

NON-ISOLATED DC/DC CONVERTERS

4.5 Vdc - 14 Vdc Input

0.75 Vdc - 5.0 Vdc/3 A Output

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POWER PRODUCTS

VRBA-03E1Ax

RoHS Compliant

Rev.A

- Non-Isolated
- Fixed Frequency
- High Efficiency
- High Power Density
- Under-voltage Lockout (UVLO)
- OCP/SCP
- Remote On/Off
- Wide Trim Range
- Wide Input Range
- Active Low/High (Option)



Description

The Bel VRBA-03E1Ax modules are a series of non-isolated dc/dc converters that deliver up to 3 A of output current with full load efficiency of 93% at 5.0 Vdc output. These modules provide precisely regulated voltage programmable via external resistor from 0.75 Vdc to 5.0 Vdc over a wide range of input voltage. Their open-frame construction and small footprint enable designers to develop cost and space-efficient solutions. Standard features include remote On/Off, programmable output voltage and over current protection.

Part Selection

Output Voltage	Input Voltage	Max. Output Current	Max. Output Power	Typical Efficiency at 5.0V	Model Number Active High	Model Number Active Low
0.75 V - 5 V ¹	4.5 V - 14 V	3 A	15 W	93%	VRBA-03E1A0	VRBA-03E1AL

- Notes:**
1. These modules use a buck topology, so the output voltages must be 0.5 V less than the input voltage.
 2. Add "G" to the end of the Model Number to indicate Tray Packaging.
 3. All part numbers above indicate RoHS 6. Change the second letter "R" to "7" for RoHS 5 part numbers.

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Notes
Input Voltage (continuous)	-0.3 V	-	15 V	
Output Enable Terminal Voltage	-0.3 V	-	15 V	
Ambient Temperature	-40 °C	-	85 °C	
Storage Temperature	-55 °C	-	125 °C	

Note: All specifications are typical at 25 °C unless otherwise stated.

Input Specifications

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Notes
Input Voltage				
Vo set=5 V	7.0 V	12 V	14 V	
Vo set≤3.3 V	4.5 V	12 V	14 V	
Input Current (full load)				
Vo=5.0 V	-	1.35 A	3.70 A	
Vo=3.3 V	-	1.00 A	2.50 A	
Vo=0.75 V	-	0.25 A	0.65 A	
Input Current (no load)				
Vo=5.0 V	-	65 mA	80 mA	
Vo=3.3 V	-	50 mA	60 mA	
Vo=0.75 V	-	15 mA	20 mA	
Remote Off Input Current	-	3 mA	6 mA	
Input Reflected Ripple Current (pk-pk)				
Vo=5.0 V	-	150 mA	200 mA	Tested with simulated source impedance of 1 uH, 5 Hz to 20 MHz and two 100 uF/25 V external input Tantalum capacitors.
Vo=3.3 V	-	100 mA	150 mA	
Vo=0.75 V	-	35 mA	60 mA	

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Input Specifications (continued)

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Notes
Input Reflected Ripple Current (rms)				Tested with simulated source impedance of 1 μ H, 5 Hz to 20 MHz and two 100 μ F/25 V external input Tantalum capacitors.
$V_o=5.0$ V	-	50 mA	70 mA	
$V_o=3.3$ V	-	30 mA	50 mA	
$V_o=0.75$ V	-	12 mA	20 mA	
I^2t Inrush Current Transient	-	0.01 A ² s	0.02 A ² s	
Turn-on Voltage Threshold				
V_o set=5 V	-	5.5 V	6.5 V	
V_o set \leq 3.3 V	-	4.3 V	4.5 V	
Turn-off Voltage Threshold				
V_o set=5 V	3.8 V	5.5 V	6.0 V	
V_o set \leq 3.3 V	3.8 V	4.0 V	4.3 V	

