PowerVu Network Center Product Overview

Transmit video, audio, and data more securely to a large receiver population with the Synamedia® PowerVu® Network Center. Synamedia PowerVu Network Center is the core of the Synamedia PowerVu product portfolio, which is designed to meet the digital content distribution needs of programmers, private networks, other network operators, and individual users. It’s a sophisticated, highly reliable, easy-to-use system that provides network management, improved security, decoder management, and advanced revenue protection.

Synamedia PowerVu Network Center Release 15.5 comes with three application modules:

- An Integrated Receiver/Decoder (IRD) management focused module with a dedicated IRD database including web UI.
- A Network Management System (NMS) and Conditional Access System (CAS) focused module.
- New: PNC integrated Live Event Controller Application option.
Network Management

Synamedia PowerVu Network Center provides control of all Synamedia PowerVu video, audio, data, and other ancillary Synamedia PowerVu services of your uplink (Figure 1). It allows you to configure and control your Synamedia PowerVu network devices, including Synamedia PowerVu encoders, multiplexers, and advanced modulators.

Synamedia PowerVu Network Center NMS Sample Screen

Security

The Synamedia PowerVu Network Center system gives the content owner full control over what transmitted content the Synamedia PowerVu IRD user can access. Synamedia PowerVu Conditional Access (CA) and encryption help ensure that your transmissions are highly secure and the Synamedia PowerVu Network Center offers a reliable, commercial security system. An AES128 based encryption option is offered in combination with the PowerVu Professional Receiver.

Decoder Management

With the Synamedia PowerVu Network Center Release 15.5, you can use the Synamedia PowerVu Management Console to control where your information is being received (Figure 2). The Synamedia PowerVu Network Center
addresses all Synamedia PowerVu receivers in the field. You have all of the information necessary to address Synamedia PowerVu decoders for specific service authorization.

Synamedia PowerVu Network Center 15.5 provides a PNC Event Management system which allows for centralized event management across multiple PNC systems. This for architectures with the Centralized IRD management server in place. The feature also brings a UI in the PNC Management console with enhanced views like calendar view, Event list view, Time Line view (new) with the ability to extend and change events on the fly from the UI. The system supports Multi-server IRD data management capabilities allowing the user to keep the IRD data records in sync between multiple servers in various locations. PNC 15.5 continues to bring UI usability enhancement in the PNC Management console to help with the day to day IRD operations.

Synamedia PowerVu Management Console: IRD Management Web-UI Sample Screen

Synamedia continues to target the single server deployment model, allowing for installation of both applications on a Sun Server (T4-1 only) with now the option to install all applications on x86 compute platforms.
Key Features and Benefits

- Support for Synamedia DCM (Digital Content Manager) as Mux and Scrambler.
- Support for Synamedia vDCM (Virtual Digital Content Manager) as multiplexer and Scrambler (PNC15 and up).
- Support for Synamedia PowerVu D9190 Conditional Access Manager.
- Standard-Definition (SD) and High-Definition (HD) MPEG encoder support (Synamedia Modular Encoding Platform D9036).
- Advanced Video Coding (AVC) encoder support (Synamedia Modular Encoding Platform D9036).
- Support for Synamedia DCM Unified Rate Control Statmux System with D9036.
- Compatible with vDCM encoding platform with optional vDCM management through VSM (Video Service Manager).
- PowerVu Encryption Support for HEVC encoded content (PNC13.5 and up).
- MPEG-2 and Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB) compatibility.
- Ability to send email alerts for user-defined system alarms.
- Reliable automatic redundancy switching upon failure of devices.
- Support for digital program insertion SCTE-35 messages.
- Optional ad insertion tier support for targeted SCTE-35 delivery.
- Control over all Synamedia PowerVu decoder authorizations.
- Broadcast flag to control unwanted content distribution.
- Control of program receiver and Multiple Decryption Receiver (MDR) analog and digital decoder outputs.
- Effective management of bandwidth allocation.
- Expandable N:M encoder configuration with N <= 18 and N+M <= 36 (Synamedia Modular Encoding Platform D9036).
- Advanced decoder searching capabilities.
- User-friendly Web GUI for the IRD management functionality.
- Advanced IRD support functionality in the new IRD management Web GUI.
- Enhanced IRD records import and delete functionality in the IRD management Web GUI.
● Added support for Newtec M6100 DVB-S2 modulator (PNC12 and up)

● Added support for ingest and streaming of IP based content on Synamedia PowerVu Digital Content Manager (>=PNC12)

● Enhanced support to up to 12 audios per virtual channel

● Automated backup and manual restore functions on Synamedia PowerVu Network Center server with USB and Network backup media

● Synamedia PowerVu MetroMux software (for remultiplexing of HEVC, MPEG-2 and MPEG-4 part 10 H.264 video, audio, and other services)

● Network management and decoder control integrated with conditional access and encryption in an all-in-one system

● Decoder database API

● Optional Data Replication Software for local server redundancy with enhanced multi server IRD data management capabilities for Site Disaster Recovery

● Visual IRD management

● Optional Synamedia D9858, D9859 and PowerVu Professional Receiver Advanced Receiver Transcoder control

● Optional but newly integrated Synamedia Live Event Controller

● Optional Simulcrypt support

● Optional uplink controlled IRD On Screen Display support

● Optional Satellite Disaster Recovery support

● Integrated Event Scheduling

● Automated MSK key rotation options (PNC13.5 and up)

● Support for flexible DCM card configurations if PNC only needs to manage encryption on the created transports; includes support for multitransport stream options out of the DCM (PNC 13.5 and up)

● Integrated support for PowerVu Professional Receiver IRD product line

Figure 3 illustrates the Synamedia PowerVu distribution system.

