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1 WELCOME TO THE VCB

1.1 Introduction

The VCB, Emblaze-VCON's premier Multipoint Conferencing Unit (MCU), enables:

- □ Initiation and management of multipoint conferences, including both scheduled and ad-hoc conferences, which are multipoint sessions that were expanded from point-to-point calls.
- □ Wide range of rich, dynamic layouts for the simultaneous viewing of several participants. Up to 16 users may be displayed at the same time.
- Web-based management/configuration and videoconference scheduling/ moderating applications.
- Simultaneous multicast streaming of active conferences and multimedia to multiple passive participants.

The VCB includes advanced features, such as audio transcoding, speed matching and bandwidth management, as well as basic features such as continuous presence, voice-activated switching, and multiple audio and video algorithms.



1 Welcome to the VCB

The VCB includes the Conference Moderator, which provides administrators and users with the ability to schedule conferences in advance and to manage them remotely. At the appointed time, the Conference Moderator initiates the conference and connects the conference participants. Conference hosts can also control when participants join or exit sessions, and transmit video and data streams to the participants. For more details, see the *Conference Moderator Help*.

The VCB's robust Chair Control provides several options for displaying conference participants. A rich selection of predefined layouts expands on the traditional methods of Continuous Presence and Voice-activated Switching. Additionally, conference organizers can choose among the following view switching modes for each session:

Dominant Speaker	Showing the most recent speakers in the conference or from within predefined groups.
Fixed Image	Showing specific views throughout the conference's duration.
Timer Image	Showing a rotation of Continuous Presence views, changing at timed intervals.

The VCB supports the following:

- G.722.1, G.723.1, G.728 and AAC audio algorithms with audio transcoding, allowing users to participate in a multipoint conference using different audio standards.
- Up to 4 Mbps data rate per participant in Voice-activated Switching and in Continuous Presence (H.263 and H.264 only for H.261, up to 1 Mbps).
- H.261/H.263/H.263+/H.263++/H.264 video codec support in Voice-activated Switching

H.261/H.263/H.264 video codec support in Continuous Presence.

- Dial-in conference initiation.
- Handles calls connecting up to 48 concurrent users.
- □ Support for sessions including H.323 end points/devices and SIP User Agents (through the MXM's embedded SIP proxy server).
- Multi-point sessions can be joined (cascaded) onto other sessions, contingent on similar data rates, display types, and audio/video algorithm.
 VCB to VCB
 VCB to other IP MCU
- Dynamic resource allocation pool unallocated ports may be used as overflow for configured sessions.

- Applies H.239 support with HD DualStream[™], in which both video and data application-sharing may be transmitted to conference participants (whose end points support dual streams). End points that don't support dual streams will receive either the data or video stream, depending on the active VCB Service's configuration.
- The streams may be sent in CIF, QCIF, 4CIF, VGA, SVGA, or XGA.
- Speed matching, allowing participants in Continous Presence to connect using two different data rates (for example, 128 Kbps and 384 Kbps)
- □ Mode switching, allowing participants to choose the type of viewing mode (Dominant Speaker, Fixed Image or Timer Mode) during a conference.
- Symmetric bandwidth usage during Continuous Presence calls.
- Protection of calls using H.235 (AES) encryption.
- Optional deployment of Emblaze-VCON vPoint HD videoconferencing clients.

1.2 Package Contents

When you open the VCB shipping package for the first time, check that the following items are included. If any of the items (according to your Customer Order) are missing or damaged, contact your Emblaze-VCON representative immediately.

- VCB Server unit
- Power cables (2)
- Network cable
- Crossover cable
- User Guide and Utilities CD-ROM
- Getting Started Guide

2 **DEFINING THE VCB IP** CONFIGURATION

Before you can use the VCB for the first time, you have to define a unique IP configuration for it. This task is made up of the following procedures:



- **Retrieving the VCB's initial IP configuration**
- Changing the IP configuration to unique settings, such as a static IP address.

2.1 Assigning a Static IP Address to the VCB

Before you can use a VCB unit for the first time, you have to define one of its network cards (NIC) and interface's unique IP configuration so that you can connect to it for management. Use one of the following methods:

- Directly through the VCB unit's front panel
- Through interface **GbEo**.
- □ Through the **Console** (serial) port and Secure Shell (SSH), Microsoft[®] Hyperterminal, or similar connection program.



For standard operation, we recommend that you connect one NIC/one interface. If nevertheless, you require connection through more than one NIC, each NIC must belong to a different subnet.

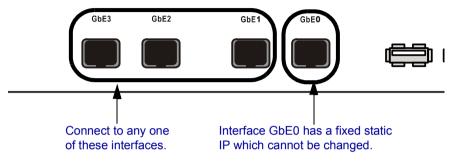
2 Defining the VCB IP Configuration

<u>Through the Front Panel</u>

The following procedure describes how to get the IP address from the VCB unit's front panel.

