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Chapter 1: Introduction

This document describes important notices and fixed and known issues for Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Release 7.1 software. In this context, Release 7.1 includes all patch releases and this 7.1.3 release.

Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Release 7.1 supports the 8895 Switch Fabric/CPU Module. When an 8000 Series Chassis is equipped with the 8895 SF/CPU, this system is known as an Ethernet Routing Switch 8800; conversely, when equipped with an 8692 SF/CPU module (with SuperMezz), the system is known as an Ethernet Routing Switch 8600. Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Release 7.1 software can only operate on an Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 system with appropriate hardware configurations.

Refer to the following sections of the Release Notes for additional detailed information regarding the supported ([Supported hardware and software compatibility](#) on page 25) and unsupported ([Unsupported hardware for Release 7.1](#) on page 30) combinations of hardware and software, as well as new feature descriptions.

Chapter 2: New features in this release

This chapter describe the new features for the Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Release 7.1. There are three sections in this chapter:

- [New features in Release 7.1.3](#) on page 9 lists the new features in this minor new product introduction (NPI) release.
- [New features in Release 7.1.1](#) on page 15 lists the new features in the 7.1.1 maintenance release.
- [New features in Release 7.1](#) on page 17 lists the new features in the 7.1 major release.

New features in Release 7.1.3

This section lists the new features that were introduced in the 7.1.3 minor NPI.release.

8812XL SFP+ I/O module

Release 7.1.3 introduces a new Ethernet Routing Switch 8800 interface module — the 8812XL SFP+ I/O module. This module supports 12 SFP+ ports at 10Gbps and provides the same functionality as its RS module equivalent, the 8612XLRS.

The 8812XL SFP+ I/O module, like all 8800 modules, uses the new enhanced network processor—the RSP 2.7.

! Important:

Support for 8800 series I/O modules starts with release 7.1. However, the 8812XL SFP+ I/O module is new and requires software release 7.1.3 to operate properly.

SPBM IEEE 802.1aq standards compliance

Release 7.1 introduced a pre-standard implementation of the IEEE 802.1aq standard for Shortest Path Bridging MAC (SPBM) because the standard was not yet ratified. The standard is now ratified and Release 7.1.3 supports it.

Avaya continues to support the pre-standard (or draft) SPBM for previous releases, but all future releases will support standard SPBM only. Release 7.1.3 is a bridge release that

supports both draft and standard SPBM. For migration purposes, it is very important to understand the following upgrade considerations:

- Releases prior to 7.1.3 support draft SPBM only.
- Release 7.1.3 supports both draft and standard SPBM.
- Future releases (after 7.1.3) will support standard SPBM only.

! Important:

To upgrade to standard SPBM and to use future releases, you must first upgrade to 7.1.3 as an intermediate upgrade step. You can use the CLI or the ACLI to migrate to standard SPBM, but EDM does not support this feature. For more information on migrating and configuring this feature, see *Configuration — Shortest Path Bridging MAC (SPBM)* (NN46205–525). For SPBM deployments, future ERS 8800/8600 releases cannot interoperate with releases prior to 7.1.3.

*** Note:**

Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 does not support NLB-multicast and NLB-multicast with IGMP for SPBM.

VLACP flap detection and damping

The VLACP flap detection and damping feature automatically shuts down selected VLACP links that are flapping due to link instability. For more information about this feature and how to configure it, see *Configuration — Link Aggregation, MLT, and SMLT* (NN46205–518).

8895 SF/CPU compact flash compatibility with Windows PC

The 8895 SF/CPU had a limitation where it did not support a compact flash interface in a Windows PC compatible format. Release 7.1.3 introduces a new boot configuration flag, which you can use to format the compact flash interface in either the Windows PC compatible format or its original backwards compatible format. This enables you, for example, to read/write/format compact flash storage devices on the 8895 SF/CPU, which can have read/write access on a Windows PC. Only the provided compact flash from Avaya is supported for use in the 8895 SF/CPU.

The compact flash interface is formatted using the `cf-pc-compat` boot configuration flag in the boot configuration `boot.cfg` file. You can set/display this flag using the boot monitor CLI/ACLI.

*** Note:**

You must enable the `cf-pc-compat` boot flag to format the compact flash for MS-DOS format. This is a required step if you wish to use the compact flash on a Windows-based PC.

For information on boot configuration flags and configuring the `cf-pc-compat` flag, see *Administration* (NN46205–605).

Fabric Memory Full Handling

Release 7.1.3 introduces Fabric Memory Full Handling as a way to resolve the `Fab Memory Full` error. This error message displays when repeated memory refresh events occur on a module.

For more information on Fabric Memory Full Handling, see *Administration* (NN46205–605).

HTTPS configurable port

In previous releases, the HTTPS port assignment was fixed at 443. Beginning with Release 7.1.3, you can change that default port assignment to a port within the range of 1024-49151. For more information, see *User Interface Fundamentals* (NN46205–308).

! Important:

Avaya strongly recommends that you discover the ports that UDP and TCP are already using before you select a port for HTTPS. Use the following commands to list the ports already in use and then select a port that is not in the resulting list.

For the CLI, use: `show ip tcp info-connections` and `show ip udp endpoints`.

For the ACLI, use: `show ip tcp connections`.

As a general recommendation, you should avoid using the ports between 1024-1100. Use ports 1100 and above.

CFM enhancements

Release 7.1.3 provides EDM support for the CFM enhancements (described below) that were introduced in Release 7.1.1.

These CFM enhancements make it easier to configure CFM. Instead of having to configure *explicit* MEPs and MIPs and associate multiple VLANs with MEPs and MIPs, now you can use *auto-generated* CFM commands that create a MEP and a MIP at a specified level for every SPBM B-VLAN on the chassis. The internally created MEPs and MIPs respond to `I2ping`, `I2traceroute`, and `I2tracetree` in the same manner as the MEPs and MIPs supported in 7.1.

- For SPBM B-VLANs, you can use either auto-generated or explicitly configured CFM MEPs.
- For CMAC C-VLANs, you can only use auto-generated CFM MEPs.

The CFM show commands that display MD, MA, and MEP information work for both auto-generated and explicitly configured CFM MEPs.

Another major enhancement is that CFM extends the debugging of layer 2 networks. In Release 7.1, you could debug the SPBM VLANs *only*. Now you can debug C-MAC VLANs as well. This enables you to isolate a connectivity fault in either the SPBM cloud or in a customer domain. CFM breaks the network into sections, called MEPs, so you can determine exactly where the problem is.

SPBM VLANs and C-MAC VLANs use different VLANs and encapsulation methods. Therefore, they do not respond to each others CFM messages (`l2ping` and `l2traceroute`). You debug the two areas separately: SPBM cloud and customer domain.

! Important:

To trace a route to a MAC address, the MAC address must be in the VLAN FDB table.

- For C-VLANs, you have to trigger an `l2ping` to learn the C-VLAN MAC address.
- For B-VLANs, this is not necessary because IS-IS populates the MAC addresses in the FDB table.

In both cases, `linktrace` traces the path up to the closest device to that MAC address that supports CFM.

The auto-generated C-VLAN command (`config cfm cmac`) provides equivalent functionality on C-VLANs as the global SPBM B-VLAN global command (`config cfm spbm`) does on the SPBM VLANs. This means that the auto-generated CFM commands create a MEP and a MIP at a specified level for every C-VLAN on the chassis. The internally created MEPs and MIPs respond to `l2ping` and `l2traceroute` in the same manner as the MEPs and MIPs supported in 7.1. It is not necessary to support `l2tracetree` because there are no multicast trees on C-VLANs.

! Important:

You can continue to use your existing CFM configuration on SPBM B-VLANs. However, if you want to use the new CFM commands, you must first remove the existing MEP or MIP on the SPBM B-VLAN. The new CFM commands require and support only one MEP or MIP per SPBM B-VLAN.

For more information about the CFM enhancements, see *Configuration — Shortest Path Bridging Mac (SPBM)* (NN46205–525).

Dynamic VLAN addition to LACP-enabled MLT (LAG)

Prior to Release 7.1.3, you could not add or remove a VLAN from an active LACP-enabled MLT without first disabling LACP on the MLT. Starting with Release 7.1.3, this restriction is removed, namely a VLAN can be added (adding all port members) to or removed (removing all port members) from an LACP-enabled MLT. The CLI, ACLI, and EDM commands to configure this feature are shown below.

In the CLI, use either of the following commands to add a VLAN to an active LACP-enabled MLT:

- `config mlt <mlt-id> add vlan <vid>`
- `config vlan <vid> add-mlt <mlt-id>`

In the CLI, use the following command to remove a VLAN from an active LACP-enabled MLT:

- `config mlt <mlt-id> remove vlan <vid>`

In the ACLI Global Configuration Mode, use either of the following commands to add a VLAN to an active LACP-enabled MLT:

- `mlt <mlt-id> vlan <vid>`
- `vlan mlt <vid> <mlt-id>`

In the ACLI Global Configuration Mode, use the following command to remove a VLAN from an active LACP-enabled MLT:

- `no mlt <mlt-id> vlan <vid>`

In EDM, navigate to the following tab to dynamically add or remove VLANs from an active LACP-enabled MLT:

- **VLAN > MLT/LACP > Multilink/LACP Trunks**

*** Note:**

It is not allowed to add or remove individual ports from a VLAN when these ports are members of an active LACP-enabled MLT unless LACP is disabled first. After disabling LACP, you can use the following commands to add or remove individual ports on the MLT.

In the CLI:

- `config vlan <vid> ports add <ports in LACP-enabled MLT>`
- `config vlan <vid> ports remove <ports in LACP-enabled MLT>`

In the ACLI Global Configuration Mode:

- `vlan members <vid> <slot/ports in LACP-enabled MLT>`
- `no vlan members <vid> <slot/ports in LACP-enabled MLT>`

In EDM:

- **VLAN > Basic**

For more information about MLTs and LACP, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Configuration — Link Aggregation, MLT, and SMLT* (NN46205–518).

EDM enhancements

Release 7.1.3 includes the following Enterprise Device Manager (EDM) enhancements:

- **Toolbar** — The navigation area on the left side of the main EDM screen now has a new toolbar. This toolbar has a row of buttons that provide quick access to commonly used commands: Save Config, Refresh Status, Edit, Graph, and Help.
- **Copy/Paste/Undo/Print** — These functions are now available on all table screens so that you can easily manage cell data.
- **Preference Settings for Status Polling and Hot Swap Detection** — Under **Configuration > Device > Preference Setting** you can specify the polling interval for when the switch updates the LED and Port status. You can also set a preference to check for hot swaps and for how often you want to get updated information in the Physical View. Hot Swap Detection is when the switch detects that a module was physically removed.
- **Idle Timeout** — Instead of just timing out after 15 minutes, EDM now offers a warning and a chance to extend the session. After 10 minutes of idle time, EDM displays a message indicating that the session will expire in 5 minutes unless the user extends the session for another 15 minutes.
- **Column Sorting** — EDM now sorts on all the records in the table, not just what is displayed in the current page.

For more information on how to use EDM and these enhancements, see *User Interface Fundamentals* (NN46205–308).

EDM support for tri-speed copper SFP

In Release 7.1.3, EDM provides support for the tri-speed copper SFP that was introduced in Release 7.1.1. This SFP enables triple speed capability for the 1000Base-T SFP on RS and 8800 Gigabit Ethernet SFP I/O modules. The following speeds and duplex modes are supported:

- 1 Gigabit per second (Gbps) full duplex
- 100 Megabits per second (Mbps) half or full duplex
- 10 Megabits per second (Mbps) half or full duplex

The SFP can operate in either auto-negotiate or fixed mode. In fixed configuration mode, you can set the speed at 10 or 100 Mbps and duplex mode to half or full.

These modes of operation are supported on the following I/O modules: 8648GBRS, 8634XGRS, 8848GB, and 8834XG.

The 1000Base-T SFP part number is AA1419043-E6.

New features in Release 7.1.1

This section lists the new features that were introduced in the 7.1.1 maintenance release.

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 **Note:**

EDM support for the tri-speed copper SFP is available starting with Release 7.1.3.

Multicast streams

In Release 7.1.1, the number of supported multicast streams per switch with SMLT increases to 3000.

RSMLTs per VLAN

In Release 7.1.1, the limit of RSMLT links that a VLAN can extend over increases from 32 to 64.

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! Important:

You can continue to use your existing CFM configuration on SPBM B-VLANs. However, if you want to use the new CFM commands, you must first remove the existing MEP or MIP on the SPBM B-VLAN. The new CFM commands require and support only one MEP or MIP per SPBM B-VLAN.

For more information about the CFM enhancements, see *Configuration — Shortest Path Bridging Mac (SPBM)* (NN46205–525).

New features in Release 7.1

This section lists the new features that were introduced in the 7.1 major release.

SPBM

Release 7.1 of the Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 supports the IEEE 802.1aq standard of Shortest Path Bridging MACinMAC (SPBM). SPBM makes network virtualization much easier to deploy within the Enterprise environment, reducing the complexity of the network while at the same time providing greater scalability.

SPBM eliminates the need for multiple overlay protocols in the core of the network by reducing the core control plane to a single protocol which can provide virtualization services for both layer 2 and layer 3, on a common Ethernet infrastructure using a pure Ethernet technology base. SPBM allows for layering the Ethernet network into edge and core domains with complete isolation between their MAC addresses. This technology provides all the features and benefits required by Carrier-grade deployments to the Enterprise market without the complexity of alternative technologies traditionally used in Carrier deployments (typically MPLS). SPBM integrates into a single control plane all the functions that MPLS requires multiple layers and protocols to support.

SPBM provides any-to-any connectivity in a network in an optimized, loop-free manner. It employs shortest-path trees to each destination, without the long convergence delays experienced with Spanning Tree Protocol. To do that, SPBM uses Intermediate System to Intermediate System (IS-IS) link state routing protocol to learn and distribute network information. IS-IS dynamically learns the topology of a network and uses its inherent knowledge to construct shortest path unicast and multicast trees from every node to every other node in the network. Also, unlike Spanning Tree Protocol, IS-IS does not block ports to provide a loop free topology, so bandwidth is not wasted.

The SPBM components introduced in this release are:

1. Shortest Path Bridging (IEEE 802.1aq) for simple and safe **VLAN extensions** across a network. SPBM does not use spanning tree, and all its links are active.
2. SMLT for dual-homing of non-SPBM switches to a pair of SPB/IST switches.
3. SPBM/IP for simple and safe **VRF extensions** across a network infrastructure without OSPF or BGP.
4. InterSID routing for routing of L2 VPNs in the SPB domain

For more information about SPBM, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Configuration — Shortest Path Bridging MAC (SPBM)* (NN46205–525).

