

SmartFusion2 Flash*Freeze Entry and Exit - With SoftConsole - Libero SoC v11.4

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Purpose

This application note describes how to set different user defined settings during the design time using the Libero[®] System-on-Chip (SoC) software. It also describes in detail how to enter Flash*Freeze (F*F) mode using the System Services through ARM[®] Cortex[®]-M3 firmware, using SoftConsole, and exiting from F*F mode using different mechanisms, such as external I/Os events and/or RTC time-out event.

Introduction

SmartFusion[®]2 system-on-chip (SoC) field programmable gate array (FPGA) devices provide an ultra-low static power solution through F*F technology. Entry into F*F mode retains all the static random-access memory (SRAM) and registers information and F*F exit mode achieves rapid recovery to Active mode.

One of the System Controller's functions in the SmartFusion2 device is to handle the System Services requests through the communication block (COMM_BLK). The System Services are grouped into different services. Refer to the [SmartFusion2 System Controller User Guide](#) for more details. The SmartFusion2 device enters into F*F mode by using the F*F services request that the System Controller provides. Some of these options need to be set by the user during the design time, such as the clock source to be used as the standby clock source for the microcontroller subsystem (MSS) during F*F mode. Furthermore, the fabric SRAM state can also be defined during F*F mode.

The fabric SRAM state during F*F can either be "Sleep" or "Suspend". In Suspend mode, the large SRAM (LSRAM) and micro SRAM (uSRAM) contents are retained. It means, when the device exits F*F mode, the content of the SRAMs is not lost. In Sleep mode, the LSRAM and uSRAM contents are not retained. The standby clock source for the MSS during F*F and the state are configured in the F*F hardware settings in Libero SoC.

There are different ways to exit from F*F mode. Exit from F*F mode can be initiated by internal timed events, such as a real-time counter (RTC) event or external I/O events (either transitions or pattern matching on I/Os). The state and the role that I/Os play during F*F mode must be specified during the design time using the Libero SoC. There are three different settings available. These settings are categorized as the I/O state in F*F mode, I/O availability in F*F mode, and I/O role in exiting from F*F mode. Depending on the type of the I/O, some or all of those options may not be available. Refer to the [SmartFusion2 Low Power Design User's Guide](#) for more details.

Managing the MDDR, FDDR, or SERDES before and after F*F mode, power measurements, or using fabric master option to enter into F*F mode are not discussed in this document.

References

The following list of references was used in this document. The references complement and help in understanding the relevant Microsemi® SmartFusion2 SoC FPGA device features and flows that are demonstrated in this document.

- [SmartFusion2 System Controller User Guide](#)
- [SmartFusion2 Low Power Design User Guide](#)
- [SmartFusion2 eNVM Initialization Application Note](#)
- [SmartFusion2 Evaluation Kit Board](#)

Design Requirements

Table 1 shows the design requirements.

Table 1 • Design Requirements

Design Requirements	Description
Hardware Requirements	
SmartFusion2 Evaluation Kit	Rev C
Host PC	Any 64-bit Windows Operating System
Software Requirements	
Libero SoC	v11.4
SoftConsole	v3.4 SP1
FlashPro programming software	v11.4
Host PC Drivers	USB to UART drivers
One of the following serial terminal emulation programs: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• HyperTerminal• TeraTerm• PuTTY	—

Design Description

The design example consists of the MSS, a counter, SRAM wrapper logic, IP cores (CoreAHBLite, CoreAHBToAPB3, CoreResetP, and CoreAPB3), and fabric CCC (FCCC). The IP cores along with the SRAM wrapper are used to initialize the fabric SRAM by moving data from the embedded nonvolatile memory (eNVM) to the fabric SRAM through FIC_0 AHB master interface. A Data Storage client is defined in the eNVM with the data to be written to the SRAM. This is used to demonstrate the state of the fabric SRAM content after exiting from F*F mode. Refer to the [SmartFusion2 eNVM Initialization Application Note](#) for more details on how to use eNVM to initialize fabric SRAMs. The CoreResetP handles the sequencing of reset signals in the device. Refer to the CoreResetP Handbook for more details on this core.

Using the System Builder, the MSS is configured to use one UART interface (MMUART_1), MSS clock condition circuit (MSS_CCC), the RTC to generate the RTC interrupt event to wake up the device, and one instance of the fabric interface (FIC_0). The FIC_0 interface is configured to use the master interface with AHB-Lite (AHBL) interface type. The MMUART_1 is used as an interface for reading and writing to the HyperTerminal and is clocked by PCLK1 on the APB bus1 (APB_1). PCLK1 is derived from the Cortex-M3 processor and MSS main clock (M3_CLK). Refer to the top-level block diagram in [Figure 1 on page 4](#). The M3_CLK, FIC_0_CLK, and APB_1_CLK are configured as 100 MHz clocks generated from the MSS_CCC.

In Active mode (non F*F), the MSS_CCC is configured to be sourced from the FPGA fabric through the CLK_BASE port. The FCCC is configured to provide the 100 MHz CLK_BASE reference. The on-chip 50 MHz oscillator is the reference clock source for the FCCC. The output of a counter is connected to a set of light-emitting diodes (LEDs) to monitor the state of the fabric while entering and exiting F*F mode. The LEDs ports assignments are shown in [Table 2](#).

Table 2 • LED to Pins Assignments (SmartFusion2 Evaluation Kit Board)

Counter Output	Package Pin
LED_1	H5
LED_2	H6
LED_3	J6
LED_4	H7

The top-level block diagram shows the main blocks used in the design, as shown in Figure 1.

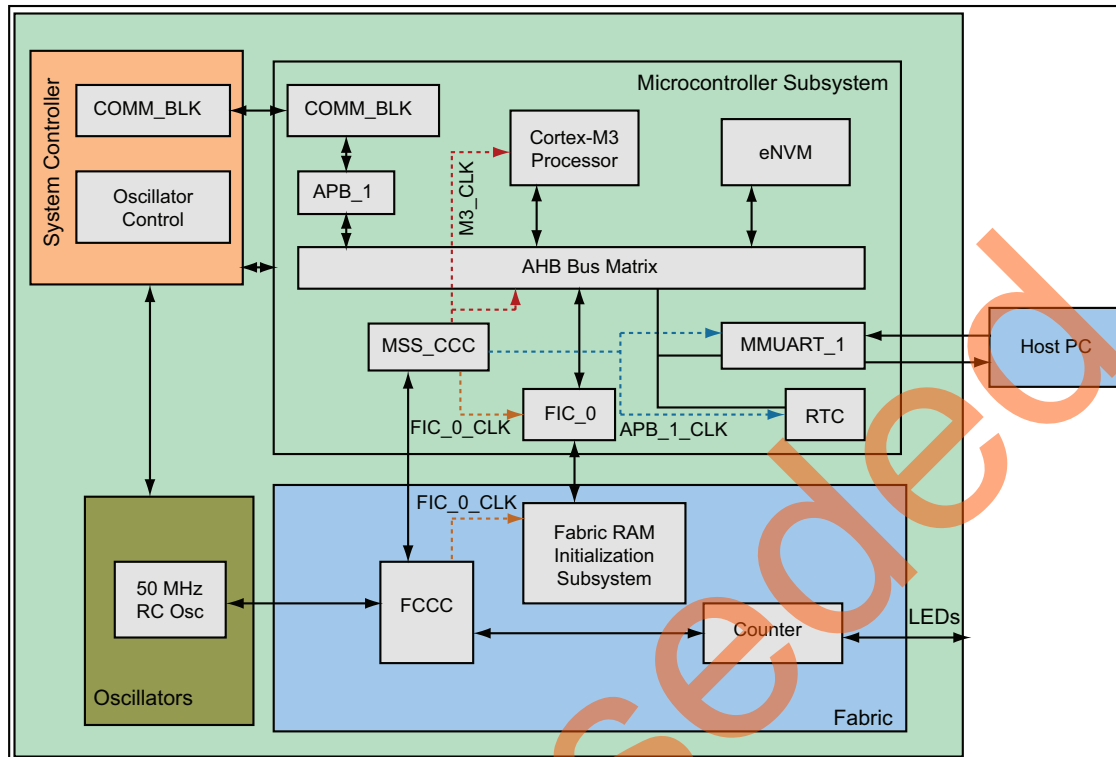


Figure 1 • Top-Level Block Diagram of the Design

Entering into F*F Mode

Entering into F*F mode is done through the System Services using software drivers. System Services are requested, through firmware drivers, by sending a command byte describing the function to be performed followed by command specific sub-commands and/or data. The F*F service requests the System Controller to execute the F*F entry sequence. When the F*F service begins execution, the System Controller informs the MSS by sending a command byte E0H that F*F shutdown is imminent. The service is stalled until this command byte can be accepted by the COMM_BLK FIFO. If a new service request is received while servicing another request, the new service request is immediately aborted. Refer to the "Flash*Freeze Service" section in the [SmartFusion2 System Controller User's Guide](#) for more details.