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Output Specifications

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Notes	
Output Voltage Set Point	-2% V_o ,set	-	2% V_o ,set	$V_{in}=12$ V, $I_o=I_{o,max}$,	
Output Voltage Set Point	-3.5% V_o ,set	-	2.5% V_o ,set	Over all operating input voltage, resistive load, and temperature conditions	
Load Regulation	0.4% V_o ,set	0.3% V_o ,set	0.4% V_o ,set	$I_o=I_{o,min}$ to $I_{o,max}$	
Line Regulation	0.5% V_o ,set	0.3% V_o ,set	0.5% V_o ,set	$V_{in}=V_{in,min}$ to $V_{in,max}$	
Regulation Over Temperature	-	0.5% V_o ,set	-	-40 °C to +85 °C	
Output Current	0 A	-	3 A		
Current Limit Threshold	5 A	-	9.5 A		
Short Circuit Surge Transient	-	0.1 A ² s	0.2 A ² s		
Ripple and Noise (pk-pk)				Test conditions: 0-20 MHz BW, with external 10 μ F/ 10 V Tantalum capacitor and 1 μ F/ 10 V ceramic capacitor at the output.	
$V_o=5.0$ V	-	130 mV	150 mV		
$V_o=3.3$ V	-	100 mV	120 mV		
$V_o=0.75$ V	-	35 mV	45 mV		
Ripple and Noise (rms)				Test conditions: 0-20 MHz BW, with external 10 μ F/ 10 V Tantalum capacitor 1 μ F/10 V ceramic capacitor and two 22 μ F/10 V ceramic capacitors at the output.	
$V_o=5.0$ V	-	40 mV	50 mV		
$V_o=3.3$ V	-	30 mV	40 mV		
$V_o=0.75$ V	-	10 mV	20 mV		
Ripple and Noise (pk-pk)				Test conditions: 0-20 MHz BW, with external 10 μ F/ 10 V Tantalum capacitor 1 μ F/10 V ceramic capacitor and two 22 μ F/10 V ceramic capacitors at the output.	
$V_o=5.0$ V	-	70 mV	85 mV		
$V_o=3.3$ V	-	55 mV	70 mV		
$V_o=0.75$ V	-	20 mV	30 mV		
Ripple and Noise (rms)				Test conditions: 0-20 MHz BW, with external 10 μ F/ 10 V Tantalum capacitor 1 μ F/10 V ceramic capacitor and two 22 μ F/10 V ceramic capacitors at the output.	
$V_o=5.0$ V	-	20 mV	30 mV		
$V_o=3.3$ V	-	15 mV	25 mV		
$V_o=0.75$ V	-	5 mV	10 mV		
Turn on Time	-	8 mS	12 mS		
Overshoot at Turn on	-	0%	3%		
Output Capacitance	0 μ F	-	1200 μ F		
Transient Response					
50% ~ 100% Max Load	All	-	200 mV	300 mV	Test conditions: $di/dt = 2.5$ A/ μ S, $V_{in}=12$ V, and with external 10 μ F/ 10 V Tantalum capacitor and 1 μ F/ 10 V ceramic capacitor at the output.
Settling Time		-	20 μ S	50 μ S	
100% ~ 50% Max Load		-	200 mV	300 mV	
Settling Time		-	20 μ S	50 μ S	

Note: All specifications are typical at nominal input ($V_{in}=12$ V), full load at 25 °C unless otherwise stated.

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General Specifications

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Notes
Efficiency Vo=5.0 V Vo=3.3 V Vo=0.75 V	90% 88% 77%	93% 91% 80%	- - -	Measured at Vin=12 V, full load
Switching Frequency	200 kHz	230 kHz	250 kHz	
Output Voltage Trim Range (Wide Trim)	0.7525 V	-	5 V	
MTBF	7,900,000 hours			Calculated Per Bell Core SR-332 (Io = 80% load; Ta = 25 °C)
Dimensions (Vertical Mount) Inches (L x W x H) Millimeters (L x W x H)	1.0 x 0.5 x 0.27 25.41 x 12.7 x 6.85			
Weight	-	2.5 g	-	

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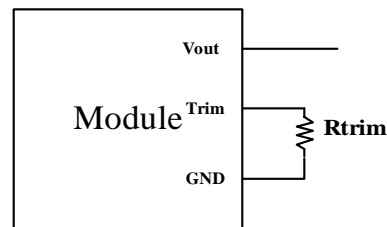
Control Specifications