SPBM MGID usage

The multicast group ID (MGID) is a hardware mechanism the switch uses to send data to several ports simultaneously. Instead of sending the data to a specific port number, the data is directed to an MGID. The switch maintains a table that maps MGIDs to their member ports. Both virtual LAN (VLAN) and IP multicast (IPMC) use MGIDs. The system also reserves a small number of MGIDs.

SPBM also requires MGIDs for proper operation. When SPBM is enabled on the switch, the system reserves 519 MGIDs for SPBM operation. Therefore, the number of MGIDs on the system available for VLANs and IP multicast traffic is reduced by 519. To determine how many MGIDs are available, enter `show sys mgid-usage`.

```
ERS-8606:5# show sys mgid-usage
*****
Command Execution Time: WED FEB 02 19:42:27 2011 UTC
*****
Number of MGIDs used for VLANs : (3)
Number of MGIDs used for SPBM : (519)
Number of MGIDs used for multicast : (0)
Number of MGIDs remaining for VLANs : (1514)
Number of MGIDs remaining for multicast : (2048)
```

Before you enable SPBM on the switch, be sure that your network will not be adversely affected by this reduction in available MGIDs.

The Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 supports a total of 4096 MGIDs, split between the system, VLAN, IPMC, and now SPBM. You can reserve MGIDs for IP Multicast (IPMC) traffic. You can reserve between 64 and 4084 MGIDs for IPMC. The default for IPMC is 2048. It is the responsibility of the network administrator to fully understand the network deployment strategy. Please ensure that MGIDs are planned appropriately. If assistance is required, please contact your Avaya technical representative.

For information about reserving MGIDs for IPMC, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Administration* (NN46205–605).

CFM

CFM provides a mechanism to debug connectivity issues and isolate faults. This is performed at Layer 2, not Layer 3. Connectivity Fault Management (CFM) operates at Layer 2 and

provides an equivalent of ping and traceroute. To support troubleshooting of the SPBM cloud, the Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 supports a subset of CFM functionality. CFM is based on the IEEE 802.1ag standard.

For more information about CFM, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Configuration — Shortest Path Bridging MAC (SPBM)* (NN46205–525).

8800 series I/O modules

Release 7.1 introduces three new Ethernet Routing Switch 8800 interface modules. The 8800 series modules use a new enhanced network processor, the RSP 2.7.

! Important:

Support for 8800 series I/O modules started with Release 7.1. They are not backwards compatible with older Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 releases.

The 8800 series modules provide the same functionality as their RS module equivalents in accordance with the following table.

RS module	New 8800 series module
8648GTRS	8848GT
8648GBRS	8848GB
8634XGRS	8834XG

For more information about 8800 series I/O modules, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Configuration — Ethernet Modules* (NN46205–503).

* Note:

RS and 8800 I/O modules require a High Speed Cooling Module. If the High Speed Cooling Module is not installed in the chassis, these I/O modules will not power on.

SMLT interoperability with MSTP

This functionality allows for the connection of an SMLT/IST pair to an MSTP domain (IST switches must be root bridges). This functionality provides the ability to extend L2 VLANs from an SMLT Clustering solution towards a part of the network which is running Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol (MSTP).

There are two possible scenarios where this type of deployment might be necessary:

1. In ring topologies, it can be more cost effective to deploy MSTP to handle L2 VLANs over the fiber plant at the periphery of the network while still deploying SMLT in the Core and Data Center.
2. When migrating from a legacy Spanning Tree design towards an SMLT Clustering design with the dual requirements of being able to extend L2 VLANs between the old and new network and having a redundant design in case of link or node failures.

For more information about SMLT interoperability with MSTP, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Configuration — Link Aggregation, MLT and SMLT* (NN46205–518).

4–byte AS support for BGP

In release 7.1, the Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 supports both 2-byte and 4-byte AS numbers. The 4-byte AS number is a limited deployment for BGP. You can configure a BGP peer to operate in the old 2-byte AS mode or in the new 4-byte mode, not both.

*** Note:**

The CLI and EDM commands do not work exactly the same way. For more information, see wi00857629 in *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Release Notes — Software Release 7.1* (NN46205–402).

For more information about 4–byte AS support for BGP, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Configuration — BGP Services* (NN46205–510).

HTTPS support for EDM

With release 7.1, the Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 supports Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure (HTTPS) connections using Enterprise Device Manager (EDM). Furthermore, after you upgrade to release 7.1, HTTPS is the default method to connect to the switch using EDM. If you require a non-secure connection (HTTP), you must disable the Web server secure-only option using CLI or ACLI. You cannot use EDM to configure HTTPS or HTTP access.

For more information about HTTPS support for EDM, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 User Interface Fundamentals* (NN46205-308).

RADIUS support for EDM

In Release 7.1, the Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 supports RADIUS authentication of EDM connections over the web. A new option, web, has been added to the RADIUS Authentication used-by parameter. The parameter supports both HTTP or HTTPS access for EDM users.

For more information about RADIUS, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Security* (NN46205–601).

EDM VRF context switching enhancement

In release 7.1, the VRF view selection no longer appears as a parameter on the embedded EDM login page. GlobalRouter is the default view. To switch to a different VRF context view, select **Configuration > VRF Context > Set VRF Context view** and use the **VRF** tab to select a different context.

The **Set VRF Context view** function is not available to RADIUS-authenticated users or to users in a service provider deployment where only a tenant VRF view is assigned. If you use a tenant VRF view, Avaya recommends that you use COM to access EDM.

For more information about VRFs, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Configuration — IP Routing* (NN46205–523).

EDM navigation enhancement

In Release 7.1, EDM navigation has been enhanced. From the EDM navigation tree, you can now open all tabs with a single click rather than a double-click.

For more information about the EDM, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 User Interface Fundamentals* (NN46205–308).

Multiple port selection and monitoring in EDM

When you want to monitor or apply the same configuration changes to more than one port, you can use the Multiple Port selection function. If you use the embedded EDM, you can select up to a maximum of 24 ports. There is no port limit for COM users.

From the Device Physical View, you can do one of the following:

- Ctrl+click to select up to 24 specific ports.
- Click and drag to select up to 24 adjacent ports. In this case, ensure you click just outside the first port in the group and drag the mouse pointer over the group.

With both methods, selected ports appear within a yellow outline in the Device Physical View.

For more information about EDM, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 User Interface Fundamentals* (NN46205–308).

VRF name increase from 32 to 64 characters

Starting with Release 7.1, the Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 support 64-character length names for VRFs. This feature gives you more flexibility in naming VRFs by increasing the length of this field from 32 to 64 characters.

! Important:

There is a backward compatibility issue with this feature because older software releases cannot recognize the 64-character VRF names. Downgrades always require previously saved configuration files (boot.cfg and config.cfg).

For more information about the VRFs, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Configuration — IP Routing* (NN46205–523).

BFD enhancements

The IETF states that static routes should be taken down when BFD sessions go down. However, some equipment vendors do not comply with this standard and leave the static routes active when BFD sessions go down. Avaya allows you to choose either of the above options by implementing a static route flag. This feature enables you to control the behavior of a static route on a per VLAN/BFD session basis, which supports interoperability with all platforms and vendors.

Protocol sessions on which BFD is configured never go down regardless of the BFD session's administrative state or the administrative state of any BFD-related parameters on local or peer devices. With this enhancement, as long as there is reachability to the next hop on the BFD session, the protocols remains up and running. In previous releases, if the BFD holdoff timer was configured, the related protocol would go down when the BFD session was administratively down.

BFD is not supported with RSMLT.

For more information about the BFD, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Configuration — IP Routing* (NN46205–523).

SLPP enhancements

In Release 7.1, the default SLPP protocol ID Ethertype changed from 0x8104 to 0x8102. The new Ethertype is backward compatible and supports upgrade scenarios. For example, consider two IST peers with one running Release 7.0 and the other running Release 7.1. If you set both peers to use the default SLPP Ethertype, the protocol IDs will be different but they are compatible.

For more information about the SLPP, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Administration* (NN46205–605).

show command timestamp

Release 7.1 supports an enhancement that displays a timestamp on the output of show commands. With this feature, you can compare the output of commands executed at different times, which can help in debugging. The timestamp feature is enabled by default.

CP limit statistics

CP Limit protects the CPU from being flooded by traffic from a single, unstable port. You configure CP Limit by specifying thresholds on specified port within the chassis. If an unstable port reaches this threshold, CP Limit logs the current port statistics and then shuts down the port.

Release 7.1 supports the collection of statistics for CP Limit. The CP Limit statistics feature captures traffic details such as the type of traffic and their queue priority. This information helps in the debugging of network issues.

For more information about CP limit statistics, see *Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Administration* (NN46205–605).

CLI wrapper for shell debug commands

The shell debug wrapper commands group multiple shell commands under one command. With this feature, you can enter one command to display the output of all the related shell commands in that group to facilitate debugging. The show debug wrapper commands are separated into the following groups:

- generic (general shell and CPP commands)
- platform
- bridging
- routing
- multicast
- spbm (Shortest Path Bridging commands)

For more information about debug commands, see *Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Troubleshooting* (NN46205-703).

Flash file system enhancements

Release 7.1 supports the `dos-stop` command to ensure that the external compact flash card is synchronized before it is removed to avoid removed flash card issues.

Release 7.1 also supports the `shutdown` command to ensure that the SF/CPU card is shutdown before it is removed or the system is powered off.

For more information about Flash file system enhancements, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 — Administration* (NN46205-605).

Chapter 3: Important notices

This section describes the supported and unsupported hardware and software features in the Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Software Release 7.1, and provides important information for this release.

Supported hardware and software compatibility

The following table describes your hardware and the minimum Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 software version required to support the hardware.

Table 1: Chassis, SF/CPU, compact flash, and power supply compatibility

Item		Minimum software version	Part number
Chassis			
8010co	10-slot	3.1.2	DS1402004-E5 DS1402004-E5GS
8010	10-slot	3.0.0	DS1402001-E5 DS1402001-E5GS
8006	6-slot	3.0.0	DS1402002-E5 DS1402002-E5GS
8003-R	3-slot	7.0.0.0	DS1402011-E5
Switching fabric/CPU			
8692SFw/ SuperMezz	8692SF Switch Fabric/CPU with factory-installed Enterprise Enhanced CPU Daughter Card (SuperMezz).	4.1.0	DS1404066-E5
Enterprise Enhanced CPU Daughter Card (SuperMezz)	Optional daughter card for the 8692 SF/CPU	4.1.0	DS1411025-E5

Item		Minimum software version	Part number
Chassis			
8895 SF/CPU	Switching fabric	7.0	DS1404120-E5
Compact flash support on 8895 SF/CPU			
Avaya recommends using only the Compact Flash cards listed here with the 8895 SF/CPU since they have been validated for proper operation. Use of any other Compact Flash devices is not recommended as they have not been verified for compatibility on the 8895 SF/CPU.		7.1.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SSD-C02G-4000 • SSD-C02G-4007 • SSD-C02G-4300 • SSD-C02G-4500 • SSD-C02G-4600
Power supplies			
8004AC	850 W AC	3.1.2	DS1405x08
8004DC	850 W DC	3.1.2	DS1405007
8005AC	1462 W AC	4.0.0	DS1405012
8005DI AC	1462 W Dual input AC	5.0	DS1405018-E6
8005DI DC	1462 W Dual input DC	5.1	DS1405017-E5
8005DC	1462 W DC	4.0.x	DS1405011

Table 2: Module and component compatibility

Modules and components		Minimum software version	Part number
Ethernet 8800 modules			
8812XL	12 port 10 Gigabit Ethernet SFP+	7.1.3.0	DS1404121-E6
8848GB	48 100/1000 Mbps SFP ports	7.1.0.0	DS1404122-E6
8834XG	24 100/1000 Mbps SFP ports 2 XFP ports 8 10/100/1000 Mbps copper ports	7.1.0.0	DS1404123-E6

Modules and components		Minimum software version	Part number
8848GT	48-port 10/100/1000 Mbps copper ports	7.1.0.0	DS1404124-E6
Ethernet RS modules			
8648GTRS	48-port 10/100/1000 Mbps copper ports	5.0.0	DS1404110-E6
8612XLRS	12-port 10 GbE LAN module	5.0.0	DS1404097-E6
8634XGRS	24 100/1000 Mbps SFP ports 2 XFP ports 8 10/100/1000 Mbps copper ports	5.0.0	DS1404109-E6
8648GBRS	48 100/1000 Mbps SFP ports	5.0.0	DS1404102-E6
Ethernet R modules			
8630GBR module	30-port Gigabit Ethernet SFP	4.0.0	DS1404063
8648GTR module	48-port 10/100/1000BASE-TX	4.0.x	DS1404092
8683XLR module	3-port XFP (10.3125 Gb/s LAN PHY)	4.0.0	DS1404101
8683XZR module	3-port XFP (10.3125 Gb/s LAN PHY and 9.953 Gb/s WAN PHY)	4.1.0	DS1404064
100BASE Small form factor pluggable transceivers			
100BASE-FX SFP	1310 nm LC connector	5.0.0	AA1419074-E6
1000BASE Small form factor pluggable transceivers			
1000BASE-SX SFP	850 nm LC connector	4.0.0	AA1419013-E5
1000BASE-SX SFP	850 nm MT-RJ connector	4.0.0	AA1419014-E5
1000BASE-LX SFP	1310 nm LC connector	4.0.0	AA1419015-E5
1000BASE-XD CWDM SFP	From 1470 nm to 1610 nm LC connector	4.0	AA1419025-E5 to AA1419032-E5
1000BASE-ZX CWDM SFP	From 1470 nm to 1610 nm LC connector	4.0	AA1419033-E5 to

Modules and components		Minimum software version	Part number
			AA1419040-E5
1000BASE-T SFP	Category 5 copper unshielded twisted pair (UTP), RJ-45 connector	4.0.0	AA1419043-E6
1000BASE-SX SFP	850 nm DDI LC connector	5.0	AA1419048-E6
1000BASE-LX SFP	1310 nm DDI LC connector	5.0	AA1419049-E6
1000BASE-XD SFP	1310 nm DDI LC connector	5.0	AA1419050-E6
1000BASE-XD SFP	1550 nm DDI LC connector	5.0	AA1419051-E6
1000BASE-ZX SFP	1550 nm DDI LC connector	5.0	AA1419052-E6
1000BASE-XD CWDM SFP	From 1470 nm to 1610 nm, DDI	5.0	AA1419053-E6 to AA1419060-E6
1000BASE-ZX CWDM SFP	From 1470 nm to 1610 nm, DDI	5.0	AA1419061-E6 to AA1419068-E6
1000BASE-BX bidirectional SFP	1310 nm, single fiber LC, up to 10 km	4.1.0	AA1419069-E6
1000BASE-BX bidirectional SFP	1490 nm, single fiber LC, up to 10 km	4.1.0	AA1419070-E6
1000BASE-BX bidirectional SFP	1310 nm, single fiber LC , up to 40 km	7.0	AA1419076-E6
1000BASE-BX bidirectional SFP	1490 nm, single fiber LC, up to 40 km	7.0	AA1419077-E6
1000BASE-EX	1550 nm, up to 120 km	5.0	AA1419071-E6
10 Gigabit Ethernet Small form factor pluggable (XFP) transceivers			
10GBASE-LR/LW XFP	1-port 1310 nm SMF, LC connector	4.0.0	AA1403001-E5
10GBASE-ER/EW XFP	1-port 1550 nm SMF, LC connector	4.0.x	AA1403003-E5

