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# **Boomer II OEM Modem**

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- ~~(1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and~~
- ~~(2) This device must accept any interference received including interference that may cause undesired operation.~~

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# Introduction

The Boomer II OEM Modem is a radio packet modem, intended for use on the Motorola DataTAC 4000 SFR and DataTAC 5000 MFR data communication networks.

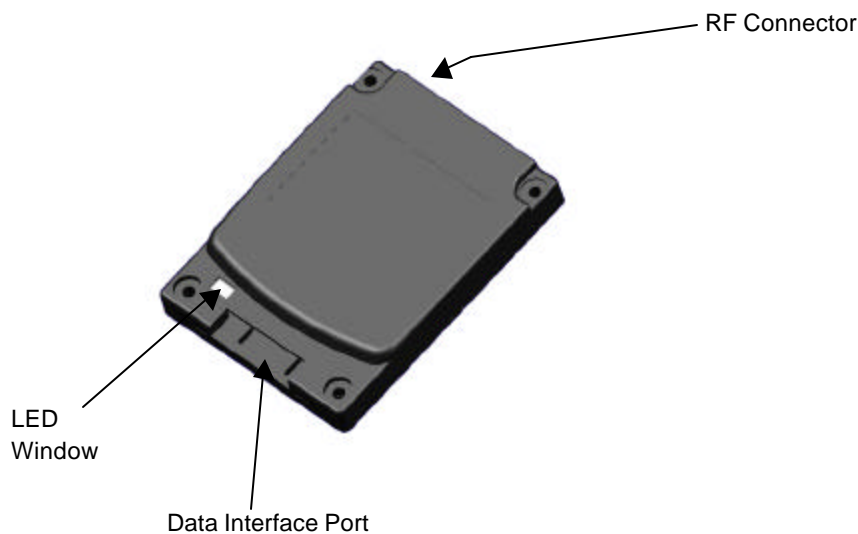
It is primarily designed to be integrated into customer equipment as an OEM modem. There are two versions available, an 800MHz version (A band) and a 900MHz version (B band).

The modem interfaces to the equipment's controller by using the data interface port. The protocol supported over this link is Native Control Language (NCL).

Although the modem has embedded software, it has no built in application software. All application software must be separately installed and run from the device to which the modem is connected.

A Software Development Kit (SDK) is available and described later in this manual to assist this process.

A picture of the Boomer II OEM Modem is shown below.



This manual contains the following sections:

Section 1: General product information.

Section 2: Installation Guide.

Section 3: Test Jig and Boomer II Evaluation Guide.

Section 4: Software Development Kit Guide for the modem interface (NCL) and the network host interface (SCR).

Section 5: Client Application Guide.

Section 6: Message Routing Guide.



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## Features

The Boomer II OEM modem is approximately the size of a credit card and just 9mm thick. The modem is easily connected to many other devices and can be incorporated into a variety of package formats. The modem has a TTL serial port.

The Boomer II OEM Modem has the following features:

- ❑ Serial communications interface port (TTL level) running an NCL protocol
- ❑ Indicator lights shows the status of the network coverage and power supply
- ❑ Four configurable digital input/output lines for external control/monitoring
- ❑ Software configurable RF calibration adjustments to suit specific networks
- ❑ High sensitivity reception
- ❑ Small footprint and low profile design
- ❑ Low-voltage and low standby current consumption for battery based products
- ❑ Auto-wake up of host on incoming messages
- ❑ Roaming capabilities as used in DataTAC system
- ❑ Modem is always online using the DataTAC network
- ❑ Easy to install, service and update

## Applications

Suitable devices in which the Boomer II OEM Modem can be used include the following applications:

### Meter Reading

The modem can be used to read billing information from intelligent electrical meters and basic disc meters. Data is transmitted wirelessly through a radio network to billing computers.

### EFTPOS

The modem can perform handshaking and complete verification of all data transmitted through the wireless network.

### Vending Machines

Vending machines can also utilise radio data technology. Many machines already transmit usage and refill requirements to company head offices via standard telephone lines. Radio modems allow vending machines to be placed in areas with poor access to telecommunications infrastructure, providing a cost-effective alternative to installing new telephone lines. On refilling, only the required refills will be

despatched to the required sites maximising truck carrying capacity and consequently efficiency.

### **Fire Alarm Detection**

Conventional telephone wire connections are slow to dial out and can burn before the emergency call can be placed. Laws in many states and countries require businesses to have an on-line dial out fire alarm system. The Boomer II OEM Modem offers a real solution to this problem.

### **Parking, Buses and Ticketing**

Ticketing machines are being converted to cashless operation. The Boomer II OEM Modem is the best alternative to facilitate the introduction of this cashless technology.

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The Boomer II modem is supplied as an OEM Modem Module for integration into a customer specific product. This combined product will have it's own antenna, RF cable and unique FCC ID. This combined product will require its own testing by an FCC testing house and submission to the FCC for approval.

This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, may cause interference harmful to radio communications.

There is no guarantee however, that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult your supplier or an experienced radio/TV technician for assistance.

**Warning:** *Changes or modifications to this unit not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.*

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## Information for Your Safety

Please read these safety instructions and the operation instructions provided in this manual before operating the Boomer II OEM Modem.

### Safe Use

Switch the modem off in areas where radio devices are forbidden, or when it may cause interference or danger. For example, fuel depots (fuel storage and distribution areas), chemical plants, locations in which hazardous or combustible gases may be present and where blasting operations are in progress.

Do not use the modem in an aircraft. Such use may affect aircraft instrumentation, communication and performance and may be illegal.

Be aware that the modem may interfere with the functionality of inadequately protected medical devices, including pacemakers. Additionally, the effect of the radio signals from the modem on other electronic systems, including those in your car (such as electronic fuel-injection systems, electronic anti-skid braking systems, and electronic cruise-control systems) may affect the operation of these systems, which should be verified before use in the applications

Do not place the modem on an unstable surface. It may fall and damage the equipment.

Never push objects of any kind into the modem through openings as they may short out parts that could result in a fire or electrical shock. Never spill liquid of any kind on the modem. Do not use the modem near water (for example near a bathtub or sink, in a wet basement, near a swimming pool etc.). The modem should be situated away from heat sources.

Disconnect the modem from the power source before cleaning. Do not use liquid or aerosol cleaners. Use a damp cloth to clean the unit.

Disconnect the modem from the power source and contact your supplier if:

- Liquid has been spilled or objects have fallen onto the modem.
- It has been exposed to rain or water.
- It has been dropped or damaged in any way.
- It does not operate normally by following the instructions contained in this manual.
- It exhibits a distinct change in performance.

Failure to observe all these instructions will void the limited warranty.

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## Host Requirements

The minimum system requirements of the host interface PC in order to utilise the Software Development Kit (SDK) are:

- ❑ Intel compatible Pentium computer or higher
- ❑ Windows 95 or later
- ❑ 16MB RAM (memory) minimum, 32MB recommended
- ❑ 1MB available hard disk space
- ❑ 9-pin serial Port using a 16550 UART
- ❑ 3.5-inch Disk Drive
- ❑ CD-ROM drive

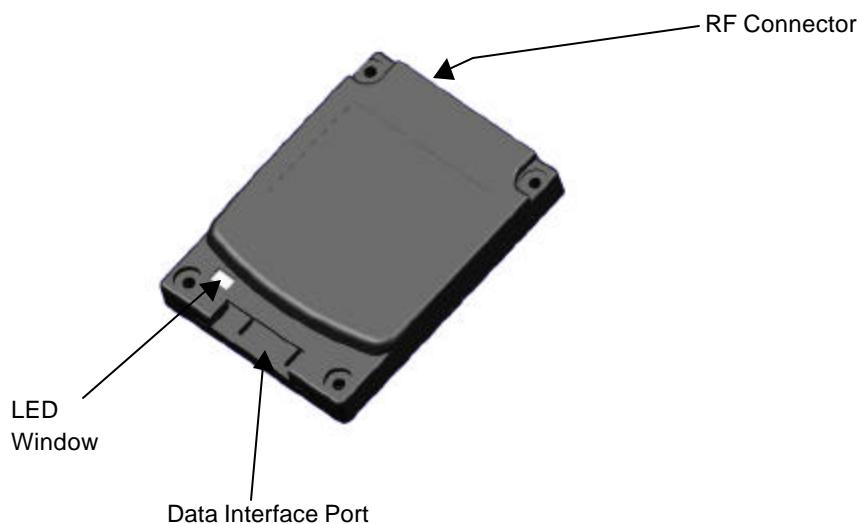


# Installation

This section will help you to successfully integrate the Boomer II OEM Modem into your custom application. Before using your modem you must:

- ❑ Mount the Boomer II OEM Modem to your device
- ❑ Connect the Data Interface Port
- ❑ Connect and position the antenna
- ❑ Supply power

A picture of the Boomer II OEM Modem is shown below.

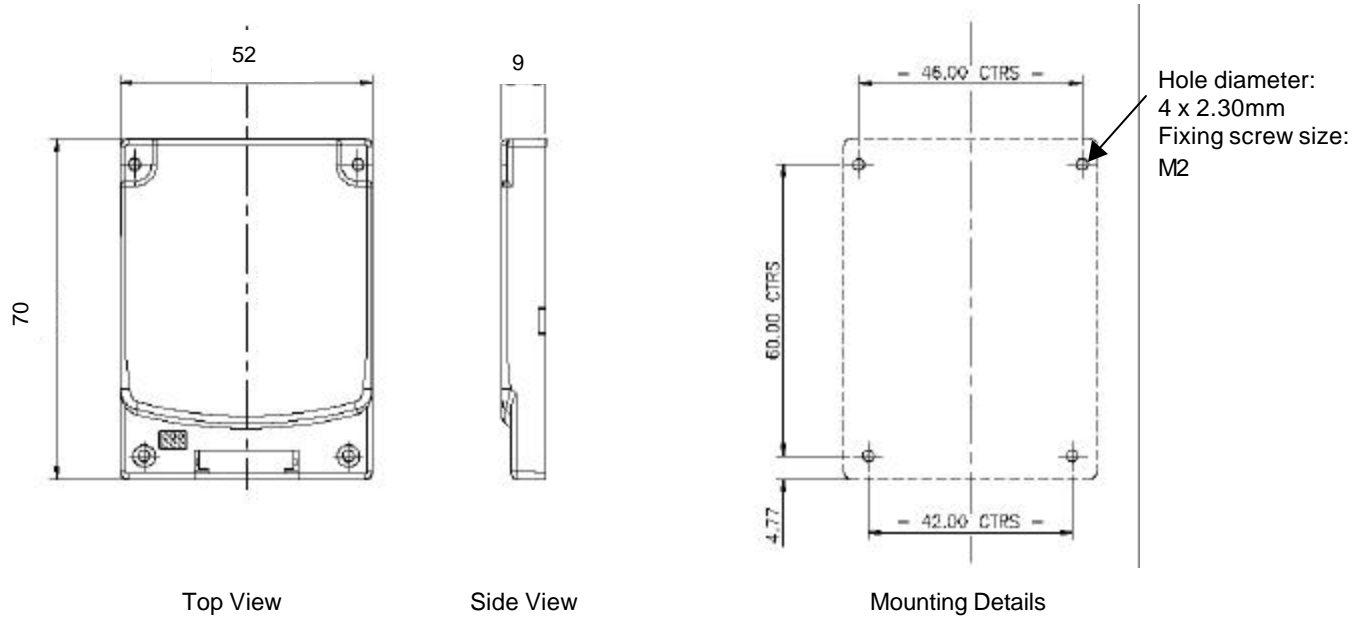


The modem has the following interfaces:

Data Interface Port	30-way connector	
LED Window	Power LED	Green, flashes when scanning On, when locked Off, when the modem is off
	Receive LED	Green, flashes when receiving
	Transmit LED	Red, flashes when transmitting
RF Connector	MMCX female socket	

## Mounting the Boomer II OEM Modem to Your Device

The Boomer II OEM Modem has an M2 Mounting Bolt hole in each corner, which should be used to bolt the modem onto an appropriate surface. The mounting hole pattern is four holes in a 60mm X 46mm X 42mm trapezoid, with each hole to suit an M2 (2.0mm) bolt. Refer to the following diagram.



The mating surface should be flat and ensure a rigid mounting for the modem to minimise the transmission of vibration to the unit.

There should be an adequate supply of airflow to ensure the modem's temperature limits are not exceeded.

## Connecting the Data Interface Port

There are two connectors to interface the Boomer II OEM Modem with your device.

- RF Connector (described in the next section), and
- Data Interface Port

The data interface port is used to interface the modem to a serial computing device and a power supply. The power supply requirements are described in the next section.

A flat 30-way Flexible Printed Circuit (FPC) cable 0.3mm thick with 1mm centreline spacing is used between the Boomer II OEM Modem's data interface port and your device.

The asynchronous serial interface on the Boomer II OEM Modem operates at 3V and can be controlled by a wide variety of microcontrollers and microprocessors. The modem can be connected directly to a microcontroller or through a universal asynchronous receiver/transmitter (UART) to a microprocessor data bus.

If the modem is to be connected directly to a PC or other RS232 device, an interface must be provided to convert the signal voltage to the higher values required by an RS232 device.

### Data Interface Pin Descriptions

Pin	Signal	Description
1	DCD	Data Carrier Detect
2	RXD	Receive Data
3	TXD	Transmit Data
4	DTR	Data transmit ready
5	GND	Ground
6	DSR	Data Set Ready
7	RTS	Request to Send
8	CTS	Clear to Send
9	RI	Ring Indicator
10	HCRESET	Modem Reset
11	TEST PIN	Not connected
12	HOSTPWR_ON	Modem Power on/off
13	LED0_MSGWTG	Message Waiting
14	LED1_INRANGE	In Range
15	LED2_LOWBAT	Low Battery
16	SS0/RXD2	Status Signal 0
17	SS1/TXD2	Status Signal 1
18	SS2	Status Signal 2



19	SS3	Status Signal 3
20	HOST 3.8V	Supply Voltage (3.4 – 4.2V)
21	HOST3.8V	Supply Voltage (3.4 – 4.2V)
22	HOST 3.8V	Supply Voltage (3.4 – 4.2V)
23	HOST3.8V	Supply Voltage (3.4 – 4.2V)
24	TEST-PIN	Not connected
25	HOST GND	Ground
26	HOST GND	Ground
27	HOST GND	Ground
28	HOST GND	Ground
29	TEST-PIN	Not connected
30	TEST-PIN	Not connected

### Serial Communications Interface

The modem communicates with the controller using the Data Interface Port connection interface. The protocol supported over this link is the Native Control Language (NCL). The data format for NCL is: 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit.

The serial interface lines (RXD, TXD, DCD, DTR, DSR, RTS, CTS, RI) are TTL compatible. They are fitted with a 33 $\Omega$  series resistor and clamp diode to the internal supply line for protection. The electrical interface capability of these signals is as follows:

Input Voltage Range    0 – 3.3V or 0 - 5V

Output Voltage Range    0 - 3.3V

Current Source/Sink     $\pm$  3mA (maximum)

The operation and active condition of these lines is summarized below.

### Serial Communications Interface Definitions

J1 Pin #	Signal	Description	Signal	Active State
1	DCD	Data Carrier Detect	Output	Low when modem in-range
2	RXD	Receive Data	Output	Low when active
3	TXD	Transmit Data	Input	Low when active
4	DTR	Data transmit ready	Input	Low when ready
6	DSR	Data set ready	Output	Low when ready
7	RTS	Request to send	Input	High when host requires data throttling
8	CTS	Clear to send	Output	High when modem requires data throttling
9	RI	Ring indicator	Output	Pulses Low when messages are waiting

## Status Input / Output lines

**Note:** *Not currently supported but may be added in future releases.*

The status lines (SS0 to SS3) may be software configured for bi-directional operation. Each line has a 33Ω series resistor and clamp diode to the internal supply line for protection. The electrical interface capability and function of these signals are as follows:

Input Voltage Range	0 – 3.3V or 0 - 5V
Output Voltage Level	0 - 3.3V
Current Source/Sink	± 3mA (maximum)

The operation and active condition of these lines is summarized below.

## Status Input/Output Interface Definitions

J1 Pin #	Signal	Description	Signal	Active State
16	SS0	Status Signal 0	Input/ Output	User configurable (future option)
17	SS1	Status Signal 1	Input/ Output	User configurable (future option)
18	SS2	Status Signal 2	Input/ Output	User configurable (future option)
19	SS3	Status Signal 3	Input/ Output	User configurable (future option)

## LED Interface

The modem provides three on-board indicators (LEDs), for diagnostic monitoring purposes as well as three modem controllable LED outputs through the Data Interface Connector.

### On-Board LED Indicators

The on-board LEDs are visible through a small window in the case of the modem. In order of sequence (from left to right when viewing the modem facing the data interface connector) the LEDs are as follows:

Power LED	Green	flashes when power normal and scanning for channel
	On	when power normal and locked on channel
	Off	when the modem is off
Transmit	Red	flashes when data is transmitted

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LED

Receive LED      Green flashes when data is received

## LED Output Lines

In addition to the on-board LEDs there are three signal lines (Low Battery, Message Waiting, In-range), which are controllable by the modem for connection to an external LED. Each line has a 33 $\Omega$  series resistor and clamp diode to the internal supply line for protection. It is recommended a series resistor be used with the external LED to limit current accordingly. The electrical interface capability and function of these signals are as follows:

Output Voltage Level	0 – 3.3V
Current Source/Sink	$\pm$ 3mA (maximum)

The operation and active condition of these lines is summarized below.

## LED Interface Definitions

J1 Pin #	Signal	Description	Signal	Active State
13	LED0_MSGWTG	Message waiting	Output	Low when message waiting
14	LED1_INRANGE	In range	Output	Low when modem in-range
15	LED2_LOWBAT	Low battery	Output	Low when battery is less than 3.5V, High when battery is greater than 3.6V

### Low Battery

The Low Battery signal is held active low whenever the supply voltage drops below an acceptable level (less than 3.5V) and deactivated when the voltage level becomes acceptable again (greater than 3.6V). The transitions will occur at the same time as the low battery event occurs (or would occur if the event was activated). Note that in the case of a very fast transition between voltages, it may take up to 20 seconds for the modem to confirm a change in battery status.

### Message Waiting

The Message waiting signal is held active low whenever there is at least one message waiting in the inbound buffers to finish being sent to the network, or at least one complete message in the outbound buffers which hasn't been sent to the local device.

### In-Range

The In Range signal is held active low whenever the modem is in range. It tracks the function of the Data Carrier Detect (DCD) signal.

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## Connecting & Positioning the Antenna

The Boomer II OEM Modem provides an MMCX RF connector interface located at the top of the unit, to attach to the antenna cable.

The antenna does not plug directly into the modem but uses an antenna cable to interface between your device and the modem.

The antenna cable should be a low loss,  $50\Omega$  impedance and have a MMCX plug that can mate with the modem's MMCX socket (82MMCX-S50-0-2). It is recommended that a Huber+Suhner connector be used to connect to the modem as below;

11 MMCX     Straight Connector

16 MMCX     Right Angle Connector

If an extension cable is required to the antenna, it should be low loss, as short as possible and an impedance of 50 ohms. Proper matching connectors should be used, as each connector introduces a return loss and reduces performance.

The minimum requirements for the antenna used with the Boomer II OEM Modem are:

Impedance:	50 $\Omega$
Centre Frequency:	833MHz $\pm$ 5MHz
Frequencies of operation:	806 to 825MHz (transmit) 851 to 870MHz (receive)
Acceptable return loss:	VSWR < 1.5 or RL < -14dB (recommended) VSWR < 2.0 or RL < -10dB (minimum)

The power output of the Boomer II OEM Modem is nominally 1.8W at the antenna port. The antenna gain or loss will affect this value.

### Positioning

Positioning the antenna will affect the gain provided by the antenna.

The antenna should be orientated so that it provides vertical polarisation as the DataTAC network is based on vertically polarised radio-frequency transmission.

The antenna should be located as far from the active electronics of the computing device as possible. Typically, a metal case of a computing device and its internal components may attenuate the signal in certain directions. This is undesirable as the sensitivity and transmit performance of the Boomer II would be reduced. However, careful use of metal used for the ground plane for an antenna can improve the antenna gain and the coverage area for the system.

If your device is designed to sit on a surface, the antenna should be positioned as far from the bottom of the device as possible. This is to

reduce the radio frequency reflections if the device is placed on a metal surface.

If your device is hand held or is worn next to the body, the antenna should be positioned to radiate away from the body.

## Supplying Power

The Boomer II OEM Modem must be provided with a clean power source capable of delivering bursts of high current.

The modem draws its power in bursts. The power required changes rapidly depending on whether the modem is transmitting, receiving or on standby.

The power supply requirements are:

Voltage:	3.8V (3.4 to 4.2V range)
Transmitter:	1.7A
Receiver:	85mA
Transmit Duration:	32ms (minimum) 1s (maximum)
Off current consumption:	< 100 $\mu$ A
Power Supply Ripple:	< 15mV peak to peak

### Batteries

The Boomer II OEM Modem may be powered by batteries if used with a handheld device.

Nickel cadmium (NiCad) batteries may be used for devices requiring wide temperature ranges. Nickel metal hydride (NiMH) and lithium ion (Li+) batteries may also be used for devices utilised above 0°C. Specifications for these batteries should be obtained from the manufacturer.

The selected battery must be able to meet the Boomer II power requirements as mentioned previously.

### Plug-in Supplies

A mains plug-in supply must be designed to ensure that voltage spikes, lightning and other power fluctuations cannot damage the Boomer II. Transient voltage protection zener diodes or other spike arrestor circuits may be added to keep the inputs within the power requirements mentioned previously. These should have a value of 20V and be placed on the supply side of the regulator circuit.

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## **Automotive Supplies**

Extra protection is required from an automotive supply to protect the Boomer II OEM Modem from power fluctuations when used in an automobile.

The electrical transient conditions (e.g. battery jump start), may damage the modem if not adequately clamped and filtered.

## **Environmental Considerations**

The environmental requirements of the Boomer II OEM Modem are as follows:

Operating Temperature: -30° to +60°C

Storage Temperature: -40° to +70°C

You should ensure these limits are not exceeded in the intended application.

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## Test Jig

The Boomer II Test Jig provides RS-232 serial interface ports between a PC and the modem. It is designed to enable you to quickly interface the Boomer II to a standard PC (through a COM port) or a terminal device with an RS-232 serial port.

The test jig acts as a temporary host for the modem and provides access points to the radio's communication port, allowing you to monitor activity with a logic probe, multimeter or oscilloscope.

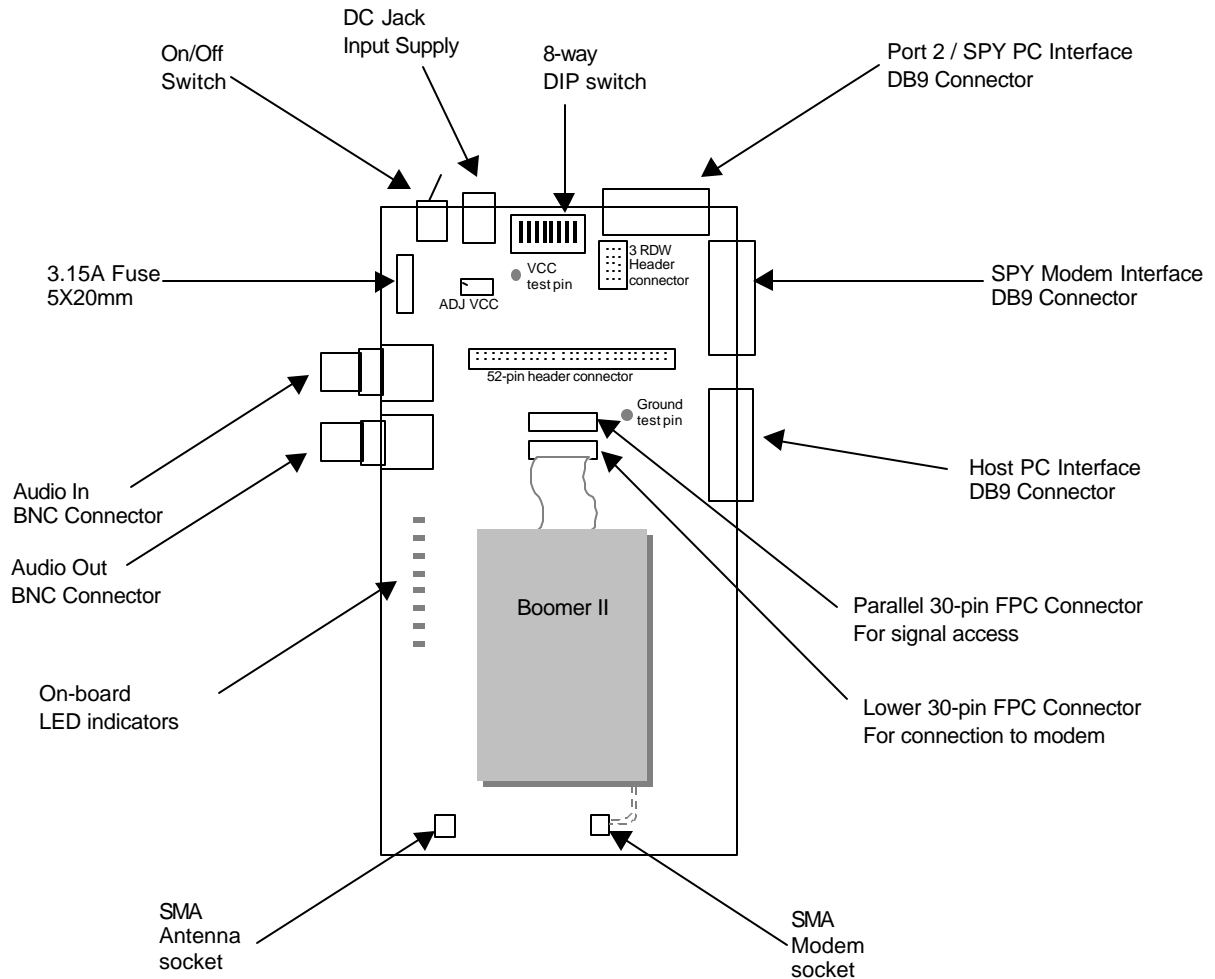
### Features

- ❑ All Input/Output Lines configurable by jumpers and/or accessible through parallel FPC connector.
- ❑ On-board dual RS232 Serial Communication interface ports with DB9 connectors
- ❑ Through the SPY MODEM connector, you can monitor the data transmitted from the modem (RX, DSR, and CTS).
- ❑ Through the PORT 2/SPY PC connector, you can monitor the data transmitted from the PC (TX, RTS and DTR), or talk to the second serial port of the modem. You can make this choice by putting all five jumper links on the right or left side of the RDW header connector near the port.
- ❑ Switches and LED indicators on SS0 - SS3 modem I/O lines.
- ❑ On-board voltage regulator for Boomer II OEM supply rail.
- ❑ On-board LEDs for three external signals:
  - Low battery
  - Message waiting
  - In range
- ❑ On-board antenna matching network allowing conversion from MMCX to SMA connectors.



