

Product Notice #0239

Version 7.0 General Availability Release and End-of-Support for SIP Software Versions 6.2 and 6.4

Notice Subject

- AudioCodes announces its official release of Software Version 7.0 for General Availability (GA).
- AudioCodes announces End-of-Support (EoS) for SIP Software Versions 6.2 and 6.4.

Notice Date

May, 2015

Notice Effective Date

Immediate

Notice Details

7.0 General Availability

Affected Products

Version 7.0 GA supports the following products:

- Mediant 500 E-SBC
- Mediant 800B Gateway & E-SBC
- Mediant 1000B Gateway & E-SBC
- Mediant 2600 E-SBC
- Mediant 3000 Gateway & E-SBC
- Mediant 4000 SBC

- Mediant 9000 SBC
- Mediant Server Edition and Virtual Edition SBCs



Note: Version 7.0 no longer supports the IP-to-IP application. Users still using this mode of operation need to change to the SBC application. There is no need for additional licensing. Please refer to the Version 7.0 User Manuals for further instructions.

SBC mode of operation has many advantages over IP-to-IP mode, including:

- Full SIP transparency
- Easier configuration
- Optimal usage of DSP resources

AudioCodes has officially released Version 7.0 for GA, supported by the affected products mentioned above. This software release package (including software load, Release Notes, Hardware Manuals, and User Manuals) is located on AudioCodes' Web site at <http://www.audiocodes.com/downloads>.



Note: The software download location does not contain the software loads for EMS and SEM. To obtain these loads, please contact your AudioCodes sales representative.

Software updates are available to customers and are downloadable free of charge to customers, who have purchased Support packages that include software updates (i.e., ACTS, CHAMPS, and Enhanced Support) for the relevant products.

Version 7.0 contains many new enhancements and features. Some of the feature highlights are listed below (a complete list of the new features is provided in the Release Notes):

- **Multi-tenant SBC:** The SBC can now be logically divided between customers. In multi-tenant mode, each customer is configured separately without affecting other customers.
- **WebRTC Gateway:** The SBC functions as a Web Real-Time Communication (WebRTC) gateway, terminating the different protocols coming from the Web browser into regular SIP and VoIP. This also includes Opus vocoder transcoding, Datagram Transport Layer Security (DTLS), etc.
- **Virtualization:** AudioCodes' SBC software now supports Kernel-based Virtual Machine (KVM) hypervisor. KVM is very popular among private cloud environments and also commonly used in the OpenStack framework.
- **Mediant 9000 SBC Transcoding:** This version supports Digital Signaling Processing (DSP) capabilities on the Mediant 9000 SBC.

EoS SIP Software Versions 6.2 and 6.4

Affected Product Family

This EoS applies to the following AudioCodes products:

- Mediant series

AudioCodes software releases are normally supported during two (2) subsequent releases of major software versions and for a minimum of two (2) years from the initial release date. Additional software support may be provided for specific customers, based on sales agreements, on a case-by-case basis.

This Product Notice is a formal notification that AudioCodes SIP Software Versions 6.2 and 6.4 have reached End-of-Support (EoS) stage. No further scheduled maintenance releases or fixes will be provided for these versions.

For major software versions later than Version 6.4, AudioCodes will provide bug fixes, workaround solutions, (or patches for urgent or high priority bugs) reported through AudioCodes' Customer Support, in accordance with the customer's support contract with AudioCodes.

It may be necessary for customers to upgrade to the latest production software release to correct specific reported problems. To receive new features, customers must upgrade to the latest available software version.