

LTM4636

High Efficiency, PolyPhase 160A Step-Down Power μ Module Regulator

DESCRIPTION

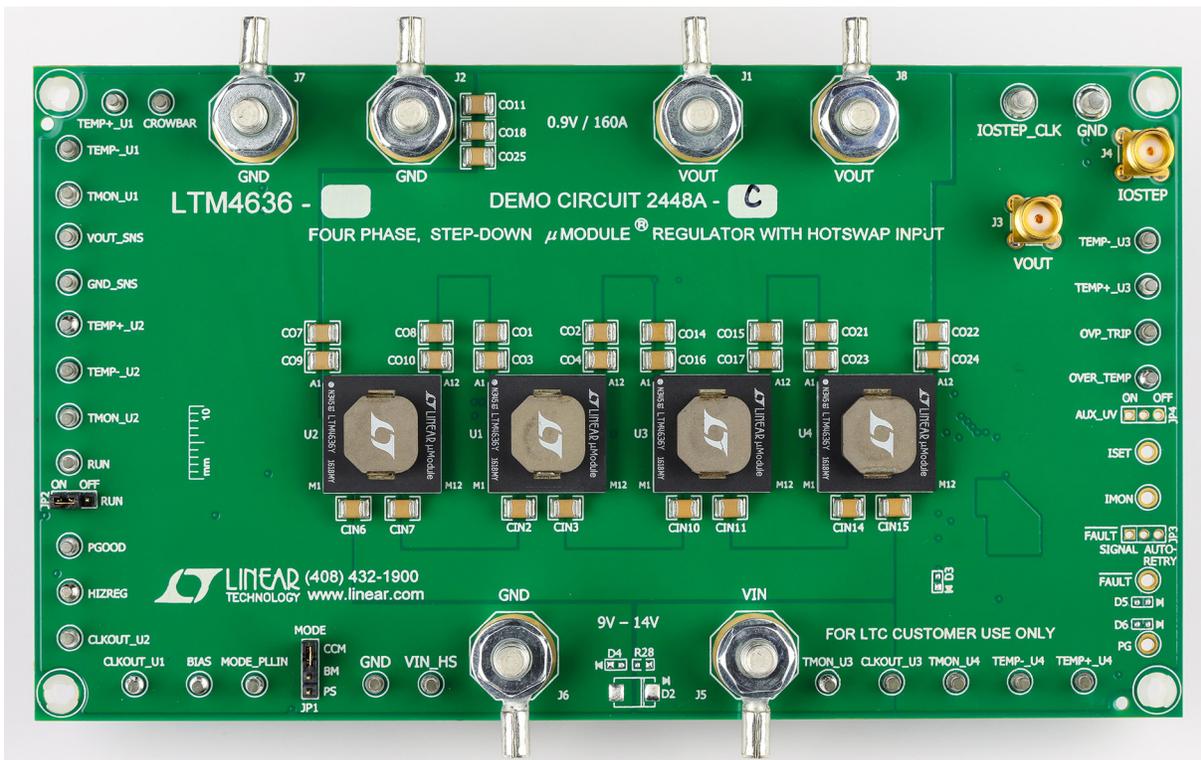
Demonstration circuit DC2448A-C features a PolyPhase® design using the [LTM®4636EY](#), a 40A high efficiency, switch mode step-down power μ Module® regulator. The input voltage range is from 4.7V to 15V. When $V_{IN} < 5.5V$, short PVCC to V_{IN} with $R1 = 0\Omega$, and set $R3 = 0\Omega$ and remove $R2$. The output voltage range is 0.6V to 3.3V. The DC2448A-C can deliver a nominal 160A output current. As explained in the data sheet, output current derating is necessary for certain V_{IN} , V_{OUT} and thermal conditions. The board operates in continuous conduction mode in heavy load conditions. For high efficiency at low load currents, the $MODE_PLLIN$ jumper selects

pulse-skipping mode for noise sensitive applications or Burst Mode® operation in less noise sensitive applications. The $MODE_PLLIN$ pin also allows the LTM4636 to synchronize to an external clock signal. The phases of the four LTM4636s are 0 degree, 90 degree, 180 degree and 270 degree. DC2448A-C has the option of choosing both internal and external compensation circuit for LTM4636. The LTM4636 datasheet must be read in conjunction with this demo manual prior to working on or modifying demo circuit DC2448A-C.