# Exploring the Boomer II Test Jig

The test jig comprises the following components:



- On / Off switch      Switches the power to the test jig on or off.
- DC Jack              Provides power to the test jig. (3.8V)
- DIP Switch            8-way DIP switch used to configure the test jig.

The following table shows the DIP switch configuration.

Dip Switch #	Signal	On	Off	Default Position
1	PA7	Always leave this switch in the OFF position		OFF
2	OSC OFF	Always leave this switch in the ON position		ON
3	SS3	3V	10k Pul ldown to GND	OFF
4	SS2	3V	10k Pull down to GND	OFF
5	SS1	3V	10k Pull down to GND	OFF
6	SS0	3V	10k Pull down to GND	OFF
7	H-P-ON	Turn the modem off	Turn the modem on	OFF
8	RESET	Keep modem reset	Keep modem in working status	OFF

Port 2 / SPY PC Connector	<p>DB9 connector used for two purposes depending upon the settings of the jumper switches located just behind the connector on the PCB. If the jumpers are used to connect the centre column to the right hand outer column (TX, RTS etc), then the port acts as a spy connection for the data between the PC and the modem via the PC connector.</p> <p>An analyser program such as “spy.exe” can be used to view the data.</p>
SPY Modem Connector	<p>DB9 connector, used to spy on the RS-232 data sent by the modem to the DTE (using DSR, RX, CTS and GND signals).</p> <p>An analyser program such as “spy.exe” can be used to view the data. A communication program such as “HyperTerminal” can be of limited use if the data spied upon contains a lot of alpha-numeric ASCII characters.</p>
Host PC Connector	<p>DB9 connector, used to connect serial port 1 (of 2) of the modem to the DTE. The default values for this RS-232 connection is 9600bps, 8 bits, no parity, 1 stop bit.</p> <p>This port can also be used to download new modem software to the Boomer II.</p>
Parallel FPC Connector	30-way FPC (Flexible Printed Circuit) connector used for signal access.
Lower FPC Connector	30-way FPC (Flexible Printed Circuit) connector used to connect the Boomer II to the test jig.
Modem Connector	Used to connect the Boomer II’s antenna socket to the antenna connector.
Antenna Connector	Used to connect the external antenna.
LEDs	<p>There are eight LEDs used to indicate the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Power</li> <li>Low Battery</li> <li>In Range</li> <li>Message Waiting</li> <li>SS0</li> <li>SS1</li> <li>SS2</li> <li>SS3</li> </ul>

Audio Out Connector for monitoring an audio output. Used to monitor baseband signal, BIT Error Rate (requires a PER test jig), receiver and demodulation.

**Warning:** *Must use a high impedance monitor, 100kΩ.*

Audio In Connector for monitoring an audio input. Used to monitor modulation and transmission.

**Warning:** *Must use a high impedance monitor, 100kΩ.*



3 RDW Header connector  
3 RDW Header connector

3 RDW Header Connector

Connectors used for jumpers (supplied).

For Port 2 use, all the jumpers are positioned from the centre column to the left hand column.

For Spy PC use, all the jumpers are positioned from the centre column to the right hand column.

52-pin Header Connector

Connector used for jumpers (supplied). All the jumpers are connected as default.

- 1 DCD
- 2 RX
- 3 TX
- 4 DTR
- 5 GND
- 6 DSR
- 7 RTS
- 8 CTS
- 9 RI
- 10 RESET
- 11 H-P-ON
- 12 MSGWTG
- 13 INRANGE
- 14 LOWBAT
- 15 SSO/RX2
- 16 SS1/TX2
- 17 SS2/CTS2
- 18 SS3/RTS2
- 19 3.8V
- 20 3.8V
- 21 3.8V
- 22 3.8V
- 23 GND
- 24 GND
- 25 GND
- 26 GND

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## Initial Calibration

Without connecting a Boomer II OEM Modem to the Test Jig, initially check the calibration of the on-board voltage regulator. (This regulator supplies the RS232 converter and other on-board circuitry only. It does not supply power to the modem).

1. Connect the centre pin of the DC jack to the +3.8V power supply with 2A capability and the external pin to the ground.
2. Adjust the trimpot marked ADJ VCC to make sure the voltage on the test pin next to the ADJ VCC is 3.3V.
3. Keep all of the switches on the dipswitch in the off position (except DIP switch 2) for normal modem operation.

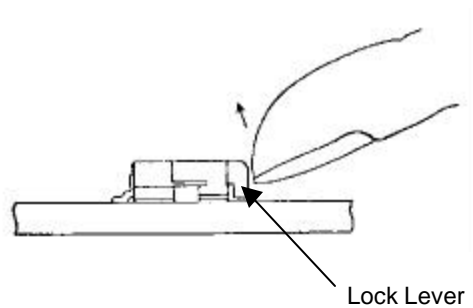
## Set Up

With the power off,

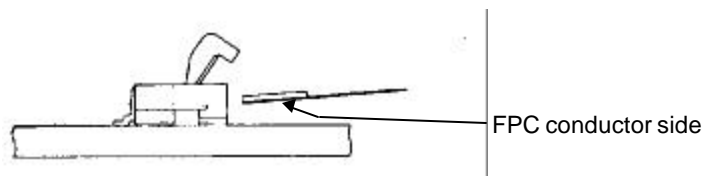
1. Connect the Boomer II OEM modem to the lower FPC connector on the test jig using a 30-way FPC cable.

Use the following procedure to insert the cable into the FPC connector.

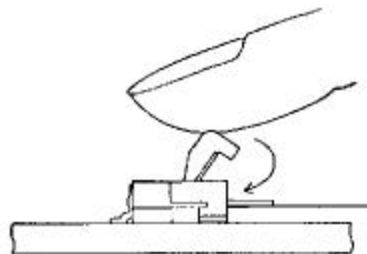
- a. Lift up the lock lever of the FPC connector by flipping it up with the nail of your thumb or index finger.



- b. Ensure that the cable is inline with the connector and insert the FPC cable into the connector with the conducting surface of the cable facing downwards.



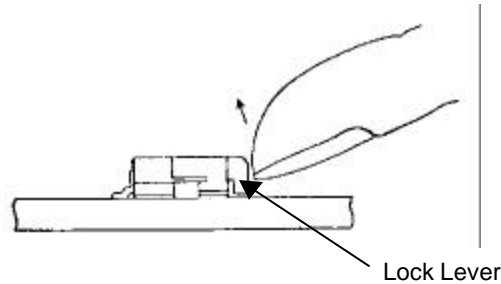
- c. Press down the lock lever.



**Note:** *If the cable has been partially inserted, or out of alignment, the lock lever will not engage. Should this occur, remove the cable (see below) and repeat steps a-c.*

Use the following procedure to remove the cable from the FPC connector.

- a. Lift up the lock lever of the FPC connector by flipping it up with the nail of your thumb or index finger.



- b. Remove the cable after the lock is released.
2. Install an antenna to the modem. Use either the on-board SMA connection and an adapter cable between the modem MMCX connector and the test jig, or directly to the modem itself.
  3. Connect the PC to the DB9 connector marked "PC" using a standard serial cable.
  4. Switch the power supply on.
  5. Select the DIP switch labelled H-P-ON to the ON position.

The Power LED on the modem should illuminate.

You are now ready to communicate with the modem using the PC as a host.

The modem should be able to talk to the PC by using Wavenet RSUSER software, or other NCL protocol software.

## RSUSER

The Radio Service Utility software (RSUSER ) enables a user to exercise and configure Wavenet Modems. This software runs in a DOS window under Windows 95, 98, NT, or 2000.

RSUSER interfaces with the Boomer II OEM Modem via a PC's communications port and the Test Jig's PC port using an RS-232 cable with DB9 connectors.

RSUSER is issued with the following files:

- ❑ RSUSER.EXE The executable
- ❑ RSTEST.DEF Definition file for scripts
- ❑ RSUSER.INI Initialisation file. Created by RSUSER.EXE
- ❑ RPM.LOG Log file. Created by RSUSER.EXE.

Refer to Appendix E for the NCL command list.

### Operations

The following screen is displayed on start up or whenever the Help Hot Key <?> is pressed.

```
*****RSUSER.M V2.xx HELP*****
NCL COMMANDS
( - enable receive      _ - Get RPM status      @ - disable receive
) - enable transmit    & - Get Next Msg      # - disable transmit
SEND MESSAGES (blocks composed of ...)
^ - Text ' '-z'var length  , for short text
/ - random bytes var length % for short random
. - Dotting ('U's) message > for canned message
< - sequential text var length
MISCELLANEOUS
F5 - Change COM regs [4,3F8]      Alt'b' - Change baud rate [9600]
F11 -Toggle dumping of data bytes of incoming NCL
F9 - Activate packet loopbacks    F10 - Configure loopback timing
CONFIG PROGRAMMING
Alt3 - Program home area      Alt6 - Program Group LLIs
Alt5 - Program Channels      Alt C -Read params from modem
Left/Right arrow - send XOFF/XON.  Alt X/Z - rts off/on  Alt S/A - dtr off/on
Alt w - Batt. status  Alt d - Radio status
F1 - Source LLI [90100001]    F2 - Destination LLI [90100001]
F3 - Sys Address[A1010A]     F4 - Compile NCL Msg
ESC - QUIT program          F6 - Auto sync LLIs and home area

Type '?' to get back to this help screen
```

RSUSER allows operators to exercise the modem via Native NCL Commands (and Vendor Specific Commands), hot keys or an input line. Common user commands such as enabling the modems receiver and transmitter are included in the Hot Key list. Native NCL commands can be issued from the F4 Hot key. A log file RPM.log is automatically started for a new session of RSUSER. To save a session, exit RSUSER and rename the RPM.log file.

## Using RSUSER

1. Supply power to the modem (e.g. via the test jig), switch it on and plug the modem into the communications port of the computer. (Refer to the modem's user or test jig documentation for cabling and connection instructions).
2. Execute RSUSER.EXE
3. Check that the communication port settings displayed are correct under the Miscellaneous Heading.
4. If the communications port settings are incorrect, press <F5>, enter new settings, and exit from RSUSER by pressing <Escape> and return to step 2.
5. Press the <\_> key (the underline) to see if you receive a response from the modem. If not, there may be a problem with the connection or communication settings. Reset the modem, exit from RSUSER, check all connections and return to step 1.
6. Use RSUSER as required and when finished, press <Escape> to exit.

When first run, RSUSER.EXE creates a file RSUSER.INI in the current directory, which saves the last used options (communications configuration) of RSUSER.EXE. These options will be used next time RSUSER is executed.

## Hot Key Descriptions

### <Alt> + <3>      **Home Area Programming**

Press <Alt> and <3> keys together to program the home area into the modem's non-volatile memory. You will be asked to enter the home area (e.g. C20101), and then press <Enter>. You will see three "CMND.....ILLEGAL BYTE" lines, followed by three "SUCCESS" lines. This is normal. You must reset the modem (<F4> 66 <Enter>) before the changes will take effect. If you do not receive the "SUCCESS" responses, then reset the modem, reset RSUSER, and try again.

### <Alt> + <5>      **Static Channel Programming**

This allows you to change the static channel list in the modem's non-volatile memory. You will be prompted to enter the channel list.

Type each channel individually, as per the example. You must type the four hexadecimal digits of the channel (e.g. 25ED), followed by a space, and then four hexadecimal digits for the channel attributes (0401). (Refer to the DataTac RD-LAP manual for channel designators and channel attribute descriptions.)



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You should see two “CMND.....ILLEGAL BYTE” lines, followed by two “SUCCESS” lines. This is normal. You must reset the modem (<F4> 66 <Enter>) before the changes will take effect. If you do not receive the “SUCCESS” responses, reset the modem, reset RSUSER, and try again.

**<Alt> + <6>            Group LLI Programming**

This allows you to program up to 16 group LLIs into the non-volatile memory of the modem. You will be prompted for each LLI individually. When finished, press <Enter> when prompted for the next LLI.

You should see two “CMND.....ILLEGAL BYTE” lines, followed by two “SUCCESS” lines. This is normal. You must reset the modem (<F4> 66 <Enter>) before the changes will take effect. If you do not receive the “SUCCESS” responses, then reset the modem, reset RSUSER, and try again.

**<Alt> + <C>            Read Config Parameters**

This option reads the current configuration from the modem, and reports on it. The configuration includes the LLI, Serial #, home area, channels, group LLIs and some redundant data.

**<Alt> + <D>            Get Radio Status**

This option sends a command to the modem requesting the current radio status of the modem. The response contains information on the current RSSI level, signal quality, current channel, base Id and several other data.

**<Alt> + <W>    Get Battery Status**

This option sends a command to the modem requesting the current status of the battery power. The response contains the voltage level of the battery as an absolute voltage and as an estimated percentage of capacity.

**<F1>    Set Source LLI**

This option tells RSUSER which LLI should be listed as the source LLI on all packets which are sent by RSUSER using the "SEND MESSAGES" options. This setting will be saved in the RSUSER.INI initialisation file. There is no need to reset the modem or RSUSER after this option.

### <F2> Set Destination LLI

Similar to the above option, but sets the destination LLI for messages sent by the "SEND MESSAGES" options.

### <F6> Automatically Set SRC/Dest LLIs And Home Area

Automatically queries the modem for its LLI and home area, and sets the above two options with that LLI for loopback tests, and the next option with that home area address. This is easier than typing the LLI for both source and destination options, and the destination address.

### <F3> SYS Address

This option sets the default destination area for messages sent with the "Send Messages" option. This value is saved in the initialisation file.

### <F4> Compile NCL Message, or Send NCL Script

This option allows you to send any NCL command to the modem. For example, by pressing <F4>, typing "4z" and then pressing <Enter> will cause a command SDU to be sent to the modem asking for the static channel table. To enter a non-ASCII value, use the form \7C where the backslash indicates that the next two characters are to be treated as a hexadecimal byte value (in this case 7C). This option is only useful if you have a copy of the NCL specification to translate commands into byte values.

RSUSER is also able to send commands taken from the definition file rstest.def. This file contains a list of "scripts", which contain predefined commands. The comments in the sample rstest.def file describe how to format the scripts in the file.

To send a script, press <F4>, and then type the script name prefixed by the "=" (equals) sign.

For example, to run the "enablerx" script, press <F4>, and type "=enablerx", followed by <Enter>.

### <F5> Change Com Port Parameters

This option allows you to change the communications port settings which RSUSER uses to communicate with the modem. You will be asked for the port address and port IRQ. You will be given examples for the common four PC com ports.

**Note:** *You must exit from and restart RSUSER before these settings will take effect.*

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**<Alt> + <b> Change Baud Rate**

This option changes the baud rate the RSUSER program uses. You will be asked for the baud rate you wish to change to. Valid baud rates are 300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600 or 115200.

The change will take effect immediately. The baud rate is not preserved on exit from RSUSER. It defaults back to 9600 on next invocation.

**<F11> Toggle Dumping Of NCL Data Bytes**

Incoming NCL responses/events from the modem are translated and displayed on screen by default. The actual data bytes making up the packet may be optionally displayed. Press <F11> to toggle this option.

**<\_> Get Status Block**

This option sends a status request command to the modem. It is a short cut, rather than using the above F4 option and typing the ASCII characters.

**<( > Receiver On / <@ > Receiver Off**

This option sends a command to the modem to switch the receiver on or off.

**<)> Transmitter On / <#> Transmitter Off**

This option sends a command to the modem to switch the transmitter on or off.

**Send Messages Options**

These varying options send messages to the modem to be sent to the network. They each have a source and destination LLI and destination area as set by F1, F2 and F3 respectively. The contents of the message vary depending on the particular option. Some options are of fixed length, and some ask you for the desired length. They are mainly self-explanatory.

**<>> Canned message.**

You will be asked for a file name. The contents of this file will be used as the contents of the data portion of the SDU.

**<, >**

A random sequence of binary numbers will form the data portion of the message. Its length is approximately 20 characters.

<<>

A sequential sequence of ASCII characters will form the data portion of the message. You will be prompted for the length of the data portion of the message. A number from 1 to 2010 is allowed.

### **Message Loopback Options**

The F9 and F10 commands, together with the above “send message” commands can be used to set up some automatic message sending and loopback tests. When in loopback mode, RSUSER will cause a message to be sent out for a definable amount of time (called “time between”) after every time one is received from the network (or we obtain a fail response to a send). The sent message will be the same mode and length as the last message sent by a “send messages” command above. We also send another packet if we don’t receive a failure response, or a network packet within a definable time (called “timeout”).

<F9>

Toggles automatic packet sending (loopback mode) on and off.

<F10>

Sets the timing parameters “time between” and “timeout”. These values will be reset back to defaults (0 and 60 seconds respectively) whenever RSUSER is executed.

For throughput tests where the network is bouncing back packets, the values of 0 and 60 is recommended.

For throughput tests where the network doesn’t bounce back packets, the values of 5 and 5 are recommended. This will send a packet every five seconds (which allows time for retries etc.)

### **Reprogramming Modems**

A self-extracting loader program is supplied for every software upgrade. Refer to Appendix C - Wavenet Application Loader on page 133.



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# Software Development Kit

DataTAC networks allow wireless communication and are installed in many different countries around the world. The Wavenet Software Development Kit (SDK), has been developed to facilitate development of applications for these networks by providing a simple program interface for communicating with the network devices.

The SDK supports the following network types:

- ❑ DataTAC<sup>®</sup> 4000 networks
- ❑ DataTAC<sup>®</sup> 5000 networks
- ❑ DataTAC<sup>®</sup> 6000 networks

The SDK is made up of two major components:

- ❑ Native Control Language Application Programmer's Interface (NCL API)
- ❑ Standard Context Routing Application Programmer's Interface (SCR API)

The NCL API is the wireless client component of the SDK. It provides routines for sending and receiving data using an NCL compliant Radio Packet Modem (RPM).

The SCR API is the server component of the SDK. It provides routines for encoding and decoding of SCR protocol messages and is used for communicating with the network switch or radio network gateway (RNG).

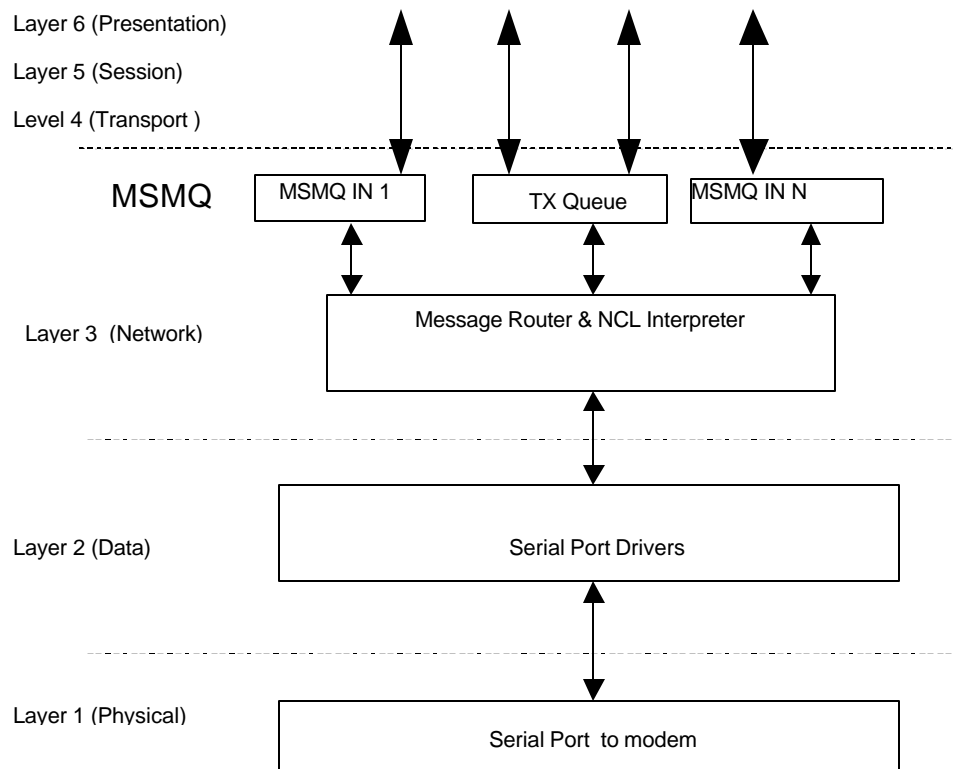
# Native Control Language Application Programmer's Interface

The Native Control Language Application Programmer's Interface (NCL API) is the client component of the WAPI. The NCL API provides routines for sending and receiving data messages through the DataTAC wireless network, using a radio packet modem (RPM). It also allows the client application to control configuration parameters of the RPM and to retrieve status information from the RPM.

## Implementation

The NCL API is implemented as a DLL library of written in C++ for windows using Microsoft~ Visual C++ Version 6.0.

The NCL API communicates with PC or Pocket PC applications based on the following model. The NCL API is supplied as a Virtual Device Driver (VDD) for a PC (Win 98 or better) or a Pocket PC (Win CE Version 3.0 or better). Multiple applications can access the RPM via NCL encoded messages.



Wavenet NCL API Model

## Logical Architecture

The following table lists the required functionality for the API per layer. The code forms a DLL, with only a subset of functions available for third party developers.

LAYER NAME	CONTENT	FUNCTION
7. APPLICATION	Application specific data.	Applications are to initialize a RX MSMQ (Microsoft Message Queuing system) queue and open a session with the VDD by passing the RX queue handler.
6. PRESENTATION LAYER	Unused	
5. SESSION LAYER	Unused	
4. TRANSPORT LAYER	Unused	
3. NETWORK LAYER	Router	MSMQ is run as a device driver on the Pocket PC and is run from power up (ie Non-suspend mode). The VDD will post events (RCV messages etc) to all application RX queues enabled for that event. Responses to application requests will be posted to the calling application RX queue.  The VDD process TX requests via a FIFO queue to the NCL Interpreter. The Host base routing or Peer-to-Peer routing SDU formatting is contained in the NCL interpreter.
2. DATA LINK LAYER	NCL Interpreter & Extender port – Serial Driver.	Application NCL API function requests are processed via a FIFO queue. RPM responses or received data is tagged and encoded for the router as required Also the UART DLL that handles the extender port UART to modem communications resides in the link layer modules..
1. PHYSICAL / BIT TRANSFER LAYER	Extender Port to RPM.	9600, 8, 1, N on serial port and a wakeup line.

Wavenet's current NCL API protocol stack is implemented with the hierarchical structure. All DLLs including MSMQ files are included in the install cabinet files for the VDD.

## Router

The PC or PPC loads MSMQ as a device driver. Applications using the modem must open a session with VDD by calling 'VDDOpen()' which will create a private Receive MSMQ queue for the instance of the application (client). The name of this private queue will be sent to the serial port server (VDD) along with an open session request. The port server will in turn create a private MSMQ queue to receive data from the client. All Modem Events and response messages to be communicated between the VDD and the application will be via the receive queues. Transmit function requests from the applications (clients) are queued by the VDD and are processed as a FIFO buffer by the NCL interpreter. On Wakeup the VDD will be activated, if any applications receive queues are open the RX event will be posted to those queues. If no receive queues are active, the VDD will buffer the RX events and start up the registered on\_wakeup applications. After



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the applications have successfully opened a VDD session the VDD will pass the RX events to those applications.

## NCL Interpreter

The NCL Interpreter strips NCL API function calls from application messages, queue the calls and execute the calls on a FIFO basis. Received messages will be queued and matched against an appropriate request (if not an event), and passed to the router with the corresponding tags.

## Link Layer

The RPM communicates with a PC via a standard communications port and a user supplied RS232 to CMOS level device. For the Pocket PC (PPC) the RPM communicates via the PPC extender port UART. The PPC performs an auto detect and wakeup when an attached modem receives some data and the PPC is in suspend mode.

## Application Interface

### □ Opening a Session

Applications are required to first open a session with the VDD by calling the API function 'VDDOpen()'. All other API functions will return an error unless an open session with the VDD was established. If successful this operation will result in the creation of two MSMQ queues for use by the client. One MSMQ will be used to send messages from the VDD to the client and the other for messages from the client to the VDD. Note that the client does not deal with MSMQ queues directly because all operations are wrapped in API calls.

*Prototype:*

```
int VDDOpen(void)
```

*Description:*

Opens a session with the VDD.

*Input:*

➤	none	
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*Output:*

⏪	Return value = 0	Operation was successful
⏪	Return value 0	Operation failed. Value specifies the error type

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### ❑ **Close Session**

Applications can call this function to close its session with the VDD. An application should call this function before it terminates if a session was earlier established with the VDD. The reason for this is to ensure that all created MSMQ queues for the client are deleted. This will prevent irrelevant/outdated messages from being posted to inactive MSMQ queues.

*Prototype:*

```
int VDDClose(void);
```

*Description:*

Close a session with the VDD.

*Input:*

➤	None	
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*Output:*

⏪	Return value = 0	Operation was successful
⏪	Return value ≠ 0	Operation failed. Value specifies the error type

### ❑ **Send Data to a Radio Host**

Applications can call this function to send data to a radio host. The Host ID will automatically be inserted into the data header of the SDU for message routing purposes.

*Prototype:*

```
int nclSendData(word *usSduTag, byte *szHostId, byte ucIdLen, byte *ucData, int iDatLen, bool bResend);
```

*Response:*

The VDD will track the response with the Host ID and SDU tag will post the response to the corresponding RX queue for that session. The application is responsible for reading and processing the response on the RX queue. By calling 'nclReceiveData()'.

*Description:*

Send application data to the radio host identified by the host ID.

*Input:*

➤	usSduTag	Pointer to a word where the SDU tag can be stored
➤	szHostId	Pointer to a buffer specifying the Host identity. The Host ID is typically 3 bytes in length for DataTac systems. The NCL API will truncate Host ID's longer than NCL_MAX_UH_LEN (63) bytes in length.
➤	uclLen	Total length of the session ID
➤	ucData	Pointer to the data to be sent
➤	iDatLen	Length of the data to be sent
➤	bResend	Resend flag must be set to false, except if the packet of data is being re-sent due to a failure of the previous send. Setting the flag to true prevents the possibility of receiving duplicate packets at the server application. This flag <b>cannot</b> be used for resending data prior to the previous packet.

*Output:*

<	Return value = 0	Operation was successful
<	Return value 0	Operation failed. Value specifies the error type
<	usSduTag	Pointer to a word containing a reference of the corresponding SDU tag which was generated by the NCL API for this command to the RPM.

