

bq40z50-R2 v2.08 Required Changes

This user's guide highlights required changes on the 2.08 version of the bq40z50-R2 firmware. **Trademarks**

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1 Introduction

The following item is identified with the latest version of the bq40z50-R2 (version 2.08).

2 Background

The ASCC, AOLD, and ASCD Latch Counters latch the hardware-based protection. Once the Latch Counter is greater than the Latch Limit setting, the protection moves from Alert to Status in the gauge, and the protection is triggered. This disables the appropriate FET.

3 Change Issue

The ASCC, AOLD, and ASCD Latch Counters are not decrementing and resetting correctly, once the safety condition is removed due to a behavior within the bq40z50-R2 v2.08 firmware.

4 Change Effects

The failure to decrement and reset correctly triggers spurious *ASCDL*, *AOLDL*, and *ASCDL* protection on the battery pack, and since the counter does not decrement correctly, the issue persists until the gauge is reset.

5 Corrective Action

Configure data flash "Enabled Protection A" [BIT7] and "Enabled Protection B" [BIT3] and [BIT1] to 0 to disable the *Latched Protections*.

If the *Latched Protection* feature is necessary, use the bq40z50-R1. Download the latest bq40z50-R1 firmware from: http://www.ti.com/product/BQ40Z50-R1/toolssoftware.

The bq40z50-R2 firmware maintenance release to fix this issue is scheduled for the fourth quarter, 2017. Download the fixed version from the "Tools and Software" tab in the bq40z50-R2 product folder on ti.com, once available.

6 Additional Inquiries

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