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SERVICE NOTE

Supersedes: NONE

Agilent Medalist i3070 and i3070 Series 5 In-Circuit Test System

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E9901D - ALL

E9902D - ALL

E9903D - ALL

E9905D - ALL

E9901E - ALL

E9902E - ALL

E9903E - ALL

E9905E - ALL

Preventive Measures to Minimize Lost Heartbeat Errors

Parts Required:

P/N Description Qty.

None

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

SERVICE NOTE CLASSIFICATION:					
MODIFICATION RECOMMENDED					
ACTION CATEGORY:	X ON SPECIFIED FAILURE [[]] AGREEABLE TIME	STANDARDS LABOR: 0.0 Hours			
LOCATION CATEGORY:	X CUSTOMER INSTALLABLE [[]] ON-SITE [[]] SERVICE CENTER [[]] CHANNEL PARTNER	SERVICE [[]] RETURN INVENTORY: [[]] SCRAP X SEE TEXT	USED [[]] RETURN PARTS: [[]] SCRAP X SEE TEXT		
AVAILABILITY: PRODUCT'S SUPPORT LIFE		NO CHARGE AVAILABLE UNTIL: 30 Apr 2012			
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:					

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Situation:

Agilent Medalist In-Circuit Testers equipped with the i-System Card and "unmanaged" Micronet SP616B 16 port LAN switch will encounter a high level of "lost heartbeat" error, which requires a re-boot of the testhead to recover.



The root cause of the lost heartbeat error is the mismatch of network settings between classic LAN devices and modern LAN devices. The classic LAN devices are the i-System Card and control cards used in the testhead where the LAN technology has not progressed as much, compared to modern LAN devices such as PC Network Interface Cards (NIC) and LAN switches.

This network setting mismatch is termed as a "duplex mismatch". It should be noted that the duplex mismatch issue can only arise on NICs and LAN switches that auto-negotiate the port speed/duplex settings, although low traffic tests such as "ping" will work properly.

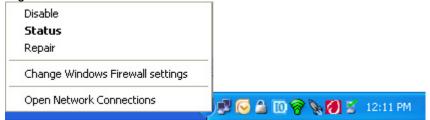
Solution/Action:

Explicitly set the private i3070 Testhead LAN for the controller to "10MB/half-duplex", instead of using the "Auto" setting.

This is recommended for any Medalist i3070 or Medalist i3070 Series 5 system (whether it has the System Card or i-System Card) that is connected to the private Testhead LAN network with LAN switches.

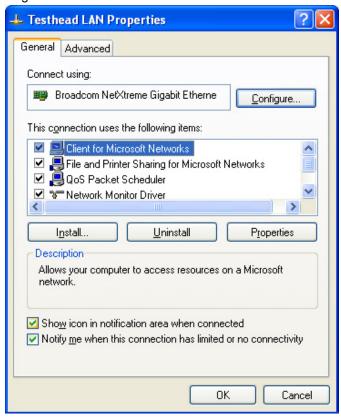
Forcing 10 Mbps Half Duplex on Testhead LAN

1. Right-click on the Testhead LAN icon in the Taskbar and select **Status**.



- 2. In the Testhead LAN Status dialog box, click **Properties**.
- 3. In the Testhead LAN Properties dialog box, click **Configure**.

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- 4. In the network adapter Properties dialog box, click the **Advanced** tab.
- 5. Select the **Speed & Duplex** property and change its value to **10 Mb Half**.

