IMPORTANT PRODUCT INFORMATION

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Product: PACSystems™ RX3i CPU

IC695CPU310-EL CPU Module Firmware Version 3.81

Release 3.81 of the RX3i CPU firmware provides support for eight RX3i Ethernet Interface modules in the PLC main rack.

Updates

IC695CPU310 can be field-upgraded to firmware version 3.81 using the firmware upgrade utility. The upgrade kit can be ordered or downloaded at no charge from http://www.gefanuc.com/

Upgrade Kit: 44A752290-G13

Product Documentation

PACSystems CPU Reference Manual, GFK-2222

PACSystems RX3i Hardware and Installation Manual, GFK-2314

TCP/IP Ethernet Communications for the PACSystems, GFK-2224

C Toolkit for PACSystems User's Manual, GFK-2259

DeviceNet Modules for PACSystems RX3i and Series 90-30 User's Manual, GFK-2196

IPI, DeviceNet Modules for PACSystems RX3i and Series 90-30, GFK-2194C

Proficy™ Machine Edition Getting Started, GFK-1868

Proficy Logic Developer – PLC Programming Software Getting Started, GFK-1918

Datasheet, PACSystems RX3i CPU, GFK-2316

IPI, PACSystems RX3i CPU, GFK-2329P (this document)

CPU Functional Compatibility

Subject	Description		
Programmer Version Requirements	Proficy® Machine Edition Logic Developer 5.5 with Service Pack 1 must be used to configure eight Ethernet Interface modules with the RX3i CPU.		
	Proficy Machine Edition Logic Developer 5.5 or later must be used for new features in PACSystems 3.50 and later.		
	Proficy Machine Edition Logic Developer 5.0 or later must be used to configure and program the RX3i. Service Pack 3 is required to support the new features in PACS 3.00.		
C Toolkit Compatibility	C Toolkit Release 3.50 Build 34A1 is required for new features in PACSystems Release 3.50 and later (Use of variables in C Blocks).		
	The C Toolkit for PACSystems is distributed with Proficy® Machine Edition Logic Developer 5.0 or greater. Toolkit Release 2.50 build 50A1 or later is required for use with the RX3i. Please note: The Series 90 Toolkit (IC641SWP709/719) is not compatible with PACSystems.		
Series 90-30 Module	The following Series 90-30 modules are supported by the PACSystems RX3i:		
Compatibility	Discrete Input Modules:		
	IC693ACC300, IC693MDL230/231/240/241/250/260/632/634/645/646/648/654/655		
	IC693MDL660 – To operate in a CPU Release 3.0 system, the module firmware must be updated to version 1.10		
	Discrete Output Modules:		
	IC693MDL310/330/340/350/390/730/731/732/733/734/740/741/742/748/752/753/7 60/930/931/940		
	IC693MDL754 – To operate in a CPU Release 3.0 system, the module firmware must be updated to version 1.10		
	Discrete Combinational: IC693MAR590, IC693MDR390		
	Analog I/O Modules: IC693ALG220/221/222/223/390/391/392/442		
	High Speed Counter: IC693APU300		
	FANUC I/O Link: IC693BEM320, IC693BEM321		
	Motion Control: IC693DSM314, IC693DSM324		
	GENIUS: IC693BEM331		
	DeviceNet Master: IC693DNM200		
	Serial IO Processor: IC693APU305		
	Temperature Control: IC693TCM302, IC693TCM303		
	Power Transducer: IC693PTM100, IC693PTM101		
	All other Series 90-30 modules are currently not supported.		