Modules and components		Minimum software version	Part number
10GBASE-SR/SW XFP	1-port 850 nm MMF, LC connector	4.0.0	AA1403005-E5
10GBASE-ZR/ZW XFP	1550 nm SMF LC connector	4.1.0	AA1403006-E5
10GBASE-LRM XFP	Up to 220 m over MMF, DDI	5.0.0	AA1403007-E6
10 Gigabit Ethernet Small form factor pluggable (SFP+) transceivers			
10GBASE-LR	1310 nm SMF with a range up to 10 km	7.1.3	AA1403011-E6
10GBASE-ER	1550 nm SMF with a range up to 40 km	7.1.3	AA1403013-E6
10GBASE-SR	850 nm with a range up to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22 m using 62.5 micrometer (μm), 160 megaHertz times km (MHz-km) MMF • 33 m using 62.5 μm, 200 MHz-km MMF • 66 m using 62.5 μm, 500 MHz-km MMF • 82 m using 50 μm, 500 MHz-km MMF • 300 m using 50 μm, 2000 MHz-km MMF 	7.1.3	AA1403015-E6
10GBASE-LRM	1310 nm. Up to 220 m reach over Fiber Distributed Data Interface (FDDI)-grade 62.5 μm multimode fiber. Suited for campus LANs.	7.1.3	AA1403017-E6
10GBASE-CX	4-pair direct attach twinaxial copper cable to connect 10 Gb ports. The maximum range is 10 m.	7.1.3	AA1403018-E6
10GBASE-CX	4-pair direct attach twinaxial copper cable to connect 10 Gb ports. The maximum range is 3 m.	7.1.3	AA1403019-E6
10GBASE-CX	4-pair direct attach twinaxial copper cable to connect 10 Gb	7.1.3	AA1403020-E6

Modules and components		Minimum software version	Part number
	ports. The maximum range is 5 m.		

Unsupported hardware for Release 7.1

Release 7.1 does not support any classic modules, including the following:

- 8608GBE module
- 8608GBM module
- 8608GTE module
- 8608GTM module
- 8608SXE module
- 8616GTE module
- 8616SXE module
- 8624FXE module
- 8632TXE module
- 8632TXM module
- 8648TXE module
- 8648TXM module
- 8672ATME module
- 8672ATMM module
- 8683POSM module
- 8690 SF/CPU module
- 8691 SF/CPU module
- Web Switching Module (WSM)
- 8660 Service Delivery Module (SDM)
- 8661 SSL Acceleration Module (SAM)
- Media Dependent Adapters for the 8672ATME and 8672ATMM Modules
- Breaker Interface Panel
- 8001AC power supply
- 8002DC power supply
- 8003AC power supply

Release 7.1 supports the 8692 SF/CPU only if it is equipped with SuperMezz. The 8692 SF/CPU without SuperMezz is not supported with Release 7.1.

In addition, M mode is no longer supported in Release 7.1. The software runs in R mode by default.

! Important:

In release 7.1, the 8003 chassis is no longer supported. It is replaced by the 8003-R chassis.

Supported software and hardware scaling capabilities

The following table lists supported software and hardware scaling capabilities in Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Software Release 7.1. The information in this table supersedes information contained in *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Planning and Engineering — Network Design, NN46205-200*, or any other document in the suite.

The capabilities described in this table were tested as individual protocols, not mixtures of protocols.

Avaya supports 25 Spanning Tree Groups (STG) in this release. Although you can configure up to 64 STGs, configurations including more than 25 STGs are not supported. If you need to configure more than 25 STGs, contact your Avaya Customer Support representative for more information about the support of this feature.

MLT is similar in behavior to the 802.3ad standard for static LACP.

Table 3: Supported scaling capabilities

	Maximum number supported using 8692 SF/CPU with SuperMezz or 8895 SF/CPU
<i>Shortest Path Bridging MAC (SPBM)</i>	
ARP entries with SPBM enabled per switch (tested in ERS Release 7.1.0.0)	6000
C-VLANs to I-SIDs supported with SPBM enabled per switch without SMLT	2000
C-VLANs to I-SIDs supported with SPBM enabled per switch with SMLT	1700
VRF instances	256 (including GRT)
GRT routes with SPBM enabled per switch (tested in ERS Release 7.1.0.0)	8000

	Maximum number supported using 8692 SF/CPU with SuperMezz or 8895 SF/CPU
VRF routes with SPBM enabled per switch (tested in ERS Release 7.1.0.0)	8000
L2 VPNs	2000
Number of MACs on VPNs	30 000
<i>Layer 2</i>	
MAC address table entries	64 000 (32 000 when SMLT is used)
VLANs (port- protocol-, and IEEE 802.1Q-based)	4000
IP subnet-based VLANs	800
Ports per Link Aggregation Group (LAG, MLT)	8
Aggregation groups 802.3ad aggregation groups Multi Link Trunking (MLT) group	128
SMLT IDs	127
SLT IDs	382
VLANs on SMLT/IST link	With Max VLAN feature enabled: 2000
RSMLT links per VLAN	64
RSTP/MSTP (number of ports)	384, with 224 active. Configure the remaining interfaces with Edge mode
MSTP instances	32
<i>Advanced Filters</i>	
ACLs for each system	4000
ACEs for each system	10 000
ACEs for each ACL	1000
ACEs for each port	2000: 500 inPort 500 inVLAN 500 outPort 500 outVLAN
<i>IP, IP VPN/MPLS, IP VPN Lite, VRF Lite</i>	
IP interfaces (VLAN- and brouter-based)	1972
VRF instances	255
ECMP routes	5000
VRRP interfaces	255
IP forwarding table (Hardware)	250 000
BGP/mBGP peers	250

	Maximum number supported using 8692 SF/CPU with SuperMezz or 8895 SF/CPU
iBGP instances	on GRT
eBGP instances	on 256 VRFs (including GRT)
BGP forwarding routes BGP routing information base (RIB) BGP forwarding information base (FIB)	BGP FIB 250 000 BGP RIB 500 000
IP VPN routes (total routes for each system)	180 000
IP VPN VRF instances	255
Static ARP entries	2048 per VRF (10 000 per system)
Dynamic ARP entries	32 000
DHCP relay instances (total for all VRFs)	512
Static route entries	2000 per VRF (10 000 per system)
OSPF instances for each switch	on 64 VRFs (including GRT)
OSPF areas for each switch	5 per VRF (24 per system)
OSPF adjacencies for each switch	80 per VRF (200 per system)
OSPF routes	20 000 per VRF (50 000 per system)
OSPF interfaces	500 per system
OSPF LSA packet maximum size	6000 bytes
RIP instances	on 64 VRFs (including GRT)
RIP interfaces	200
RIP routes	2500 per VRF (10 000 per system)
<i>Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS)</i>	
MPLS LDP sessions	200
MPLS LDP LSPs	16 000
MPLS RSVP static LSPs	200
Tunnels	2500
<i>IP Multicast</i>	
DVMRP passive interfaces	1200
DVMRP active interfaces/neighbors	80
DVMRP routes	2500
PIM instances	on 64 VRFs (including GRT)
PIM active interfaces	200 (200 for all VRFs)

	Maximum number supported using 8692 SF/CPU with SuperMezz or 8895 SF/CPU
PIM passive interfaces	1972 (2000 for all VRFs)
PIM neighbors	80 (200 for all VRFs)
MSDP peers	20
MSDP maximum SA messages	6144
Multicast streams: with SMLT/ without SMLT	3000/4000 (per switch)
Multicast streams per port	1000
Multicast streams on non-SPBM VLANs when SPBM is enabled on the switch	1500
IGMP reports/sec	250
<i>IPv6</i>	
IPv6 interfaces	250
IPv6 tunnels	350
IPv6 static routes	2000
OSPFv3 areas	5
OSPFv3 adjacencies	80
OSPFv3 routes	5000
<i>Operations, Administration, and Maintenance</i>	
IPFIX	384 000 flows per chassis
RMON alarms with 4000K memory	2630
RMON events with 250K memory	324
RMON events with 4000K memory	5206
RMON Ethernet statistics with 250K memory	230
RMON Ethernet statistics with 4000K memory	4590

Software licensing

The following table describes the license required to use specific features. The Premier License enables all licensed features on the Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600.

Table 4: License and features

Base License	Advanced License	Premier License
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IP Multinetting • IP Source Guard • DHCP Snooping • Dynamic ARP Inspection • BPDU Filtering • IGMP Querier for L2 • PIM-SSM for SMLT • Multicast VLAN Registration (MVR) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • all Base License features • Border Gateway Protocol version 4 (BGPv4) for more than 10 Peers • Bidirectional Forwarding Detection (BFD) • Multicast Source Discovery Protocol (MSDP) • Packet Capture function (PCAP) • IPv6 Features: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IPv6 Routing - IPv6 over SMLT and RSMLT - DHCPv6 Relay - VRRPv3 - BGP+ - RADIUSv6 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • all Base License and Advanced License features • Virtual Routing and Forwarding Lite (VRF Lite) • Multi-Protocol Border Gateway Protocol (MP-BGP) • IP-Virtual Private Network, Multi-Protocol Label Switching (RFC2547) (IP-VPN MPLS RFC2547) • IP-Virtual Private Network-Lite (IP-VPN-Lite – IP in IP) • Multicast virtualization for VRF-Lite (IGMP and PIM-SM/SSM) • Shortest Path Bridging (SPB) Features: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SPB L2 VSNs (VLAN Extensions) - SPB GRT Shortcuts (VRF0 shortcuts) - SPB L3 VSNs (VRF Extensions) - IP VPN Lite over SPB IP shortcuts - Inter-VSN Routing - IEEE 802.1ag Connectivity Fault Management

All IPv6 features require the Advanced License.

Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Release 7.1 includes a Premier trial license that is valid for 60 days from the date of install. After 60 days, the license expires and configured licensed features are no longer functional after the switch is restarted or rebooted. If you want these configured features to continue to function properly, you must install a valid license.

For more information about using licenses, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Administration* (NN46205-605).

File names for this release

This section describes the Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Software Release 7.1.3 software files.

Before you upgrade, Avaya recommends that you verify the MD5 signature for each new file to be used. For upgrade procedures, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Upgrades — Software Release 7.1, NN46205-400*.

Table 5: Release 7.1.3 software files

Module or file type	Description	File name	Size in bytes
Software tar file	Tar file of all software deliverables (includes images that also contain encryption software)	pr86_7130.tar.gz	67,657,820
Copyright file	Ethernet Routing Switch 8600/8800 Master Copyright file	ERS8k.7.1.3.0_Copyright.docx	56,205
Ethernet Routing Switch images			
Boot monitor image for 8692 SF/CPU	8692 CPU and switch fabric firmware	p80b7130.img	1,188,231
Boot monitor image for 8895 SF/CPU	8895 CPU and switch fabric firmware	p80be7130.img	1,254,827
Run-time image for 8692 SF/CPU	Run-time image for 8692 SF/CPU	p80a7130.img	15,798,161
Run-time image for 8895 SF/CPU	Run-time image for 8895 SF/CPU	p80ae7130.img	14,828,127
Run-time image for R modules	Image for R modules	p80j7130.dld	1,789,436
Run-time image for RS modules	Run-time image for RS modules	p80k7130.dld	1,856,524
Run-time image for Enterprise	Image for the SuperMezz card	p80m7130.img	15,875,878

Module or file type	Description	File name	Size in bytes
Enhanced SF/ CPU Daughter Card (SuperMezz)			
3DES for 8692 SF/CPU	Encryption module for privacy protocol with Secure Shell (SSH)	p80c7130.des	56,124
3DES for 8895 SF/CPU	Encryption module for privacy protocol with Secure Shell (SSH)	p80ce7130.des	51,972
AES for 8692 SF/CPU	Encryption module for privacy protocol with Secure Shell (SSH)	p80c7130.aes (this image includes the 3DES image)	27,436
AES for 8895 SF/CPU	Encryption module for privacy protocol with Secure Shell (SSH)	p80ce7130.aes (this image includes the 3DES image)	25,156
MIB	MIB files	p80a7130.mib	5,242,683
MIB (zip file)	Zip file containing MIBs	p80a7130.mib.zip	821,181
MD5 checksum file	md5 checksums of all Release 7.1 software files	p80a7130.md5	1,227
Firmware images			
FOQ for R modules	Feedback output queueing FPGA firmware	foq267.xsvf	5,320,469
BMC for R modules	BAP memory controller FPGA firmware	bmc776.xsvf	2,640,266
DPC for R modules	Dual port controller FPGA firmware	dpc194.xsvf	2,642,001
PIM8630GBR	Programmable I/O module FPGA firmware; for the 8630GBR only	PI_769.xsvf	2,284,578
Firmware for RS modules	Contains FOQ, BMC, DPC, mirroring, and loopback images	rs_dpm_fpga.bin	4,538,368
PIM images for RS modules	PIM FPGA firmware required for 8612XLRS module only	pim8612XLRS.bin	60,183
	PIM FPGA firmware required for 8634XGRS module only	pim8634XGRS.bin	78,173

Module or file type	Description	File name	Size in bytes
	PIM FPGA firmware required for 8648GBRS module only	pim8648GBRS.bin	79,891
	PIM FPGA firmware required for 8648GTRS module only	pim8648GTRS.bin	54,441
Trace files			
MPLS trace file	Trace file for MPLS. This is autogenerated and appears on the PCMCIA after upgrade.	nbpdtrc.lo0	variable
EDM Help files			
EDM help files	Help files for EDM GUI	ERS8k.7.1.3.0_Help.zip	5,095,300
ERS 8000/8600 EDM plug-in for COM			
EDM plug-in for COM	EDM plug-in for COM	ers8000v7.1.3.0.zip	6,922,724

Important information and restrictions

This section contains important information and restrictions that you should consider before you upgrade to Release 7.1.3.

