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Patton Expands Network Management Services for the NetLink Telco Rack System

Free Software Upgrade for the NetLink Model 1001MC Management Module Substantially Enhances Network Management Services for Patton's Telco Chassis & Rack System

NOVEMBER 16, 2004: GAITHERSBURG, Maryland - Patton Electronics—an industry leader in access, connectivity and VoIP—announces software release 3.0 for their Model 1001MC NetLink management module. The free software upgrade supports a larger set of alarms and expanded capabilities for managing T1/E1 NTUs, DSL modems, and other devices installed within the NetLink 2U rack system. In keeping with their industry-unique customer support policy, Patton offers the software upgrade to their existing customers at no charge. Current owners of Patton Model 1001MC can download the free software immediately from Patton's web site at http://upgrades.patton.com/.

The Model 1001MC NetLink management module offers a convenient, cost-effective integrated solution for managing the NetLink Telco rack system via SNMP or HTTP. Once installed, an operator need only connect a workstation to the module's Ethernet port and launch a standard Web browser (such as Mozilla, Netscape Navigator or Internet Explorer) to configure, monitor, control, and perform diagnostics on the entire NetLink system.

Software Release 3.0 for the Model 1001MC significantly enhances the manageability of Patton's Model 1001 system by delivering the following new management capabilities:

- Manage AIS & CRC4 alarms on Model 2701RC E1 NTUs
- Manage power-supply-failure alarms individually
- Reset each line card individually
- Backup and restore module configuration files to an external host via export/save operations

- Configure installed modules more easily by storing up to five configuration template files
- Enable or disable auto-refresh operation for selected web management pages.
- Configure auto-refresh at one of eight user-selectable intervals

About Patton's NetLink Telco Chassis & Rack System

Patton's Model 1001 Telco chassis and rack system offers enterprises and service providers a convenient, cost-effective solution for extending and terminating point-topoint communication links. The 16-slot, 2U-high enclosure supports managed modules, un-managed modules, and redundant power supplies. Managed modules for installation within the Model 1001 chassis include mDSL Model 1095RC, iDSL Model 1092RC, HDSL Model 1094RC, G.703/G.704 Model 2701RC and Modes G.703 2707RC. Un-managed modules include VDSL Models 1058RC and 1068RC, Models 1065 and 1080ARC industrial modems, and Models 2158RC and 2168RC Ethernet Extenders. By installing a Model 1001CC control module in each chassis, you can interconnect up to 8 chassis in a daisy-chain and use the Model 1001MC to manage the entire NetLink system via a single IP address.

About Patton

Patton Electronics Company is a US manufacturer and marketer of data communications products, including VoIP/ToIP gateways & routers, Remote Access (V.92, V.90, K56Flex, V.34+, and ISDN dial-in), Last Mile/Local Loop Access (T1, E1, and xDSL modems, NTUs and CSU/DSUs), Multi-Service Access (voice, intranet, extranet, and Frame Relay access), and Connectivity (interface converters, short range modems, multiplexers, and surge protectors).

For more information or to request a free datacom catalog, please contact <u>sales@patton.com</u>.

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