables.
- **CMISCL**: Management interface clock line. Used for both initial link setup and sideband messages when used with CMI compliant cables.

**External PCIe x4 Cable Connector Pin-Out**

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Table 7: External PCIe x4 cable Pin-Out

**PCIe Cable Port Mapping**

The MXH832 card have a quad SFF-8644 connector. The table below show the signal / port map.

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Lx – PCIe lane X, Cable port is ref PCIe bracket marking

Table 8 : PCIe Cable Port Mapping
MXH832 PCIe x16 Edge Connector Pin-Out

The MXH832 Edge connector follows PCI Express CEM Specification, Rev. 3.0 section 6 – Card Connector Specification. Signal names are shown in Table 9. In host mode, the MXH832 is PCIe SIG compliant. The signals in bold are bi-directional, where the direction depends on if the card is configured for host or target mode. In the case where the MXH832 is configured as a target adapter in an expansion chassis, it will provide a 100 MHz, non-SSC, reference clock on the REFCLK+/REFCLK- pins. The shaded signals TDI and TDO are normally tri-stated, but can be configured to provide an alternative 100 MHz, non-SSC, reference clock for PCIe expansion chassis utilizing these pins instead.

Table 9: PCIe Edge Connector Pin-Out
Compliance and Regulatory Testing

**EMC Compliance**
The Dolphin PCI Express MXH832 adapter is tested to the following relevant test standards for PCI Express cards, telecommunication and industry equipment installed in a standard PC:

- EN 55032
- EN 55024, Class A

This does not ensure that it will comply with these standards in any random PC. It is the responsibility of the integrator to ensure that their products are compliant with all regulations where their product will be used.

**RoHS Compliance**
The Dolphin MXH832 is RoHS compliant. A Compliance certificate issued by the manufacturer is available upon request.

**FCC Class A**
This equipment is tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules.
Limited Warranty
Dolphin Interconnect Solutions warrants this product to be free from manufacturing defects under the following terms:

Warranty Period
Dolphin warrants the product for one (1) year from the date of purchase. Extended warranties are available for purchase.

Coverage
To the extent permitted by applicable law, this warranty does not apply to:

- Damages caused by operator error or non-compliance with instructions available for the product.
- Use or attempt to use or program firmware not approved by Dolphin.
- Damage which results from accident, abuse, misuse, neglected improper handling or improper installation; moisture, corrosive environments, high voltage surges, shipping or abnormal working conditions.
- Damages which results from violating the specified operating or storage temperatures and airflow.
- Damages caused by acts of nature, e.g. floods, storms, fire, or earthquakes.
- Damage caused by any power source out of range or not provided with the product.
- Normal wear and tear.
- Attempts to repair, modify, open or upgrade the product by personnel or agents not authorized by Dolphin.
- Products that have had the product serial number tampered with or removed.
- Damage to the product caused by products not supplied by Dolphin.

Service Procedure
If the product proves defective during the Warranty Period, you should contact the seller that supplied you with the product, or if you purchased it directly from Dolphin, email returnrequests@dolphinics.com to obtain a valid RMA number and instructions. Products returned to Dolphin without a proper RMA number will not be serviced under this warranty.