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This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) the specification of the test equipment is changed to require the need to minimize relative humidity gradients and maximize air flow between semiconductor devices under test;

- b) the specification of the test equipment fixtures is changed to require the avoidance of condensation on devices under test and on electrical fixtures connecting the devices to the test equipment;
- c) replacement of references to “virtual junction” with “die”.

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Part 5: Steady-state temperature humidity bias life test

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60749 provides a steady-state temperature and humidity bias life test to evaluate the reliability of non-hermetic packaged semiconductor devices in humid environments.

This test method is considered destructive.

2 Normative references

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IEC 60749-4, *Semiconductor devices – Mechanical and climatic test methods – Part 4: Damp heat, steady-state, highly accelerated stress test (HAST)*

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4 General

Temperature, humidity and bias conditions are applied to accelerate the penetration of moisture through the external protective material (encapsulant or seal) or along the interface between the external protective material and the metallic conductors which pass through it.

Where both this steady-state, humidity bias test and the damp heat, highly accelerated stress test (HAST) of IEC 60749-4 are performed, the results of this 85 °C/85 % RH steady-state test will take priority over the results of the HAST test, which is an accelerated test designed to activate the same failure mechanisms.

5 Equipment

5.1 Equipment summary

The test requires a temperature-humidity test chamber capable of maintaining a specified temperature and relative humidity continuously, while providing electrical connections to the devices under test in a specified biasing configuration.