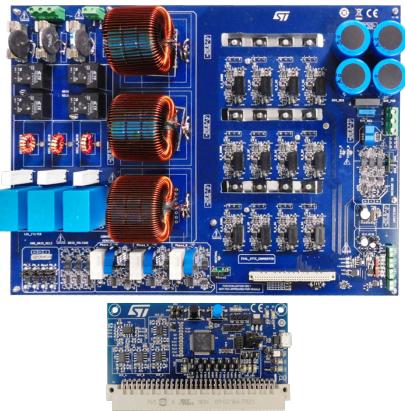


## 15 kW, three-phase, three-level Active Front End (AFE) bidirectional converter for industrial and electric vehicle DC fast charging applications



### Features

- 3-phase, 3-level bidirectional AC/DC power converter:
  - Rated nominal DC voltage: 800 V<sub>DC</sub>
  - Rated nominal AC voltage: 400 V<sub>AC</sub> @ 50 Hz
  - Nominal power: 15 kW
- AC to DC rectifier mode:
  - Power factor control (PFC) PF > 0.99
  - Inrush current control and soft start-up
- DC to AC inverter mode:
  - Active and reactive power control
  - Integrated grid connection solution
- Power section based on SiC MOSFETs:
  - High frequency operation (100 kHz)
  - High efficiency,  $\eta = 99\%$
  - Passive element weight and size reduction
- Control section based on STM32G474RE microcontroller:
  - P2P compatible with other STDES 3-phase power converters
  - 4 integrated high-performance op-amps
  - Control and monitoring interfaces: SWIM, UART, I<sup>2</sup>C, DACs
  - 64-pin Digital Power connector
  - Overcurrent and overvoltage protection
  - Configurable topology (2 – 3 levels)

| Product summary  |                |
|--|----------------|
| 15 kW, 3-level, 3-phase bidirectional converter  | STDES-PFCBIDIR |
| firmware for 15 kW, 3-lvl, 3-ph, bidirectional converter   | STSW-PFCBIDIR  |
| Mainstream Arm Cortex-M4 core with DSP and FPU, 170MHz with 512Kbytes of Flash memory, Math Accelerator, HR Timer, High Analog level integration | STM32G474RE    |
| SiC Power MOSFET 650 V, 45 A, 55 mΩ in HiP247 package  | SCTW35N65G2V   |

### Description

This reference design represents a complete solution for three-phase AC/DC and DC/AC (800 V<sub>DC</sub> to 400 V<sub>AC</sub>) applications based on a digital platform optimized for power conversion.

It is well suited for the Active Front End (AFE) stage in high power charging stations, industrial battery chargers and UPS. The high switching frequency of the SiC MOSFETs and the multilevel structure allow nearly 99% efficiency as well as the optimization of passive power components in terms of size and cost.

| Product summary   |   |
|---|---|
| Automotive-grade SiC Power MOSFET 1200 V, 33 A, 75 mΩ in HiP247 package | SCTW40N120G2VAG   |
| galvanically isolated 4 A single gate driver                            | STGAP2SM  |
| energy saving 12W high voltage converter with direct feedback           | VIPER26HD   |
| Applications  | PFC Converter - Three Phase Input<br>DC Fast Charging Station |

## 1 Bidirectional converter reference design overview

This reference design consists of the following separate components:

- A board with the power converter, LCL filter, sensing circuit, inrush circuit, grid connection management circuit and on-board auxiliary power supply.
- A control module based on the [STM32G4 Series](#) microcontroller with connectors for communication and test-points and status indicators for testing and debugging.

The input and output current and voltage measurements necessary for responsive control are acquired through isolated measurement blocks, and the STM32 microcontroller manages connection and disconnection with the AC electrical network, as well as load and source DC management in either inverter or rectifier mode.

The driving signals for the switching devices are managed by corresponding [STGAP2S](#) gate drivers to ensure independent management of switching frequencies and dead time.

The hardware math accelerator in the MCU boosts the trigonometric operations of the voltage oriented control (VOC) algorithm, allowing the power converter to achieve very high power quality.

