

Cisco RF Gateway 1 Software Release 5.02.09 Release Note

Overview

Introduction

Cisco RF Gateway 1 (RFGW-1) software version 5.02.09 provides feature additions /enhancements to the Simulcrypt Broadcast version of the RFGW software (Release 5.01.XX) for Cablevision Systems Corporation (CVC).

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to notify users of the enhancements included in this release, and to identify known issues.

Audience

This document is intended for system engineers or managers responsible for operating and/or maintaining this product.

Related Publications

Refer to the following documents for additional information regarding hardware and software.

- Cisco RF Gateway 1 Configuration Guide, part number 78-4025112-01
- Cisco RF Gateway 1 System Guide, part number 78-4024958-01

Safe Operation for Software Controlling Optical Transmission Equipment

If this document discusses software, the software described is used to monitor and/or control ours and other vendors' electrical and optical equipment designed to transmit video, voice, or data signals. Certain safety precautions should be observed when operating equipment of this nature.

For equipment specific safety requirements, refer to the appropriate section of the equipment documentation.

For safe operation of this software, refer to the following warnings.

New Features



WARNINGS:

- Ensure that all optical connections are complete or terminated before using this equipment to remotely control a laser device. An optical or laser device can pose a hazard to remotely located personnel when operated without their knowledge.
- Allow only personnel trained in laser safety to operate this software. Otherwise, injuries to personnel may occur.
- Restrict access of this software to authorized personnel only.
- Install this software in equipment that is located in a restricted access area.

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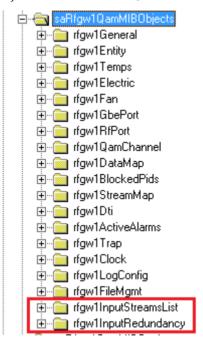
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New Features

SNMP support for Broadcast Redundancy Enhancement

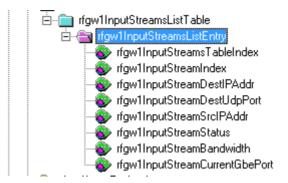
RFGW1 supports the UI option of refreshing sessions which are bound to a specific UDP and also switching stream automatically to next port when there is an input loss on the TS. RFGW1 also provides option in the UI to switch to the next port pair manually. Currently there is no SNMP support to these options as there is no SNMP support to monitor input streams and operator has to access the UI to go to the UDP input flow which has an issue and refreshing them. This feature is tracked with the CDETS CSCux84748.

To support this, two MIB objects are added to QAM MIB.



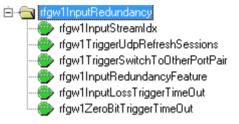
1. rfgw1InputStreamList

This MIB object contains read only leaf objects which lists the details of current input streams along with the stream object indices which are useful to trigger the refresh of sessions. All the fields in this MIB object are read-only.



rfgw1InputRedundancy

This MIB object can be used to trigger UDP refresh or switch to next port.



The detailed explanation for each of the object can be obtained from the descriptions of the MIB file. This MIB object also provides ability to turn on and turn off input redundancy feature and also altering the timeout values.

Configuration details

Steps to perform "UDP Refresh" using SNMP:

- 1. Read all the stream list entries using rfgw1InputStreamListTable.
- Identify the stream index of the UDP that needs to be refreshed from the rfgw1InputStreamIndex from the current list read in step 1. This step needs to be performed every time with correct stream index value before performing UDP refresh or switching to next port.
- 3. Perform a SNMP set on *rfgw1InputRedundancy->rfgw1InputStreamIdx* with the stream index obtained in Step 2.
- 4. Perform a SNMP set on *rfgw1InputRedundancy->rfgw1TriggerUdpRefreshSessions* with value *true*
- This will refresh all the sessions on that specific UDP.

Steps to perform "Switching to next port pair" using SNMP:

1. Read all the stream list entries using rfgw1InputStreamListTable.

- 2. Identify the stream index of the UDP that needs to be switched from the rfgw1InputStreamIndex from the current list read in step 1. This step needs to be performed every time with correct stream index value before performing UDP refresh or switching to next port.
- 3. Perform a SNMP set on *rfgw1InputRedundancy->rfgw1InputStreamIdx* with the stream index obtained in Step 2.
- 4. Perform a SNMP set on rfgw1InputRedundancy->rfgw1TriggerSwitchToOtherPortPair with value **true**
- 5. This will refresh all the sessions on that specific UDP.

Enabling and Disabling Input redundancy feature and configuring timeouts.

Input redundancy feature can be enabled and disabled by using the *rfgw1InputRedundancy->rfgw1InputRedundancyFeature* MIB object. It takes the values of on (1) or off (2).

The Input Loss trigger timeout and zero bit rate trigger timeout can be configured using rfgw1InputRedundancy->rfgw1InputLossTriggerTimeOut and rfgw1InputRedundancy->rfgw1ZeroBitRateTriggerTimeOut.



WARNING:

To avoid clogging of CPU it is recommended to perform query of the SNMP objects in the intervals of at least 5 minutes.