As the F*F system service command is initiated, the System Controller disables the fabric, each eNVM block, or the MSS PLL circuit. All these options are available as part of the firmware System Services driver function `MSS_SYS_flash_freeze()`, which is part of the `mss_sys_services` driver. Refer to the "Software Implementation" section on page 10 for more details.

Exiting from F*F Mode

Exiting from F*F mode can be initiated by external I/Os events or by an RTC event. User I/Os (MSIO, MSIOD, or DDRIO) that are single-ended inputs can participate in the F*F exit in two ways.

- I/O Activity: Force F*F exit up on an activity (Wake_On_Change)
- I/O Signature: Force F*F exit up on a signature (Wake_On_1/Wake_On_0) match in which the I/O participates with other I/Os to trigger F*F exit. This is a logical **AND** behavior where all I/Os must meet the Low Power Exit settings.

The external I/O events are specified during the design time using the I/O Editor in the Libero SoC software. Only input I/Os participate in the F*F exit event.

Note: The Wake_On_Change is a logical **OR** behavior with I/Os that are set as Wake_ON_1 /Wake_ON_0. This means that to wake from F*F, it must be {(All Wake-on-0 **ANDed**) **ANDed** with (All Wake-on-1 **ANDed**)} **ORed** with (All Wake-on-Change **ORed**).

I/O Activity

In I/O Activity mode, an input I/O can be selected to be part of a transition. The value at the pin of the activity I/O is latched before going to Low Power mode. When a change happens on the configured I/O, the device wakes up from F*F mode. The change can either be 1-to-0 or 0-to-1. This option is equivalent to the "Wake_On_Change" option in the I/O Editor. This can be set on more than one I/O. The Wake_On_Change is a logical **OR** behavior with other I/Os that are set as Wake_On_Change.

I/O Signature

Any input I/O can be selected to be a part of a signature match value that is used to wake-up the device from F*F mode. All the selected I/Os have to match a static predetermined value at the same time. If the configured signature values match the values at I/Os, then the device exits from F*F mode. I/Os can be a mixture of different signature settings. An I/O can be configured to participate in the F*F exit upon a 0-to-1 or it can be configured to participate in the F*F exit upon a 1-to-0 transition. These options are equivalent to Wake_On_1 (transition from 0-to-1) and Wake_On_0 (transition from 1-to-0) settings in the I/O Editor in the Libero SoC software.

All other I/Os that are not participating in the F*F exit mechanism are tristated or held to the previous state (LAST_VALUE) before entering F*F mode. The selection is set using **I/O state in Flash*Freeze mode** column options in the I/O Editor using the Libero SoC, as shown in Figure 8 on page 9.

SW5 (four different dual in-line package (DIP) switches) on the Evaluation Kit board is used to demonstrate the pattern matching wake-up mechanism. Four different inputs are created in the top-level design where each input is assigned to a DIP switch, as shown in Figure 2. SW1 on the Evaluation Kit board is used to demonstrate the transition (Wake_On_Change) wake-up event mechanism, as shown in Figure 2.

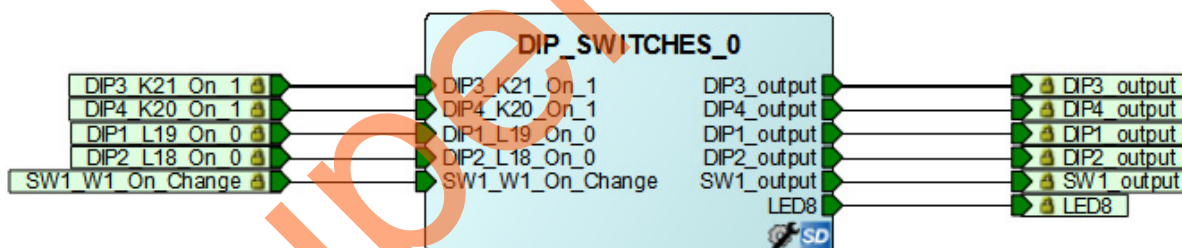


Figure 2 • DIP Switches and the SW1 Connectivity in SmartDesign

To demonstrate the RTC wake-up event mechanism, the RTC is configured in Binary mode. Refer to the "Software Implementation" section on page 10 for more information. The timeout value should be set per the application needs and should also ensure that one of the on-chip clock resources is driving the RTC. Exit from F*F mode can also be achieved by the Cortex-M3 processor by setting the "Wakeup_set" bit in the RTC control register that results in assertion of the RTC wakeup interrupt. The RTC wakeup interrupt is routed to the System Controller, fabric, and Cortex-M3 processor nested vectored interrupt controller (NVIC). Refer to the "Hardware Implementation" section on page 6 for more information.

Hardware Implementation

The hardware implementation involves configuring the MSS and the necessary F*F settings. The FIC_0, MMUART_1, and RTC are enabled using the MSS configurator. The design example consists of MSS, a counter, SRAM wrapper logic, IP cores (CoreAHBLite, CoreAHBToAPB3, CoreAPB3), and FCCC, as shown in Figure 3. The IP cores along with the SRAM wrapper are used to initialize the fabric SRAM by moving data from the eNVM to the fabric SRAM through FIC_0 AHB master interface. A Data Storage client is defined in the eNVM with the data to be written to the SRAM. This is used to demonstrate the state of the fabric SRAM content after exiting from F*F. Refer to the [SmartFusion2 eNVM Initialization Application Note](#) for more information on how to use the eNVM to initialize fabric SRAMs.

