



# EVBL4415A-QB-00A

## High-Efficiency, 1.5A, 36V, 2.2MHz Synchronous Step-Down Converter Evaluation Board

### DESCRIPTION

The EVBL4415A-QB-00A is an evaluation board designed for the MP4415A and MPQ4415A. It features an MPS inductor.

The MP4415A is a synchronous, rectified, step-down switch-mode converter with built-in power MOSFETs. The device offers a very compact solution to achieve 1.5A of continuous output current with excellent load and line regulation across a wide input supply range. The MP4415A uses synchronous mode operation to achieve high efficiency across the output current load range.

The MP4415A is available in a QFN-13 (2.5mmx3mm) package.

### ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

| Parameter      | Symbol    | Value   | Units |
|----------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| Input voltage  | $V_{IN}$  | 4 to 36 | V     |
| Output voltage | $V_{OUT}$ | 3.3     | V     |
| Output current | $I_{OUT}$ | 1.5     | A     |

### FEATURES

- Wide 4V to 36V Operating Input Range
- 90mΩ High-Side/50mΩ Low-Side Internal Power MOSFETs
- High-Efficiency Synchronous Mode Operation
- Default 2.2MHz Switching Frequency
- 450kHz to 2.2MHz Frequency Sync
- Forced Continuous Conduction Mode (FCCM)
- High Duty Cycle for Automotive Cold Crank
- Internal Soft Start (SS)
- Power Good (PG) Indicator
- Over-Current Protection (OCP) with Valley Current Detection and Hiccup Mode
- Thermal Shutdown
- Output Adjustable from 0.8V
- Available in a QFN-13 (2.5mmx3mm) Package

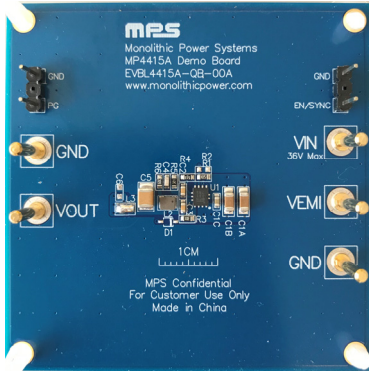
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### APPLICATIONS

- Automotive
- Industrial Control System
- Distributed Power Systems

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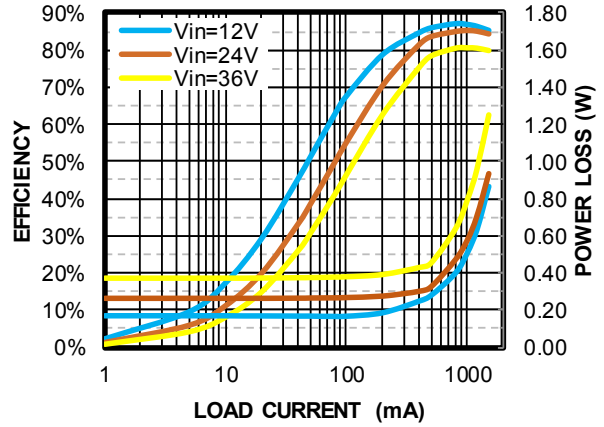
### EVBL4415A-QB-00A EVALUATION BOARD



LxWxH (6.35cmx6.35cmx0.5cm)

| Board Number     | MPS IC Number              |
|------------------|----------------------------|
| EVBL4415A-QB-00A | MP4415AGQB,<br>MPQ4415AGQB |

Efficiency vs. Load Current  
V<sub>OUT</sub> = 3.3V



## QUICK START GUIDE

1. Connect the load terminals to:

- a. Positive (+): VOUT
- b. Negative (-): GND

Note that electronic loads represent a negative impedance to the regulator, so a high current can trigger hiccup mode.

2. Preset the power supply output to be between 4 and 36V, then turn it off.

If longer cables (>0.5m total) are used between the source and the EVB, install a damping capacitor at the input terminals, especially when  $V_{IN}$  is greater than or equal to 24V.

3. Connect the power supply output terminals to:

- a. Positive (+): VIN
- b. Negative (-): GND.

4. Turn the power supply on. The MP4415A should automatically start up.

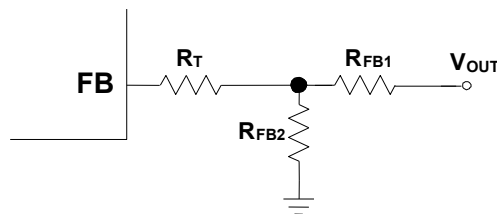
5. To use the enable function, apply a digital input to the EN/SYNC pin. Drive EN/SYNC above 1.45V to turn the regulator on; drive EN below 1V to turn it off.