[Design files for this circuit board are available.](#)

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PERFORMANCE SUMMARY Specifications are at $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$

| PARAMETER | CONDITIONS | VALUE |
|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| Input Voltage Range | | 4.7V to 15V |
| Output Voltages | | $0.9\text{V} \pm 1.3\%$ |
| Maximum Continuous Output Current | Derating is necessary for certain operating conditions. See data sheet for details. | 160A_{DC} |
| Operating Frequency | | 350kHz |
| Efficiency | $V_{\text{IN}} = 12\text{V}$, $V_{\text{OUT}} = 0.9\text{V}$, $I_{\text{OUT}} = 160\text{A}$ | 86.1% Figure 2 |
| Load Transient $V_{\text{OUT(P-P)}}$ | $V_{\text{IN}} = 12\text{V}$, $V_{\text{OUT}} = 0.9\text{V}$, $I_{\text{STEP}} = 0\text{A TO } 40\text{A}$ | 91mV Figure 3 |

QUICK START PROCEDURE

Demonstration circuit DC2448A-C is an easy way to evaluate the performance of PolyPhase operation of the LTM4636EY. Due to the high input/output current, the user should select the proper input supply/load/cable which can sustain the full load operation. Please refer to Figure 1 for proper measurement equipment setup and follow the procedure below:

- Place jumpers in the following positions for a typical application:

| MODE | RUN |
|------|-----|
| CCM | ON |

- With power off, connect the input power supply, load and meters as shown in Figure 1. Preset the load to 0A and V_{IN} supply to 12V.
- Turn on the power supply at the input. The output voltage should be $0.9\text{V} \pm 1.3\%$ (0.888V to 0.912V).

- Vary the input voltage from 6V to 15V and adjust the load current from 0A to 160A. Observe the output voltage regulation, ripple voltage, efficiency and other parameters.
- (Optional) For optional load transient test, apply an adjustable pulse signal between IOSTEP_CLK and GND test points. The pulse amplitude sets the load step current amplitude. Keep the pulse width short (<1ms) and pulse duty cycle low (<5%) to limit the thermal stress on the load transient circuit.
- (Optional) LTM4636 can be synchronized to an external clock signal. Apply a clock signal (0V to 5V, square wave) on the MODE_PLLIN test point.
- (Optional) The outputs of LTM4636 can track another supply. The output voltage tracks the voltage on TRACK when a valid signal is applied on the test point.

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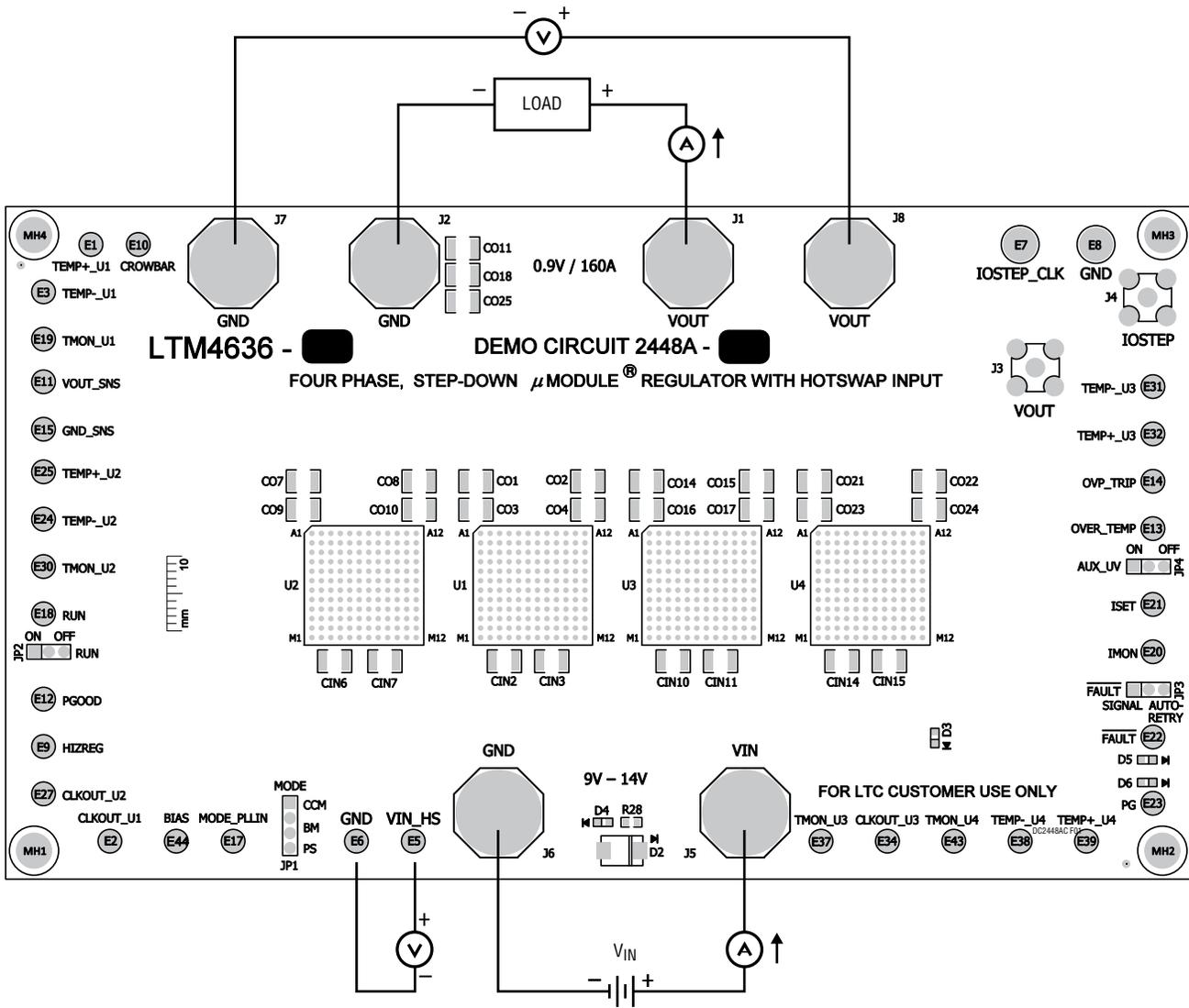