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Notes
Remote On/Off				
Signal Low (Unit Off)	-0.3 V	-	0.4 V	Remote On/Off pin open, Unit on.
Signal High (Unit On)	2.5 V	-	14 V	
Signal Low (Unit On)	-0.3 V	-	0.4 V	
Signal High (Unit Off)	2.5 V	-	14 V	

Output Trim Equations

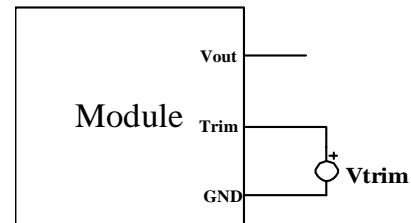
Equation for calculating the trim resistor (in kΩ) given the desired adjusted voltage (Vadj) is shown below. The Trim Up resistor should be connected between the Trim pin and Ground.

$$R_{trim} = \frac{10.507}{V_{adj} - 0.7525} - 1$$



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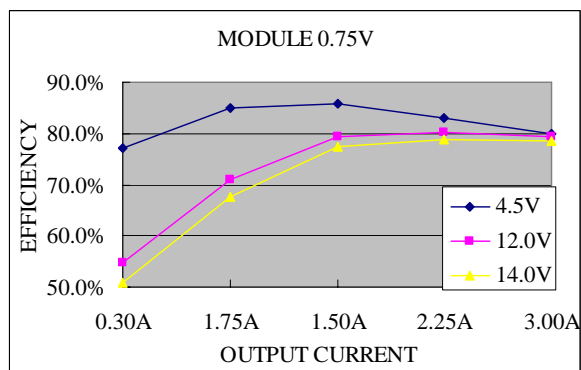
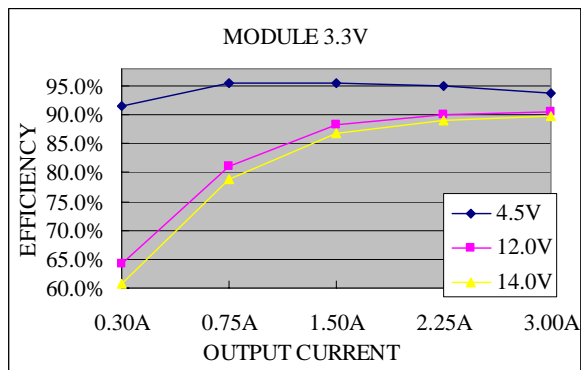
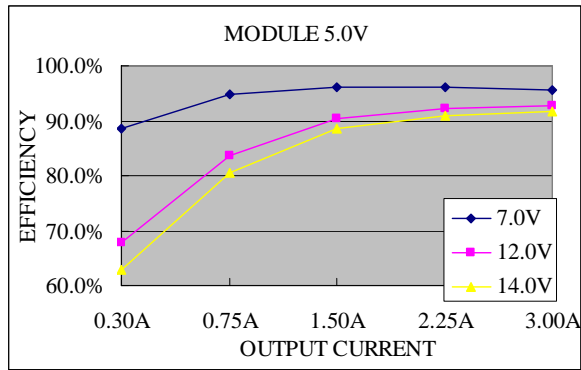
$$V_{trim} = 0.7 - 0.0667 \times (V_{adj} - 0.7525)$$



