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ComOS 3.4.2L Release Note

Introduction

The new Livingston Enterprises ComOS™ 3.4.2L software release is now available for the PortMaster™ OR-M, OR-U, OR-LS, OR-HS, and OR-ST. This release is provided at no charge to all Livingston customers. The following document describes the features of the ComOS 3.4.2L software release and how to upgrade your PortMaster Office Router. Upgrade instructions are included at the end of this release note.

WARNING! YOU MUST USE PMINSTALL VERSION 3.3.1 OR LATER TO PERFORM THIS UPGRADE! If you are upgrading using PMconsole™ for Windows, you must use PMconsole for Windows version 1.1 or later. See "Upgrade Instructions" on page 11. If you have any port speeds set to 115200 and upgrade to ComOS release 3.4.2L and later downgrade to any earlier release you must set the port speeds again after downgrading.

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Support for International ISDN

Support for International ISDN using the OR-ST has been added. The OR-ST is the PortMaster ISDN Office Router for use in Europe, Japan, and other countries using international ISDN standards. New ISDN switch type settings for "`set isdn-switch`" are listed in the following table.

set isdn-switch	Used for
net3	EuroISDN standard (includes Swiss extensions)
vn2	France - Older switch type
vn3	France - Older switch type
vn4	France - Current National switch type
1tr6	Germany - Older switch type
ntt	Japan
kdd	Japan

A change in switch type does not take effect until the PortMaster is rebooted.

Command to show flash file system

The "`show files`" command has been added to display how much of the 128 KB flash configuration file system is in use. Output also shows file names. Files are:

File	Contents
confdata	Extensions to port configurations, ether1, RADIUS
config	Global configuration and standard port configurations
passwd	User Table
hosttab	Host Table
routes	Static Routes
location	Location Table, except for chat scripts
script	Chat Scripts for the Location Table
snmp	SNMP
filters	IP filters
listnames	ChoiceNet list IDs contained in filters
ipxfilt	IPX filters
sapfilt	SAP filters
netmasks	Static Netmask Table
modem	Modem Table

Session Termination Cause logging in RADIUS Accounting

RADIUS accounting now reports the reason for session termination. In addition, the new "`set debug termination on`" command displays more detailed port terminations to the system console as well as sending these messages to syslog. See "RADIUS Accounting Terminate Cause" on page 6 for more information on termination causes and how to edit the RADIUS dictionary file to take advantage of them.

RADIUS Outbound-User support

The PortMaster now supports the RADIUS Outbound-User service-type. In addition, the PortMaster logs outbound user activity to RADIUS accounting.See "RADIUS for Outbound Users" on page 5 for information on using this feature.

IMPORTANT NOTE: If you are currently using outbound Telnet security with RADIUS you must change those entries in your RADIUS users file to use Service-Type = Outbound-User when you upgrade to ComOS release 3.4.2L.

TCP port number for Login User in RADIUS Accounting

The Telnet and Netdata TCP port number is now identified in RADIUS accounting. Previously, Login Users sent to a host with Telnet would be identified only as using the Telnet service even if they were directed by RADIUS to a TCP port number other than 23. In ComOS release 3.4.2L, if the user is sent to a port other than 23 RADIUS accounting reports the TCP port number. This is useful for determining whether the user was sent to a special service on the identified host. Accounting records for Login Users using the Netdata (TCP-Clear) login service now always include the TCP port number.

Maximum Receive Unit increased to 1520 bytes

LCP now allows the remote end to request (via a NAK) a maximum receive unit of up to 1520 bytes instead of the previous limit of 1500. This accommodates some Multilink PPP implementations which use a MRU larger than 1500 bytes.

PAP and CHAP for Dialback PPP users

PAP and CHAP authentication support has been added for Dialback PPP users.

Easier configuration of CHAP for dial-out Locations

The new command "`set location` *`Location_Name`* `chap [ on|off ]`" has been added to make outbound CHAP authentication easier to configure. When "`chap on`" is set for the location, the PortMaster requires that it be authenticated using CHAP on an outbound dial. The username and password entered in the location table are used as the "system identifier" and "MD5 secret" in the CHAP authentication. Use of this feature eliminates the need to use the sysname and user table configurations for CHAP unless the device being dialed to also sometimes dials into the PortMaster. The default setting is "`chap off`".

ChoiceNet without RADIUS

ChoiceNet can now be used without RADIUS, using the commands "`set choicenet Ipaddress`" and "`set choicenet-secret String`".

Set All command made easier

The "set all" command no longer affects the W1 port. Now it affects only ports S0-2.

The command "set all network dialin" is now supported.