Fixes from previous releases

The Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Software Release 7.1.3 incorporates all fixes from prior releases up to and including release 5.1.7.0, 7.1, and 7.1.1.

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8812XL SFP+ I/O module upgrade considerations

When you upgrade other modules, the 8812XL SFP+ I/O module displays KHI errors.

! Important:

Avaya recommends taking the 8812XL SFP+ I/O module out of service before you upgrade other modules.

SuperMezz, SF/CPU memory, and upgrades

To support Release 7.1, the 8692 SF/CPU must be equipped with SuperMezz. 8692 SF/CPU without SuperMezz is not supported with Release 7.1. If the Release 7.1 software is booted with a non-SuperMezz 8692 SF/CPU, the line cards do not come online.

For Release 7.1, Avaya recommends that the PCMCIA card for the 8692 SF/CPU with SuperMezz be at least 256 MB. 256 MB is the current size of the shipping PCMCIA card. The 8692 SF/CPU with SuperMezz does not support PCMCIA cards larger than 256 MB.

The 8895 SF/CPU comes with a 2 GB compact flash card.

Compact flash card display on 8895 SF/CPU

The 8692 SF/CPU with SuperMezz displays the external PCMCIA card as `/pcmcia`. The 8895 SF/CPU has an external compact flash card installed rather than a PCMCIA card, and also displays this flash card as `/pcmcia`.

The internal flash memory (64 MB) is displayed as `/flash` for both the 8692 SF/CPU with SuperMezz and the 8895 SF/CPU.

Proper care of external compact flash and PCMCIA cards

To guarantee the external compact flash card or the PCMCIA card is in a consistent state before you remove it, use one of the following commands.

- `pcmcia-stop` (on 8692 SF/CPU)
- `dos-stop /pcmcia` (on 8895 SF/CPU)

Do not remove the external memory card without first entering one of the preceding commands.

Be sure to back up all configurations, as all files can be lost if the card becomes corrupted.

To check and optionally repair a file system, you can use the `dos-chkdsk <device> repair` command.

If the file system cannot be repaired, you can attempt to reformat the device using the `dos-format <device>` command. Otherwise, you may need to replace the card.

Both of the above commands delete all information on the memory, so be sure to backup all information before using either of the commands.

The above commands are available in the CLI, ACLI, and the boot monitor.

Proper handling of SF/CPU and I/O modules

Caution:

Avaya strongly recommends that you disable any module (SF/CPU or I/O) before you remove it. Use one of the following commands.

- `config slot <slotnum> state disable` (CLI command)
- `slot shutdown <slotnum>` (ACLI command)

Do not remove any module without first entering one of the preceding commands.

For more information on using these commands for specific tasks, see the following topics in *Upgrades — Software Release 7.1.3 (NN46205–400)*:

- Upgrading from 8692 SF/CPU with SuperMezz to 8895 SF/CPU
- Hot swapping the Master SF/CPU module in a dual CPU chassis
- Hot swapping the Secondary SF/CPU module in a dual CPU chassis
- Hot swapping an I/O module

Pasting configurations into the configuration file

If you use the console, Telnet, or SSH to paste configurations into the switch configuration file, use the following guidelines:

- Use an ASCII-only editor and do not include any additional (hidden) characters.
- Make sure that the order of the commands is correct.

EDM considerations

In the EDM Physical Device view, EDM does not display the name of the 8692 SF/CPU cards. This issue does not affect 8895 SF/CPU cards.

In EDM, if you create a BGP Peer (under **Configuration > IP > BGP > Peers > Insert**), the AdvertisementInterval value defaults to 30. This value should default to 5, which is the default route advertisement interval value for configuration using the CLI or ACLI.

The following sections list other EDM considerations.

Supported browsers

For Enterprise Device Manager (EDM) to display and function correctly, use one of the following Web browsers:

- Mozilla Firefox, version 3.0+
- Microsoft Internet Explorer, version 7.0

If you connect to EDM using an unsupported browser, the switch displays an error message.

On-box and off-box EDM

EDM is a Web-based graphical user interface (GUI) for element management and configuration of the Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600. EDM is an embedded application on the Ethernet Routing Switch, and the EDM Web server is the switch itself.

EDM for the Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 is also supported as a plug-in with the Configuration and Orchestration Manager (COM). Access to COM is also through a browser.

To distinguish between the embedded EDM and the EDM plug-in for COM, the following terminology is used in the Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 documentation:

- on-box EDM: EDM software that is embedded with the switch code
- off-box EDM: EDM plug-in that is available with the COM software

*** Note:**

If you launch on-box EDM using Internet Explorer and then graph a port, you cannot change the default 5s polling interval from the drop down box. As a workaround, you can launch on-box EDM using Firefox, or use the off-box EDM plug-in.

Saving runtime configurations in EDM

In EDM, the option for saving runtime configuration changes is not easily seen. To save current changes, go to **Configuration > Edit > Chassis** and under ActionGroup1, click on **SaveRuntimeConfig** and click **Apply**. (Q02114591)

Unlike Java Device Manager, when you exit EDM, there is no pop-up dialog box prompting you to save the configuration.

EDM table display

Avaya does not recommend using EDM (on-box or off-box through COM plug-in) to display routing tables with 3000 or more entries as doing so can take a long period of time (many minutes) to formulate the display. The EDM application can become unusable until the whole table is displayed. This issue is present with all large route tables, but is more apparent with BGP route tables. Avaya recommends that you use either the CLI or ACLI to display these type of tables. Be aware that this display scenario does not affect traffic on the switch.

This same recommendation previously applied to Java Device Manager operations. (Q02123849)

EDM replaces older graphical user interfaces

Enterprise Device Manager (EDM) replaces both the Java-based Device Manager and Web-based management. EDM is an embedded element management and configuration application for Ethernet Routing Switch 8800 Series switches. EDM uses a Web-based graphical user interface for the convenience of full integration onto the switch, but it retains the look and feel of Device Manager.

! Important:

With the introduction of Enterprise Device Manager (EDM), the use of Device Manager (sometimes referred to as JDM) is no longer supported because the use of JDM to control the switch could lead to potential corruption of the switch configuration.

! Important:

If you upgrade the software on your switch, and if you are managing the switch with EDM, then you should refresh the browser cache on your end device to ensure that EDM loads the latest tabs for all respective features.

EDM functionality differences from Java Device Manager

In some cases, EDM functionality differs from that previously offered in Java Device Manager (JDM), including the following:

- **Single username and password combination for each VRF**

With EDM, you can configure only one username and password combination for each VRF.

- **Managing VRF users with COM**

With COM, Avaya recommends that the administrator of the COM system assign appropriate device credentials along with proper VRF mapping to COM users.

- If a COM user needs to be restricted to a particular VRF, in the device credentials, map the credentials for the COM user to that VRF.
- If a COM user needs GlobalRouter access, in the device credentials, map the credentials for the COM user to the GlobalRouter. GlobalRouter access allows the COM user access to any and all VRFs.

Upon launching the EDM plugin, users with restricted VRF can see the device view for that particular VRF only. Users with the GlobalRouter VRF associated have the ability to switch the VRF context to another VRF as needed.

! Important:

In COM, the VRF Manager allows you to further restrict access to a device to a particular VRF. When you launch the EDM plugin, the displayed VRF is the one specified by the VRF Manager (assuming the appropriate user credentials are also configured). However, in the case where your user credentials are mapped to the GlobalRouter, and the VRF Manager maps the device to a specific VRF, the EDM plugin launches the specified non-GlobalRouter VRF rather than the GlobalRouter VRF. Furthermore, in this scenario, you cannot switch the VRF context to another VRF using the EDM plugin.

As a result, to switch the VRF context, Avaya recommends that you not use the VRF Manager to map the VRF to a non-GlobalRouter VRF. Instead, map the VRF to the

GlobalRouter in the VRF Manager, and use the Set VRF menu option from within the EDM off-box plugin (described above) to switch the device context to a different VRF.

If a COM user finds an unexpected behavior with an incorrect default VRF context being launched for the EDM plugin inside COM, do the following:

- Check the credentials in COM for that device. To access credentials, in the COM left panel, expand **Admin** and click **Device Credentials**. Verify that the COM user is assigned the correct VRF (to allow the user to switch between multiple VRF contexts, they must be assigned to VRF 0 or GlobalRouter).
- If the credentials are correct, check the VRF manager in COM. In the COM left panel, expand **Managers** and click the **Virtual Routing Manager** icon. Make sure that the device has the correct VRF associated with it (VRF 0 or GlobalRouter to allow the user to switch between multiple VRF contexts). If a device is assigned a specific VRF in the VRF Manager, all functions within COM (including EDM) use that VRF context by default.

Also be aware of the following:

- In order to modify the VRF context using the VRF Manager, the user needs GlobalRouter credentials for a device in the device credentials page.
- The VRF Manager is available in COM only if the full COM application license is purchased.
- The VRF Manager must be assigned to a particular user by the COM administrator using the Manager assignment function under the Admin/Access Control menu in the COM left navigation pane. This option exists in order to allow role-based access control for users to whom the administrator wishes to limit privileges when there are many users of the system.

• **CLI window launch**

The on-box EDM GUI is a browser-based solution that can run from any supported platform (Windows or Linux) and it does not offer the capability to launch a Windows-based command prompt window as was available in JDM. In the COM with off-box Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 EDM plug-in, the CLI manager exists to launch CLI windows as needed. You can also connect to a switch using your own local command prompt.

• **Supported COM release**

For Release 7.1, Avaya recommends using COM 2.2 or higher.

Using the EDM plug-in with COM

The Configuration and Orchestration Manager (COM) is an Avaya off-box network management tool that supports an EDM plug-in for the Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600. The EDM plug-in allows you to perform EDM functions within the off-box COM tool. For

information about installing the EDM plug-in for COM, see *Avaya Configuration and Orchestration Manager Using the Product Interfaces* (NN47226-100).

You can obtain the EDM plug-in software from the Avaya support site at <http://support.avaya.com>.

Installing EDM help files

While the EDM GUI is bundled with the Release 7.1 software, the associated EDM help files are not included. To access the help files from the EDM GUI, you must install the EDM help files on either a TFTP or FTP server in your network.

Use the following procedure to install the EDM help files on a TFTP or FTP server.

! Important:

Do not install the EDM help files within the `/pcmcia` or `/flash` file systems, as the help files consume too much space.

Procedure steps

1. Retrieve the EDM help zip file from avaya.com or from the software CD.
2. On a TFTP or FTP server that is reachable from your 8800/8600 switch, create a directory named: `ERS8000_71_Help`.

If you are using FTP for this installation, be sure that the 8800/8600 switch is configured with the appropriate host name and password using the `config bootconfig host user` and `config bootconfig host password` commands (or, using the ACLI, `boot config host user` and `boot config host password`).

If a host password is configured, the 8800/8600 switch uses FTP to transfer data from the switch to the server. If no host password is configured, the switch uses TFTP for the data transfer. To clear the host password, specify a blank value using the host password command: `config bootconfig host password ""` (CLI) **OR** `boot config host password ""` (ACLI)
3. Unzip the EDM help zip file in the new FTP or TFTP server directory.
4. Using EDM on the 8800/8600 switch, open the following folders: **Configuration, Security, Control Path**.
5. Double-click **General**.
6. Click the **Web** tab.
7. In the **HelpTftp/Ftp_SourceDir** field, enter the FTP or TFTP server IP and the path of the online directory where the files are unzipped, in the following format: `<TFTP/FTP-server-IP-address>:ERS8000_71_Help`.
8. To test that the help is working properly, select any tab (for example, **Edit > Chassis**) and click the **Help** button.

The appropriate EDM help page appears.

I/O module considerations

The 8648GTR module does not support a packet size larger than 9188 bytes at 100 Mbps. At 1000 Mbps, frames larger than 9188 bytes (up to 9600 bytes) are supported.

MLT/LAG considerations

To maintain MLT and LAG stability during failover, Avaya recommends the use of CANA: you must configure the advertised speed to be the same for all MLT/LACP links. For 10/100/1000 Mbps ports, ensure that CANA uses only one specific setting, for example, 1000-full or 100-full. Otherwise, a remote device could restart Auto-Negotiation and the link could use a different capability. In the case of LACP LAGs, ports of different speeds cannot join the same LAG.

It is important that each port uses only one speed and duplex mode. The use of CANA forces this setting. This way, all links in Up state are guaranteed to have the same capabilities. If Auto-Negotiation and CANA are not used, the same speed and duplex mode settings should be used on all ports of the MLT/LAG.

Console connection considerations

If you change the management IP setting using EDM or an SNMP device, the active console session is terminated. In this case, you must reopen the console session.

DHCP snooping considerations

On any switch configured with both DHCP Relay and DHCP snooping enabled, you must ensure that the routing interfaces where the DHCP offer is received are configured as DHCP snooping trusted ports. This applies to any and all return paths; that is, primary and backup routing interfaces.

Supported upgrade paths

The Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Software Release 7.1 supports direct upgrades from the following earlier releases:

- 4.1.8
- 5.0.1
- 5.1.2

- 5.1.3
- 5.1.4
- 5.1.6
- 7.0
- 7.1
- 7.1.1

If you want to upgrade to release 7.1.3 from any other release, first upgrade to one of the above releases and then upgrade to 7.1.3.

General upgrade considerations

The configuration file generated with Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Software Release 7.1 contains options that are not backward-compatible with any previous Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Software Releases.

Loading a Release 7.1 configuration file on a pre-7.1 runtime image can generate errors and cause the image to stop loading the configuration file. Under these conditions, the system will load with a default configuration.

If 8800/8600 switches running pre-7.0 code are connected to rebranded 8800 7.0 switches, the pre-7.0 switches cannot identify the chassis type and remote port from Topology Discovery Packets from the rebranded 8800 switches. As a result, in the pre-7.0 switches, the command **show sys topology** displays `unknown error: 192` in the ChassisType and Rem Port fields for the 8800 switches.

Downgrades always require previously saved configuration files (boot.cfg and config.cfg) and may require the removal of R, RS, and 8800 series modules prior to downgrade.

Upgrade considerations for Release 7.1

Before you upgrade, read *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Upgrades — Software Release 7.1, NN46205-400* and follow the outlined procedures.

If you are upgrading from a release prior to 5.0, you must reformat the DOSFS for the PCMCIA and flash. Steps are included in the upgrade procedures. See [Upgrade considerations: DOSFS with upgrades from pre-Release 5.0](#) on page 49.

You must take into consideration Power Management for this release; for more information, see [Upgrade considerations: Power Management](#) on page 49.