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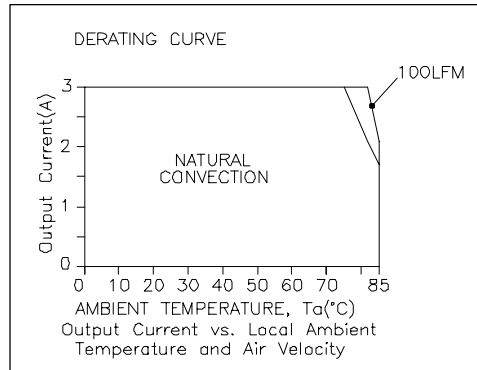
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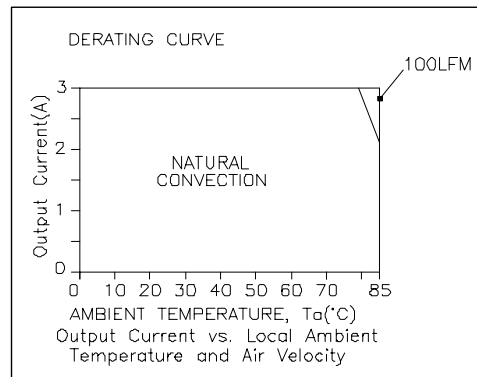
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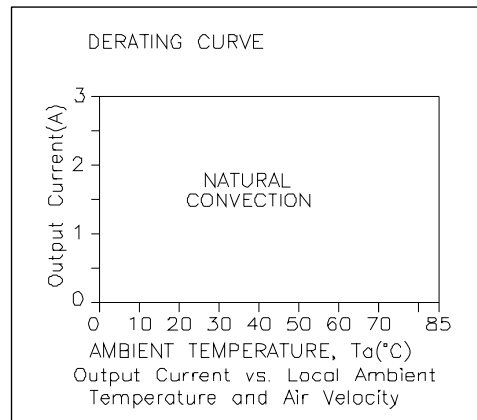
Thermal Derating Curves



$V_{in}=12\text{ V}, V_o=5.0\text{ V}$



$V_{in}=12\text{ V}, V_o=3.3\text{ V}$



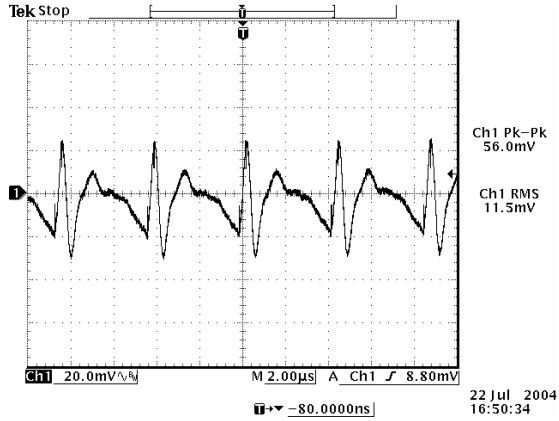
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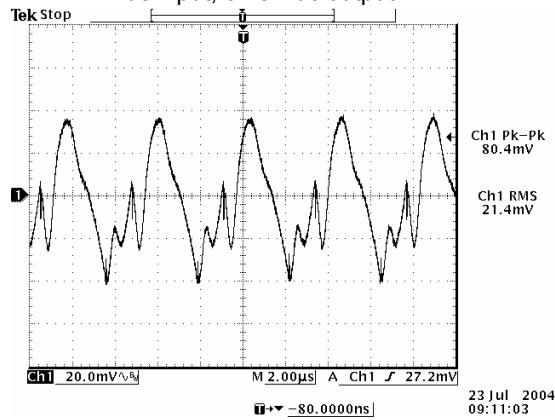
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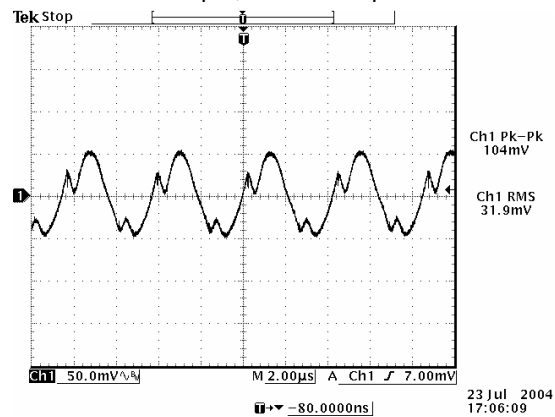
Ripple and Noise Waveforms



12 Vdc input, 0.75 Vdc output



12 Vdc input, 3.3 Vdc output



12 Vdc input, 5.0 Vdc output

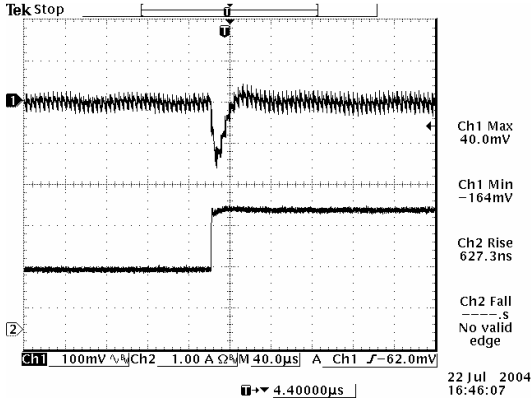
Note: Ripple and noise at full load, 0-20 MHz BW, with 10 μ F/10 V tantalum cap and 1 μ F/10 V ceramic cap at the output, and $T_a=25$ deg C.