Figure 1. Measurement Setup of DC2448A-C

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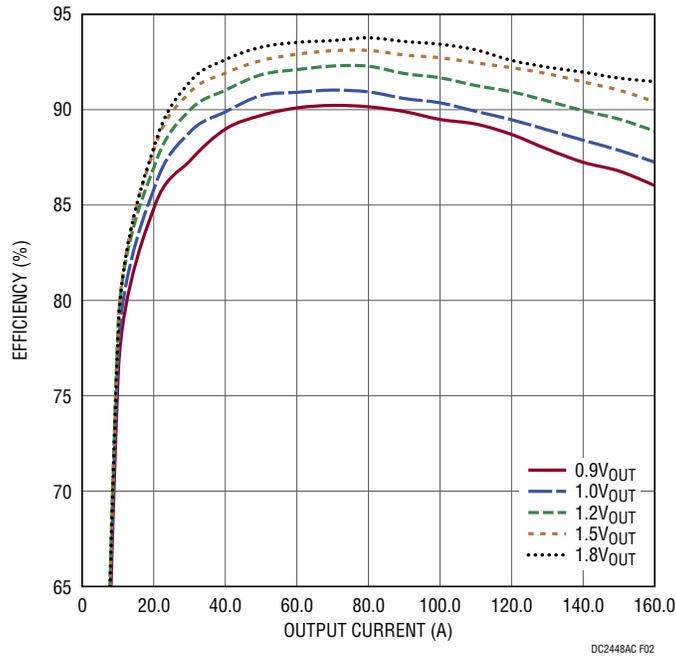


Figure 2. Measured Efficiency at $V_{IN} = 12V$, $f_{SW} = 350kHz$, CCM

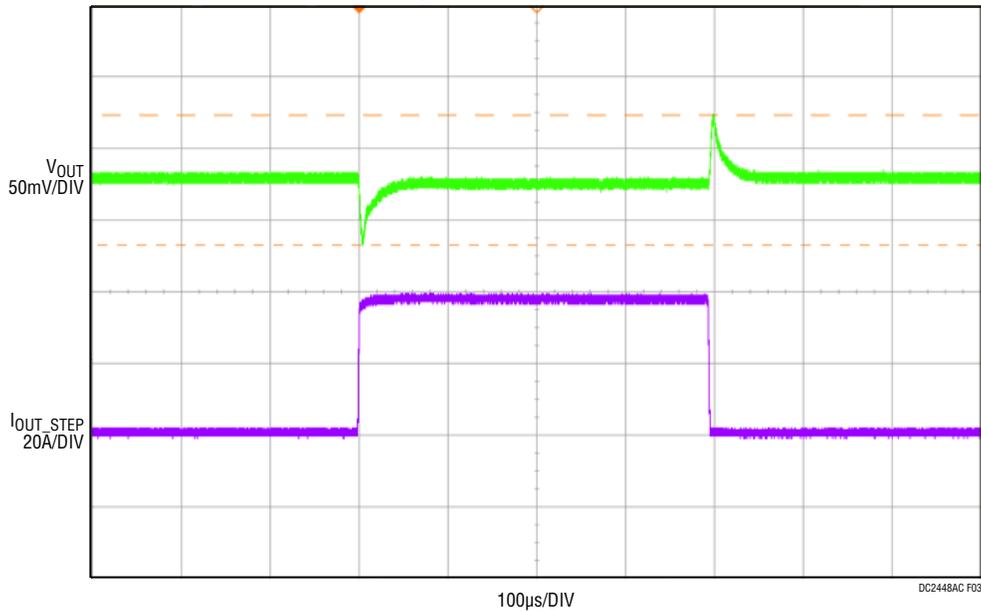


Figure 3. Measured Load Transient
 $V_{IN} = 12V$, $V_{OUT} = 0.9V$, $I_{STEP} = 0A$ to $40A$