Debug off command

The command "`set debug off`" has been added. This command clears all debug settings which are currently active in the PortMaster.

Bug Fixes in ComOS 3.4.2L

The following bugs have been fixed in ComOS 3.4.2L.

Zero Length Filters are now ignored

Zero length filters applied to Ethernet interfaces are now treated as permit filters. That is, if a filter has no rules at all it now permits everything through. If it has one or more rules then anything not explicitly permitted by a rule is denied at the end of the filter.

Ports using ChoiceNet can be reset safely

Previously, resetting or disconnecting a port which is waiting for ChoiceNet to upload a dynamic packet filter would cause the PortMaster to reboot. This has been fixed; ports can now be reset without causing a problem.

State Attribute cleared properly

Previously the RADIUS State attribute could be inadvertently retained between login sessions, displaying the wrong RADIUS menu when users logged on. This has been fixed. (RADIUS menus are supported in the RADIUS 2.0 server, to be released later.)

Too-long Filter-Id Attributes now truncate

Previously, a RADIUS Filter-Id attribute longer than 12 characters for PPP users would cause the PortMaster to reboot. This has been fixed. A Filter-Id longer than 12 characters is now truncated to 12 characters before appending the ".in" and ".out" to the filter name.

Host Prompt now works over ISDN

Previously an ISDN port set for host prompt would not echo characters back to the user. This has been fixed.

Location username now deletes properly

Previously, adding a username to a location, deleting the location, and adding the location again would bring back the username entry. The username is now properly deleted when the location is deleted.

Extraneous console message removed

If a user dials in and negotiates IPX while the console is set, the console gets a burst of "e_getpacket: no packet available" messages at the end of negotiations. These are harmless, but have been removed.

Commands fixed

The usage statement for ptrace has been fixed.

Previously, only the command "`save host`" would save the PortMaster Hosts Table. The plural form "`save hosts`" is now supported as well.

RADIUS for Outbound Users

RADIUS on the PortMaster now supports Service-Type = Outbound-User, used to authenticate users gaining outbound access to network device ports.

If you do not have any ports set to "device /dev/network" or "twoway /dev/network" you can ignore this entire section, it does not apply to you. If you do have any ports set to "device /dev/network" or "twoway /dev/network" and have been using RADIUS to authenticate outbound users, you should read this section carefully and understand it completely before upgrading to this release, because things will work differently after the upgrade.

In ComOS release 3.4.1L and earlier, to allow users to access the modems for outbound dialing across your network but require a password for such access, you set the port up like this (after first moving your telnet administration port to something other than 23 with a command like "`set telnet 24`"):

```
set s1 device /dev/network
set s1 service_device telnet 10000
save s1
reset s1
```

And then set up a user like this in the PortMaster User Table.

```
add user fred
set user fred password What4ever
set user fred service telnet 10000
set user fred host <PortMaster ether0 IP address>
save user
```

A user can then telnet to the PortMaster at the usual telnet port of 23, get a login prompt, enter “fred”, get a password prompt, enter “What4ever”, and would be connected to the device connected to port s1, typically a modem. You can pool multiple ports together by setting their service device telnet port to the same number. Any port number between 10000 and 10100 has this special property.

In ComOS 3.4.2L and later, this behavior has changed. In 3.4.2L, you set up the port the same way as before, but now when the user telnets to port 23 and gives his username and password, the PortMaster first checks the local User Table, as it did before. If the user is not found in the local User Table and the PortMaster is configured to use a RADIUS server, the PortMaster sends a RADIUS Access-Request to the RADIUS server with the hint that Service-Type (6) = Outbound-User (5).

If the PortMaster receives back an Access-Accept from the RADIUS server with Service-Type = Outbound-User, it allows the user to connect to the port. Check your /etc/raddb/dictionary file for the exact spelling of attribute 6 and value 5.

An example entry in the /etc/raddb/users file for an Outbound-User follows:

```
fred        Password = “What4ever”, Service-Type = Outbound-User
            Service-Type = Outbound-User,
            Login-Service = Telnet,
            Login-TCP-Port = 10000
```

Note that the user file can only have one entry named “fred”. If fred is already used in the RADIUS users file as a different kind of user, you must use a different username to dial out with. RADIUS 2.0 will make this easier.

RADIUS Accounting Terminate Cause

Release 3.4.2L has added support for the RADIUS Accounting Acct-Terminate-Cause attribute to provide information on the cause of session termination. In addition, if termination debugging is turned on using the “`set debug termination on`” command, additional termination information is sent to syslog (auth.info) and the system console.

