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Hall Effect Evolution Across a Field-Induced Quantum Critical Point in U(Ru<sub>0.96</sub>Rh<sub>0.04</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>2</sub> YOON SEOK OH, KEE HOON KIM, School of Physics and CSCMR, Seoul National University, N. HARRISON, P. A. SHARMA, NHMFL-LANL, H. AMITSUKA, Hokkaido University, J. A. MYDOSH, Leiden University — The heavy fermion compound  $U(Ru_{0.96}Rh_{0.04})_2Si_2$  has been recently identified as a unique system in which a magnetic field-induced quantum critical point (QCP) is avoided by the creation of a single magnetic phase [1]. To further understand the nature of phase formation across the putative QCP, we have measured the Hall effect of U(Ru<sub>0.96</sub>Rh<sub>0.04</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>2</sub> between 0.6 and 30K using a 50T mid-pulse magnet. We find that the Hall coefficient  $R_{\rm H}$  abruptly increases inside the new phase formed between 28 and 38T, around  $B_{\rm QCP} \sim 34T$ , evidencing formation of a gap in the Fermi surface. Furthermore, low temperature  $R_{\rm H}$  at  $B > 38 {\rm T}$  is much smaller than that at B < 28T, indicating the different Fermi surface area in each Fermi liquid states. While the field-induced phase disappeared above 9.5K,  $R_{\rm H}$  still exhibits a broad maximum near  $B_{\rm QCP}$ , signaling a finite temperature crossover of the Fermi surface change. All of above findings are consistent with an electronic structure evolution from a heavy fermion to spin-polarized Fermi liquids across  $B_{\text{QCP}}$ . [1] K. H. Kim et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 93, 206402 (2004)

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