**Figure 1. Bidirectional converter block diagram**

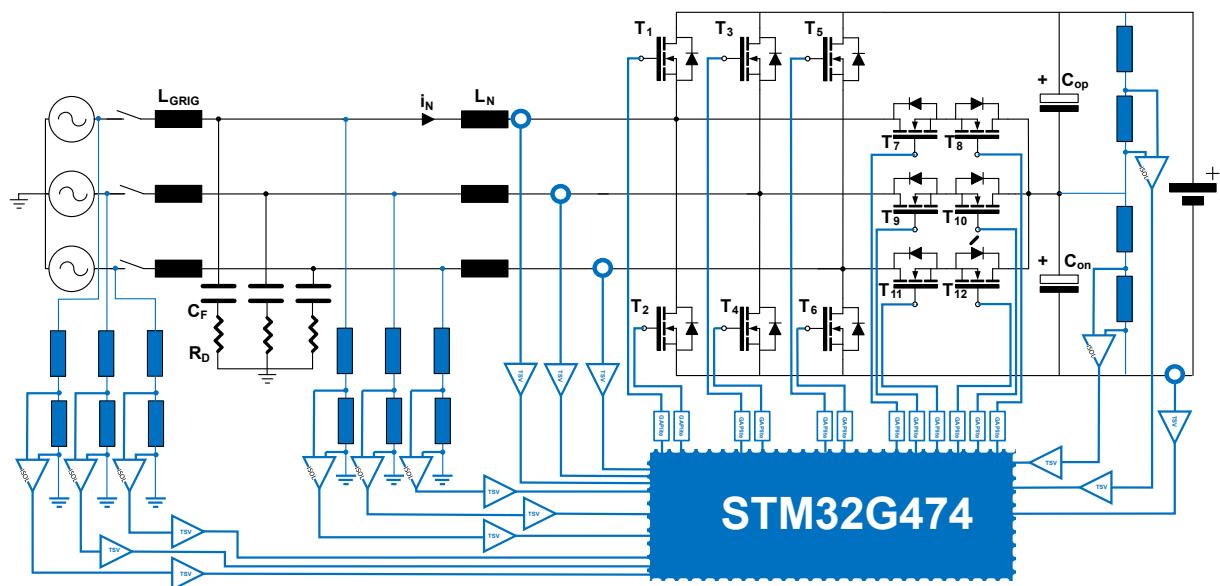
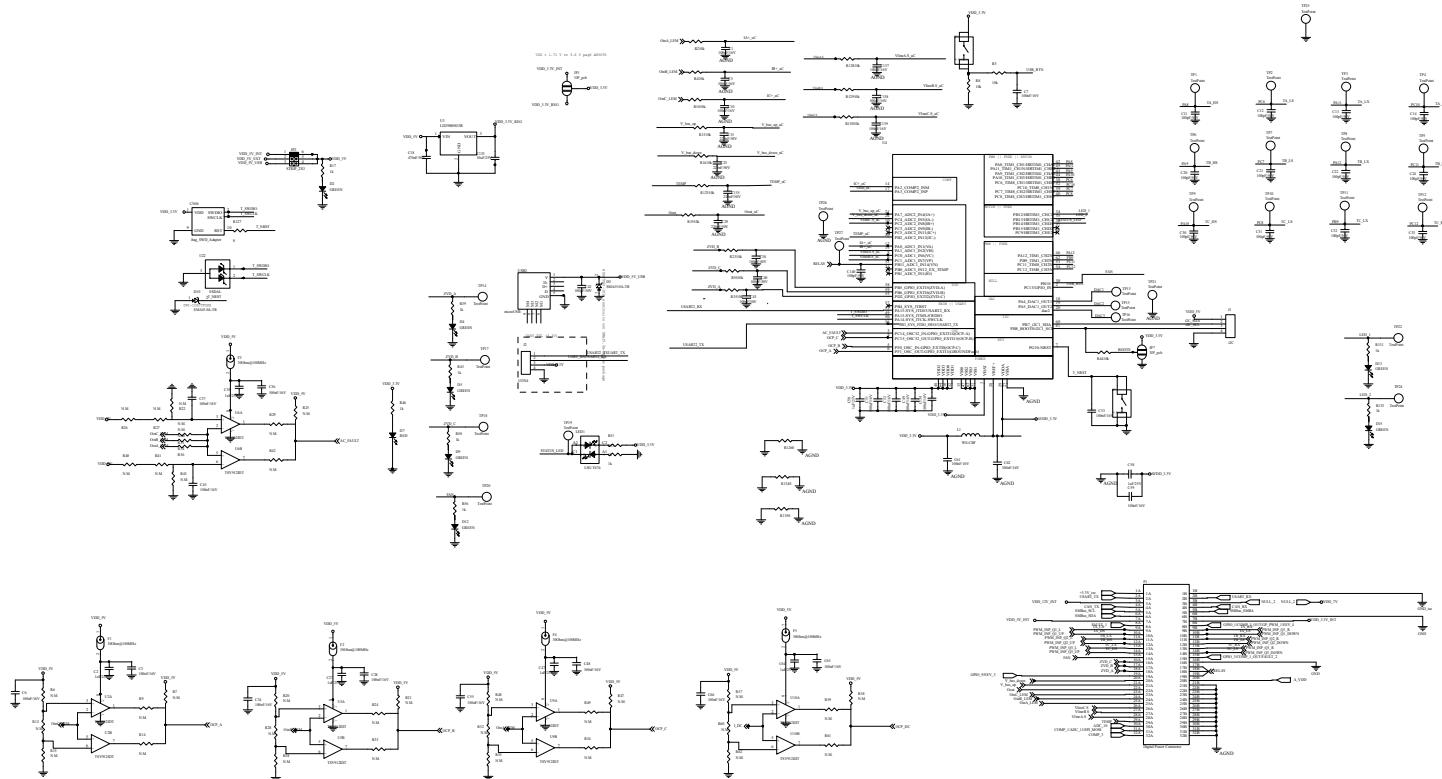
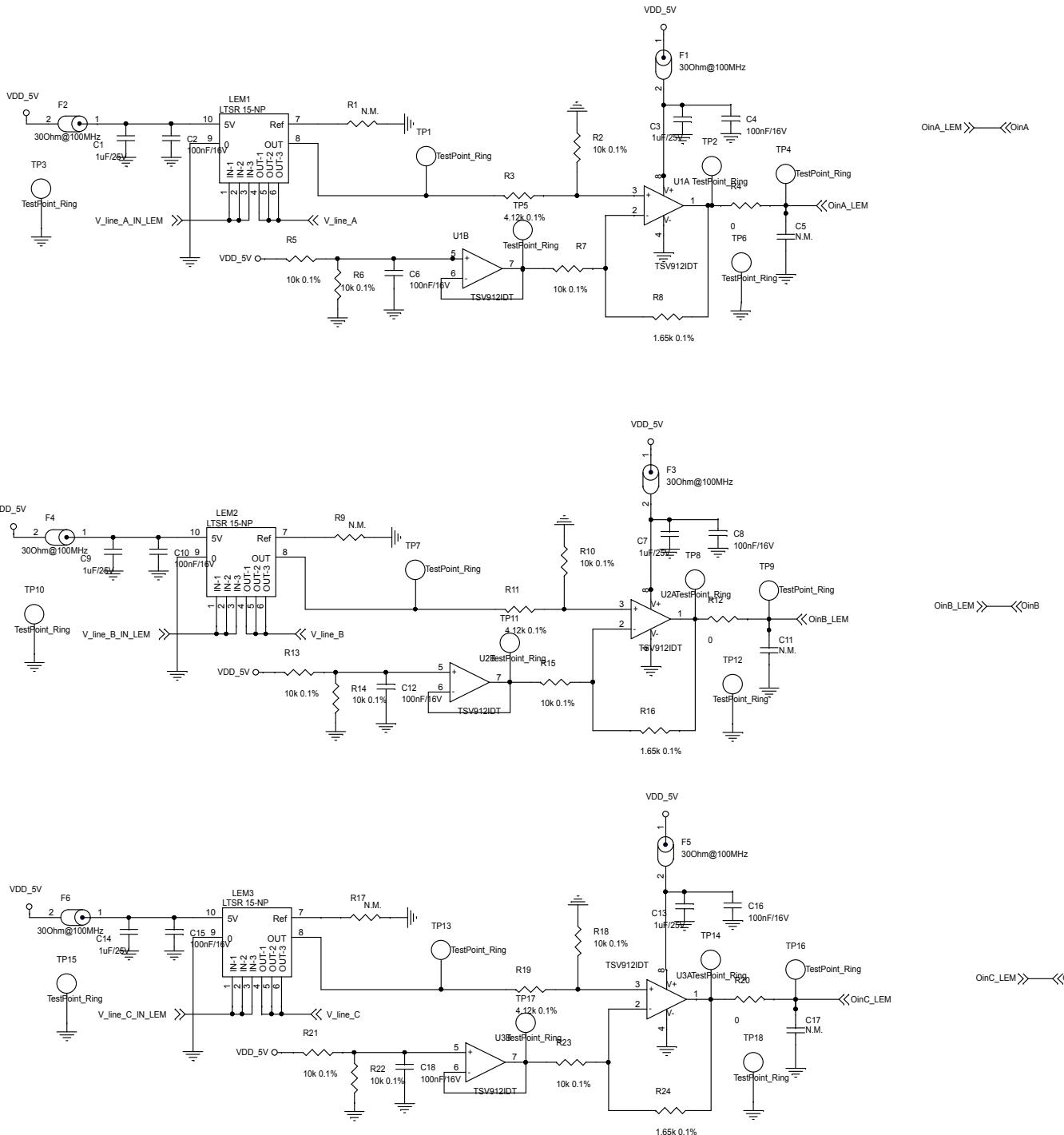


