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## Alta Labs Statement on FCC Router Ban

On March 23, 2026, the [FCC released a statement](#) updating its [Covered List](#) to include foreign-made consumer routers, prohibiting approval of new models. This has led to confusion in the consumer space, and we've received many inquiries asking how this affects Alta Labs products.

This new guidance from the FCC only applies to consumer-grade routers. Currently, Alta Labs only manufactures one router, the Route10. This does not impact our ability to manufacture Route10 or the ability of any of our users to own and operate the Route10 router. While Route10 is manufactured overseas, all of our product development, including design, software development, firmware updates, etc are all done in-house at our US-based headquarters. It is also worth noting that Route10 is classified and certified as an enterprise router, not a consumer-grade router, as defined in the updated [Covered List](#). The FCC has also stated, "It does not impact a consumer's continued use of routers they previously acquired. Nor does it prevent retailers from continuing to sell, import, or market router models approved previously through the FCC's equipment authorization process." The bottom line is that Route10 is authorized for use by the FCC, will continue to be manufactured, and users can rest easy knowing that their products are developed by a US-based company.

The Route10 was designed and developed with future-proofing in mind. The four 2.5 Gbps Ethernet ports, multiple 10 Gbps SFP+ ports, and multi-WAN functionality provide much more than most end users require. With that in mind, we foresee this being a viable product for some time to come. Nonetheless, we will release additional routers in the future. Those new routers could potentially fall under the new guidance at some point. Although the current guidance is defined as consumer-grade routers, we will monitor the situation to see if it applies to enterprise-grade routers. Alta Labs plans to explore all viable options and follow any regulations set forth to ensure any new products remain quality-built, aggressively priced, and readily available in all markets.

- The Alta Labs Team