6. To use the sync function, apply a 450kHz to 2.2MHz external clock to the EN/SYNC pin to synchronize the internal clock rising edge.

7. The output voltage is set by the external resistor divider. The feedback resistor ( $R_{FB1}$ ) also sets the feedback loop bandwidth with the internal compensation capacitor. Choose  $R_{FB1}$  to be around 40k $\Omega$  when  $V_{OUT} \geq 1V$ .  $R_{FB2}$  can then be calculated with Equation (1):

$$R_{FB2} = \frac{R_{FB1}}{\frac{V_{OUT}}{0.807V} - 1} \quad (1)$$

8. The T-type network is highly recommended when  $V_{OUT}$  is low (see Figure 1)



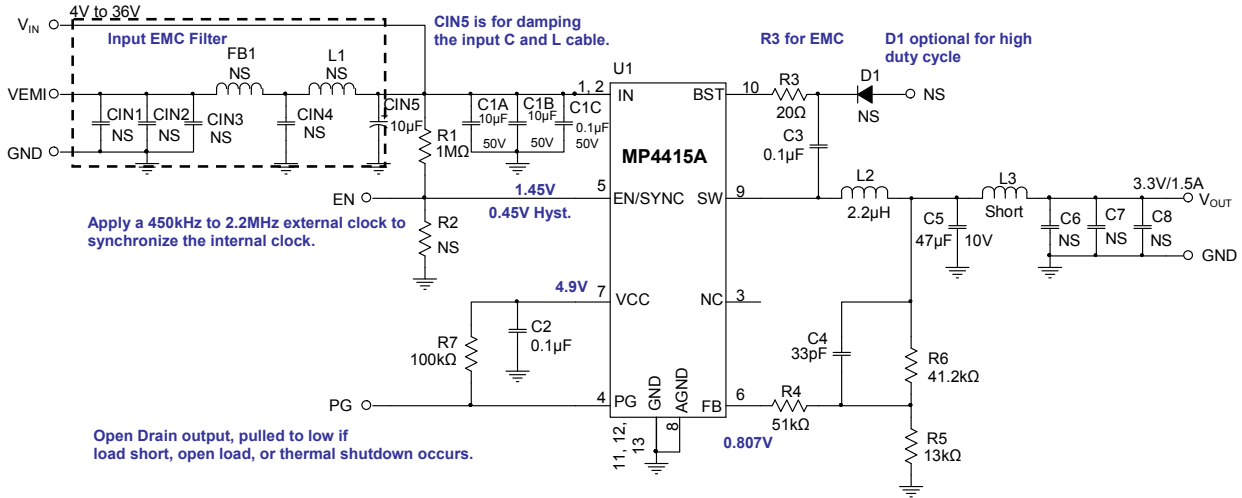
**Figure 1: T-Type Network**

9.  $R_T$  and  $R_{FB1}$  are used to set the loop bandwidth. The lower  $R_T$  and  $R_{FB1}$  is, the higher the bandwidth. However, a high bandwidth may cause an insufficient phase margin, which results in an unstable loop. Select an appropriate value for  $R_T$  to make a tradeoff between the bandwidth and phase margin. Table 1 lists the recommended feedback resistor and  $R_T$  values for common output voltages.

**Table 1: Recommended Feedback Resistors and Output Voltages**

| V <sub>OUT</sub> (V) | R <sub>FB1</sub> (k $\Omega$ ) | R <sub>FB2</sub> (k $\Omega$ ) | R <sub>T</sub> (k $\Omega$ ) |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 3.3                  | 41.2 (1%)                      | 13 (1%)                        | 51 (1%)                      |
| 5                    | 41.2 (1%)                      | 7.68 (1%)                      | 51 (1%)                      |

## EVALUATION BOARD SCHEMATIC

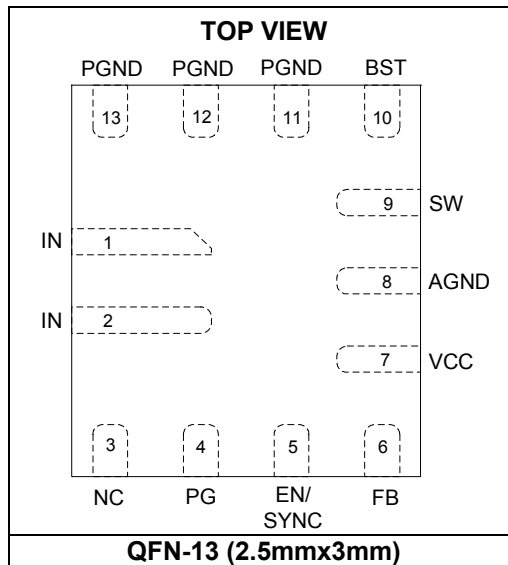


Reference for FB divider selection

| V <sub>OUT</sub> (V) | R6 (kΩ)  | R5 (kΩ)  |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| 5                    | 41.2(1%) | 7.68(1%) |
| 2.5                  | 41.2(1%) | 19.6(1%) |
| 1.8                  | 41.2(1%) | 33.5(1%) |