❑ **Receive Data From RPM**

Applications can call this function to obtain data sent from the RPM. This applies to both event and response type data from the RPM. Note this is the only way to obtain response data originating from the RPM as a result of issuing commands to it by means of other API functions described in this document. The return code of all API functions issuing commands to the modem only provides feedback about the posted command. It does not guarantee delivery to the RPM. It is thus imperative for applications to use 'nclReceiveData()' to obtain feedback directly from the RPM on commands sent to it. Responses to commands are asynchronous meaning multiple commands can be issued to the RPM before the application needs to look at all the responses. This is the reason why every command provides the application with a copy of the unique SDU tag generated for the command. Every response message contains the same SDU tag of its associated command. The VDD uses the SDU tag to route response messages to the originating application (client). The 'nclReceiveData()' function provides the SDU tag of the response message. Applications can use these tags to tie up responses with previously sent commands. One notable exception exist when the SDU tag is equal to 65535 (FFFF hexadecimal). Only event messages contain an SDU tag equal to 65535. The received event/ response messages will be represented as an array of bytes which must be typed cast to a structure identified by returned structure ID.

The RCV\_MSG\_NOTIFICATION event will be handled by the VDD, which will read the messages from the RPM and pass the messages to all clients with open sessions.

Other Event types shall be posted to all clients with open sessions registered for that event. If no applications are registered for that event the event will be disabled in the modem.

*Prototype:*

```
int nclReceiveData(DWORD dwTimeOut, BYTE *ucStructId, WORD *usSduTag, int *iBufLen, BYTE *ucBuf);
```

*Description:*

Receive messages from the RPM.

*Input:*

➤	dwTimeOut	The time (in milliseconds) to wait for the next message. Use 0 to return immediately or FFFFFFFF (hexadecimal) to hang on indefinitely for a message. The calling thread will be suspended until a message arrive or the time-out period has elapsed, whichever occurs first.
➤	ucStructId	Pointer to a byte where the structure ID can be stored.
➤	usSduTag	Pointer to a word where the SDU tag can be stored
➤	iBufLen	Pointer to a integer specifying the total size of ucBuf.
➤	ucBuf	Pointer to the buffer (of size iBufLen) where receive data can be placed

*Output:*

⏪	Return value = 0	Operation was successful
⏪	Return value ≠ 0	Operation failed. Value specifies the error type
⏪	ucStructId	This value identifies the structure of the data in ucBuf. See the following paragraphs for details.
⏪	usSduTag	Pointer to a word containing a reference of the corresponding SDU tag which was generated by the NCL API for this command to the RPM.
⏪	iBufLen	Size (in bytes) of the data in ucBuf. Note: Buffer lengths of 0 is possible – rely solely on the return value in such cases
⏪	ucBuf	Pointer to buffer containing the received data

```
/** Define types for retrieving data from the RPM **/
```

```
typedef unsigned char   BYTE;  
typedef unsigned short WORD;
```

```
/*Parameter Structure IDs - Do not alter sequence*/
```

```
enum  
{  
    NCLNone_ID = 0,  
    NCLEvent_ID,  
    NCLProdId_ID,  
    NCLVersion_ID,  
    NCLRpmId_ID,  
    NCLConfigBlock_ID,  
    NCLStatusBlock_ID,  
    NCLChanBlock_ID,  
    NCLGroupLis_ID,  
    NCLChannelTable_ID,  
    NCLWaveSettings_ID,  
    NCLWaveRadio_ID,  
    NCLWaveGen_ID,  
    NCLByte_ID,  
    NCLByte2_ID,  
    NCLWord_ID,  
    NCLMsg_ID,  
    NCLRaw_ID  
    /*additional structure IDs to be added here including vendor specific types */  
};
```

```
/* Use 1 byte alignment for the following structures */
```

```
#pragma pack(1)
```

```
/* Product ID structure */
```

```
typedef struct NCLProdId  
{  
    BYTE hw_platform;  
    BYTE rf_protocol;  
    BYTE ncl_compliance;  
    BYTE release_level;  
}NCLProdId;
```

```
/* NCL version structure */
```

```
typedef struct NCLVersion  
{  
    char   major[2];  
    char   minor[2];  
}NCLVersion;
```

```
/* RPM ID structure */
```

```
typedef struct NCLRpmId  
{  
    BYTE    b_val[4];  
}NCLRpmId;
```

```
/* Config block structure */
```

```
typedef struct NCLConfigBlock  
{
```

```

        NCLProdId          prod_id;
        NCLVersion         sw_version;
        NCLRpmId           rpm_id;
        WORD               reserved;
        WORD               max_data_size;
}NCLConfigBlock;

/* Status block structure */
typedef struct NCLStatusBlock
{
    BYTE                  rx_status;
    BYTE                  tx_status;
    BYTE                  antenna;
    BYTE                  radio_in_range;
    BYTE                  flow_control;
    BYTE                  rcv_mode;
    BYTE                  event_states;
    WORD                  ob_msg_count;
    WORD                  ib_msg_count;
    WORD                  radio_channel;
}NCLStatusBlock;

/* Channel block structure */
typedef struct NCLChanBlock
{
    BYTE                  radio_in_range;
    WORD                  radio_channel;
    BYTE                  attribute;
    BYTE                  protocol;
    BYTE                  rssi;
}NCLChanBlock;

#define MAX_GROUP_LLIS          8
#define LLI_BYTE_WIDTH        8
#define NCL_NUM_CHANNELS      64

/* Group LLIs array */
typedef struct NCLGroupLlis
{
    BYTE lli[MAX_GROUP_LLIS][LLI_BYTE_WIDTH];
    BYTE num;
}NCLGroupLlis;

/* Channel Table */
typedef struct NCLChannelTable
{
    WORD                  channel[NCL_NUM_CHANNELS];
    BYTE                  num;
}NCLChannelTable;

/* Vendor Specific: Wavenet Get Settings*/
typedef struct NCLWaveSettings {
    BYTE                  LLI[4];
    BYTE                  SerNum[16];
} NCLWaveSettings;

/* Vendor Specific: Wavenet Get Radio Settings*/

```

```

typedef struct NCLWaveRadio {
    BYTE          rssi[2];
    BYTE          reserved1;
    BYTE          reserved2;
    BYTE          reserved3;
    BYTE          reserved4;
    BYTE          reserved5;
    BYTE          reserved6;
    BYTE          reserved7;
    BYTE          reserved8;
    BYTE          frequency[4];
    BYTE          channel[2];
    BYTE          base_id;
} NCLWaveRadio;

/* Vendor Spesific: Wavenet Generic*/
typedef struct NCLWaveGen {
    BYTE          byte[100];
} NCLWaveGen;

/* NCL status information structure */
typedef union NCLStatus
{
    NCLProdId      prod_id;
    BYTE          vendor_id;
    NCLVersion     sw_version;
    NCLRpmId       rpm_id;
    BYTE          rpm_vid[2];
    NCLGroupLlis  rpm_gid;
    WORD          max_data_size;
    BYTE          rx_status;
    BYTE          tx_status;
    BYTE          antenna;
    BYTE          radio_in_range;
    WORD          ob_msg_count;
    WORD          ib_msg_count;
    BYTE          flow_control;
    BYTE          rcv_mode;
    BYTE          event_states;
    WORD          radio_channel;
    NCLChannelTable  chan_table;
    NCLChannelTable  dchan_table;
    NCLConfigBlockconfig_block;
    NCLStatusBlock status_block;
    NCLChanBlock    chan_block;
    BYTE          bat_level;
    NCLWaveSettings wave_set;
    NCLWaveRadio    wave_radio;
    NCLWaveGen      wave_generic;
}NCLStatus;

/* Event Type */
typedef struct NCLEventType
{
    BYTE  etype;
        /* NCL_RCV_MSG_DATA      'A'      Received message data      */
        /* NCL_MSG_NOTIFICATION  'B'      Received Message notification */
        /* NCL_TX_EVENT          'C'      Transmitter event          */
        /* NCL_RX_EVENT          'D'      Receiver event              */
        /* NCL_HW_EVENT          'E'      Hardware event              */

```



```

/* NCL_RCV_ERR_EVENT      'F'      Unreceivable Message Event */
/* NCL_CONTROL_EVENT      'G'      Control Event */

BYTE EventCode;
/* NCL_MSG_NOTIFICATION_LEN N- Number of buffered msgs to be read */
/* NCL_TX_EVENT_KEYED      '1'      Transmitter keyed */
/* NCL_TX_EVENT_DEKEYED    '2'      Transmitter dekeyed */
/* NCL_RX_EVENT_INRANGE    '1'      RF in range */
/* NCL_RX_EVENT_OUTRANGE   '2'      RF out of range */
/* NCL_RX_EVENT_PSENAB     '3'      Power Save enabled */
/* NCL_RX_EVENT_PSDISAB    '4'      Power Save disabled */
/* NCL_HW_EVENT_STEST      '1'      Self Test Failed */
/* NCL_HW_EVENT_LBATT      '2'      Low battery */
/* NCL_HW_EVENT_MFULL      '3'      Memory Full */
/* NCL_HW_EVENT_BATOK      '4'      Battery Level OK */
/* NCL_HW_EVENT_MEMOK      '5'      Memory Ok */
/* NCL_HW_EVENT_MEMOK      '6'      Device shutdown is imminent */
/* NCL_RCV_ERR_EVENT_RTD   '1'      ACK required PDU received but TX
disabled */
/* NCL_CONTROL_EVENT_C     '1'      RPM / DTE connected */

}NCLEventType;

/* RCV_MSG_Data */
#define NCL_MAX_DATA_SIZE      2048
#define NCL_MAX_UH_LEN        63 /* max length of user header */

typedef struct NCLMsg
{
    BYTE    is_message; /* If FALSE, only len and buf components are valid. */
    BYTE    sessionID[NCL_MAX_UH_LEN + 1]; /* NULL terminated */
    BYTE    msg_type; /* Used by NCL_DATATAC_5000 networks */
    WORD    len;
    BYTE    buf[NCL_MAX_DATA_SIZE];
} NCLMsg;

/* End of 1 byte alignment */
#pragma pack()

```

□ **Get RPM Status Information**

The application can call this function to obtain status information about the RPM. The following types of status information can be obtained:

Status Request (non vendor specific)	Response Structure	Description
NCL_R_CONFIG_BLOCK	NCLConfigBlock	Get RPM configuration block
NCL_R_STATUS_BLOCK	NCLStatusBlock	Get RPM status block
NCL_R_PROD_ID	NCLProdId	Get RPM product ID
NCL_R_SW_VERSION	NCLVersion	Get software version number
NCL_R_RPM_ID	NCLRpmId	Get RPM address
NCL_R_RPM_VID	NCLStatus.rpm_vid[2]	Get RPM VID address (MDC)
NCL_R_MAX_DATA_SIZE	NCLStatus.max_data_size	Get SDU data limit
NCL_R_RCV_MODE	NCLStatus.rcv_mode	Get mode of notification to DTE for received SDUs.
NCL_R_RX_STATUS	NCLStatus.rx_status	Get receiver enable status
NCL_R_TX_STATUS	NCLStatus.tx_status	Get transmitter enable status
NCL_R_ANTENNA	NCLStatus.antenna	Get antenna selection status
NCL_R_RADIO_IN_RANGE	NCLStatus.radio_in_range	Get radio in range status
NCL_R_OB_MSG_COUNT	NCLStatus.ob_msg_count	Get count of outbound messages queued
NCL_R_IB_MSG_COUNT	NCLStatus.ib_msg_count	Get count of inbound
NCL_R_FLOW_CONTROL	NCLStatus.flow_control	Get flow control status
NCL_R_EVENT_STATES	NCLStatus.event_states	Get current event reporting (enable/disable) state
NCL_R_RADIO_CHANNEL	NCLStatus.radio_channel	Get current radio channel
NCL_R_CHAN_TABLE	NCLChannelTable	Read radio channel table
NCL_R_CHAN_BLOCK	NCLChanBlock	Read the channel block
NCL_R_BAT_LEVEL	NCLStatus.bat_level	Read the battery level
NCL_R_RPM_GID	NCLGroupLlis	Get RPM group IDs
NCL_R_VENDOR_ID	NCLStatus.vendor_id	Get vendor identification
NCL_R_DCHAN_TABLE	NCLChannelTable	Read the D-channel table
NCL_R_RF_STATISTICS	Specific to RF protocol used: RD-LAP [F] or MDC [G]	Read the RF statistics

Status Request (Wavenet Technology specific)	Response Structure	Description
WN_GET_STATUS_RADIO	NCLWaveRadio	Get RPM Radio Status
WN_GET_STATUS_BATTERY	NCLWaveGen	Get RPM Battery Status
WN_GET_STATUS_ONTIME	NCLWaveGen	Get RPM on-time status
WN_GET_STATUS_CONFIG	NCLWaveGen	Get RPM configuration status

*Prototype:*

```
int nclGetStatus (word *usSduTag, byte ucVendor, byte ucType, byte ucRequest);
```

*Description:*

Command the RPM to send the requested status information.

*Input:*

➤	usSduTag	Pointer to a word where the SDU tag can be stored
➤	ucVendor	Vendor identifier. Use: NCL_NO_VEND = 0 if not vendor specific or NCL_VEND_WAVENET = 'F' for Wavenet Technology specific requests
➤	ucType	The type of status information to retrieve from the RPM (Used by Vendor specific requests). Set to zero for non-vendor requests or WN_GET_STATUS = '?' for Wavenet Technology specific requests
➤	ucRequest	The requested status information, as listed in one of the appropriate tables above, to retrieve from the RPM.

*Output:*

⏪	Return value = 0	Operation was successful
⏪	Return value 0	Operation failed. Value specifies the error type
⏪	usSduTag	Pointer to a word containing a reference of the corresponding SDU tag which was generated by the NCL API for this command to the RPM.

The response is posted to the corresponding RX queue associated with the VDD session ID. If the session ID is not recognized all active RX queues will be posted the response.

❑ **Set Configuration ITEMS Within the RPM**

By default the modem will have the receiver and transmitter enabled and the RX notification event enabled. Modem Configuration items via NCL are TBA and will be restricted to service personnel.

## ❑ Reset RPM

The application can call this function to reset the RPM. There are several different levels of RPM reset commands that may be issued to the RPM, as listed below:

Reset Level	Description
NCL_RESET_INBOUND	Flush the Inbound queue
NCL_RESET_OUTBOUND	Flush the Outbound queue
NCL_RESET_BOTH	Flush both the Inbound and Outbound queues
NCL_RESET_WARM	Warm start: flush queues, default Native settings, remain in Native mode
NCL_RESET_TRANS	Not Supported
NCL_RESET_FULL	Full reset: Power-on reset
NCL_RESET_NCL	Reset NCL interpreter
NCL_RESET_OFF	Power off the RPM

### *Prototype:*

```
int nclResetRPM (word *usSduTag, byte ucResetLevel);
```

### *Description:*

Command the RPM to perform a specified level reset

### *Input:*

➤	usSduTag	Pointer to a word where the SDU tag can be stored
➤	ucResetLevel	The level of the Reset as listed in the above table

### *Output:*

◀	Return value = 0	Operation was successful
◀	Return value ≠ 0	Operation failed. Value specifies the error type
◀	usSduTag	Pointer to a word containing a reference of the corresponding SDU tag which was generated by the NCL API for this command to the RPM.

The response is posted to the corresponding RX queue associated with the VDD session ID. If the session ID is not recognized all active RX queues will be posted the response.

❑ **Register Event Callback Function**

Since the RX events will be posted to private Receive MSMQ queues the VDD is not required to support callback functions. Applications can call the API function ‘nclReceiveData()’, to wait on response and event messages from the RPM on their on account. The API function ‘nclReceiveData()’ will return within the time-out period specified, so applications will not be hung-up indefinitely.

❑ **Enable / Disable Events**

The application can call this function to enable or disable individual event types being reported by the RPM. By default, only the Receive Message Data event is enabled (NCL\_RCV\_MSG\_DATA). All other event types for an application are disabled unless they have been specifically enabled / disabled using this function. The NCL\_RCV\_MSG\_NOTIF event is handled by the VDD, which will post the received messages to all active RX queues (that have NCL\_RCV\_MSG\_DATA enabled) using the NCLRXDataID structure type.

*Prototype:*

int nclSetEvent (word \*usSduTag, byte ucType, byte ucSetting);

*Description:*

Enable / Disable event reporting by the RPM for the specified event type.

*Input:*

➤	iSessionID	VDD session ID
➤	usSduTag	Pointer to a word where the SDU tag can be stored
➤	ucType	The type of event to enable/disable: NCL_RCV_MSG_DATA (Received message data) NCL_TX_EVENT (Physical-level transmitter event) NCL_RX_EVENT (Physical-level receiver event) NCL_HW_EVENT (Hardware event) NCL_RCV_ERR (Un-receivable message event) NCL_CONTROL (Control event) NCL_VEND_EVENT (Vendor specific event)
➤	ucSetting	NCL_DISABLE (Disable event reporting) NCL_ENABLE (Enable event reporting)

*Output:*

<	Return value = 0	Operation was successful
<	Return value 0	Operation failed. Value specifies the error type
<	usSduTag	Pointer to a word containing a reference of the corresponding SDU tag which was generated by the NCL API for this command to the RPM.

□ **Get Error Description**

The application can call this function to obtain a string representation for a specified error code.

Error Code	Value	Description
NCL_ERR_NONE	0	No error has occurred
NCL_ERR_SESSION_IS_CLOSED	-1	NCL API: Session has not been opened
NCL_ERR_SESSION_IS_OPEN	-2	NCL API: Session is already open
NCL_ERR_ENCODE	-3	NCL API: NCL Frame encoding error
NCL_ERR_DECODE	-4	NCL API: NCL Frame decoding error
NCL_ERR_PARAM	-5	NCL API: Invalid parameter passed
NCL_ERR_TIMEOUT	-6	NCL API: Time-out elapsed waiting for response
NCL_ERR_MSMQ_OPEN	-7	NCL API: An error occurred opening a MSMQ
NCL_ERR_MSMQ_CLOSE	-8	NCL API: An error occurred closing a MSMQ
NCL_ERR_MSMQ_SEND	-9	NCL API: An error occurred sending a MSMQ
NCL_ERR_MSMQ_RECEIVE	-10	NCL API: An error occurred receiving a MSMQ
NCL_ERR_MSMQ_CREATE	-11	NCL API: An error occurred creating a MSMQ
NCL_ERR_MSMQ_DELETE	-12	NCL API: An error occurred deleting a MSMQ
NCL_ERR_MSMQ_NAME	-13	NCL API: An error occurred searching for a MSMQ
NCL_ERR_MAX_CLIENTS	-14	NCL API: Maximum number of supported clients reached
NCL_ERR_INVALID	'b'	NCL Syntax error: Invalid options
NCL_ERR_TOO_LONG	'c'	NCL Syntax error: Data too long
NCL_ERR_ES_NAME	'd'	NCL Syntax error: Invalid name
NCL_ERR_NO_RESPONSE	'A'	Execution error: No response from network
NCL_ERR_NO_ACK	'B'	Execution error: Negative ACK received
NCL_ERR_HOST_DOWN	'C'	Execution error: Host down
NCL_ERR_NOT_REGISTERED	'D'	Execution error: RPM not registered
NCL_ERR_LOW_BATTERY	'E'	Execution error: Low battery - can't transmit
NCL_ERR_IBQ_FULL	'F'	Execution error: RPM inbound queue full
NCL_ERR_TX_DISABLED	'G'	Execution error: Radio transmitter disabled
NCL_ERR_BUSY	'H'	Execution error: Resource unavailable
NCL_ERR_NOT_AVAILABLE	'I'	Execution error: Unimplemented services
NCL_ERR_HW_ERROR	'J'	Execution error: Generic
NCL_ERR_INVALID_MODE	'K'	Execution error: Invalid mode of operation
NCL_ERR_NO_MESSAGES	'L'	Execution error: No outbound messages available

Error Code	Value	Description
NCL_ERR_MSGS_PENDING	'M'	Execution error: Pending inbound messages
NCL_ERR_SW_ERROR	'N'	Execution error: Software error has been encountered
NCL_ERR_OUT_OF_RANGE	'O'	Execution error: Cannot send data when out of range
NCL_ERR_PACKET_ERROR	'Z'	Execution error: SDU data corruption detected
Error Not Listed	All other values	Unknown error

*Prototype:*

```
char * nclGetErrorDescription (int iErrorCode);
```

*Description:*

Return a pointer to a character string describing the specified error code.

*Input:*

➤	iErrorCode	Integer specifying the error code for which a string description is required.
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*Output:*

◀	WCHAR *	Pointer to a NULL terminated wide character (Unicode) string describing the error
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### ❑ Register Wakeup Application

By default the VDD is executed on wakeup. In addition an application can register to be executed on wakeup via the VDD. On wakeup the VDD will post any Received data to the current active queues. If there are no active queues the VDD will execute the Registered applications. Once an application has initiated a successful VDD session (i.e. via 'VDDOpen ()') the VDD will post the Received data to the applications RX queue. A timeout (Wktm = 10 seconds) will be used to hold the data for an application to initialize and commence a VDD session before the data is discarded. The default application will be the Modem Information application as supplied as a sample application with the VDD.

*Prototype:*

```
int nclRegWakeupApp (WCHAR *usAppName, WORD usWakeupReason);
```

*Description:*

Register an application for wakeup when specified events occur.

*Input:*

➤	usAppName	Pointer to a buffer specifying the full path name (Null terminated) of the application to execute on a wakeup.
➤	usWakeupReason	Logical OR the required reasons for wakeup from the following values (exclude unwanted reasons): WAKE_MODEM_INSERTION – Wakeup application when modem is attached WAKE_MESSAGE_RECEIVED – Wakeup application when a message is received but no client applications are running

*Output:*

◀	Return value = 0	Operation was successful
◀	Return value ≠ 0	Operation failed. Value specifies the error type

❑ **Deregister Wakeup Application**

The application can call this function to deregister an application that was previously registered to wakeup.

*Prototype:*

```
int nclDeregWakeupApp (WCHAR *usAppName);
```

*Description:*

Deregister a wakeup application.

*Input:*

➤	usAppName	Pointer to a buffer specifying the full path name (Null terminated) of the application to execute on a wakeup.
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*Output:*

◀	Return value = 0	Operation was successful
◀	Return value ≠ 0	Operation failed. Value specifies the error type



### ❑ **Switch RPM On/Off**

The application can call this function to switch the RPM on or off.

*Prototype:*

```
int nclSwitchRMPower (word usSetting);
```

*Description:*

Switch the RPM power to the desired setting.

*Input:*

➤	usSetting	If this value is zero, the RPM should power down else it should power up
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*Output:*

⏪	Return value = 0	Operation was successful
⏪	Return value 0	Operation failed. Value specifies the error type

### ❑ **Send Generic NCL Command To RPM**

The application can call this function to send application specific commands to the RPM.

*Prototype:*

```
int nclSendGenericCommand (WORD *usSduTag, BYTE ucLength, BYTE *ucParam);
```

*Description:*

Send an NCL command to the RPM of which the payload contents consist of data from the specified buffer.

*Input:*

➤	usSduTag	Pointer to a word where the SDU tag can be stored
➤	ucLength	Pointer to a byte specifying the total size of ucParam.
➤	ucParam	Pointer to the buffer (of size ucLength) containing the data to be send to the RPM

*Output:*

⏪	Return value = 0	Operation was successful
⏪	Return value 0	Operation failed. Value specifies the error type

## □ Get Software Version

The application can call this function obtain the software version of the server application or the VDD DLL.

*Prototype:*

```
int VDDgetVersion (WORD* usVersion);
```

*Description:*

Obtain the software version of the specified software entity.

*Input:*

➤	usVersion	Set this value to zero to request the VDD DLL version or to any other value to request the server application version
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*Output:*

◀	Return value = 0	Operation was successful
◀	Return value ≠ 0	Operation failed. Value specifies the error type
◀	usVersion	The upper 8 bits contain the major version and the lower 8 bits contain the minor software version if the return value is zero

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## Standard Context Routing Application Programmer's Interface

The Standard Context Routing Application Programmer's Interface (SCR API) is the server component of the SDK. The SCR API provides routines for encoding and decoding SCR messages for communication with the DataTAC<sup>®</sup> network switch or radio network gateway (RNG). Decoded SCR messages are stored in structures defined to represent SCR messages. Encoded messages are stored in memory buffers.

To encode a message, an application will first set up a structure representing the desired SCR message. This structure is then passed to the encoding function, `scr_Encode()`, which encodes the message into a memory buffer. The application can then send this encoded message to the DataTAC network switch or RNG.

To decode an SCR message received from the network switch, the application passes the received message buffer to the decode routine, `scr_Decode()`, which decodes the message into a structure containing the data from the message.

Routines are also provided to convert some of the message codes into English language descriptions of the code.

The SCR API does not contain routines for reading the SCR messages from the message switch interface or for sending encoded SCR messages to the message switch. The connection to the message switch is normally via an X.25 connection or a TCP/IP connection.

When you are using an X.25 connection to the network switch or RNG, communication will be via an X.25 card. You will need to get an X.25 and appropriate drivers for this card. To develop your own application, you will also need the developer's kit for your X.25 card. The sample application has been written to use an EICON X.25 card. To run over an X.25 connection, the sample application requires an EICON X.25 card, plus EICON WAN Services driver software. To modify and compile the sample application, or to write your own application, you will also need the EICON X.25 Development Tools for Win 32. Contact EICON Technology ([www.eicon.com](http://www.eicon.com)) for more information on these products.

When you are using a TCP/IP connection to the network switch or RNG, communication will be via some form of TCP/IP link. This may be via an Ethernet card or through a modem connection running SLIP or PPP. The appropriate drivers will need to be configured for the Ethernet card, and TCP/IP will need to be configured as a network protocol. Contact your hardware supplier for more details on configuring the TCPm connection. To communicate through the TCP/IP connection, the sample application uses the standard Winsock interface provided with the Microsoft Windows operating system. Most

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Windows compilers come with a standard developer's kit to interface to the Winsock routines.

### **Implementation**

The SCR API is implemented as a library of routines written in ANSI C and compiled for Windows NT using the Microsoft Visual C++ compiler. All default project settings were used to compile the .lib file.

### **SCR Structures**

The SCR API makes use of several important structures to store the SCR messages. The main structure is the SCRMsg structure. This structure is a union of structures, each of which represents a single message type in the SCR protocol.