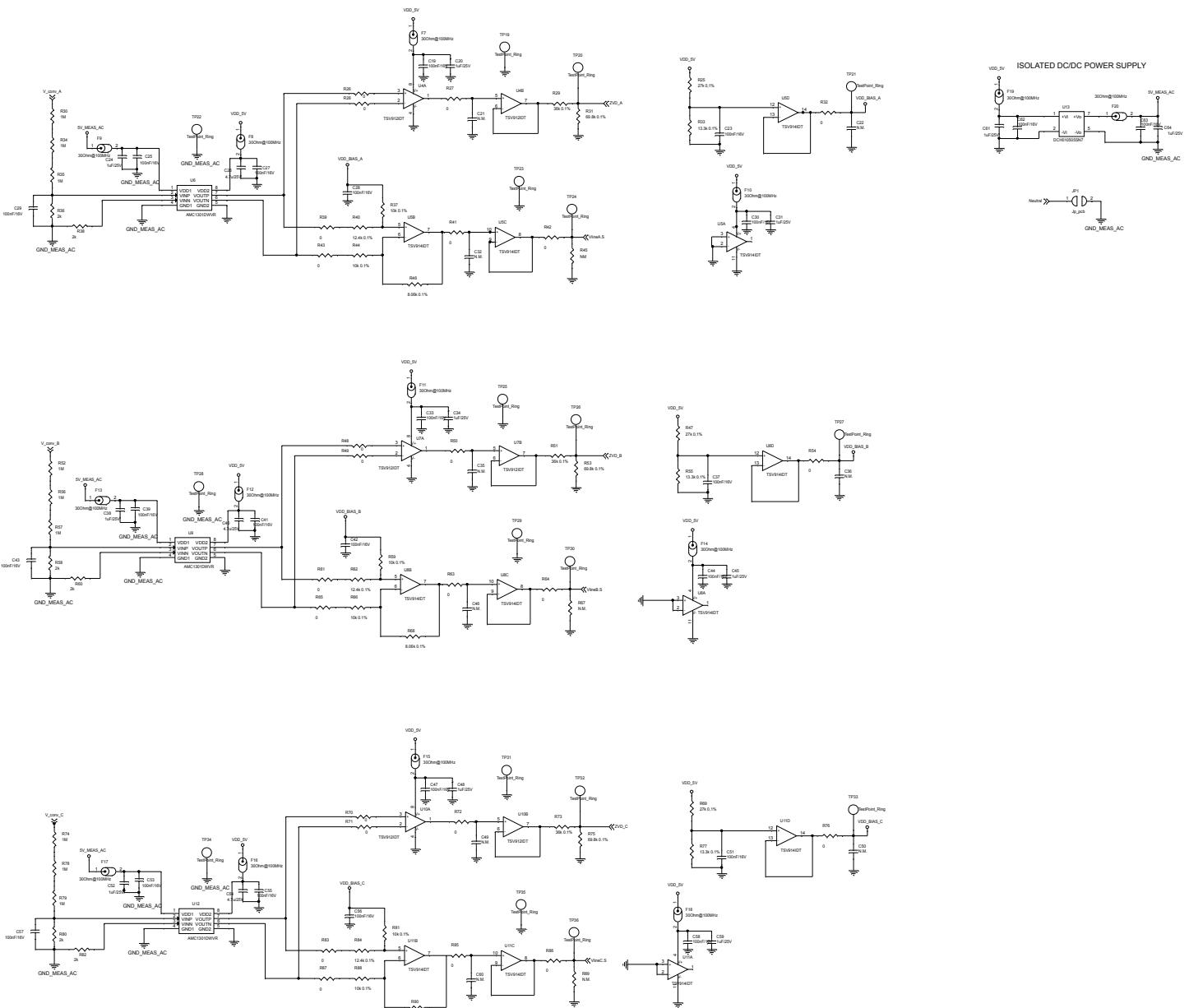
Figure 2. STDES-PFCBIDIR schematic diagram - control board