In case of refreshing all the streams or switching all the streams it is recommended to insert delay of at least a minute between refreshing/switching commands for each stream.

Resolved Issues

Specific Issues

ID	Description
CSCux57251	CVC: session struck to Gbe on Refresh session and input
	redundancy. Over a period of time there are few sessions which
	gets locked on a specific port. The "Switch to next port" is not
	working and also "Refresh All session" also doesn't work.
CSCuf01534	Video freeze is observed in STBs for every 1 to 2 minutes. STBs
	report ECMs to be corrupted.
CSCuy24776	When the RFGW is set to use remote authentication, after ~1000 logins radius authentication fails and WebUI/telnet/FTP is not reachable

Known Issues

- The RF Gateway 1 Web interface is not fully tested with IE-8 and FireFox 3.5.x or newer. The RF Gateway 1 web management interface is tested with IE-6 or FireFox 2.0.0.14 and above. Use of Java 1.6.x is also recommended.
- When using /31 IP addressing, although the RF Gateway 1 allows setting IP addresses and masks that correspond to this point-to-point protocol, it will not respond to ICMP ping request.

Test Summary

Feature Test

SNO	TEST	Automation/Manual	,	Test Cases executed
1	Input Redundancy with SNMP for Broadcast	Manual	Passed	25

HE Verification Test

SNO	TEST	Automatic/Manual	Pass/Fail Status
1	Verification of Simulcrypt sessions in CVC headend	Manual	Passed

Sanity Test

SNO	TEST	Automation/Manual	Pass/Fail Status	Test Cases executed
1	GUI test cases (exploring and verifying all the GUI pages)	Manual	Passed	200
2	Platform test functional-(Release management, Backup/Restore, Configuration backup/Restore test)	Manual	Passed	65
3	Simulcrypt test cases	Manual	Passed	78
4	PID conflict test cases	Manual	Passed	28
5	Session Refresh test cases	Manual	Passed	14
6	Authentication	Manual	Passed	30
7	Scrambler Test case	Manual	Passed	40

Migration Test

SNO	TEST	Automatic/Manual	Pass/Fail Status
1	Upgrade from below releases to V05.02.09 and reverted. (V05.01.11, V05.01.15, V05.02.02, V05.02.06)	Manual	Passed

Automation Test

SNO	TEST	Feature	Automatic/Manual	Pass/Fail Status
1	Simulcrypt Churn	GQI V3	Automatic	Passed

Test Summary

2	SNMP based stream switch	Input	Automatic	Passed
		Redundancy		

Image Information

The following table lists the files included in this release and their file sizes.

File Name	Size (in Bytes)
app_05.02.09.gz	3596224
becks_06.01.14_fw.gz	2490139
bootrom_V5_02.05.00.bin	2097152
coors_05.00.27_fw.gz	2845585
dual_moretti_07.01.04_06.01.05_fw.gz	5440797
duvel_06.01.13_fw.gz	2681608
rfgw1_rel_05_02_09.xml	1745
miller_lite_05.01.20_fw.gz	56807
superfly_04.04.06_fw.gz	1421717
CISCO-RFGW-1-MIB.mib	218269
V05.02.09.zip (Compressed file containing all of the files above minus the MIB files)	16062033

Note:

- The image files should be downloaded using the FTP Server in BINARY mode only.
- V05.02.09.zip is the compressed file of all the image components excluding the MIB files. The file must be uncompressed before uploading into the RFGW-1.
- The calculated MD5 checksum for V05.02.09.zip is beb6e01093e96707742f3840b58f2b13.

Bug Toolkit

If you need information about a specific caveat that does not appear in this release note, you can use the Cisco Bug Toolkit to find caveats of any severity. Use the following URL to access the Bug Toolkit:

http://tools.cisco.com/Support/BugToolKit/

If you request a defect that cannot be displayed, the defect number might not exist, the defect might not yet have a customer-visible description, or the defect might be marked Cisco Confidential.

Upgrade Information

An RF Gateway 1 unit running release 1.02.20 or higher can be upgraded directly to 5.XX.XX. Refer to Chapter 3, *General Configuration and Monitoring (Release Management)* of the *Cisco RF Gateway 1 Configuration Guide*, part number 4025112, for more information. The RF Gateway 1 reboots automatically at the end of the upgrade process. However, when upgrading to 5.XX.XX from 1.02.09, an intermediate step of using the bridge release 1.02.19 to arrive at 1.02.20 and finally 5.XX.XX must be followed. The bridge release designated as 1.02.19 has been created to provide a secure and robust upgrade path. Releases 1.02.19 (bridge) and 1.02.20 (final) have identical user features and functionality.



WARNING:

Upgrading to 1.02.20 or 5.XX.XX directly from 1.02.09 must not be attempted. This may cause the RF Gateway 1 to be non-operational.

For Information

If You Have Questions

If you have technical questions, contact Cisco Services for assistance. Follow the menu options to speak with a service engineer.



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