The SCRMsg structure is shown here. The msg\_type field indicates which element of the union is valid. The appropriate value for the msg\_type field is shown in the comments.

```

/* The SCR Message data structure. */
typedef struct SCRMsg {
    int msg_type;
    union{
        SCRhr r; /*msg_type: SCR_HR*/
        SCRar ar; /*msg_type: SCR_AR*/
        SCRlr l; /*msg_type: SCR_LR*/
        SCRhc hc; /*msg_type: SCR_HC*/
        SCRac ac; /*msg_type: SCR_AC*/
        SCRlc l; /*msg_type: SCR_LC*/
        SCRmi mi; /*msg_type: SCR_MI*/
        SCRci ci; /*msg_type: SCR_CI*/
        SCRdi di; /*msg_type: SCR_DI*/
        SCRrs rs; /*msg_type: SCR_RS*/
        SCRrr rr; /*msg_type: SCR_RR*/
        SCRib ib; /*msg_type: SCR_IB*/
        SCRob ob; /*msg_type: SCR_OB*/
        SCRab ab; /*msg_type: SCR_AB*/
        SCRreqstat reqstat; /*msg_type:
SCR_REQ_STAT*/
        SCRstatrsp statrsp; /*msg_type:
SCR_STAT_RSP*/
        SCRtonet tonet; /*msg_type:
SCR_TO_NET*/
        SCRfromnet fromnet; /*msg_type:
SCR_FROM_NET*/
        SCRack ack; /*msg_type: SCR_ACK*/
    } u;
} SCRMsg;

```

Definitions for all SCR message structures can be found in the file `scrapi.h`. (SCR SDK)

## Network Independent Messages

The SCR API provides several network independent message types. These message types represent basic functions within the SCR protocol that are applicable to all DataTAC network types. The SCR API encodes and decodes these message types as the appropriate message for the correct network type, as given in the call to the `scr_Init()` function.

It is recommended that you use these network independent message types wherever possible, to enhance the portability of the code between different DataTAC network versions.

The three network independent message types are listed here:

**SCR\_FROM\_NET** Generic From Network message. This is used for receiving data from a wireless device. Depending on the network setting, this corresponds to either a Basic Outbound (OB) message for DataTAC 4000 networks, or a Message Indication (MI) for DataTAC 5000 or 6000 networks.

**SCR\_TO\_NET** Generic To Network message. This is used for sending data to a wireless device. Depending on the network setting, this will be encoded as either a Basic Inbound (IB) message for

DataTAC 4000 networks, or a Host Request (HR) message for DataTAC 5000 or 6000 networks.

**SCR\_ACK** Generic Acknowledgment message. This is used to receive an acknowledgment for data sent to a wireless device.

SCR\_TO\_NET messages may be passed to `scr_Encode()`, and they will be encoded as the appropriate message type for the current network, as set in the call to `scr_Init()`. When a received packet is decoded using `scr_Decode()`, it converts the received packet to an `SCRMsg` structure. The received messages are decoded for the current network type, and stored in the `SCRMsg` structure as their actual message type. However, the definition of the generic From Network message structure, `SCRfromnet`, is exactly the same as both the Message Indication (MI) message structure, `SCRmi`, and the Basic Outbound (OB) message structure, `SCRob`. Because of this, the decoded message structure may be interpreted as any of these structures. Similarly, the message type values `SCR_FROM_NET`, `SCR_MI`, and `SCR_OB` are defined to be the same value.

Also, the message types `SCRack`, `SCRhc`, and `SCRab` are all the same, and the message-type constants `SCR_ACK`, `SCR_HC`, and `SCR_AB` are all the same, and so may be interpreted interchangeably.

Coupled with the interchangeable use of the message structures `SCRack`, `SCRhc`, and `SCRab` is the function `scr_NakReasonText()`. The response code field within the `SCRack` structure is network specific, but the `scr_NakReasonText()` function will interpret the response code appropriately for the network type specified to `scr_Init()` and will return a text description of the error code, or a NULL pointer if the code represents successful delivery.

## Network Specific Messages

The SCR API defines network specific message structures for each of the network specific SCR message types. These messages apply only to particular versions of the DataTAC network.

When a message is passed to the `scr_Encode()` routine, and that message is not valid for the specified network type, it is encoded as the corresponding message type for the network version specified to `scr_Init()` wherever possible. For example, if `scr_Init()` is used to set the network type to DataTAC 5000, and an `SCR_IB` message is passed to `scr_Encode()`, it will be encoded as a Host Request (HR) message.

Also, due to the same structure definitions and equivalent message type constants being used across all network types for the From Network (OB and MI) and Acknowledgment (AB and HC) messages, the decoded structures may be interpreted as network specific structures, and this will still work on other network types. For example, if `scr_Init()` is used to set the network type to DataTAC 5000, and a `SCR_MI` message is received from the network and decoded, this

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decoded structure may be interpreted as an SCR\_OB structure with no side effects.

### **DataTAC<sup>®</sup> 4000 Network Messages**

The following message types are specific to the DataTAC 4000 network:

SCR_OB	Basic Outbound message for receiving data from a wireless device
SCR_IB	Basic Inbound message for sending data to a wireless device
SCR_AB	Basic Acknowledgment of data sent to a wireless device

### **DataTAC<sup>®</sup> 5000 Network Messages**

The following message types are extended SCR messages that are only used on the DataTAC 5000 network.

SCR_LR	Loopback Request
SCR_LC	Loopback Confirmation (response to LR)
SCR_CI	Connect Indication
SCR_DI	Disconnect Indication
SCR_AR	Activity Request
SCR_AC	Activity Confirmation (response to AR)
SCR_RS	Receiver Suspend
SCR_RR	Receiver Resume

### **DataTAC<sup>®</sup> 5000 and DataTAC<sup>®</sup> 6000 Network Messages**

The following message types are common to the DataTAC 5000 and 6000 networks:

SCR_MI	Message Indication message for receiving data from a wireless device.
SCR_HR	Host Request message for sending data to a wireless device
SCR_HC	Host Confirmation for acknowledgment of data sent to a wireless device

## Data Header

All data messages (MI, HR, OB, IB, TO\_NET, FROM\_NET) contain a data header field. This field is used to route messages to the correct server from client RPM devices. The data header is also sometimes referred to as the session, and this is reflected in some of the NCL API function parameters. For example, the `szHostId` parameter in `nclSendData` and in the data header for the `nclReceiveData` functions. This data header is represented in the SDK as a NULL terminated string.

Refer to section Message Routing and Migration sub section SCR Header charts on page x for the formatting of the header fields. How the use of the Data Header field varies between the network types is described below.

For DataTAC 4000 and 6000 networks, a host slot is used to route data from the wireless client to the correct server. RPM devices can be configured with up to five host slots, each routed to a different server application. When the client application sends a message, the data header is used to specify which host slot to send on, and hence which server application the data will be sent to. The host slot is represented by a single ASCII digit from 1 to 5. This digit must be given as the last character of the data header. For example, a data header of I would route the information on host slot 1, whereas a data header of TE3 would route the data on host slot 3.

For the DataTAC 5000 network, a 2-character session ID is used for routing data from the wireless client to the correct server. RPM devices may be configured with many sessions, each routed to different server applications. The session ID is made up of any two characters from A to Z or 0 to 9. When a client application sends data to a server application, it must set the first two characters of the data header to the session number. For example, a data header of A1 routes data on session A1, and a data header of TEI routes data on session TE.

To simplify porting of applications between different network types, the use 3-character data headers, such as TEI. Using a data header of this format, DataTAC 4000 and 6000 networks look only at the last character of the data header and route on host slot 1, while a DataTAC 5000 network will look at the first two characters and route on session TE. This allows the same data header to be used on all network types.

It is recommended that the data header is also set for messages from server to client. This is not critical for routing messages back to the client, but it is useful for the client to know on which session or host slot (and therefore from which host) the data came.



## SCR Functions

### □ `scr_Init()`

*Prototype:*

```
int scr_Init(byte l_network_type);
```

*Description:*

This routine initialises the library and sets the network type being used-DataTAC<sup>®</sup> 4000, 5000, or 6000. The network type affects the encoding and decoding of messages by validating that the message type is applicable to this network type. This network type is also used to correctly encode/decode the network independent message types SCR\_FROM\_NET, SCR\_TO\_NET, and SCR\_ACK.

**Note:** *This function must be called before any other SCR API functions. The operation of all other functions depends on the network type given to this function.*

*Input:*

➤	<code>l_network_type</code>	The network type to be used. Valid values are: SCR_DATATAC_4000 SCR_DATATAC_5000 SCR_DATATAC_6000
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*Output:*

<	Return value = 0	Operation was successful
<	Return value 0	Operation failed. Value SCR_ERROR is returned to indicate an error

### Example

```
#include <scrapi.h>

main()
{
    int lrc;

    lrc = scr_Init(SCR_DATATAC_4000);
    if (lrc == SCR_ERROR) {
        exit(0);
    }

    /* perform other SCR operations */
    . . .
}
```

## □ **scr\_Encode()**

*Prototype:*

```
int scr_Encode(byte *l_buf, SCRMsg *l_msg)
```

*Description*

This routine encodes a SCRMsg structure into an SCR encoded data buffer. This routine transparently converts and encodes IB, OB, AB, HC, HR, and MI messages for the correct network type. For example, if scr\_Init() has been used to set the network type to DataTAC 4000, and an MI message is passed to scr\_Encode(), it will be encoded as an OB message.

*Input:*

➤	*l_buf	The buffer for the encoded message to be returned in. When calling this function, this parameter must point to an allocated buffer of at least SCR_MAX_LEN bytes. The encoded message is returned as a binary array. It is not a NULL terminated string.
➤	*l_msg	An SCRMsg structure representing the message to be encoded. For a description of the SCRMsg structure, refer to "SCR Structures."

*Output:*

◀	Return value = 0	Operation was successful and the encoded message is returned in l_buf.
◀	Return value 0	Operation failed. Value SCR_ERROR is returned to indicate an error

## Example

```
#include <scrap_i.h>

{
    SCRMsg lmsg;           /* SCR message struct */
    byte ldata[200];      /* data to send to host */
    byte lbuffer[SCR_MAX_LEN]; /* buffer for encoded SCR msg */
    int llen;             /* length of encoded SCR msg */
    . . .

    strcpy((char *)ldata, "Hello world")

    /* initialize message structure */
    lmsg.msg_type = SCR_TO_NET; /* send data to client
                                device */
    lmsg.u.tonet.ll_i = 0xEE021234; /* set device LLI to
                                send to */
    lmsg.u.tonet.ack = SCR_TONET_ACK_NONE; /* no
                                acknowledgment */
    lmsg.u.tonet.data_header = "BB1";
    /* Note: On a DataTAC 4000 or 6000 network,
    this message */
    /* will be routed on host slot 1. On a
    DataTAC 5000 */
    /* network, the message will be routed on
    session 'BB. ' */
    /* See Section "Data Header" for further
    details. */
    lmsg.u.tonet.data.data = ldata;
    lmsg.u.tonet.data.len = strlen(ldata);

    llen = scr_Encode(lbuffer, &lmsg);
    if (llen != SCR_ERROR) {
        /* send encoded message to network */
        x25_send(. . . [buffer, llen, . . .])
    }
    else {
        /* report an error */
    }
    . . .
}
. . .
}
```

## □ **scr\_Decode()**

*Prototype:*

```
int scr_Decode(int l_len, byte *l_buf, SCRMsg *l_msg)
```

*Description*

This routine is used to decode an SCR message from a received buffer and produce an SCRMsg structure representing the received message.

When this routine returns successfully, some memory may have been allocated within the SCRMsg structure. scr\_FreeDecoding() should always be called after a successful scr\_Decode() to free any memory that may have been allocated. When scr\_Decode() returns SCR\_ERROR or 0, scr\_FreeDecoding() should not be called.

*Input:*

➤	l_len	The length of the data contained in l_buf.
➤	*l_buf	The buffer containing received SCR data
➤	*l_msg	The decoded SCRMsg is returned in l_msg. When calling this function, this parameter must point to an allocated SCRMsg structure. Refer to "SCR Structures".

*Output:*

⏪	Return value = 0	Operation was successful but the buffer contains only a partial SCR message in l_msg.
⏪	Return value < 0	Operation failed. Value SCR_ERROR is returned to indicate an error
⏪	Return value > 0	Operation was successful .and the decoded message is returned in l_msg.

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## Example

```
#include <scrapl.h>

{
    SCRMsg lmsg;                /* SCR message struct
*/
    byte  lbuffer[SCR_MAX_LEN]; /*buffer for received SCR msg
*/
    int   llen;                /* length of received SCR msg
*/
    int   lused;               /* return code from scr_Decode
*/
    . . .

    /* receive data into lbuffer */
    llen = x25recv( . . . lbuffer, . . . );
    . . .

    lused = scr_Decode(llen, lbuffer, &lmsg);
    if (lused > 0) {
        /* process message */
        . . .

        scr_FreeDecoding(lmsg); /* free decoded message */
    }
    else if (lused == 0) {
        /* incomplete message received */
    }
    else {
        /* report an error */
        . . .
    }
}
}
```

## ❑ **scr\_FreeDecoding()**

*Prototype:*

```
void scr_FreeDecoding(SCRMsg *l_msg)
```

*Description*

This routine is used to free any memory allocated inside an SCRMsg structure by a successful call to scr\_Decode(). All calls to scr\_Decode() that return a successfully decoded SCR message (the return value is a positive value) must be followed by a call to scr\_FreeDecoding(), after the caller has fully processed the decoded message. If scr\_FreeDecoding() is not called, memory leaks will occur.

**Note:** *The SCRMsg structure itself is not freed. Only allocated memory within this structure is freed. After scr\_FreeDecoding() has been called, all pointers within the SCRMsg structure will be invalid.*

*Input:*

➤	*l_msg	The SCRMsg structure to have its internal memory allocations freed. Note that the SCRMsg structure itself is not freed.
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*Output: None*

### **Example**

Refer to the example for the function scr\_Decode() on the previous page.

## □ scr\_EncodeLogin()

*Prototype:*

```
int scr_EncodeLogin(byte *l_buf, char *l_hostid, char *l_passwd)
```

*Description*

**For DataTAC<sup>®</sup> 5000 Networks Only.** This function is used to encode the RNG login packet that is sent to the RNG when the connection is first established.

*Input:*

➤	*l_buf	The buffer for the encoded login packet to be returned in. When calling this function, this parameter must point to an allocated buffer of at least SCR_MAX_LEN bytes.
➤	*l_hostid	The DataTAC host login or host id
➤	*l_passwd	The DataTAC host password

*Output:*

◀	Return value = 0	Operation failed. The Network Type is not set to DataTAC 5000.
◀	Return value < 0	Operation failed. Value SCR_ERROR is returned to indicate an error
◀	Return value > 0	Operation was successful and the number of bytes is returned in l_buf.

## Example

```
#include <scrap_i.h>
{
    byte  lbuffer[SCR_MAX_LEN]; /*buffer for SCR login
packet*/
    int    llen;                /*length of SCR login packet*/
    . . .

    x25call( . . . ); /*make the connection to the RNG*/

    llen = scr_EncodeLogin(buffer, 'LOGIN', 'PASSWORD');
    if (llen == SCR_ERROR) {
        /*report an error*/
        . . .
    }
    else if (llen > 0) { /*for non-DataTAC 5000 networks, '
                        /*llen will be zero, so we do not
                        */
                        /*need to send the login message.
                        */

        /* For DataTAC S000, send encoded login message to RNG
        */
        x25_send(. . . [buffer, llen, . . . )
    }
    . . .
}
}
```





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## □ **scr\_Print()**

*Prototype:*

```
void scr_Print(FILE *l_fp, SCRMsg *lmsg)
```

*Description*

This routine prints an ASCII representation of the SCR message structure to the given file. This is intended to be used for debugging or tracing purposes.

*Input:*

➤	*l_fp	The file pointer to write the message details to.
➤	*l_msg	The message structure to print.

*Output: None*

## **Example**

```
#include <scrapl.h>
{
    SCRMsg lmsg;           /* SCR message struct */
    FILE *lfp;           /* file to dump message to */
    . . .

    /* receive a message and decode it into lmsg */
    . . .

    lfp = fopen("debug.trc", "a");
    if (lfp != (FILE *)NULL) {
        fprintf(lfp, "\nReceived the following
message:\n");
        scr_Print(lfp, &lmsg);
        fclose(lfp);
    }

    /* process message */
    . . .
}
```

## Sample Output

The output from the scr\_Print() function shows the message type, followed by all the appropriate fields from the message structure. Shown here are several examples of possible output from the scr\_Print() function:

### FROM\_NET Message

The FROM\_NET message is printed as an OB message for a DataTAC 4000 network.

```
*** OB message ***
LLI 80051234
Data header - BB1
Data -
0 54 68 69 73 20 69 73 20 73 6F 6D 65 20 64 61 74 This is some
10 61 2E                                     data.
```

For DataTAC 5000 and DataTAC 6000 networks, a FROM\_NET message is printed as an MI message.

```
*** MI message ***
LLI 80051234
Data header - BB1
Data -
0 54 68 69 73 20 69 73 20 73 6F 6D 65 20 64 61 74 This is some
10 61 2E                                     data.
```

### TO\_NET Message

```
*** TO_NET message ***
LLI 87654321
Save bytes - AA
Acknowledgment - SCR_TONET_ACK_REMOTE
Data header - BB1
Data -
0 54 68 69 73 20 69 73 20 73 6F 6D 65 20 64 61 74 This is some
10 61 2E                                     data.
```

### ACK Message

For DataTAC 5000 or DataTAC 6000 networks, an ACK message is printed as an HC message.

```
*** HC message ***
LLI 87654321
Save bytes - AA
Response - 78 - MT out of range or powered off
```

For the DataTAC 4000 network, an ACK message is printed as an AB message.

```
*** AB message ***
LLI 87654321
Save bytes - AA
Response - 78 - No response from wireless device
```

## □ **scr\_NakReasonText()**

*Prototype:*

```
char *scr_NakReasonText(char *l_reason_code)
```

*Description*

This routine converts a response code from an HC or AB message into a text string describing that code. The returned pointer is a pointer to a static text string within the library. This string must not be overwritten or freed. This string pointer will stay valid for the duration of the program's execution. The text strings correspond to the text given in the DataTAC 5000 System Host Application Programmer's Manual.

This routine can also be used to perform a network independent test for successful delivery by checking for a NULL return value from this function.

*Input:*

➤	*l_reason code	The response code from the Ack/AB/HC message.
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*Output:*

<	Return NULL	Operation successful delivery of the message.
<	Return !NULL	Operation failed. Value a char pointer to a text string buffer containing an English description for the meaning of the given response code.

## **Example**

```
#include <scrapl.h>

{
    SCRMsg lmsg;           /* SCR message struct */
    char *lreason;        /* reason code string */
    . . .
    /* receive a message and decode it into lmsg */
    . . .
    if (lmsg.msg_type == SCR_ACK) {
        lreason =
        scr_NakReasonText(lmsg.u.ack.response_code)

        if (lreason == (char *)NULL) {
            printf("Successful delivery of message\n");
        }
        else {
            printf("Failed delivery to LLI %08X -
            reason '%s'\n", lmsg.u.ack.lll, lreason);
        }
    }
}
```

## □ **scr\_ACReasonText()**

*Prototype:*

```
char *scr_ACReasonText(char *l_reason_code)
```

*Description*

### **For the DataTAC 5000 Network Only.**

This routine converts a reason code from an Activity Confirmation (AC) message into a text string describing that code. The returned pointer is a pointer to a static text string within the library. This string must not be overwritten or freed. This string pointer stays valid for the duration of the program's execution. The text strings correspond to the text given in the DataTAC 5000 System Host Application Programmer's Manual.

*Input:*

➤	*l_reason code	The reason code from the AC message
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*Output:*

◀	Return !NULL	Operation successful. Value a char pointer to a text string buffer containing an English description for the meaning of the given response code.
◀	Return NULL	Operation failed.

### **Example**

```
#include <scrapl.h>

{
    SCRMsg lmsg;           /* SCR message struct */
    char *lreason;        /* reason code string */
    . . .
    /* receive a message and decode it into lmsg */
    . . .
    if (lmsg.msg_type == SCR_AC) {
        lreason = scr_ACReasonText(lmsg.u.ac.reason_code);
        if (lreason != (char *)NULL) {
            printf("Activity Confirmation LLI %08X -
                reason '%s'\n", lmsg.u.ac.lli, lreason);
        }
    }
}
```

## □ **scr\_DIReasonText()**

*Prototype:*

```
char *scr_DIReasonText(char *l_reason_code)
```

*Description*

### **For DataTAC 5000 Dynamic Routed Sessions Only**

This routine converts a reason code from a Disconnect Indication (DI) message into a text string describing that code. The returned pointer is a pointer to a static text string within the library. This string must not be overwritten or freed. This string pointer stays valid for the duration of the program's execution. The text strings correspond to the text given in the DataTAC 5000 System Host Application Programmer's Manual.

*Input:*

➤	*l_reason code	The reason code from the DI message
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*Output:*

<	Return !NULL	Operation successful. Value a char pointer to a text string buffer containing an English description for the meaning of the given response code.
<	Return NULL	Operation failed.

### **Example**

```
#include <scrapl.h>

{
    SCRMsg lmsg;                /* SCR message struct
    */
    char *lreason;              /* reason code string
    */
    . . .
    /* receive a message and decode it into lmsg */
    . . .
    if (lmsg.msg_type == SCR_DI) {
        lreason = scr_DIReasonText(lmsg.u.di.reason_code);
        if (lreason != (char *)NULL) {
            printf("Disconnection - LLI %08X - reason
            '%s' \n", lmsg.u.di.lll, lreason);
        }
    }
}
```

# Application Development

This section provides comments and advice that can help you develop successful wireless enabled applications for DataTAC systems.

Application development for NCL-compliant wireless modem devices is a two-part process.

- ❑ The first step sets up the interface between the device host and the wireless modem. In this step you must consider the interactions with the wireless modem, as established by the NCL 1.2 reference specification and the vendor specific extensions.
- ❑ The second step involves addressing message routing information to identify the message destination within the DataTAC network.

Use the following suggestions to help you develop wireless enabled applications.

- ❑ Use PowerSave mode of operation to extend battery life and operational time for the user. We recommend that the application does not modify this mode dynamically.
- ❑ Use the Confirmed mode of operation to perform the following functions:
  - Check the SDU checksum for validity.
  - Re-read SDUs received in error.
  - Read past the last message in Confirmed mode to make sure the device buffer is fully flushed. If the buffer is not flushed, the last message is held, consuming valuable buffer space.
- ❑ Anticipate new NCL command, event, and response codes:
  - Perform exact matches on event and response codes.
  - Discard any unknown event type.
  - Map any unknown XFAIL code to be a NAK.
- ❑ Use SDU tags to uniquely identify application-generated SDUs.
- ❑ Anticipate the user will move between IN\_RANGE and OUT\_OF\_RANGE conditions. This means you need to provide:
  - A user indicator that identifies the current operating status.
  - Recovery mechanisms when application transactions fail as a result of losing network contact.

## Roaming Issues

During development, consider how the coverage for your wireless enabled application could be affected by a user moving in and out of the network coverage area. Coverage can be temporarily impacted by moving from one side of a building to another. Coverage can be lost for a longer time by moving beyond the network coverage boundary.

In application development, addressing this temporary or longer term gap in coverage, even in midst of an application transaction, is essential.

You can address this consideration by providing a transport level protocol that can account for the following roaming related situations when used with a DataTAC wire-less modem:

- ❑ Inbound SDU failure
- ❑ Outbound SDU failure
- ❑ Loss of network contact

These situations are discussed in detail from page 80.

In this case, the transport level protocol must have components both within the server and client application environment. This transport level protocol can be provided using existing third party software for DataTAC systems. Alternatively, you can develop a transport level protocol with your application in mind.

### Roaming Requirements

The roaming algorithms for the wireless modem are described as follows:

**Note:** *In each case, re-establishing network contact requires the wireless modem to scan all likely channels and to handshake with the network.*

#### **Send a quick (bounded) response to SDU transmit requests**

When the wireless modem loses network contact, SDUs are returned with an out-of-range failure code. In this case, the wireless modem also indicates that it is out-of-range via an NCL event. When network contact is re-established, the wireless modem indicates an in-range event. The client application then resubmits any SDU last rejected with an out-of-range response.

#### **Acquire the channel quickly**

All channels are scanned quickly, starting with the dynamic channel list that contains the last used channel and its neighbours. (This list is broadcast periodically by the network.) If you cannot establish network contact using the dynamic channel list, the wireless modem scans quickly using the preprogrammed, network-specific static channel list. If network contact is not established using either list, this sequence is

repeated after a delay interval. See “Conserve battery life when out of range” below.

### **Conserve battery life when out-of-range**

When all channels (from both dynamic and static channel lists) are scanned and network contact is not established, the wireless modem enters a scan-delay state. The scan-delay starts at one second and doubles on each scan cycle failure, to a maximum of 255 seconds between scan cycles. This delay time is reset to one second by establishing a network connection or by power-cycling the device.

### **Re-establish network contact following inbound SDU failure (no response) and poor RF RSSI or signal quality**

Any wireless modem experiencing a no-response inbound SDU failure and either with RSSI or quality below the exit threshold level must re-establish network contact. If unable to re-establish network contact, the modem indicates an out-of-range event. When network contact is re-established, the wireless modem indicates an in-range event. The client application then resubmits any queued inbound SDU last rejected with an out-of-range response.

### **Re-establish network contact due to loss of outbound channel**

The wireless modem attempts to re-establishes network contact following loss of the outbound channel. If unable to re-establish network contact, the modem indicates an out-of-range event, and procedures to re-establish network contact are initiated. When network contact is re-established, the wireless modem indicates an in-range event. The client application then resubmits any queued inbound SDU last rejected with an out-of-range response.

### **Seek and locate the preferred alternate channel when the existing channel degrades to a marginal level**

When the existing RF channel degrades to a marginal (but still usable) level, the device periodically listens to neighbouring channels to determine whether a preferred alternate channel exists. This action occurs when the device would otherwise be sleeping, to prevent impact to the device’s synchronized-receive capability with the network.

To be considered, a preferred alternate channel must meet the minimum channel entry criteria and be 5 dBm better than the current channel. If located, a full channel acquisition is performed to verify all other aspects of the alternate channel before registering to the new channel. This preferred-channel pre-roam algorithm is performed at intervals that increase exponentially and with identical reset conditions. See “Conserve battery life when out-of-range” above.



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## **Inbound SDU Failures**

Potential SDU inbound failure codes are described below. The list identifies all likely SDU failure responses. The remaining SDU responses that appear in the NCL 1.2 reference manual are not expected to occur within the Motorola DataTAC wireless modem.

### **Inbound SDU failure, no response from network**

The SDU was transmitted, but not acknowledged by the network. The SDU may have been delivered; the acknowledgment might have been the element that could not be successfully returned to the originating device.

### **Inbound SDU failure, host down**

This failure indicates that the internal network connection to the application host computer is currently unavailable. Because DataTAC networks are designed with very high reliability, this failure is extremely rare.