Before upgrading the PortMaster, update your `/etc/raddb/dictionary` file by adding the following lines, kill your `radiusd` and restart it. An updated dictionary file is available at `ftp://ftp.livingston.com/pub/le/radius/dictionary`.

```
ATTRIBUTE     Acct-Terminate-Cause        49                      integer


VALUE         Acct-Terminate-Cause        User-Request            1
VALUE         Acct-Terminate-Cause        Lost-Carrier            2
VALUE         Acct-Terminate-Cause        Lost-Service            3
VALUE         Acct-Terminate-Cause        Idle-Timeout            4
VALUE         Acct-Terminate-Cause        Session-Timeout         5
VALUE         Acct-Terminate-Cause        Admin-Reset             6
VALUE         Acct-Terminate-Cause        Admin-Reboot            7
VALUE         Acct-Terminate-Cause        Port-Error              8
```

```
VALUE        Acct-Terminate-Cause        NAS-Error               9
VALUE        Acct-Terminate-Cause        NAS-Request             10
VALUE        Acct-Terminate-Cause        NAS-Reboot              11
VALUE        Acct-Terminate-Cause        Port-Unneeded           12
VALUE        Acct-Terminate-Cause        Port-Preempted          13
VALUE        Acct-Terminate-Cause        Port-Suspended          14
VALUE        Acct-Terminate-Cause        Service-Unavailable     15
VALUE        Acct-Terminate-Cause        Callback                16
VALUE        Acct-Terminate-Cause        User-Error              17
VALUE        Acct-Terminate-Cause        Host-Request            18
```

The following simple script produces a list of termination causes seen. Note that this script does not remove duplicates, so it provides only an approximate count.

```
cat /var/adm/radacct/*/detail | grep Acct-Terminate-Cause | \
sort | uniq -c
```

Here are the syslog messages and their meanings. Where a message would also go to RADIUS Accounting, the Acct-Terminate-Cause is included in the syslog message before the dash. In normal operation you would expect to see User-Request, Host-Request, and Lost-Carrier, although Lost-Carrier can be caused by the user hanging up his end of the connection or by line or modem problems.

Admin Reset

Port was reset by administrator. Also sent to RADIUS Accounting if a session was active on the port.

Callback

Callback User is disconnected so the port can be used to call user back.

Cause Unknown

Contact Livingston Technical Support.

Host Request - PMD

Disconnected or logged out from host using in.pmd service. This can mean either normal termination of a login session, or the remote host has crashed or become unreachable. Also sent to RADIUS Accounting.

Host Request

Disconnected or logged out from host. This can mean either normal termination of a login session, or the remote host has crashed or become unreachable. Also sent to RADIUS Accounting.

Idle Timeout

Idle timer expired for user or port. Also sent to RADIUS Accounting.

Login Timeout

The login:, password:, or host: prompt is set to timeout after five minutes with no input and has done so.

Lost Carrier

Session terminated when modem dropped DCD. This can either mean the user or his modem hung up the phone from their end, in which case there is no problem, or can mean that the line was dropped or took a noise hit too severe for the modems to recover from, or can mean that the local modem dropped DCD for some other reason. Also sent to RADIUS Accounting.

Lost Service - Interface Down

Contact Livingston Technical Support.

Lost Service - Interface Error

Contact Livingston Technical Support.

Lost Service - Invalid Network Handle

Contact Livingston Technical Support.

Lost Service - LMI

A Frame Relay interface missed six consecutive LMI replies.

Lost Service - No netbufs

No netbufs are available for service. Contact Livingston Technical Support.

NAS Error - PPP Unknown State

The PortMaster could not determine state of PPP. Contact Livingston Technical Support.

NAS Request - Modem Config Complete

The Modem table entry has finished initializing the modem attached to the port.

NAS Request - PPP Maximum Retransmissions

PPP negotiations failed after the PortMaster sent 10 configuration requests. This is caused by a configuration error on the client, PortMaster, or RADIUS user entry.

No Event Identified

Contact Livingston Technical Support.

Port Error - PPP Couldn't Send

The PortMaster could not send PPP negotiation. Check that the port and modems at both ends are properly configured for hardware flow control (RTS/CTS); if the problem still occurs, contact Livingston Technical Support.

Port Error - PPP Loop Detect

The PortMaster saw its own Magic Number in an LCP Configuration Request. The two most likely causes are either that our modem is in echo mode or that we dialed into a UNIX system and it is echoing our packets back to us. In the former case, correct the configuration in the modem. In the latter case, change the chat script in the location table entry on the PortMaster to expect "~" instead of "PPP".

Port Error - Spurious Interrupts

Attached device is causing too many interrupts, so the PortMaster reset the port. Also sent to RADIUS Accounting if a session was active on the port.

