

Cisco RF Gateway 1 Software Release Notes, Limited Release 2.00.08

Overview

Introduction

Software Release 2.00.08 is a limited release for RF Gateway 1. This release adds DVB Simucrypt Scrambling and is intended only for UPC and their VOD deployment in Austria. The release allows an upgrade from an earlier Beta version (2.00.05) used for integration testing. General Availability (GA) release for the DVB Simucrypt Scrambling is targeted for April 2009.

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to notify UPC of the enhancements made since the Beta version was released and identify known issues that will be resolved in the GA release.

Audience

This document is intended for UPC system engineers or managers responsible for operating and/or maintaining this product.

Related Publications

Refer to the following documents for additional information regarding hardware and software.

- Cisco RF Gateway 1 Configuration Guide, part number 4025112
- Cisco RF Gateway 1 System Guide, part number 4024958

Safe Operation for Software Controlling Optical Transmission Equipment

If this document discusses software, the software described is used to monitor and/or control ours and other vendors' electrical and optical equipment designed to transmit video, voice, or data signals. Certain safety precautions should be observed when operating equipment of this nature.

For equipment specific safety requirements, refer to the appropriate section of the equipment documentation.

For safe operation of this software, refer to the following warnings.



WARNINGS:

- Ensure that all optical connections are complete or terminated before using this equipment to remotely control a laser device. An optical or laser device can pose a hazard to remotely located personnel when operated without their knowledge.
- Allow only personnel trained in laser safety to operate this software. Otherwise, injuries to personnel may occur.
- Restrict access of this software to authorized personnel only.
- Install this software in equipment that is located in a restricted access area.

Platform Changes

The RF Gateway 1 expanded capabilities include:

■ DVB Simucrypt Scrambling.

The expanded web interface capabilities include revised system pages with the following enhancements.

- Log configuration supports scrambling-specific log filtering.
- Scrambling configuration is supported via general, EIS-specific and ECMG-specific setup and control pages.

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DVB Simulcrypt Scrambling

The following changes have been made to support DVB Simulcrypt Scrambling.

- License Management has been extended to support the DVB_SCRAMBLING license option necessary to start the Scrambling engine. The license key files will be loaded by on-site personnel during the upgrade support process. After the license is loaded on the RF Gateway 1, refresh the License Management page until the license is verified and enabled. Reboot the RF Gateway 1 to enable Scrambling.
- Log configuration has been extended to support Scrambling and provides several new module filters to fine tune logging messages. Due to the potential for high message traffic, it is recommended that Logging be set to "Terse" at the highest level. Several modules default to **Off** and should be left at that level (FTP License, Resource Allocator, Socket, Advanced Filters).
- Scrambler configuration has been added and consists of a page to apply general system settings and pages to configure the EIS and ECMG operation.

Upgrade Information

In order to upgrade from 2.00.05 to 2.00.08, the log configuration filter levels must be reset, because the migration added new log filter levels. If an upgrade is attempted from any previous version, the database configuration must be restored to factory defaults.

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Software Release 2.00.08 Enhancements

The following list identifies all 2.00.08 enhancements made since the release of Beta version 2.00.05. These items refer to incidents recorded in the Issue Management Utility.

- 1057 System log configuration for DVB Scrambling not available
- 1060 License Manager support (SNMP & GUI)
- 1062 Log Manager loses all logs on reboot
- 1071 EIS/ECMG port selection move from general to specific pages
- 1073 Added setting to enable or disable SCG persistency
- 1078 EIS: recommended CP duration overrule value incorrect
- 1090 Licensing: bugs in initial licensing tests
- 1091 Database: need to align db between scrambling/HEAD
- 1092 Licensing: expired field not correctly updated
- 1093 Licensing: settings are saved to the wrong settings file
- 1094 Descriptor rule is not added when private data is empty
- 1095 Operating timer improve file integrity
- 1103 Reduce scrambling log messages
- 1104 Socket file descriptors lost when removing ECMG proxy
- 1109 ECMG channel error message has corrupted information
- 1120 VxWorks Patches
- 1123 CW stream and ECM stream alarms have wrong instance value
- 1124 Grey-out unsupported Gbe redundancy detection mode
- 1125 WR stack provides second SNTP client
- 1128 Log level defaults incorrect for new additions

Known Issues

The following list identifies known limitations planned to be resolved as part of the April GA release. These limitations do not affect the VOD operating environment that UPC will deploy in Austria but are necessary enhancements for other system configurations. These items refer to incidents recorded in the Issue Management Utility.

- 999 Bootrom updates
- 1055 Unable to have more than 32 EIS rows
- 1065 ONID is not configurable on QAM channel
- 1066 Remove limitation of 1024 sessions
- 1072 PCR, SI and ECM/EMM pids should not be scrambled
- 1075 SCG provision with activation time does not work with UTC times
- 1080 Change AC to an invalid AC can lead to a loss of ECM
- 1085 Service lost at output on changing application mode of QAM channel
- 1098 File system crashes when 25 ECMG connections are added at a time
- 1102 Long log messages result in 2 log entries
- 1121 Need to add SW control for discontinuity insertion
- 1122 Adding/removing ECM group with activation time in future updates scrambling too early
- 1126 AC delay timings applied 1 CP too late while update in CP extension
- 1129 Changing priority of ECMG channel with highest priority reloads the stream
- 1140 Add debounce to alarms/traps (specifically SCG provision, but extend to other alarms)
- 1141 Allow overwrite of existing SCGs when backoffice doesn't remove first

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For Information

If You Have Questions

If you have technical questions, call Cisco Services for assistance. Follow the menu options to speak with a service engineer.



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