



END-OF-SALE AND END-OF-LIFE ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE CISCO AIM-VPN-II MODULES

Cisco Systems® announces the end-of-sale and end-of-life dates for the Cisco AIM-VPN-II Modules. The last day to order the affected product is December 22, 2005. Customers with active service contracts will continue to receive support from the Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) until December 22, 2010. Table 1 describes the end-of-life milestones, definitions, and dates for the affected product. Table 2 lists the product part numbers affected by this announcement.

Customers are encouraged to migrate to the AIM-VPN-II-PLUS, which provides the same features as AIM-VPN-II and has better AES 192 and 256 key performances. Information about the replacement product can be found at:

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps5853/products_data_sheet0900aecd804ff58a.html.

Table 3 provides relevant information for migrating to the replacement product.

Table 1. End-of-Life Milestones and Dates for the Cisco AIM-VPN-II Modules

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.	June 22, 2005
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.	December 22, 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.	March 22, 2006
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.	December 22, 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.	December 22, 2006
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.	December 22, 2010

Table 2. Product Part Numbers Affected by This Announcement

End-of-Sale Product Part Number	Product Description	Replacement Product Part Number	Replacement Product Description
AIM-VPN/HPII	DES/3DES/AES VPN Encryption/Compression Module for 3660/3745	AIM-VPN/HPII-PLUS	DES/3DES/AES VPN Encryption/Compression
AIM-VPN/EPII	DES/3DES/AES VPN Encryption/Compression Module for 2691/3725	AIM-VPN/EPII-PLUS	DES/3DES/AES VPN Encryption/Compression

End-of-Sale Product Part Number	Product Description	Replacement Product Part Number	Replacement Product Description
AIM-VPN/BPII	DES/3DES/AES VPN Encryption/Compression Module for 2600XM	AIM-VPN/BPII-PLUS	DES/3DES/AES VPN Encryption/Compression

The recommended replacement for the Cisco AIM-VPN-II Module is the AIM-VPN-II-PLUS Module (Table 3). The AIM-VPN-II-PLUS Module provides all the Security features and benefits of the Cisco AIM-VPN-II Module at the same list price but with added performance for AES 192 and 256 keys

Table 3. Product Comparisons

Feature	Cisco AIM-VPN-II Module	Cisco AIM-VPN-II-PLUS Module
DES/3DES	yes	yes
AES/128/192/256	yes	yes
Compression IPPCP	yes	yes
Support for 2600XM,3660,3700,2800,3800	yes	yes

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.

Customers may be able to continue to purchase the end-of-sale product through Cisco's Authorized Refurbished Equipment program. Refurbished units of the end-of-sale product are available in limited supply for sale in certain countries on a first-come, first-served basis. For information about the refurbished equipment program, go to http://www.cisco.com/en/US/ordering/or6/or17/order_refurbished_equipment_program_description.html.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the Cisco AIM-VPN-II Modules, visit http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps5853/products_data_sheet0900aecd804ff58a.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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