Figure 2: Evaluation Board Schematic

## PACKAGE REFERENCE



**EVBL4415A-QB-00A BILL OF MATERIALS**

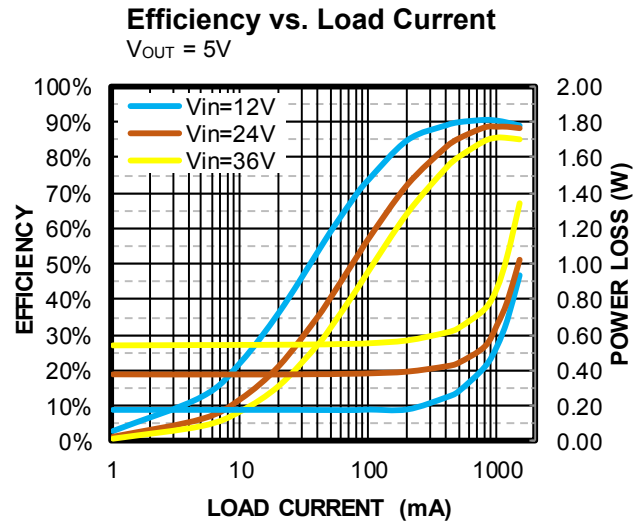
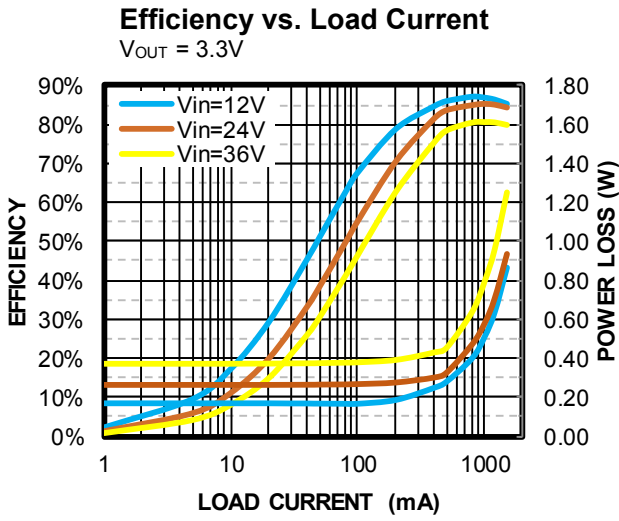
| Qty | Designator                         | Value          | Description                         | Package                 | Manufacture        | Manufacturer PN    |
|-----|------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 5   | CIN1, CIN2,<br>CIN3, CIN4,<br>CIN5 | NS             |                                     |                         |                    |                    |
| 2   | C1A, C1B                           | 10 $\mu$ F     | Ceramic capacitor,<br>50V, X5R      | 1206                    | Murata             | GRM31CR61H106KA12L |
| 1   | C1C                                | 0.1 $\mu$ F    | Ceramic capacitor,<br>50V, X7R      | 0603                    | Murata             | GRM188R71H104KA93D |
| 2   | C2, C3                             | 0.1 $\mu$ F    | Ceramic capacitor,<br>16V, X7R      | 0603                    | Murata             | GRM188R71C104KA01D |
| 1   | C4                                 | 33pF           | Ceramic capacitor,<br>50V, C0G      | 0603                    | Murata             | GRM1885C1H330JA01D |
| 1   | C5                                 | 47 $\mu$ F     | Ceramic capacitor,<br>10V, X5R      | 1210                    | Murata             | GRM32ER61A476KE20L |
| 3   | C6, C7, C8                         | NS             |                                     |                         |                    |                    |
| 1   | D1                                 | NS             |                                     |                         |                    |                    |
| 1   | FB1                                | NS             |                                     |                         |                    |                    |
| 1   | L1                                 | NS             |                                     |                         |                    |                    |
| 1   | L2                                 | 2.2 $\mu$ H    | Inductor, 70m $\Omega$<br>DCR, 2.5A | SMD                     | MPS                | MPL-AT2514-2R2     |
| 1   | L3                                 | NS             |                                     |                         |                    |                    |
| 1   | R1                                 | 1M $\Omega$    | Film resistor, 5%                   | 0603                    | Yageo              | RC0603JR-071ML     |
| 1   | R3                                 | 20 $\Omega$    | Film resistor, 1%                   | 0603                    | Yageo              | RC0603FR-0720RL    |
| 1   | R4                                 | 51k $\Omega$   | Film resistor, 1%                   | 0603                    | Yageo              | RC0603FR-0751KL    |
| 1   | R5                                 | 13k $\Omega$   | Film resistor, 1%                   | 0603                    | Yageo              | RC0603FR-0713KL    |
| 1   | R6                                 | 41.2k $\Omega$ | Film resistor, 1%                   | 0603                    | Yageo              | RC0603FR-0741K2L   |
| 1   | R7                                 | 100k $\Omega$  | Film resistor, 1%                   | 0603                    | Yageo              | RC0603FR-07100KL   |
| 1   | R2                                 | NS             |                                     |                         |                    |                    |
| 1   | U1                                 | MP4415A        | Step-down<br>converter              | QFN-13<br>(2mmx<br>3mm) | MPS                | MP4415AGQB         |
| 5   | VIN, VEMI,<br>GND, GND,<br>VOUT    | 2.0            | 2.0 golden pin                      | DIP                     | MPS <sup>(1)</sup> |                    |
| 4   | PG, GND,<br>EN/SYNC,<br>GND        | 2.54mm         | 2.54mm test pin                     | DIP                     | Any                |                    |