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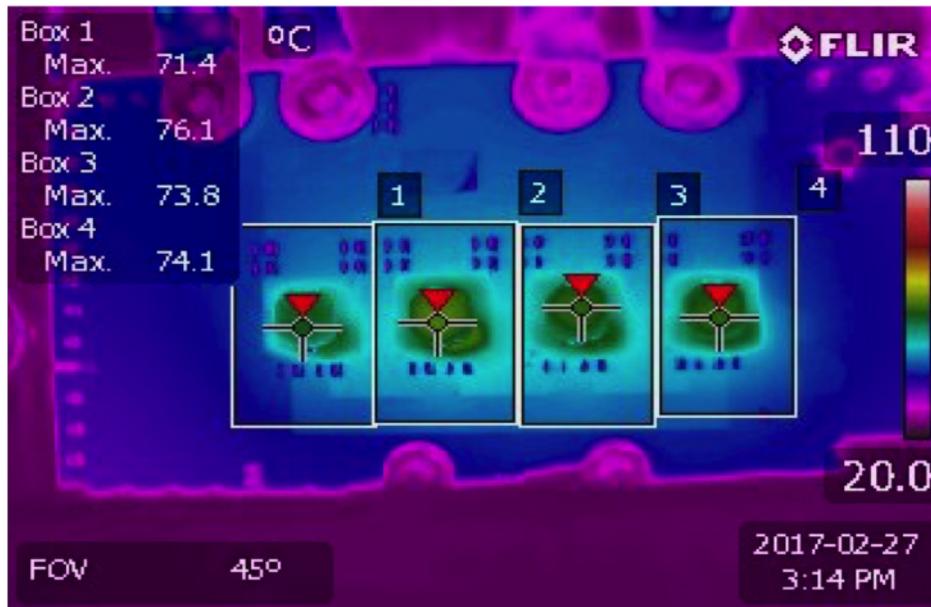


Figure 4. Thermal Capture at $V_{IN} = 12V$, $V_{OUT} = 0.9V$, 160A ($T_A = 25^\circ C$, 400LFM Airflow and No Heat Sink)

PARTS LIST

| ITEM | QTY | REFERENCE | PART DESCRIPTION | MANUFACTURER/PART NUMBER |
|------------------------------------|-----|---|---|---|
| Required Circuit Components | | | | |
| 1 | 4 | C1, C14, C19, C24 | CAP, 22 μ F, X7R, 10V, 10%, 1206 | MURATA, GRM31CR71A226KE15L |
| 2 | 4 | C2, C15, C20, C25 | CAP, 4.7 μ F, X5R, 25V, 20%, 0805 | MURATA, GRM21BR61E475MA12L |
| 3 | 1 | C8 | CAP, 100pF, X7R, 50V, 10%, 0603 | AVX, 06035C101KAT2A |
| 4 | 2 | C9, C10 | CAP, 0.47 μ F, X7R, 10V, 10%, 0603 | AVX, 0603ZC474KAT2A MURATA, GRM188R71A474KA61D |
| 5 | 2 | C29, C30 | CAP, 10 μ F, X5R, 6.3V, 10%, 0805 | MURATA, GRM21BR60J106KE19L |
| 6 | 21 | C31, C32, C01, C02, C03, C04, C07, C08, C09, C010, C011, C014, C015, C016, C017, C018, C021, C022, C023, C024, C025 | CAP, 100 μ F, X5R, 6.3V, 20%, 1210 | MURATA, GRM32ER60J107ME20L |
| 7 | 1 | CIN1 | CAP, 150 μ F, ALUM., 35V, 20%, 10x10.5mm, SMD, HVH Series | SUN ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES CORP, 35HVH150M |
| 8 | 16 | CIN2, CIN3, CIN4, CIN5, CIN6, CIN7, CIN8, CIN9, CIN10, CIN11, CIN12, CIN13, CIN14, CIN15, CIN16, CIN17 | CAP, 22 μ F, X5R, 25V, 10%, 1210 | AVX, 12103D226KAT2A MURATA, GRM32ER61E226KE15L |
| 9 | 8 | C05, C06, C012, C013, C019, C020, C026, C027 | CAP, 470 μ F, TANT POLY., 4V, 20%, 7343, D3L | PANASONIC, 4TPE470MCL |

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|------|-----|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| 10 | 1 | R14 | RES., 10k, 1%, 1/10W, 0603 | KOA SPEER, RK73H1JTTD1002F PANASONIC, ERJ3EKF1002V VISHAY, CRCW060310K0FKEA |
| 11 | 1 | R20 | RES., 4.99k, 1%, 1/10W, 0603 | NIC, NRC06F4991TRF VISHAY, CRCW06034K99FKEA |
| 12 | 4 | R22, R51, R60, R70 | RES., 34.8k, 1%, 1/10W, 0603 | VISHAY, CRCW060334K8FKEA YAGEO, RC0603FR-0734K8L |
| 13 | 3 | U1, U2, U3, U4 | IC, HIGH EFFICIENCY 40A μ MODULE | ANALOG DEVICES, LTM4636EY#PBF |

