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News for the Access Control Professional



STATE OF THE MARKET: ACCESS CONTROLS

ACCESS CONTROL IS OPENING DOORS TO MORE THAN SECURITY

Once relegated to simple locks and card reader panels, access control is assuming a starring role in overall business operations and security integrators are capitalizing on this trend.



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As seen on **SDM**

Access control is having a red carpet moment. While access control has been part of an integrated platform for many years—particularly in the enterprise world—it assumed a widespread starring role during the first wave of COVID-19 as businesses looked for ways to monitor employee health and promote touchless entry.

Two years later, as companies continue tweaking the workplace and welcoming employees back into the office, access control is taking its place as a fully integrated element of a business's security and operational requirements.

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Commentary on ISC West 2022

ISC West 2022—held March 23-25—encountered a healthy increase in the number of exhibitors over the July 2021 show. On the Farpointe booth, we sustained a strong, steady flow of visitor traffic the first two days. While many guests showed specific interest in our mobile and long-range solutions, others expressed a general discontent with the lack of product availability around the industry. Integrators, informed by other suppliers of months-long lead times, were excited to learn that (at the time of this writing) Farpointe’s lead times on most of its top products is under two weeks.

Farpointe was pleased to showcase the following RFID innovations during the show:

- **RER-11 Long-Range Edge Receiver** enables single-location point-of-control, with all set-up and configuration done directly on the unit.
- Touchless Activation, coming to Conekt mobile credentials, turns smartphones into perhaps the most convenient personal access credentials yet.
- **Conekt CSR Readers** now include support for one of the industry’s most popular 13.56-MHz contactless smartcards, standard.

After a two-year hiatus, Friends of Farpointe—a highly anticipated, invitation-only event—was back for 2022. Friends of Farpointe is our annual tradition of saluting our friends and partners around the electronic access control community.

Thank you to all our friends and partners—new and old—who made ISC West such a success...we look forward to seeing you again soon!



Farpointe Readers OSDP Verified by SIA

The Open Supervised Device Protocol (OSDP), now a global standard approved by the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), offers important benefits over legacy Wiegand protocols:

- Enhances security between reader and controller using AES 128-bit encryption;
- Open communications standard fosters interoperability among security devices;
- Use of RS-485 serial communications allow cable lengths up to 4,000 ft, as well as multi-drop installations;
- Bi-directional communication between reader and controller enables remote reader configuration.

Download a copy of our [OSDP Guide](#) for more details on why integrators should be implementing OSDP now.

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Seen on the Street

The **PCR-35L** mobile-ready proximity reader shown here was spotted in a residential setting in Pendleton, Indiana.

PCR-35L is a member of Farpointe’s CONEKT® line of mobile-ready 125-kHz proximity readers and credentials, supporting Conekt mobile credentials, as well as certain HID 125-kHz proximity cards and tags.

[PCR-35L DATA SHEET](#)



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