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336211	011	<p>For software release QAT1.7.L.4.6.0-00025</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated package number and checksum • Updated Section 1.1 • Updated Table 1 • Updated Section 1.2.5 • Added Section 1.4, Environmental Assumptions • Updated Section 4.5 • Updated Chapter 4. Added FAQ 4.9 <p>New Open Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-29663, QATE-32074, QATE-38075, QATE-38078, QATE-38236, QATE-39129, QATE-39220 <p>Newly Resolved Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE- 9383, QATE- 15136, QATE- 30882, QATE-32373, QATE- 32621, QATE- 33137, QATE- 33450, QATE- 37406, QATE- 37470, QATE-38014, QATE-38119, QATE-, QATE-39082 	June 2019
336211	010	<p>For software release QAT1.7.L.4.5.0-00034</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated package number and checksum • Updated Section 1.1 • Updated Table 1 • Updated Section 1.2.5 • Updated Section 4.5 <p>New Open Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-32621, QATE-33137, QATE-37406 <p>Newly Resolved Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-7919, QATE-12516, QATE-21561, QATE-29974, QATE-31792, QATE-32022, QATE-32044, QATE-32322, QATE-37450 	March 2019

Document Number	Revision Number	Description	Revision Date
336211	009	For software release QAT1.7.L.4.4.0-00023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated package number and checksum • Updated Section 1.1 • Updated Table 1 • Updated Section 1.2.5 New Open Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-31270, QATE-31792, QATE-32022, QATE-32044, QATE-32322 Newly Resolved Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-4051, QATE-9545, QATE-29972, QATE-30720, QATE-31201, QATE-31295, QATE-31714, QATE-31800, QATE-32336 	December 2018
336211	008	For software release QAT1.7.L.4.3.0-00033 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated package number and checksum • Updated New Features sub-section in Section 1.1 • Updated Table 2 New Open Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-29972, QATE-29974, QATE-30334, QATE-30497, QATE-30865, QATE-30880, QATE-30882, QATE-31295 Newly Resolved Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-3982, QATE-14458, QATE-18691, QATE-20186, QATE-30340, QATE-30758, QATE-30785 	September 2018
336211	007	For software release QAT1.7.L.4.2.0-00012 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minor updates throughout for clarity • Updated package number and checksum • Updated Chapter 4. Added FAQ. New Open Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-15136, QATE-17367, QATE-18691, QATE-20186, QATE-21561 Newly Resolved Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-3039, QATE-3635, QATE-4051, QATE-11828, QATE-12793, QATE-14779, QATE-14870, QATE-14920, QATE-14953 	June 2018

Document Number	Revision Number	Description	Revision Date
336211	006	For software release 4.1.0-00022 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minor updates throughout for clarity • Updated package number and checksum • Updated Section 1.1 • Updated Section 2.1 • Updated Chapter 4. Added FAQ 7 New Open Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-3350, QATE-7495, QATE-7919, QATE-12516, QATE-12793, QATE-14458, QATE-14706, QATE-14779, QATE-14870, QATE-14953, QATE-14920 Newly Resolved Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-4111, QATE-5433, QATE-5520, QATE-5989, QATE-7393, QATE-7563, QATE-8109, QATE-8233, QATE-9234, QATE-9326, QATE-9483, QATE-10180, QATE-10780, QATE-11629, QATE-11790, QATE-12256, QATE-14171 	April 2018
336211	005	For software release 1.0.5-25	January 2018
336211	004	For software release 1.0.5-14	December 2017
336211	003	For software release 1.0.4-2	August 2017
336211	002	Newly Resolved Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-3955 	July 2017
336211	001	Initial product release	July 2017