Additional Demo Board Circuit Components

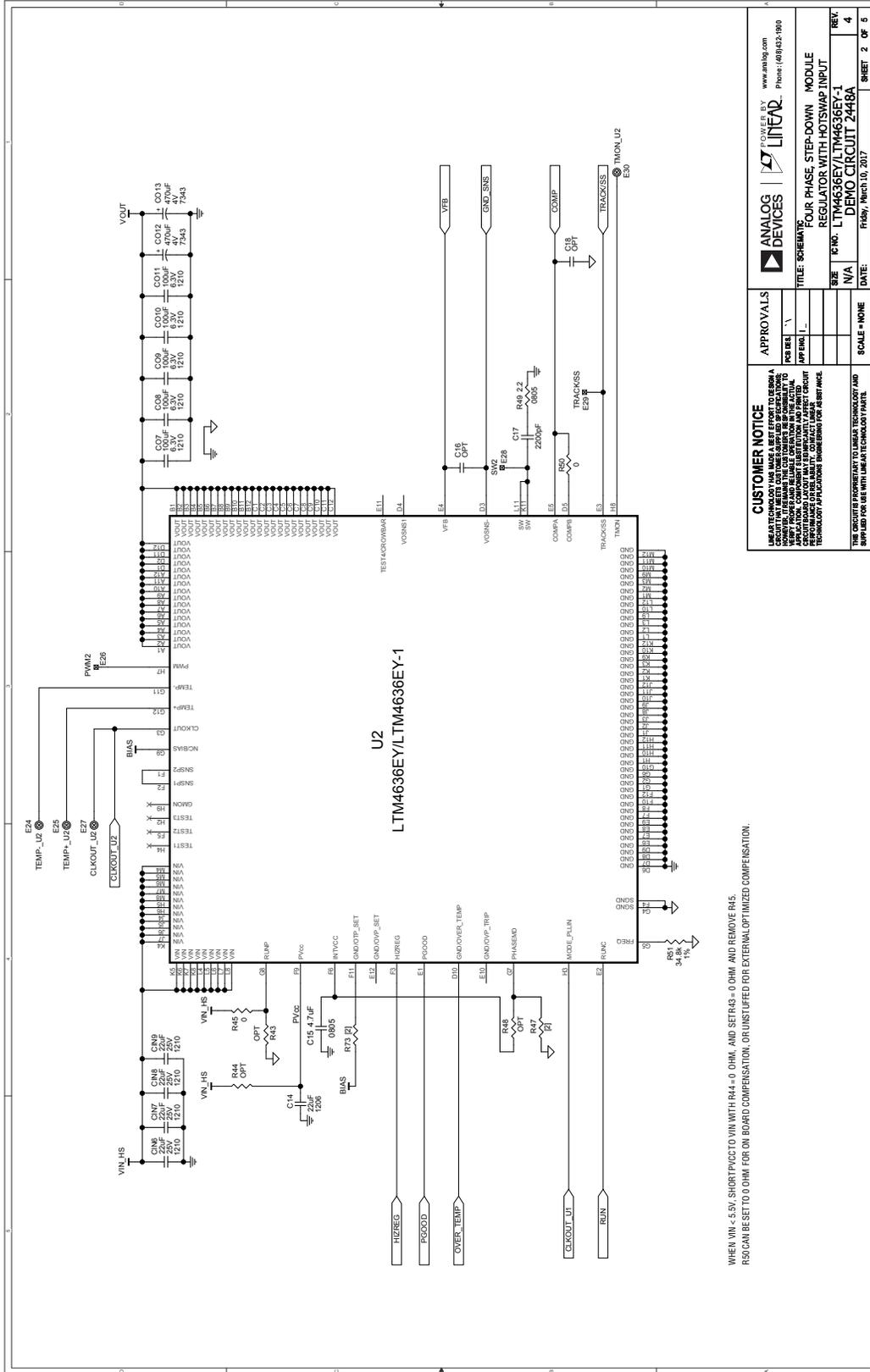
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| 1 | 4 | C6, C17, C22, C27 | CAP, 2200pF, X7R, 50V, 10%, 0603 | AVX, 06035C222KAT2A |
| 2 | 1 | C33 | CAP, 1 μ F, X7R, 16V, 10%, 0603 | AVX, 0603YC105KAT2A NIC, NMC0603X7R105K16TRPF TDK, C1608X7R1C105K080AC |
| 3 | 1 | Q3 | XSTR., MOSFET, N-CH, 40V, TO-252 | VISHAY, SUD50N04-8M8P-4GE3 |
| 4 | 13 | R2, R17, R19, R45, R47, R50, R54, R56, R59, R62, R65, R68, R69 | RES., 0 Ω , 1/10W, 0603 | NIC, NRC06ZOTRF VISHAY, CRCW06030000Z0EA |
| 5 | 4 | R4, R5, R12, R15 | RES., 10k, 5%, 1/10W, 0603, AEC-Q200 | PANASONIC, ERJ3GEYJ103V VISHAY, CRCW060310K0JNEA |
| 6 | 1 | R7 | RES., 0.01 Ω , 1%, 1W, 2010, HIGH POWER | VISHAY, WSL2010R0100FEA18 |
| 7 | 2 | R8, R9 | RES., 51 Ω , 5%, 1/10W, 0603 | VISHAY, CRCW060351R0JNEA |
| 8 | 4 | R18, R49, R58, R67 | RES., 2.2 Ω , 5%, 1/8W, 0805, AEC-Q200 | VISHAY, CRCW08052R20JNEA |
| 9 | 4 | R24, R26, R32, R37 | RES., 0 Ω , 3/4W, 2010, AEC-Q200 | VISHAY, CRCW20100000Z0EF |
| 10 | 1 | R25 | RES., 0 Ω , 1W, 2512, SENSE | VISHAY, WSL25120000ZEA9 |
| 11 | 1 | R76 | RES., 0 Ω , 1W, 2010, SENSE, AEC-Q200 | VISHAY, WSL20100000ZEA9 |