> To define a static IP address

1 Connect a network cable to any one of interfaces GbE1 to GbE3.



2 Turn the VCB unit on. A welcome message appears in the LCD display.



3 In the LCD display, press an arrow button until the **GET IP** command appears. Press the **Enter** button.



4 Press an arrow button again until the connected network card and interface appears (**NIC 1** to **NIC 3** = GbE1 to GbE3) and press the **Enter** button. The VCB unit receives an IP address from the DHCP server.

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Select NIC:
1
172.20.21.22
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If a cable is not connected to the interface, **o.o.o.o** appears in the display.

5 Leave the cable connected to the chosen interface.

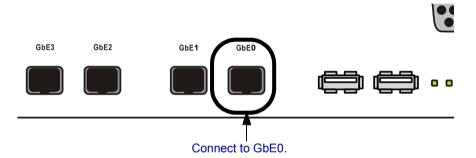
Through Interface GbE0

The following procedure describes how to access the VCB's configuration directly through the factory-configured interface.

To define a static IP address

1 Connect a communications cable between interface GbEo and a computer. This interface's IP configuration is:

IP address	10.0.10.10
Subnet mask	255.255.0.0
Gateway IP address	0.0.0.0



2 To access the VCB unit from another computer initially, the two systems must, at least temporarily, belong to the same network segment. That is, the first three fields of the address and the subnet mask must be identical.

Write down the computer's current IP address and subnet mask so that you can restore them later.

Change the remote computer's IP configuration temporarily to the same IP address segment(10.0.10.x) and subnet mask listed in step 1.

- 3 Connect a network cable to any one of interfaces GbE1 GbE3.
- **4** Through the VCB Web Management program, define a static IP address for the connected NIC.
- **5** Restore your computer's original IP configuration.

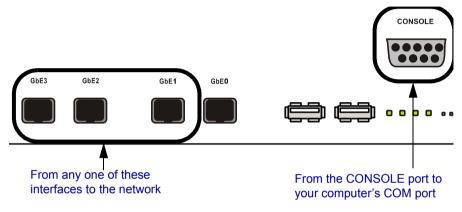
2 Defining the VCB IP Configuration

Through the Console Port

The following procedure describes how to access the VCB's configuration directly through the **Console** (or serial) port.

> To define a static IP address

1 Connect a control cable between the VCB's **Console** port and the remote computer's COM port.



- 2 Connect a network cable to any one of interfaces GbE1 GbE3.
- **3** Using Microsoft[®] HyperTerminal or a serial connection program, open a connection between the computer and the VCB unit. Configure the connection settings as follows:

Connect using: COM1 (or any other free COM port)

Bits per second	9600
Data bits	8
Parity	None
Stop bits	1
Flow Control	Xon/Xoff

- **4** Wait for the command prompt (>) to appear on the computer screen.
- **5** Type **listip** next to the command prompt.

6 After the command prompt (>), type the following syntax:

setparam ipstatic [0-3] [*IP address*][*netmask*][*default gateway address*]



Make sure that the static IP address is unique, in order to avoid collisions on the network.

7 To confirm the new IP configuration, type **listip** next to the command prompt and press <Enter>.

3 LOGGING INTO THE VCB

When you start the VCB program, you must first log in.

Emblaze-VCON's Media Xchange Manager[®] (MXM) provides gatekeeper functions for the VCB. The MXM manages the videoconferencing environment among end points registered in it, including multipoint conferencing managed by the VCB.

> To log in to the VCB

1 In your web browser, enter the URL of your VCB. The Login page appears.

Login Name: Password:	Remember Login Name and Password
Language:	English (US)+

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2 Enter your login name and password. The factory-defined login configuration is:

User	Name	su
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Password 1234

3 If necessary, define the following:

RememberSelect to allow the system to use the same login values in
the future.

and Password

Language Language of the management program.

- **Force Login** If a user with the same Login Name is already connected from a different location, this login attempt will succeed, disconnecting the other user.
- 4 Click Login.

3 Logging into the VCB

5 Click the VCB tab to enter the VCB Configuration pages.VCB Configuration is divided into Settings and Services.

Setting	s Services	
MC	U details	Administrators
General:		
Description:	Techpub VCB	
Location:	Techpub Room	
Network Address:	172.20.10.205	
Product info: Vendor ID: Product ID: Version ID: Build number:	88;0;1 VCB:H323 420 5.10.M10.D08.Y06	
Licensing: Licensed ports:	8	
Status: Last log on: Last log out:	10/15/2006 10:05:02 10/15/2006 10:02:00	
Gatekeeper: Gatekeeper address:	172.20.10.205	
Port Configuration: Defaults RTP ports start at: H.245 ports start at:	5004	

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4 SSH COMMANDS

This chapter defines the commands available when you access the VCB unit through a Secure Shell (SSH), Hyperterminal, or similar application connected to the Console port.

A Secure Shell application, PuTTY, is included on the CD-ROM supplied in your VCB package.

To run the PuTTY program

- 1 Insert the VCB compact disc to your computer's CD drive.
- 2 Browse to the Utilities folder's *putty.exe* program.
- **3** Copy the *putty.exe* file to your desktop or another location.
- **4** Double-click the file's icon to run the program.