Pre-release Revision History

Revision Date	Revision Number	Description
July 2017	0.97	For software release 1.0.3-42 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated package number and checksum. New Open Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-9953
May 2017	0.96	For software release 1.0.3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated package number and checksum. New Open Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-9241, QATE-9234, QATE-9326 and QATE-8233 Newly Resolved Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-3650, QATE-3259 and QATE-8189
May 2017	0.95	For software release 1.0.2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated package number and checksum. Updated generic collateral website link. New Open Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-8361, QATE-8189 and QATE-8109 Newly Resolved Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-7909
April 2017	0.94	For software release 1.0.1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated package number, checksum, and instructions for obtaining SoC BIOS
March 2017	0.93	Updated instructions for obtaining SoC BIOS
March 2017	0.92	For software release 1.0 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated software license locations in Table 4. New Open Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-5989 and QATE-7393 Newly Resolved Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-3017
February 2017	0.91	Updated BIOS information for SoC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated list of unsupported features • All open and resolved issues have new reference numbers New Open Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-4051, QATE-5433, and QATE-3017 Newly Resolved Issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QATE-3220, QATE-3072, QATE-2985, QATE-4015 and QATE-6463

1 Description of Release

This document describes extensions and deviations from the release functionality described in the software Programmer's Guides for the various platforms that support Intel® QuickAssist Technology (Intel® QAT).

Changes in this software release include: Standard Linux* installation support added

For instructions on loading and running the release software, see the Getting Started Guide for your platform (see [Section 2.3, Related Documentation](#)).

Note: This software release is intended for platforms that contain:

- Intel® C62x Chipset
- Intel® Atom® C3000 processor product family
- Intel® Xeon® processor D family
- Intel® QAT Adapter 8960/Intel® QAT Adapter 8970 (formerly known as "Lewis Hill")
- Intel® Communications Chipset 8925 to 8955 Series

Note: These release notes include known issues with third-party or reference platform components that affect the operation of the software

1.1 Features/Limitations

The main features available on platforms using Intel® QAT are:

- Cryptographic Services
- Data Compression Services
- Cryptographic Sample Applications
- Data Compression Sample Applications
- Intel® QAT Data Plane Cryptographic API ([cpa_cy_sym_dp.h](#))
- Intel® QAT Technology Data Plane Data Compression API ([cpa_dc_dp.h](#))

The following features are not currently supported:

- Dynamic instances
- Intel® Key Protection Technology (KPT)
- Batch and Pack in Compression Service
- Stateful Compression is deprecated
- Combined compression/decompression sessions (CPA_DC_DIR_COMBINED) are deprecated

New Features:

- Black Box Debug Tool and `icp_sal_userIsQatAvailable` API

- The performance for QAT VF under Intel® IOMMU passthrough mode is improved by adding VFs to the default domain instead of new created domains.

1.1.1 Version Numbering Scheme

The version numbering scheme is:
`name.os.major.minor.maintenance-build`

Where:

- `name` is "QAT"
- `os` is the operating system: "L" for Linux*
- `major` is the major version of the software
- `minor` is the minor version of the software
- `maintenance-build` is the maintenance release and build number

1.1.2 Package Versions

The following table shows the Operating System (OS)-specific package versions for each platform supported in this release.

Table 1. Package Versions

Chipset or SoC	Package Version
Top-Level Package	QAT.L.4.16.0-00017

1.1.3 Licensing for Linux* Acceleration Software

The acceleration software is provided under the licenses listed in [Table 5](#). When using or redistributing dual-licensed components, you may do so under either license.

Table 2. Linux* Acceleration Software Licensing Files

Component	License	Directories
Userspace only components	Berkley Standard Distribution (BSD)	./quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/src/qat_direct ./quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/src/common/crypto/kpt ./quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/src/common/crypto/asym ./quickassist/utilities/osal/src/linux/user_space

Component	License	Directories
Common User Space and Kernel Space Library	Dual BSD/ GPL v2	./quickassist/build_system ./quickassist/include ./quickassist/lookaside/ (except items in User Space only) ./quickassist/utilities/osal (except items in User Space only) ./quickassist/utilities/adf_ctl
Kernel space driver	General Public License (GPL) v2	./quickassist/qat/drivers
Compatibility layer for older kernel versions	GPL	./quickassist/qat/compat
User Space Direct Memory Access (DMA)-able Memory Driver	Dual BSD/ GPL v2	./quickassist/utilities/libusdm
libcrypto	OpenSSL	./quickassist/utilities/osal/src/linux/user_space/openssl
CPM Firmware	Redistribution	./quickassist/qat/fw
Calgary corpus and Canterbury corpus test files	Public domain	./quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/src/sample_code/performance/compression

Note: This product includes software developed by the OpenSSL Project for use in the OpenSSL Toolkit (<http://www.openssl.org/>).