**Note:**

1) Contact an MPS FAE for more information regarding these pins.

### EVB TEST RESULTS

$V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $V_{OUT} = 3.3V$ ,  $L = 2.2\mu H$ ,  $f_{SW} = 2.2MHz$ ,  $T_A = 25^\circ C$ , unless otherwise noted.

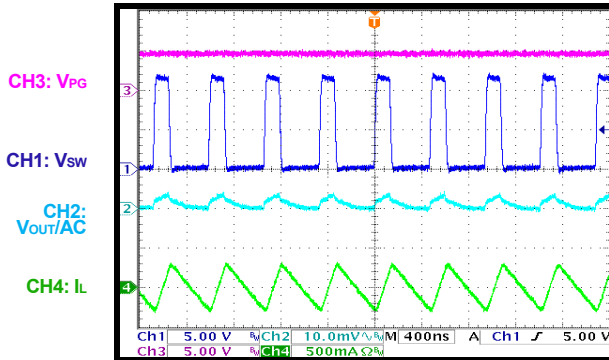


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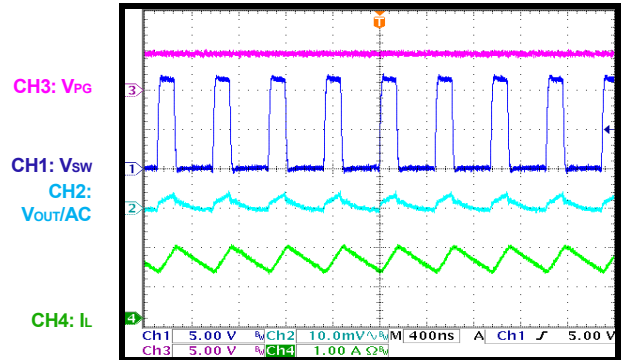
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$I_{OUT} = 0A$



