

Release Notes Tobii Dynavox Communicator 5

Introduction

Tobii Dynavox Communicator 5 is a software package designed to help individuals with communication disabilities communicate more efficiently. Communicator 5 converts text and symbols into clear speech, and offers easy-to-use tools for computer access, e-mail, text messaging, telephony, environmental control and more.

System Requirements

- Windows 7, Windows 8, Windows 8.1 and Windows 10
- 2.0 GB RAM
- 3.0 GB Hard Drive
- 1.3 GHz processor

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Release Version 5.4.12

Release date: 2019-02-18

Release languages: All Communicator languages

Release channels:

- Tobii Dynavox Web
- Check for Updates
- Tobii Dynavox Update Notifier

New Features

- Introduced new Windows Access page sets: Windows Mouse Horizontal and Windows Mouse Vertical
- Added settings for selecting favorite Windows access method and Windows keyboard
- Moved Go To Desktop page set to Windows Access tab in All Page Sets
- Updated phrase prediction to include all phrases that contains the text in the message window, not only phrases that starts with it

Improvements

- Fixed file filter for Pictures in Danish installer (TDCOM-1557)
- Addressed the issue when Shut Down Computer action restarted it instead (TDCOM-1548)
- Changed error message for insufficient disk space when making a user backup on USB (TDCOM-1514)
- Fixed the issue when Hear button in Alternative Pronunciations dialog read the spoken text twice (TDCOM-1529)
- Home Page now follows default scan pattern (enables linear and column, then row scan in addition to row, then column scan) (TDCOM-1513)
- Made it clear that Video setting "Prevent user interaction..." only applies when not in full screen (TDCOM-1551)
- Updated web page where user is directed in case Firefox wasn't installed (TDCOM-1520)
- Fixed an issue with Prevent Reselection function not working when button is linked to another page (TDCOM-523)
- Addressed a few localization and typo bugs

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Release Version 5.4.11

Release date: 2019-01-14

Release languages: All Communicator languages

Release channels:

- Tobii Dynavox Web
- Check for Updates
- Tobii Dynavox Update Notifier
- USB production

New Features

- Introduced a new Keyboard Settings page set and made keyboard settings accessible in Advanced Settings
- Made action for clearing prediction data accessible in the Keyboard Settings page set
- Replaced Change Keyboard page set with Keyboard Settings page set
- Made it possible to select default Windows Keyboard and have it on a Home Page
- Windows Keyboards are moved to Desktop Access tab in All Page Sets
- Introduced a new Communicator language: Polish
- Added a possibility to restart computer from Exit Communicator page set
- Introduced a warning message in case of too large sound file or picture inserted
- Added signs (+, -, =, /, *) to numeric page in keyboards

Improvements

- Included newer C++ 2013 redistributable to fix possible crash at startup when launched from Snap (TDCOM-1450)
- Fixed possible crash in Communicator after Sleep on EyeMobile Plus device (TDCOM-1259)
- Addressed issue with incorrect brightness adjustment on some devices (TDCOM-968)
- Resolved audio jack detection problem on I-110 device (TDCOM-1433)
- Fixed issue with Mouse Emulation becoming disabled when exiting Communicator (TDCOM-1345)
- Fixed issue where original page set in rare cases could be deleted if saving failed (TDCOM-1140)
- Fixed the text in error message on wrong email password for some providers (TDCOM-1485)
- Resolved issue with failed email sending on a certain provider (TDCOM-1403)
- Addressed a few localization and typo bugs

Release Version 5.4.10

Release date: 2018-12-18

Release languages: UK-English, US-English, German

Release channels:

- Check for Updates
- Tobii Dynavox Update Notifier

Improvements

- Fixed the error that occurred on attempt to download Dwell-Free language models (TDCOM-1477)

Release Version 5.4.9

Release date: 2018-11-14

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Release languages: UK-English and German

Release channels:

- Tobii Dynavox Web
- Check for Updates
- Tobii Dynavox Update Notifier
- USB production

Improvements

- Fixed the issue with Dwell-Free keyboard not decoding typed text in UK-English and German installers (TDCOM-1386)