Port Error - Unknown State

Contact Livingston Technical Support.

Port Error - Wrong Type

Port is configured for login users only and a network user is trying to log in, or vice versa. To configure ports appropriately:

`set all login`	Login users only
`set all network dialin`	Network users only
`set all login network dialin`	Both

Service Unavailable - Access Denied

The port Access Filter does not permit connection to requested host. If you get this message and you wish to allow a connection to the host:

1. If you did not intend to use an access filter, remove the ifilter from the port with "`set` *`Port`* `ifilter`"
2. If you are using an access filter, check your filter rules.

Service Unavailable - Auth Failed

Three attempts by the user to authenticate at the login: prompt have failed, so the user is disconnected.

Service Unavailable - Device

Port is set for host device but in.pmd or the pseudo-tty configured is unavailable. This gets logged once per second until the situation is corrected.

Service Unavailable - Host

Login session was unable to connect to host. The most common cause is that the host is down or refusing connections or not running `in.pmd` or `rlogind`.

Service Unavailable - PPP Auth Failed

Contact Livingston Technical Support.

Service Unavailable - PPP CHAP Auth Failed

The user's PPP CHAP authentication failed.

Service Unavailable - PPP No Protocol

Neither IP nor IPX was negotiated for PPP, so no service can be provided. This is a configuration error for either the dial-in client or the user entry.

Service Unavailable - PPP Outbound PAP Auth Failed

PortMaster dialed out to another site and was being authenticated by PAP but failed, so the PortMaster is hanging up. (Note that if we are authenticated by CHAP and fail, it is the responsibility of the other end to hang up.)

Service Unavailable - PPP PAP Auth Failed

The user's PPP PAP authentication failed.

Session Timeout

Session timer expired for user. Also sent to RADIUS Accounting.

User Error - PPP LCP Protocol Reject

The PortMaster received a LCP Protocol Reject. This should never happen; it indicates there is a bug in the software of the remote system since the remote system is claiming it does not support LCP.

User Error - PPP NCP Active to Reply

PortMaster received a PPP Configuration ACK when a session was already established, so it terminated the session. This is caused by a PPP implementation error in the dial-in client. Also sent to RADIUS Accounting.

User Error - PPP NCP Active to Request

PortMaster received a PPP Configuration Request when a session was already established, so it terminated the session. This is caused by a PPP implementation error in the dial-in client. Also sent to RADIUS Accounting.

User Request - Admin Quit

Quit command issued from the command line interface.

User Request - PPP Term Ack

Dial-in client requested that we terminate immediately without sending an acknowledgment. This message is expected from a proper PPP client termination. Also sent to RADIUS Accounting.

User Request - PPP Term Req

Dial-in client requested that we send a Termination ACK and then terminate. This message is expected from a proper PPP client termination. Also sent to RADIUS Accounting.

Upgrade Instructions

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The 3.4.2L upgrade image is available for the PortMaster Office Router at `ftp://ftp.livingston.com/pub/le/upgrades/or_3.4.2L`.

An updated RADIUS dictionary file is available at `ftp://ftp.livingston.com/pub/le/radius/dictionary.` If you are using RADIUS you should FTP that file and copy it to /etc/raddb/dictionary on your RADIUS server host, then kill and restart the RADIUS server daemon (radiusd).

If you do not have pminstall installed you can FTP the PMconsole tarfile from `ftp://ftp.livingston.com/pub/le/software/` and install it. The following example shows what to do for a Sun workstation, other platforms are the same except for the name of the file to FTP:

```
umask 22
mkdir /usr/portmaster
cd /usr/portmaster
ftp ftp.livingston.com
    anonymous
    (enter your email address)
    binary
    cd pub/le/radius
    get dictionary
```

```
      cd ../upgrades
      get or_3.4.2L
      cd ../software/sun4
      get pm2_3.3.1_sun4.tar
      quit
  tar xf pm2_3.3.1_sun4.tar
  mv or_3.4.2L data/or_3.4.2L
  ./pminstall
  cp dictionary /etc/raddb/dictionary
  mv dictionary radius/raddb/dictionary
```

Choose the Upgrade PortMaster option in pminstall, choose `pm2_3.4.2L` from the menu of upgrade choices, enter your PortMaster's hostname or IP address, and enter your PortMaster's administrative password. `pminstall` upgrades your PortMaster to ComOS 3.4.2L.

The upgrade does not affect your stored configuration in the PortMaster; however if you would like to backup your PortMaster configuration before upgrading, run `pmreadconf`:

```
  cd /usr/portmaster
  ./pmreadconf pmname pmpassword data/pmname.conf
  chmod 600 data/pmname.conf
```

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