### **Inbound SDU failure, low battery**

The SDU could not be delivered due to a low battery condition. When a low battery condition is reached, the radio network connection is dropped until the low battery condition is corrected. (This can be addressed by replacing the battery or, if trickle charging is enabled, waiting for a sufficient charge level to be reached.)

### **Inbound SDU failure, inbound queue full**

This response indicates that the maximum number (2) of SDUs are already queued within the wireless modem. Another SDU can be submitted when the NCL response for one of the pending SDUs has been returned.

### **Inbound SDU failure, out of range**

The wireless modem has either lost network coverage or is in the process of re-establishing network contact. See “Loss of Network Contact” on the following page.

### **Inbound SDU failure, transmitter disabled**

This SDU failure code indicates that the radio transmitter has been disabled, under application control, within the wireless modem. The transmitter must be enabled prior to submitting an SDU.

*Note: This could be the result of transmitting a Receiver Disable command to the wireless modem. This command requires both Receiver Enable and Transmitter Enable commands to recover two-way communications.*

## **Outbound SDU Failure**

Due to the unreliable delivery of RF data packets (and their responses), a client application must consider the possibility of an outbound SDU being delivered to the client, with the transport confirmation of that data packet being lost (RF acknowledgment and/or transport level acknowledgment).

*Note: When developing a centralized server and distributed-mobile client wireless enabled application, outbound SDU failure is primarily a server application issue.*

When this occurs, the client and server transport levels must resynchronise to a common level before proceeding. Such an understanding might require retransmission of the transaction or retransmission of the transport confirmation.

## **Loss of Network Contact**

When a wireless modem experiences a loss of network contact, queued SDUs are returned with the out-of-range response code and with out-of-range event indicated. A loss of contact can occur for the following reasons:

### **Moving beyond network coverage**

When the device moves beyond the network boundary, network contact loss could occur for an extended period. Depending upon the user route and network coverage area, this interval could extend from a few minutes to several hours (or longer). Once network contact is re-established, the client and server application must be resynchronised if applications transactions have failed during the interval. After network contact has been announced, further delays should be minimised, as the user becomes acquainted with the coverage area.

### **Moving between areas of network coverage**

Small movements within the area of network coverage can result in the loss and reacquisition of network contact, as a result of RF penetration difficulties with specific network topology and terrain. It might take from a few tenths of a second to a few minutes to recognize the channel has degraded to an unusable level, to qualify a new channel, and to re-establish network contact. Again, the client and server application must be resynchronised if application transactions failed during this interval.

### **Acquiring improved network coverage**

A channel might originally have been marginal, or might have degraded from a good to a marginal level, or might be negatively impacted by the presence of other objects that influence its capability to send and receive data. Under such circumstances, the wireless modem seeks a preferred alternate channel, as previously described.

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Usually this situation does not produce notification of network contact and reacquisition.

### **Low battery**

Network contact is dropped when a low battery condition is reached. This follows a battery alert notification (warning) that occurs while the battery still has some remaining usable capacity. The time between these events is much influenced by the battery technology and the level of transmit activity within the wireless modem. A relatively inactive device provides more warning time than an active device. Also, an alkaline battery provides more warning than a NiCad battery.

### **Low buffers**

If outbound SDUs remain unread within the wireless modem, its outbound buffers are eventually filled. When this occurs, network contact is dropped. Network contact is re-established when the internal buffer pool within the wireless modem reaches a usable level, as a result of SDU reads by the application. This situation never occurs when the client application reads continuously to clear the wireless modem of received outbound SDUs.

### **Receiver disabled**

The client application can disable the wireless modem transceiver by using the Receiver Disable NCL command. When this occurs, network contact is dropped and the radio is turned off. Network contact is re-established when the application issues the Receiver Enable, then the Transmitter Enable NCL commands.

## **Power Management**

The following modem power management options can be included in an application to maximize battery life:

### **PowerSave Mode**

The wireless modem defaults to PowerSave mode when turned on if the network supports the PowerSave protocol. If you are concerned about latency of unsolicited outbound messages, you can turn off the PowerSave mode, but at the expense of consuming more battery power. For details, refer to the NCL 1.2 command `S_POWER_SAVE_MODE`. See “Battery Life Considerations” and “PowerSave Protocol” on the following page.

Dynamically modifying the PowerSave mode of the device is not recommended.

### **Inactivity Time-Out**

Configure inactivity time-out to trigger if a message is not read from the modem within a certain number of minutes.

To keep the wireless modem card from disconnecting from the network (and turn off its radio) following an undeliverable outbound message, disable the host inactivity timeout by issuing an `S_INACTIVITY_TIMEOUT` command to the wireless modem card. Set the timeout value to 255 (the default).

### **On/Off upon User Demand**

To extend battery life, design the application to switch the modem on and off as the usage need arises. This method is especially effective for session-based, user-initiated applications.

### **Radio On/Off on Application Command**

The radio is the primary power-consuming component in the wireless modem card. Use `S_RX_CONTROL` for very effective control of session-based, user-initiated applications.

### **Battery Life Considerations**

In addition to specific power management options, some application design decisions greatly affect battery life, as follows:

#### **User traffic, amount and frequency**

Commercially available compression techniques can significantly reduce traffic volume, which improves device battery life and reduces network usage costs. PowerSave mode batches outbound traffic at a periodicity equal to the network-defined PowerSave protocol frame size.

#### **Data compression**

Improve battery life by reducing and compressing the broadcast application data. Network usage costs can also be significantly reduced as a result.

### **PowerSave Protocol**

The following points describe unique operational characteristics of devices that are compliant with the PowerSave protocol when operating on a network, as compared to those that are not. Specific PowerSave timing parameters can vary by network, based on how the network operator sets up PowerSave protocol parameters.

Under PowerSave protocol, unsolicited outbound traffic to a non-awake device is delayed. The worst case delay until the first transmit opportunity is 128 seconds under DataTAC 4000 networks and 64 seconds under DataTAC 5000 networks. The average delay until the next delivery opportunity is one half of the worst case time, given the current network and device configuration.

In DataTAC 4000 systems, initial unsolicited outbound transmission attempts are actually “ping” messages used to locate the device.

In DataTAC 5000 systems, unsolicited outbound messages (or messages that have missed the previous transmit opportunity) are delivered in the “root” (that is, home) window for the recipient device. Once the device is thus awakened, it remains awake for about  $n$  seconds after each message or ACK transmission from the device. During the wake time the network delivers messages to the device as it would to a device that is non-compliant with the PowerSave protocol. (Default  $n = 20$  seconds for DataTAC 4000 networks and 8 seconds for DataTAC 5000 networks.)

Roaming and location update reporting to the network happens more slowly because the PowerSave protocol device takes longer to respond to changes in the RF environment. The infrequent worst case latency in responding to external stimuli (resulting in either a location update or new channel scan) is about 9 minutes for DataTAC 4000 networks. DataTAC 5000 networks respond typically in 1.5 Power-Save protocol frame times, or about 96 seconds.

## **Wireless Data Systems Considerations**

The wireless modems application developer must account for the limitations of a wireless data system to minimize their impact on the user.

### **Limited Data Capacity on Radio Frequency Channels**

The channels available to wireless modems are narrow-band and have limited information carrying capacity (bandwidth) when compared to traditional wireline communications. Additional capacity can be gained only by increasing the number of channels, improving the hardware technology, or by developing more efficient applications. As a result of all these limitations, it is not surprising that wireless networks are often more expensive to operate on a per-packet basis than wireline Wide Area Networks (WAN). To address this concern, the NCL has been designed to provide the most efficient way of using the limited channel bandwidth.

### **Message Delivery Cannot Be Guaranteed**

Because a wireless device can roam without restriction, it can exit the network RF coverage area, leaving it unable to receive or successfully transmit messages. When a device is outside the coverage area, the applications are informed of failed inbound delivery. The application is required to take appropriate recovery action.

### **Variation in Message Transit Times Across the Network**

The time interval messages transit the network is affected by the RF protocol, the message load on the network, and the length of a message. These variations might need to be taken into account by the application.

The following sections address some of these shortcomings in more detail.

## **Application Efficiency**

One goal of application development is to provide the required functionality with the least amount of messaging. The consideration here is to minimize the number of interactions in an information exchange. Doing so addresses the limited data capacity and increased costs of wireless messaging. In addition, the pricing structure of network operators encourages efficient application design. In fact, applications can be designed to use data compression or to apply techniques that send only data fields that change between transactions.

## **Large Message Transfer**

Message size is a key factor affecting response times in wireless data systems. To efficiently accommodate typical data applications, the DataTAC 5000 system is optimized for the transfer of short and medium length messages. Typically, messages up to 512 bytes are transferred across the network as a single data packet. Messages larger than 512 bytes are segmented into 512-byte packets by the DataTAC system before being transmitted over the air. The packets are reassembled before they are delivered to the application. For MDC 4800 operation on DataTAC 4000 systems, the segmentation size is 256 bytes.

For example, a 600-byte user message or service data unit (SDU) results in the delivery of two packets, or protocol data units (PDU), that are reassembled in the wireless device. Each PDU requires a Radio Data-Link Access Procedure (RD-LAP) acknowledgment from the device, which takes a few seconds to complete. The fewer PDUs in a message, the shorter the delivery time. If messages larger than 2 kB are to be sent across the system, the host and wireless device application must provide the segmentation and reconstruction functions.

## **Message Transit Time**

The time required for an inbound or outbound message to travel across the network is primarily a function of the queuing delays associated with each product in the network infrastructure and the message load on the system. As system traffic builds, queuing delays increase for outbound traffic, while the average time to access the inbound channel increases, resulting in longer inbound message transit times.

Additional delays are encountered when the wireless terminal is in the process of roaming from one cell on one radio channel to a cell on another radio channel. If the cells are controlled by the same cell controller, the delay time is quite short. The delay time can increase if the cells are controlled by different cell controllers on different subnetworks.

For a DataTAC 5000 fixed-end system operating at full rated capacity, the mean transit delay between a network host and a wireless device is typically no more than four seconds.

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The application developer must develop operational scenarios to accommodate the variable transit time in the application design.





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# Message Routing and Migration

This section offers developers advice on how to migrate their applications. That is, how to create new versions of their wireless applications for porting to other DataTAC<sup>®</sup> systems. You can also use this information to plan ahead for portability as you begin your initial application development effort.

As the developer and user communities become more international in scope, successful applications will be distinguished by their portability across existing DataTAC networks. This is true whether you are designing a new application or migrating an existing application to other networks.

## Message Routing

Three versions of DataTAC systems are in operation worldwide, as noted by where they are currently implemented:

- ❑ DataTAC 4000 systems (North America)
- ❑ DataTAC 5000 systems (Asia-Pacific and Middle East)
- ❑ DataTAC 6000 systems (Europe)

The architectures of the three systems are basically alike. Although they support different link layer protocols, the systems differ mainly in their message header syntax.

The distinction between host communications and peer-to-peer messaging is also important. Separate DataTAC protocols support each of these application models. The primary host communications mode is Standard Context Routing (SCR), also known as fleet mode. Another application mode is DataTAC Messaging (DM), which handles messaging among terminals (subscriber units).

SCR and DM are the common sets of rules that describe how to format message headers on DataTAC systems. Although the header format differs slightly among DataTAC 4000, 5000, and 6000 systems, the functional concepts of operation are the same. The exact SCR and DM syntax for each system is available in their separate Host Application Programmer's Manuals.

Other connection options are available for DataTAC 5000 and 6000 systems. Two of these are known as "personal shared" (Type I) connections and "personal dedicated" (Type II) connections. These are covered in the system host programming guides.

Note: *In this section, "host" refers to the network fixed host. "Terminal" refers to a subscriber device. In these guidelines a byte is 8 bits.*

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## Network Link Layers

Before a message can be routed, it must contain a header and be wrapped in a link layer protocol supported by the DataTAC network. Many link layer protocols are available, but not all are supported by each DataTAC network.

The X.25 protocol is common to all three systems and supports both PVC and SVC host connection line types. X.25 is a popular choice for developers looking for a worldwide connectivity solution.

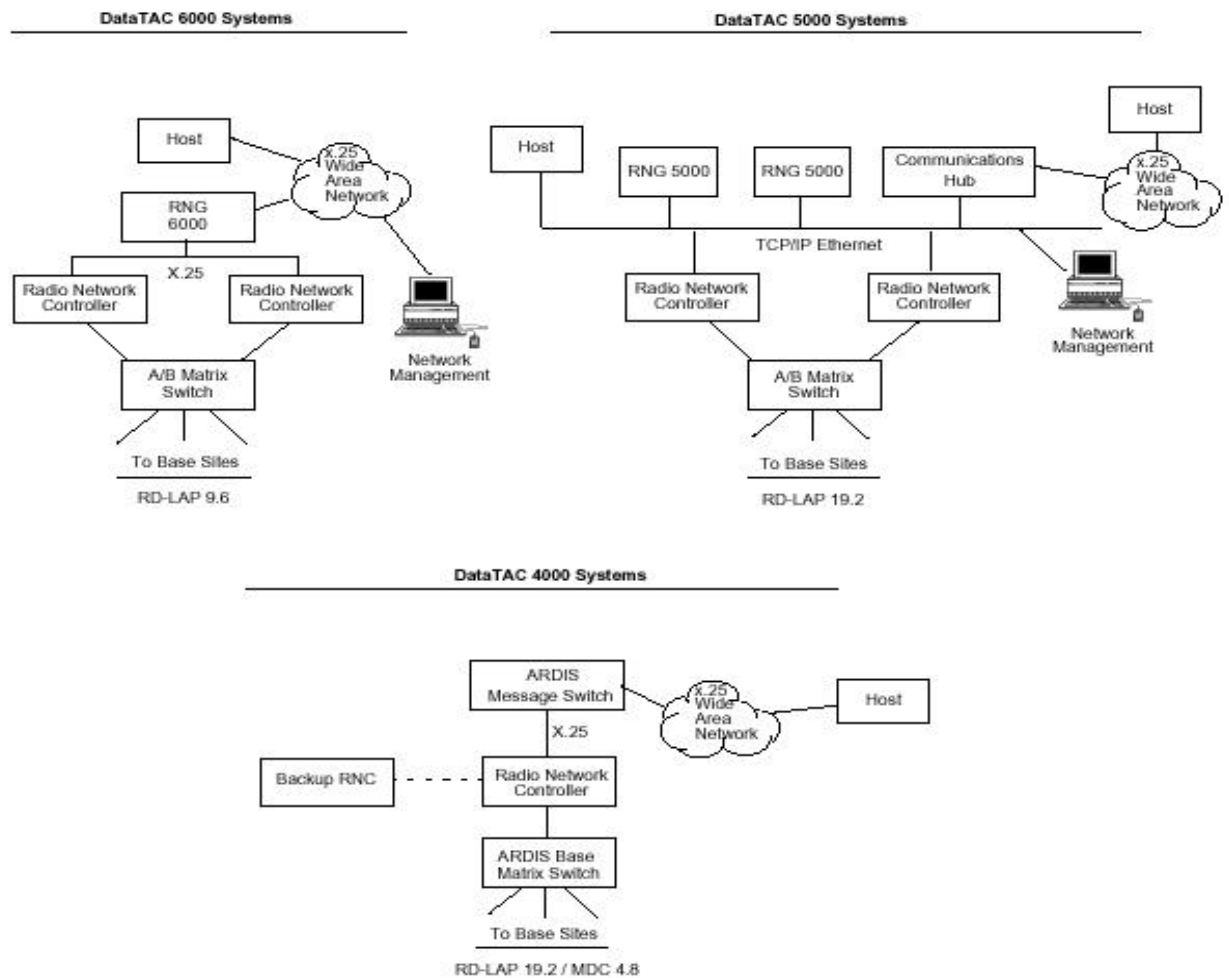
Other supported protocols include:

- ❑ DataTAC 4000 system      X.25, TCP/IP, LU6.2, leased line, dial-up, RF-Loopback
- ❑ DataTAC 5000 system      X.25, TCP/IP, SLIP
- ❑ DataTAC 6000 system      X.25

## Standard Context Routing (SCR)

SCR allows the central host to communicate with hundreds, even thousands of terminals across a single host connection. But the real advantage of using SCR is economic: The host only pays for a single connection to the network, significantly reducing communications cost.

When a terminal sends a message to the host, the message must contain a header that includes the sending terminal ID. This enables the host to identify which terminal sent the message and which terminal the host is to poll.



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Other header fields provide the host with options for instructing the network on handling undeliverable messages. For example, the host can ask the network to:

- Provide a delivery status of messages.
- Hold messages on the network for a later delivery.
- Discard messages.

This header and instruction information is the basis of the SCR protocol.

## SCR Message Types

Fleet mode of communications uses three types of messages:

- ❑ Commands / Host Requests (host-to-network)  
EXAMPLE: Send Message #1 to LLI 87654321
- ❑ Responses / Host Confirmations (network-to-host)  
EXAMPLE: Message #1 to LLI 87654321 was ACKed
- ❑ Events / Mobile Information (terminal-to-network-to-host)  
EXAMPLE: Message received from LLI 12345678

A fourth type of message, the status message, is allowed on DataTAC 4000 and 5000 systems, but it is not supported on DataTAC 6000 systems.

Each message type must include a unique header; small differences within each type of header exist among the systems. The charts graphically compare the headers for each system.

## Highlights of SCR Differences

The following topics explain:

- ❑ Which system or systems implement a particular function.
- ❑ What this function does and how it varies by system.
- ❑ How to migrate an application from one system to another.

## Nomenclature

When migrating applications, use the correct message type codes. Because DataTAC systems were originally designed for unique markets during different development periods, each shows its separate lineage and is described using inconsistent terminology. For example, this occurs at the beginning of the SCR header, where the code designating the message type varies by system, as shown in the following table.

Message Type (direction)	DataTAC 4000 System	DataTAC 5000 System	DataTAC 6000 System
Command (host-to-network)	IB (inbound basic)	HR (host request)	HR (host request)
Response (network-to-host)	AB (acknowledgment basic)	HC (host confirmation)	HC (host confirmation)
Event (terminal-to-host)	OB (outbound basic)	MI (mobile information)	MI (mobile information)

**Note:** *The DataTAC 4000 system designates the direction of the command message as inbound from the host to the network and outbound from the network to the host (opposite from current industry terminology).*

## **ASCII versus Binary Encoding**

DataTAC 4000 system SCR fields are all ASCII encoded fields of numeric values or alphanumeric strings. DataTAC 5000 and 6000 systems use a mixture of ASCII and binary encoded fields. All three systems allow the user to send binary data, regardless of header encoding.

## **Support for TCP/IP**

DataTAC 5000 systems provide support for TCP/IP hosts, allowing interconnection across local Ethernet LANs or even the Internet. SCR messages are carried within a single TCP/IP data stream, which allows SCR communications with multiple terminals.

Although TCP/IP provides a reliable stream of contiguous data, the application must be able to determine the beginning and end of each SCR message. The SCR header on DataTAC 5000 systems must start with a 16 bit (2 byte) length field (bytes L1 and L2), which specifies the length of the frame.

## **Length Prefix Field**

DataTAC 5000 systems require all SCR messages to be prefixed by a two-byte binary encoded length field (L1 and L2). This field provides TCP/IP based connections with data that determines the length of each SCR message. The length count includes everything in the message packet, except for the length prefix.

When converting an application to a DataTAC 5000 network, the length field must be prefixed to all SCR messages.

## **Host Authentication**

Before SCR transactions can be performed on DataTAC 5000 and DataTAC 6000 systems using a host-initiated connection, the host first sends a host authentication message to the radio network gateway (RNG). The authentication message must be the first message sent to the RNG after establishing link layer communications. The RNG drops the connection when any of the following conditions occurs:

- The host does not send the authentication message within one minute
- The host ID and password do not match those in the RNG database
- The host is not enabled in the RNG database
- The host is already connected to the RNG

On DataTAC 5000 systems the authentication message consists of:

- Host ID (up to 20 characters)
- ASCII ';' (semicolon) delimiter
- Host password of 1 to 8 bytes
- Carriage return

On DataTAC 6000 systems the host ID field consists of:

- ❑ 1 to 4 bytes
- ❑ ASCII ';' (semicolon) delimiter
- ❑ Host password of 1 to 8 bytes
- ❑ Carriage return

On DataTAC 4000 systems the RNG (ARDIS switch) locates the calling X.25 address to verify it is in the database. A valid calling address is then associated with only those terminals allocated to a particular host.

### **Extended SCR**

DataTAC 4000 and 5000 systems support additional message types and functions beyond the basic SCR functionality. Specifically, extended SCR supports the following features:

On DataTAC 4000 systems:

- ❑ Sends binary headers and data
- ❑ Notifies the host of terminal network activity

On DataTAC 5000 systems:

- ❑ Notifies the host of terminal network activity
- ❑ Performs loopback diagnostics
- ❑ Notifies the host of terminal-to-host connection (session) activity

For a full description of these extensions, refer to the system host application programmer's manuals.

On DataTAC 4000 and 5000 systems the extended functions enable the network to notify the host that a terminal has registered with or deregistered from the network. This allows the host to avoid X.25 communications costs associated with attempting to reach a shut down terminal.

This extension set also involves the no-acknowledgment (No-ACK) option for host-to-terminal messages. When the No-ACK option is used on DataTAC 5000 systems, the host instructs the RNG to deliver the over-the-air message as "No-ACK-needed", and none is returned.

On DataTAC 4000 and 6000 systems, which lack the No-ACK option, the RNG sends all messages as "ACK-required," regardless of a host request for "No-ACK-needed." When the RNG receives the ACK from the terminal, it is discarded or used to provide input to other system-specific features.

Avoid using additional message types if you want the application to be widely compatible. These extended features are not always available on all DataTAC 5000 systems. These features are enabled and controlled by the network operator on a per-host basis. Check with your target network operators before using SCR system extensions.

**Note:** *To run your application on DataTAC 4000 or 6000 systems, you must isolate the use of extended SCR or avoid it entirely.*

### **Service Data Unit (SDU) Size**

An application SDU consists of the complete message; both user data and data header. See “Data Header Routing” below. The maximum size of an application SDU is 2048 bytes for DataTAC 5000 and 6000 systems, and 2550 bytes for DataTAC 4000 systems. For this reason, the recommended maximum SDU size for tri-system applications is 2048 bytes.

For transport over the air, the SDU is broken up into smaller physical data units (PDUs). Most network operators price their service at cost per PDU or cost per SDU. Gather data from your various operators to develop an application design that favorably considers these cost factors.

*Note: As a general rule, it is less expensive to send fewer large packets than many small packets. Try to take full advantage of the space available in each packet.*

### **Data Header Routing**

To use the data header to route messages properly, first consider the data header as a pointer to a destination.

In early DataTAC systems, all mobile units sent their messages to a single host. Because all traffic went to one destination, there was no need for a destination header. Later, a data header field was added to inform the network where (to which host or peer) to direct a particular SDU or message.

Although the data header field can range in size from 0 to 64 bytes, by convention most applications are written using a 3-byte data header. The DataTAC systems each use a different portion of these three bytes as a pointer to a destination. This pointer is called a session ID. Setting these three bytes (the entire data header field) to a common value guarantees compatibility across all three systems.

Here are the specific differences in how the systems implement the session ID:

On DataTAC 5000 systems, the first two bytes of the data header point to a destination. (These two bytes are referred to as the session ID.)

On DataTAC 4000 and 6000 systems, the third byte only of the data header points to a destination. (The third byte is also known as a host slot on these systems.)

An example of these system differences is illustrated below. Each row in the table depicts the application-visible portion of the DataTAC system header for the identified system. In the data header column the session ID bytes appear in bold typeface. The data header offset field identifies the length in bytes of the data header field.

DataTAC System Type	Header Fields (Not Shown)	Data Header Offset	Data Header	Data
4000	...	03	TE1	Hello World
5000	...	03	TE1	Hello World
6000	...	03	TE1	Hello World

In this example the data header TE1 is a sample. The data header could also have been RO3, TX4, SS2, or many others, depending on the configuration of the network infrastructure.

The DataTAC 4000 and 6000 systems use 1 as a pointer to a destination and TE to refer to an application ID. Conversely, the DataTAC 5000 system uses TE as a pointer to a destination and 1 as an extra byte, which only has meaning if active carrier management (ACM) is used. Since SCR does not require ACM, this byte can be ignored.

**Note:** *Using this example, for cross compatible applications (to all DataTAC systems), set a data header offset of 03 (ASCII) and set the same data header for all three systems (in this example, TE1).*

Consider another example. A DataTAC 4000 or 6000 system could use a data header of XY3 for one message and a data header of AB3 for another message. According to current system implementations of the session ID feature, both SDUs would go to the same destination because the third byte (the pointer to the destination) is the same.

## SCR Header Charts

The charts in this section allow you to compare SCR syntax across all three DataTAC systems. Each chart displays a different set of headers based on message type. For example, the length prefix on the DataTAC 5000 system header and much of the DataTAC 4000 system header are shaded in gray to highlight fields where differences exist. Two of the data headers are shaded for the same reason, indicating that they differ in unique ways from the DataTAC 5000 system data header.

**Note:** *All header reserve fields must be set to ASCII 0 (0x30) or binary NULL (0x00), depending on the format requirements of the field.*

The following table shows the terminology of other communications protocols (for example, Native Control Language), and the SCR header types.

Other Protocol Terminology	SCR Terminology
Command Message	Host Request Message
Response Message	Host Confirmation Message
Event Message	Mobile Information Message.