Release Version 5.4.8

Release date: 2018-11-12

Release languages: All Communicator languages

Release channels:

- Tobii Dynavox Web
- Check for Updates
- Tobii Dynavox Update Notifier
- USB production

New Features

- Added new setting to keyboards for extra long dwell time on prediction buttons (TDCOM-1261, TDCOM-1271)
- Updated several icons in Keyboard Settings (TDCOM-1301)
- Added "Prevent user interaction while sound is playing" check box to Edit button dialogue (TDCOM-106)
- Added Feedback Sounds Settings in Keyboards (TDCOM-1219)
- Made it possible to print from Dwell-Free keyboard (TDCOM-1296)
- Added Follow Link button to Facebook Accessible page set (TDCOM-1193)
- Made Dwell-Free language models to download on first usage of Dwell-Free keyboard (TDCOM-1126)
- Discontinue Skype page set in Communicator and SonoKey (TDCOM-1309, TDCOM-1308)
- Added new Acapela voices to Communicator suite: Dutch and French (TDCOM-1264)

Improvements

- Addressed the issue with Quick Menu being too small on devices with small screens (TDCOM-822)
- Fixed the issue when CDDX page set load time increased on each next opening (TDCOM-1289)
- Resolved an issue with not being able to save Communicator 4 page set with empty media item in Communicator 5 (TDCOM-1290)
- Fixed the issue of not being able to write into Edge after the latest Windows 10 update (TDCOM-1300)
- Fixed the issue when Communicator 5 was not licensed on EM12 after latest Windows update (TDCOM-1295)
- Addressed the issue with text not being readable in Create User Guide on Indi device (TDCOM-645)
- Resolved the issue with page sets not being added to Home Page right before restarting the application (TDCOM-1054)
- Fixed several localization issues

Release Version 5.4.7

Release date: 2018-10-01

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Release languages: All Communicator languages

Release channels:

- Tobii Dynavox Web
- Check for Updates
- Tobii Dynavox Update Notifier
- Hardware deploys

New Features

- Added a way to open the right-click menu even when right-click is disabled (TDCOM-1189)
- Made Voice Speed and Pitch settings accessible (TDCOM-1144)
- Made Mouse Dwell settings accessible (TDCOM-434)
- Added Pause Mouse Dwell option (TDCOM-622)
- Made Feedback Sounds settings accessible (TDCOM-1196, TDCOM-1194)
- Added a Usage Tracking Feature (TDCOM-349)
- Added a possibility to create an empty user in Communicator (TDCOM-704)
- Updated SonoKey Facebook page set (TDCOM-1146) – will be released together with new SonoKey version
- Added a possibility to organize contacts on My Contacts page set (TDCOM-336)
- Made Message Window being able to preserve message when exiting keyboard (TDCOM-382)
- Added possibility to send IR signals continuously using HBG (TDCOM-1187)
- Added Faroese keyboard together with predictions (TDCOM-1184)

Improvements

- Fixed issues with Windows On-Screen keyboard popping up in Communicator (TDCOM-1136, TDCOM-1147)
- Fixed audible cue speaking in Edit view (TDCOM-1222)
- Made Edit Phrase button not visible in Speech History category, My Phrase 7x5 page set (TDCOM-1179)
- Fixed navigation in Keyboard page sets (TDCOM-1168)
- Fix Communicator crash in case of other app crashes (TDCOM-1169)
- Fixed crash in Chinese Communicator when working with predictions (TDCOM-1170)
- Made possible to close keyboard on answering call with Betula (TDCOM-1167)
- IR related bug fixes (TDCOM-1101, TDCOM-1210)
- Fix crash on startup due to corrupted e-mail folder (TDCOM-1091)
- Fixed the issue with e-mail attachments saving (TDCOM-711)
- Moved cursor position to the top of e-mail thread when answering e-mail in SonoKey (TDCOM-1185)
- Enabled saving changes in Communicator 5 of page sets created in Communicator 4 (TDCOM-258)
- Improved startup time of certain page sets (TDCOM-1201)
- Fixed an issue with error occurring during Communicator installation (TDCOM-1217)
- Fixed the issue when I-Series Control Center didn't open from Communicator (TDCOM-1218)
- Minor localization fixes