Upgrading from 8692 SF/CPU with SuperMezz to 8895 CPU

Use the following steps to upgrade from 8692 SF/CPU with SuperMezz to 8895 CPU.

Prerequisites

- You must be local to the switch with a console connection.
- Upgrade the Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 to 7.1.3 code with the 8692 SF/CPU with SuperMezz as master and slave.
- Download the p80ae7130.img and p80be7130.img software images, as well as the dld files (p80j7130.dld, p80k7130.dld) to the master 8692 SF/CPU.

Procedure steps

1. Disable the slot for the slave SF/CPU. For example:

```
ERS-8010:5# config slot x state dis (where slot x is the slot of the slave 8692 SF/CPU).
```

2. Remove the slave 8692 SF/CPU with SuperMezz.
3. Insert the 8895 SF/CPU into the chassis, and immediately after inserting the 8895 SF/CPU, stop the boot process at the boot monitor when prompted.
4. Copy the running configuration file (config.cfg), boot configuration file (boot.cfg), images and dld files (p80ae7130.img, p80be7130.img, p80j7130.dld, p80k7130.dld) from the current master 8692 SF/CPU to the 8895 SF/CPU using the internal IP for the copy command: 127.0.0.X, where X is the slot number of the 8692 SF/CPU. For example:

```
ERS-8010:5# copy 127.0.0.X:/flash/<name of the file> /flash/
```

5. Edit the primary image file name in the boot.cfg to load the 8895 image. For example:

```
monitor:5# choice primary image-file p80ae7130.img
```

```
monitor:5# save
```

6. Boot the 8895 SF/CPU with the correct image and wait for the login screen. For example:

```
monitor:5# boot /flash/ p80be7130.img
```

7. Perform a failover from the master 8692 SF/CPU using the following command:

```
config sys set action cpuswitchover
```

8. After the 8895 SF/CPU becomes the master, remove the slave 8692 SF/CPU with SuperMezz.
9. Insert another 8895 SF/CPU into the chassis, and immediately after inserting the 8895 SF/CPU, stop the boot process at the boot monitor when prompted.

- Copy the running configuration file (config.cfg), boot configuration file (boot.cfg), images and dld files (p80ae7130.img, p80be7130.img, p80j7130.dld, p80k7130.dld) from the current master 8895 SF/CPU to the new 8895 SF/CPU using the internal IP for the copy command: 127.0.0.X, where X is the slot number of the master 8895 SF/CPU. For example:

```
ERS-8010:5# copy 127.0.0.X:/flash/<name of the file> /
flash/.
```

- Boot the 8895 SF/CPU with the correct images and wait for the login screen.

```
monitor:5# boot /flash/ p80be7130.img
```

Upgrade considerations: DOSFS with upgrades from pre-Release 5.0

Release 5.0 introduced a unique signature to the Disk Operating System File System (DOSFS) volume label generated during `dos-format` and `format-flash` operations. This label provides clear identification about which DOSFS devices have been formatted with the latest DOSFS source code.

When you upgrade from pre-Release 5.0 software and boot an image with Release 7.1, you may see boot messages like:

```
The /flash device mounted successfully, but it appears to have been formatted with
pre-Release 5.0 file system code. Avaya recommends backing up the files from /flash,
and executing dos-format /flash to bring the file system on the /flash device to the
latest ERS 8800/8600 baseline.
```

If you receive this message, Avaya recommends that you perform a one-time reformat of the DOSFS device (using `dos-format`) to set the DOSFS baseline. This is part of the upgrade procedures.

The one-time DOS reformat erases all files on the DOSFS device. Avaya recommends that you back up all files from the DOSFS device, reformat the device, and replace all files.

Be sure to back up hidden files as well. For information about hidden files, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Upgrades — Software Release 7.1* (NN46205-400).

Upgrade considerations: Power Management

The Power Management feature available with Release 7.1 may require you to take special steps before you upgrade.

When you upgrade to Release 7.1, Power Management is enabled by default. If Power Management detects that there are not enough power supplies in the system to successfully run the system, it shuts down the lowest-priority modules. This does not occur if you have enough available power.

You can calculate the number of power supplies required for your Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 system. To determine the number of power supplies required for your switch configuration, use the *Avaya ERS 8800/8600 Power Supply Calculator, NN48500-519*. This is available on the Avaya support Web site at www.avaya.com/support.

*** Note:**

Avaya recommends using the power supply calculator to determine if the 8005AC/8005DC (Single or Dual Input) power supplies are required. The 8004AC power supply can be used with R modules and is supported in Release 7.1.

! Important:

The 8004AC power supply runs the PSUs @ 110VAC/15A. When you upgrade from the 8004AC and/or DC power supplies to the 8005AC and/or DC power supplies, be aware that the recommended input voltage is 200-240VAC to obtain full output power from 8005 power supplies. Additionally, 20AMP circuits @ 110V are required. Therefore, review or update your Power Plants and UPS accordingly.

For Power Management configuration and conceptual information, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Administration, NN46205-605*.

Power Management operations

With Power Management, when the switch boots, users are notified if there is redundant power available in the system. This notification is based on the available power provided by the power supplies as compared to the power requirements of the installed modules.

No I/O modules are brought up if there is insufficient power available. Although there is an override capability available, this should only be used for short periods of time or in emergencies—operating a chassis in an underpowered condition can lead to unpredictable results.

The amount of system power is calculated based on the number, type, and input source voltage of the power supplies in the chassis. This system power calculation is equal to the DC wattage output (which can differ depending on AC input voltage) minus 90 W required for the fans. For 8005AC or 8005DI AC supplies, the system detects whether the supply is sourced with 110 V or 220 V and uses the corresponding output power. For 8004 series power supplies, the system power output calculation is the same (690 W), regardless of source input AC voltage. However, the actual power supply wattage output will vary depending upon the input source voltage. The system power output calculation is always based on low-voltage input. Therefore in systems using 8004 series power supplies that are running at high voltage input (220 V), the system output power calculation will actually be lower (displaying 690 W) than what the system is capable of.

By default, switch fabrics are allotted highest priority and always power up. I/O modules power up if there is sufficient power remaining to do so. If there is insufficient power to bring all I/O modules online, they are powered up based on slot priority. By default, I/O modules are powered up starting at slot 1 until there is insufficient power to bring the next module online.

You have the ability within a working system to reconfigure slot priority to your own requirements. Avaya does not recommend changing the priority for the switch fabric slots.

If a chassis boots up and there are modules that are not online due to insufficient power, adding an additional power supply does not bring the modules online automatically. To bring the modules online, the system must be rebooted, or the module must be removed and reinserted into the chassis after the additional power supply is added.

If a system boots and power supply failure occurs, one of the two following conditions result:

1. A system with redundant power continues to operate normally. The redundant power configuration compensates for a power supply failure.
2. A system with no redundant power continues to operate, however, if there is insufficient power to support all modules, an SNMP trap and syslog message are sent every five minutes notifying the user that the system is operating in an underpowered condition. Correct this situation as soon as possible.

Disabling power and cooling management

You can disable Power Management to successfully upgrade even though not enough power supplies are installed to run all I/O modules.

If you already have enough power supplies, you do not need to disable Power Management.

You can calculate the number of power supplies required for your Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 system. To determine the number of power supplies required for your switch configuration, use the *Power Supply Calculator for Avaya ERS 8800/8600, NN48500-519*. This is available on the Avaya support Web site at www.avaya.com/support.

Important:

Avaya recommends that you do not disable Power Management, and that you instead install the required power supplies before upgrade. However, if you must disable Power Management for a short period of time, install the required supplies as quickly as possible.

By default, RS and 8800 I/O modules do not come up when the High-Speed Cooling Module is not installed.

Important:

Although you can override the fan check for the high-speed cooling module, this should only be done for short periods of time or in emergencies—operating a chassis with RS modules without the high-speed cooling module can lead to unpredictable results.

Use the following procedure in order to override the fan check for the high-speed cooling modules.

1. Save the pre-7.1 or current 7.1 configuration file.


```
save <file-name>.cfg
```
2. Edit the configuration file offline using an editor like VI or EMACS. You can either:
 - Use the CLI to edit the file on the switch (the switch has a built-in VI-like editor). Use the `edit <file-name>.cfg` command.

- Save the file as an ASCII file and transfer to another device for editing with a text editor like Notepad.
 - Transfer the file to a device and edit with VI or an EMACS-like editor, or using a text editing application such as MS Word. The configuration file is plain text only.
3. In the configuration file, add the following lines to the end of the flags section:


```
#!power power-check-enable false
#!power fan-check-enable false
```

See the following job aid for an example of correct placement of these commands.
 4. Save the file and, if you edited it off-switch, transfer the file back to the switch to use in the upgrade.
 5. Reboot the switch or source the configuration file.

Job aid: configuration file and command placement

```
#
# MON MAY 19 22:43:41 2008 UTC
# box type           : ERS-8010
# software version   : REL5.0.0.0_B006
# monitor version    : 5.0.0.0/006
# cli mode           : 8600 CLI
#
#
# Asic Info :
# SlotNum|Name      |CardType  |MdaType    |Parts Description
#
# Slot 1  --      0x00000001 0x00000000
# Slot 2  --      0x00000001 0x00000000
# Slot 3  --      0x00000001 0x00000000
# Slot 4  8630GBR 0x2432511e 0x00000000 RSP=25 CLUE=2 F2I=1 F2E=1 FTMUX=17 CC=3
# Slot 5  8692SF  0x200e0100 0x00000000 CPU: CPLD=19 MEZZ=4 SFM: OP=3 TMUX=2
# Slot 6  --      0x00000001 0x00000000
# Slot 7  --      0x00000001 0x00000000
# Slot 8  --      0x00000001 0x00000000
# Slot 9  --      0x00000001 0x00000000
# Slot 10 --      0x00000001 0x00000000
#
#!flags m-mode false
#!flags enhanced-operational-mode false
#!flags vlan-optimization-mode false
#!flags global-filter-ordering false
#!flags r-mode false
#!resource-reservation max-vlan false
#!resource-reservation multicast 2048
#!flags multicast-check-packet true
#!flags system-monitor true
#!record-reservation filter 4096
#!record-reservation ipmc 500
#!record-reservation local 2000
#!record-reservation mac 2000
#!record-reservation static-route 200
```

```

#!record-reservation vrrp 500
#!system-monitor monitoring-enable true
#!system-monitor detection-time 30
#!power power-check-enable false <----- ADD THIS LINE
#!power fan-check-enable false <----- ADD THIS LINE

```

Upgrade considerations: IST

After an IST peer is upgraded and restarted, wait until the entire system is stable prior to upgrading the other IST peer. Stabilization time depends on the complexity and size of the network (for example, the number of MAC and ARP records, routes, and the protocols used). Wait for the Layer 3 protocols, especially multicast protocols, to settle before you restart the other peer. If Layer 3 protocols are not in use, wait until the FDB and ARP tables on both peers report a similar number of entries.

Pre-release 5.1 upgrades considerations: specifying license file location

If you upgrade to release 7.1 from a release prior to 5.1, you must specify the location of your license file in the boot configuration file. If you do not specify the location of your license file, you can encounter issues with your licensed features.

Procedure steps

To specify the license file location, enter the following CLI command:

```
config bootconfig choice primary license-file <file>
```

OR

enter the following ACLI command:

```
(config)# boot config choice primary license-file <file>
```

*** Note:**

The variable '<file>' supports the following values for the source of a license file on an Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600:

- /flash/<file_name>
- /pcmcia/<file_name>
- <a.b.c.d>:<file_name>, where <a.b.c.d> is the IP address of an FTP or TFTP server

Considerations for upgrades from 5.0-based code releases

Users should read and reference the latest version of CSB 2008008618, Software Life-Cycle Management for the ERS 8800/8600 product, before deciding to move to any code release.

Important:

For switch cluster systems running 5.0.0.x code (where x is less than 2), intermediate upgrades first to 5.0.0.2, then to one of 5.0.1.x, or 5.1.x are required, versus a direct upgrade to 7.1.0.0. If not performed, direct console access will be required to recover the 'peer' switch cluster system still running 5.0.0.x code, after the first switch is upgraded. Refer to the 5.0.1.0 Release notes for details regarding the intermediate upgrade. Direct upgrades to release 7.1.0.0 are supported from 4.1.8.2, 4.1.8.3, 5.0.x (where x is 1 or higher), and 5.1.x.

Configuration file modifications for BGP upgrades from release 4.x code

Caution:

Users using BGP with release 4.x code need to be aware of the following limitations regarding upgrading to 5.x or later code release. For any user using the `add-as-path` command in 4.x or earlier releases, a direct upgrade to 5.x or later code (including 5.0.0.x, 5.0.1.0, 5.1.0.0, 7.0.0.0, or 7.1.0.0 code) will create issues with your BGP operation, as the format for this command has changed in 5.x and all future code releases. The usage of this command can be confirmed by looking at your current 4.x based configuration file (`config.cfg` by default) by using either CLI command `show config` or `more /flash/config.cfg`, and looking for entries under:

```
# IP AS LIST CONFIGURATION #
```

Entries such as this indicate usage of the command:

```
ip as-list 1 create ip as-list 1 add-as-path 100 permit "64521"
```

With 5.x code, the two commands have been replaced by a single command of format:

```
ip as-list <as-list id; 1-1024> create <member id in as-path;
0-65535> permit "<as-path: 0-65535>"
```

Prior to upgrading to 5.x code, if such config entries are in a 4.x config file, those entries must be manually converted to 5.x or later format before upgrading; the upgrade to 5.x or later code does not convert this command structure properly. Since both the 4.x and 5.x code files are plain ASCII text, the 4.x config file can be copied to any text editor (or edited locally on the 8800/8600 switch with its Unix VI editor), edited (for example with MS Word) and then copied back before upgrading.

For example, the above 4.x config example:

```
ip as-list 1 create ip as-list 1 add-as-path 100 permit "64521"
```

Must be changed to the following 5.x config format:

```
ip as-list 1 create 100 permit "64521"
```

(Q01977204)

SMLT switch cluster upgrade considerations

With SMLT switch cluster upgrades, to maintain remote Telnet access to the switches, you must follow specific upgrade steps in some scenarios when upgrading to any higher release of code.

For device management during an upgrade, you can use one of the following options:

1. Direct serial console connection to the switch
2. Telnet access to the management IP
3. Telnet access to any of the in-band IP addresses on the switch

In scenarios 1 and 2, you can manage the switch effectively at all times during the upgrade, and therefore these scenarios require no additional considerations. However, in scenario 3, you can lose Telnet connectivity during the upgrade of the IST peers unless you follow the proper steps.

Consider the following figure, showing a triangle SMLT setup. In this case, the user intends to upgrade the IST peers (that are currently running 5.1.0.0) to 7.1.0.0.

