

## **Renesas Electronics America Inc. (“REA”) Date Code Policy**

REA’s standard policy<sup>1</sup> is to ship non-hermetically sealed semiconductor products with assembly date codes of five (5) years or less. The product warranty applies regardless of the product date code.

Industry experience and published studies have shown that current packaging material is sufficient to permit standard reflow solder assembly beyond seven (7) years. Packing materials designed for long term storage are effective for more than five (5) years for moisture sensitive components.

A five-year date code policy has no negative impact to quality and is consistent with standard industry practice and other IC component suppliers.

The five-year date code policy provides REA’s customers with increased assurance of supply due to improved product availability.

REA is committed to serve our customers with the best possible quality and product availability.

Sincerely,  
William C Lechler



Director, Analog and Power Quality and Reliability

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<sup>1</sup> Date code policy applies products produced by the company formerly known as Intersil Corporation.