



Technical Service Bulletin

To: ANDI & NeXGen Customers, Service and Help Desk Personnel, Distributors, Vendors

From: Allied Electronics, Inc.

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Re: ANDI and NeXGen PA-DSS Software

Allied Electronics SSC and NXG ANDI applications were recently validated as PA-DSS compliant, allowing both platforms to continue to be listed on the PCI Security Council website as Validated Payment Applications.

PA-DSS validated software is currently available. The major version numbers are 60 and greater, e.g. MGN6000N Rev 01, GGA6000S Rev 01.

Two changes were made to provide PA-DSS compliance.

- Passwords sent to ANDI and NXG should be “strongly” encrypted, rather than sent in the clear as is done today. Newer versions of ANDI_DGS support this; all the user has to do is check the “encrypt passwords” box.

If passwords are created as encrypted, they must ALWAYS be sent encrypted. This applies to passwords used in FTP as well.

- When PA-DSS validated software is downloaded to NXG, an Allied-produced DOWNLOAD.INI file must accompany the new application software.

Users of the ANDI_DGS application to encrypt passwords and download software to NeXGen can easily employ both changes. ANDI_DGS version 3.3.3 or higher is required.

Contact Allied Electronics for more information regarding PA-DSS validated software.

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