Hardware: For Demo Board Only

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| 1 | 27 | E1, E2, E3, E5, E6, E9, E10, E11, E12, E13, E14, E15, E17, E18, E19, E24, E25, E27, E30, E31, E32, E34, E37, E38, E39, E43, E44 | TEST POINT, TURRET, 0.064", MTG. HOLE | MILL-MAX, 2308-2-00-80-00-00-07-0 |
| 2 | 2 | E7, E8 | TEST POINT, TURRET, 0.094", MTG. HOLE | MILL-MAX, 2501-2-00-80-00-00-07-0 |
| 3 | 6 | J1, J2, J5, J6, J7, J8 | WASHER, FLAT, STEEL, ZINC PLATE, OD: 0.436 [11.1] | KEYSTONE, 4703 |
| 4 | 6 | J1, J2, J5, J6, J7, J8 | RING, LUG, CRIMP, #10, NON-INSULATED, SOLDERLESS TERMINALS | KEYSTONE, 8205 |
| 5 | 6 | J1, J2, J5, J6, J7, J8 | STUD, FASTENER, #10-32 | PENNENGINEERING, KFH-032-10ET |
| 6 | 6 | J1, J2, J5, J6, J7, J8 | NUT, HEX, STEEL, ZINC PLATE, 10-32 | KEYSTONE, 4705 |
| 7 | 2 | J3, J4 | CONN., SMA RF COAX, PCB JACK RCPT, THT, STR | MOLEX, 73391-0060 |
| 8 | 1 | JP1 | CONN., HDR., MALE, 1x4, 2mm, THT, STR | SAMTEC, TMM-104-02-L-S |
| 9 | 1 | JP2 | CONN., HDR., MALE, 1x3, 2mm, THT, STR | SAMTEC, TMM-103-02-L-S |
| 10 | 4 | MH1, MH2, MH3, MH4 | STANDOFF, NYLON, SNAP-ON, 0.250" | KEYSTONE, 8831 WURTH ELEKTRONIK, 702931000 |
| 11 | 2 | XJP1, XJP2 | CONN., SHUNT, FEMALE, 2 POS, 2mm | SAMTEC, 2SN-BK-G |

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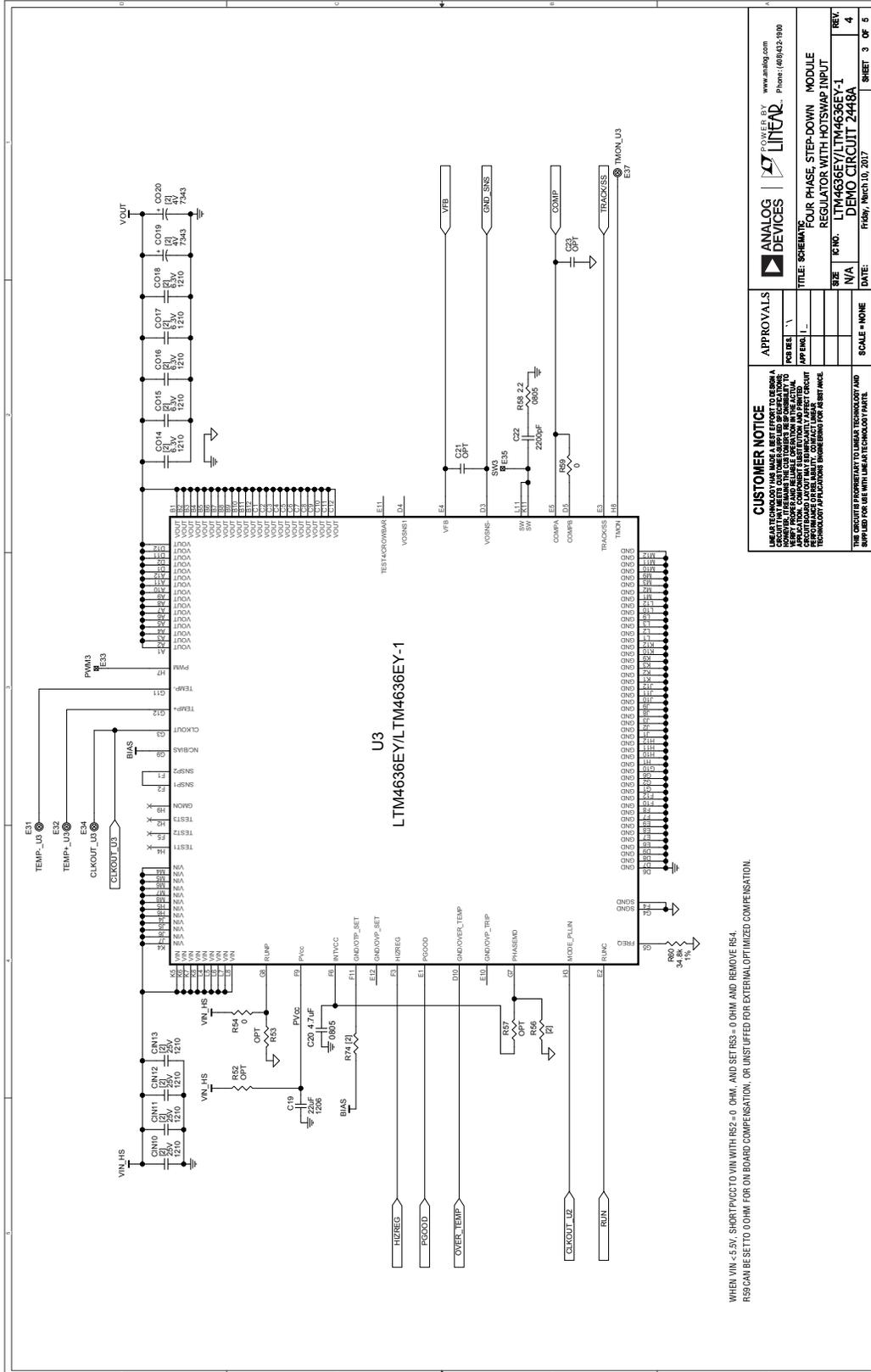
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WHEN VIN < 5.5V, SHORT PFCCTO VIN WITH R44 = 0 OHM, AND SET R43 = 0 OHM AND REMOVE R45.
R50 CAN BE SET TO 0 OHM FOR ON BOARD COMPENSATION, OR UNSTUFFED FOR EXTERNAL OPTIMIZED COMPENSATION.