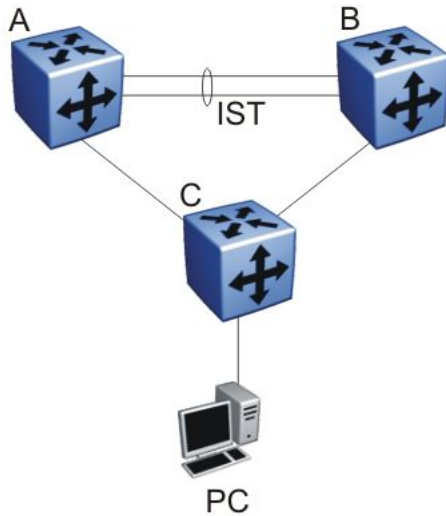


Figure 1: SMLT upgrade scenario

Assume the user Telnets from the PC to manage switch A and switch B. When the Telnet traffic generated by the PC arrives at switch C, depending on the MLT hashing algorithm, the traffic can be hashed to the link toward switch A or switch B. So, it is possible to have a situation where the Telnet management traffic destined for switch A flows through switch B and vice-versa.

Assume that the user upgrades switch A to 7.1.0.0. Due to the SMLT behavior, the network diagram now looks like the following figure.

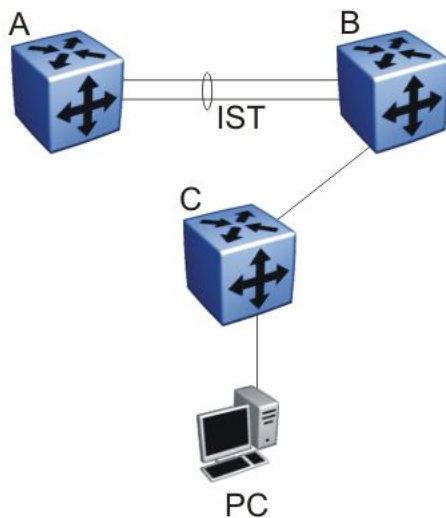


Figure 2: SMLT upgrade scenario after upgrading switch A to 7.1.0.0

In this situation the PC cannot communicate with switch A, and as a result Telnet access to switch A is unavailable. For in-band management, you can alternatively Telnet first into switch B, and then Telnet to switch A from there.

The following are the recommended steps to perform this upgrade procedure while using Telnet in-band management:

1. Telnet to switch B from the PC
2. From switch B, Telnet to switch A
3. Upgrade switch A to 7.1.0.0, following the normal upgrade process. At this point, your Telnet session to switch A is lost, and eventually times out. After approximately a minute, Telnet to switch A again. This allows you to check the log messages on switch A. (At this point, you can possibly lose the Telnet connectivity to B in some situations depending on the MLT hashing occurring on switch C. If this occurs, re-open a Telnet connection to switch B.)
4. Upgrade switch B to 7.1.0.0 following the normal upgrade process. At this point, your Telnet session to switch B is lost. You can open a new Telnet session to switch A. After switch B completes the upgrade, you can then establish connectivity with switch B, either via Telnet from switch A, or via Telnet from the PC.

The same procedure applies for warm standby and hot standby scenarios. You must follow the upgrade directions for warm and hot standby cases provided in the upgrade document for individual chassis.

Note that you cannot use SSH in this upgrade scenario, as you cannot open SSH connections from one Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 to another. You must use Telnet.

*** Note:**

If switch A and switch B are running 5.0.0.x (where x is less than 2), the switches **MUST** be upgraded to 5.0.0.2 before upgrading to 5.0.1.0 (or 5.1.0.0), and then to 7.1.0.0.

High Availability mode considerations

Switches with two SF/CPUs use High Availability (HA) mode to recover quickly if one SF/CPU fails. High Availability mode (also known as HA-CPU) permits the synchronization of configuration and protocol states between the Master and Secondary CPUs.

For Release 7.1, HA-CPU supports the following in Hot Standby mode:

- Shortest Path Bridging MAC (SPBM)
- platform configuration
- Layer 2 protocols: IGMP, STP, MLT, SMLT, ARP, LACP, VLACP
- Layer 3 protocols: RIP, OSPF, VRRP, RSMLT, VRF Lite

Hot Standby mode performs hitless failover, while Warm Standby mode restarts protocols after failover.

In Warm Standby mode, configuration synchronization is supported, but protocol state synchronization is not. Therefore, after failover, the protocols are restarted. These protocol restarts can result in small expected network down time.

HA-CPU supports the following in Warm Standby mode.

- DVMRP, PIM-SM, PIM-SSM
- BGP
- MPLS
- BFD
- IPv6, and all associated IPv6 protocols

By default, HA-CPU is disabled in Release 7.1. To enable it enter the following command:

```
config bootconfig flags ha-cpu true
```

After you enable High Availability mode, the secondary SF/CPU resets to load settings from the saved boot configuration file. You must reset the primary SF/CPU after the secondary SF/CPU completes booting.

HA-CPU does not currently support the following protocols or modules:

- PGM

Ongoing considerations

The following sections describe considerations that are not new for Release 7.1.3.0, but which still apply for 7.1.3.0.

Module and chassis compatibility and performance considerations

Release 7.1 does not support classic modules. Only R, RS, and 8800 series line card modules are supported with release 7.1. Also, the 8003 chassis is not supported with release 7.1. The 8003-R chassis replaces the 8003 chassis.

For switch fabric modules, only the 8692 with SuperMezz and 8895 CP/SF are supported with release 7.1.

In older chassis (those shipped before 2005), there is a difference between Standard and High Performance slots. In these chassis, an R or RS module installed in a Standard slot delivers increased port density. An R or RS module installed in a High Performance slot delivers increased port density and increased performance. Chassis manufactured in 2005 and later do not have this limitation, and have full high-performance slot support.

In older chassis, R and RS modules inserted in slots 2 to 4 and slots 7 to 9 of the 8010 10-slot chassis, and slots 2 to 4 of the 8006 6-slot chassis, always operate at high performance. R

modules inserted into slot 1 and slot 10 of the 8010 chassis, and slot 1 of the 8006 chassis, can operate at high performance, but operate at standard performance depending on chassis revision (for more information about identifying chassis, see the following section). For information about relative performance per slot with two fabrics installed in existing 8010, 8010co, and 8006 chassis, see the following table.

Table 6: Pre-2005 8010, 8010co, and 8006 chassis performance

Module	Standard slot (Slots 1 and 10) full duplex	High Performance slot (Slots 2 to 4, Slots 7 to 9) full duplex
8630GBR	16 Gbps	60 Gbps
8683XLR	16 Gbps	60 Gbps
8648GTR	16 Gbps	32 Gbps
8683XZR	16 Gbps	60 Gbps
8612XLRS	16 Gbps	60 Gbps
8648GTRS	16 Gbps	40 Gbps
8648GBRS	16 Gbps	60 Gbps
8634XGRS	16 Gbps	60 Gbps
8848GB	16 Gbps	60 Gbps
8848GT	16 Gbps	60 Gbps
8834XG	16 Gbps	60 Gbps
8812XL	16 Gbps	60 Gbps

If you place an R, RS, or 8800 module into a Standard slot of a non-high performance chassis, you receive the following message:

```
For maximum performance, Avaya recommends placing R and RS modules in
Slots 2 to 4 or 7 to 9 as available. Please refer to release notes for
additional details.
```

High Performance chassis

A chassis revision with an upgraded High Performance Backplane is available. The High Performance chassis is compatible with existing R and RS modules.

Identify the High Performance Backplane by using the CLI or ACLI. Use the CLI command **show sys info** or the ACLI command **show sys-info** to show the chassis revision number. The HwRev field indicates if the chassis is High Performance or Standard. The following table provides the Hardware Revision details for each chassis model. For more information, see the Technical Tip *Identifying the new Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Chassis, TT-0507501A* on the Avaya support Web site.

Table 7: Chassis hardware revision

Chassis model	Hardware Revision	H/W Config
8006	05 or greater indicates high performance chassis	02 or greater
8010	06 or greater indicates high performance chassis	02 or greater
8010co	05 or greater indicates high performance chassis	02 or greater

Customers requiring High Performance Mode for all slots on an older Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 chassis can have their existing chassis exchanged and reworked. Order service part number N0060024. An advanced replacement unit is provided.

Switch clustering topologies and interoperability with other products

When the Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 is used with other Ethernet Routing Switch products, the switch clustering bridging, unicast routing, and multicast routing configurations vary with switch type. Avaya recommends that you use the supported topologies and features when you perform inter-product switch clustering. For more information, see *Switch Clustering Design Best Practices, NN48500-584* and *Large Campus Technical Solutions Guide, NN48500-575*, available on the Avaya support Web site.

SF/CPU protection and loop prevention compatibility

Avaya recommends several best-practice methods for loop prevention, especially in any Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Switch cluster environment. For more information about loop detection and compatibility for each software release, see *Large Campus Technical Solutions Guide, NN48500-575* and *Switch Clustering Design Best Practices, NN48500-584*.

Switch behavior during boot cycle and redundant configuration files

Avaya recommends that you take special care when providing the boot option for your production systems. The Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 provides three boot configuration file choices, as well as a backup configuration file choice for each configuration file choice.

The default boot sequence directs the switch to look for its image and configuration files first on the PCMCIA card, then in the onboard flash memory, and then from a server on the network. The switch first checks for `/pcmcia/pcmbboot.cfg` and then checks for `/flash/boot.cfg`.

The PCMCIA card is the primary source for the files; the onboard flash memory is the secondary source; and the network server is the tertiary source. These source and file name definitions are in the boot configuration file. The boot source order is configurable.

The `config.cfg` file stores the configuration of the Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 and its modules. This is the default configuration file. You can specify a different configuration file for the switch to use for the boot process.

For more details about boot sources, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Administration, NN46205-605*.

In normal operation, Avaya recommends that the primary configuration file is saved on the / flash drive, and that the primary backup configuration file is saved on the /pcmcia drive. Using this configuration, if one file or drive gets corrupted, the switch can still boot from the other file or drive. When you change configuration files, Avaya further recommends that you save the last known good configuration using the secondary choice option.

Caution:

Risk of network outage

If a switch cannot access a valid configuration file, it will fall into default configuration mode, which can cause a network outage.

Ensure that a valid configuration and a backup configuration file are always available.

Important:

If you want to store only one simple backup configuration file, Avaya recommends that you use a default backup configuration file with the following information (only) included:

```
config ethernet 1/1-10/48 state disable
```

This ensures that all ports remain disabled if the backup configuration file is loaded for any reason.

This configuration works especially well with SMLT because of the other redundant switch in the SMLT cluster.

The information in the following table describes how the switch behaves in different boot situations. If a configuration file is unspecified, this means that the `config bootconfig choice` command was not provided for the file. The switch action column describes the expected behavior in both CLI and ACLI modes, unless otherwise specified.

Table 8: Switch behavior during boot cycle

Parameters	Switch action
A configuration file is not specified. The config.cfg file is present on the flash drive.	The switch boots config.cfg
The primary configuration file is specified. The configuration file is present on the flash drive.	The switch boots the specified configuration file.
The primary configuration file is specified. The configuration file is not present on the flash drive.	The switch boots with factory defaults (if <code>config boot flags verify-config</code> is <code>true</code> , and a backup configuration is not specified).
The primary configuration file is specified. The configuration file on the flash drive has a bad command.	The switch boots with factory defaults (if <code>config boot flags verify-config</code> is <code>true</code> , and a backup configuration is not specified).
The primary configuration file is specified. The configuration file on the flash drive has a bad command. The backup configuration file is specified, but it has a bad command.	The switch fails the first configuration file, and boots the second configuration file, ignoring the bad command.
The switch is configured to boot with factory defaults.	The switch boots with factory defaults.
The boot.cfg file is corrupt.	In CLI mode: The switch fails to load the boot.cfg file and creates a new boot.cfg file with a default boot configuration. In ACLI mode: The switch fails to load the boot.cfg file and creates a new boot.cfg file with a default boot configuration. The switch comes up in CLI mode, which is the correct behavior because the ACLI mode flag is false by default.

Configuring primary, secondary, and tertiary boot sources

Configure the boot sources so that the switch uses proper files from which to boot.

1. To change the runtime configuration file locations, use the following command:

```
config bootconfig choice <primary|secondary|tertiary>
[config-file <file>|backup-config-file <file>|image-file
<file>]
```

For example, to specify the configuration file in flash memory as the primary, use the following command:

```
ERS-8610:6# config bootconfig choice primary config-file /
flash/config.cfg
```

2. To set the location for the I/O module driver image for the BootStrap protocol:

```
config bootconfig bootp image-name <image-name> <slot-number>
```

```
config bootconfig bootp secondary-image-name <image-name>
<slot-number>
```

For example, to specify an R module driver for slot 2 in flash memory, use the following command:

```
ERS-8610:6# config bootconfig bootp image-name /flash/
p80j50xx.dld 2
```

! Important:

Avaya recommends that you store .dld files in flash memory, and that you always set the image-name to default.

3. To set the boot source location for the SuperMezz image:

```
config bootconfig mezz-image image-name <image-name>
```

For example:

```
ERS-8610:6# config bootconfig mezz-image image-name /flash/
p80m50xx.img
```

The following example configures the primary and secondary sources as per Avaya recommendations.

1. Configure the primary configuration file choices:

```
config bootconfig choice primary config-file /flash/
primaryconfig.cfg
```

```
config bootconfig choice primary backup-config-file /pcmcia/
primaryconfig.cfg
```

2. Configure the secondary configuration file choices:

```
config bootconfig choice secondary config-file /flash/
secondaryconfig.cfg
```

```
config bootconfig choice secondary backup-config-file /
pcmcia/secondaryconfig.cfg
```

OSPF warning message

When you enable OSPF on a VLAN or a brouter port, if no OSPF area is associated with the interface (that is, the OSPF area for the interface is 0.0.0.0), the following warning message is displayed:

```
When enabling OSPF for a VLAN, this automatically creates area 0.0.0.0 for the switch, which once the VLAN is active (VLAN has active ports) will result in the advertisement of area 0.0.0.0 by this switch. If this is not the users intent, care must be taken to place the VLAN into some other properly configured area. Area 0.0.0.0 will always be present for the switch, BUT this area will only be advertised if some active VLAN exists and is assigned to area 0.0.0.0, which is the default assignment.
```

MPLS considerations

The MPLS maximum transmission unit (MTU) is dynamically provisioned (1522 or 1950 bytes) and it supports jumbo frames (9000 bytes). Packets that exceed the MTU are dropped. The allowed data CE frame size is MTU size minus MPLS encapsulation (header) size. For control frames (for example, LDP) the frame size is 1522 or 1950 bytes.

