

## **Skyworks Ramps GPS/GNSS Solutions in Emerging Markets**

# LNA Front-end Modules Designed for Smartphones, Tablets and Other Handheld Devices; First Devices Compatible with China's BeiDou Navigation Satellite System

WOBURN, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Sep. 17, 2013-- Skyworks Solutions, Inc. (NASDAQ: SWKS), an innovator of high performance analog semiconductors enabling a broad range of end markets, today announced that its highly integrated, low noise amplifier front-end modules are being leveraged by various OEMs to enable global positioning systems (GPS) and global navigation satellite systems (GNSS) in smartphones, tablets and other mobile devices in emerging markets. Skyworks' modules offer high linearity, excellent gain and an integrated filter, providing manufacturers with cost-effective, high performance solutions in a compact footprint. These devices are also the first semiconductors to support China's BeiDou navigation satellite system (BDS), China's second-generation system that is enabling GPS in consumer platforms in addition to other public safety applications such as transportation systems, water conservancy, forest-fire prevention and disaster relief.

"Skyworks is delighted to be the first semiconductor company with solutions that are supporting widespread GPS capability in smartphones and other handheld devices throughout China and across Asia," said David Stasey, vice president and general manager of analog solutions at Skyworks. "Given our early investments addressing China's BeiDou system, our unique capabilities and leadership position in GPS and location-based technologies, we are well positioned to capitalize on the growing demand for these devices in emerging, high growth markets."

GNSS is a series of satellites that provide autonomous geo-spatial positioning with global coverage. It allows small electronic receivers to determine their location (longitude, latitude and altitude) to within a few meters using time signals transmitted along a line-of-sight by radio from satellites. Receivers then calculate the precise time as well as position, which can be used as a reference.

According to Frost & Sullivan, there will be an increasing prominence of Position, Navigation and Timing (PNT) data derived from GNSS and associated Value Added Services (VAS) in the next 10 to 20 years. In their Market Insight report entitled "Global Navigation Satellite System Market Assessment – In Pursuit of New Business Opportunities," they predict that Asia Pacific will continue to represent the fastest growing region through 2021, with the market more than doubling in 10 years from \$29 billion to over \$74 billion by 2021. In their GNSS Market Report, the Global Semiconductor Association forecasted that global shipments will exceed one billion units before 2020, driven by growth in emerging economies.

### About Skyworks' LNA Front-end Modules

The <u>SKY65709-81</u> is a front-end module (FEM) with an integrated low noise amplifier and pre-filter designed for the BDS, GPS, GNSS and Galileo receiver applications. Fabricated using advanced silicon technology, the device features high linearity, excellent 14.5 dB gain, a high 1 dB input compression point and a superior 2 dB noise figure. With minimal external components, the embedded pre-filter provides low in-band insertion loss and excellent rejection of the cellular, personal communication system and wireless local area network frequency bands. It also uses surface mount technology in the form of a small form factor, 6-pin, 1.7 x 2.3 millimeter multi-chip module package, allowing for a highly manufacturable and low-cost solution. In addition, the SKY65709-81 is pin-to-pin compatible with Skyworks' non-BDS, GPS FEMs including the SKY65708-11, SKY65708-51 and SKY65709-51.

### **About Skyworks**

Skyworks Solutions, Inc. is an innovator of high performance analog semiconductors. Leveraging core technologies, Skyworks supports automotive, broadband, cellular infrastructure, energy management, GPS, industrial, medical, military, wireless networking, smartphone and tablet applications. The Company's portfolio includes amplifiers, attenuators, circulators, demodulators, detectors, diodes, directional couplers, front-end modules, hybrids, infrastructure RF subsystems, isolators, lighting and display solutions, mixers, modulators, optocouplers, optoisolators, phase shifters, PLLs/synthesizers/VCOs, power dividers/combiners, power management devices, receivers, switches and technical ceramics.

Headquartered in Woburn, Mass., Skyworks is worldwide with engineering, manufacturing, sales and service facilities throughout Asia, Europe and North America. For more information, please visit Skyworks' Web site at: <a href="https://www.skyworksinc.com">www.skyworksinc.com</a>.

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