Subscriber Networks



Explorer[®] 3250 Digital Interactive Set-Top

Description

The Explorer[®] 3250 digital interactive set-top will contain all of the features of the Explorer 3200 set-top including twice the amount of Flash memory (8 MB total). With new standards and middleware being developed for future implementation, the additional Flash memory future-proofs the Explorer 3250 set-top for running more software upgrades without having to re-allocate memory.



Standard features will include a 32-bit, 166 MHz processor and a reverse-path

DAVIC transmitter capable of sending and receiving data at speeds up to 1.544 Mbps. With its fast response time, the Explorer 3250 set-top will provide consumers with instant, real-time feedback to remote control "clicks" or requests for on-demand content.

Total available memory will be 28 MB, which provides ample support for video-on-demand (VOD), subscription VOD (SVOD), e-mail, chat services, Internet access, and other applications such as games.

The Explorer 3250 set-top also complies with OpenCable, CableLabs/SCTE, and DAVIC standards to ensure broad-based applications support and scalability.

Features

| Powerful 166 MHz, 32-bit RISC Processor | Delivers fast system response time |
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| 28 MB Total Memory | 16 MB Applications DRAM 4 MB Graphics DRAM 8 MB Flash |
| Reverse Path DAVIC Data Transmitter | Allows instantaneous, IP-based, real-time two-way communication between the Explorer 3250 set-top and the headend Drives interactive services such as Internet browsing, VOD, SVOD, e-mail, and chat Transmits and receives up to 1.544 Mbps |
| Universal Serial Bus (USB) Interface | Offers quick and easy connectivity to digital peripherals such as Web printers and cameras |
| Small Footprint | Reduces overall shipping and warehousing costs |
| Dolby [®] AC-3 [®] and Musicam Digital Audio Support | Provides capability to distribute content in these high- quality audio formats |
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| PowerKEY [®] Conditional Access System | Secures digital services using an RSA encryption |
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| PowerTV [®] Operating System with HTML Client Engine | algorithm that mathematically matches pairs of keys Offers extensive operating system and open Application Programming Interfaces (APIs) to support native applications and third-party middleware applications Allows upgrades using a network download |
| Enhanced Graphics Engine | Displays up to 65,000 colors simultaneously Enables high-resolution graphics (640 x 480 pixels) while simultaneously scaling MPEG-2 video |
| 64 and 256 ITU Annex B QAM Support | Supports standards-based QAM delivery and demodulation |
| Analog and Digital Service Tuner | Allows both non-scrambled analog and MPEG-2 digital channels to be tuned and displayed |
| Both Internal Security Microprocessor and Smart Card Slot | Provides hardware-assisted conditional access options with capability to upgrade the security, if needed |
| Macrovision [®] Copy Protection Support (licensing not included) | Activation allows cable operators to add another layer of copy protection software–Macrovision–that restricts unauthorized subscribers from copying digital transmissions such as VOD and SVOD |
| MPEG-2 MP@ML Digital Video Decompression | Allows high-volume transport and decompression of audio and video Powered by 4 MB of onboard dedicated DRAM to ensure fast decompression of MPEG and graphics Provides video resolution up to 720 x 480 pixels |
| BTSC/SAP Decoder | Enables stereo sound on analog channels using the baseband left and right audio outputs |
| S/PDIF Digital Audio Interface | Supports interconnection with surround sound receivers |
| Name Brand Option | A section of the Explorer 3250 set-top faceplate is reserved for prominent display of the cable operator's name and/or logotype |

Ordering & Availability

| Standard Features: | Part Number: |
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| High-quality digital/analog tuner | • 752150 |
| • 166 MIPS | |
| 16 MB applications DRAM | Optional Features: |
| 8 MB Flash | Expanded memory available through DIMM socket |
| Front panel USB port | |
| Interactive navigation buttons - complete set on | Available: |
| front panel | Scheduled for release July 2002 |

Specifications, features, and product availability are subject to change without notice.



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