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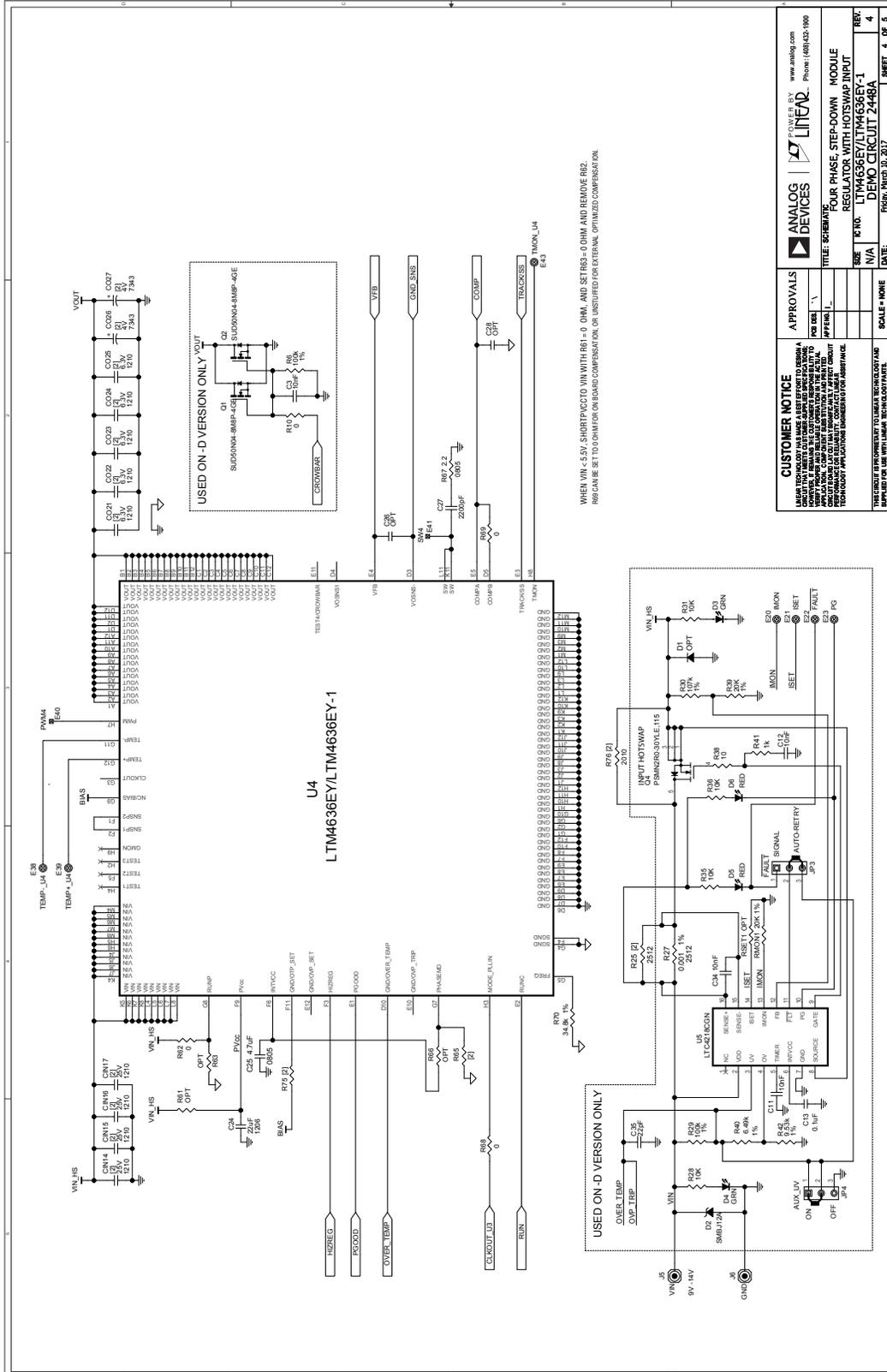
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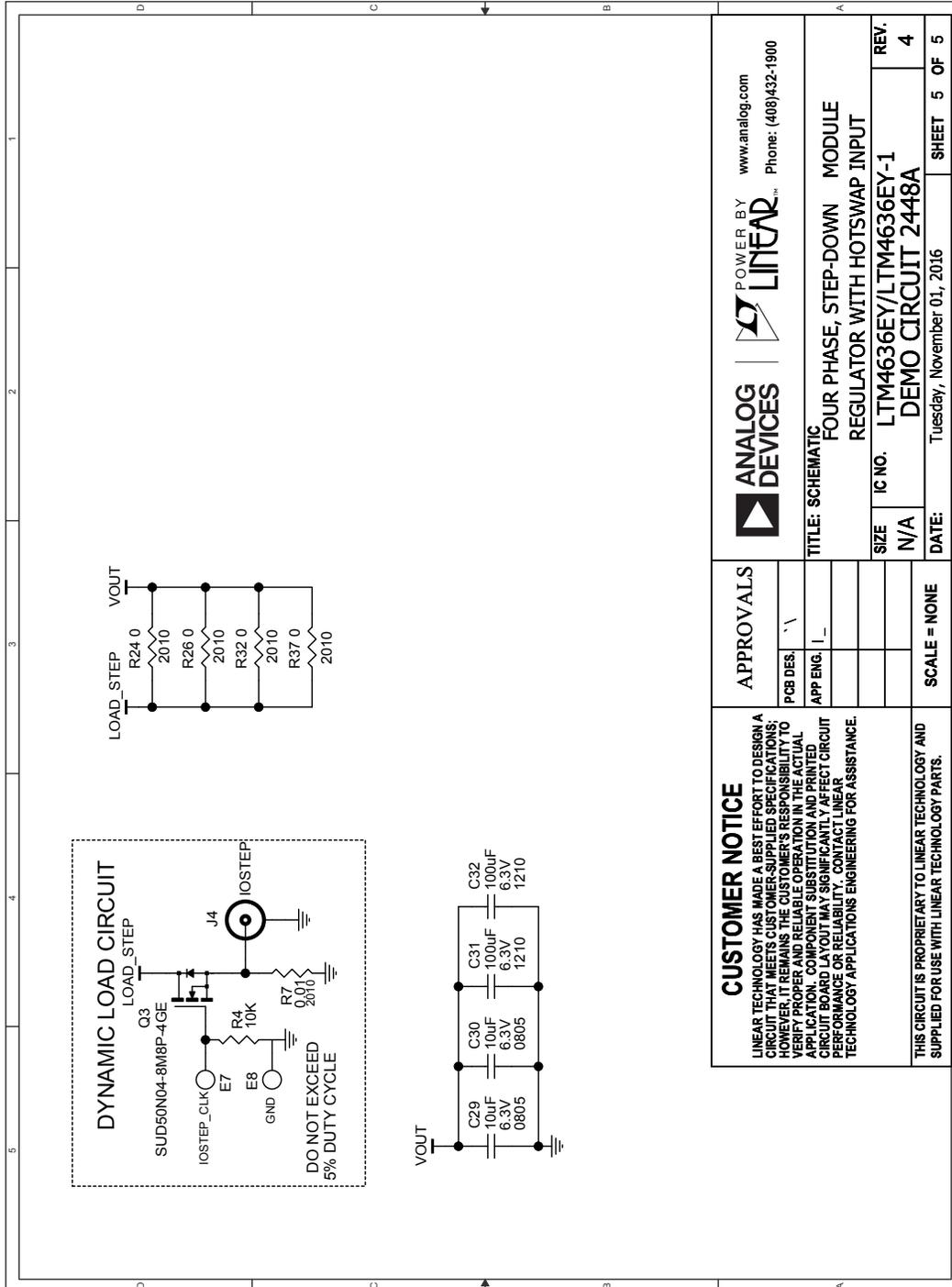
WHEN VIN < 5.5V, SHORT PVCC TO VIN WITH RS2 = 0 OHM, AND SET RS3 = 0 OHM AND REMOVE RS4.
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