

MDD to MDR Transition & Ultrasound Component Qualification

Overview

The project aimed at transitioning a Class IIA ultrasound product line from the Medical Device Directive (MDD) to the new EU Medical Device Regulation (MDR) compliance, while simultaneously de-risking single-source components by identifying and qualifying alternative sources. This included checking the Bill of Materials (BoM) for declined, phased-out, and discontinued components, suggesting and qualifying alternates, addressing cost of non-quality issues, and developing a comprehensive verification and testing strategy.

The Challenges

MDD to MDR Transition

Transitioning the ultrasound product line to meet the stringent requirements of EU-MDR, ensuring all compliance documentation and processes were updated and ready for a notified body audit.

Ultrasound Component Qualification

Identifying and qualifying alternative components to replace discontinued or non-compliant ones, ensuring they met form, fit, and function requirements, and addressing field problems and non-quality issues without compromising the device's performance and reliability.

Customer

Major European Medical Device OEM

Cyient's Role

Cyient played a pivotal role in ensuring the successful transition of a Class IIA ultrasound product line to EU-MDR compliance and in de-risking single-source components by identifying and qualifying alternatives, while addressing cost of non-quality issues and developing a comprehensive verification and testing strategy.

Tools Used

Silicon Expert, Fish Bone Analysis, 5-Why Analysis, BoM Scrubbing Tools.



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Our Solution

Framework & Automation

- Developed comprehensive frameworks and templates with automation elements to streamline the compliance and component qualification processes, ensuring efficiency and consistency across future projects.

MDR Compliance and Audit Preparation

- Detailed preparation for the notified body audit by ensuring all documentation and compliance measures were meticulously aligned with EU-MDR requirements.
- Executed the transition plan across 15 product lines, updating all processes and documentation.

BoM Scrubbing and Component Qualification

1. BoM Scrubbing:

- Separated active and passive parts. Utilized Silicon Expert tools to identify RoHS and REACH compliant alternatives. Created specification comparison sheets for proposed alternates.

2. Review and Finalization:

- Conducted internal reviews for form, fit, and function of suggested parts. Facilitated review and finalization by the client.

Design Impact and Root Cause Analysis

1. Design Impact Analysis:

- Created reports for parts requiring design changes and facilitated client review and finalization.

2. Root Cause Analysis:

- Analyzed CR documents and field data to understand field problems. Performed RCA using Fish Bone and 5-Why Analysis techniques to identify improvement areas and conducted solution tests.

PCN Testing and Documentation Update

Product Change Notification (PCN) Testing:

- Created PCNs and detailed test plans. Executed module level tests and prepared comprehensive test reports. Updated relevant documentation to reflect changes and test results.

Achievements

MDD to MDR Transition

Successfully implemented EU-MDR compliance for Class IIA ultrasound devices across 15 product lines. The frameworks and templates developed have set a standard for future compliance projects, ensuring streamlined and efficient transitions. The project culminated in a successful audit clearance by the notified body.

Ultrasound Component Qualification

The project led to a robust qualification of alternate components, ensuring the continuity and reliability of the ultrasound product line. Addressing cost of non-quality issues and implementing a rigorous verification and testing strategy significantly improved product quality and reduced risks associated with single-source dependencies.

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