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1. PREFACE

1.1. COMPATIBILITY

Firmware revision 1.008 of the HDLC Router will require the following compatible versions:

Software	Version
Slate	1.035 and later

1.2. NOTES

The following should be noted:

- Firmware upgrades will be done using Aparian's Slate software.
- Aparian flash files have an .afb extension.
- Slate can also be used to set the initial network parameters using its DHCP server.
- Should any interruptions cause the module to not complete the firmware upgrade
 the module will return to Safe Mode. The user can then re-flash the module with the
 application firmware. See the user manual for more information regarding Safe
 Mode.

1.3. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The following resources contain additional information that can assist the user with the module installation and operation.

Resource	Link
Slate Installation	http://www.aparian.com/software/slate
HDLC Router User Manual	
HDLC Router Datasheet	http://www.aparian.com/products/hdlcrouter
Example Code & UDTs	
Ethernet wiring standard	www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/video/cds/cde/cde205_220_420/installatio
Ethernet wiring standard	n/guide/cde205 220 420 hig/Connectors.html
CIP Routing	The CIP Networks Library, Volume 1, Appendix C:Data Management

1.4. SUPPORT

Technical support will be provided via the Web (in the form of user manuals, FAQ, datasheets etc.) to assist with installation, operation, and diagnostics.

For additional support the user can use either of the following:

Contact Us web link	www.aparian.com/contact-us
Support email	support@aparian.com

2. IMPROVEMENTS

The following updates are included in this firmware revision.

Revision	Improvement	Description
1.008	Modbus TCP	Add support for Modbus TCP
1.007	4-wire HD	Add support for 4-wire multidrop in Slave mode
	communication	
	Slave reinitialized	When a U-frame disconnected is received the HDLC slave is
		reinitialized for communication.
1.006	Response Timeout	Added ability for the user to configure the response timeout
		when in Master mode.
	Repeat Packet	Added ability for the user to enable/disable the auto packet
		repeat when there has been a response timeout.
1.005	Interface Mode	Added support for Broadcast with response and Broadcast
		with no response interface modes.
1.004	Factory Default	Updated configuration clear when doing factory defaults
	EtherNet/IP	Updates required for ODVA conformance
1.003	Stability	Improvements to 2-wire communication stability.
1.002	Stability	Improvements to 180kps communication stability.

3. ANOMALIES FIXED

The following anomalies have been fixed in this firmware revision.

Revision	Anomaly	Description
1.008	None	-

1.006	CRC failure	Fixed anomaly which under certain circumstances, when
		receiving a CRC failed packet in Master mode, could cause a
		failure in the HDLC communication.
1.004	Ethernet Power	Updated method of Ethernet Phy power down when power is
	Down	removed.
_	DIP Switches	Fix reading of DIP switches are startup

4. KNOWN ANOMALIES

The following known anomalies exist in this firmware revision.

Revision	Anomaly	Description
1.008	CRC faults	It has been observed that with certain Starnet communication
		modules when using a 2 or 4-wire connection, 180kps with
		FMO encoding the HDLC Router might receive CRC errors at a
		low frequency. This will not impact any of the communication
		in the Starnet module.