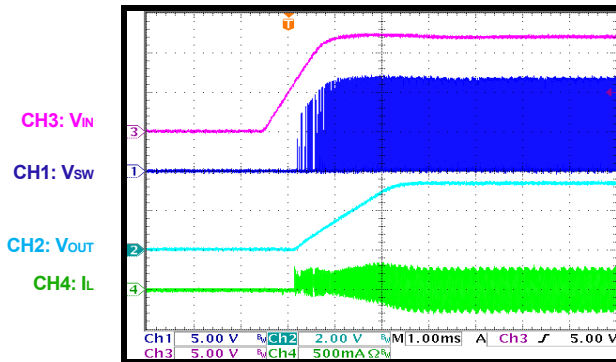
#### Steady State

$I_{OUT} = 1.5A$



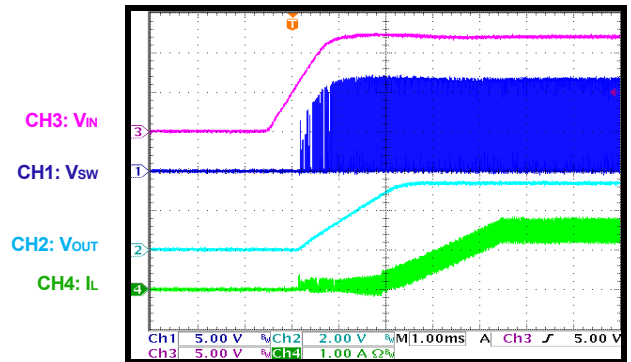
#### Start-Up

$I_{OUT} = 0A$



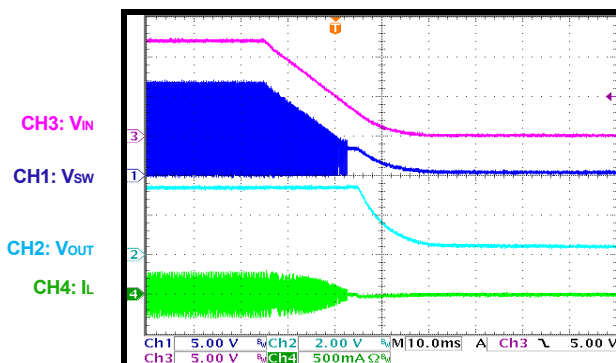
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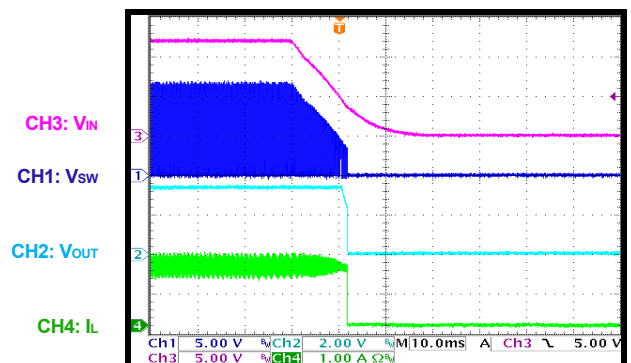
#### Shutdown

$I_{OUT} = 0A$



#### Shutdown

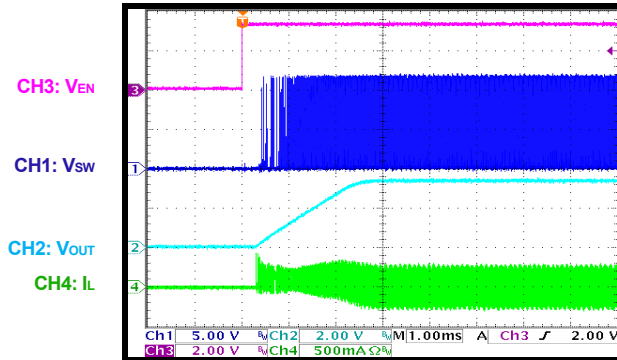
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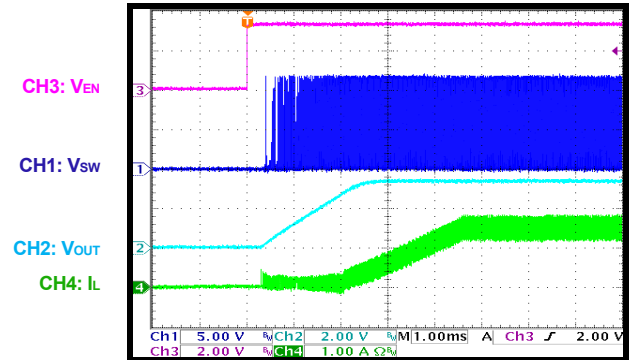
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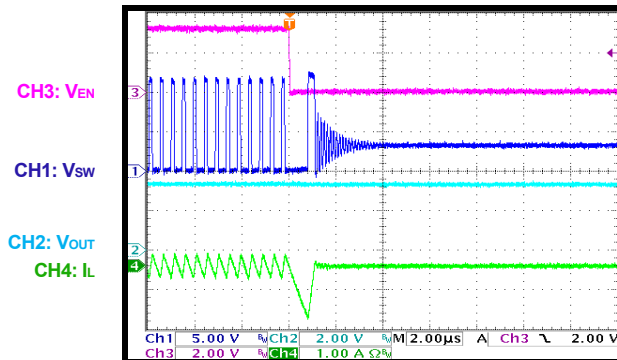
**EN On**  
 $I_{OUT} = 0A$