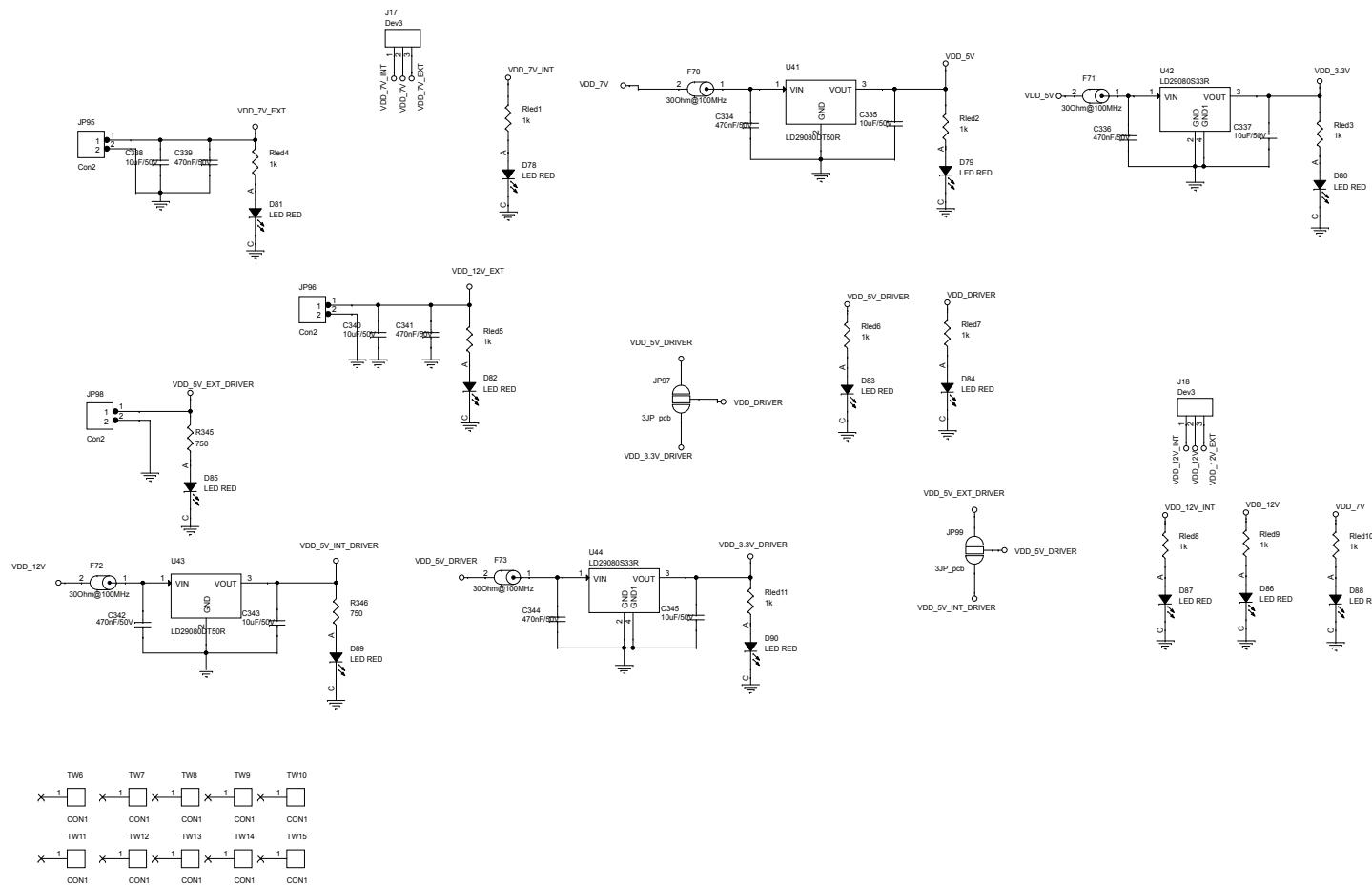
**Figure 3. STDES-PFCBIDIR schematic diagram - power board: AC current sensing**



