

## PRODUCTION HOST CONNECTORS

Esker Fax add-on connectors for SNA, TCP/IP, SNA, and AFP (IBM® Advanced Function Presentation) give you the power to automate the faxing of thousands of documents every day from your most powerful business applications – with no interruption or administrator intervention. Esker Fax connectors offer seamless integration with IBM mainframe hosts, Unix systems and AS/400® (iSeries).

### THE PRODUCTION HOST CONNECTION

Bred in the mainframe world, Esker Fax built its solid reputation on delivering business-critical documents from IBM mainframes, AS/400, and Unix hosts. Combined with the automation intelligence of Esker's patent-pending General Document Recognition™ (GDR™) technology, SNA Connector, TCP/IP Connectors and AFP Connector power high-volume host production fax.

### TCP/IP CONNECTORS

Esker Fax TCP/IP Connector includes the FTP and LPD. The connectors extend the range of Esker Fax connectivity and integration by fax-enabling any host that supports TCP/IP, including HP-UX®, AIX®, Sun® Solaris®, Microsoft® Windows 2000/NT®, SCO Unix, SNA mainframes (MVS, CICS) and AS/400. To the TCP/IP host, Esker Fax appears as a typical LPD printer, FTP client, or SMTP e-mail destination.

Offering broad connectivity, Esker Fax with TCP/IP Connectors is well-suited for the most diverse business and IT environments. Esker Fax becomes the universal fax server, overcoming the platform limitations that can restrict fax-server connectivity.

Esker Fax and TCP/IP Connector works in tandem to deliver fax automation throughout the enterprise. While TCP/IP Connector handles production fax directly from host applications, Esker Fax provides fax capability to network-connected users—including complete integration with Windows office applications,

email/messaging programmes, LanFax™ Manager, supported e-mail clients and the web-based fax client, Esker Web Interface.

### SNA CONNECTOR

SNA Connector enables fast, efficient, high-volume faxing directly from business-critical applications running on SNA mainframes and AS/400s. Using SNA Connector, enterprises around the world automatically fax thousands of purchase orders, invoices, transaction confirmations and other documents every day. SNA Connector offers connectivity choices for flexible integration of Esker Fax into your existing system without special protocols or proprietary mainframe software.

#### ◆ RJE/3770 OPTION

Esker Fax connects to the mainframe as a 3770 device. RJE is ideal for downloading large volumes of data to Esker Fax, and for uploading logs and notifications from Esker Fax to the mainframe.

#### ◆ 3270 OPTION

Connects Esker Fax to the mainframe as a 3287 printer (a standard IBM 3270 device) and transmits data via the 3270 (SNA) data stream.

#### ◆ APPC OPTION

Provides connectivity to AS/400s, mainframes, or both via APPC (Advanced Programme to Programme Communication protocol). APPC allows two-way communication, enabling download of files to Esker Fax and upload of log files and notifications to the host.

### AFP™ CONNECTOR

AFP Connector allows faxing of high-resolution AFP documents directly from SNA mainframe and AS/400 applications. AFP resources such as fonts, pagedefs, and formdefs can be downloaded to the fax server, reducing host cycles and network traffic.

Esker Fax connects to the host computer as an IPDS printer using standard protocols and device definitions. So, you can fax invoices, purchase orders, confirmations, requests for quote, financial statements, reports, shipping forms—any AFP document—without the costs and hassles of printing and delivering them manually.

Featuring advanced integration with IBM Infoprint Manager™, Esker Fax intelligently captures AFP stream data for automated fax processing and delivery. AFP Connector requires the PCL Converter and can leverage Esker's GDR as an intelligent recognition alternative to embedded codes.

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