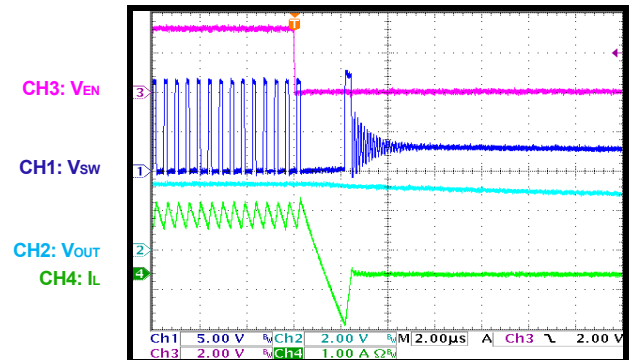
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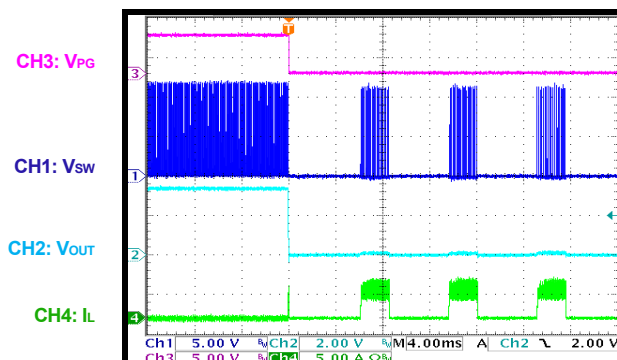
**EN Off**  
 $I_{OUT} = 0A$



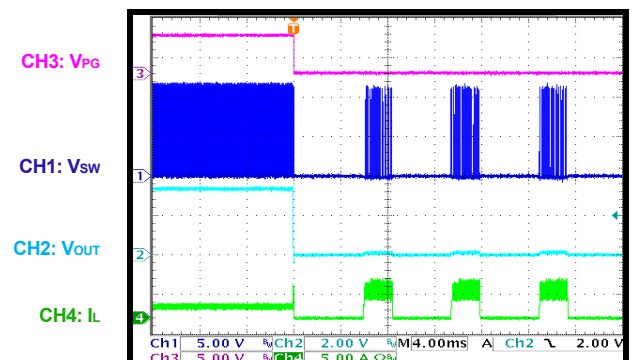
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**SCP Entry**  
 $I_{OUT} = 0A$



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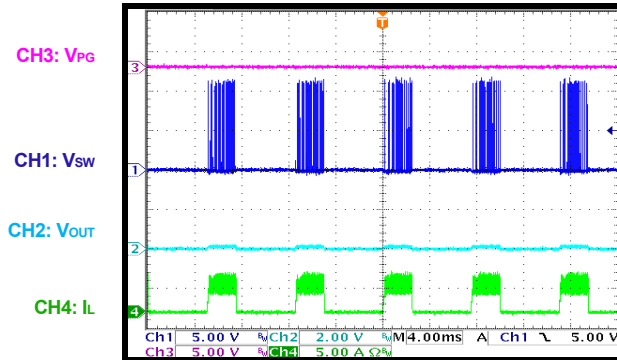




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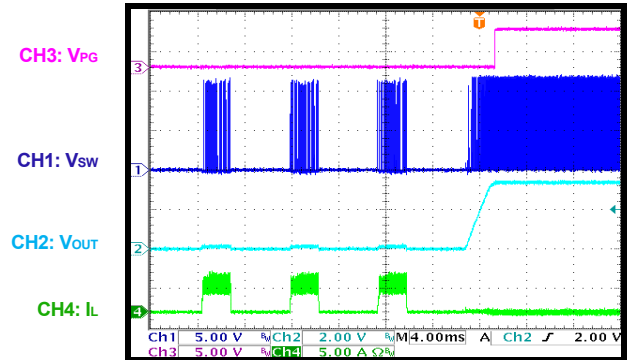
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**SCP Steady State**