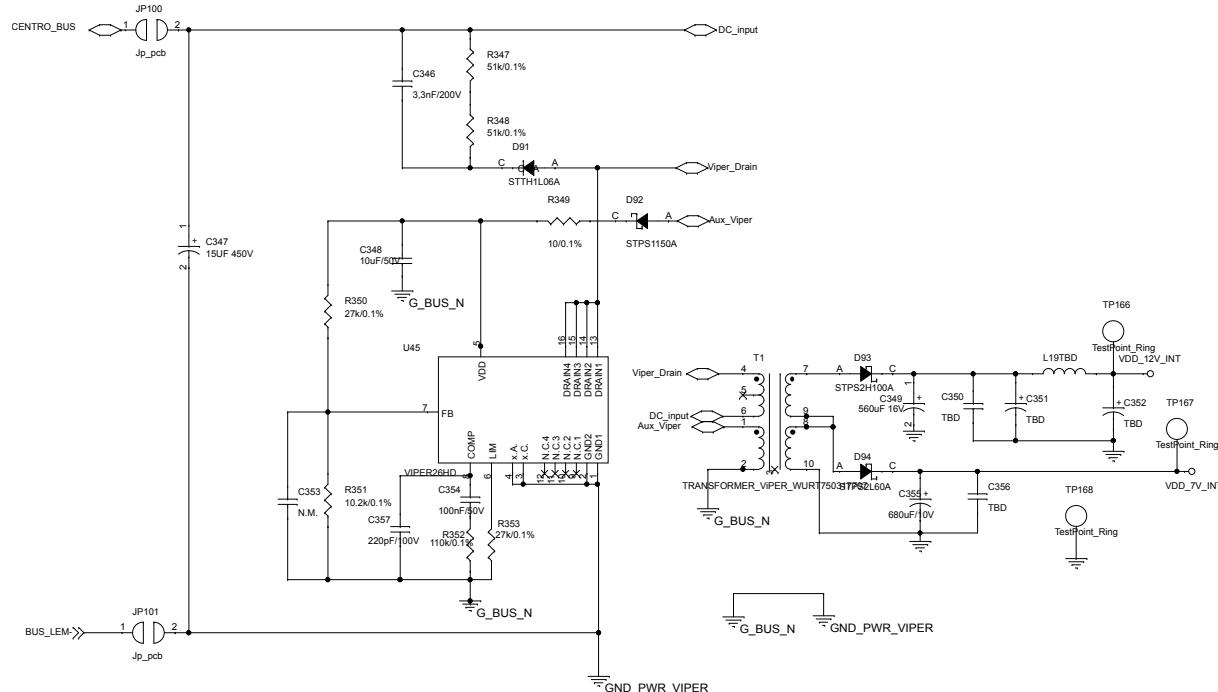
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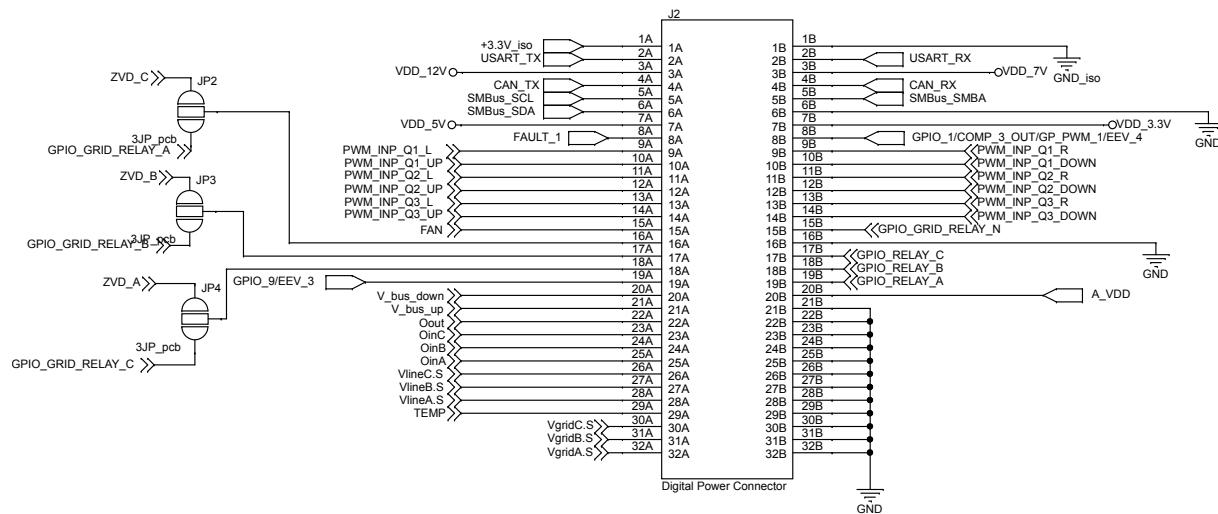
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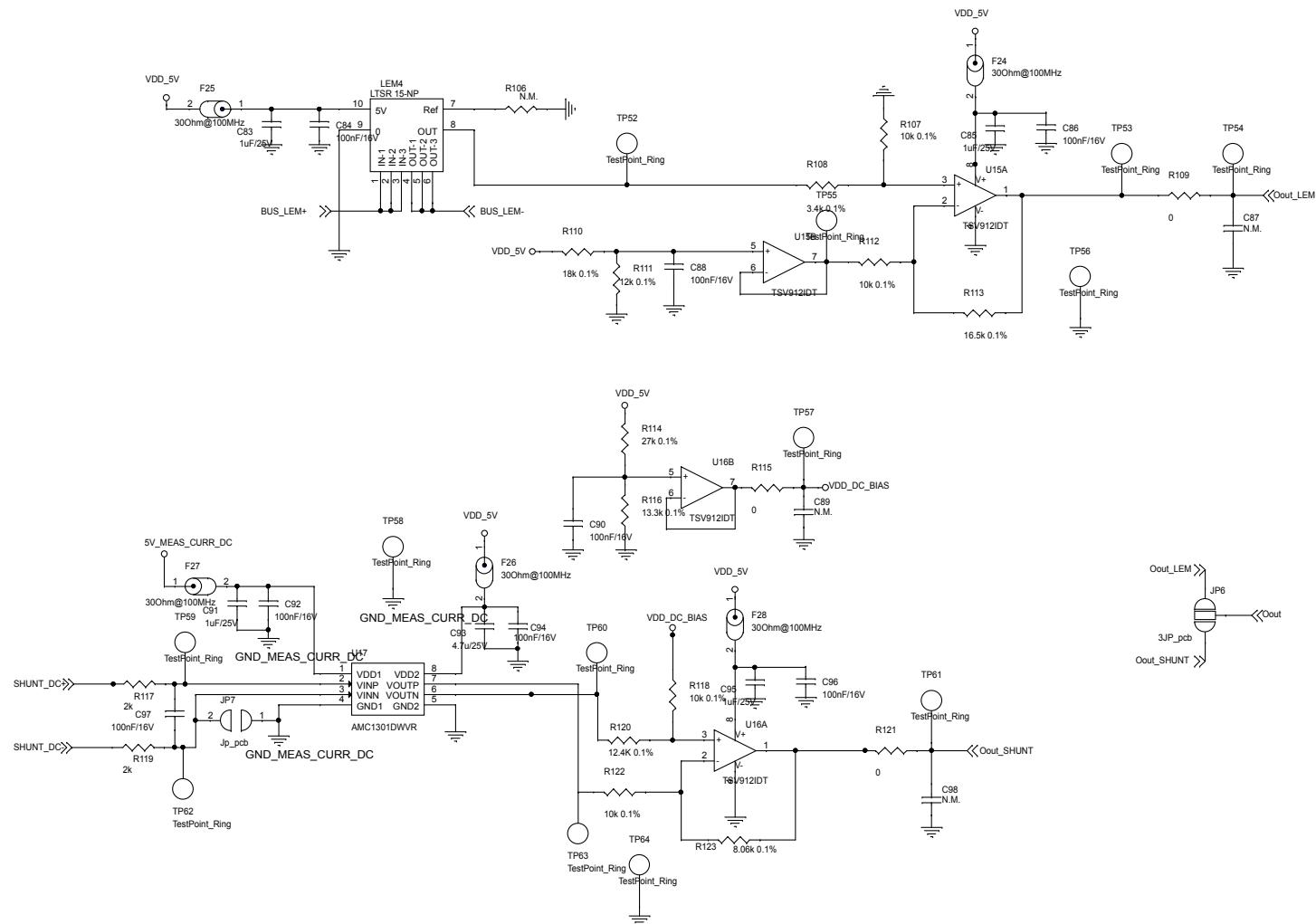
**Figure 6. STDES-PFCBIDIR schematic diagram - power board: aux power VIPER**



