



BRIEF INFORMATION Acoustic Vehicle Alerting System (AVAS)

- → For all-electric vehicles (PEV), hybrid electric vehicles (HEV) and fuel cell vehicles (FCV) with a silent engine for the purpose of improving road user safety
- → Simulates simple engine noise
- → Space-saving and compact loudspeaker
- → Low power consumption

PRODUCT FEATURES

Customer benefits

Vehicles can normally be recognized acoustically in road traffic by the sound of their engines. However, electrically powered vehicles emit more or less no sound. This makes them dangerous for pedestrians, blind people, cyclists and other road users. Our acoustic alerting system has therefore been developed for e-vehicles and generates a sound that is oriented towards that of the internal combustion engine.

Application

The installation of an acoustic alerting system has been mandatory for all newly developed electric and hybrid cars in the European Union since July 2019. And from July 2021, all newly registered electric models must be equipped with an acoustic vehicle alerting system. The sound limit for vehicles in the EU has been set at 20 km/h. In the USA, the threshold is 30km/h. Below that, the cars must produce sounds that resemble an internal combustion engine. When driving faster, the rolling noise produced by the tyres on the road is sufficient for the vehicle to be perceived by other road users.

DESIGN AND FUNCTION

The AVAS pedestrian warning system essentially consists of a signalling device (beeper) and electronics. Communication between the AVAS pedestrian alerting system and the vehicle is via CAN bus. The AVAS system receives information from the vehicle about the vehicle speed and the gear position. As a result, the tone frequency and volume of the simulated engine noise is ramped up with increasing speed (when starting) and is reduced accordingly with decreasing speed. The simulated engine noise is generated when the vehicle is driving forwards and backwards. From a speed of 20 or 30 km/h (country-specific), the rolling noise of the tyres drown out the actual engine sound with the result that the function of the AVAS becomes disabled.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Technical data

Operating voltage	9–16 V
Current consumption	150 mA (normal condition), quiescent current 100 μA
Weight	350 g
Operating temperature	- 40° C to + 85° C
CAN	Diagnostics (based on UDS standard)
Loudspeaker	2 inch (impedance 4 Ω)
Mute function	Support for On/Off status via CAN
Frequency range	160 Hz-5 kHz
Sound pressure level	65 ± 5 dB in 1 m Generation 0 km/h - 30 km/h (TBD) Minimum frequency change speed: 0.8% (km/h)
Vehicle operating speed	0 to 20 km/h
Protection class	IP 6К9К
Digital amplifier	32 bit at a sampling rate of max. 96 kHz
Housing volume	0.4 l
Housing material	PBT-GF15
Thermal overload protection	Yes
Connector	TYCO 114-18063-126
Mating connector	TYCO 1-967616-1

Technical drawing







Pin assignment



1 V_BAT 2 IGN 3 CAN_bus_L 4 N.A. 5 GND

CAN_bus_H

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Technical data CAN BUS interface* CAN specification High speed automotive CAN

CAN Specification	night speed automotive CAN
CAN baud rate	500kbps
Diagnostics	according to UDS standard

* The HELLA AVAS has CAN communication as standard. A DBC file can be provided. Customerspecific adaptations can be implemented on a project-specific basis in consultation with HELLA. Compatibility to higher level protocols such as SAE J1939 on request.

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW





AVAS

AVAS pedestrian alerting system with high-speed CAN communication and standard sound*

3SL 015 329-001(1 unit) 3SL 015 329-007 (30 pieces)

*Customised tones available on request



APPLICATION EXAMPLE



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