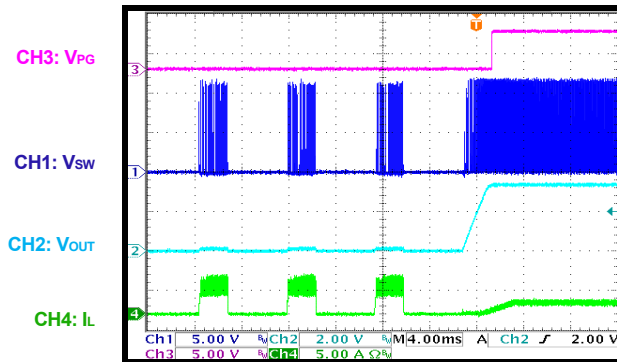
**SCP Recovery**

$I_{OUT} = 0A$



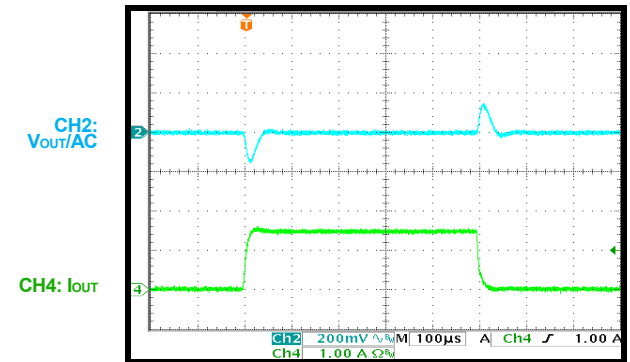
**SCP Recovery**

$I_{OUT} = 1.5A$



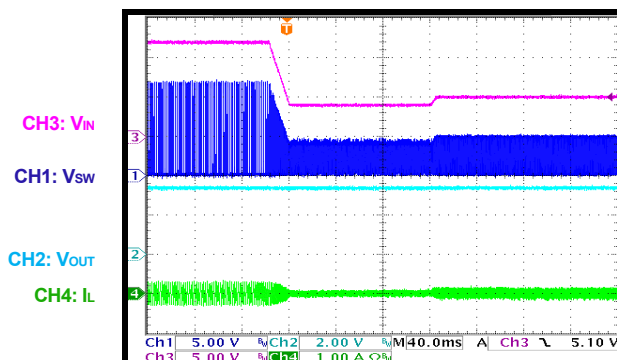
**Load Transient**

$I_{OUT} = 0A$  to  $1.5A$



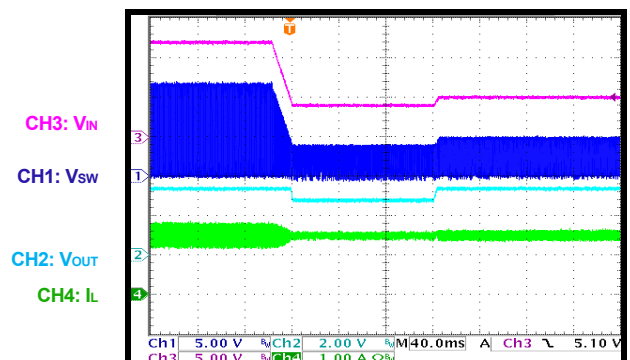
**Cold Crank**

$V_{IN} = 12V$  to  $4V$  to  $5V$ ,  $I_{OUT} = 0A$



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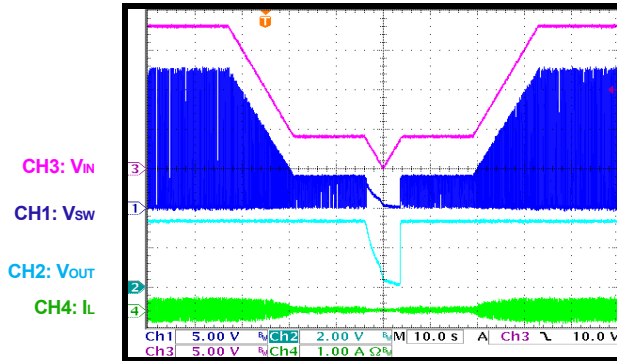


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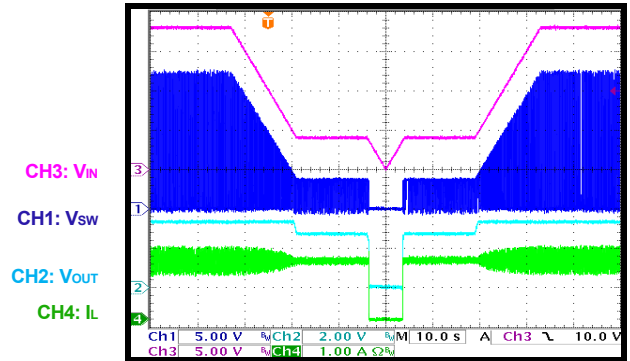
#### VIN Ramp Down and Up

$V_{IN} = 18V$  to  $4.5V$  to  $0V$  to  $4.5V$  to  $18V$ ,  
 $I_{OUT} = 0A$ ,  $V_{OUT}$  connected to a diode with BST