Synamedia PowerVu Multichannel Distribution System
Product Specifications

Synamedia PowerVu Network Center General Product Specification

System management

- Industry standards: MPEG-2 DVB, AVC (H.264), and HEVC
- Commercial conditional access
- Scrambling: DES, DVB or Simulcrypt
- Automatic redundancy: N:M with N<=18 and N+M<=36
- Number of signals: 4 (with traditional DCM MUX architecture)
- Encoder control (D9036)
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Decoder database: 250,000
Entitlement Control Message (ECM) and Entitlement Management Message (EMM) generation
Tier assignment: 216
Blackout and spotlight codes
Fingerprint trigger
Broadcast flag (ATSC A/65B)
Force tuning
Homing channel
Remote control outputs
Service replacement: scheduled, CA, and cue-trigger based
Decoder output controls
Satellite code download to decoders
Decoder lock-out of front panel
Decoder group and search capability
Visual IRD management, in-band control
Live Event Controller (optional)

Key Synamedia PowerVu Network Center Options

Synamedia Live Event Controller

The Synamedia Live Event Controller (LEC) server is used by programmers and broadcasters to perform uplink-commanded, dynamic channel tuning for receivers. It provides the capability for programmers and broadcasters to manage the access rights of services based on event groups. Users define the event groups, which can be used as decoder search criteria. Decoders can be tuned to events with dynamic start and end times through a button push. This feature provides users with an extra level of flexibility in managing services.

The Synamedia LEC option is now integrated in the PNC application and server.

The Synamedia PowerVu Network Center monitors the LEC application. Network services and event group data are automatically coordinated between the Synamedia PowerVu Network Center and LEC. Channel tuning events are imported through an easy-to-use web interface and are triggered based on time or through manual software-based button triggers. Event control data can be targeted to different groups of receivers. Receivers with LEC support are tuned to a designated channel based on the event control data instructions.
Transcoder Control

The Synamedia PowerVu Network Center can be enabled to provide profiles allowing the remote configuration of the IRD transcoder models in the field. Those profiles can be applied to individual and groups of IRDs. Parameters supported are HD/SD output, bitrate, GOP, AFD conversion,…

Ad-Insertion Tiers

The Synamedia PowerVu Network Center can be enabled to provide control over the DPI processing at the IRD. This feature provides the PNC Operator the tools to selectively authorize individual or groups of PowerVu IRDs for specific SCTE-35 messages. This includes the ability to segment the population of IRDs, allowing some program insertion avails on some IRDs while excluding them from others.

Warm-Standby Server and Data Replication: Revenue Protection

For installations without duplicate uplink network sites, Synamedia PowerVu system users can choose to install a backup Synamedia PowerVu Network Center for their uplink network to guard against failure scenarios. This warm-standby server uses data replication technology to help ensure that the redundant Synamedia PowerVu Network Center servers has a duplicate image of the primary Synamedia PowerVu Network Center configuration, including all system configuration and decoder authorization information. In the event of a failure of the primary Synamedia platform, technical personnel can switch to the secondary Synamedia PowerVu Network Center and avoid reconfiguring the system or missing previously scheduled events.

Data replication allows the broadcaster or programmer to have a fully configured standby uplink network and Synamedia PowerVu Network Center control system at an alternate site. The database for all decoder configurations is replicated on the two Synamedia PowerVu Network Center systems, so that any major failure at the uplink network site can be overcome by switching to the alternate site. The replication of configuration information helps ensure database consistency and reduces delay in the restoration of services. PNC 13 series brings Multi-server IRD data management capabilities allowing the user to keep the IRD data records in sync between multiple servers in multiple alternate locations.

Ordering Information

To place an order or download software, visit the Synamedia Ordering Portal Home Page.

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## vPNC PowerVu Base Encryption function

L-VPNC-LIC-PVU

## vPNC PowerVu AES128 Encryption function

L-VPNC-LIC-AES128

## vPNC PowerVu Simulcrypt Encryption function

L-VPNC-LIC-SIMUL

## vPNC Feature Package 1 (Metromux, DPI, SNMP)

L-VPNC-LIC-PKG1

## vPNC Feature Package 2 (DataRep/HA, Xcoder Ctrl, AdTier, OSD)

L-VPNC-LIC-PKG2

## vPNC Feature Package 3 (LEC, PNC Sat Dis Rec, Db Segmentation)

L-VPNC-LIC-PKG3

## vPNC SW Feature Support (custom)

L-VPNC-LIC-SUP

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