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## INTRODUCTION

Work began in 2012 to adopt the new derating curve suitable for the surface mount fixed resistors that use the terminal part temperature as the horizontal axis.

The derating curves for surface mount fixed resistors are defined in JIS C 5201-8:2014.

However, the principle of the derating curve was established when the resistors were cylindrically shaped, wired in the air and the heat was dissipated directly from the resistor body into the ambient environment. Therefore, it is not suitable for the surface mount fixed resistors that use the printed circuit boards as the main heat path.

It is necessary to fulfill the demands from the electric and electronic device manufacturers for raising the power ratings safely. Additionally, it is required to establish a new derating curve that is suitable for the surface mount fixed resistors so that they can be used safely in a high temperature environment, typically in automotive electronic devices.

Making a change of the temperature rule for evaluation of the fixed resistors from the ambient temperature to the temperature of the connection point (terminal part temperature of the resistor) will affect many defined contents of multiple standards in the IEC 60115 series. Additionally, it will mean changing the users' evaluation rules, so the impact will be enormous. Therefore, it has been decided to issue the Technical Report first to attract attention of the relevant market players and then, we will start working on changing the defined contents of the IEC 60115 series.

## **STUDY FOR THE DERATING CURVE OF SURFACE MOUNT FIXED RESISTORS –**

### **Derating curves based on terminal part temperature**

#### **1 Scope**

This Technical Report is applicable to SMD resistors with sizes equal or smaller than the RR6332M, including the typical rectangular and cylindrical SMD resistors mentioned in IEC 60115-8.

#### **2 Normative references**

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IEC 60115-1:2008, *Fixed resistors for use in electronic equipment – Part 1: Generic specification*

IEC 60115-8:2009, *Fixed resistors for use in electronic equipment – Part 8: Sectional specification: Fixed chip resistors*