Subject	Description
IC694 (blue) Module	Discrete Input Modules:
Compatibility	IC694ACC300, IC694MDL230/231/240/241/250/260/632/634/645/646/654/655
	IC694MDL660 – To operate in a CPU Release 3.0 system, the module firmware
	must be updated to version 1.10
	Discrete Output Modules:
	IC694MDL310/330/340/350/390/732/734/740/741/742/752/753/930/931/940
	IC694MDL754 – To operate in a CPU Release 3.0 system, the module firmware must be updated to version 1.10
	Analog I/O Modules: IC694ALG220/221/222/223/390/391/392/442
	High Speed Counter: IC694APU300
	Motion Control: IC694DSM314, IC694DSM324
	Expansion Backplanes: IC694CHS392/398
	Expansion Power Supplies: IC694PWR321/330/331
	FANUC I/O Link: IC694BEM320, IC694BEM321
	GENIUS: IC694BEM331
	Device Net Master: IC694DNM200
	Serial IO Processor: IC694APU305
IC695 (PCI) Module	Ethernet Interface: IC695ETM001
Compatibility	Universal Analog Input Module: IC695ALG600
	PROFIBUS: IC695PBM300 (Master)
	PROFIBUS: IC695PBS301 (Slave)
	Non-isolated Analog Input Modules: IC695ALG616/608
	Non-isolated Analog Output Modules: IC695ALG708/704
	Analog Input Modules with HART: IC695ALG626/628
	Analog Output Module with HART: IC695ALG728
Series 90-30 Expansion Rack Compatibility	Series 90-30 expansion racks, both local and remote, are supported by the PACSystems RX3i.
	PACSystems RX3i CPU does not operate in a Series 90-30 Rack.
Series 90-30 Main Rack	Series 90-30 Main Racks cannot be used in a PACSystems RX3i system.
Compatibility	Series 90-30 CPUs do not operate in PACSystemsRX3i Racks.
Isolated 24V power	In applications that use the IC69xALG220/221/222, consult <i>PACSystems RX3i Hardware and Installation Manual</i> , GFK-2314 for details of wiring the 24V power.
COMMREQ to PBM300	In Release 3.0, the behavior of the COMMREQ fault output on a COMMREQ sent to the PROFIBUS master module IC695PBM300 has been changed to be compatible with the Series 90-30 CPU366 PROFIBUS Master. Previously, the fault output is enabled when the module receives a COMMREQ and it is busy. Now, the busy condition does not result in the fault output enabled.
Recommended IC200ALG240 revision	When a VersaMax™ system Genius® Network Interface Unit (IC200GBI001) interoperates with a Genius Bus Controller located in a PACSystems PLC, and the VersaMax system contains an IC200ALG240 Analog Input Module, it is recommended to update the IC200ALG240 firmware to Revision 1.10 or later. Use firmware update kit 44A752313-G01, available in Knowledge Base Article i023269 at http://dlobalcare.gefanuc.com .
Configuration of IC694MDL754	Always configure 16 bits of module status when using this module. Configuring 0 bits of module status will result in invalid data in the module's ESCP status bits.

Problems Resolved in Release 3.81

The following problems are resolved in version 3.81 of the CPU firmware.

Subject	Description
Battery Fault Reporting	When a battery is replaced, or sometimes when a battery is low, the user's logic may not be retained during a power cycle, although the battery appears to be functioning correctly at powerup. A new fault (Group 7, Error Code 130) has been added to indicate that user memory was not preserved over the power-cycle. If this fault occurs on a power cycle when the battery was not detached, the battery is bad and should be replaced.
I/O Modules in Expansion Rack Lost on Rack Powerup	If an expansion rack is powered up after the main rack and before the main rack has completely powered-up, modules in the rack are no longer lost and I/O is handled correctly.
Configuring Missing Ethernet Interface Modules	If EGD is configured for three or more Ethernet modules that are not physically present in the backplane, the CPU operates correctly during a store of the hardware configuration and during power-up.

