To Whom It May Concern:

Date: September 15th, 2015

Subject: Obsolescence of the 5mm x 9mm QFN-56 package of the LT8500

Linear Technology Corporation intends to obsolete the LT8500E(I)UHH in the 5mm x 9mm QFN-56 package. The reason for this obsolescence is that there is no longer the capability to perform the X-Wire bonding required for this package option. Nevertheless, we do have an alternative package for it, the 6mm x 6mm TLA QFN-56. Due to its pin out being different from that of the current package, a minor board layout change will be necessitated.

We understand that this product obsolescence could potentially impact some part of your product offering; therefore, Linear Technology will be offering a Last Time Buy (LTB) opportunity on the exiting 5mm x 9mm QFN-56 package in accordance with the schedule below:

| LTB Orders Accepted Starting: | October 1 st , 2015 |
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| Final Orders Accepted: | March 31 st , 2016 |
| Final Shipments: | September 30 th , 2016* |

We recognize the need for continued support and coordination between our companies during this transition and so, we have provided this six month order placement window, followed by an additional six month window in which to receive shipment. If we can provide any additional design or technical assistance please feel free to contact a Linear representative at <u>www.linear.com/contact</u> for details.

* Orders are non-cancelable and non-returnable. Actual delivery dates will vary due to individual manufacturing and scheduling requirements

Very truly yours, Linear Technology Corporation