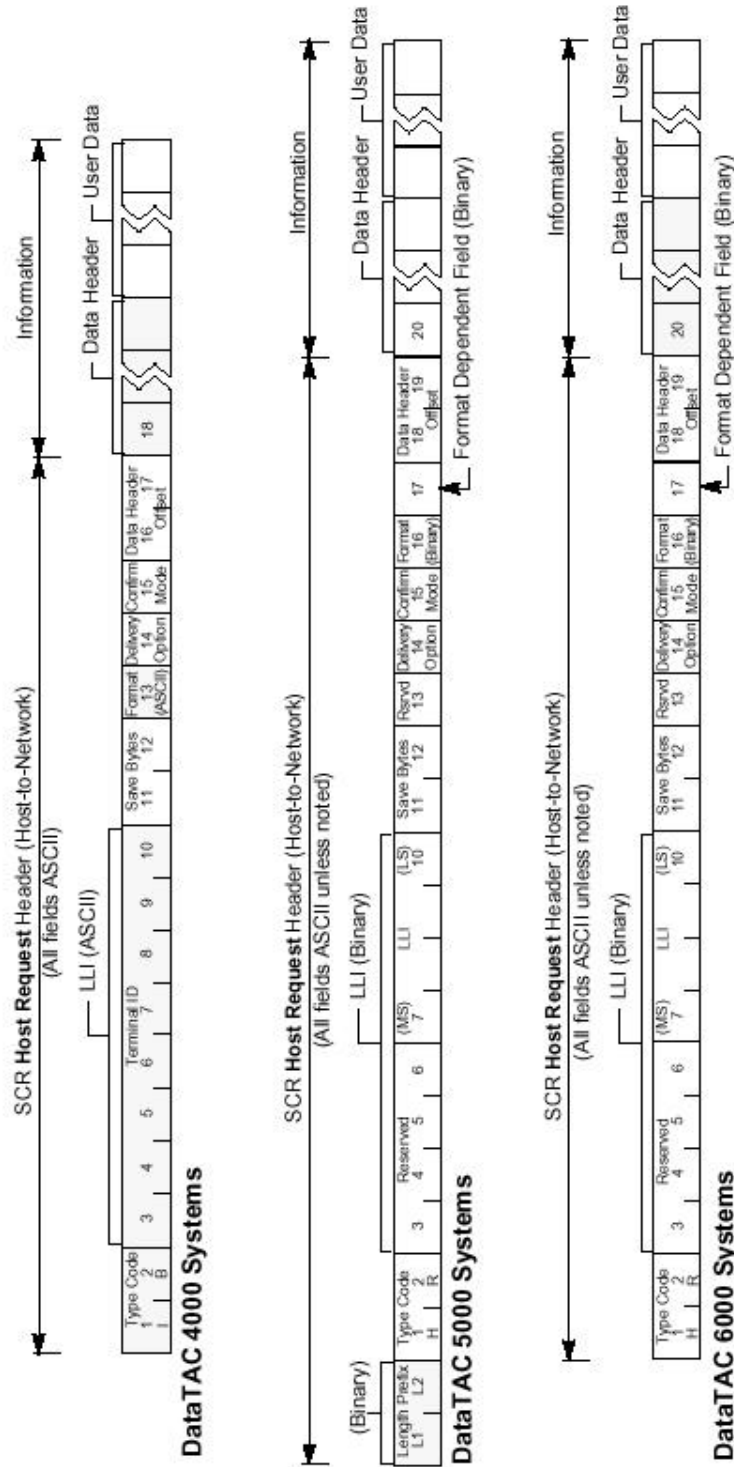


The list preceding each chart describes the contents of the header fields.

## Host Request Message Header Fields

Save Bytes	Supplied by the host and used by the network to tie the confirmation to the original host request. Save bytes are ASCII for DataTAC 4000 systems. Save bytes can be ASCII or binary for DataTAC 5000 and 6000 systems.
Length Prefix	DataTAC 5000 systems require all SCR messages to designate the length of the message. The length count does not include the length prefix itself, but does include everything else in the message packet.
Type Code	Identifies the type of the SCR message: Use 'I' 'B' for DataTAC 4000 systems. Use 'H' 'R' for the other systems.
LLI	Identifies the subscriber terminal to which the message is being routed. On DataTAC 4000 systems the field (also known as Terminal ID) is ASCII-encoded in 8 bytes. On the other systems it is binary encoded in 4 bytes (the first four bytes of this 8-byte field are reserved).
Format Indicator	Used in DataTAC 4000 systems only, to specify the format of the data in the user data section of the message. This field is reserved on the other systems and handled by their Format field, as noted in this list.
Delivery Option	DataTAC 4000 systems allow four priorities for a message in the Priority field. Other systems allow two delivery options: Send once and quit; send and queue until delivered or timed out.
Confirmation Mode	On DataTAC 4000 systems this is also known as Acknowledgment Indicator. On all systems this mode allows the host to specify the conditions under which a confirmation message is returned for the message being submitted.
Format	For DataTAC 5000 and 6000 systems only, a fixed value set to \$15 (hex). This field replaces the Format Indicator field on DataTAC 4000 systems.
Format Dependent	For DataTAC 5000 and 6000 systems only, a fixed value set to \$C0 (hex).
Data Header Offset	On DataTAC 4000 systems this field is also called Data Header Size. On all systems it specifies the number bytes in the data header portion of the message.

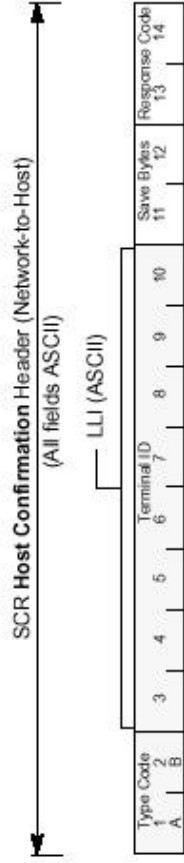
Information For all systems, these fields include the data header and user data for the application.



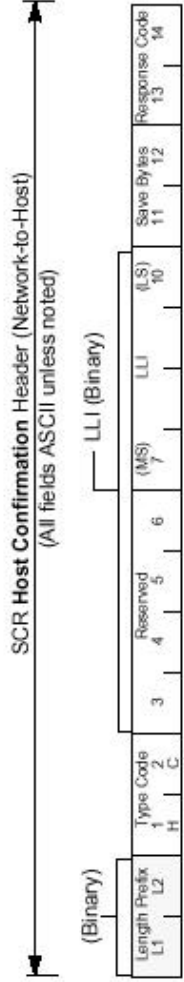
Host-to-Network Commands: Host Request Headers

## Host Confirmation Message Header Fields

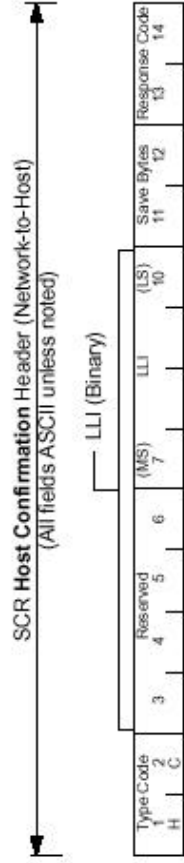
Length Prefix	DataTAC 5000 systems require all SCR messages to designate the length of the message. The length count does not include the length prefix itself, but does include everything else in the message packet.
Type Code	Identifies the type of the SCR message: Use 'A' 'B' for DataTAC 4000 systems. Use 'H' 'C' for the other systems.
LLI	Identifies the subscriber terminal to which the message is being routed. On DataTAC 4000 systems the field (also known as Terminal ID) is ASCII-encoded in 8 bytes. On the other systems it is binary encoded in 4 bytes (the first four bytes of this 8-byte field are reserved).
Save Bytes	Supplied by the host and used by the network to tie the confirmation to the original host request. Save bytes are ASCII for DataTAC 4000 systems. Save bytes can be ASCII or binary for DataTAC 5000 and 6000 systems.
Response Code	Known as Acknowledgment code in DataTAC 4000 systems, this field indicates the delivery status of the message to which the save bytes refer. On DataTAC 4000 systems, acknowledgments are indicated by the ASCII value '00'. On other systems, acknowledgments are indicated by any value (ASCII-encoded hex) from '08' through '0F'. NAKs (negative acknowledgments) are in the range of '10' to 'A0' for DataTAC 4000 systems and in the range of 40-97, A0-A5 for DataTAC 5000 and 6000 systems. DataTAC 5000 and 6000 systems also have these additional response codes:  'A1' Terminal message in progress 'A2' Terminal out of service 'A3' Invalid session or host ID (invalid routing info.) 'A4' Maximum terminal queue exceeded.



**DataTAC 4000 Systems**



**DataTAC 5000 Systems**



**DataTAC 6000 Systems**

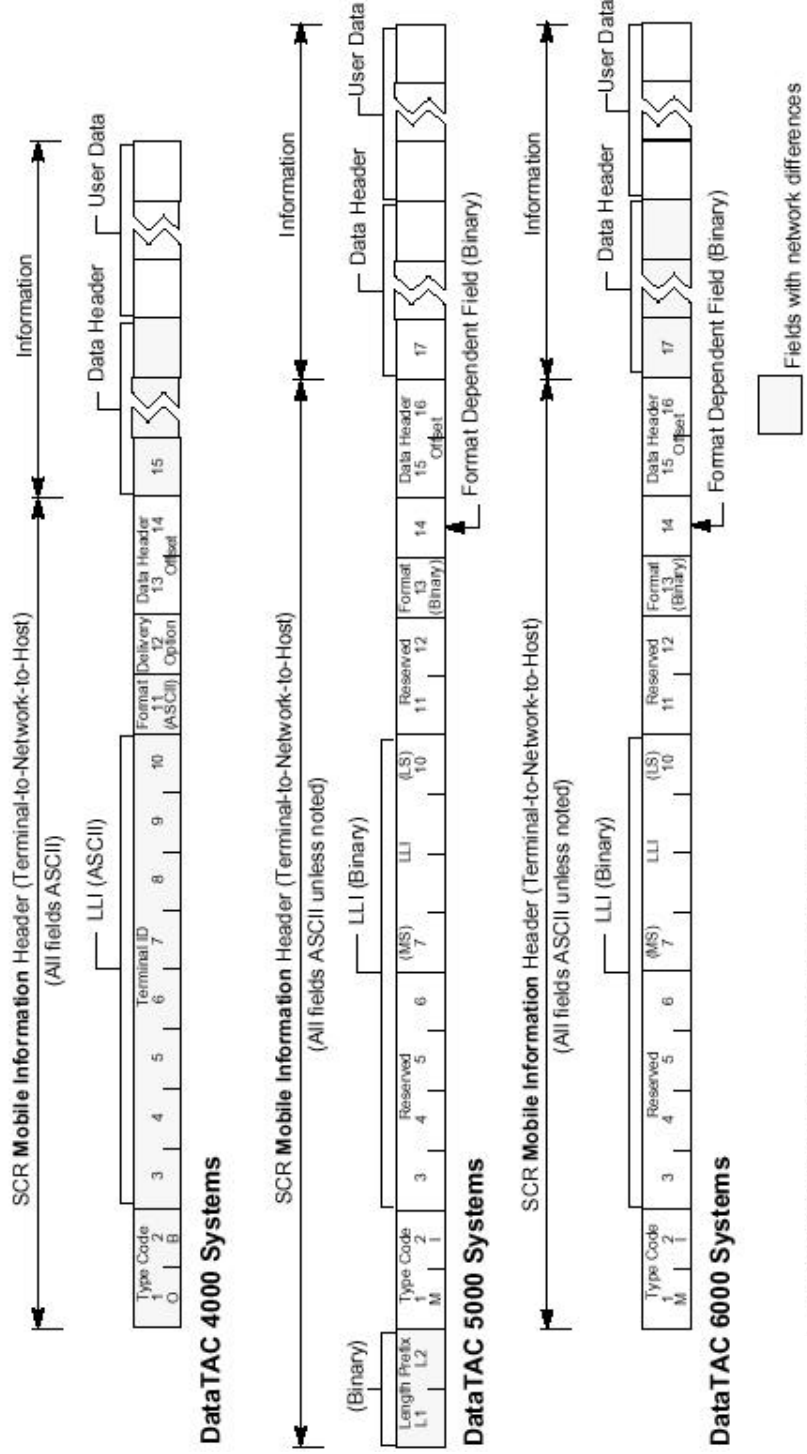
Fields with network differences

Network-to-Host Responses: Host Confirmation Headers

## Mobile Information Message Header Fields

Length Prefix	DataTAC 5000 systems require all SCR messages to designate the length of the message. The length count does not include the length prefix itself, but does include everything else in the message packet.
Type Code	Identifies the type of the SCR message: Use 'O' 'B' for DataTAC 4000 systems. Use 'M' 'I' for the other systems.
LLI	Identifies the subscriber terminal from which the message is being received. On DataTAC 4000 systems the field (also known as Terminal ID) is ASCII-encoded in 8 bytes. On the other systems it is binary encoded in 4 bytes (the first four bytes of this 8-byte field are reserved).
Format Indicator	Used in DataTAC 4000 systems only, to specify the format of the data in the user data section of the message. This field is reserved on the other systems and handled by their format field, as noted below in this list.
Delivery Option	DataTAC 4000 systems allow 4 priorities for a message in the field formerly known as Priority. The Delivery Option field is reserved on the other systems.
Format	For DataTAC 5000 and 6000 systems only, a fixed value set to \$15 (hex). This field replaces the format indicator field on DataTAC 4000 systems.
Format Dependent	For DataTAC 5000 and 6000 systems only, a fixed value set to \$C0 (hex).
Data Header Offset	On DataTAC 4000 systems this field is also called Data Header Size. On all systems it specifies the number bytes in the data header of the information section of the message.
Information	For all systems, these fields include the

data header and user data for the application.



## DataTAC Messaging (DM)

DM allows one terminal to communicate with up to ten other terminals by routing a message through the DataTAC system network. As such, DM provides the protocol for basic E-mail functionality. System differences with regard to DM appear mainly as differences in DM syntax.

### DM Message Types

Peer-to-peer communications uses two types of messages:

- Generate (originator-to-network)
- Receive (network-to-destination)

Each message type must include its own type of header. Within each system, each type of header has small differences in syntax. The charts graphically compare the headers across systems.

### Highlights of DM Differences

Each of the three DataTAC systems varies slightly according to how it implements DM. Use the table below to identify the system differences by DM attribute.

DM attribute	DataTAC 4000 Systems	DataTAC 5000 Systems	DataTAC 6000 Systems
Address length	8 bytes	14 bytes	14 bytes
Error reporting	Does not include an error number prefix as part of the error text.	Includes an error number prefix as part of the error text.	Does not include an error number prefix as part of the error text.
Time-stamping	Yes	Yes	No
Message storage	Configurable	10 messages	100 messages

DataTAC Messaging Implementation Differences

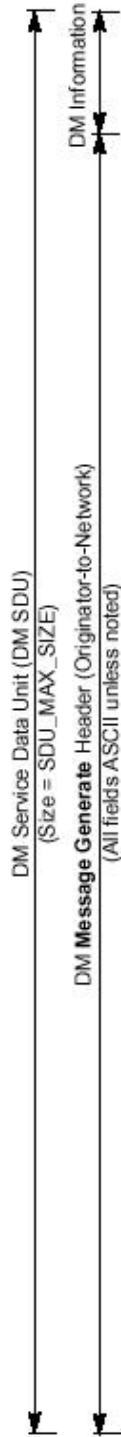
## DM Header Charts

The charts in this section allow you to compare DM syntax across all three DataTAC systems. Each chart displays a different set of headers based on message type. The charts show the differences you need to be aware of for your particular project. The list preceding each chart describes the contents of the header fields.

### Message Generate Header Fields

Type	All systems use ASCII 'M' 'G' to indicate a Message Generate type message header.
Sender ID	The ID of the originating wireless terminal. On DataTAC 4000 systems this field is 8 bytes. On other systems it is 14 bytes.
First Destination ID	The ID of the first of up to 10 destination terminals.
Last Destination ID	The ID of the last of up to 10 optional destination terminals.
Flag Bytes	Settings for optional delivery services.
Date & Time of Message Generation	The current date and time the message is generated.
Date & Time for Delayed Action	The date and time when the message is to be displayed at the destination. This option is present is the corresponding flag bit is set.
Originator's ID	The ID of the previous terminal of a message being forwarded by a recipient. This option is present is the corresponding flag bit is set.
Sequence Number	A number used by a DM application to match replies and error messages with a previously sent message.
Message Text	Can be binary or ASCII, depending on requirements of the application.





Type	Sender	ID	First Destination	Last Destination	Flag	Date & Time of Message Generation	Originator's ID	Data & Time for Delayed Action	Sequence Number	CR Message	Text
M   G	3   4   5	9	/	/	CR		CR				

### DataTAC 4000 Systems

Type	Sender	ID	First Destination	Last Destination	Flag	Date & Time of Message Generation	Originator's ID	Data & Time for Delayed Action	Sequence Number	CR Message	Text
M   G	3   4   5	15	/	/	CR		CR				

### DataTAC 5000 Systems

Type	Sender	ID	First Destination	Last Destination	Flag	Date & Time of Message Generation	Originator's ID	Data & Time for Delayed Action	Sequence Number	CR Message	Text
M   G	3   4   5	15	/	/	CR		CR				

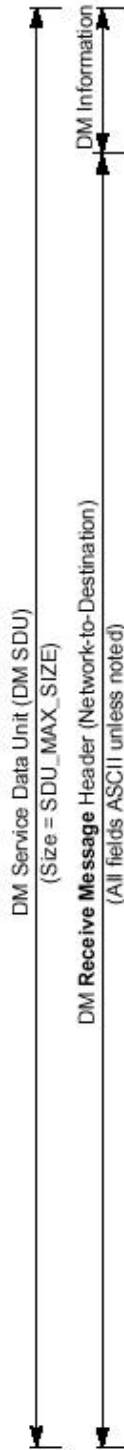
### DataTAC 6000 Systems

- CR    ASCII <CR> delimiter
- /    ASCII '/' delimiter
- Optional fields

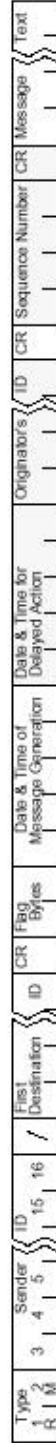
Originator-to-Network Message Generate Headers

## Receive Header Fields

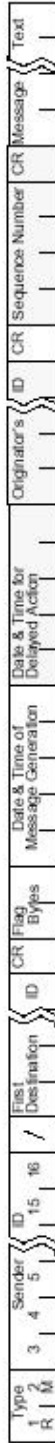
Type	All systems use ASCII 'R' 'M' to indicate a Receive Message type message header.
Sender ID	The ID of the originating wireless terminal. On DataTAC 4000 systems this field is 8 bytes. On other systems it is 14 bytes.
First Destination ID	The ID of the destination terminal
Flag Bytes	Settings for optional delivery services.
Date & Time of Message Generation	The current date and time the message is generated.
Date & Time for Delayed Action	The date and time when the message is to be displayed at the destination. This option is present is the corresponding flag bit is set.
Originator's ID	The ID of the previous terminal of a message being forwarded by a recipient. This option is present is the corresponding flag bit is set.
Sequence Number	A number used by a DM application to match replies and error messages with a previously sent message.
Message Text	Can be binary or ASCII, depending on requirements of the application.



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- CR ASCII <CR> delimiter
- / ASCII '/' delimiter
- Optional fields

Network-to-Destination Receive Headers

## Host Messaging (HM)

Host Messaging (HM) is achieved by placing a DM header inside an SCR header. In addition, the first two bytes (either MG or RM) must be replaced with HM to signify the message was received from a host, rather than a peer. HM used in conjunction with DM allows the terminal to use the same routing protocol regardless of its destination. (Despite its simplicity, use of HM is not recommended because it is inefficient). For further details, refer to the InfoTAC Application Developer's Guide, Motorola reference: 6804018C65.

## Other Development Issues

Localizing and testing your applications are not issues related specifically to application migration. The following comments are provided as a helpful reminder only.

### Localizing an Application

Whether you are preparing your application for sale internationally or developing it internally for an international company, consider designing in international characteristics from the beginning, such as character encoding, language enabling, and special text formatting. While such an effort can take longer up front, any eventual re-porting of the application will be much easier to manage.

### Character Encoding

If your application supports languages that use Latin-based characters (for example, English, Spanish, and German), design your application for compatibility with 7-bit ASCII/ISO 646 and Latin 1/ISO 8859-1, 8-bit display fonts.

If your application support dialects of non-Latin languages, such as Chinese, Japanese, Korean, or Thai, design your application to work with Unicode or another 16-bit character encoding standard. In addition, provide your application with flexible keyboard mapping.

### Language Enabling

Isolate all translatable strings, icons, and menus from your program. Then the greater part of a localization effort will be translation, rather than re-engineering. Allow for expansion of text strings during localization. Most translations are longer than the original. Allow your program to accept variable-length strings or use the international language capabilities inherent in the application environment, such as Windows 3.1, Windows 95, Windows NT, or Windows CE.

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## Special Text Formatting

The display of dates, numbers, and monetary values varies among locales. Support for these differences may be provided by your programming environment to simplify the development of code. If your programming environment doesn't provide such support, include alternative tables or options for use when localizing.

## Testing an Application

Virtually all public network operators have some testing or certification procedure available to help ensure that your new applications behave appropriately when brought onto the network. Many systems also have test nodes, which allow program testing without risk of interrupting the public network. Because each operator's procedures and requirements differ, check with the operator of your target network regarding their individual certification procedure.

With the proper documentation, writing an application that will operate on a wireless network anywhere in the world is not difficult. You don't have to develop an application on site in the region where it will operate. For example, if your local and target networks are the same, the logistics associated with testing the application are fairly minimal.

Testing an application for a distant target network requires a bit more planning, since the network is not directly accessible from your development site. In this case, two approaches are worth considering:

- If your application is designed for a DataTAC network in another country and your local network uses the same version of DataTAC system as the target network, sign up with your local network operator for service during development, test, and support. When the application is complete, it is likely that the target network operator will require validation or certification tests. After having used your local network for development tests, validation testing will probably be a straightforward process.

If your local network is other than the target network, you might still want to develop a local version of the application to test the logic and performance of your program in a controlled environment. (Be sure to get advanced approval from the local operator to run your test version without it being validated.) In this case, the target network will not be tested directly and more verification testing will be required.



# Appendix A - NCL Interface

The Boomer II is compliant to Native Control Language (NCL) 1.2. Wavenet Vendor-specific extensions are also listed here.

The specification for the NCL protocol may be obtained in Adobe Acrobat format from the Motorola website at [http://www.mot.com/MIMS/WDG/pdf\\_docs/8-.pdf](http://www.mot.com/MIMS/WDG/pdf_docs/8-.pdf)

## Generic NCL (Native Mode)

### □ Command SDUs (CMND, ASCII A)

Commands	Value	Parameters	Value	Sub-values and Descriptions
SEND	ASCII 1			Send message.
READ_MSG	ASCII 2			Read queued message in RPM. True only if confirmed delivery mode enabled.
CTL_EVENT	ASCII 3	Event Report SDUs.		Control event.
GET_STATUS	ASCII 4			Get RPM status/configuration.
		R_CONFIG_BLOCK	ASCII A	Get RPM configuration block.
		R_RF_BLOCK	ASCII A	<i>Vendor-specific:</i> Get RF status block.
		R_STATUS_BLOCK	ASCII B	Get RPM status block.
		R_PROD_ID	ASCII C	Get RPM product ID:
				RF_RDLAP_9.6 RF protocol is RD-LAP 9600. ASCII 0
				RF_RDLAP_19.2 RF protocol is RD-LAP 9200. ASCII 1
				RF_MDC4800 RF protocol is MDC 4800. ASCII 2
				RF_DUAL Dual RD-LAP 9.2/MDC4800. ASCII 3
				NCL_PRE1.2 NCL support is R1.0 or R1.1. ASCII 0
				NCL_1.2 NCL support is R1.2. ASCII 2

Commands	Value	Parameters	Value	Sub-values and Descriptions
R_SYSID			ASCII C	<i>Vendor-specific:</i> Get system ID of current RF system.
R_SW_VERSION			ASCII D	Get software version number.
R_RPM_ID			ASCII E	Get RPM address.
R_RF_BLOCK_SHORT			ASCII E	<i>Vendor-specific:</i> Get short form of RF status block.
			ASCII F	Reserved.
R_MAX_DATA_SIZE			ASCII G	Get SDU data limit.
R_RPM_GID			ASCII H	Get RPM group IDs.
R_WAN_TYPE			ASCII I	Get WAN Type Code.
R_RF_VERSION			ASCII J	Get RF protocol version number.
R_VENDOR_ID			ASCII K	Get vendor information: VEND_MOTOROLA Vendor is Motorola ASCII 0
			ASCII L..Z	Reserved.
R_RCV_MODE			ASCII a	Get mode of notification to the DTE for received SDUs.
R_RX_STATUS			ASCII b	Get receiver enable status.
R_TX_STATUS			ASCII c	Get transmitter enable status.
R_ANTENNA			ASCII d	Get antenna selection status.
R_RADIO_IN_RANGE			ASCII e	Get radio in range status.
R_OB_MSG_COUNT			ASCII f	Count of outbound messages queued.
R_IB_MSG_COUNT			ASCII g	Count of inbound messages queued.
R_FLOW_CONTROL			ASCII h	Get flow control status.
R_EVENT_STATES			ASCII i	Get current event reporting enable/disable state.
R_RADIO_CHANNEL			ASCII j	Get current radio channel.
R_CHAN_BLOCK			ASCII k	Get RPM RF channel status block.
R_RF_STATISTICS			ASCII l	Get RPM RF statistics block.
R_BAT_LEVEL			ASCII m	Get battery status.
			ASCII n..x	Reserved.
R_DCHAN_TABLE			ASCII y	Read dynamic channel table.
R_CHAN_TABLE			ASCII z	Read static channel table.
SET_CNF	ASCII 5			Set modem configuration.
S_RCV_MODE			ASCII A	Select the confirmed/unconfirmed Receive Data mode.
S_INACTIVITY_TIMEOUT			ASCII A	<i>Vendor-specific:</i> Set read time for outbound packet.
S_TX_CONTROL			ASCII B	Enable/disable the transmitter.
S_RX_CONTROL			ASCII C	Enable/disable the radio.
S_FLOW_CONTROL			ASCII D	Select the flow control method:
			FLOW_NONE	No flow control. ASCII 0
			FLOW_XONXOFF	XON/XOFF ASCII 1
			FLOW_RTSCCTS	RTS/CTS ASCII 2
S_RADIO_CHANNEL			ASCII E	Select the radio channel.



Commands	Value	Parameters	Value	Sub-values and Descriptions
		S_CUR_CNF	ASCII F	Save the modem configuration
		R_DEF_CNF	ASCII G	Restore the modem configuration
		R_STO_CNF	ASCII H	Read the modem configuration:
			CNF_EVENT_	Event control flag
			FLAGS	settings
			CNF_DELIVERY_	Outbound SDU del.
			MODE	mode
			CNF_RADIO_	Radio control
			CONTROL	settings:
			S_RX_CONTROL	ASCII C
			S_TX_CONTROL	ASCII B
		S_POWER_SAVE	ASCII I	Set the PowerSave mode.
		S_ROAM_MODE	ASCII J	Set the roaming mode:
			ROAM_	
			MANUAL	Set to manual.
			ASCII 0	
			ROAM_AUTO	Set to automatic.
			ASCII 1	
		S_BAUD	ASCII K	Set the baud rate for NCL communications:
			BAUD_1200	
			1200 baud	
			ASCII 0	
			BAUD_2400	
			2400 baud	
			ASCII 1	
			BAUD_4800	
			4800 baud	
			ASCII 2	
			BAUD_9600	
			9600 baud	
			ASCII 3	
			BAUD_19K2	
			19200 baud	
			ASCII 4	

Commands	Value	Parameters	Value	Sub-values and Descriptions
				BAUD_38K4 38400 baud ASCII 5
		S_ANTENNA	Undefined	Select the antenna
			ASCII L..Z	Reserved.
RESET_RPM	ASCII 6			Reset RPM.
		FLUSH_INBOUND	ASCII 1	Flush inbound message queue.
		FLUSH_OUTBOUND	ASCII 2	Flush outbound message queue.
		FLUSH_BOTH	ASCII 3	Flush inbound and outbound message queues.
		RESET_WARM	ASCII 4	Warm start RPM.
		RESET_TRANS	ASCII 5	Reset to Transparent Mode, if Transparent Mode is supported.
		RESET_FULL	ASCII 6	Full reset of RPM.
		RESET_NCL	ASCII 7	Reset NCL interpreter only.
		RESET_OFF	ASCII 8	Power off the RPM.
		RESET_DIAG	ASCII A	<i>Vendor-specific:</i> Cause DTE to enter diagnostic mode.
	ASCII A..Y, 7..9			Reserved.
VENDOR	ASCII Z			Vendor-specific command.