CPU Restrictions and Open Issues

Subject	Description
Battery installation	When installing a new battery, when there currently is no battery installed, the battery must be installed while the CPU has power. Failing to follow this procedure could result in the CPU not powering up.
	If a battery is installed while power is off (and there was no battery previously installed), and the CPU fails to power up, simply remove the battery, power cycle the CPU and then install the battery.
Hot Swapping some Analog modules slowly may result in modules not being recognized	Occasionally during a hot insertion (hot swap) of IC695 Non-Isolated Analog Input Modules, input channels may take up to 2 seconds to reflect actual input values after the module OK bit is enabled in the module status word. This delay has only occurred when the hot insertion has been done slowly (i.e. approximately 1.5 seconds to insert the module)
Ethernet Disconnect During Word-for-Word Change	If the Ethernet connection is broken during a word-for-word change, the programmer may not allow a subsequent word-for-word change after reconnecting due to the fact that it thinks another programmer is currently attached. If this occurs, you should go offline and then back online again.
Simultaneous Clears, Loads and Stores Not Supported	Currently, PACSystems CPUs do not support multiple programmers changing CPU contents at the same time. The programming software may generate an error during the operation. Simultaneous loads from a single PLC are allowed.
Power Cycle During Write to Flash	If the CPU is power cycled during the process of writing to flash, and is configured to power up from flash, a fault will be generated on power up.
Hardware Configuration Not Equal After Changing Target Name	If the user stores a hardware configuration to flash that sets "Logic/Config Power up Source" to "Always Flash" or "Conditional Flash" and then subsequently changes the name of the target in the programming software, the hardware configuration will go Not Equal and will not Verify as equal.
PLC and IO Fault Tables May Need to be Cleared Twice to Clear Faulted State	Both PLC and IO fault tables may need to be cleared to take the CPU out of Stop/Fault mode. If one of the tables contains a recurring fault, the order in which the tables is cleared may be significant. If the CPU is still in Stop/Fault mode after both tables are cleared, try clearing the fault tables again.
Setting Force On/Off by Storing Initial Value	Once a force on or force off has been stored to the PLC, the user cannot switch from force on to force off or vice-versa directly by downloading initial values. The user can turn off the force by doing a download, and then change the force on or off by another download.
Number of Active Programs Returned as Zero	The SNP request Return Controller Type and ID currently returns the number of active programs as zero.

Subject	Description
Serial I/O Failure at 115K During Heavy Interrupt Load	Rare data corruption errors have been seen on serial communications when running at 115K under heavy interrupt load on the PLC. Under heavy load applications, users should restrict serial communications to 57K or lower.
SNP ID not always provided	Unlike the Series 90-30, the RX3i CPU's SNP ID will not appear in the Machine Edition programmer Show Status display. Service Request 11 will always return zeros.
Second programmer can change logic while in Test & Edit mode	While currently active in a Test and Edit session using Machine Edition on one PC, Machine Edition running on another PC is not prevented from storing new logic to the PLC.
Must Have Logic If Powering-Up From Flash	If the application will configure the CPU to retrieve the contents of flash memory at power-up, be sure to include logic along with hardware configuration when saving to flash memory.
CPU may not detect low- battery condition	PACSystems CPUs may not detect a low-battery condition early enough to provide a meaningful warning to the user to replace the battery. A battery with very low capacity may still have a terminal voltage high enough to report that it is a good battery. In this case, when the battery starts supplying the memory power (battery backup), the battery voltage would quickly drop to unacceptable levels, with little warning to the user before failure.
	To insure against data loss, users should replace batteries in accordance with the guidelines provided in the CPU Reference Manual, GFK-2222. Additionally, users could save logic and hardware configuration to flash.
Two loss of module faults for Universal Analog Module	Occasionally, the hot removal of the Universal Analog Input Module (IC695ALG600) results in two "Loss of I/O Module" faults instead of one.
Power up of HSC may take as long as 20 seconds	As power is applied to a 90-30 High-Speed Counter, the "module ready" bit in the status bits returned each sweep from the module may not be set for as long as 20 seconds after the first PLC sweep, even though there is no "loss of module" indication. I/O data exchanged with the module is not meaningful until this bit is set by the module. For details, see "Data Transfer Between High Speed Counter and CPU" in the Series 90-30 High Speed Counter User's Manual, GFK-0293C.
Info fault at power up	Intermittently during power-up, an Informational non-critical CPU software fault may be generated with fault extra data of 01 91 01 D6. This fault will have no effect on the normal operation of the PLC. But, if the hardware watchdog timer expires after this fault and before power has been cycled again, then the outputs of I/O modules may hold their last state, rather than defaulting to zero.
Extended Memory Types for IO Triggers	%R, %W and %M cannot be used as IO triggers.
Possible Machine Edition inability to connect	Infrequently, an attempt to connect a programmer to a PLC via Ethernet will be unsuccessful. The normal connection retry dialog will not be displayed. Rebooting the computer that is running the programmer will resolve the behavior.
SNP Update Datagram message	If an Update Datagram message requests 6 or less bits or bytes of data, the PLC will return a Completion Ack without Text Buffer. The protocol specifies that the returned data will be in the Completion Ack message, but it may not be.
GBC30 may not resume operation after power cycle	In rare instances, a GBC30 in an expansion rack may not resume normal operation after a power cycle of either the expansion rack or the main rack.
Configuration of third-party modules	Do not specify a length of 0 in the configuration of a third-party module. The module will not work properly in the system.
Power supply status after CPU firmware update	The PLC will report a "Loss of or missing option module" fault for the IC695PSD140 RX3i power supply following an update of PLC CPU firmware. Also, the slot will appear empty in the programmer's online status detail view. The power supply continues to operate normally. Power cycle to restore normal status reporting.
Power supply status after power cycling	Rarely, turning a power supply on or off may not result in an add or loss fault. Also, the slot will appear empty in the programmer's online status detail view. The power supply continues to operate normally. Power cycle to restore normal status reporting.