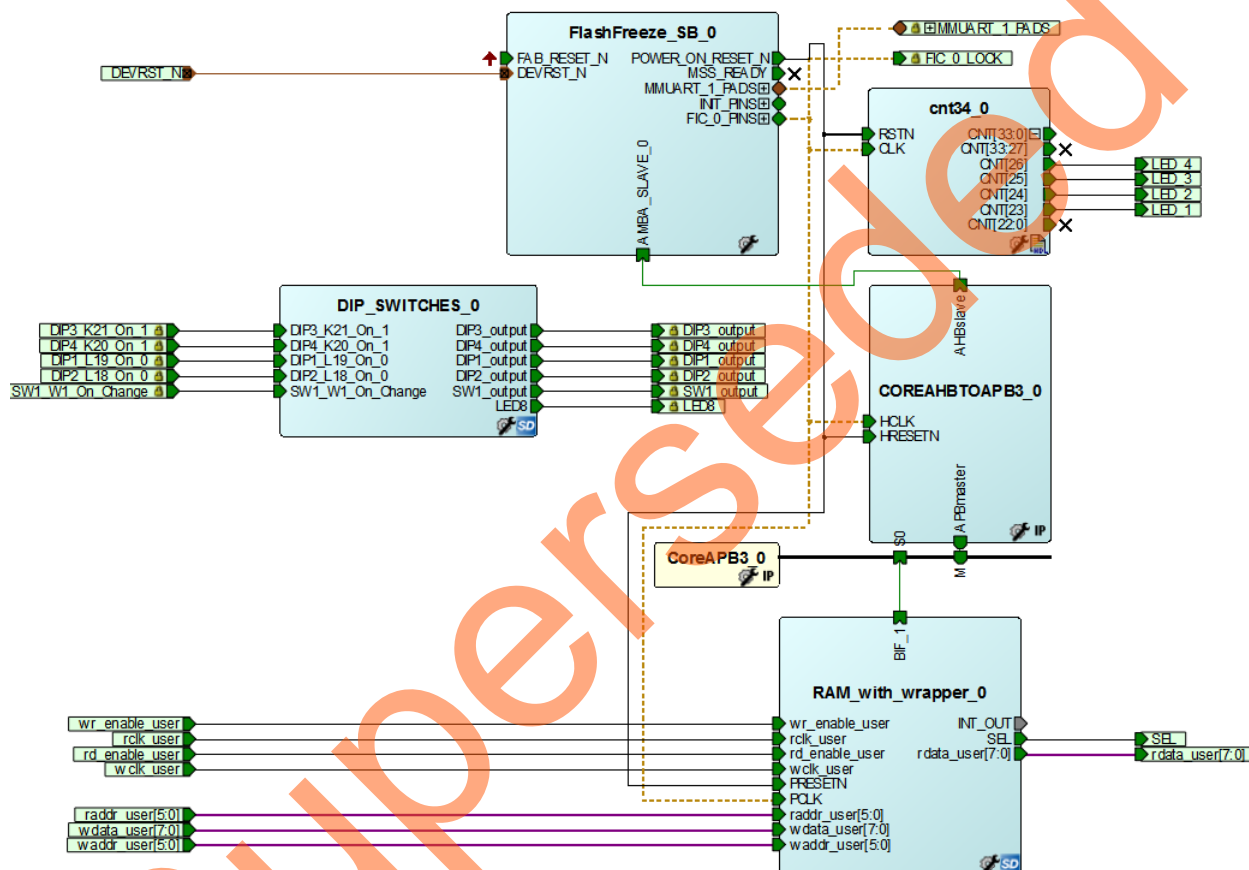


Figure 3 • Top-Level Hardware Design

The FIC_0 interface is configured part of the System Builder as AHBL master interface, as shown in Figure 4.

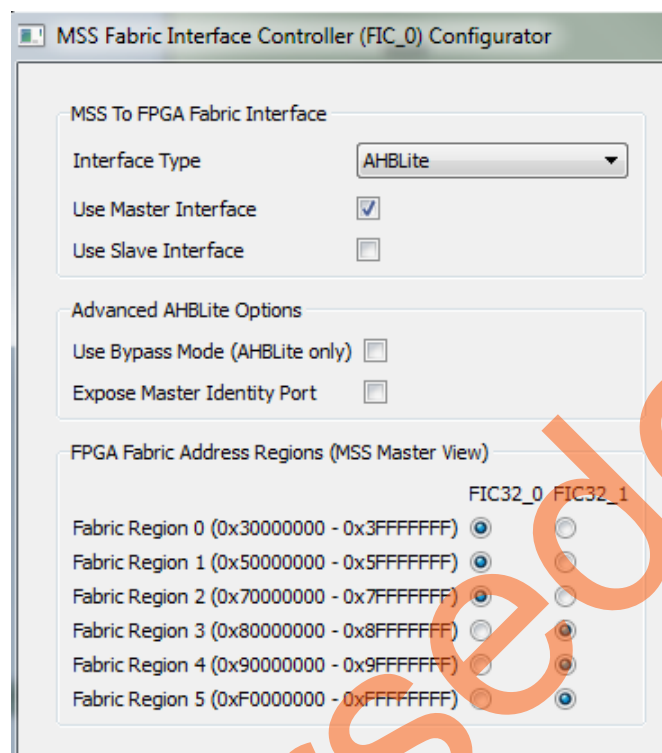


Figure 4 • FIC_0 AHBL Master Interface Configuration

The RTC block is enabled and is clocked from the internal 1 MHz RC oscillator. This option is selected in the Libero SoC during the hardware design flow. **Enable WakeUp interrupt to Cortex-M3** is selected, as shown in Figure 5.

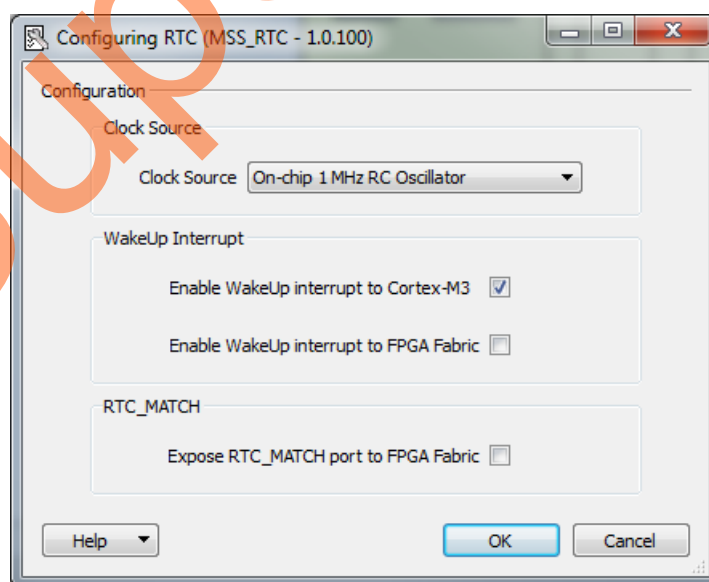


Figure 5 • RTC Configuration

The MSS_CCC clock source is sourced from the FCCC through the CLK_BASE port. The FCCC is configured to provide the 100 MHz clock using GL0. The FCCC reference clock is sourced from the On-chip 25/50 MHz RC Oscillator. Figure 6 shows the system clocks configurations for the M3_CLK, APB_1_CLK, and FIC_0_CLK clock settings.

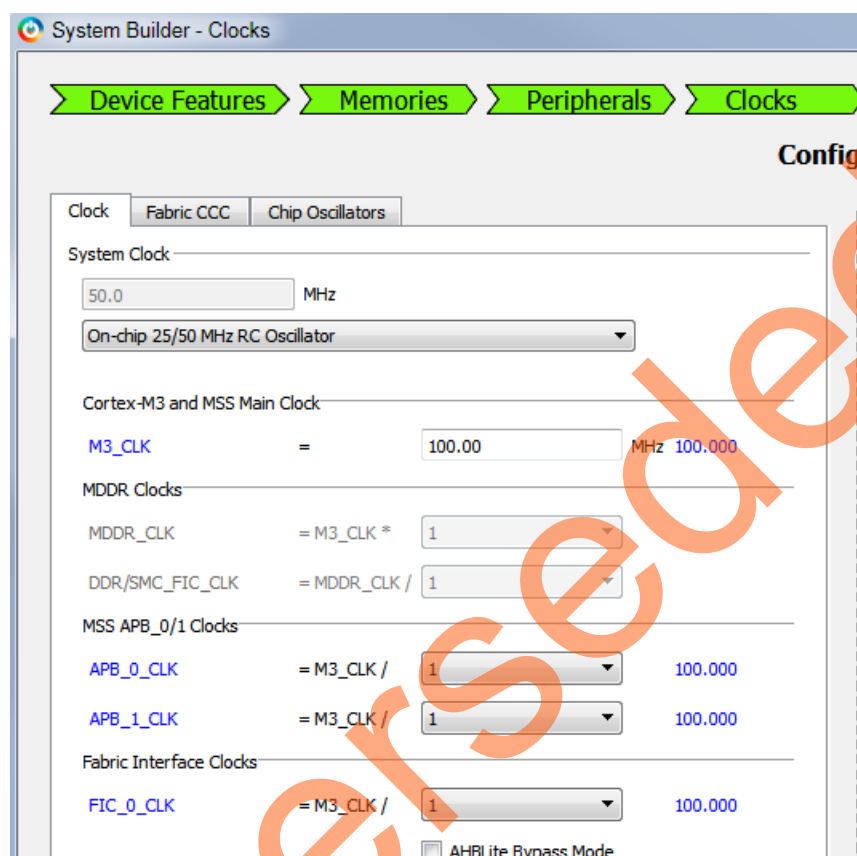


Figure 6 • MSS CCC System Builder System Clocks Configurations

The standby clock source for the MSS in F*F mode and the state of the SRAMs (uRAM and LSRAM) during F*F mode are configured using the Flash*Freeze Hardware Settings dialog in the Libero SoC software, as shown in Figure 7. For some peripherals that can remain active (such as SPI or MMUART), a higher MSS clock frequency (for example, MMUART to meet the baud rate) might be required. Following are the MSS clock source options that are available to be used during F*F mode:

- On-chip 1 MHz RC oscillator
- On-chip 50 MHz RC oscillator

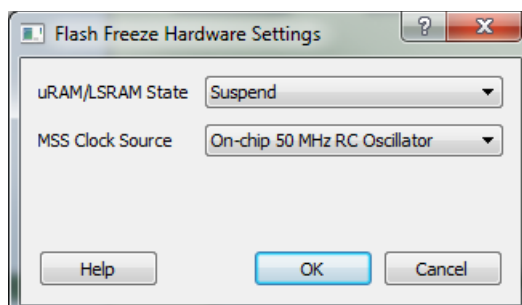


Figure 7 • Flash*Freeze Hardware Settings Dialog

The I/Os F*F exit mechanism is specified using the Low Power Exit setting in the I/O Constraints Editor in the Libero SoC, as shown in [Figure 8](#).

Note:

- The I/O available in F*F option applies only to I/Os allocated to the MSS peripherals.
- When I/Os are set to be available during F*F mode, the I/O state in F*F option does not apply.
- Only inputs or bidirectional I/Os participate in signature/activity F*F exit. This means that the Low Power Exit options are available to be set on inputs and/or bidirectional I/Os only.

Port Name	Pin Number	Resistor Pull	I/O available in Flash*Freeze mode	Low Power Exit
DIP1_L19_On_0	L19	Up	No	Wake_On_0
DIP2_L18_On_0	L18	Up	No	Wake_On_0
DIP3_K21_On_1	K21	Down	No	Wake_On_1
DIP4_K20_On_1	K20	Down	No	Wake_On_1
SW1_L20_On_Change	L20	None	No	Wake_On_Change
MMUART_1_TXD	H19	None	Yes	--
MMUART_1_RXD	G18	None	Yes	Off

Figure 8 • Specifying I/O State and Functionality Options Using I/O Editor

The F*F exit behavior of input I/Os (DIP1-4) and SW1 are configured using the I/O Editor in the Libero SoC, as shown in [Figure 8](#). The DIP switches to package pin assignments are shown in [Table 3](#).

Table 3 • DIP Switches to Package Pins Assignments

Input DIP Switch and SW1	Package Pin
DIP1	L19
DIP2	L18
DIP3	K21
DIP4	K20
SW1	L20

The MMUART_1 is used to read and write to the HyperTerminal window and the RXD and TXD ports are configured using the I/O Constraints Editor to be available during F*F mode, as shown in [Figure 9](#) on [page 10](#).

Note: The "I/O available in F*F mode" is available only on the I/Os allocated to the MSS peripherals.

Ports		Package Pins		Package Viewer			
	Port Name	Direction	Pin Number	Locked	I/O available in Flash*Freeze mode	Low Power Exit	
16	MMUART_1_RXD	Input	G18	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	Off	
17	MMUART_1_TXD	Output	H19	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	--	

Figure 9 • Configuring MMUART_1 Ports to be Available During F*F

Software Implementation

The SmartFusion2 MSS System Services software driver provides a set of functions to access different System Services that the System Controller performs in conjunction with the communication block (COMM_BLK) that is part of the MSS. One of these services is to request the SmartFusion2 device to enter F*F mode. [Figure 10](#) shows the System Services driver. Refer to the **SmartFusion2 MSS System Services Driver User Guide** for more information. Right-click **SmartFusion2_MSS_System_Services_Driver** to access the user guide, as shown in [Figure 10](#).

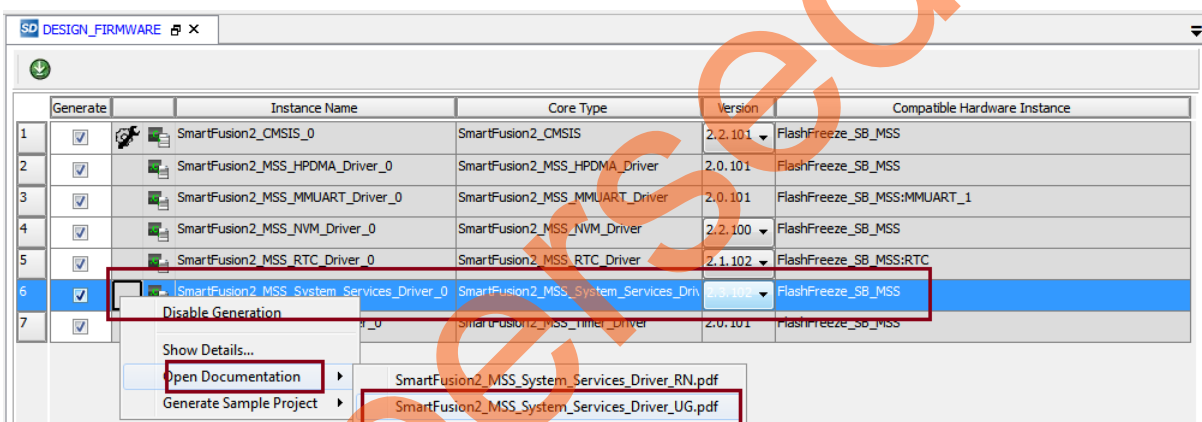


Figure 10 • System Services Firmware Driver

The following drivers and APIs are used in the example design to configure different aspects of the design.

```
MSS_SYS_init(sys_services_event_handler);
```

The System Services driver is initialized through a call to the MSS_SYS_init() function. The MSS_SYS_init() function must be called before any other System Service driver functions are called.

```
MSS_SYS_flash_freeze(options);
```

The function requests the SmartFusion2 device to enter F*F mode. The options parameter can be used to power-down different parts of SmartFusion2, as shown in [Table 4](#).

Table 4 • F*F Request Function Options Descriptions

Options	Description
MSS_SYS_FPGA_POWER_DOWN	MSS_SYS_flash_freeze() function should request the FPGA fabric to enter Flash*Freeze mode.
MSS_SYS_ENVM0_POWER_DOWN	MSS_SYS_flash_freeze() function should request eNVM0 to enter Flash*Freeze mode.
MSS_SYS_ENVM1_POWER_DOWN	MSS_SYS_flash_freeze() function should request eNVM1 to enter Flash*Freeze mode.
MSS_SYS_MPLL_POWER_DOWN	MSS_SYS_flash_freeze() function should request the MSS PLL to enter Flash*Freeze mode.

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MSS_RTC_init(MSS_RTC_BINARY_MODE, RTC_PRESCALER);
MSS_RTC_set_binary_count_alarm(FLASH_FREEZE_TIMEOUT, MSS_RTC_SINGLE_SHOT_ALARM);
Using firmware drivers, the RTC is configured as Binary Counter mode. The RTC prescaler value that is
passed to the RTC driver initialization function needs to be modified to match the RTC clock source
selected in the Libero SoC flow. This is done by modifying the value of the RTC_PRESCALER defined at
the top of "main.c".

/* RTC_PRESCALER value for 1 MHz clock.
* In this demo, the RTC clock source is set to be 1 MHz. For different clock source settings, adjust the
RTC_PRESCALER accordingly */
#define RTC_PRESCALER (1000000u - 1u)

nvm_access ();
The fabric SRAM is initialized through a call to the nvm_access() function. Before entering F*F mode, the
nvm_access() function is called to initialize the fabric SRAM based on data client that was specified into
the eNVM.

