



## Eliminating the 12V Battery with the use of a Sine Amplitude Converter to create a 12V power from the high Voltage Vehicle Battery

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# The 12V Lead-Acid Battery will be Banned!



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The 12V Lead Acid Battery in Countries like Norway and Netherlands have expressed bans for ICE vehicles from 2025, even Germany vowing to wean itself off its ICE addiction by 2030.

The battery is a warranty issue

The lead acid battery is heavy and has no intelligence on its cycle time or health

# The 12V Battery Benefits

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Alternate reservoir of energy not dependent on upstream electronics status

Not dependent on the High Voltage Battery

# Why not replace the Battery with a Sine Amplitude Converter?

# Important Perimeters

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Dynamic Response

Redundancy

Vibration

Feedback or Communication to component

# BCM under Test



Outputs and Type	1, Isolated
Voltage - Output	47.5V
Current - Output	25.7A
Voltage - Input	280V ~ 410V
Regulator Topology	Buck
Frequency - Switching	1.18MHz
Board Type	Fully Populated
Supplied Contents	Board(s)
Utilized IC / Part	BCM380y475x1K2A30
Power - Output	1.2 kW



<https://www.digikey.com/en/products/detail/vicor-corporation/BCD380P475T1K2A30/4740999>

# BCM6123 Transient Response

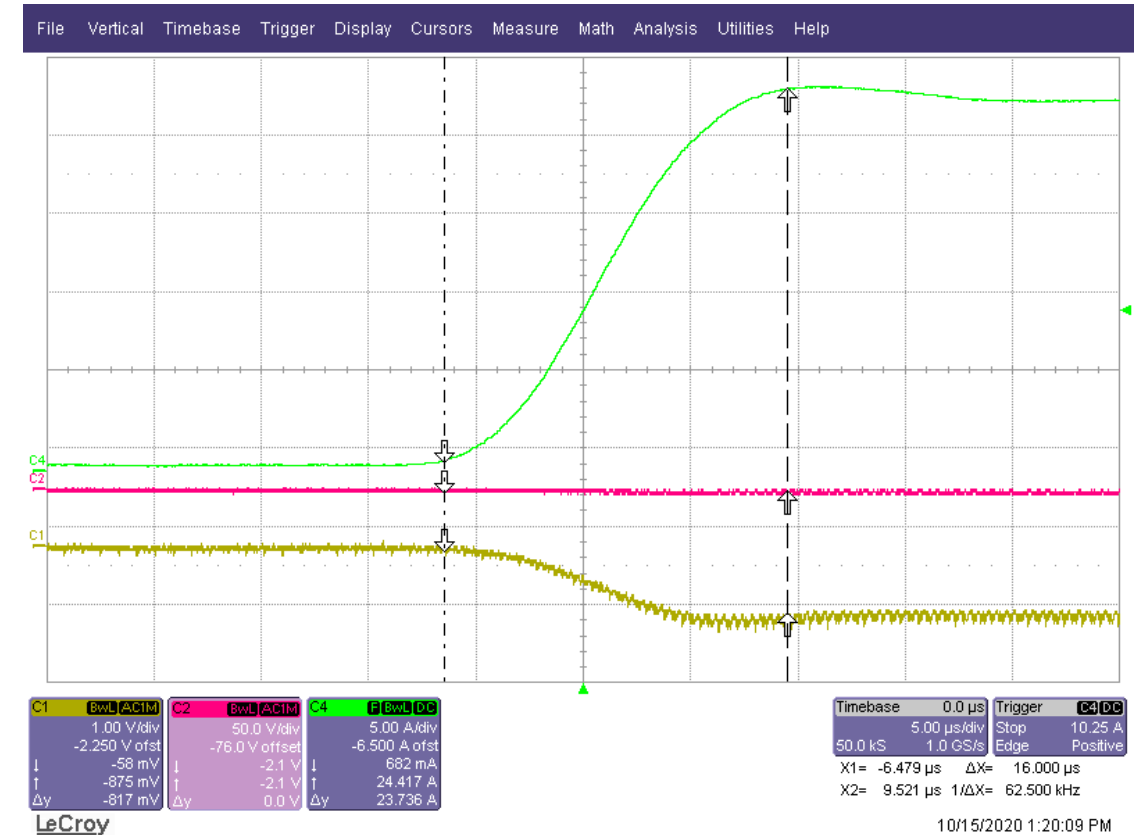


Load Bank limits the di/dt

$$\Delta I_{out} = 24.4A - 0.68A = 23.72A$$

$$\Delta \text{Time} = 16\mu\text{sec} = 0.016\text{msec}$$

$$di/dt = 1,424A/\text{msec}$$



Vin at 50V/div and Vout at 1V/div

