



End-of-Sale and End-of-Life Announcement for the Cisco ONS 15600 Core Cross-Connect Card

Cisco Systems® announces the end-of-sale and end-of-life dates for the Cisco® ONS 15600 Core Cross-Connect Card (CXC). The last day to order the affected product is November 28, 2006. Customers with active service contracts will continue to receive support from the Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) until November 27, 2011. 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.

SONET customers are encouraged to migrate to Cisco ONS 15600 Release 5.x or later and replace with the Cisco ONS 15600 Core Cross-Connect Card (SSXC). SDH customers are encouraged to migrate to Cisco ONS 15600 Release 8.x and replace with the Cisco ONS 15600 Core Cross-Connect Card (SSXC). Table 2 provides relevant information for migrating to the replacement product.

Table 1. End-of-Life Milestones and Dates for the Cisco ONS 15600 Core Cross-Connect Card (CXC)

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.	May 30, 2006
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.	November 28, 2006
Last Ship 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.	February 26, 2007
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.	November 28, 2007
End of New Service Attachment Date	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.	November 28, 2007
End of Service Contract Renewal Date	The last date to extend or renew a service contract for the product.	February 23, 2011
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.	November 27, 2011

Table 2. Product Part Numbers Affected by This Announcement

End-of-Sale Product Part Number	Product Description	Replacement Product Part Number	Replacement Product Description
15600-CXC	Core Cross Connect, 6144 STS1	15600-SSXC=	New SSXC Core Cross Connect, 6144 STS1
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Product Migration Options

The recommended replacement for the Cisco ONS 15600 Core Cross-Connect Card (CXC) is the Cisco ONS 15600 Core Cross-Connect Card (SSXC).

Currently there are no customers required to trade in products listed in Table 2, as they took part in the 15600 CXC-to-SSXC program described in the Field Notice (FN-61836) at:

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/customer/products/hw/optical/ps4533/products_field_notice09186a0080369cf0.shtml.

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 the Cisco 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/order_finance_and_payments_concept_home.html.

For More Information

For more information about the Cisco ONS 15600 Core Cross-Connect Card (CXC), visit

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/optical/ps4533/prod_eol_notices_list.html.

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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