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Dear Valued Customers and Partners,

The earthquake and subsequent tsunami have caused terrible damage and loss in Japan. Fortunately, no injuries have been reported to our Maxim Japan employees.

Maxim utilizes a hybrid manufacturing model with both company-owned facilities and manufacturing partners. One of Maxim's partner facilities, Seiko Epson, has been impacted by a power outage related to today's major earthquake. Our other facilities in Asia were not affected.

Our hybrid manufacturing model has considerable flexibility between internal factories and partner facilities in our network. Based on this flexibility, we are typically able to meet our supply chain obligations by shifting wafer starts between factories. In addition, over the last three months, we have built considerable buffer stock, which we will use to mitigate any potential disruption.

We have assessed the impact of the power outage at our Seiko Epson partner facility on a part-level basis in order to evaluate the potential impact to each of our customers

Based on our analysis, there will not be any impact to the supply of Maxim components to your business.

Please contact your local Maxim representative if you have further questions.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matt Murphy".

Matt Murphy
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