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Dear Valued Customer,

Our records indicate that your company may have purchased a Racal Instruments™ 1260-64M VXI C-Sized, 4 Position Microwave Relay Switch Carrier Module, configured variants of the 1260-64M, and/or microwave relays used to populate the carrier module during the last 15 years. The item(s) you purchased may have been branded as Racal Instruments™, EADS North America Test and Services or Astronics Test Systems.

The Racal Instruments™ 1260-64M C-Size, VXI 4 position Microwave Switch Carrier Module P/N 407816 and configured variants (that include relays) P/N 407816-WWXXYYZZ were introduced in 1992 and obsoleted in the last several years. Accordingly, the relays used to populate the 1260-64M are now transitioning to mature status, and will be discontinued upon expiration of the last time buy program.

1260-64M Microwave Relays - Mature Status with a Last-Time-Buy Opportunity:

Part Number	Model Code/Option	Description
407819-032	40	32-Channel Relay Driver
457008	00	Blanking Plate (covers one vacant carrier position)
407864-101	01	1 Transfer Switch @ 18 GHz Plug-In
407864-102	02	1 SPDT @ 18 GHz Plug-In
407864-103	03	3 SPDT @ 18 GHz Plug-In
407864-104	04	1 SP4T @ 18 GHz Plug-In
407864-106	05	1 SP6T @ 18 GHz Plug-In
407864-111	06	1 Transfer Switch @ 18 GHz, Latching Plug-In
407864-112	07	1 SPDT @ 18 GHz, Latching Plug-In
407864-114	08	1 SP4T @ 18 GHz, Latching Plug-In
407864-116	09	1 SP6T @ 18 GHz, Latching Plug-In
407864-122	10	1 SPDT @ 18 GHz, Terminated Plug-In
407819-123	11	3 SPDT @ 18 GHz, Terminated Plug-In, Narda
407864-124	12	1 SP4T @ 18 GHz, Terminated Plug-In
407864-126	13	1 SP6T @ 18 GHz, Terminated Plug-In
407819-126	14	1 SP6T @ 18 GHz, Terminated Plug-In, Narda
407864-132	15	1 SPDT @ 18 GHz, Latching, Terminated Plug-In
407819-132	16	1 SPDT @ 18 GHz, Latching, Terminated Plug-In, Narda
407864-134	17	1 SP4T @ 18 GHz, Latching, Terminated Plug-In
407864-136	18	1 SP6T @ 18 GHz, Latching, Terminated Plug-In
407819-136	19	1 SP6T @ 18 GHz, Latching, Terminated Plug-In, Narda
407864-201	20	1 Transfer Switch @ 26.5 GHz Plug-In
407864-202	21	1 SPDT @ 26.5 GHz Plug-In
407864-203	22	3 SPDT @ 26.5 GHz Plug-In
407864-204	23	1 SP4T @ 26.5 GHz Plug-In
407864-206	24	1 SP6T @ 26.5 GHz Plug-In
407864-211	25	1 Transfer Switch @ 26.5 GHz, Latching Plug-In
407864-212	26	1 SPDT @ 26.5 GHz, Latching Plug-In
407864-214	27	1 SP4T @ 26.5 GHz, Latching Plug-In
407864-216	28	1 SP6T @ 26.5 GHz, Latching Plug-In
407864-222	29	1 SPDT @ 26.5 GHz, Terminated Plug-In
407864-232	30	1 SPDT @ 26.5 GHz, Latching, Terminated Plug-In

407864-401	31	1	Transfer Switch @ 40 GHz Plug-In
407864-402	32	1	SPDT @ 40 GHz Plug-In
407864-403	33	3	SPDT @ 40 GHz Plug-In
407864-404	34	1	SP4T @ 40 GHz Plug-In
407864-406	35	1	SP6T @ 40 GHz Plug-In
407864-411	36	1	Transfer Switch @ 40 GHz, Latching Plug-In
407864-412	37	1	SPDT @ 40 GHz, Latching Plug-In
407864-414	38	1	SP4T @ 40 GHz, Latching Plug-In
407864-416	39	1	SP6T @ 40 GHz, Latching Plug-In

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 are subject to available supplies. Order acceptance is not guaranteed until confirmed by Astronics.

Available Service, Calibration, Repair and Support for 1260-64M:

Full service, calibration, repair, and customer support will remain available for the relays contained within the 1260-64M 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.

There is no drop-in replacement for the 1260-64M relay products; however, customers are encouraged to discuss current Astronics switching platforms with your Astronics Sales Representative.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause. We have a team of 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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