End-of-Sale and End-of-Life Announcement for the Cisco MDS 9000 14/2-Port Multiprotocol Services Module

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Cisco® announces the end-of-sale and end-of life dates for the Cisco MDS 9000 14/2-Port Multiprotocol Services Module. The last day to order the affected product(s) is October 9, 2008. Customers with active service contracts will continue to receive support from the Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) as shown in Table 1 of the EoL bulletin. Table 1 describes the end-of-life milestones, definitions, and dates for the affected product(s). Table 2 lists the product part numbers affected by this announcement. For customers with active and paid service and support contracts, support will be available until the termination date of the contract, even if this date exceeds the Last Date of Support shown in Table 1.

Customers are encouraged to migrate to the Cisco MDS 9000 Family 18/4-Port Multiservice Module. This module delivers state-of-the-art multiprotocol and distributed multiservice convergence, offering high-performance SAN extension and disaster-recovery solutions, intelligent fabric services such as Cisco Storage Media Encryption, and cost-effective multiprotocol connectivity.

Table 1. End-of-Life Milestones and Dates for the Cisco MDS 9000 14/2-Port Multiprotocol Services Module

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.	April 10, 2008
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.	October 9, 2008
Last Ship Date: HW	The last-possible ship date that can be requested of Cisco and/or its contract manufacturers. Actual ship date is dependent on lead time.	January 7, 2009
End of Routine Failure Analysis Date: HW	The last-possible date a routine failure analysis may be performed to determine the cause of product failure or defect.	October 9, 2009
End of New Service Attachment Date: HW	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.	October 9, 2009
End of Service Contract Renewal Date: HW	The last date to extend or renew a service contract for the product.	January 4, 2013
Last Date of Support: HW	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.	October 8, 2013

HW = Hardware

OS SW = Operating System Software

App. SW = Application Software

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Table 2. Product Part Numbers Affected by This Announcement

End-of-Sale Product Part Number	Product Description	Replacement Product Part Number	Replacement Product Description
DS-X9302-14K9	MDS 9000 2-port GE and 14-port FC Module	DS-X9304-18K9	MDS 9000 18-port FC and 4-port GE Module
DS-X9302-14K9=	MDS 9000 2-port GE and 14-port FC Module	DS-X9304-18K9=	MDS 9000 18-port FC and 4-port GE Module, Spare

Product Migration Options

Customers are encouraged to migrate to the Cisco MDS 9000 Family 18/4-Port Multiservice Module. Information about this product can be found at http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps8425/index.html.

Table 3. Product Comparisons

Feature	Cisco MDS 9000 14/2-Port Multiprotocol Services Module	Cisco MDS 9000 18/4-Port Multiservice Module
Max Interface Speed	2-Gbps	4-Gbps
Fibre Channel Interfaces	14 1/2-Gbps FC Ports	18 1/2/4-Gbps FC Ports
Ethernet Interfaces for FCIP and iSCSI	2 Gigabit Ethernet Ports	4 Gigabit Ethernet Ports
Max Modules per MDS 9513 Chassis	11	11
Intelligent Network Services—Integrated support for VSANs, ACLs, FCC, QOS	Yes	Yes
Integrated hardware based VSANs and Inter-VSAN Routing (IVR)	Yes	Yes
Support for Intelligent Fabric Applications—Cisco Storage Media Encryption	No	Yes
Hardware Based FCIP Compression and Encryption	Yes	Yes
Typical Harware based FCIP Compression Ratio	2:1	4:1
FCIP Write Acceleration	Yes	Yes
FCIP Tape Write and Read Acceleration	Yes	Yes
FICON Support	Yes	Yes

Customers may purchase the Cisco MDS 9000 Family 18/4-Port Multiservice Module from EMC Corporation, IBM Corporation, Hitachi Data Systems, Hewlett Packard, Xiotech, Sun, Network Appliance, Dell, NEC, Fujitsu all of whom are designated Original Storage Manufacturer (OSM) or Solutions Technology Integrator (STI) partners, or from any of these companies' resellers. Cisco does not offer trade-in credits or a trade-in program.

For More Information

For more information about the Cisco MDS 9000 18/4-Port Multiservice Module, visit http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps8425/index.html, or 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.

To subscribe to receive end-of-life/end-of-sale information, go to http://www.cisco.com/cgi-bin/Support/FieldNoticeTool/field-notice.

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