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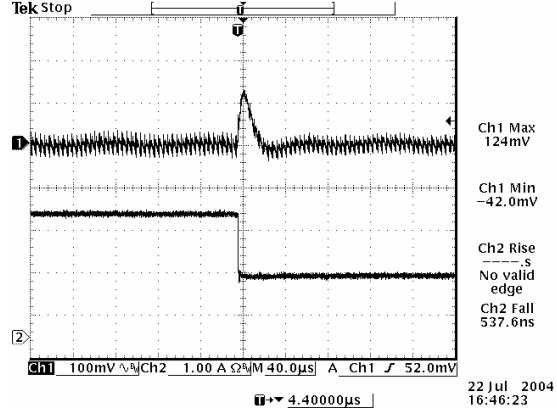
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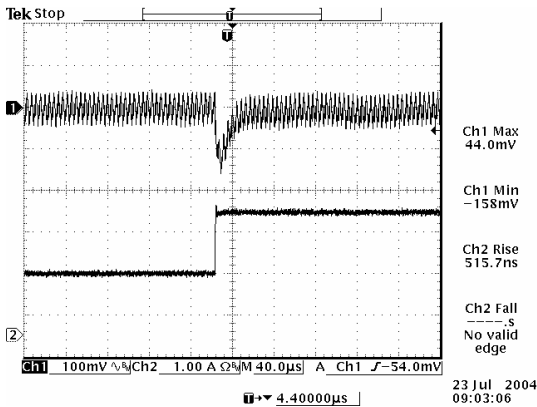
Transient Response Waveforms



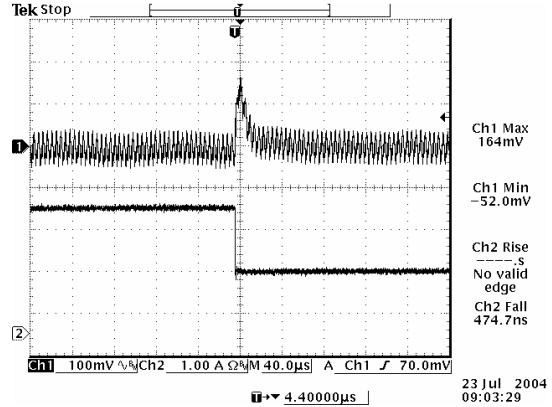
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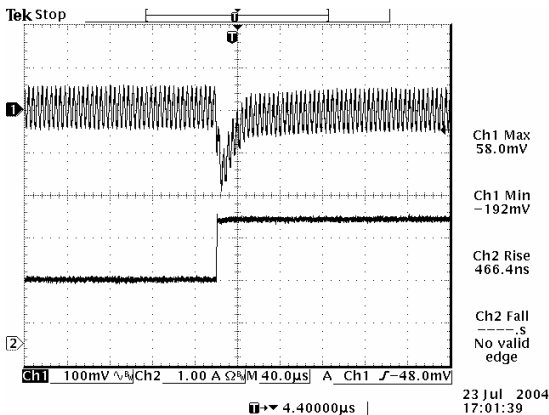
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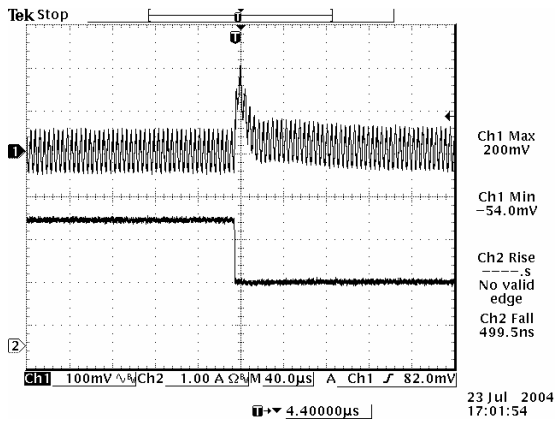
Transients 50% to 100% load 3.3 Vdc output