SRAM_read ();
Checking the fabric SRAM content after exiting from F*F is done through a call to the SRAM_read()
function.

```

Running the Design

The design example demonstrates the following options:

- Entering into F*F mode
- Initializing the SRAM from eNVM
- Checking the content of the SRAM post F*F based on whether the SRAM was put into Sleep or Suspend modes
- Exiting from F*F by the means of RTC, I/O activity, or I/Os signature.

The design example is designed to run on the SmartFusion2 Evaluation Kit board. Refer to <http://www.microsemi.com/products/fpga-soc/design-resources/dev-kits/smartfusion2/smartfusion2-development-kit> for more detailed board information.

Host PC to Board Connections

1. Connect the FlashPro4 programmer to the PROG HEADER J5 connector of the SmartFusion2 Evaluation Kit board.
2. Connect one end of the USB mini-B (FTDI interface) cable to the J18 connector provided on the SmartFusion2 Evaluation Kit board. Connect the other end of the USB cable to the host PC.

USB Driver Installation

For serial terminal communication through FTDI mini USB cable, install the FTDI D2XX driver. The drivers and installation guide can be downloaded from www.microsemi.com/soc/documents/CDM_2.08.24_WHQL_Certified.zip.

Make sure that the USB to UART bridge drivers are detected (can be verified in Device Manager in the system).

Run the Design Steps

1. Connect the power supply to the J6 connector and connect the FlashPro Programmer.
2. Change the power supply SW7 switch to **ON**.
3. Program the SmartFusion2 Evaluation Kit Board with the generated or provided *.stp file (refer to "Appendix A – Design Files" on page 20) using FlashPro.
4. Invoke the SoftConsole v3.4 SP1 Integrated Design Environment (IDE).
5. Launch the SoftConsole v3.4 SP1 and specify the Workspace to point to the SoftConsole folder project where the Libero project is located, refer to Figure 11.

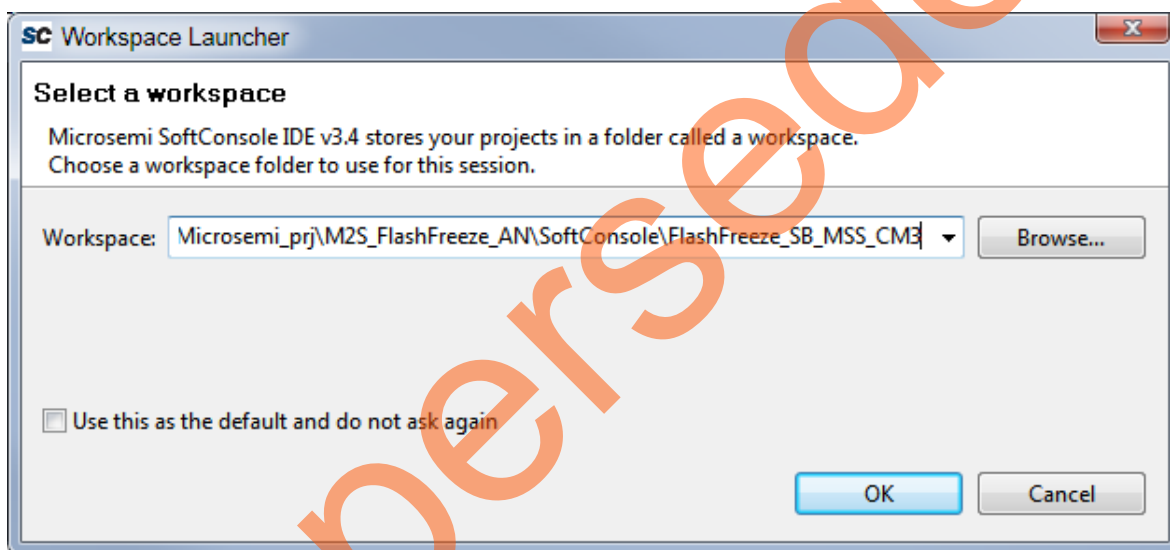


Figure 11 • Specify the SoftConsole Workspace Location

6. Click **OK**.
7. In SoftConsole, click the **Project Explorer** tab and click the **FlashFreeze_SB_MSS_CM3_app** folder.

8. Verify the main code by double-clicking the **main.c** file as shown in Figure 12.

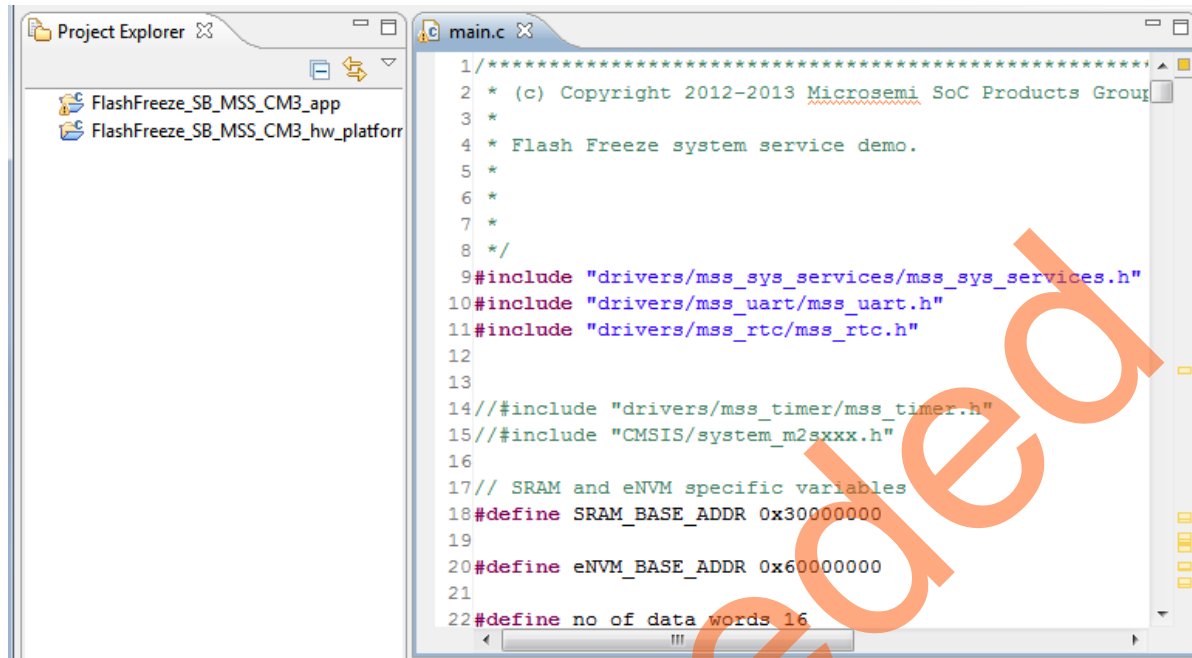


Figure 12 • Provided main.c Code

9. Select **Project > Clean** to perform a clean build as shown in Figure 13.

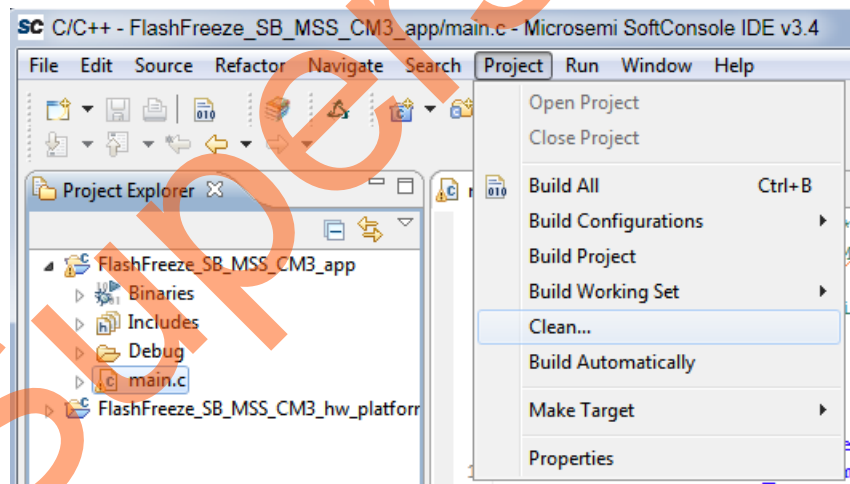


Figure 13 • Clean Project Build

10. Accept the default settings in the **Clean** dialog box and click **OK**.

