

#### **EPCOS Product Brief 2017**

# **Film Capacitors**

### For Solar Inverters in Photovoltaic Systems

Photovoltaic systems consist of multiple components, including cells, mechanical and electrical connections or mountings. They regulate and/or modify the electrical output. The generated electricity can be stored, used directly or fed into a large grid powered by central generating plants connected or tied to the grid.

The solar inverter transforms DC to AC current. Power electronic designers are under increasing pressure to achieve:

- Higher power requirements with very high efficiencies
- Overvoltage and overcurrent protection due to switching failures, lightning, ground faults, safety regulations etc.
- Long-term stability and reliability

 Use of approved materials and components according to recognized institutes such as UL and VDE

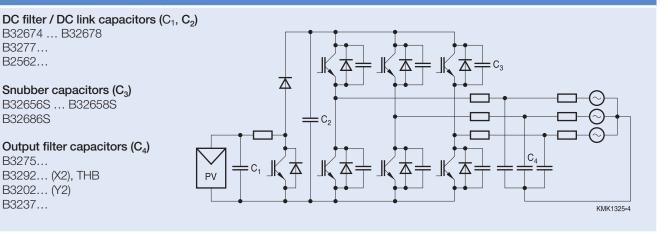
EPCOS offers specific products for many circuit functions, depending on the application requirements. Thus, its film capacitor technology is particularly suitable for power electronics designers looking for proven performance:

- Higher rated voltages compared to other capacitor technologies
- Option of AC operation (reverse current)
- High overvoltage capability due to their self-healing properties
- Lower equivalent serial resistance (ESR) and inductance (ESL)
- Higher power operation (I<sub>RMS</sub> vs. frequency)
- Stability of electrical parameters over time and temperature



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#### Schematic circuit



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| Technical data   |   |  |   |   |
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|  |   | Capacitance  | Voltage   | Ordering code/ type   |
| DC link capacitors   |   |  |   |   |
| E CONTRACTOR DE LA CONT |   | 40 1500 μF<br>1.5 480 μF<br>0.47 270 μF<br>1.5 120 μF<br>1 50 μF | 700 1980 V DC<br>450 1300 V DC<br>300 875 V DC<br>450 1300 V DC<br>630 840 V DC           | B2562<br>B32774 B32778<br>B32674 B32678<br>B32774H B32778H<br>B32774P B32778P |
| Snubber capacitors   |   |  |   |   |
|  |   | 0.068 5.6 μF<br>0.022 680 nF                                     | 850 2000 V DC<br>1000 2000 V DC   | B32656S B32658S<br>B32686S  |
| Output filter capacitors   |   |  |   |   |
|  | ta<br>ta ang ang ang ang ang ang ang ang ang an                                     | 5 600 μF<br>1 70 μF<br>0.47 20 μF                                | 250 600 V RMS<br>250 310 V AC<br>V <sub>RMS</sub> : 350 V AC                              | B3237<br>B32754 B32758<br>B32924*4 B32926*4                                   |
| EMC capacitors   |   |  |   |   |
| B32922 X2 MKP/SH<br>40/110/56/B<br>600 RL 670<br>900-  | 83001 MCP 40/00/208<br>V2 1000-4 X1 4400-4 94<br>€10 <b>PL 29X1</b><br>141 4 8000-4 | 0.1 15 μF<br>0.47 20 μF<br>1 nF 1 μF                             | V <sub>RMS</sub> : 305 V AC<br>V <sub>RMS</sub> : 350 V AC<br>V <sub>RMS</sub> : 300 V AC | B32922H/J B32926H/J<br>B32924*4 B32926*4<br>B32021 B32026                     |

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