> To connect to the VCB

- 1 In the Host Name box, type the VCB host computer's IP address.
- 2 Click Open.
- **3** Log in using the following parameters:

User Name	VCBAdmin
Password	evc123\$

4.1 Descriptions of SSH Commands

Command	appupgrade
Syntax	appupgrade < <i>path</i> >
Description	Upgrade to a new version of the VCB.
	Path - location of the install file.
	For example:
	appupgrade vcb/install.exe

Command Syntax Description Parameters	 changeservicestartmode changeservicestartmode <<i>Service Name><mode></mode></i> Change the specified service's starting mode. Automatic Manual Disabled For example: TermService, a service allowing remote desktop connection, is disabled by default. To enable it, set the service start mode
	to Manual, and then start the service using the "startservice" command. changeservicestartmode TermService Manual
Command Syntax Description	clearevents Delete all entries from the application, security, and system event log.
Command Syntax Description	exec exec <command/> Execute the specified shell command. Only VCBSupport-level users are allowed to execute this command.
Command Syntax Description	getevents getevents < <i>substring</i> > Display application, security, and system event log. If a substring is specified, only events related to the substring will be listed.

Command Syntax Description Parameters	getparam getparam < param> Retrieve the specified parameter. appver - Display the VCB/MXM application version. dhcp <0-3> - Display DHCP-defined IP configuration of the specified NIC, and if it's enabled or disabled. hwserial - The first NIC's MAC address. machinename - The name of the node. sshver - Display the SSH Server version. time - Display the current system date and time.
Command Syntax Description Parameters	getvcbadminparam getvcbadminparam <1> <param/> . Retrieve the specified VCB Admin parameter. Name and password of the administrator. For example: getvcbadminparam 1 password 1234
Command Syntax Description	getvcbridgeparam getvcbridgeparam <i><param/></i> Retrieve the specified VCB parameter. To display a list of parameters, type only the command and press <i><</i> Enter <i>></i> .
Command Syntax Description	getvcbsessionparam getvcbsessionparam <i><service number=""> <param/></service></i> . Retrieve the specified VCB Session parameter. To display a list of parameters, type only the command and press <i><</i> Enter <i>></i> .

Command Syntax	healthcheck
Description	Displays system information about the VCB's host computer, such as CPU usage, virtual memory usage.
Command	help
Syntax Description	Lists all SSH commands and their possible syntaxes.
Command	killprocess
Syntax	killprocess <process identity=""></process>
Description	Aborts the specified process.
Command	listip
Syntax	listip <0-3>
Description	Displays the IP address of the specified NIC.
Command	ping
Syntax	ping <hostname address="" ip="" or=""></hostname>
Description	Check if a connection to the specified computer is online.
Command	processes
Syntax	processes <substring></substring>
Description	Display a list of processes. If a substring is specified, only processes containing the substring will be listed.
Command	restart
Syntax Description	Restart the VCB unit.
Command	restartservice
Syntax	restartservice <i><service name=""></service></i>
Description	Restarts the specified service.

Command Syntax Description	 services services <i>service substring></i> Lists the services that start with the substring and displays their status. services VCON will list only VCON services. For example, VCON VCB AGENT_1
Command	setgkaddress
Syntax	setgkaddress < <i>IP address</i> >
Description	Define an IP address to the associated MXM.
Command	setmcuaddress
Syntax	setmcuaddress < <i>IP address</i> >
Description	Define an IP address to this VCB.
Command	setparam
Syntax	setparam < <i>param</i> >
Description	Define the specified parameter.
Parameters	dhcp <i><0-3></i> - Enable DHCP to define the IP configuration of the specified NIC.
	ipstatic <i><0-3><ip< i=""> <i>address><subnet><gateway></gateway></subnet></i> - Define a static IP configuration of the specified NIC.</ip<></i>
	machinename - Define the name of the node.
	time - Set the current system date and time.
Command	setpassword
Syntax	setpassword <user name=""></user>
Description	Defines the user password. If a user name is specified, the password change applies to that user name only.

Command	setvcbadminparam
Syntax	setvcbadminparam < <i>number</i> > < <i>param</i> >.
Description	Define the specified VCB Admin parameter.
Parameters	Name and password of the administrator.
Command	setvcbridgeparam
Syntax	setvcbridgeparam < <i>param</i> >
Description	Define the specified VCB parameter.
Command	setvcbsessionparam
Syntax	setvcbsessionparam < <i>service number</i> > < <i>param</i> > < <i>value</i> >.
Description	Define the specified VCB Session parameter.
Command	shutdown
Syntax	
Description	Shut down the VCB unit and turn its power off.
Command	startservice
Syntax	startservice < <i>Service Name</i> >
Description	Starts the specified service.
Command	stop service
Syntax	stopservice < <i>Service Name</i> >
Description	Stops the specified service.
Command	upgrade
Syntax	
Description	Upgrade to a new version of the SSH Server.