Note: Ensure that no errors are displayed throughout the design configuration and build flow

11. Launch the **Debugger**.

12. Start HyperTerminal program with the baud rate set to 57600, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit, no parity, and no flow control. If the PC does not have HyperTerminal, use any free serial terminal emulation program, such as PuTTY or Tera Term. Refer to the [Configuring Serial Terminal Emulation Programs](#) tutorial for configuring HyperTerminal, Tera Term, and PuTTY.

When the debugger is run in SoftConsole, HyperTerminal window displays a message followed by a menu to enter a choice, as shown in Figure 14.

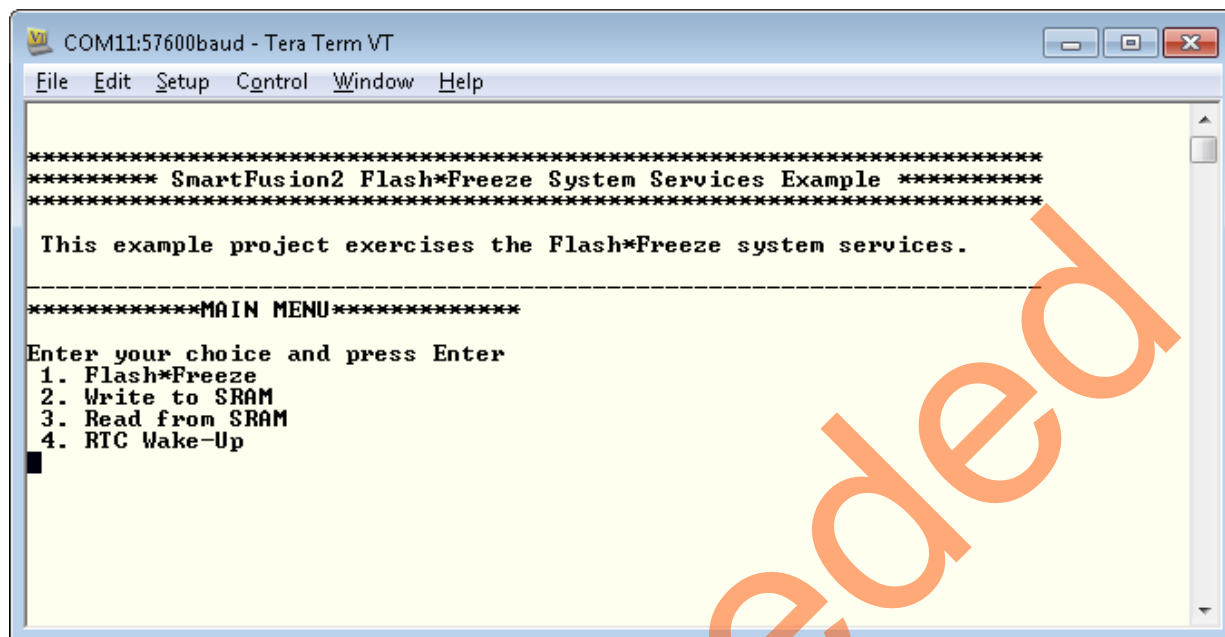


Figure 14 • Message with Menu Options

Table 5 shows a description summary of the results of each choice.

Table 5 • Menu Options Descriptions

Options	Description
1	When selecting this option, the SmartFusion2 device is put into F*F mode by powering down the FPGA fabric and MPLL.
2	This option is to demonstrate the state of the SRAM after exiting from F*F mode depending on whether the "Sleep" or "Suspend" option was selected as the SRAM state during F*F. When selecting this option, the fabric SRAM is initialized from the eNVM.
3	This option reads back from the fabric SRAM after the SmartFusion2 device exits from F*F mode. If the SRAM state was selected as "Suspend" during F*F mode, then the content before entering into F*F persists. If the state of the SRAM was selected as "Sleep", then the content of the SRAM is not retained during F*F.
4	Use this option to exit from F*F by generating an RTC interrupt.

Entering F*F Mode and Using RTC to exit F*F

1. Select 1 (Flash*Freeze). This will put the device state into F*F mode, as shown in [Figure 15](#).
Note that the LEDs on the board stop toggling, which indicates that the SmartFusion2 has entered into F*F mode.

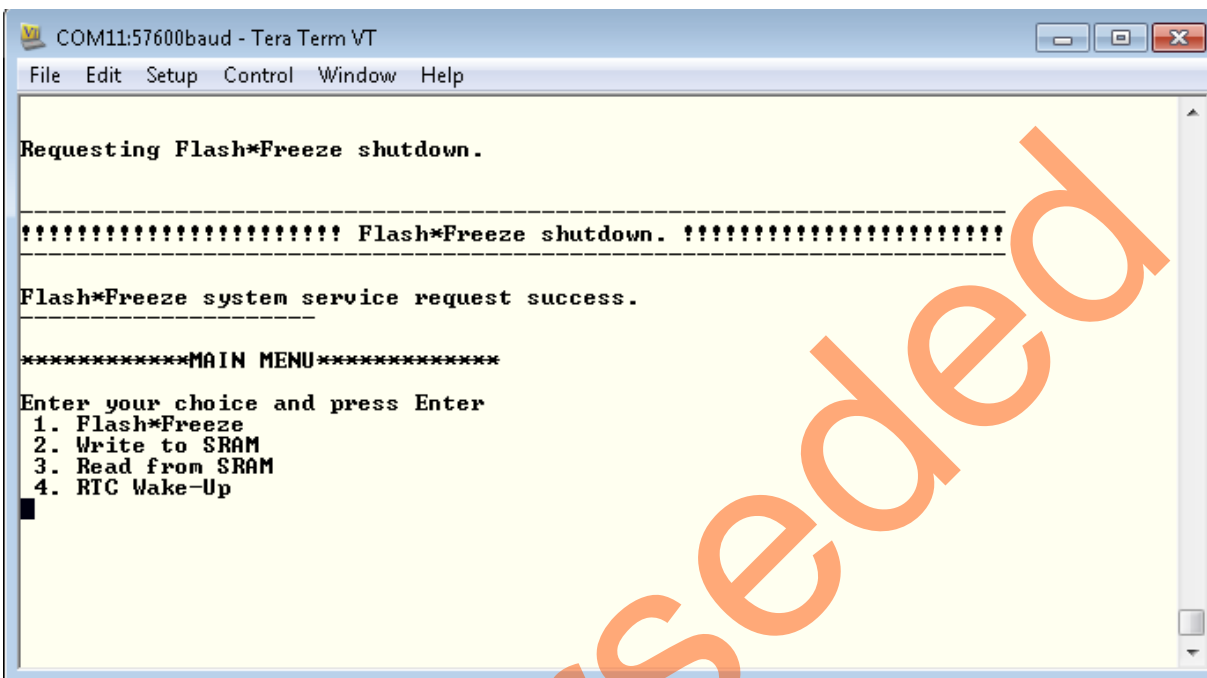


Figure 15 • Flash*Freeze Shutdown

2. Select 4 (RTC Wake-Up). The RTC is initialized with an RTC_PRESCALER value. The RTC counter is reset then the RTC is configured as Single Shot Alarm mode. The counter is then started. When the counter reaches its set value, an interrupt is triggered and the device wakes up from F*F mode, as shown in [Figure 16](#) on page 16.

Note that the LEDs on the board start toggling, which indicates that the SmartFusion2 exited from F*F mode.

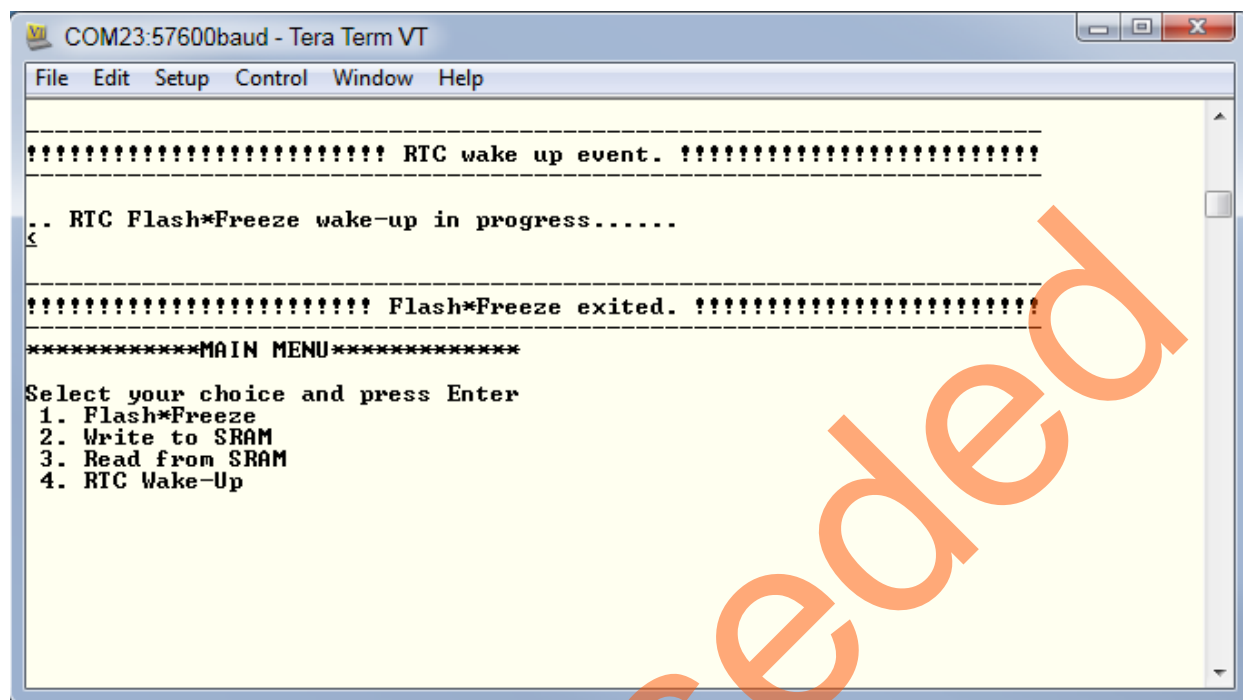


Figure 16 • RTC F*F Exit Event

Entering F*F Mode and Using External I/O Activity (Wake_On_Change) to Exit F*F Mode