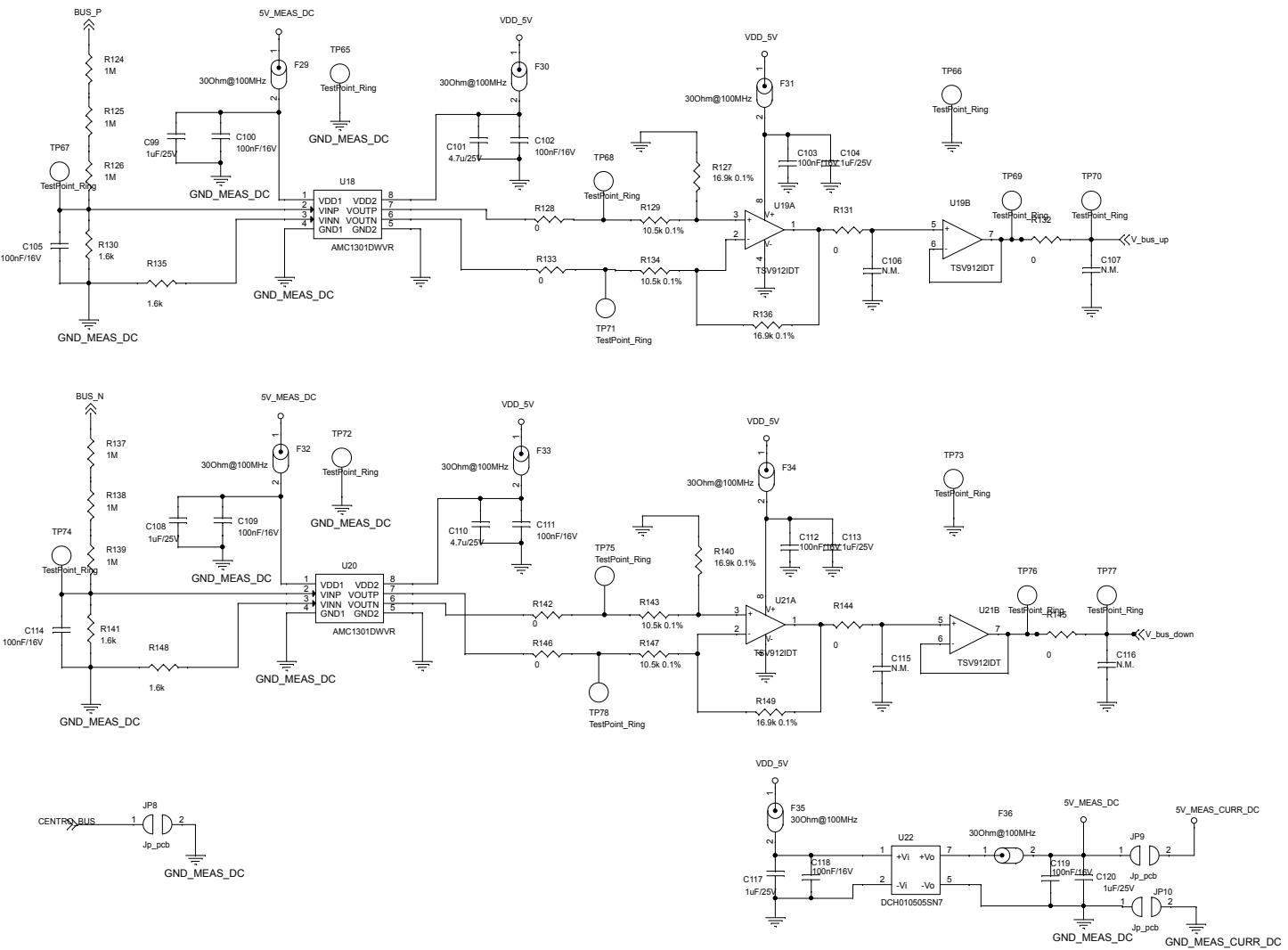
**Figure 7. STDES-PFCBIDIR schematic diagram - power board: connector**