### □ Event Report SDUs (EVENT, ASCII B)

Events	Value	Event Report Enable	Bit	Parameters	Value	Descriptions
RCV_MSG_ DATA	ASCII A	RCV_MSG_DATA_ BIT	\$10			Received message data.
RCV_MSG_ NOTIFICATION	ASCII B	RCV_MSG_ NOTIFY_BIT	\$08			Received message notification. True only if confirmed delivery mode enabled.
TX_EVENT	ASCII C	TX_EVENT_BIT	\$04			Physical-level transmitter event.
				TX_KEYED	ASCII 1	Transmitter keyed.
				TX_DEKEYED	ASCII 2	Transmitter dekeyed.
RX_EVENT	ASCII D	RX_EVENT_BIT	\$02			Physical-level receiver event.
				RX_IN_RANGE	ASCII 1	RF in range.
				RX_OUT_OF_RANGE	ASCII 2	RF out of range.
				RX_PWR_SAVE_ ENABLED	ASCII 3	Power saving enabled.
				RX_PWR_SAVE_ DISABLED	ASCII 4	Power saving disabled.
				RX_ACTIVE	ASCII 5	Device in active state on RF channel.
				CHAN_DISALLOWED	ASCII 6	Device disallowed on channel.
				RX_REG_DENIED	ASCII 7	Flash LED for

				registration denial.
HW_EVENT	ASCII E	HW_EVENT_BIT	\$01	Hardware event.
				HW_SELF_TEST ASCII 1 Self-test failed.
				HW_LOW_BATT ASCII 2 Low battery.
				HW_MEM_FULL ASCII 3 Memory full.
				HW_BATT_OK ASCII 4 Battery level OK.
				HW_MEM_OK ASCII 5 Memory OK.
				HW_OFF ASCII 6 Device shutdown imminent.
				HW_BATT_WARN ASCII 7 Battery at warning level.
RCV_ERR	ASCII F			Unreceivable message event.
				RCV_TX_DISABLED ASCII 1 ACK required, PDU received. Cannot ACK, transmitter disabled. PDU discarded.
CONTROL	ASCII G	CONTROL_BIT	\$20	Control event.
				CONNECT ASCII 1 NCL connect between RPM and DTE .
	ASCII H..Y, 1..9			Reserved.
VENDOR	ASCII Z			Vendor-specific event.

### □ Response Status SDUs (RESP, ASCII C)

Responses	Value	Parameters	Value	Description/Error Code
SUCCESS	ASCII 1			Successful.
		IBQ_FLUSHED	ASCII a	Error code. Pending SDUs in inbound queue flushed; transmitter disabled. Used only if the RPM cannot support message buffering while transmitter disabled.
XFAIL	ASCII 2			Command execution error. Note the following error codes:
		NO_RESPONSE	ASCII A	No response from network.
		NO_ACK	ASCII B	Negative ACK received.
		HOST_DOWN	ASCII C	Host access is down.
		NOT_REGISTERED	ASCII D	RPM not registered.
		LOW_BATTERY	ASCII E	Low battery—cannot transmit.
		IBQ_FULL	ASCII F	RPM inbound queue is full.
		TX_DISABLED	ASCII G	Radio transmitter is disabled.
		BUSY	ASCII H	Resource is unavailable.
		NOT_AVAILABLE	ASCII I	Unimplemented services.
		HW_ERROR	ASCII J	Generic error.
		INVALID_MODE	ASCII K	Invalid mode of operation.
		NO_MESSAGES	ASCII L	No outbound messages available.
		MSGS_PENDING	ASCII M	Cannot execute command due to pending inbound messages.
		SW_ERROR	ASCII N	Software error.
		OUT_OF_RANGE	ASCII O	RF not in range.
		PACKET_ERROR	ASCII Z	SDU data corruption. True only if confirmed delivery mode enabled.
			ASCII	Reserved.

SYNTAX	ASCII 3		Command SDU syntax error. Note the following error codes:
		INVALID	ASCII b Invalid options.
		TOO_LONG	ASCII c Data is too long.
VENDOR	ASCII Z	ASCII Z	Vendor-specific response.

## Wavenet specific NCL Extensions

The following table describes Wavenet specific extensions to the NCL 1.2 specification. All SDUs include three VENDOR control byte and the vendor Id. (the ‘\’ character is used as an escape character for hexadecimal bytes below):

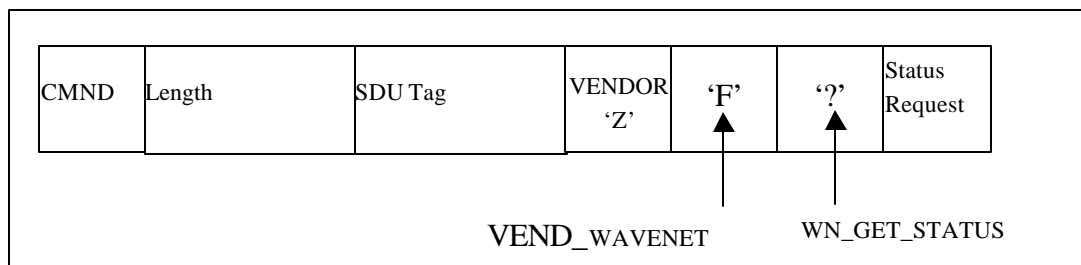
Command Type	Command Description	Ncl String
1. Get status commands	Get radio status	ZF?r
	Get modem battery status	ZF?v
	Get modem “on” time	ZF?t
	Get saved modem configuration settings	ZF?u
	Get modem serial number:	ZFts
2. Generic “Set RPM configuration” command.	Set modem configuration parameters, eg:	ZF^[2 Byte ID][2 byte Length][Val]
	* Power save mode.	ZF^p\00\00\01[new mode (byte)]
	* Select new active profile.	ZF^f\00\00\01[new profile (byte)]
	* NCL receive message notify timer.	ZF^n\00\00\02[2 bytes time (msec)]
3. Generic “Get RPM configuration” command.	Get modem configuration, eg:	ZF\$(2 Byte ID)
	* Power save mode.	ZF\$p\00
	* Get list of profiles, number of profiles and currently selected active profile.	ZF\$f\00
	* NCL receive message notify timer.	ZF\$n\00

### □ GET STATUS COMMANDS:

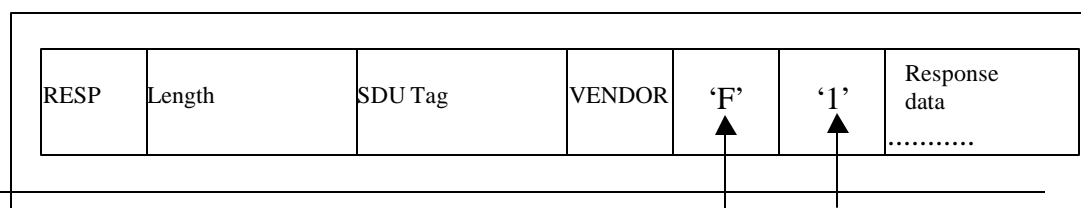
This command allows the DTE to request the current status and configuration settings of certain aspects of the modem.

FORMAT:

WN\_GET\_STATUS Command Syntax (NCL string “ZF?...”):



WN\_GET\_STATUS Response Syntax:



□ **OPERAND DESCRIPTIONS AND RESPONSES:**

The various Vendor Status Requests that can be made, and the format of their response information in the SUCCESS response SDU, are described as follows. Please note that all multiple byte fields are stored MSB first.

**WN\_GET\_RADIO:** Get radio status information (NCL string “ZF?r”).

SUCCESS is followed by a block of status information as shown below:

WN\_GET\_RADIO Response Format:

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
RSSI [2 bytes]							
Reserved (ignore) [1 byte]							
Reserved (ignore) [1 byte]							
Reserved (ignore) [1 byte]							
Reserved (ignore) [1 byte]							
Reserved (ignore) [1 byte]							
Reserved (ignore) [1 byte]							
Reserved (ignore) [1 byte]							
Current Frequency [4 bytes]							
Current Channel [2 bytes]							
Current Base Station ID [1 unsigned byte]							

Where:

- RSSI:** Two byte signed integer representing the strength of the received signal from the base station measured in dBm. A typical value could be -90.
- Current Frequency:** Four byte unsigned integer representing the frequency of the inbound signal in Hz for the channel the modem is currently scanning or locked on to.
- Current channel:** Unsigned word (2 bytes) representing current channel.
- Current Base Station ID:** Unsigned byte representing current base station ID.

**WN\_GET\_BATT\_VOLT:** Get modem battery status information (NCL string “ZF?v”).

SUCCESS is followed by a block of status information in the format shown below:

WN\_GET\_BATT\_VOLT Response Format:

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
Battery Voltage (2 bytes)							
Battery Percentage							

Where:

- Battery Voltage: Two byte unsigned integer representing the Voltage of the battery in mV.
- Battery Percentage: Estimate of the remaining capacity of the battery. This value ranges from 0 to 100 (unsigned byte).

**WN\_GET\_TIME:** Get modem time information (NCL string “ZF?t”).

SUCCESS is followed by a block of status information in the format shown below:

WN\_GET\_TIME Response Format:

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
Elapsed Time [4 bytes]							

Elapsed Time is a four byte unsigned integer, which represents the number of milliseconds, which have passed since the modem was last, turned on or reset. It is accurate to within 50ms of when the last byte of the request message was received by the modem.

**WN\_GET\_SETTINGS:** Get configuration information (NCL string “ZF?u”).

SUCCESS is followed by a block of status information in the format shown below:

WN\_GET\_SETTINGS Response Format:

| 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |

LLI [4 bytes]
Serial Number [16 bytes] .....
Reserved (ignore)
Home System Prefix
Home System ID
Home Area ID
5 Reserved bytes (ignore)
NCL Confirmation Mode
NCL Rx Control
NCL Tx Control
NCL Event Flags
Number of Group LLIs (n)
Group LLIs [4*n bytes]
Number of static channels (m)
Static channels [2*m bytes]
Reserved (ignore) [17 bytes] .....

Where:

- LLI: Four byte unsigned integer (the standard NCL command 4E also gives the LLI number back).
- Serial Number: ASCII string containing the serial number of the modem. Unused bytes are zeros. The NCL command ZFt also gives the serial number back.
- NCL Confirmation Mode: Default start-up state for the confirmation mode of the NCL layer. It is a zero for unconfirmed mode, or a one for confirmed mode.
- NCL Rx Control and NCL Tx Control:



Indicate the start-up state for the NCL settings for RX\_STATUS and TX\_STATUS respectively. A zero indicates disabled, a one indicates enabled.

NCL Event Flags: Byte which indicates the start-up state of the NCL event reporting. A set bit indicates the relevant event is enabled. A cleared bit indicates the event is disabled. The bits are as follow:  
 Bit 7 - Reserved (ignore)  
 Bit 6 - Rx\_Error  
 Bit 5 - Control  
 Bit 4 - Rcv\_Msg\_Data  
 Bit 3 - Rcv\_Msg\_Notify  
 Bit 2 - Tx  
 Bit 1 - Rx  
 Bit 0 - Hwr

Number of Group LLIs: Number of Group LLI fields which follow.

Group LLIs: Each is a four byte unsigned integer. The number of Group LLIs is given in the previous field.

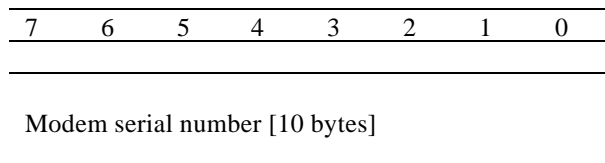
Number of Static Channels: Number of channel fields which follow.

Static Channels: Each is a two byte unsigned integer. The number of Static Channels is given in the previous field.

**WN\_GET\_SERIAL:** Get modem serial number (NCL string “ZFTs”).

SUCCESS is followed by a block of status information in the format shown below:

WN\_GET\_SERIAL Response Format:



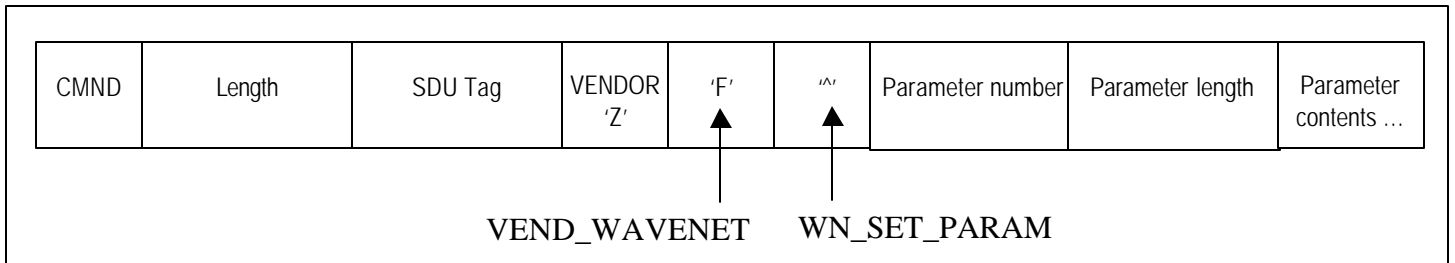
The modem serial number is unique to each modem and consists of ASCII characters. The tenth character is typically a null termination character.

❑ **Generic set RPM Configuration command (WN\_SET\_PARAM):**

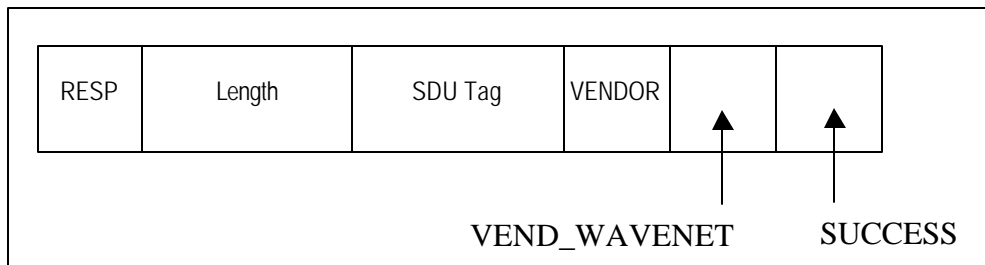
This command allows the DTE to set the configuration settings of certain aspects of the modem.

FORMAT:

WN\_SET\_PARAM Command Syntax (NCL string “ZF^...”):



WN\_SET\_PARAM Response Syntax:



❑ **OPERAND DESCRIPTIONS AND RESPONSES:**

The various Vendor Parameter settings that can be made are described as follows. Please note that all multiple byte fields are stored MSB first. Numbers prefixed with “0x” are expressed as hexadecimal. “Byte” (optionally followed by a sequence number) is used to indicate a single byte.

- Parameter Number**      A 16-bit field, which is unique to each parameter, used to differentiate them.
- Parameter Length**      A 16 bit field, which indicates the length of the following parameter, in bytes.
- Parameter Contents**      The actual bytes set for the parameter. The format is parameter specific.

The **Parameter Name** is a label used to refer to particular parameters, and is used as a definition for the parameter number.

**WN\_SET\_PARAM:**      Set Modem Configuration (NCL string “ZF^[2 byte parameter number][2 Byte parameter length][parameter block..]”).

Parameter name : **WN\_PWR\_SAVE\_MODE**  
Parameter number : 0x7000 (“Byte1Byte2”) (ASCII 0x70 = ‘p’)  
Parameter length : 0x0001 (“Byte3Byte4”)  
Parameter contents : One unsigned byte (“Byte5”) indicating the PowerSave mode as follow:

ASCII ‘0’ : EXPRESS (Disabled PowerSave or “full awake” mode).  
ASCII ‘1’ : MAXIMUM (4 windows).  
ASCII ‘2’ : AVERAGE (8 windows).  
ASCII ‘3’ : MINIMUM (16 windows).

Parameter name: **WN\_PROFILE**  
Parameter number : 0x6600 (“Byte1Byte2”) (ASCII 0x66 = ‘f’)  
Parameter length : 0x0001 (“Byte3Byte4”)  
Parameter contents: One unsigned byte with the number of the new active profile.

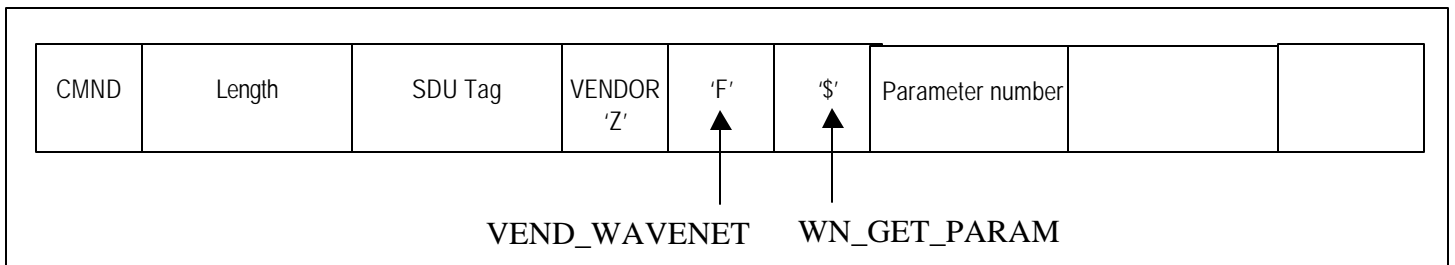
Parameter name: **WN\_MSG\_RX\_NOTIF\_TMR**  
Parameter number : 0x6E00 (“Byte1Byte2”) (ASCII 0x6E = ‘n’)  
Parameter length : 0x0002 (“Byte3Byte4”)  
Parameter contents: One unsigned word (2 bytes) containing the number of milliseconds between message notifications to the Palm. The maximum setting is 65 seconds (65000 milliseconds).

❑ **Generic get RPM Configuration command (WN\_GET\_PARAM):**

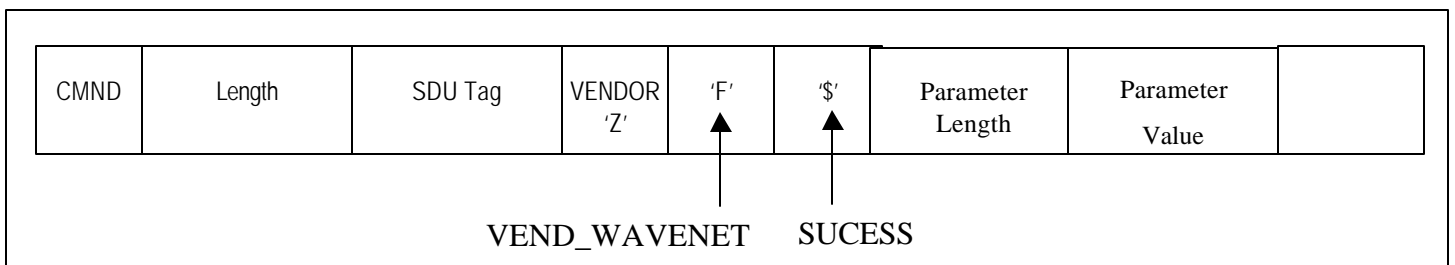
This command allows the DTE to get the configuration settings of certain aspects of the modem. This section should be seen together with the previous section (“Generic GET RPM Configuration command”).

FORMAT:

WN\_GET\_PARAM Command Syntax (NCL string “ZF\$...”):



WN\_GET\_PARAM Response Syntax:



❑ **OPERAND DESCRIPTIONS AND RESPONSES:**

The various Vendor Parameter values that can be requested are listed in the previous section (“Generic set RPM Configuration command”). The responses to these commands obey the WN\_GET\_PARM response syntax as shown above. The one exception is the “Get Active Profile” command, which returns more than just the “active profile”:

- Parameter Number**                      A 16-bit field, which is unique to each parameter, used to differentiate them.
- Parameter Length**                      A 16 bit field, which indicates the length of the following parameter, in bytes.
- Parameter Value**                      The actual value of the parameter. The format is parameter specific.

WN\_PROFILE Get list of profiles from modem (NCL string “ZF\$f\00” with “\00” representing one byte with value of zero).

SUCCESS is followed by a block of information in the format shown below:

**WN\_GET\_PROFILE\_LIST** Response Format:

Number of profiles (n) [1 byte]
Active profile number [1 byte]
Profile Name 1 (up to 24 byte null terminated string)
Profile Name 2 (up to 24 byte null terminated string)
.
.
.
Profile Name n (null terminated string) [24 bytes]

Where:

**Number of profiles:** Unsigned byte giving the current number of profiles in configuration sector. The number of profiles may change.

**Active profile number:** Unsigned byte giving the number (or index) of the currently active profile.

**Profile name:** Null terminated string of 24 bytes of length (the string may be shorter than the 24 bytes as long as it is followed immediately by the null termination character). The 24 bytes do not include the null termination character.

□ **NCL Label Values**

Please note the following additions/clarifications to the NCL Label Values Table:

CMND	ASCII 'A'	
RESP	ASCII 'C'	
SUCCESS	ASCII '1'	
VENDOR	ASCII 'Z'	
VEND_MOTOROLA	ASCII '0'	
VEND_WAVENET	ASCII 'F'	
WN_GET_STATUS	ASCII '?'	
WN_GET_RADIO	ASCII 'r'	(eg NCL command ZF?r)
WN_GET_BATT_VOLT	ASCII 'v'	(eg NCL command ZF?v)
WN_GET_TIME	ASCII 't'	(eg NCL command ZF?t)
WN_GET_SETTINGS	ASCII 'u'	(eg NCL command ZF?u)
WN_GET_SERIAL	ASCII 's'	(eg NCL command ZF?s)
WN_SET_PARAM	ASCII '^'	(eg NCL cmd ZF^04\00\00\01\09)
WN_GET_PARAM	ASCII '\$'	(eg NCL commands ZF\$..)
WN_PWR_SAVE_MODE	0x7000	(eg NCL cmd ZF\$\70\00 = ZF\$p\00)
WN_PROFILE	0x6600	(eg NCL cmd ZF\$\66\00 = ZF\$f\00)
WN_MSG_RX_NOTIF_TMR	0x6E00	(eg NCL cmd ZF\$\6E\00 = ZF\$n\00)
WN_CMD	ASCII '*'	(eg NCL commands ZF*..)

## SAR Routine Function

An SAR limiting function is available for end user applications to limit the average transmitted power by preventing new data transmissions until the previous period's average transmitted power is less than the required SAR level.

During all transmission times a Retransmit Delay Accumulator is incremented by a value of:

$$\text{time } T_d = \text{Duty Factor constant} \times \text{actual time of block.}$$

The Duty Factor is a ratio of non transmit to transmit time:

$$= (100 - \text{DutyCycle\%}) / \text{DutyCycle\%}$$

When the current data block and any retries have been sent, the next transmission is inhibited, dependent on the required duty cycle and the last transmission time. Data to be transmitted will be accumulated in a data buffer.

When not transmitting, the Retransmit Delay Accumulator decrements until the timer has expired.

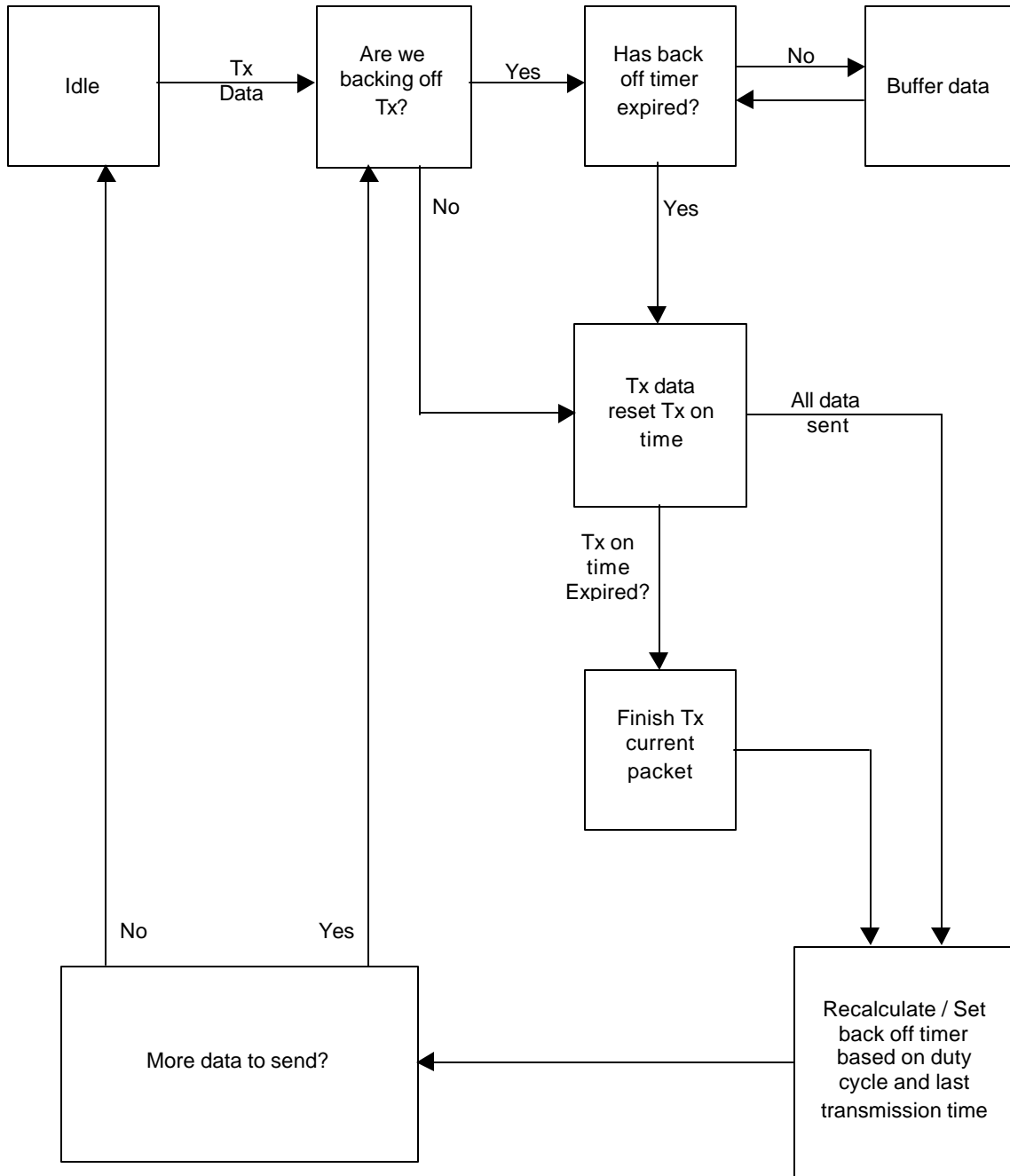
The transmit may restart again, if there is data to send.