The following steps demonstrate how to exit from F*F using external I/O activity. The activity could be a change from 1-to-0 or a 0-to-1. This is set on per I/O basis in the I/O Editor by setting the Wake_On_Change attribute. For the purpose of this demo, SW1 (package pin W6) is used.

1. Select 1 (Flash*Freeze). This puts the device into F*F mode, as shown in [Figure 15 on page 15](#). Note that the LEDs on the board stop toggling, which indicates that the SmartFusion2 device entered into F*F mode.

- To wake up the device from F*F mode, press SW1 switch on the board. This indicates a change on L20 package pin I/O and wakes up the device from F*F, as shown in Figure 17.

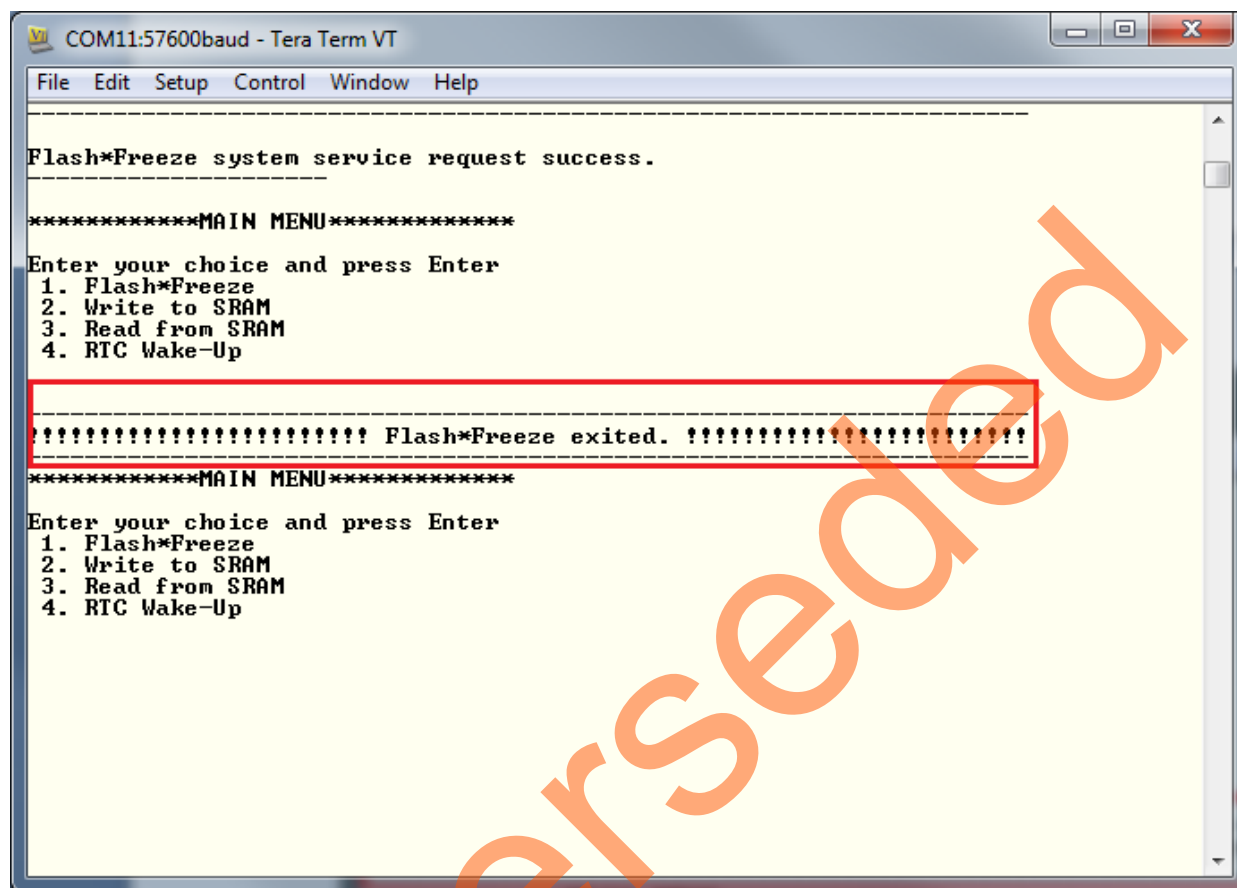


Figure 17 • I/O Activity F*F Exit Event

Entering F*F Mode and Using External I/O Signature (Wake_On_1/Wake_On_0) to Exit F*F Mode

The following steps demonstrate how to exit from F*F using signature I/O matching. One or more I/Os can be configured to wake-up the device based on a change from 0- to-1 or 1- to-0 or a combination of both.

When more than one I/O is configured to participate in the signature wake-up, it is a logical **AND** of all I/Os. For the purpose of this demo, a set of DIP switches are used. Two DIP switches are configured as Wake_On_1 and two are configured as Wake_On_0. All four switches must meet the criteria for the device to exit F*F mode.

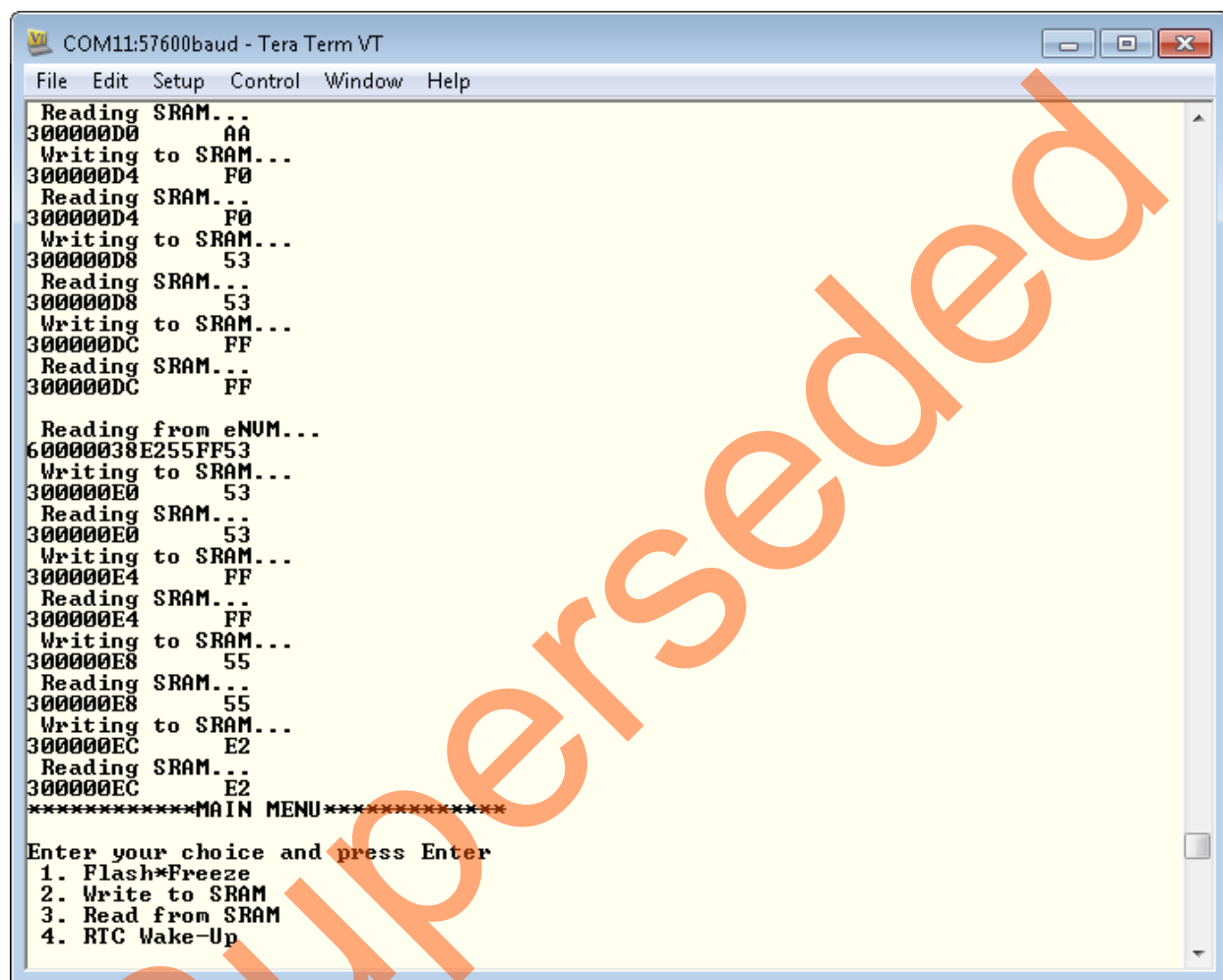
- Select 1 (Flash*Freeze). This puts the device into F*F mode, as shown in Figure 15 on page 15. Note that the LEDs on the board stop toggling, which indicates that the SmartFusion2 entered into F*F mode.
- To wake-up the device from F*F mode, toggle DIP switches 1 and 2 to 0 position (ON) **AND** toggle DIP switches 3 and 4 to 1 position (OFF). Up on this setting, the device exits from F*F mode.

Note: The DIP switches combination setting in step 2 constantly keeps the device in active mode, since that combination is configured to wake-up the device. Before proceeding to the next step, ensure that the combination setting of the DIP switches is different than what is described in step 2.

SRAM Content After Entering into F*F Mode

This step demonstrates that the SRAM content is retained and not lost while the device is in F*F mode. The SRAM was set to be in "Suspend" mode during F*F. Refer to ["Hardware Implementation" section on page 6](#) for more information.

1. Select **2** (Write to SRAM). This step reads from the eNVM and writes to the SRAM, as shown in [Figure 18](#).




