



END-OF-LIFE NOTICE, NO. 2671

END-OF-SALE AND END-OF-LIFE ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE CISCO FIBRE CHANNEL OVER IP PORT ADAPTER

Cisco Systems® announces the end-of-sale and end-of-life dates for the Cisco® Fibre Channel over IP Port Adapter. The last day to order the Cisco Fibre Channel over IP Port Adapter is June 3, 2005. Customers with active service contracts will continue to receive support from the Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) until June 3, 2010. Table 1 describes the end-of-life milestones, definitions, and dates for the Cisco Fibre Channel over IP Port Adapter. Table 2 lists the product part numbers affected by this announcement.

Customers are encouraged to migrate to the Cisco MDS 9500 Series multilayer directors or MDS 9216 fabric switches with either an IP Storage Services Module or Multiprotocol Services Module, which helps you build highly available, scalable storage networks with advanced network security and unified network management. Information about the replacement product can be found at:

<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/ps4159/ps4358/index.html>

Table 1. End-of-Life Milestones and Dates for the Cisco Fibre Channel over IP Port Adapter

Milestone	Definition	Date
End-of-life announcement date	The date the document that announces the end of sale and end of life of a product is distributed to the general public.	December 3, 2004
End-of-sale date	The last date to order the product through Cisco point-of-sale mechanisms. The product is no longer for sale after this date.	June 3, 2005
Last shipment date	The last-possible ship date that can be requested of Cisco and/or its contract manufacturers. Actual ship date is dependent on lead time.	September 2, 2005
End of software maintenance releases date	The last date that Cisco Engineering may release any final software maintenance releases or bug fixes. After this date, Cisco Engineering will no longer develop, repair, maintain, or test the product software.	June 3, 2006
End of routine failure analysis date	The last-possible date a routine failure analysis may be performed to determine the cause of product failure or defect.	June 3, 2006
End of new service attachment date	For equipment and software that is not covered by a service-and-support contract, this is the last date to order a new service-and-support contract or add the equipment and/or software to an existing service-and-support contract.	June 3, 2006
End of service contract renewal date	The last date to extend or renew a service contract for the product. The extension or renewal period cannot extend beyond the last date of support.	March 3, 2010
Last date of support	The last date to receive service and support for the product. After this date, all support services for the product are unavailable, and the product becomes obsolete.	June 3, 2010

Table 2. Product Part Numbers Affected by This Announcement

End-of-Sale Product Part Number	Product Description
PA-FC-1G	Fibre Channel over IP Port Adapter
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PRODUCT MIGRATION OPTIONS

The recommended replacement for the Cisco Fibre Channel over IP Port Adapter is the Cisco MDS 9500 Series multilayer directors or MDS 9216 fabric switches with either an IP Storage Services Module or Multiprotocol Services Module. The Cisco MDS 9000 Series multilayer SAN switches can help lower the total cost of ownership of the most demanding storage environments. By combining a robust and flexible hardware architecture with multiple layers of network- and storage-management intelligence, the Cisco MDS 9000 Series helps you build highly available, scalable storage networks with advanced security and unified management.

For more information about the Cisco MDS 9216 or MDS 9500 Series, go to: <http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/ps4159/index.html> or <http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/ps4159/ps4358/index.html>

Customers can use the Cisco Technology Migration Plan (TMP) to trade in products and receive credit toward the purchase of new Cisco equipment. For more information about Cisco TMP, go to: <http://www.cisco.com/go/tradein/>. The Cisco TMP application requires all users to have a Cisco.com user ID.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information contact your local account representative.

For more information about the Cisco End-of-Life Policy, go to: http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/prod_end_of_life.html

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