Subject	Description
"Clear All" operation may timeout	A Clear All to a system with a very large hardware configuration may timeout, with the error:
	Error 8097: Server Error - Transfer Error: Host driver timed out. [0x6A][0x01]
	The selected memory could not be cleared
	ME does not disconnect when the error occurs and a retry is usually successful.
Don't use multiple targets	In a system in which the hardware configuration is stored from one target and logic is stored from a different target, powering-up from flash will not work. The observed behavior is that, following a power up from flash, ME reports hardware configuration and logic "not equal".
Missing "Loss of terminal block" fault	The IC695ALG600/608/616 analog input modules do not produce a "Loss of terminal block" fault when hardware configuration is stored or the module is hot-inserted, and the terminal block is not locked into place.
Sequence Store Failure	In systems with very large hardware configurations, it is possible to encounter a "PLC Sequence Store Failure" error when writing the configuration to flash. To work around this error, either:
	Perform an explicit clear of flash prior to performing the write.
	Increase the operation timeout used by Machine Edition software prior to performing the write.
IC694MDL754: Must configure module status bits	Always configure 16 bits of module status when using this module. Configuring 0 bits of module status will result in invalid data in the module's ESCP status bits.
IC695ALG600 Lead Resistance Compensation setting	A configuration store operation will fail if a channel is configured for 3-wire RTD and Lead Resistance Compensation is set to Disabled. A Loss of Module fault will be logged in the I/O Fault table at the end of the store operation. To recover the lost module, the configuration must be changed to enable Lead Resistance Compensation and module must be power cycled.
C Toolkit PlcMemCopy Documentation Incorrect	This routine does allow the destination and source pointers to be outside of reference memory. If the destination points to discrete reference memory, overrides and transitions will be honored. Note that the header for PlcMemCopy has been updated in Release 3.50 of the C toolkit.
Genius Device I/O Enable LED Does Not Illuminate If No Output Module Present on Genius Bus	If a Genius Bus contains no output Genius devices, the I/O Enable LEDs for the input Genius devices will not illuminate when the PLC is placed in RUN Mode. The modules will function properly even though the status LED is not lit. If an output Genius device is present on the Genius bus, the I/O Enable LED will illuminate for all input and output Genius devices when the PLC is placed in RUN Mode as expected.

Issues Related to the IC695ALG626/628/728 Analog Modules with HART

HART Input Modules are not	After WinLoading Firmware to the RX3i CPU, Analog Input modules with HART,
Re-acquired after CPU Firmware	IC695ALG626 and IC695ALG628, are not reacquired by the CPU. Loss of
Update	module faults are logged in the fault table and the module is unresponsive.
	Power cycling the entire system or hot removing and reinserting the affected Input modules recovers the modules.
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Issues Related to the IC693DNM200 DeviceNet Master Module

Please see GFK-2194C for open issues related to the IC693DNM200 DeviceNet Master Module.