# BCM6123 with load switching 0.68A to 24.4A



Load Bank limits the di/dt

$$\Delta V_{in} = 1.063V$$

$$\Delta V_{out} = 0.843V$$

$$K = 1/8$$

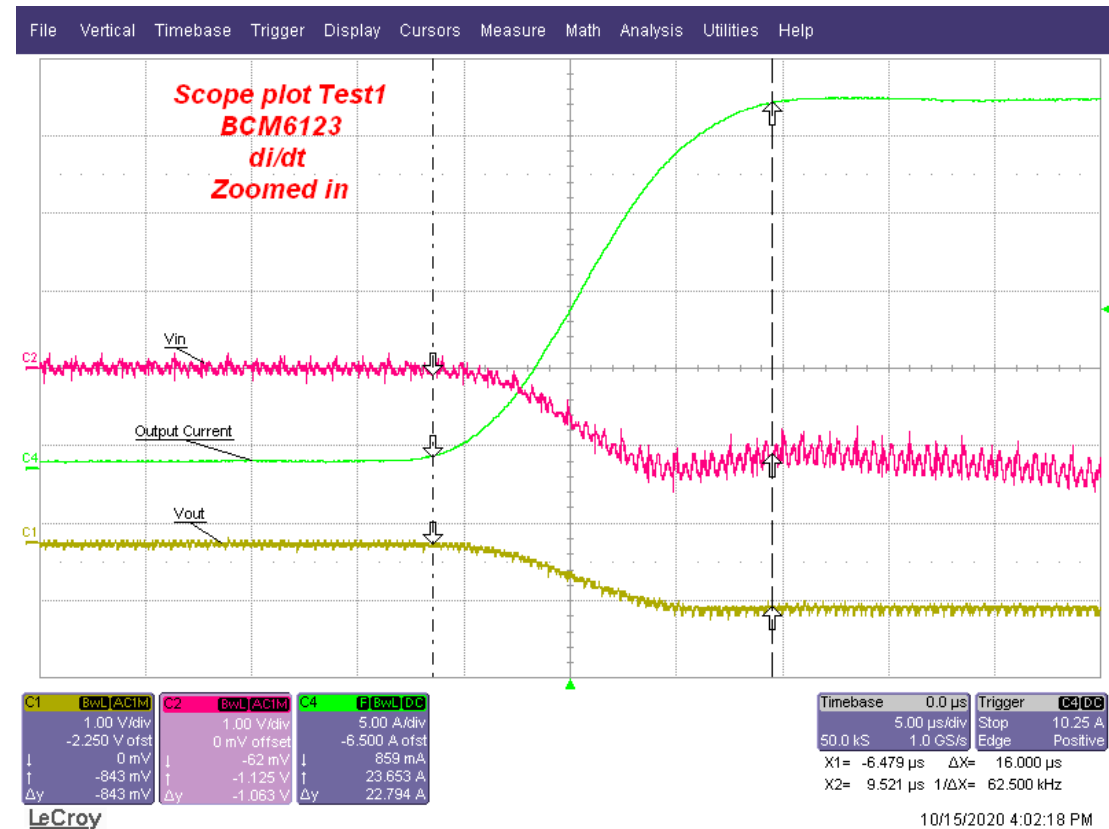
Input reflected to Vout

- $1.063V/8 = 0.133V$

Voltage Drop

- $0.843V - 0.133V = \mathbf{0.710V}$

- Voltage Drop is the BCM + Cables



Vin and Vout at same scale of 1V/div



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NBM2317

48V to 12V Bus Converter at 1kW

# NBM2317 in Boost Mode

## 12V → 48V



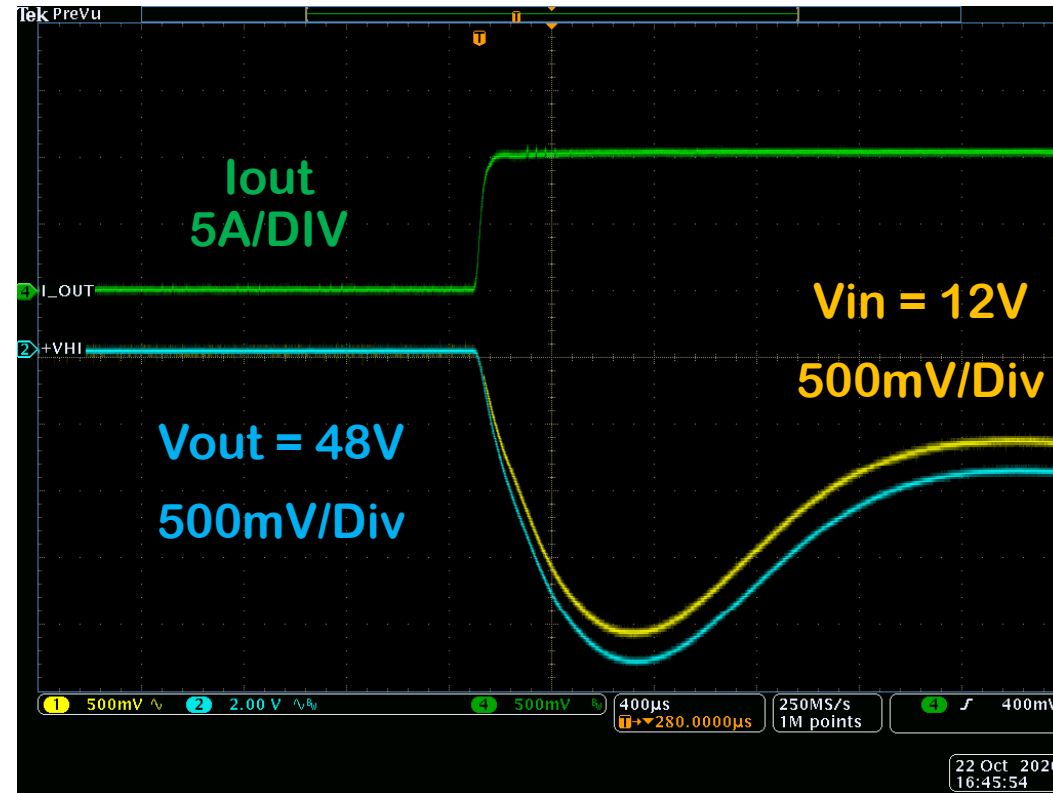
Vin = 12V