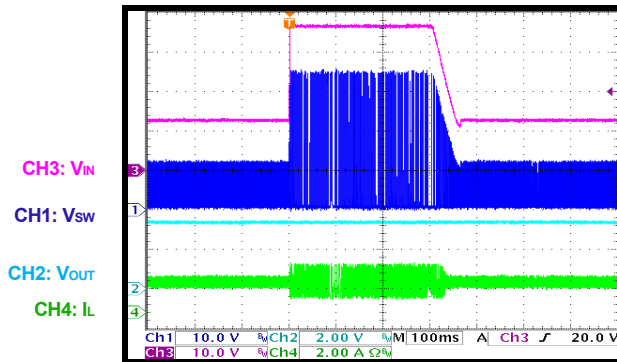
#### VIN Ramp Down and Up

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#### Load Dump

$V_{IN} = 12V$  to  $36V$  to  $12V$ ,  $I_{OUT} = 1.5A$



PCB LAYOUT

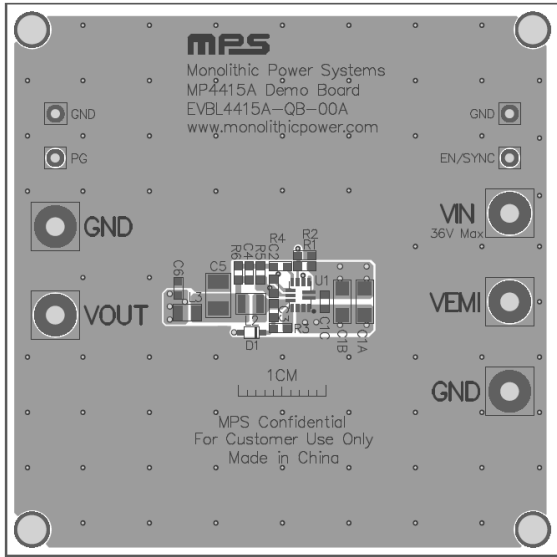


Figure 3: Top Silk Layer and Top Layer

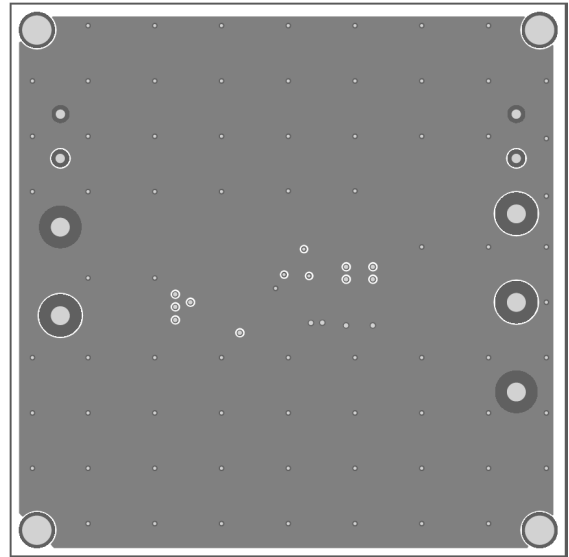


Figure 4: Inner Layer 1

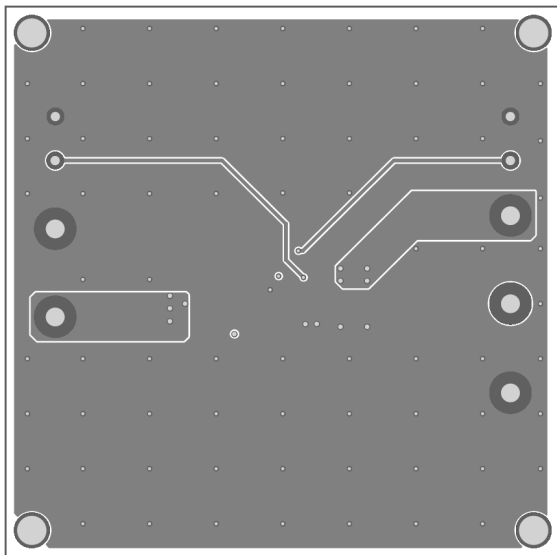


Figure 5: Inner Layer 2

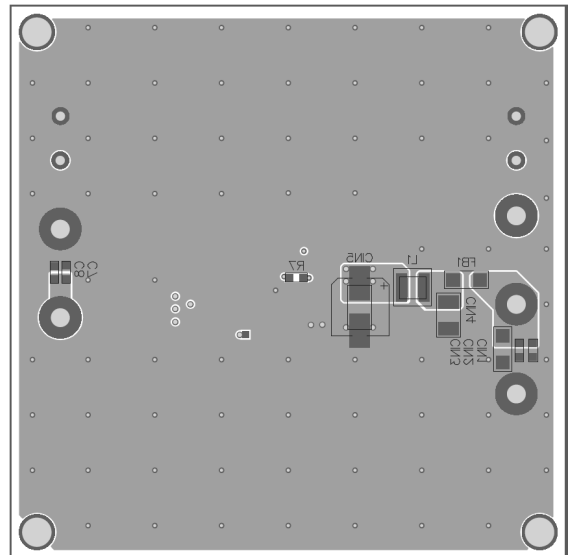


Figure 6: Bottom Silk Layer and Bottom Layer



## REVISION HISTORY

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