For the Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600, the MPLS RSVP LSP Retry Limit is infinite by design (a setting of zero means infinite). When the limit is infinite, should a Label Switched Path (LSP) go down, it is retried using exponential backoff. The Retry Limit is not configurable.

In scaled environments, if MPLS LDP sessions flap and CPU utilization increases, then the default Hello Hold Timer of 60 seconds may not be long enough. If this situation occurs, Avaya recommends that you increase the Hold Timer to 120 or 180 seconds.

IPv6 considerations

The switch cannot learn a given IPv6 neighbor's address on more than one interface (including link-locals). If the same address is learned on more than one interface, this can cause the switch to generate errors, such as:

```
swF:5# CPU5 [01/19/09 03:27:21] RCIP6 ERROR rcip6RpcOutChangeResEntrySubCid: | |  
REPLACE neighbor to HW FAILED. nbr ip address:
```

In a triangle SMLT, if you delete VRRP peers on the SMLT aggregation switches, the VRRP addresses on the data closet switch are not immediately cleaned up in the IPv6 neighbor table (`show ipv6 neighbor info`). The table shows IPv6 neighbor states as `Incomplete`. The neighbor addresses are only aged out 30 minutes after the traffic is stopped from the neighbor, in accordance with the ND RFC. In addition, the switch does not immediately delete router

neighbors. Instead, it places them in the `Incomplete` state when they no longer exist. In this case, the virtual addresses are removed by the neighbor 30 minutes after deleting the VRRP virtual routers on the two switches.

SNMP considerations

SNMP is configured differently in the ACLI than in the CLI. Auto-generation of several parameters and command structure changes means that several configuration procedures are no longer required in the ACLI. These considerations only apply to upgrades from Release 4.x to 7.1 as release 5.x already implements these changes. For more information, see the following:

- For SNMP trap changes, see the ACLI SNMP trap configuration section in *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Troubleshooting, NN46205-703*.
- For SNMP community-based changes, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Administration, NN46205-605*.

DVMRP considerations

For Distance Vector Multicast Routing Protocol(DVMRP) configurations of more than 1000 streams, you may have to increase protocol timeouts (for example, OSPF dead interval, and soon). Otherwise, traffic loss can occur.

SMLT considerations

Software Release 7.1 does not support PIM Multicast Border Router (MBR) functionality over SMLT.

Avaya does not support an additional redundant IST MLT between two IST peers.

To improve SMLT failover and recovery behavior for large-scale networks, Avaya has optimized the IST protocol and rearchitected the SMLT state machines. This functionality improvement is mainly targeted for large-scale SMLT networks.

For best network operation, Avaya recommends that you operate switch clusters using only the new SMLT architecture. Within an SMLT cluster, you must run the same software release on both peer IST switches (except during upgrades).

The SMLT re-architecture is supported in releases 4.1.8.2, 4.1.8.3, 5.0.x (where x is 1 or higher), 5.1.x., 7.0.0.0, and 7.1.0.0.

In a scaled SMLT SPBM network environment, Avaya recommends increasing the aging timer from the default to 1 hour or more for VLANs.

RSMLT considerations

In an RSMLT configuration, to ensure peer forwarding when the peer is down, enter save config after the peer information is first learned by both peers, or at any later time when the peer RSMLT information changes.

Whenever the peer RSMLT information changes (for example, from adding or deleting VLANs, changing VLAN IDs, or changing VLAN IP addresses), messages appear in the log indicating a discrepancy between stored information and what the switch is receiving from the peer. For example:

```
CPU6 [03/07/09 01:25:19] IP WARNING Recvd Peer address not same as stored address for Vlan 544. Save config for Edge-Support to use this info on next reboot
CPU6 [03/07/09 01:25:19] IP WARNING Recvd Peer address not same as stored address for Vlan 536. Save config for Edge-Support to use this info on next reboot
CPU6 [03/07/09 01:25:19] IP WARNING Recvd Peer address not same as stored address for Vlan 535. Save config for Edge-Support to use this info on next reboot
```

When the preceding messages appear in the log, if the peer goes down, the switch does not forward the traffic for its peer for the indicated VLANs. To resolve this situation, you must bring the peer back online and save the configuration on both switches.

IST considerations

In EDM (or any SNMP based tool), whenever you change the MltType of an MLT to istMLT, configure the IST PeerIp and VlanId (1..4094) before you save the configuration. If you save the configuration without configuring the PeerIp and VlanId, you create an invalid configuration that cannot load during the booting process, which results in all the cards on the switch being taken off-line. (Q02132456)

60 day trial license

You are provided a 60 day trial period for the Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600, during which you have access to all features. In the trial period you can configure all features without restriction. The switch logs trial period expiration messages even if no license features are used or tested during the trial period. If any valid license is loaded on the switch at any time, the trial period expiration messages cease. At the end of the trial period, a message appears notifying the user that the trial period has expired.

After the license expires, configured licensed features are no longer functional after the switch is restarted or rebooted. If you want these configured features to continue to function properly, you must install a valid license.

For additional information about trial licenses, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Administration*, (NN46205-605).

Advanced filter guidelines

Use the following guidelines when you configure advanced Layer 2 to Layer 7 filters for R or RS module ports or for VLANs with R or RS module ports in them.

- Always use an ACT with only the proper attributes selected. If you must add ACEs with attributes that are not in the original ACT, you must create a new ACL associated with the new ACT.
- For filter optimization reasons, when you have multiple ACEs that perform the same task (for example: deny or allow IP addresses, or UDP/TCP-based ports), you can configure one ACE to perform the task with either multiple address entries, or address ranges, or a combination of both. You can use this one ACE instead of using multiple ACEs.

For R and RS module ACLs, a maximum of 500ACEs are supported. This maximum may not be achievable depending on the type of attributes used within an ACE. Since there are millions of combinations, note that certain combinations can overextend the system. In these cases, to help ensure stable system operation, reduce the number of ACEs and follow the previous guidelines.

Caution:

Risk of module reset or improper load of configuration file

If the following messages appear on the console or in the log file, it is likely that there is a specific problematic combination of ACEs configured within an ACL. Such combinations are very unlikely to occur, but if you see these messages, first reduce the number of ACEs within the ACL until the messages stop. Next, contact Avaya Technical Support. Support will attempt to find a combination that does not cause this situation, and will provide the required filtering capabilities.

```
CPU5 [05/23/06 10:51:08] COP-SW ERROR Slot 3: ercdAddCollapseBin:
rcdRspMalloc failed for INGRESS RSP memory allocation
```

```
CPU5 [05/23/06 10:51:08] COP-SW ERROR Slot 3: ercdGetCollapseNode:
collapse node creation failed.
```

```
CPU5 [05/23/06 10:51:08] COP-SW ERROR Slot 3:
ercdFilterRdxResultUpdate: ercdGetCollapseNode() Failed !!
```

Avaya recommends using the Enterprise Policy Manager to simplify operations with the centralized management of ACLs and ACEs.

MTBF for 1 Gig SFPs and 10 Gig XFPs

The mean time between failure (MTBF) for all 1 Gig SFPs is 807 000 hours. The MTBF for all 10 Gig XFPs is 675 000 hours.

Supported standards, RFCs, and MIBs

For information about supported standards, RFCs, and MIBs, see the Appendices in *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Planning and Engineering — Network Design, NN46205-200*.

Supported traps and notifications

For a complete list of log messages generated by Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Software Release 7.1, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Logs Reference, NN46205-701*.

For a complete list of SNMP traps generated by Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Software Release 7.1, see *Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Troubleshooting, NN46205-703*.

Chapter 4: Resolved issues in 7.1.3

This section details all the issues that were found in previous releases but resolved in Release 7.1.3.

Table 9: Resolved issues in 7.1.3

CR references	Description
wi00564787	Packets processed by the CP egress through modules with an IP checksum of 0xffff instead of 0x0000.
wi00853466	Cannot enable the VLACP hold timer with EDM.
wi00876718	No backtraces in SMP log file after the switch crashed.
wi00936425	Remote Fault Indication (RFI) is not reporting the correct operational status on 8634XGRS 10 Gbps ports.
wi00937554	RSMLT peer IP is not reachable when one leg of the SMLT is down in a square configuration.
wi00940800	OSPF Hello traffic sourced from the CPU should be marked as qos=7.
wi00940805	OSPF traffic sourced from CPU should be marked as qos=7.
wi00940810	IPFIX traffic sourced from CPU should be marked as qos=3.
wi00940880	Disabling Autonegotiation on Gigabit-only capable ports result in a boot loop.
wi00941200	Static BFD sessions do not come up after HA failover.
wi00941202	ACL1 allows you to configure a BGP redistribution from one VRF to another VRF.
wi00941225	Gig ports on 8634XGRS module are not sending Remote Line Fault (RLF) clear signal when the ERS is powered down and then powered back up.
wi00941227	Gig ports on 8648GBRS module are not sending Remote Line Fault (RLF) clear signal when the ERS is powered down and then powered back up.
wi00944334	When a link flaps, there is no log message to indicate which side is causing the link to flap or why.
wi00946689	After configuration and a reboot, LACP interfaces come up operationally different than administratively configured.
wi00947146	Entering configure ip more-specific-non-local-route enable on a PIM router prevents multicast flow from reaching the receiver.
wi00949429	After disabling and enabling SMLT links, duplicate packets appearing in the LACP diamond SMLT.
wi00950141	ICMP, DHCP, Telnet, SNMP, ARP Reply traffic sourced from the CPU should not be marked as qos=7.

Resolved issues in 7.1.3

CR references	Description
wi00950143	SSH traffic sourced from CPU should be marked as qos=3.
wi00950871	CPU to take I/O modules offline when certain error thresholds are met.
wi00951489	IPv6 DiffServ packets have corrupt flow label and payload length fields.
wi00952222	Port speed (HighSpeed Value) is reported for the next port instead of the current port.
wi00954531	Format compact flash cards in either their original format or Windows PC compatible format.
wi00957781	IST drops when an R or RS module containing a designated port for the IST MLT is removed from the switch.
wi00958033	Unable to create IPX protocol based VLANs.
wi00959042	Access policy configuration is lost during upgrade from 5.x to 7.1.1.0 when running ACLI.
wi00959365	CFM fails when SPB IP is enabled and an incorrect CLIP address is incorrectly entered.
wi00959844	L2 Trace route for CFM - CMAC does not work when one of the SPBM core switches is restarted and the adjacency is down.
wi00960230	You cannot add or remove a VLAN from an active LACP-enabled MLT without first disabling LACP on the MLT.
wi00962669	8648GTRS modules displaying the following error message: CPU5 [07/30/11 17:10:05] KHI WARNING Slot 1 Right Lane is experiencing Ingress RSP Errors - CIF Parity Error, CIF Protocol Error
wi00962958	OSPF MD5 authentication key not saved in Ospf_md5key.txt file for VLAN 3993.
wi00968188	EDM allows you to copy the cillog.txt file.

Chapter 5: Known issues and limitations

Use the information in this section to learn more about known issues and limitations. Where appropriate, use the workarounds provided for these.

⚠ Caution:

Proper handling of compact flash cards and modules can eliminate many potential issues. Please refer to the following sections to avoid unnecessary problems:


- [Proper care of external compact flash and PCMCIA cards](#) on page 40
- [Proper handling of SF/CPU and I/O modules](#) on page 40

Release 7.1.x known issues

Table 10: Release 7.1.x known issues

WI references	Description
wi00564305	Enabling MSTP on IST ports enables the forceportstate of the IST ports internally. If you toggle the forceportstate with the forceportstate <enable disable> command, you will get a consistency error message. Do not disable forceportstate of IST ports once Spanning Tree is enabled on the IST.
wi00700896	KHI error messages are sometimes displayed after rebooting a switch in ACLI mode. These messages appear intermittently and do not cause any traffic loss.
wi00824067	On reboot of the 8895 SF/CPU, the following message appears: <pre>SWA_7000-slot6:0x51aa300 (ttNetTask): mBlkClFree -- Invalid mBlk</pre> This is an intermittent error message that can be safely ignored.
wi00824070	After rebooting a switch multiple times, there is a possibility that the switch can hang.
wi00824072	After a switch boot, if you attempt to execute the format /pcmcia command, console/telnet hangs.
wi00840877	Rebooting all switches in a network can cause inaccurate error messages to appear in the log.

WI references	Description
wi00850194	<p>When using VPFM discovery or doing a MIB walk on a scaled device, the query of MIB dot1dTpFdbTable could take a very long time to find the next entry. The CPU usage could spike to 100% during this time. Workaround: Disable the MIB dot1d-tp-fdb-query that takes a long time to get the next entry.</p> <p>* Note: Keep in mind that you will not have access to this MIB after it is disabled. CLI command for the workaround: config sys set dot1d-tp-fdb-query disable ACLI command for the workaround: no sys dot1d-tp-fdb-query</p>
wi00850941	Downgrading the switch with a boot file pointing to the wrong image causes the switch to hang. .
wi00852923	Enabling VLAN Manager Trace level 4 on one ERS 8800 may cause the other ERS 8800's cpu in the SMLT pair to hang for about 20 minutes until the switch reboots on its own. This has proven to be avoidable by tracing directly to an Ethernet port.
wi00853802	IS-IS uses TLV 135 to propagate routing information. This TLV is not user configurable so you cannot modify the metric.
wi00855097	Do not configure VLAN 4093. This VLAN was for a legacy module that is no longer supported. If you configure this VLAN, it will not work as expected.
wi00855106	The CLI command config vlan <vid> fdb-filter pcap <mac> enable allows you to configure FDB filters with PCAP. However, this FDB filter functionality is not supported on R, RS, and 8800 I/O modules.
wi00908084	Random Blank "SW WARNING" messages might be seen. These are not service impacting and can be ignored.
wi00930178	L2ping does not support VRRP addresses.
wi00931112	L2traceroute does not support VRRP addresses.
wi00934656	LACP is not supported on SMLT NNIs because it can cause traffic to be silently dropped.
wi00958211	In the ACLI Command Reference document, the interface parameter is missing for the show ip dhcp-relay command.
wi00958282	Before you decommission an SMLT switch, disable the ports first to prevent loops in the network.
wi00961368	IP subnet-based VLANs created using EDM do not add all port members of the associated Spanning Tree Group by default.
wi00962742	EDM allows removal of a B Vlan from IST, which should not be allowed.

