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End-of-Sale and End-of-Life Announcement for the Cisco 526 Wireless Express Mobility Controller

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Cisco announces the end-of-sale and end-of-life dates for the Cisco 526 Wireless Express Mobility Controller. The last day to order the affected product(s) is June 1, 2010. 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.

The last software release that will support the Cisco 526 Wireless Express Mobility Controller is Cisco Unified Wireless Network Software Release 5.2. Customers are encouraged to migrate to the Cisco 2500 Series Wireless Controllers for greater investment protection and enhanced functionality. Information about these products can be found at http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/wireless/index.html.

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 1, 2009
End-of-Sale Date	Date The last date to order the product through Cisco point-of-sale mechanisms. The product is no longer for sale after this date.	
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.	August 30, 2010
End of SW Maintenance Releases Date: HW	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 1, 2011
End of Routine Failure Analysis Date: HW	The last-possible date a routine failure analysis may be performed to determine the cause of hardware product failure or defect.	June 1, 2011
End of New Service Attachment Date: HW	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
End of Service Contract Renewal Date: HW	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Last Date of Support: HW		

Table 1.	End-of-Life Milestones and Dates for the Cisco 526 Wireless Express Mobility Controller

HW = Hardware

OS SW = Operating System Software App. SW = Application Software

End-of-Sale Product Part Number	Product Description	Replacement Product Part Number	Replacement Product Description	Additional Information
AIR-WLC526-K9	Cisco WLC526 Mobility Express Controller	AIR-WLC2106-K9	2100 Series WLAN Controller for up to 6 Lightweight APs	-
AIR-WLC526-K9	Cisco WLC526 Mobility Express Controller	AIR-WLC2112-K9	2100 Series WLAN Controller for up to 12 Lightweight APs	-
AIR-WLC526-K9	Cisco WLC526 Mobility Express Controller	AIR-WLC2125-K9	2100 Series WLAN Controller for up to 25 Lightweight APs	-

Table 2. Product Part Numbers Affected by This Announcement

Product Migration Options

Customers are encouraged to migrate to the Cisco 2100 Series Wireless LAN Controllers. Information about this product can be found at: http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps7206/index.html.

Customers may be able to use the Cisco Technology Migration Program (TMP) where applicable to trade-in eligible products and receive credit toward the purchase of new Cisco equipment. For more information about Cisco TMP, customers should work with their Cisco Partner or Cisco account team. Cisco Partners can find additional TMP information on Partner Central at

http://www.cisco.com/web/partners/incentives_and_promotions/tmp.html.

Customers may be able to continue to purchase the Cisco 526 Wireless Express Mobility Controller through the Cisco Certified Refurbished Equipment program. Refurbished units may be available in limited supply for sale in certain countries on a first-come, first-served basis until the Last Date of Support has been reached. For information about the Cisco Certified Refurbished Equipment program, go to: http://www.cisco.com/go/eos.

Service prices for Cisco products are subject to change after the product End-of-Sale date.

The Cisco Takeback and Recycle program helps businesses dispose properly of surplus products that have reached their end of useful life. The program is open to all business users of Cisco equipment and its associated brands and subsidiaries. For more information, go to:

http://www.cisco.com/web/about/ac227/ac228/ac231/about_cisco_takeback_recycling.html.

For More Information

For more information about the Cisco 2100 Series Wireless LAN Controllers, visit http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps7206/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/products_end-of-life_policy.html.

For more information about the Cisco Product Warranties, go to: http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/prod_warranties_listing.html.

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