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Transients 50% to 100% load 5.0 Vdc output



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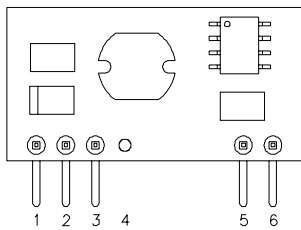
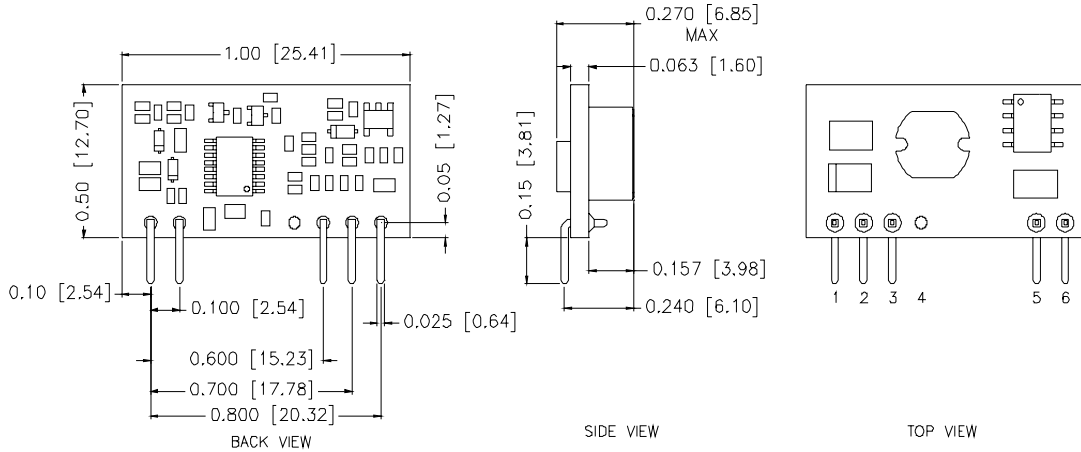
Note: Transient response at 12 Vdc input, di/dt=2.5 A/uS, with 10 uF/10 V tantalum cap and 1 uF/10 V ceramic cap at the output, Ta=25 deg C.

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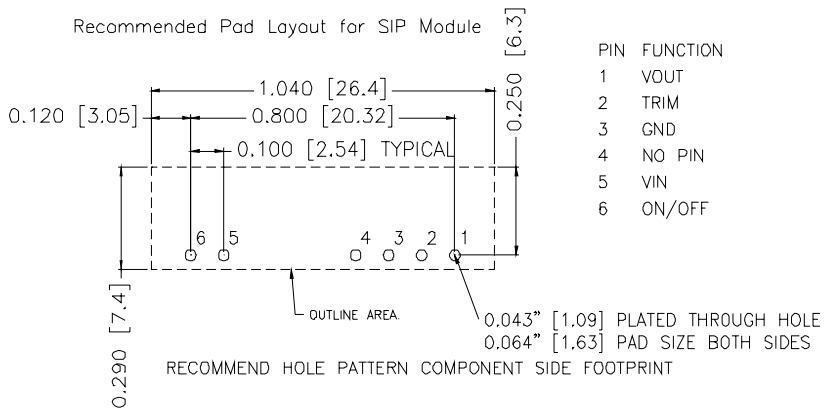
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Mechanical Outline



Recommended Pad Layout for SIP Module



PIN	FUNCTION
1	Vout
2	Trim
3	GND
4	NO PIN
5	Vin
6	ON/OFF

Pin Connections

Pin	Function
1	Vout
2	Trim
3	Ground
4	N/A
5	Vin
6	Remote On/Off

RoHS Compliance

Complies with the European Directive 2002/95/EC, calling for the elimination of lead and other hazardous substances from electronic products.



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