Release Version 5.4.6

Release date: 2018-07-05

Release languages: All Communicator languages

Release channels:

- Tobii Dynavox Web
- Check for Updates
- Tobii Dynavox Update Notifier

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Improvements

- Fixed an issue with word predictions failing in Large Keys/SonoKey keyboard (TDCOM-1175)

Release Version 5.4.5

Release date: 2018-06-27

Release languages: All Communicator languages except Chinese

Release channels:

- Tobii Dynavox Web
- Check for Updates
- Tobii Dynavox Update Notifier
- USB stick

New Features

- Added Portuguese (Portugal) SwiftKey predictions (TDCOM-1053)
- Made Email "Allow opening of attachments" setting ON by default (TDCOM-1092)
- Removed Sono Scribe from US and UK English Suite Installers (TDCOM-1098)
- Reduced size of Xylophone page set (TDCOM-1114)
- Removed Snap Desktop Access option from Communicator (TDCOM-1102)
- Added possibility for offline activation/deactivation (TDCOM-314)
- Improved computer memory usage when saving page sets. Reduced Communicator startup time (TDCOM-1149)
- Added link to Tobii Dynavox privacy policy from Setup Guide (TDCOM-1133)
- Improved Communicator suites installation process (TDCOM-1138, TDCOM-1096)
- Added support for special Japanese characters in Send Keys Action (TDCOM-691)
- Facebook changes: substituted old Facebook page set with the new one – Facebook Accessible (TDCOM-1127, TDCOM-1135)
- Added Alarm and Eye Tracking Pause page sets to default Home Page for Text User (TDCOM-1139, TDCOM-1130)
- Added audible cue to button action so it can be toggled by the user (TDCOM-735)
- GDPR related changes (TDCOM-1115)
- Updated PCS library (TDCOM-1121)
- Added Lithuanian and Latvian Keyboard layouts (TDCOM-1060)
- Upgraded scanning logs for BCI research usage (TDCOM-944)

Improvements

- Fixed "Object reference..." error message when downloading e-mail (TDCOM-1047)
- Fixed an error in Japanese Large Keys keyboard when it was not possible to backspace or delete all text with eye tracker (TDCOM-1051)
- Fixed Swift Key auto correction error (TDCOM-1049)
- Fixed Kanji conversion prediction error in Japanese Communicator (TDCOM-986)
- Fixed eye tracking issues after minimizing Communicator (TDCOM-1095)
- Fix Communicator resizing issues when opening/closing WC (TDCOM-840, TDCOM-1062)
- Fixed Virtual Remote-Communicator navigation problem (TDCOM-1055)
- Fixed sound recording for "Always on Top" page sets (TDCOM-1008)
- Made Communicator user not allowed to use ' in user name so Communicator doesn't hang on start (TDCOM-1035)
- Fixed error with incorrect e-mail time stamps (TDCOM-1043)
- Fixed an issue when only the last word in the message window was spoken instead of whole text (TDCOM-1125)
- Localization bug fixes

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Release Version 5.4.4

Release date: 2018-06-01

Release languages: All communicator languages

Release channels:

- Check for Updates
- Tobii Dynavox Update Notifier

Improvements

- Habey IR set up to use wrong port on Indi 7 (TDCOM-1132)
- Windows On-Screen keyboard is opened every time a button is Tobii Communicator 5 is selected (TDCOM-1136)

Release Version 5.4.3

Release date: 2018-02-28

Release languages: All communicator languages

Release channels:

- Tobii Dynavox Web
- Check for Updates
- Tobii Dynavox Update Notifier

New Features

- Update to latest Statistics component and enable daily reports (TDCOM-941)
- Update Mouseless Browsing add-on (TDCOM-1005)
- My Page Sets folder should be created directly (TDCOM-594)
- Add "All Remotes" page set to all languages (TDCOM-959)
- Reduce number of undo steps in Edit View to 10 (TDCOM-946)
- New Apple TV Remote (TDCOM-961)
- Add a "Home" IR Remote page set to communicator (TDCOM-962)
- Add a second TV remote (TDCOM-960)
- Swedish Page Set "My Words Flex - Categorized" (TDCOM-991)
- Swedish Page Set "My Words Flex - Contexts" (TDCOM-989)
- Swedish Page Set "My Words Flex" (TDCOM-993)
- My Scenes 1 - Large Page Set (TDCOM-1000)
- My Scenes 2 - Large Page Set (TDCOM-1001)
- My Scenes 3 - Large Page Set (TDCOM-1002)
- Norwegian Page Set "Ordforråd 1 - Tema" (TDCOM-988)
- Norwegian Page Set "Ordforråd 2 - Alleside" (TDCOM-992)
- Norwegian Page Set "Ordforråd 3 - Kategorisert" (TDCOM-990)

Improvements

- Windows 10 Taskbar showing in front of Communicator running in full-screen mode (TDCOM-771)
- [HockeyApp] "System.IO.FileNotFoundException: Could not find file" (UserDefinedPictureLibraryItem.OnRenamed) (TDCOM-975)
- Use "Tobii Dynavox Device Switch port" is set as default on generic pc (TDCOM-970)
- Not possible to delete Custom Picture Library (TDCOM-976)

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- "Enabling or disabling of the eye tracker is not supported for TecSDK" error preventing recording of IR command (TDCOM-973)
- Picture of Indi device in learn IR signal dialog is not shown (TDCOM-969)
- HockeyApp] Crash : "Win32Exception: The app didn't start" when selecting more info link in Mobile Phone settings (TDCOM-974)
- Communicator writes -1 to UserProfiles.xml setting file (TDCOM-971)
- Word Prediction error "Object reference not set..." error while typing on a keyboard, and word prediction stops working (TDCOM-613)
- Incorrect identification for switches in EyeMobile Plus (TDCOM-927)
- System.OutOfMemoryException (no limit to number of picture shown in Edit Button Dialog) (TDCOM-985)
- Not possible to change color for selected sms (TDCOM-987)
- Hide Mouse cursor in full screen should be on by default for new Eye tracker user (TDCOM-837)
- [American Spanish] No Swift Key prediction (TDCOM-788)
- Communicator takes a lot of time and resources to shut down and show Server Busy error (TDCOM-917)
- Communicator crashes due to memory consumption dramatic increase on saving big page set (TDCOM-924)
- I-110 translated as 1-10 in Learn IR dialog for all languages (TDCOM-966)
- Exception written to log file when selecting word prediction language (TDCOM-923)
- User is unable to change the start page back to the home page (TDCOM-733)
- Eyemobil Plus, eye tracker not stopped when learning IR signal in TC 5 (TDCOM-945)
- Crash in dwell-free when opened if haven't used eye-tracking first (TDCOM-941)
- Communicator Sleep makes I-110 Hibernate instead of go to sleep (TDCOM-763)
- Magnifying buttons interferes with Edit Button function (TDCOM-582)
- Gaze Interaction set as default input method on non-gaze devices (TDCOM-743)

Release Version 5.4.2

Release date: 2017-12-19

Release languages: All communicator languages

Release channels:

- Tobii Dynavox Web
- USB stick
- Check for Updates
- Tobii Dynavox Update Notifier

New Features

- Changed buttons size and default settings for Scanning Mouse Emulation (TDCOM-854)
- Ability to run Tobii Dynavox applications from a button action in Communicator (TDCOM-801)
- Default input method on touch devices is "Touch/Mouse" now (TDCOM-778)
- Reduce number of activations in Chinese to 1 per license (TDCOM-845)

Improvements

- Fixed many Windows Onscreen keyboard related issues (TDCOM-930)
- Fix for SonoKey users who couldn't use switch based mouse emulation (TDCOM-715)
- Tobii Dynavox Device Switch Port as default on I-110 (CVI-1143)
- The verb "be" is incorrect in Grammar tool (TDCOM-682)
- Windows Control On/Off button in SonoKey does not appear on devices that do not have IS4 eye trackers (TDCOM-718)
- Updating to Communicator 5.4 makes eye-tracking settings appear empty (TDCOM-776)
- Communicator crash when changing eye-tracking activation method (TDCOM-772)

