

End-of-Life Announcement for Catalyst 2900 Fast Ethernet Switching System (Catalyst 2901 and Catalyst 2902)

Overview

The Cisco Systems Workgroup Business Unit is announcing the end of life (EOL) of the Catalyst® 2900 Fast Ethernet Switching System which consists of the Catalyst 2901 and Catalyst 2902 products.

Table 1 End-of-Life Products

Cisco Part Number	Description
WS-C2901	14-port FastEthernet Switch—(2) 100BaseTX uplinks, (12) 10/100BaseTX ports, RJ-45
WS-C2902	14-port FastEthernet Switch—(2) 100 BaseTX uplinks, (12) 100BaseFX ports, SC

End of Sales: April 30, 1999

Last Shipment: May 31, 1999

End of Support: April 30, 2004

Migration

In order to facilitate the EOL process, two replacement options are available for each product. These options should be substituted for Catalyst 2901 and Catalyst 2902 orders as soon as possible, as they represent a significant increase in value to the customer.

The replacement options for the Catalyst 2901 offer the same functionality, including Inter-Switch Link (ISL) on every port. In addition, it includes a total of 26 ports (an increase of 12 ports) and has the added benefit of modularity. The current list price of either configuration represents a significant reduction in cost per port.

The replacement options for the Catalyst 2902 also offer the same functionality, including ISL on every port. They have the same port count (12+2). Their current list prices, however, represent a substantial savings versus the Catalyst 2902.

Ordering Information

The following configurations should be ordered in lieu of the Catalyst 2901/Catalyst 2902.

Table 2 Replacement Options for Catalyst 2901 / Catalyst 2902

EOL Part Number	Replacement Part Number(s)	Description
WS-C2901	WS-C5002, WS-X5009, WS-X5225R	C5002 (2-slot modular chassis with built-in dual power supplies), Supervisor I (2-100BaseTX uplinks), 24-port switching module (10/100TX, ISL, RJ-45)
	WS-C5002, WS-X5509, WS-X5225R	C5002 (2-slot modular chassis with built-in dual power supplies), Supervisor II (2-100BaseTX uplinks), 24-port switching module (10/100TX, ISL, RJ-45)
WS-C2902	WS-C5002, WS-X5009, WS-X5201R	C5002 (2-slot modular chassis with built-in dual power supplies), Supervisor I (2-100BaseTX uplinks), 12-port switching module (100BaseFX, ISL, RJ-45)
	WS-C5002, WS-X5509, WS-X5201R	C5002 (2-slot modular chassis with built-in dual power supplies), Supervisor II (2-100BaseTX uplinks), 12-port switching module (100BaseFX, ISL, RJ-45)



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