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To Buyers of Texas Instruments semiconductors:

Counterfeit semiconductors pose considerable performance, safety, and reliability risks. Many counterfeit parts resemble Texas Instruments and include markings that may lead a customer to believe they are genuine. To help mitigate those considerable risks, TI strongly recommends you purchase either directly from TI or from an authorized distributor. A list of our <u>authorized distributors</u> is available on <u>www.ti.com</u>.

TI will not provide authentication/verification support for devices purchased through unauthorized sources (brokers, independent distributors, or 3rd party test houses) due to the uncertainties concerning product custody and the supply chain through which such devices may have been obtained. Furthermore, TI will not provide warranty coverage for any device purchased through unauthorized sources.

TI is committed to keeping TI products out of unauthorized channels, as well as identifying and stopping counterfeiting of TI products. We support law enforcement's anticounterfeiting efforts and regularly share information with them about what we learn about counterfeits of TIproducts.

We have enhanced our verification measures to aid in these efforts. Before we provide any verification support, you must provide the following information:

- 1. TI part number, quantity of devices, and intended use of the devices
- 2. Your company's name and contact information,
- 3. The supplier's name and contact information, and
- 4. High-quality pictures of the bottom & top of the device(s), pictures of the shipping labels, and pictures of shipping documents

We appreciate your support in helping to maintain a secure supply chain.

Regards, Lisa Maestas

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