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EOL (End Of Life) Announcement for the PCI PC Watchdog®

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Products affected:

- PN: 1130 (same as PN:1134-STD) - PCI version with a standard bracket
- PN: 1134-STD - PCI version with a standard bracket
- PN: 1134-LPF - PCI version with a low-profile bracket

The PN: 1130 version was released in 1999. Around 2006 a new version of the board was released in a PCI low-profile form factor to fit smaller PC cases. The part number, 1130, was kept for customers who ordered under that number.

One of the two primary ICs (Integrated Circuits) on the board was manufactured by a company called QuickLogic. In June of 2007 they announced that the IC we were using (QL5030) was going EOL. The following link is for that notice:

http://www.quicklogic.com/assets/pdf/pdn/EOLPCN5VTolerantPCI.pdf

Since that time we had still been able to get QuicklLogic to continue manufacturing batches of our IC on a special order basis. However, with each order the minimum quantity and price increased. At this point it is no longer viable for us to place any more orders.

Our remaining stock will be sold on a first-come, first-serve basis. We do reserve the right to limit quantities to permit more customers to get stock. All orders are NCNR (Non-Cancelable, Non-Returnable). The product will still have the same warranty, but if your board were to need replacement there is a chance it would be replaced with a new model.

We do have a redesigned board in the prototype phase, but it uses a different PCI interface IC and will require installing new drivers and recompiling application programs to use our latest DLL. At this point we have not decided yet whether to put the replacement board in production.

We also recommend that you look at our PCIe Express version for updating your design since a lot of new PC motherboards no longer have regular PCI slots.