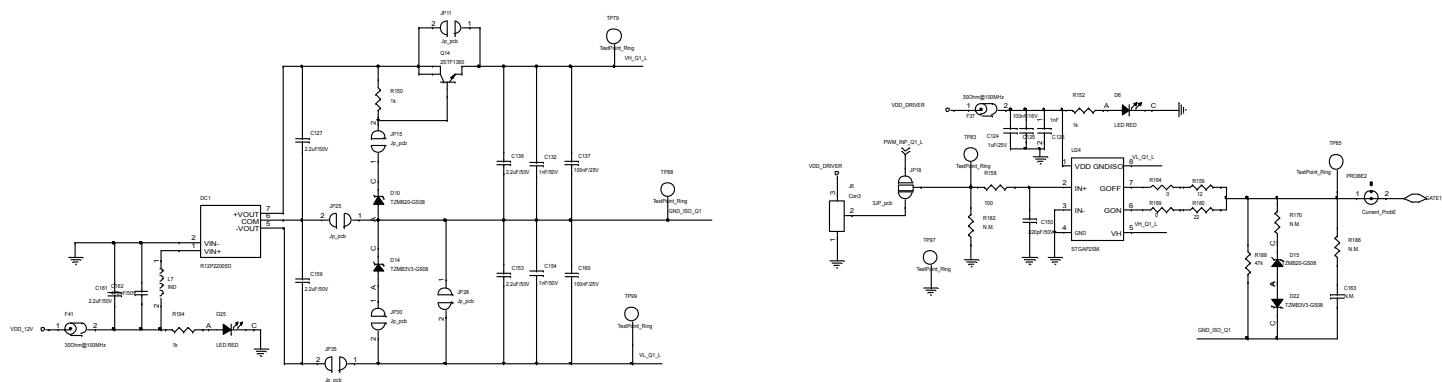
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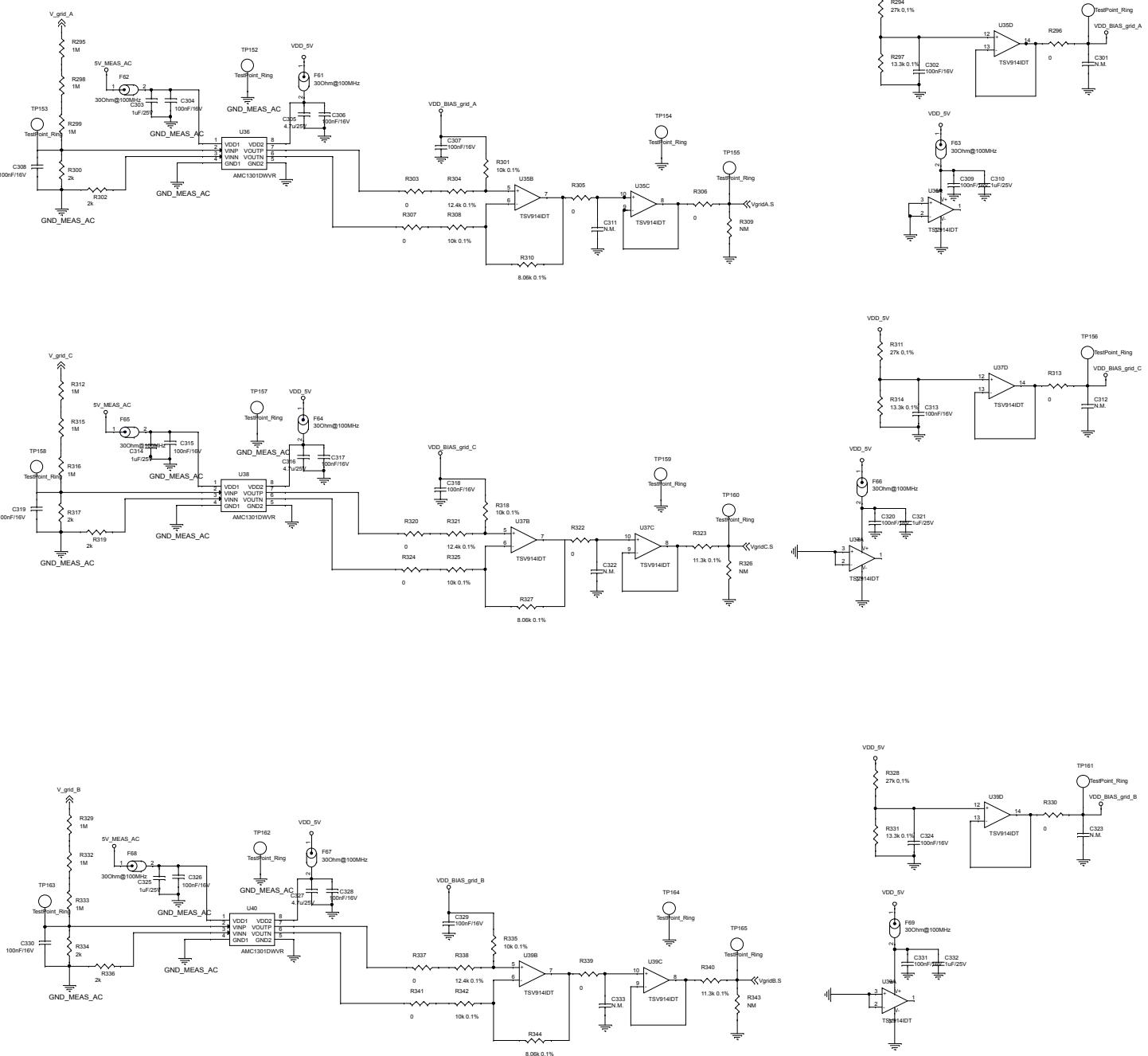
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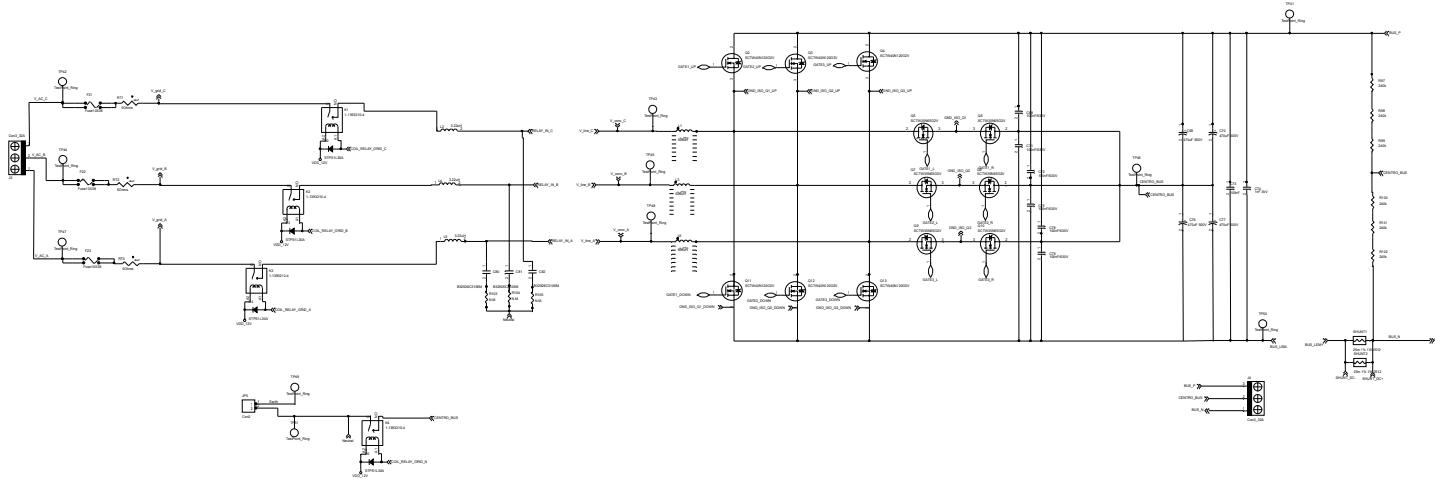
**Figure 10. STDES-PFCBIDIR schematic diagram - power board: gate drivers (x12)**