CPU Operational Notes

Subject	Description
Important Installation Instructions for Battery	A battery is shipped with the CPU unit behind the battery door on the faceplate but it is not connected. Do not connect the battery until the CPU is installed in the rack and the rack powered on. The battery may then be attached to either of the two terminals in the battery compartment. Once that is done, the CPU may be powered down and normal battery back up operation will begin. To save battery life, do not connect the battery for the first time until the CPU is powered up.
LD-PLC operations	Machine Edition LD-PLC no longer supports a function which connects to the PLC, downloads, then disconnects from the PLC. The connect and download functions are now separate. To perform a download to the PLC, you must first connect to the PLC.
Logic Executed in Row Major Instead of Column Major	Logic execution in PACSystems RX3i is performed in row major order (similar to the Series 90-30). This is different from the Series 90-70, which executes in column major order. This means that some complicated rungs may execute slightly differently on PACSystems RX3i and Series 90-70. For specific examples, see the programming software on-line help.

Subject			Description
Slot numbering, power supply placement, CPU placement and reference	connector is of a 12-slot ra	left justified as viewed wack nor Slot 15 of a 16-s slot in a rack, therefore i	A040) for the RX3i is a doublewide module whose when installed in a rack. It cannot be located in Slot 11 slot rack. No latch mechanism is provided for the last t is not possible to place the power-supply in the
	justified as vi logic applicat physical coni referenced a determined b	ewed when installed in tions by the leftmost slot nector inserted in to slot s being located in slot 3	a doublewide module whose connector is right a rack. It is referenced for configuration and by user that it occupies. For example, if the RX3i CPU has its 4, which means it occupies slots 3 and 4, the CPU is. The referenced location of the CPU is not connector is located in, but rather by the left most slot
	connector in Slot 15 of a 1	Slot 1). In addition the 0	PU may be located in Slot 0 of a rack (physical CPU cannot be located in Slot 11 of a 12-slot rack nor so would require the physical connector to be located module.
	that to mainta used in Slot (Therefore, if CPU and use supply locate	ain the Slot 1 location of D. Either DC power supp the application using an es an AC power-supply, ed in a slot to the right of	PU system to a PACSystems RX3i CPU, be aware the CPU, only a singlewide power-supply may be bly can be used (IC695PSD040 or IC695PSD140). existing Series 90-30 system must maintain a Slot 1 the RX3i system must have the RX3i AC power-the RX3i CPU in Slot 1.
	5. In deciding to place the CPU in slots other than Slot 1, the user should be aware of the possible application migration issues that could arise. The following lists the areas that could be affected when migrating an application from one CPU slot to another.		
	Ite	em Affected	How Affected
	User Logic	Service Request #15 (Read Last-Logged Fault Table Entry)	Location of CPU faults will not be the standard 0.1 location, but will reflect the slot the CPU is located in. User logic that decodes fault table entries retrieved by these service requests may need updating.
		Service Request #20 (Read Fault Tables)	
		Communications Request (Commreq)	Commreqs directed to the CPU (e.g. those directed to the serial ports of the CPU) will need to be updated with the correct CPU slot reference.
	H/W Configuration	CPU Slot location	Slot location of the CPU must be updated in the HW Configuration to reflect the CPU's true location.
	Fault Tables	Faults logged for the CPU	The location of faults logged for the CPU in the fault table will not be the standard 0.1 (rack.slot) location, but will reflect the CPU's actual slot.
	External		Series 90 PLCs
	Devices	Remote Series 90 PLCs that use SRTP Channels COMMREQs expect the CPU to be in slot 1. In order to support communications with Series 90 SRTP clients such as Series 90 PLCs using SRTP Channels, the RX3i internally redirects incoming SRTP requests destined for {rack 0, slot 1} to {rack 0, slot 2}, provided that the CPU is located in rack 0 slot 2 (and the remote client has not issued an SRTP Destination service on the connection to discover the rack and slot of the CPU). This special redirection permits Series 90-30 applications that expect the power supply to be located leftmost and the CPU to be located to the right of the power supply to function. Attempts to establish channels with CPUs in slots other than 1 or 2 will fail if initiated from Series 90 PLCs.	
			I and External Communication Devices
		for compatibility with CPI but are not limited to, init Edition View customers s it can communicate with	<u> </u>
			Host Communications Toolkit (HCT)
		Applications that utilize the drivers.	ne Host Communications Toolkit may require updated

