



## Memorandum

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**From:** Spectrum Product Management Team  
**To:** Harmonic Global Sales and Channel Partners  
**Subject:** Spectrum 8.0 Condor and SystemManager 6.3.0 Releases

### We are moving into the software world!

In keeping with good software practices, we will be naming all Harmonic X-series software releases to help differentiate between major version releases.

All Harmonic X-series software will be adopting animal-themed names. The first software release to feature this new convention, Spectrum 8.0.0, is now available, and will be known as Spectrum 8.0 Condor, or simply **Condor**. This new version, together with the new SystemManager 6.3.0 software release, supports the next generation of Spectrum products, including:

- **Spectrum X** advanced video I/O ports
- **MediaCenter 2200B** media server with integrated storage
- **MediaDirector 225xB** system controllers

The new Spectrum X, MediaCenter and MediaDirector products offer exciting updates to the Spectrum product line. They are based on COTS Intel hardware with software implementation of codecs and other advanced features. These new products can be licensed for the latest 3G codecs, UHD and IP I/O capabilities.

Condor also includes numerous new features and usability improvements for the Polaris Play suite of tools, including the following highlights:

#### **Polaris Play Control**

- Support for looping schedules
- Ability to specify default clips for missing material, channel override and mixer override
- Ability to change playout events with BXF messaging
- Drag and drop capability for editing the playlist

#### **Polaris Play Scheduler**

- Ability to publish schedules directly to the traffic folder for the playout channel
- Preview Tool, Scheduler and Playlist Control now share the same file format
- Drag and drop capability for editing the playlist

#### **Polaris Play Media Fetch**

- Playout of growing files is now supported

Important note: Spectrum 8.0 Condor is intended solely for the new products specified above (see the release notes for a full list of compatible hardware and software). Spectrum 8.1 Condor will add support for more Spectrum products and configurations.

For additional information regarding new features, resolved issues, and compatibility with third-party applications, please see the Spectrum 8.0 release notes. More details can also be found in the user documentation. Datasheets for the new Spectrum products can be found on the Harmonic website under the “Acquisition, Payout and Storage” Products page (<http://harmonicinc.com/product/acquisition-payout-storage>) and on the Resources page.

### Download Information

A current SLA agreement must be in place for the relevant product(s) to download releases from the Software Download Portal. The Software Download Portal can be accessed on the Harmonic website (<http://harmonicinc.com/content/technical-support>). Click the Software Downloads link under Support Resources to login to the Portal or to request login credentials to the Portal.

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