



Product Change Notification / LIAL-04DQNT801

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Product Category:

General Purpose FPGAs, Radiation Tolerant FPGAs, System On Chip FPGAs

PCN Type:

Manufacturing Change

Notification Subject:

eSign# E000173629 Final notice: Released of updated Libero SoC v2022.3 for selected products in the PolarFire FPGA device family, including MPFxxx and RTPF device families.

Affected CPNs:

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Notes:

Libero SoC v2022.3 released on Dec 16th, 2022 and is available for download on the webpage below:

<https://www.microchip.com/en-us/products/fpgas-and-plds/fpga-and-soc-design-tools/fpga/lib>

Method to Identify Change:Not applicable. New software release is available as defined above.

Qualification Report:Not applicable

Revision History:May 10, 2023: Issued final notification.

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Attachments:

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Customer Notification (CN)

Subject: PolarFire® FPGA and SoC PORDIGEST and Tamper IP Update

March 2023

Description:

This customer notification applies to PolarFire, RT PolarFire, and PolarFire SoC programming files generated by Libero SoC versions v2022.2 and earlier, that enable the device Power-On Reset Digest check (PORDIGEST). When using Libero 2022.2 or earlier releases, the Power-On Reset digest check settings programmed into the device didn't distinguish which device components, amongst FPGA Fabric, sNVM/eNVM or security settings, were selected for export into the programming bitstream file. This behavior could lead to scenarios where the Power-On Reset digest check was enabled for a component that was not programmed by the user design. This issue has been fixed in Libero SoC v2022.3 and later.

Reason for Change:

In Libero SoC versions v2022.2 and earlier, if a Power-On Reset digest check is enabled, and the corresponding device component not selected for export into the programming file, the Power-On Reset digest check setting for that unselected component is programmed. This causes the Power-On Reset digest check to fail and asserts a tamper flag from the user instantiated Tamper IP core. Depending on the user design reaction to the incorrectly triggered tamper flag, the user design might initiate a non-recoverable device zeroization, thereby losing the device permanently.

In Libero SoC v2022.3 or later, the behavior is changed. If a device component is not selected for bitstream export, then the Power-On Reset digest check setting for that component is not programmed, even if it is selected in the Tamper IP core. This means Libero Soc v2022.3 or later will only program Power-On Reset digest check settings for those device components that are included in programming bitstream or job file.

Application Impact:

The following design configurations are NOT impacted:

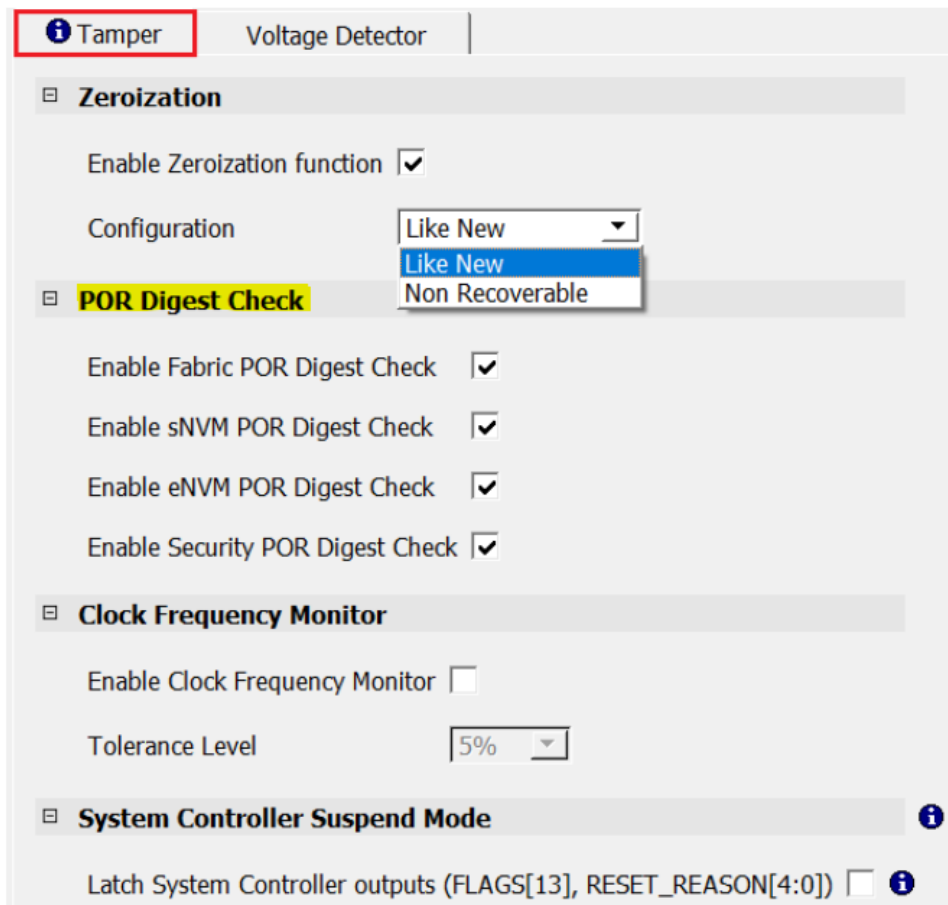
- Designs that don't contain the Tamper IP core in the fabric design, PF_TAMPER or PFSOC_TAMPER
- Designs that don't enable Power-On Reset digest checks in the Tamper IP core
- Designs that program all device components selected for Power-On Reset digest checks in the configured Tamper IP core

Designs using bitstreams generated prior to Libero SoC v2022.3, where the Tamper IP core is instantiated and configured to enable Power-On Reset digest checks on device components that were **not** included in the



programming bitstream, will see the Power-On Reset digest check fail. The Power-On Reset digest check failure causes the assertion of the corresponding Tamper IP core flag output. Although this Power-On Reset digest check failure is a false failure, the user design response to the tamper flag assertion determines the impact to the application.

The figure below shows the Tamper IP core configured with the Power-On Reset Digest Check enabled for all device components:



Important: **Enable eNVM POR Digest Check** is only applicable for the PolarFire SoC FPGA.

For more information about the Tamper IP core responses and Power-On Reset Digest (POR Digest) checks, refer to the [PolarFire FPGA and SoC Security User Guide](#).



Required Action:

New and ongoing designs using Power-On Reset Digest Checks:

Upgrade to Libero SoC v2022.3, or later. Upgrade to the latest PF_TAMPER (v1.0.212 or later) or PFSOC_TAMPER (v2.0.100 or later) IP core, if used in the design. Then re-run the design flow, including the programming file generation and exports steps: Generate Bitstream, Export Bitstream, Export FlashPro Express Job and Export Job Manager Data.

Designs completed using Libero SoC versions prior to v2022.3:

No further actions are listed if the affected design conditions described above don't apply to the design.

Completed designs observing false PORDIGEST check failures due to the issue above:

Open the pre-2022.3 design in Libero SoC v2022.3. Notice that the following design flow steps will be invalidated: Generate Bitstream, Export Bitstream, Export Flashpro Express Job and Export Job Manager Data. Re-run the invalidated programming bitstream generation and export steps, then reprogram the device using the updated programming file. Updating the Tamper IP core version is not required if the core configuration is unchanged. If updates to the Tamper IP core configuration are desired, a Tamper core version update will be required as listed in section 2 of the [Libero SoC v2022.3 Software Release Notes](#).

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