The default setting of the modem is 10% Duty Cycle unless otherwise programmed.

# SAR Algorithm

Initialise duty cycle of non transmit time, back off timer and Tx on timer.

Then execute the following state machine.



## Appendix B - Sample Programs

Sample programs are provided with the SDK. The purpose of these sample programs is to show how a complete working client server application can be built using the SDK NCL API with the client program and the SDK SCR API with the server program.

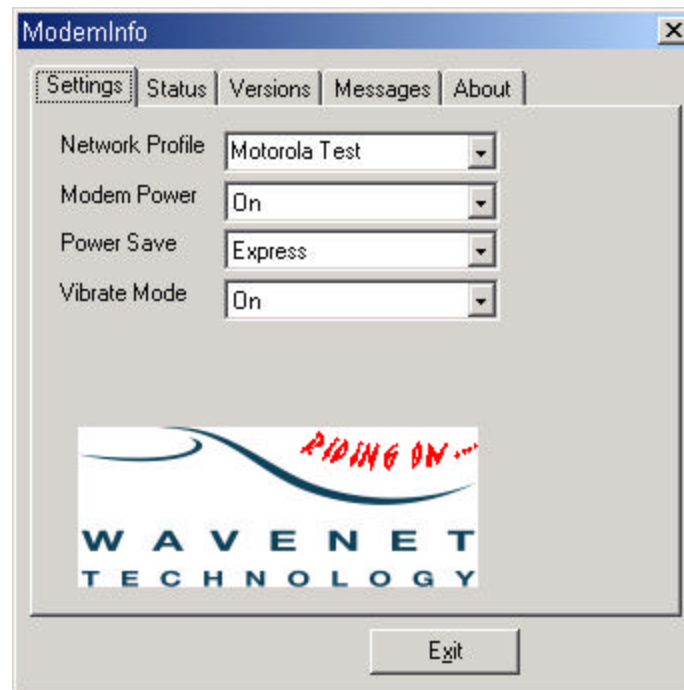
These sample programs demonstrate how to write a simple application that allows a wireless client to send data to a central server application and receive responses back from the central server application. The sample programs are not intended to be a functional application, but the programs are intended to serve as a guide to writing applications and can be used as a basis for developing more complex applications.

The information given in this document is intended to supplement the source code for the applications by providing a high-level overview of the source code.

In the following sections, the client and server applications are described separately.

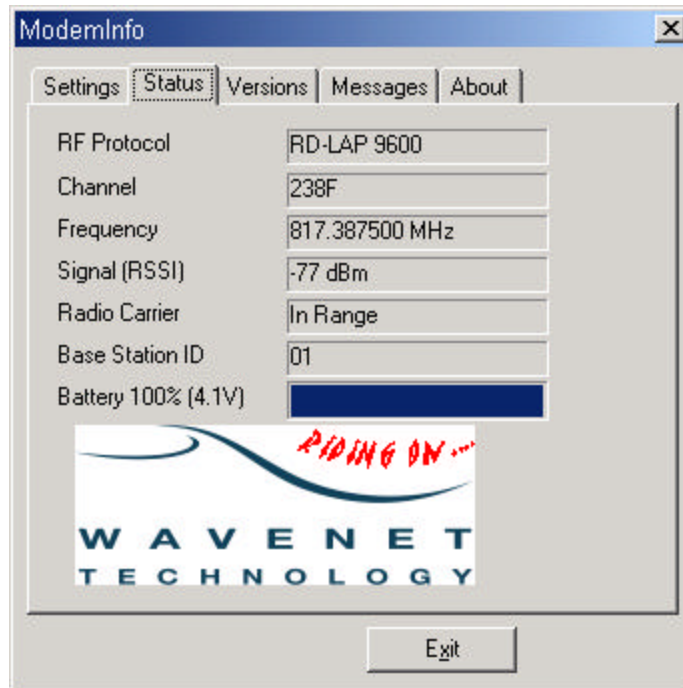
### Client Application

The client application is called ModemInfo that uses the NCL API to interface to the DataTAC<sup>®</sup> network. The sample client program retrieves the modems current status, and enables the user to send and receive messages on the current channel the device is registered to.

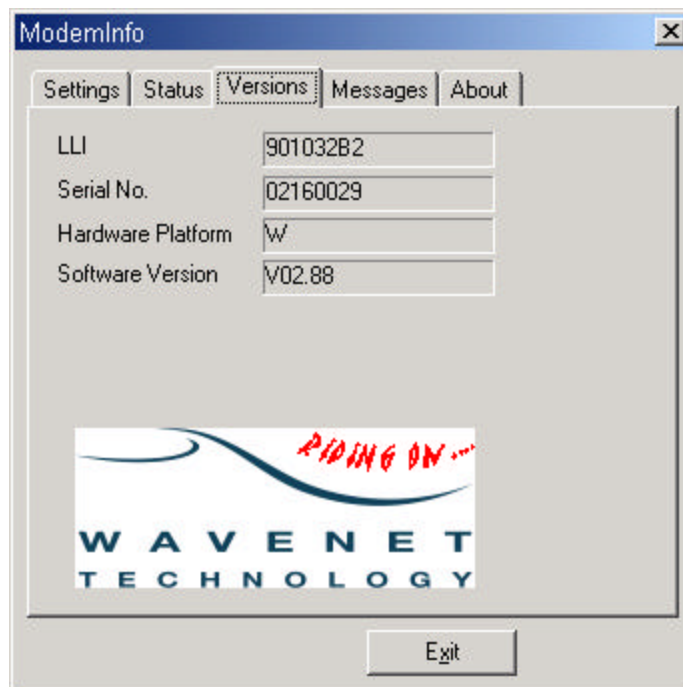


The Modem setting Tab displays the modems current profile (i.e. Channel list, RD –Lap version, etc), if the modem is on or off, the modems power save mode, and if supported it's vibrator mode.

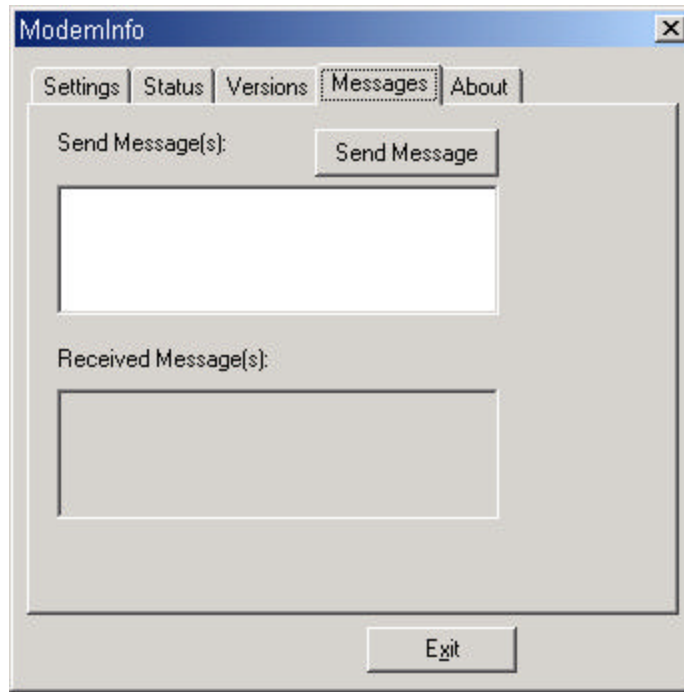




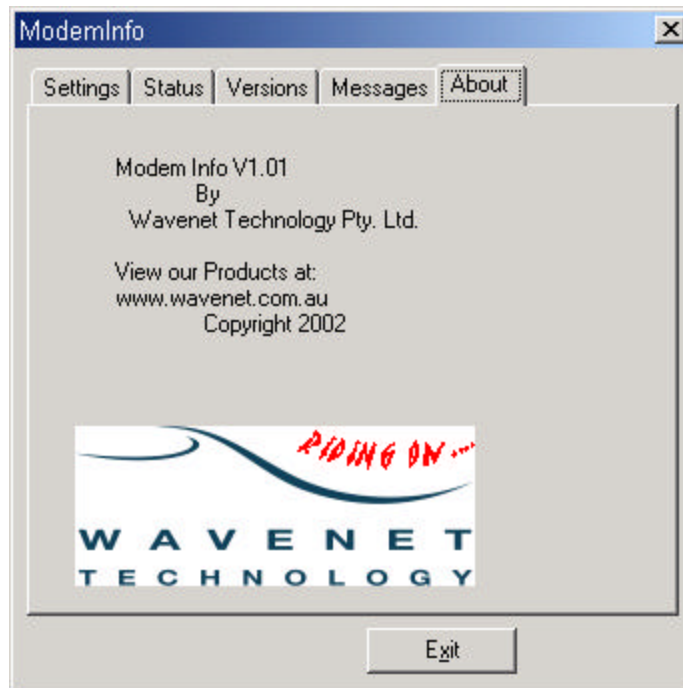
The status tab displays the modem's current channel (if registered) and its RSSI level. If the device is not registered it will be in scan mode, scanning the channels from the channel list in its current profile.



The versions Tab displays the devices LLI, serial number, Hardware Platform and software version.



The messages Tab allows a user to send and receive messages from the channel the device is currently registered on.



## Server Application

The server program is a Windows NT command line program that connects to the DataTAC<sup>®</sup> network switch and waits to receive data from wireless client devices. Any data received from wireless clients is echoed back to the same client on the same session. The server program can handle simultaneous connections from multiple clients.

All activity indications (data transfer, connections and disconnections) are logged to the screen. The server program operates without requiring any user input.

Communications to the RNG are established either via a TCP/IP or an X.25 connection, based on command line parameters.

The server program is implemented in a single module: server.c.

The server program uses SCR API to decode, encode, and interpret the messages from the network. The server program contains code to communicate with the network switch or RNG via either X.25 or TCP/IP. The X.25 connection code is written using the EICON X.25 Developer's Tools for Win32. To run the application over an X.25 connection, you must have an X.25 connection to the switch, as well as an EICON X.25 card plus EICON WAN Services drivers for this card.

To run the sample application via TCP/IP, you must have a TCP/IP connection to the network switch. For help in getting this connection set up, contact your DataTAC network operator.

The following pseudo code outlines the implementation of the main() function.

```
main ()
{
    Initialize application variables
    Set default values for user configurable parameters

    Process command line and update parameters
    Initialize X.25 API or Winsock DLL (connection to
    RNG)

    Initialize SCR API using scr_Init()
    Establish a connection to the DataTAC network

    while (!terminate){
        Read data from the network
        Handle Message zHandleMessage()
    }

    Terminate connection to RNG
    Clean up
}
```

## Initialisation and Login

`zEstablishConnection()` establishes the connection to the RNG, using either TCP/IP or X.25. When either a DataTAC(D 4000 or DataTAC 6000 network is used, this is all that is needed for the server to connect to the DataTAC network.

When a DataTAC 5000 network is being used, the server application must login to the RNG to identify itself. The login message is encoded using `scr_EncodeLogin()` with the host ID and password as specified by the command line parameters. The encoded login message is then sent to the RNG.

Before the program exits, the connection to the RNG is closed. No special SCR processing is needed here.

## Data Transfer

`zSendData()` is a function that sends data to the RNG, using TCP/IP or X.25 as appropriate. `zReceiveData()` is a similar function used to receive data from the RNG. These two routines hide the low-level details of the X.25 or TCP/IP connection to the DataTAC network.

When the server application receives a message from the DataTAC network, using `zReceiveData()`, the message is passed to `zHandleMessage()`. This routine uses `scr_Decode()` to decode the incoming data, and then uses a switch statement to process the message.

All data transfer within the server program is interpreted using the DataTAC network independent data message types, such as `SCR_FROM_NET` and `SCR_TO_NET` messages. This makes the code applicable to all DataTAC network versions and reduces the problems in porting an application from one DataTAC network type to another. The server application also handles message types `SCR_LR`, `SCR_CI`, and `SCR_DI`, which are specific to the DataTAC 5000 network. These message types will not be received on DataTAC 4000 or DataTAC 6000 networks, and therefore will not affect the operation of the program.

All messages received from the DataTAC network result in a message being output to the screen to indicate that the message was received.

Some message types, such as `SCR_ACK` or `SCR_CI`, require no further processing other than the output of a message. Other message types, such as `SCR_FROM_NET` or `SCR_LR`, require a response message to be sent to the DataTAC network. This is handled by formatting the response within the switch statement, and this response is sent to the DataTAC network at the end of the `zHandleMessage()` function.

The following pseudo code gives an overview of the implementation of zHandleMessage().

```

zHandleMessage(msg)
{
    scr_Decode (msg); /* decode the message */

    if (error decoding) {
        Report SCR decoding error
        return
    }

    switch (Message Type){ /* examine the message type*/
    case SCR_LR: /* loopback request*/
        /* this message is only applicable */
        Prepare message "LC" /* to DataTAC 5000 networks*/
        break;

    case SCR_ACK: /* Host msg delivery Confirmation*/
        scr_NakReasonText(); /* returns NULL if no error
        occurred */
        if (an error occurred){
            Print reason text
        }

        else{
            Report successful delivery of message
        }
        break;

    case SCR_FROM_NET: /* Received inbound message*/
        prepare message "TO_NET"

        /*echo data back to the client*/

        break;

    case SCR_CI: /* Connect indication DataTAC 5000 only */
        Report 'LLI x has connected'
        break;

    /*
    case SCR_DI: /* Disconnect indication DataTAC 5000 only
        Report 'LLI x has disconnected'
        break;

    default: /* Unknown message type*/
        Report 'Unhandled message type'
        break;
    }

    scr_FreeDecoding ();

    /*free dynamically allocated buffers in API*/
    /*when it decoded the current message*/

    if ( a Response has to be sent ){
        scr_Encode (); /*encode the response message*/
        If (encoded successfully){
            Send data to the network
        }
        else{
            Report 'SCR encoding error'
        }
    }
}

```

## Appendix C - Wavenet Application Loader

The Application Loader software is used to upgrade the resident software installed on your Wavenet OEM modem.

For optimum performance ensure that you are using the latest application version.

This appendix, for your convenience, explains the procedure for updating the Application Loader software and has a troubleshooting section to assist with any problems.

Please refer to the Application Loader User Manual to ensure you have the latest information.

### Updating Application Loader Software on Your Modem

The Application Loader software may be used for all Wavenet modems. The procedure is the same for all modems but some of the screens may differ in appearance.

Follow the procedure below to check the software version currently loaded on your modem and if necessary, to upload the modem application.

1. Connect the Boomer II to the Test Jig as described on page 22.
2. Connect the Data Communications Modem connector to the Boomer II Test Jig's PC connector.
3. Connect the Data Communications PC connector to a COM (serial) port on your computer. Note that the Data Comms PC connector is a 9-pin plug. If your computer has a 25-pin serial port you will need a 9-pin to 25-pin adapter.
4. Switch the modem on.
5. Switch your PC on.
6. From the PC, open the appropriate Application Loader (Apploader) file for your modem.

The letter(s) preceding the three numerical characters at the end of the Apploader file name denotes which modem the file is appropriate for, i.e. M for the Dualwave M modem, V for the Dualwave V modem and BM2 for the Boomer II OEM modem.

The three numerical characters at the end of the file name show the version number of the application software, i.e.

408 is software version 4.08 and

233 is software version 2.33

If you select the incorrect Apploader file for your modem the following typical message will be displayed.



**Note:** The message shown above will appear if you are attempting to upgrade using *ApploderM408.exe* with a Dualwave V modem.

7. The following screen is displayed.

Select the appropriate com port on your PC that the modem is connected to.

Click the Download Application button to download the latest version.

Displays the current version of Application software on your modem.

Displays the new application available.

Status bar.

8. Select the appropriate PC communications port to which the modem is connected.
9. If the program recognises that the version of Application you are attempting to install is later than the version currently installed, the Download Application button will become enabled. A message is displayed in the status bar advising that the application software versions differ and requesting that you press the Download Application button to update.



If the program recognises that the version of Application you are attempting to install is earlier than the version currently installed, the Download Application button will remain disabled. A message is displayed in the status bar advising that the application software version on the modem is up to date and requesting that you exit the program.

10. Click  to update the Application software.

A progress bar is displayed informing you of the progress of the update.

11. After the application has been updated, the modem is automatically switched off. A message is displayed prompting you to switch the modem on again.



12. Press the modem's On/Off button and click 
13. A message is then displayed in the status bar, informing you that that the application software on the modem is up to date.
14. Click  to exit the program. This will automatically switch your modem off.

## Troubleshooting

You shouldn't encounter any problems updating the Application Loader software, however the following messages may appear.



This message will appear if the modem is disconnected during the download. Ensure that all the connections between the PC and the modem are secure, check the battery connections, ensure the modem is switched on and follow the instructions in the message to try again.



This message will appear if the modem is disconnected whilst running the Application Loader. Ensure that all the connections between the PC and the modem are secure, check the battery connections and ensure the modem is switched on.



This message will appear if the bootloader version on the modem is too old to allow you to upgrade the application. Return the modem to your supplier to be upgraded.



This message (or similar) will appear if you have attempted to upgrade your modem with the incorrect Application Loader file.



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The ApploaderM408.exe is applicable to the Dualwave M modem and ApploaderV233.exe is applicable to the Dualwave V modem.

The letter preceding the three numerical characters at the end of the Apploader file name denotes which modem the file is appropriate for, i.e. BM2 for the Dualwave Boomer II OEM modem, M for Dualwave M modem and V for Dualwave V modem.

If the modem does not respond after an error message and you cannot switch it off/on, reset the modem by inserting the end of a paper clip into the reset hole at the back of the modem. Then switch the modem on and continue the upload.

# Appendix D - Numeric Conversion Chart

Binary/Octal/Decimal/Hex/C/ASCII Conversion Table

Binary	Oct	Dec	Hex	C	ASCII	Definition	Binary	Oct	Dec	Hex	C	ASCII
00000000	000	0	00	C	NUL	Null, or all zeros	01000000	100	64	40	P	@
00000001	001	1	01	C	SOH	Start of Heading	01000001	101	65	41	UX	A
00000010	002	2	02	C	STX	Start of Text	01000010	102	66	42	UX	B
00000011	003	3	03	C	ETX	End of Text	01000011	103	67	43	UX	C
00000100	004	4	04	C	EOT	End of Transmission	01000100	104	68	44	UX	D
00000101	005	5	05	C	ENQ	Enquiry	01000101	105	69	45	UX	E
00000110	006	6	06	C	ACK	Acknowledge	01000110	106	70	46	UX	F
00000111	007	7	07	C	BEL	Bell	01000111	107	71	47	U	G
00001000	010	8	08	C	BS	Backspace	01001000	110	72	48	U	H
00001001	011	9	09	CS	HT	Horizontal Tab	01001001	111	73	49	U	I
00001010	012	10	0A	CS	LF	Line Feed	01001010	112	74	4A	U	J
00001011	013	11	0B	CS	VT	Vertical Tab	01001011	113	75	4B	U	K
00001100	014	12	0C	CS	FF	Form Feed	01001100	114	76	4C	U	L
00001101	015	13	0D	CS	CR	Carriage Return	01001101	115	77	4D	U	M
00001110	016	14	0E	C	SO	Shift Out	01001110	116	78	4E	U	N
00001111	017	15	0F	C	SI	Shift In	01001111	117	79	4F	U	O
00010000	020	16	10	C	DLE	Data Link Escape	01010000	120	80	50	U	P
00010001	021	17	11	C	DC1	Device Control 1 (XON)	01010001	121	81	51	U	Q
00010010	022	18	12	C	DC2	Device Control 2	01010010	122	82	52	U	R
00010011	023	19	13	C	DC3	Device Control 3 (XOFF)	01010011	123	83	53	U	S
00010100	024	20	14	C	DC4	Device Control 4	01010100	124	84	54	U	T
00010101	025	21	15	C	NAK	Negative Acknowledge	01010101	125	85	55	U	U
00010110	026	22	16	C	SYN	Synchronous Idle	01010110	126	86	56	U	V
00010111	027	23	17	C	ETB	End Transmission Block	01010111	127	87	57	U	W
00011000	030	24	18	C	CAN	Cancel	01011000	130	88	58	U	X
00011001	031	25	19	C	EM	End of Medium	01011001	131	89	59	U	Y
00011010	032	26	1A	C	SUB	Substitute	01011010	132	90	5A	U	Z
00011011	033	27	1B	C	ESC	Escape	01011011	133	91	5B	P	[
00011100	034	28	1C	C	FS	File Separator	01011100	134	92	5C	P	\
00011101	035	29	1D	C	GS	Group Separator	01011101	135	93	5D	P	]
00011110	036	30	1E	C	RS	Record Separator	01011110	136	94	5E	P	^
00011111	037	31	1F	C	US	Unit Separator	01011111	137	95	5F	P	~
00100000	040	32	20	S	SP	Space	01100000	140	96	60	P	
00100001	041	33	21	P	!		01100001	141	97	61	LX	a
00100010	042	34	22	P	"		01100010	142	98	62	LX	b
00100011	043	35	23	P	#		01100011	143	99	63	LX	c
00100100	044	36	24	P	\$		01100100	144	100	64	LX	d
00100101	045	37	25	P	%		01100101	145	101	65	LX	e
00100110	046	38	26	P	&		01100110	146	102	66	LX	f
00100111	047	39	27	P	'		01100111	147	103	67	L	g
00101000	050	40	28	P	(		01101000	150	104	68	L	h
00101001	051	41	29	P	)		01101001	151	105	69	L	i
00101010	052	42	2A	P	*		01101010	152	106	6A	L	j
00101011	053	43	2B	P	+		01101011	153	107	6B	L	k
00101100	054	44	2C	P	,		01101100	154	108	6C	L	l
00101101	055	45	2D	P	-		01101101	155	109	6D	L	m
00101110	056	46	2E	P	.		01101110	156	110	6E	L	n
00101111	057	47	2F	P	/		01101111	157	111	6F	L	o
00110000	060	48	30	NX	0		01110000	160	112	70	L	p
00110001	061	49	31	NX	1		01110001	161	113	71	L	q
00110010	062	50	32	NX	2		01110010	162	114	72	L	r
00110011	063	51	33	NX	3		01110011	163	115	73	L	s
00110100	064	52	34	NX	4		01110100	164	116	74	L	t
00110101	065	53	35	NX	5		01110101	165	117	75	L	u
00110110	066	54	36	NX	6		01110110	166	118	76	L	v
00110111	067	55	37	NX	7		01110111	167	119	77	L	w
00111000	070	56	38	NX	8		01111000	170	120	78	L	x
00111001	071	57	39	NX	9		01111001	171	121	79	L	y
00111010	072	58	3A	P	:		01111010	172	122	7A	L	z
00111011	073	59	3B	P	;		01111011	173	123	7B	P	{
00111100	074	60	3C	P	<		01111100	174	124	7C	P	
00111101	075	61	3D	P	=		01111101	175	125	7D	P	}
00111110	076	62	3E	P	>		01111110	176	126	7E	P	~
00111111	077	63	3F	P	?		01111111	177	127	7F	C	DEL



# Appendix G - Specifications

## Physical Properties

Weight	< 50g
Size (L x W x H)	70mm x 52mm x 9mm

## Communication Protocols

Modem to radio network protocol	RD-LAP 3.1, 3.2, 3.3
Modem to terminal (e.g. handheld) protocol	NCL 1.2

## Environmental Conditions

Operating temperature	-30°C to +60°C
Storage temperature	-40°C to 70°C

## Ports

Data Interface Port	TTL compatible serial port, 9600 baud
RF Connector	MMCX female, 50Ω. Straight connection or right angle

## LED Indicators

Power	Green	flashes when scanning On, when locked Off, when the Boomer II is off
Receive	Green	flashes when receiving
Transmit	Red	flashes when transmitting

## Power

Voltage	3.8V (3.4 to 4.2V range)
Transmitter	< 1.7A
Receiver	< 85mA
Transmit Duration	32ms (minimum) 1s (maximum)
Off current consumption	< 100µA
Power Supply Ripple	< 15mV peak to peak

## Synthesiser

Frequency range	806 – 825MHz (A), 890 – 902MHz (B)
Channel spacing	25kHz (A) 12.5kHz (B)
Frequency Error (-30° ~ +60° C)	±1.5ppm (<1300Hz) (A) ±0.8ppm (750Hz) (B)

## Transmitter

Frequency range	806 – 825MHz (A), 896 – 902MHz (B)
Channel spacing	25kHz (A) 12.5kHz (B)
Data rate	MDC 4.8kbps (A) RDLAP 9.6kbps (A) RDLAP 19.2kbps (A) RDLAP 9.6kbps (B)
Modulation	2-Level FSK MDC 4.8 2.5kHz deviation (A) 4-Level FSK RDLAP 9.6 3.9kHz deviation (A) 4-Level FSK RDLAP 19.2 5.6kHz deviation (A) 4-Level FSK RDLAP 9.6 2.5kHz deviation (B)
RF output power (at 50Ω antenna port)	1.8W nominal (2W maximum)
Duty Cycle (over 5 min)	20% maximum
Turn on time	< 5ms
Spurious emission	< - 30dBm
Adjacent channel power	< - 55dBc at 25kHz channels (A) < - 45dBc at 12.5kHz channels (B)

## Receiver

Frequency range	851 – 870MHz (A) 935 – 941MHz (B)
Channel spacing	25kHz (A) 12.5kHz (B)
Settling time	< 5ms
Sensitivity	< -111dBm at 5% PER RD-LAP 19.2 < -114dBm at 5% PER MDC
Spurious emission (receive mode)	< -57dBm
Channel selectivity	> 50dB (5kHz dev 1kHz tone) (A) > 50dB (2.5kHz dev 1kHz tone) (B)
Spurious rejection	> 70dB
Image rejection	> 60dB

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RSSI Reading

-120dBm ~ -45dBm