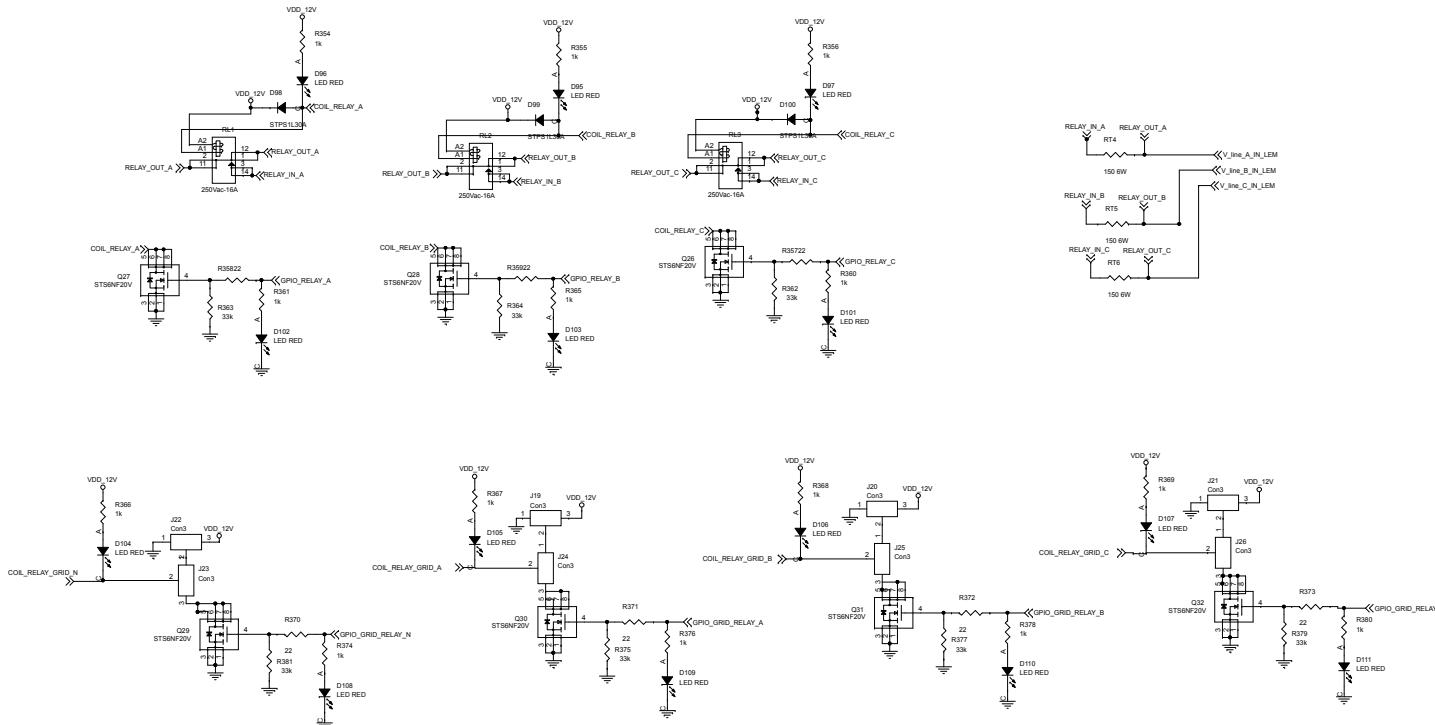
**Figure 11. STDES-PFCBIDIR schematic diagram - power board: grid voltage sensing**



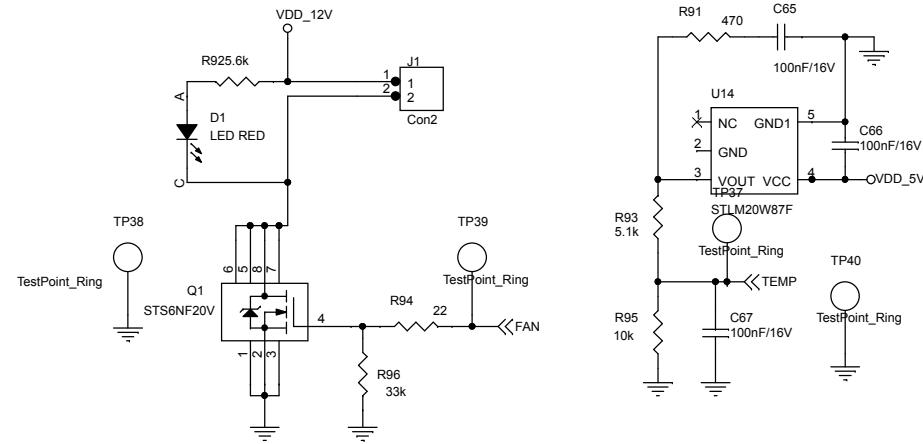
**Figure 12. STDES-PFCBIDIR schematic diagram - power board: power section**



**Figure 13. STDES-PFCBIDIR schematic diagram - power board: active inrush current and AC grid connection management**



**Figure 14. STDES-PFCBIDIR schematic diagram - power board: temp control**



## Revision history

**Table 1. Document revision history**

| Date        | Version | Changes          |
|-------------|---------|------------------|
| 05-Nov-2019 | 1       | Initial release. |

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