```

COM11:57600baud - Tera Term VT
File Edit Setup Control Window Help
Reading SRAM...
300000D0 AA
Writing to SRAM...
300000D4 F0
Reading SRAM...
300000D4 F0
Writing to SRAM...
300000D8 53
Reading SRAM...
300000D8 53
Writing to SRAM...
300000DC FF
Reading SRAM...
300000DC FF

Reading from eNVM...
60000038E255FF53
Writing to SRAM...
300000E0 53
Reading SRAM...
300000E0 53
Writing to SRAM...
300000E4 FF
Reading SRAM...
300000E4 FF
Writing to SRAM...
300000E8 55
Reading SRAM...
300000E8 55
Writing to SRAM...
300000EC E2
Reading SRAM...
300000EC E2
*****MAIN MENU*****
Enter your choice and press Enter
1. Flash*Freeze
2. Write to SRAM
3. Read from SRAM
4. RTC Wake-Up
  
```

Figure 18 • Reading from eNVM and Writing to SRAM

2. Select **1** (Flash*Freeze). This puts the device into F*F mode, as shown in [Figure 15 on page 15](#). Note that the LEDs on the board stop toggling, which indicates that the SmartFusion2 entered into F*F mode.
3. Select **4** (RTC Wake-Up) to exit from F*F mode.
4. Select **3** (Read from SRAM) to read the SRAM content after the device exits from F*F mode. In this design, the SRAM is set for "Suspend" mode during F*F mode so the content of the SRAM is retained. Thus when reading the SRAM content after F*F exit, it is the same data that was stored into the SRAM before entering into F*F mode, as shown in [Figure 19 on page 19](#).



```

COM11:57600baud - Tera Term VT
File Edit Setup Control Window Help

-----
Reading SRAM...
300000D0      AA
-----
Reading SRAM...
300000D4      F0
-----
Reading SRAM...
300000D8      53
-----
Reading SRAM...
300000DC      FF
-----
Reading SRAM...
300000E0      53
-----
Reading SRAM...
300000E4      FF
-----
Reading SRAM...
300000E8      55
-----
Reading SRAM...
300000EC      E2
-----
*****MAIN MENU*****
Enter your choice and press Enter
1. Flash*Freeze
2. Write to SRAM
3. Read from SRAM
4. RTC Wake-Up
  
```

Figure 19 • Reading SRAM Content After F*F

The data read from the SRAM at a particular address is the same data that was written into the SRAM before entering into F*F mode.

Conclusion

This application note describes how to put the SmartFusion2 device into F*F mode using System Services and demonstrates the different options that can be used to wake-up the SmartFusion2 device from F*F mode. In addition, the application note also shows how to set different hardware behavior during F*F at design time, and demonstrates the effect of the F*F on the fabric SRAM content depending on the user defined F*F hardware settings in the Libero SoC.

Appendix A – Design Files

The design files can be downloaded from the Microsemi SoC Products Group website:

http://soc.microsemi.com/download/rsc/?f=m2s_ac400_flashfreeze_entry_exit_with_softconsole_liberov11p4_an_df

The design file consists of Libero SoC Verilog project, SoftConsole software project, and programming files (*.stp) for SmartFusion2 Evaluation Kit board. Refer to the **Readme.txt** file included in the design file for the directory structure and description.

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List of Changes

The following table lists critical changes that were made in each revision of the document.

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