

April 4, 2016

Dear Valued Customer,

This letter serves as your formal notification that Belden is discontinuing the **RS2 Unmanaged Rail Switches, effective immediately.**

RS2 Unmanaged Rail Switches contain components which have become obsolete. Belden has a limited stock of these devices which will last until last delivery date.

The new SPIDER III Premium Line is able to replace and continue all functions and solutions which were provided by RS2. Moreover the new SPIDER III Premium Line offers additional features like AC power supply, conformal coated PCBA or an USB interface for configuration of certain parameters. The new SPIDER III Premium Line switches are available for sale.

**Discontinued Product(s)**

Discontinued Product Family	Description	Suggested Alternative	Description
RS2 Unmanaged Rail Switches	Unmanaged Industrial Ethernet Rail Switches	SPIDER III Premium Line Switches	Next Generation Unmanaged, Industrial Ethernet Rail Switches

The standard warranty terms will be honored for all units shipped to date. For more information on Belden's Long Term Product Support Policy for Industrial Networking products, please visit [www.belden.com/ltps](http://www.belden.com/ltps). Special contracts in place and active prior to the announcement date will be honored according to the terms of that contract, with regard to product availability, warranty, or support terms.

**Discontinuation Milestones – RS2 Unmanaged Rail Switches**

Milestone	Date
Discontinuation Announcement Date	April 4, 2016
Last Order Date	September 30, 2016
Last Shipment Date	December 31, 2016
Last Service Date	December 31, 2021

A detailed list of all discontinued part numbers can be found at the end of this letter.

If you have any questions or for assistance selecting alternative products, please contact your local Belden sales representative ([North America contact information](#) and [International contact information](#)).

Sincerely,  
Hirschmann Automation and Control GmbH



i.A. Sebastian Preiss  
Senior Product Manager

**Discontinued Part Numbers – RS2 Unmanaged Rail Switches***Last Order Date: September 30, 2016*

Discontinued Part Number	Description	Replacement
943 771-001	RS2-3TX/2FX EEC	SPIDER-PL-20-07T1M2M299TWVHHHH
943 772-001	RS2-3TX/2FX-SM EEC	SPIDER-PL-20-07T1S2S299TWVHHHH
943 819-001	RS2-4TX EEC	SPIDER-PL-20-05T1999999TWVHHHH
943 773-001	RS2-4TX/1FX EEC	SPIDER-PL-20-04T1M29999TWVHHHH
943 774-001	RS2-4TX/1FX-SM EEC	SPIDER-PL-20-04T1S29999TWVHHHH
943 119-002	RS2-4TX/1FX-ST EEC	SPIDER-PL-20-04T1M49999TWVHHHH
943 732-003	RS2-5TX	SPIDER-PL-20-05T1999999TWVHHHH
943 732-103	RS2-5TX/FX	SPIDER-PL-20-04T1M29999TWVHHHH
943 686-003	RS2-TX	SPIDER-PL-20-08T1999999TWVHHHH

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