Vout = 48V

Vin and Vout is  
superimposed

Load Step 0 to 12A

Voltage is AC Coupled  
to see the dip



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The Next Slides are

$V_{in} = 48V$

$V_{out} = 12V$

$48V \rightarrow 12V$

Step Down or Buck

Transient Testing with Electronic Load Bank

# NBM2317 in Buck Mode 48V → 12V



Vin is 48V

Vout is 12V

Load 0 to 60A

Electronic Load

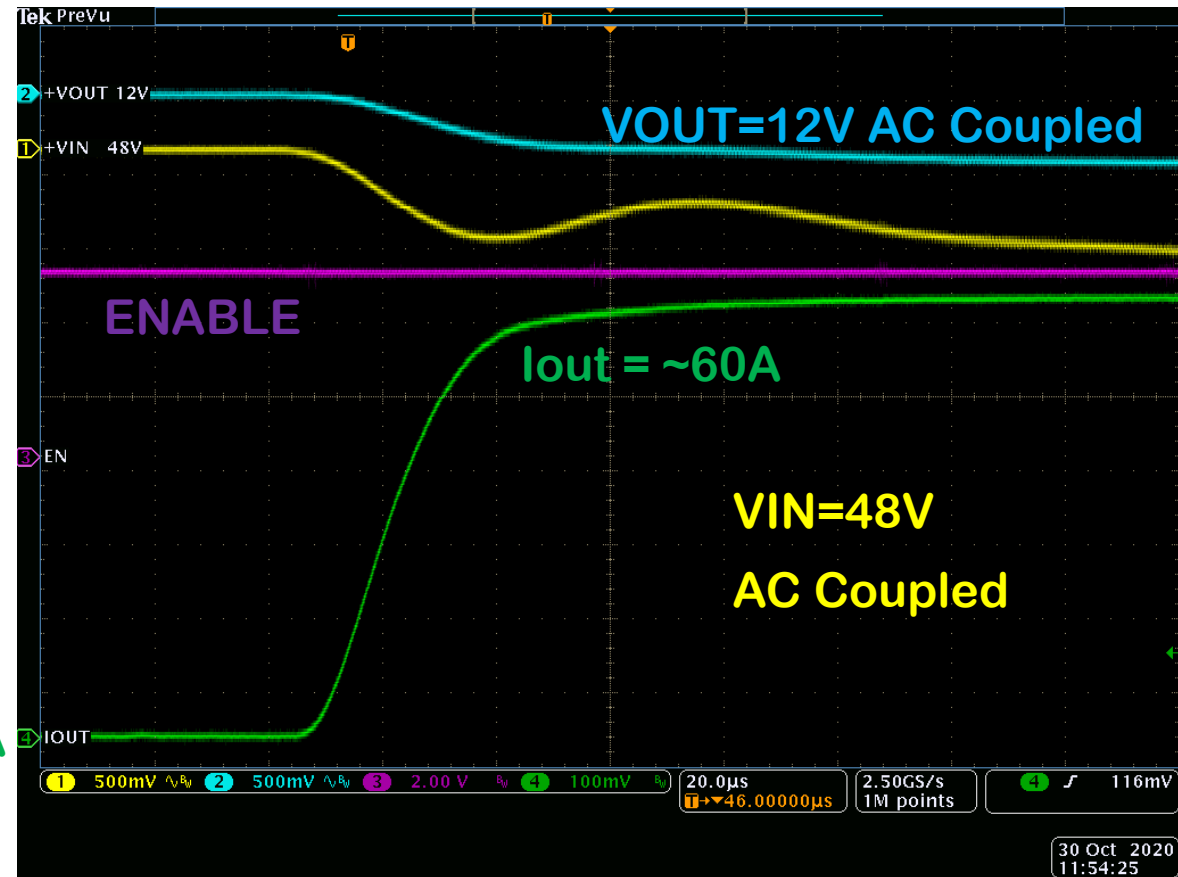
Yellow = 48V = Vin

Blue = 12V = Vout

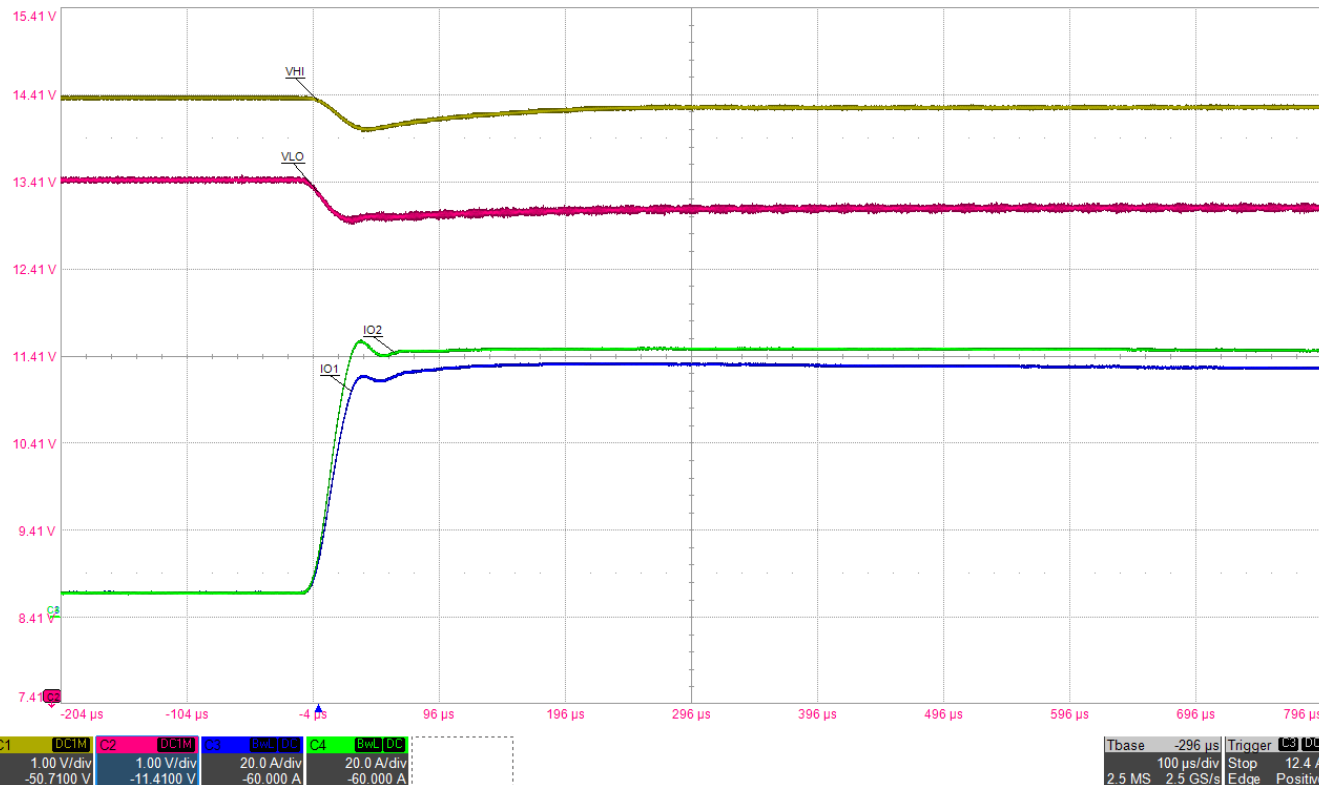
Purple = Enable

Green = Iout at 10A/div.

