EECHELON Customer Support Alert

RE: RTR-10 CORE MODULE AND RTR-10 MOTHERBOARD CHANGES

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SUMMARY

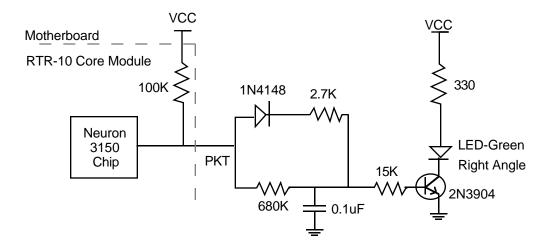
This alert announces a resistor change to the RTR-10 motherboard schematic (as suggested in Revision 3 of the *LONWORKS Router User's Guide*) and a resistor change to the RTR-10 Router Core Module.

These changes, both separately and together, fix a problem affecting a small percentage of router designs based on the RTR-10 module that do not correctly interpret the transceiver ID upon coming out of reset. In a few cases, the previously published pulse-stretching circuit associated with the PKT LED did not provide sufficient margin such that a logical high value is always greater than 2 volts at the Neuron® 3150® Chip.

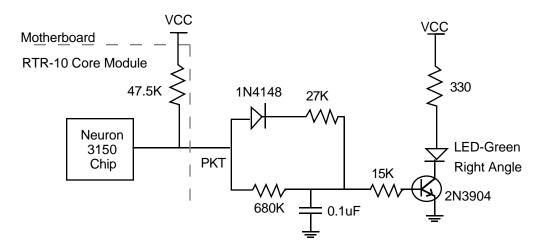
These changes have been verified through experimentation and analysis to be backwards compatible (so that new RTR-10 modules will work better in the existing motherboard schematic and new motherboards will work better with the existing RTR-10 modules) and forwards compatible (so that a new motherboard and a new RTR-10 module also work).

DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES

Below is the circuit as it exists using an RTR-10 module with engineering level 04 or below and the schematic from the *LONWORKS Router User's Guide*, Revision 3 or lower. (Note: the engineering level is incorporated in the manufacturing datecode as the last two digits. Thus, 9604F04 has an engineering level of 04.)



The two changes are: (1) on the motherboard schematic replace the $2.7K\Omega$ resistor with a $27K\Omega$ resistor (or greater); and (2) on the RTR-10 module replace the $100K\Omega$ resistor with a $47.5K\Omega$ resistor. When both changes are made, the new implementation will have the following circuitry:



New Echelon builds of the RTR-10 module (with change (2) above) will have engineering level 05.

Note: While the change to the RTR-10 module is sufficient to allow the proper interpretation of the transceiver ID with the old motherboard design, Echelon recommends that all new builds of RTR-10 motherboards incorporate the suggested resistor value change.

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