



End-of-Availability Notice
SMC ® 8500 Series
For Internal and Partner release
April 6, 2010

1. Announcement Summary

Riverbed Technology hereby announces the end-of-availability of the model SMC ® 8500 Series. These systems will no longer be available for sale effective July 7th, 2010. Customers and partners may continue to order these systems from Riverbed through July 6th, 2010, subject to availability. Customers may continue to order Riverbed support services on these systems subject to Riverbed's end-of-availability and end-of-support policy located at:
www.riverbed.com/supportpolicy.

Table 1 identifies the relevant dates for end-of-availability and end-of-support:

Product	Description	End of Availability Date (Last order date)	End of Support Feature/Maintenance	End of Support Hardware/Patch
SMC-8500	SMC with 30 concurrent users	July 6, 2010	July 6, 2012	July 6, 2015
SMS-08500	Cold Spare SMC-08500	July 6, 2010	July 6, 2012	July 6, 2015
SMC-08500-E	SMC 8500 w 30 concurrent users Evaluation	July 6, 2010	July 6, 2012	July 6, 2015

2. Migration Plan

Recommended alternatives for above platforms are the SMC 8650 which will be generally available in April 2010 and SMC-VE software which is currently available. These will support Steelhead Mobile 2.1 and 3.0 code. More information is available at the link below:

http://www.riverbed.com/products/steelhead_mobile/

3. Refurbished Units

Riverbed may have refurbished systems available for sale after the above end-of-availability dates, supply permitting, provided that the above end-of-support dates shall apply to those refurbished units. Please contact your local sales representative for availability and details.

4. End-of-Availability Policy

For information on Riverbed's end-of-availability and end-of-support policy, please see www.riverbed.com/supportpolicy.

5. Additional Information

For additional information regarding this change, please contact Jess Leroy at jleroy@riverbed.com