SAGE Digital ENDEC

The Digital ENDEC¹ uses an internal AES/EBU interface, LAN support, and a Web Browser based interface to support a new generation of EAS users. While the Digital ENDEC continues to support Radio, TV, and Cable users, it also supports the first responder and state/county/local emergency centers with emerging standards such as IPAWS and CAP version 1.1.

In addition to the many features of the original ENDEC², we add:

**New Hardware Features**

- 10/100 Base-T LAN support.
- 2 USB connectors for printers, additional serial ports, future expansion.
- Four new GPIO inputs and one additional contact closure for expanded control.
- AES/EBU Digital Audio Interrupt with active switching.
- 64 MByte onboard storage for log files.
- Optional USB memory stick(s) for up to 8 GB long term storage of alert audio.
- Totally solid state memory storage for reliable operation – no hard drive.

**New Software Features**

- Web-Based control – all settings and functions can be performed from anywhere on the internet, including initiating or forwarding alerts, and changing configuration.
- Several layers of security are provided, HTTPS/SSL can be used to encrypt all access.
- Software is stored in FLASH and is updatable via the LAN or the USB interface.
- Text and audio logs are available via the web interface page.
- Alert audio for a pending alert to relay can be previewed via the web interface using streamed audio.
- Any of the audio monitor inputs can be streamed to the web interface.
- The Digital ENDEC can trigger the relay of an alert, or the generation of Weekly Test or any other alert, via interface to common station automation programs on the serial port, via the LAN, or its GPIO interfaces.
- Included Text to Speech support locally generates audio based on the expanded text message available with the CAP protocol.
- The ENDEC can optionally send email when important events occur, such as sending and receiving alerts, loss of input on a monitor receiver, etc.
- The ENDEC can send status files to your FTP server for automatic logging.
- Time Synchronized to national standards via NTP protocol.

¹ Part 11 certified, FCC ID V2W3644.
² The original ENDEC’s internal strip printer is replaced by several options, including Web Browser access to logs, or some makes of USB printers connected to the DIGITAL ENDEC’s USB port.
CAP Software Update

Sage will provide a free software update to allow users to download and field install support for the final FEMA/FCC approved version of CAP 1.2.

Original ENDEC compatibility

With the exception of the internal strip printer, the Digital ENDEC has all of the interfaces that the original ENDEC has, including:

- Rack mount 2U enclosure.
- 6 audio inputs.
- 6 serial ports.
- Encoder and Microphone input.
- 4x20 LCD display.
- Internal speaker and Line Out.
- Automation Interface, Three contact closures (plus one new closure), One GPIO input (plus four new inputs).
- Front panel status LEDs.
- Support for all ENDEC hardware options such as the remote control, Multi Station Relay Panel, LED signs, etc.
- Support for all ENDEC software utilities such as ENDEC PRO and ENDEC DJ.

The Digital ENDEC was developed by the same team and know-how that built the original ENDEC, as well as 14 years experience working with Radio, TV, Cable, and Emergency Center users.

Figure 1. Digital ENDEC front panel.

Figure 2. Digital ENDEC rear panel.
Support for CAP 1.2

The Digital ENDEC uses its LAN connection to receive CAP alerts (either pulled from a server by the ENDEC or pushed to the ENDEC). It will then use ENDEC “filters” to determine the required action. If needed, it will then:

- Generate an EAS alert based on the data in the CAP message.
- Fetch audio using information in the CAP message, or generate audio using internal Text to Speech software based on data in the CAP message.
- Send the EAS message using all of the standard ENDEC filtering/formatting capabilities.

Figure 3. Block Diagram showing Digital ENDEC in EAS and CAP 1.2 environment.
Specifications are subject to change without notice. CAP and text to speech capabilities are included with the base unit. Software is field upgradable from the LAN connection.