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Dear Valued Customer,

Our records indicate that your company may have purchased Racal Instruments™ 1260-30A/B/C/D VXI bus, C-Size Multiplexer Modules during the last 15 years. The item you purchased may have been branded as Racal Instruments™, EADS North America Test and Services or Astronics Test Systems. The Racal Instruments™ 1260-30A-D Multiplexer Modules were introduced in 1994 and they are now transitioning to mature status.

1260-30 A/B/C/D VXI Multiplexer - Mature Status with a Last-Time-Buy opportunity:

<u>Part Number</u>	<u>Model Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
404767-001	1260-30A	2-Wire, 1x40 Multiplexer, 220 V, 2 A VXI bus C-Size
404767-002	1260-30B	2-Wire, Two 1x20 Scanner Mux. 220 V, 2 A VXI bus C-Size
404767-003	1260-30C	2-Wire, Four 1x10 Scanner Mux, 220 V, 2 A VXI bus C-Size
404767-004	1260-30D	2-Wire, Eight 1x5 Multiplexers, 220 V, 2 A VXI bus C-Size

Mature items listed above will phase to obsolete status without further notice when existing component supplies and inventory are depleted or March 1, 2015, whichever occurs first. Once obsoleted, we regret that production orders will no longer be accepted. Customers interested in the last-time-buy program should immediately notify their Astronics Sales Representative with their forecast requirements, and place their order as soon as possible. Orders for mature items are addressed on a first come, first served basis and subject to available supplies. Order acceptance is not guaranteed until confirmed by Astronics.

Available Service, Calibration, Repair and Support for 1260-30A/B/C/D Multiplexer Modules:

Full service, calibration, repair, and customer support will remain available for the 1260-30A-D products for a target of 5 years from the date of obsolescence, provided that the components required for the repair remain available. Once components required for repairs are no longer available, service is provided on a best effort basis. For questions regarding Customer Support, please email atshelpdesk@astronics.com or call 1-(800) 722-2528.

Potential Replacements

There are no drop-in replacements for the 1260-30A-D products; thus for ease of product transition, all customers are encouraged to utilize the last-time buy program to meet all their future test systems and spares requirements where possible. In the event that there are additional needs, in some cases, customers may or may not be able to transition to a combination of one or more Adapt-a-Switch™ modules together with a VXI carrier to functionally replace the mature/obsolete C-Sized switch module.

<u>Mature/Obsolete Items</u>		<u>Potential Replacement Items</u>		<u>Transition Notes</u>
<u>Part Number</u>	<u>Model Number</u>	<u>Part Number</u>	<u>Model Number</u>	
404767-001	1260-30A	407973 or 407973-01T	1260-101 or 1260-101/01T: Adapt-a-Switch™ VXIbus 2 plug-in, 1-slot, Switch Carrier with or without Option 01T installed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No drop in replacement • New plugs and connectors and wiring changes are required • Software/ATP changes are required along with replacement
404767-002	1260-30B			
404767-003	1260-30C	AND		
404767-004	1260-30D	407662	AND 1260-134: Adapt-a-Switch™ Plug-in, sixteen 1x4 Muxes, 2 A	

Customers interested in pursuing a product replacement for the mature/obsolete items are encouraged to contact an Astronics Sales Representative before ordering.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause. We have instrumentation application engineers, and ATE integration specialists available to assist in providing state-of-the-art instrumentation solutions to meet your test needs.

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