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NaN handled differently than in Series 90-30	The PACSystems RX3i CPU may return slightly different values for Not A Number as compared to Series 90-30 CPUs. In these exception cases (e.g., 0.0/0.0), power flow out of the function block is identical to Series 90-30 operation and the computed value is still Not A Number.	
PID Algorithm Improved	The PID algorithm used in PACSystems has been improved and therefore PID will function slightly differently on PACSystems RX3i than on the Series 90-30. The differences are that the elapsed time is computed in 100 µS instead of 10 mS units. This smoothes the output characteristic, eliminating periodic adjustments that occurred when the remainder accumulated to 10mS.	
	Also, previous non-linear behavior when the integral gain is changed from some value to 1 repeat/second was eliminated.	
Some Service	■ Service Requests 6, 15, and 23 have slightly different parameters. Refer to GFK-2222.	
Requests different from	PACSystems PLCs support Service Request 26/30 functionality via fault locating references.	
90-30 or no longer supported	Service Request 13 requires a valid value in the input parameter block (Refer to GFK-2222 for details). On the Series 90-30 and Series 90-70 the parameter block value was ignored.	
	Service Requests 48 and 49 are no longer supported (there is no auto-restart) because most faults can be configured to be not fatal.	
IL and SFC	IL and SFC are not available.	
DO I/O Instruction	The Series 90-30 Enhanced DO I/O instruction is converted to a standard DO I/O instruction (the ALT parameter is discarded and ignored.)	
END Instruction	The Series 90-30 END instruction is not supported. Alternate programming techniques should be used.	
Non-nested JUMP, LABEL, MCR, & ENDMCR Instructions	Non-nested JUMPs, LABELs, MCRs, & ENDMCRs are translated to the corresponding nested JUMPs, LABELs, MCRs, & ENDMCRs when converting from Series 90-30 to PACSystems RX3i.	
Changing IP Address of Ethernet Interface While Connected	Storing a hardware configuration with a new IP address to the RX3i while connected via Ethernet will succeed, then immediately disconnect because the RX3i is now using a different IP address than the Programmer. You must enter a new IP address in the Target Properties in the Machine Edition Inspector window before reconnecting.	
Duplicate Station Address for Modbus Will Conflict with Other Nodes	The default serial protocol for the RX3i is Modbus RTU. The default Station Address is 1. If the PLC is added to a multi-drop network, care must be taken that the PLC is configured with a unique Station Address. Nodes with duplicate Station Addresses on the same network will not work correctly.	
Timer Operation	Care should be taken when timers (ONDTR, TMR, and OFDTR) are used in program blocks that are NOT called every sweep. The timers accumulate time across calls to the sub-block unless they are reset. This means that they function like timers operating in a program with a much slower sweep than the timers in the main program block. For program blocks that are inactive for large periods of time, the timers should be programmed in such a manner as to account for this catch up feature. Related to this are timers that are skipped because of the use of the JUMP instruction. Timers that are skipped will NOT catch up and will therefore not accumulate time in the same manner as if they were executed every sweep.	
Constant Sweep	Constant Sweep time, when used, should be set at least 10 milliseconds greater than the normal sweep time to avoid any over-sweep conditions when monitoring or performing online changes with the programmer. Window completion faults will occur if the constant sweep setting is not high enough.	

