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### PEX 8114 Key Features

- Transparent and Non-٠ Transparent Modes
- Forward and Reverse Modes ٠
- Low Power Consumption (2W)
- Small Footprint 17 x 17 mm **BGA** Package
- Lead Free Available ٠
- Supports PCI and PCI-X 33MHz ٠ thru 133MHz

### **Other Important Features**

- No heat sink required ۲
- **EEPROM Configuration Option** •
- DC and AC JTAG •
- Fully-Integrated PCIe PHY
- Supports x1, x2 and x4 Links ۲
- Automatic Lane Reversal ۲
- 256 Byte Max Payload Size ۲
- End-to-End CRC ٠
- **Poison Bit Support** ٠
- Hot Plug ٠
- ٠ **MSI** Support
- Internal Arbiter Supports Up to 4 ٠ Masters
- **External Arbiter Support** ۲
- Advanced Error Reporting ٠
- Unused Lanes Powered Down
- Link and Device Power Management
- 8 Outstanding Split Transactions ٠
- Provides Up to 4 PCI/PCI-X ٠ Clocks
- Advanced Flow Control
- Listed on PCI SIG Integrator's ۲ list for PCIe and PCI/PCI-X Compliance

#### **Application: Quad T1 Communications Processor Card**

PLX Product: PEX 8114 ExpressLane PCIe to PCI-X Bridge

Kev Benefit: **Smart Communications Card Offloads Processing from Host** 

### New T1 Line Cards Deploy PCI Express for Higher **Throughput**

With the capacity requirements of telecom networks ever increasing, there are two trends to allow higher system throughput: (1) Offloading the communications processing from the host to the NIC, and (2) the transition from PCI to PCI Express. Offloading the communications processing, such as compression and decoding, from the system host allows the system to operate with more efficiency and hence



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increased traffic capacity. Because of its performance scalability and protocol advances, PCIe-based systems are faster and more reliable than their PCI-based counterparts.

These transitions are complicated in the fact that a processor on the line card will tend to be enumerated by the system host. This processor needs to be isolated from the host to prevent this. In addition, most communications processors on the market today are PCI-native. So there are two problems to solve: isolating the line card's processor and bridging it from PCI to PCI-Express.

### Offload Network Processing from the Host

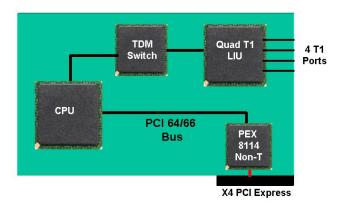
The solution is found in a single device from PLX: The PEX 8114 PCI Express to PCI-X ExpressLane bridge. This device bridges the PCI (or PCI-X) bus on the network processor to PCI Express for enhanced bandwidth. This is the only PCI Express Bridge to feature Non-Transparent mode.





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# Non-Transparent Mode Lets the Card Do the Heavy Lifting



Here's a closer look at the Quad T1 Line Card design. With the PEX 8114 in Non-Transparent (Non-T) mode, the card appears as an endpoint to the host, and hence the host does not try to look through the bridge as it would if it were in Transparentmode. In Non-T mode, the PEX 8114 provides a window through which the host can pass data into a translated address space. Communication CSRs, including doorbell and scratchpad are used to set up and define the behavior of the signaling and messaging interfaces used by the host and local processors to communicate with each other.

## The PEX 8114 is Optimized for These Applications:

- PCI-X Conversion to PCIe
- Adding PCI-X Slots to a PCIe System
- Adding PCIe Slots to a PCI-X System
- PCIe Hot Swap Cards
- High Performance ATCA and AMC Card

### Lead Free Packaging NOW!

The PEX 8114 is available in lead-free ROHScompliant versions as well as the traditional leaded packages.

Part Number	Package	Speed
PEX 8114-BA13BI	Standard Leaded BGA Package	133 MHz
PEX 8114-BA13BI G	Lead-Free ROHS Green BGA Packaging	133 MHz

### **PLX Advantages**

- The industry's best PCI Express expertise and support
- Low Power (2W)
- Small Footprint

### Design Tools & Documentation: On PLX Public ToolBox:

http://www.plxtech.com/products/pci\_express/PEX8114/default.asp

 DataBook, IBIS Models, App Notes, Product Brief, Hspice Models

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