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- Japanese not translated strings (CVI-1520)
- IR learns signals from eye tracker on EyeMobile+ (TDCOM-730)
- Copyright on tablet doesn't look nice (TDCOM-769)
- "Calibration is needed" warning is not noticeable enough (CVI-1541)
- Using Scanning in LiterAACyPro 10x7 causes an "Object reference..." error (TDCOM-727)
- Companion License not displayed on I-110 (TDCOM-742)
- Firefox Page Set in C5 is not compatible with German Firefox (TDCOM-620)
- Can't untick "Display a preview of incoming messages" (TDCOM-779)
- Server Busy Error when creating new user when having TET user profile with different casing (TDCOM-817)
- Grammar problems in LiterAACy: You/they/we am (CVI-1013)
- I-Series switch setup is not suggested on I-Series+ (TDCOM-799)
- Wrong tenses of "can" in Sono Scribe (CVI-1011)
- Snap + Core First opens minimized when using Snap button on Communicator Home Page (CVI-851)
- Crash in C5 while changing language and prediction (TDCOM-843)
- Music Player. Looks like only one music file is shown (TDCOM-819)
- Crash at startup in MSVCR120.dll (TDCOM-806)
- Server busy error on new user creation (TDCOM-925)
- Can't input Chinese characters in Chinese C5 (Edit Button) from Indi (TSAR-391)



This was fixed by Microsoft in Windows RedStone 3. So, users have to update Windows to see a fix

Release Version 5.4.1

Release date: 2017-09-07

Release languages: All communicator languages

Release channels:

- Tobii Dynavox Web
- Tobii Dynavox I-110 deploy

New Features

- Support for Tobii Dynavox I-110 hardware services (CVI-1143, CVI-1140)
- Auto licensing on Tobii Dynavox I-110 device (CVI-1130)

Release Version 5.4

Release date: 2017-06-20

Release languages: All communicator languages

Release channels:

- Tobii Dynavox Web
- USB stick
- Check for Updates
- Tobii Dynavox Update Notifier

New Features

- UI changes in Keyboards and Quick Talk (CVI-1344)

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- Copy & Delete multiple pages (CVI-1164)
- Hide/Unhide buttons in Edit Button Dialog (CVI-1239)
- Change font size on all page set buttons (CVI-1146)
- Launch Tobii Dynavox applications from Communicator 5 (CVI-797)
- Speak with recorded messages (CVI-1238)
- Improved performance on opening page sets (CVI-1234)
- Smaller suite installer in .exe file (CVI-1242)
- Support for receiving MMS messages when using the Beam app (SCHN-1371)
- Compatibility: Communicator is running with PCEye Plus, Eye Mobile Plus, On I-110, Indi device on all languages

Improvements

- As a user, I want to set speak this text using content tool quicker (TDCOM-577)
- Renaming a PageSet in Organize My Page Sets does not change its name on the Home Page (TDCOM-450)
- After e-mail password has changed editing the email settings does not seem to work (CVI-1246)
- There is a big lag when using the content edit tool in C5 (TDCOM-639)
- 'Beam Beta Information' and 'Telephony not available' buttons are not visible on Indi because Device Visibility button works incorrectly (TDCOM-652)
- Numerous small bug fixes

Release Version 5.3.2

Release date: 2017-04-24

Release languages: en-US, en-UK, de-DE, zh-CN and ja-JP

Release channels:

- On Indi™ — en-US, en-UK, de-DE and zh-CN
- On Update Notifier and Check for Updates — zh-CN & ja-JP

New Features

- Communicator uses the latest version of IR
- The HBG IR Remote control is automatically selected on a Indi™ device
- On a licensed Indi™ device Communicator has a gold license and recognizes that it's on Indi™ device