WI references	Description
wi00962928	Error messages appear on HA failover when OSPF routes are redistributed as BGP routes and BGP auto-summary is enabled.
wi00963449	Upgrading other modules causes KHI errors on the 8812XL SFP+ I/O module and potential traffic loss. Workaround: Take the 8812XL SFP+ I/O module out of service before you upgrade other modules.
wi00966342	Remote users, who don't have physical access to the switch, use the dos-stop command to stop a PCMCIA card. To restart the PCMCIA card, a dos-start command is needed.
wi00967741	ERS switch reset while trying to configure the RADIUS server.
wi00967853	ARP is not getting installed on COP after HA failover.
wi00968354	L2 Ping for CFM - CMAC does not work when all the links connecting to one of the SPBM core switches are disabled. Workaround: Disable Common and Internal Spanning Tree (CIST) on the NNI ports.
wi00968631	The ERS 8695 SF/CP formatted compact flash and PCMCIA cards with non-Release 5.0 file system code.
wi00968806	ERS 10 Gbps modules (8612XLRS and 8812XL) do not always apply ACL filters actions such as deny and count on a 10 Gbps port.
wi00969172	The show sys pluggable detail command sometimes shows bogus field data, threshold or checksum errors, or incomplete hanging output for multiple XFPs if DDM-MONITOR is enabled.
wi00970250	EDM copy feature does not work if pasting to another application or another EDM instance.
wi00970929	<p> Note:</p> <p>I combined this WI with wi00970934 as per Bob's log note in wi00970934.</p> <p>Some compact flash cards can cause the 8895 SF/CP to freeze, and other cards cannot be read or formatted.</p> <p>Workaround: Use the Avaya Compact Flash card that came with your switch only. Other compact flash cards are not supported.</p>
wi00971374	Ping an OSPFv3 next hop that is a link-local address with a different scope-id and the following error displays <pre>rcip6RpcOutChangeResEntrySubCid: REPLACE neighbor to HW FAILED.</pre>
wi00972011	When slots are reset during HA, the backup CP may attempt to access records that are not present on the backup CP. This may cause an error message that is non service impacting and can safely be ignored because the errors are coming from the disabled slot.
wi00973586	IPv6 issues with SMLT:

WI references	Description
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L2 VSNs in an SMLT environment do not support IPV6 routing configured on a VLAN/interface. • IP shortcuts in an SMLT environment do not support IPV6 routing.

Previously reported known issues

The following sections list known issues in Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 reported in software releases prior to Release 7.1. These may be resolved in a future release.

Related topics:

[Platform known issues](#) on page 74

[Switch management known issues](#) on page 76

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Platform known issues

Table 11: Platform known issues

CR references	Description
wi00506367	Line RDI is not generated properly as a result of LOS on the 8683XZR module in WAN mode.
wi00506474	Force Topology CLIP (Circuitless IP) becomes unconfigured after an HA-CPU failover. Under these considerations, the user must reconfigure the parameter if configured differently than the default value.
wi00507119	After a reboot, a COP software error message similar to the following may be displayed on the switch: CPU5 [10/30/09 11:23:06] COP-SW ERROR 27806496: LtrId = 152,LtrPrio=0,ltrStatus=15(LTR_SYNC_MSG_SLOT_INUSE),msgId=152,msgState =

CR references	Description
	1, Slot=4 You can ignore this message as it does not cause any functional issues.
wi00517817	When an RDI-P is received on the XZR module, a "Path RDI" should be shown under the active alarm; however, a "Path AIS" appears.
wi00518502	<p>On reboot of the 8895 SF/CPU, the following message appears:</p> <pre data-bbox="516 449 1336 499">SWA_7000-slot6:0x51aa300 (ttNetTask): mBlkClFree -- Invalid mBlk</pre> <p>This is an intermittent error message that can be safely ignored.</p>
wi00518565	<p>When upgrading FPGA firmware on R or RS modules, the following message can appear: Router-C:5#/CPU5 [03/08/10 15:04:15] COP-SW ERROR 27894800: LtrId = 152,LtrPrio=0,ltrStatus = 15 (LTR_SYNC_MSG_SLOT_INUSE),msgId=53,msgState =1,slot=3 This message has no negative effect on the FPGA upgrade. There are no specific FPGA upgrades required with release 7.0.</p>
wi00518661	If you enable DDM monitoring on a switch with non-DDM GBICs installed, the switch generates a message (HAL INFO GBIC) every 5 seconds to the console and to the log file for each non-DDM GBIC installed.
wi00518690	<p>When rebooting the master CPU, the following warning messages may appear on the 8895 SF/CPU: nyhq-csbu-udb:6# 0x51bb4e0 (tNetTask): duplicate IP address 2f50ef10 sent from ethernet address f4:e3:b1:0d:14:00</p> <p>In addition, the following messages may appear on either the 8692 or 8895 SF/CPU:</p> <pre data-bbox="516 1178 1336 1413">CPU6 [11/24/09 12:15:49] MLT WARNING smltTick: pollCount = 51 > 50. But IST Channel active and resetCount = 0 < 3. Resetting pollCount and staying active!. CPU5 [11/24/09 12:17:44] IP INFO the Rsmlt circuit of vlan 18 is existed already in slave CPU No traffic issues are seen with these messages.</pre>
wi00518696	For the system power supply calculation, a low inaccurate value (410 W) is associated with any power supply that displays as unrecognized . This can lead to a system power calculation stating the system does not have enough power, when in fact it does. Properly installed Avaya-manufactured power supplies do not display as unrecognized .

Switch management known issues

Table 12: Switch management known issues

CR references	Description
wi00517339	When configuring SSH on the switch, -C and -C2 compression options are accepted, but should be rejected. Subsequent SSH connection are also accepted with no message to the user. The switch should prompt the user with a message stating compression is not supported.

KHI known issues

Table 13: KHI known issues

CR	Description
wi00508040	<p>If you reset a slot that is passing traffic, the following KHI errors can result:</p> <pre> :5# CPU5 [11/04/09 06:52:01] KHI WARNING Port 4/2 is experiencing Packet Errors :5# CPU5 [11/04/09 06:52:01] KHI WARNING Port 4/4 is experiencing Packet Errors, Frames Long Errors :5# CPU5 [11/04/09 06:52:13] KHI WARNING Port 4/6 is experiencing Packet Errors, FCS Errors :5# CPU5 [11/04/09 06:52:24] KHI WARNING Slot 4 Middle Lane is experiencing Ingress RSP Errors - PM EME1 Parity Error :5# show bootconfig CPU5 [11/04/09 06:53:48] KHI WARNING Slot 4 Middle Lane is experiencing Ingress RSP AM Short Packets :5# CPU5 [11/04/09 06:53:48] KHI WARNING Slot 4 Middle Lane is experiencing F2X Errors - F2I Ingress SPI-4.2 Abort Received </pre>

SPBM known issues

Table 14: SPBM known issues

CR references	Description
wi00833969	In a ring topology with OSPF and IS-IS configured in the core, a core link break causes slow convergence that may lead to SPBM L2 traffic loss. If the last member link of an OSPF VLAN fails, it takes down the IP interface

CR references	Description
	and OSPF has to reconverge. While OSPF is reconverging, SPBM cannot get any CPU time so there is some traffic loss.
wi00841377	When you click on the Help button for the LSP Summary tab, an incorrect Help page displays. The correct page should display the Displaying LSP summary information procedure, which you can see in <i>Avaya Ethernet Routing Switch 8800/8600 Configuration — Service Provider Bridging MAC (SPBM) (NN46205–525)</i> .

Layer 2 known issues

Table 15: Layer 2 known issues

CR	Description
wi00506797	If you disable a member port of an MLT that is running RSTP and then display statistics for the disabled port (for example, using the show spanning-tree rstp port statistics <slot/port> CLI command), the command output indicates that the port is still sending and receiving BPDUs. This is the normal display behavior for MLT ports. When the system displays the RSTP statistics for MLT ports, the statistics are taken from the designated port and displayed for all member ports. Even if a port is disabled, it is still a member of the MLT and hence the designated port's statistics are displayed for the disabled port. However, there are actually no packets going out the disabled port.
wi00508462	In some cases, the output of the show slpp interface gig command does not show anything on either IST peer even when SLPP has brought the ports down. The command should normally display some information on either one or both of the IST peers.

MLT/SMLT known issues

Table 16: MLT/SMLT known issues

CR references	Description
wi00518481	After rebooting an IST switch, the following error message may appear on the IST peer: <code>COP-SW-IPV6 ERROR Slot 7: ercdDeleteIPv6Record: Failed to lookup entry in gIPv6RadixTbl. Status: 18</code> There are no functional impacts from this issue.

CR references	Description
wi00523290	Consider a triangle SMLT network where the edge switch is connected to each IST switch using SMLT over MLT. On either of the IST switches, if you delete and re-add the SMLT interface to the edge switch, duplicate traffic to the edge switch can result. Workaround: 1. Before re-creating the SMLT on the MLT interface, shut down the ports of the MLT, and reenale them after assigning the SMLT ID. 2. After deleting the SMLT-ID, delete and re-create the MLT.

Unicast routing known issues

Table 17: Unicast routing known issues

CR references	Description
wi00505890	On an ERS running BGP and OSPF, when BGP routes are redistributed into the OSPF domain and a route-policy is used to match and permit a prefix, the more specific prefixes do not get redistributed into the OSPF domain. Care must be taken when using such a configuration, to avoid unwanted traffic loss.
wi00517472	In OSPF Router LSA updates, the V-bit is not set, and is always 0.

Multicast routing known issues

Table 18: Multicast routing known issues

CR references	Description
wi00507488	If MVR is enabled on the global level for a particular VRF and a configuration save is performed, the "MVR ENABLE" command is repeated two times in the configuration file. If the MVR is disabled after being enabled for the particular VRF, the configuration file shows the "MVR DISABLE" command followed by the "MVR ENABLE" command. This is done intentionally and is required for proper functioning of MVR on the Ethernet Routing Switch. The first "MVR ENABLE" command for a particular VRF does the job of allocating memory for all the structures required by MVR to run on the concerned VRF. The subsequent "MVR DISABLE" or "MVR ENABLE" command does the job of disabling or enabling the MVR feature on the VRF. The memory for MVR structures is never de-allocated unless the VRF is deleted or the switch is rebooted. Please do not edit the configuration file and delete either the "MVR DISABLE" or "MVR ENABLE" command considering them duplicate or redundant.

CR references	Description
wi00507736	The 8800 switch drops multicast traffic with source IP address of 0.0.0.0.

CLI and ACLI known issues

Table 19: CLI and ACLI known issues

CR references	Description
wi00506209	The <code>copy</code> command does not work properly with FTP debug turned on.
wi00517661	After enabling Hsecure on the switch and saving the configuration, the CLI prompt should not be returned to the user until the configuration save is complete. Currently, the switch displays the following error: Another show or save in progress. Please try the command later.

Enterprise Device Manager known issues

Table 20: Enterprise Device Manager known issues

CR	Description
wi00507915 and wi00853479	<p>IGMP SNOOP warning messages are not displayed in EDM.</p> <p>In EDM, go to VLAN > VLANs > IP > IGMP, check the SsmSnoopEnable checkbox, and click Apply. Because Snoop is not yet enabled, you should see the following message:</p> <pre>WARNING: IGMP SNOOP should also be enabled with IGMP SSM-SNOOP.</pre> <p>No such warning message is displayed.</p> <p>Using the CLI, make sure that both Snoop and SsmSnoop are enabled. Then in EDM go to VLAN > VLANs > IP > IGMP. Now try to uncheck SnoopEnable and click Apply. Because SsmSnoop is still enabled, you should see the following message:</p> <pre>WARNING: IGMP SSM-SNOOP should also be disabled with IGMP SNOOP.</pre> <p>No such warning message is displayed.</p>
wi00518024	If you use EDM to export MLT configuration data (using the MultiLink/LACP Trunks tab, LACP tab, or IST/SMLT Stats tab under Configuration > VLANs > MLT/LACP), the display of the exported data is misaligned with

CR	Description
	the table header row. Although the data display is misaligned, the data values are correct.
wi00518427	In the ACE Common EDM tab (under Configuration > Security > DataPath > ACL Filters > ACL > ACE), to configure the RedirectNextHopIpv6 parameter, you must first verify that the PktType field for the corresponding ACL (under Configuration > Security > DataPath > ACL Filters > ACL) shows IPv6. If the ACL is configured for IPv4, then the RedirectNextHopIpv6 configuration does not take effect. If you do configure the RedirectNextHopIPv6 field on an IPv4 ACL, while the IPv6 value is not saved, the RedirectNextHop field (for IPv4) can be populated with an erroneous IPv4 address. Be sure to delete the erroneous IPv4 address.
wi00518439	In the EDM Physical Device view, EDM does not display the name of the 8692 SF/CPU cards. This issue does not affect 8895 SF/CPU cards.
wi00518602	<p>In EDM, if you set the VRRP FasterAdvInterval parameter (under Configuration > IP > VRRP > Interface) to a value that is not a multiple of 200 ms, no warning is displayed. A message similar to the following from the CLI should appear:</p> <pre data-bbox="493 877 1339 957">WARNING: Input value is not a multiple of 200ms, Fast Adv Interval adjusted to 200ms.</pre> <p>The warning is displayed if you modify the FasterAdvInterval under Configuration > VLAN > VLANs > IP > VRRP.</p>
wi00518694	In EDM, under Configuration > IP > DVMRP > Interface Advance , if you double-click the InPolicy or OutPolicy parameter and then click the Refresh button, the displayed pop-up window disappears. One workaround is to keep the lower scroll bar to the left-most position, in which case the refresh works and the popup window does not disappear.
wi00518706	In EDM, if you create a BGP Peer (under Configuration > IP > BGP > Peers > Insert), the AdvertisementInterval value defaults to 30. This value should default to 5, which is the default route advertisement interval value for configuration using the CLI or ACLI.
wi00518720	If you launch on-box EDM using Internet Explorer and then graph a port, you cannot change the default 5s polling interval from the drop down box. As a workaround, you can launch on-box EDM using Firefox, or use the off-box EDM plug-in.
wi00523304	<p>The work flow for creating an IP VPN route target in EDM differs from that for the CLI or ACLI. If you want to create a route target through EDM, you must perform the following steps:</p> <ol data-bbox="509 1640 1227 1808" style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Select IP > IPVPN > Route Target > Insert. 2. Enter a valid index and IP address in the respective fields. 3. Click Insert. 4. Select IP > VRF > Insert to create a VRF.

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="508 247 1357 310">5. Select IP > IPVPN > VPN > Insert to create an IPVPN for the VRF just created.<li data-bbox="508 327 1357 422">6. For the IPVPN just created, change the importRTList or exportRTList to associate the route target (put the route target index for importRTList or exportRTList) with the IPVPN.

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