Iout = 0A



# Load transient test 12A to 120V 54V Bus Load Applied



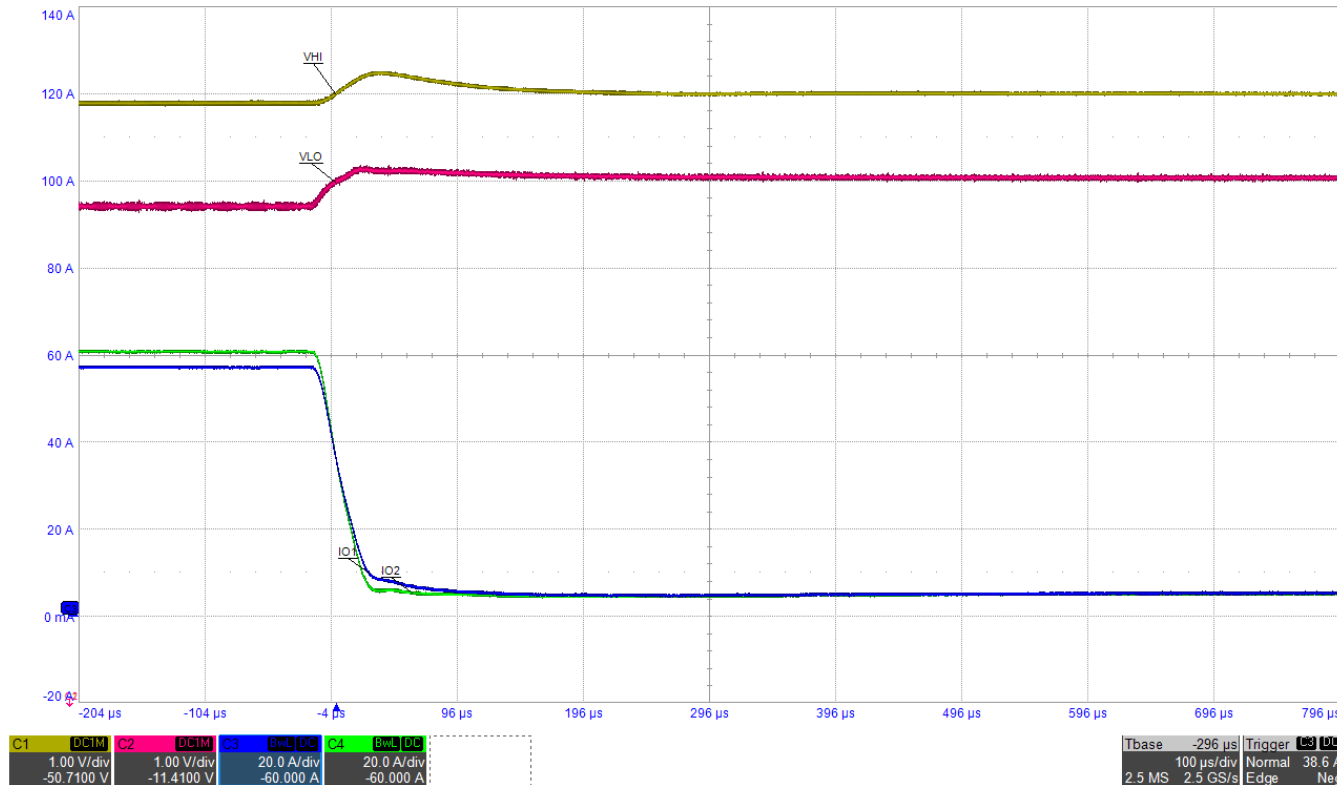
CH1 – V<sub>HI</sub>: 1V/div (DC)  
CH2 – V<sub>LO</sub>: 1V/div (DC)

CH3 – I<sub>O1</sub>: 20A/div (DC)  
CH4 – I<sub>O2</sub>: 20A/div (DC)

Timebase  
100μs/div

- Slew rate  $\approx 3\text{A}/\mu\text{s}$
- NBM2317
- V<sub>in</sub> = 12V
- V<sub>out</sub> = 54V
- 2UP Array Step transient test  
(DC coupled voltage probes)

# Load transient test 12A to 120V 54V Bus Load Removed



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CH2 –  $V_{LO}$ : 1V/div (DC)

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Timebase  
100μs/div

- Slew rate  $\approx 3A/\mu s$
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- $V_{in} = 12V$
- $V_{out} = 54V$
- 2UP Array Step transient test
- (DC coupled voltage probes)

# Redundancy

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Provide three separate channels of power from the High Voltage Battery

- 1. Power for the typical non-critical loads that can be turned off during an accident
- 2. Steering and Braking – Always are on
- 3. Can bus and Communication – Always are on

# Speaker information

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Thank you

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