Improvements

- Not possible to save any .cddx file on an external drive (except C:) (TDCOM-565)
- Page Sets cannot be saved when opened from removable device (TDCOM-451)
- Impossible to update Communicator through Check for Updates (CVI-1184)
- (Chinese) IME suggestions do not appear while editing (CVI-1097)
- Help and Training links open tobiidynavox start page (CVI-994)
- Moving from button to button lags or takes longer in 5.3.1 than in previous versions (TDCOM-610)
- (Japanese) IME is turned off automatically (TDCOM-618)
- (Japanese) Incorrect predictions are chosen from word prediction pop-up window (TDCOM-624)
- Problem with IME Japanese input (TDCOM-576)

Release Version 5.3.1

Release date: 2016-12-09

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Improvements

- Saving page sets to a non C Drive location failed (TDCOM-565)
- Possible to get trapped in Content Products if set as Startup Page (TDCOM-566)

Release Version 5.3

Release date: 2016-11-30

New Features

- You can now add and launch Files from the Home Page.
- The Voice Pitch can be adjusted for Acapela Voices, which allows you to adjust the age of children's voices.
- Scanning Windows Control had been updated to provide better contrast on all backgrounds.
- Communicator can now import messages from the online Message Banking Service.
- You can use Beam to send SMS on Android phones on any Windows 10 PC.
- New Keyboard Layouts and a new High-Contrast color scheme.
- Edit Multiple buttons in Run view (changes to Edit button dialogue)
- Quick talk functionality
- Presentation mode in My Text Files page set

Improvements

- Licensing was not functioning when the device was offline (TSAR-217)
- Improved saving times (CVI-647)
- Fixed bugs related to losing focus in Windows 10 Tablet mode (CVI-589)

Release Version 5.2.2

Release date: 2016-10-31

Improvements

- In Sono Flex, moving between pages will cause the message window to speak (TDCOM-537)



Only for English, Danish and German

Release Version 5.2.1

Release date: 2016-08-29

Improvements

- In Sono Flex, when 2 words on a label, speak as you type sound setting does not work. (TDCOM-515)



Only for English, Danish and German

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Release Version 5.2

Release date: 2016-04-25

New Features

- Change the Dwell Free Keyboard from a Beta Feature to a full Communicator Keyboard
- Dwell-Free has been translated into German
- Dwell-Free can be set as a Communicator Keyboard
- The Dwell-Free prediction engine will learn new words
- The error correction mode in Dwell-Free provides Swiftkey word predictions as you type
- Dwell-Free has been improved to allow for long text editing, with improved cursor movement options and the ability to insert new sentences to the location of the cursor
- Dwell-Free now has auto-correct features, such as intelligent spacing for punctuation and auto-capitalization

Improvements

- Crash when duplicating non-button objects (CVI-548)
- Japanese Window Keyboards cannot turn IME on/off (CVI-484)
- Japanese Large Keys Keyboard displays incorrect second page for “な” (CVI-483)
- Italian abc Keyboard layout is missing àùìè (CVI-475)
- Activating Communicator Fails if the Machine Name contains non-English characters (CVI-434)
- In Sono Key navigating to the Alarm page clears the Message Window (CVI-411)

Release Version 5.1

Release date: 2015-12-09

New Features

- The new Abbreviation Expansion feature allows users to access their phrases faster than ever.
- There are new Alarm and Go To Desktop page sets
- The user can set a Different voice to be used for speech output and feedback sounds
- The Combine 2 IR commands action has been updated to allow the user to also Combine 3 IR commands
- Added Keyboard support for Croatian, Czech, Hungarian, Polish, Slovak, Slovenian, & Ukrainian
- Communicator 5 is now available in Finnish, Brazilian Portuguese, & Japanese

Improvements

- Communicator leaks memory when loading cddx files (TDCOM-327)
- Links refer to www.pagesetcentral.com (TDCOM-311)
- Importing TC4 E-Mail into C5 may cause a crash on startup (TDCOM-256)
- Unexpected results when injected page has the same name as a page in the main page set (TDCOM-193)
- Skype OSK Page Set cannot place calls (TDCOM-294)

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Improvements

- Improved reliability when sending or receiving text messages through a Bluetooth phone (CFIVE-6573)
- Updated Facebook to use the new API 2.0 (CVI-17)
- Occasionally unable to Save Communicator 4 Page Set in Communicator 5 (TDCOM-258)

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