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Large Number of COMM_REQs Sent to Module in One Sweep Causes Faults	A large number of COMM_REQs (typically greater than 8) sent to a given board in the same sweep may cause Module Software faults to be logged in the PLC fault table. The fault group is MOD_OTHR_SOFTWR (16t, 10h) and the error code is COMMREQ_MB_FULL_START (2). When this occurs, the "FT" output of the function block will also be set. To prevent this situation, COMM_REQs issued to a given board should be spread across multiple sweeps so that only a limited number (typically 8 or less) of COMM_REQs are sent to a given board in each sweep. In addition, the FT output parameter should be checked for errors. If the FT output is set (meaning an error has been detected), the COMM_REQ could be re-issued by the application logic.
C Block Standard Math Functions Do Not Set errno	In C Blocks, standard math functions (e.g. sqrt, pow, asin, acos) do not set errno to the correct value and do not return the correct value if an invalid input is provided.
Upgrading Firmware	 The process of upgrading the CPU firmware with the WinLoader utility may fail when multiple IO modules are in the main rack, due to the time it takes to power cycle the rack system. If the upgrade process fails, move the CPU to a rack without IO modules and restart the upgrade process. Winloader initial connect baud rate is fixed at 19200 baud. Note that the firmware download will occur at 115.2K baud by default. Note that if you have hyperterm open on a port, and then try to use Winloader on the same port, Winloader will often say "Waiting for Target" until the hyperterm session is closed.
Hot Swap	Hot Swap of power supplies or CPUs is not supported in this release
Serial Port Configuration COMMREQs	With the following combination of circumstances, it is possible to render serial communications with the CPU impossible: 1. User configuration disables the Run/Stop switch 2. User configures the power up mode to Run or Last 3. Logic is stored in FLASH and user configures CPU to load from FLASH on power up 4. User application issues COMMREQs that set the protocol on both of the serial ports to something that does not permit communications to the ME programmer.
Incorrect Commreq Status For Invalid Program Name	The program name for PACSystems is always "LDPROG1". When another program name is used in a CommReq accessing %L memory, an Invalid Block Name (05D5) error is generated.
FANUC I/O Master and Slave operation	Scansets on the master do not work properly for the first operation of the scanset after entering RUN mode. They do work properly for subsequent scans. After downloading a new hardware configuration and logic, a power cycle may be required to resume FANUC I/O operation. Use PLCs of similar performance in FANUC I/O networks. If a master or slave is located in an RX3i system, the other PLCs should be RX3is or Series 90-30 CPU374s. Repeated power up/down cycles of an expansion rack containing FANUC I/O slaves may result in failure of the slaves' operation, with the RDY LED off.
Lost count at power up for Serial IO Processor	The serial IO Processor (IC693APU305) will lose the first count after every power up or every time the module receives a configuration.
COMMREQ Status Words Declared in Bit Memory Types Must Be Byte- Aligned	In previous releases, the CPU allowed configuration of COMMREQ Status Words in bit memory types on a non-byte-aligned boundary. Even though the given reference was not byte-aligned, the firmware would adjust it the next-lowest byte boundary before updating status bits, overwriting the bits between the alignment boundary and specified location. To ensure that the application operates as expected, release 3.50 and later requires configuration of COMMREQ Status Words in bit memory types to be byte-aligned. For example if the user specified status bit location of %I3, the CPU aligns the status bit location at %I1. Release 3.50 and later firmware requires the user to specify the appropriate aligned address (%I1) to ensure that the utilized location is appropriate for their application. Note that the actual reference location utilized is not changed, but now is explicitly stated for the user.

Installation in Hazardous Locations

The following information is for products bearing the UL marking for Hazardous Locations:

- WARNING EXPLOSION HAZARD SUBSTITUTION OF COMPONENTS MAY IMPAIR SUITABILITY FOR CLASS I, DIVISION 2;
- WARNING EXPLOSION HAZARD WHEN IN HAZARDOUS LOCATIONS, TURN OFF POWER BEFORE REPLACING OR WIRING MODULES; AND
- WARNING EXPLOSION HAZARD DO NOT CONNECT OR DISCONNECT EQUIPMENT UNLESS POWER HAS BEEN SWITCHED OFF OR THE AREA IS KNOWN TO BE NONHAZARDOUS.
- EQUIPMENT LABELED WITH REFERENCE TO CLASS I, GROUPS A, B, C & D, DIV. 2 HAZARDOUS LOCATIONS IS SUITABLE FOR USE IN CLASS I, DIVISION 2, GROUPS A, B, C, D OR NON-HAZARDOUS LOCATIONS ONLY
- The tightening torque range for the control terminals is 9.6-11.5 in. lb. Use only wire rated for 90°C. Be sure to observe any additional ratings that are provided with the modules.
- Batteries: Replace Battery with Matsushita Part No. BR2477A Only. Use of another battery may present a risk of fire or explosion." "Caution, Battery may explode if mistreated. Do Not recharge, disassemble or dispose of in fire". The correct battery type is available as Accessory Kit IC698ACC701.