NS9775 / NS9750 / NS9750B-A1 / NS9360 Reset Issue Change Notice

The SDRAM clock enable configuration for the NS9775, NS9750, NS9750B-A1 and NS9360 (NS9xxx) must be changed in order to prevent SDRAM devices from locking up during a manual or brown out condition reset following the initial power on reset. The only exception is if power is cycled automatically during a brown out condition reset and a manual push button reset is not used or if clock enables to the SDRAM devices are connected directly to 3.3V. Otherwise, the SDRAM devices can become locked up during a manual or brown out condition reset as follows:

- 1. A manual or brown out condition reset is applied to reset_n on the NS9xxx.
- 2. At the same time, a read command is active to the SDRAM devices connected to the NS9xxx.
- 3. The reset_n to the NS9xxx shuts off clocks and clock enables to SDRAM devices, preventing the read command from being completed.
- 4. The SDRAM devices become permanently locked up at this time. A power cycle is required to return the SDRAM devices to normal operation.

NS9775 / NS9750 / NS9750B-A1 Work Around

There are two options to avoid the SDRAM lock up condition during a manual or brown out condition reset on a board using the NS9775, NS9750 or NS9750B-A1:

- 1. Connect the clock enables on the SDRAM devices directly to 3.3V or pull-up resistor.
- 2. Use a switch to connect clock enables to the SDRAM devices to a pull-up resistor until the NS97xx device reset is complete as indicated by a high level on the reset_done output. A sample circuit is shown in Figure 1 below.

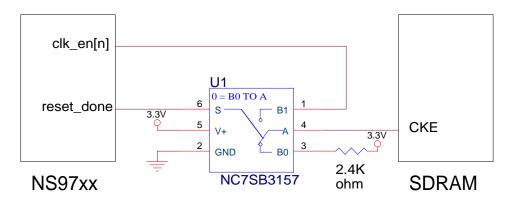


Figure 1: NS97xx Clock Enable Configuration

NS9360 Work Around

There are two options to avoid the SDRAM lock up condition during a manual or brown out condition reset on a board using the NS9360:

- 3. Connect the clock enables on the SDRAM devices directly to 3.3V or pull-up resistor.
- 4. Connect a 10-15k pull up resistor on the clock enable signals between the NS9360 and the SDRAM devices.