



## **MIPI<sup>®</sup> Alliance Policy on Disclosure by MIPI Members of Board-adopted MIPI Specifications**

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MIPI Specifications are confidential and generally may not be given or disclosed to third parties. See the MIPI Alliance Membership Agreement ("MA"), Article 4. This document sets forth the MIPI policy for permitted disclosures to third parties.

I. In connection with the development by a Member of Compliant Portions (as defined in the MA) a Specification may be disclosed to employees and contractors who have a need to know and who have signed or are otherwise bound by confidentiality obligations or agreements with confidentiality obligations comparable to those of MIPI Members under the MA. "Each Member will neither disclose nor copy the Specification(s) except as necessary for its employees and contractors (under a comparable obligation of confidentiality) with a need to know for the purpose of developing products compliant with the Specification(s)". MA 4.1.

A contractor is defined as one "with whom the Member has contracted, or is negotiating in good faith to contract, for the purpose of providing services or manufacturing products complying with the MIPI Specification(s) for Member." MA 3.2(c).

No particular form of confidentiality agreement between the disclosing Member and its employees or contractors is provided by MIPI, but every Member is required to assure that the employee or contractor to whom disclosure is made is contractually or otherwise bound to BOTH the Member and MIPI in a manner comparable to the Member's obligation of confidentiality under the MA or, if not legally possible, is contractually bound to the Member, the latter having the responsibility for ensuring that the employee or contractor respects the obligation of confidentiality under the MA.

II. Disclosure of a Specification, or the creation of derivative works of a Specification, may also be made "as part of Member's product for the purpose of developing and selling products complying with the MIPI Specification(s)." MA 3.2(c). In this connection, the MIPI Board has approved the disclosure only of such portion of the Specification as in the reasonable judgment of the Member is relevant for the development and/or sale of Compliant Portions. This may, of course, require the disclosure of the entire Specification when the situation requires. The Board notes that these provisions of the MA are intended to assist Members in providing information useful in MIPI compliant product development or to provide support documentation for the Member's products.

III. Disclosure is also permitted when, in the opinion of the MIPI Board, such disclosure is a legitimate derivative use which enables the development or implementation of a MIPI Specification or development or sale of Compliant Portions. Permission for such disclosures may be granted by the MIPI Board on a case by case basis and subject to the receipt of a confidentiality agreement as in the case of a contractor. Examples of such a derivative use may be disclosures to vendors of test equipment or other enabling products.

Note: In ALL permitted cases of disclosure of a MIPI Specification, in whole, or in part, the disclosure must include (a) the copyright notice contained in the Specification on the first page of the disclosed portion and on every other page where it appears in the included portions of the Specification with prominence at least equal to that of the Specification as published by MIPI. The copyright notice on the first page shall be followed by the following language: "All rights reserved. This material is reprinted with the permission of the MIPI Alliance, Inc. No part(s) of this document may be disclosed, reproduced or used for any purpose other than as needed to support the use of the products of (inserting the Member's name)"; and (b) the Notice of Disclaimer as contained in the Specifications as published by MIPI.