1.1.4 Basic Input/Output System (BIOS)/Firmware Version

The term Basic Input/Output System (BIOS) is used to refer to the pre-boot firmware that could include legacy BIOS or Extensible Firmware Interface (EFI) compliant firmware.

Note: Update your platform, so it uses the latest available version of the BIOS/firmware available for that platform.

For the Intel® C62x Chipset, update your Purley platform to use the BIOS/firmware version available in the through Purley Best Known Configuration (BKC) for that platform.

1.1.5 SHA256 Checksum Information

The following table gives SHA256 checksum information.

Table 3. Checksum Package

	Package	Checksum
Main Package	QAT.L.4.16.0-00017	315f48057253798fae386e514ce834d6b 5939eb842491fe27bfc019c42c430f4

1.2 Intel® QuickAssist Technology API Updates

Note: The Intel® QAT API version number is different from the software package version number.

For details on any changes to the Intel® QAT APIs, refer to the Revision History pages in the following API reference manuals (refer to [Table 4](#)):

- Intel® QuickAssist Technology Cryptographic API Reference Manual
- Intel® QuickAssist Technology Data Compression API Reference Manual

1.3 Technical Support

Intel® offers support for this software at the API level only, defined in the programmer's guides and API reference manuals listed in [Table 4](#). If your field representative has created an account for you, submit support requests via <https://premier.intel.com>.

1.4 Environmental Assumptions

The following assumptions are made concerning the deployment environment:

- The driver object/executable file on the disk should be protected using the normal file protection mechanisms so that it is writable only by trusted users, for example, a privileged user or an administrator.
- The public key firmware image on the disk should be protected using normal file protection mechanisms so that it is writable only by trusted users, for example, a privileged user or an administrator.
- The Intel® QAT device should not be exposed (via Single-root Input/Output Virtualization (SR-IOV)) to untrusted guests.
- The Intel® QAT device should not be exposed (via the "user space direct" deployment model) to untrusted users.
- DRAM is considered to be inside the trust boundary. The typical memory protection schemes provided by the Intel® architecture processor and memory controller, and by the operating system, prevent unauthorized access to these memory regions.

- Persistent keys were not considered, but the storage media are considered inside the cryptographic boundary.
- The driver exposed device file should be protected using the normal file protection mechanisms so that it could be opened and read/written only by trusted users.
- If any algorithms are registered with the Linux* Crypto API, all users should be trusted.

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2 Where to Find Current Software

Collateral can be found on <https://01.org/intel-quickassist-technology>

2.1 Accessing Additional Content from My Intel®

1. In a web browser, go to <http://intel.com/myintel>.
2. Enter your login ID in the Login ID box. Check Remember my login ID only if you are not using a shared computer. Click **Submit**.

Note: To acquire a new My Intel® Business Applications & Tools, contact your Intel® Field Sales Representative.

3. Enter your password in the Password box. Click **Submit**.
4. Under the My Applications heading, click on **Design Kits**.
 - a. Under the Processors, Boards, and Systems heading, click on **Processors and chipsets**.
 - b. Search for the Code Name of the appropriate device:
 - For the Intel® C62x Chipset PCH, enter the text **Purley** in the text box next to the Magnifying Glass.
 - For the Intel® Atom® C3000 Processor Product Family SoC, enter the text **Denverton NS**.
5. Click on the View button under the Action tab in the search results.
6. Click on the Technical Library tab.

2.2 List of Files in Release

The Bill of Materials (BOM) is included as a text file in the released software package. This text file is labeled filelist and is located at the top directory level for each release.

2.3 Related Documentation

The following table lists Intel® QAT generic documentation.

Table 4. Intel® QAT Generic Documentation

Document Title	Document Number
Intel® QuickAssist Technology API Programmer's Guide	330684
Intel® QuickAssist Technology Cryptographic API Reference Manual	330685
Intel® QuickAssist Technology Data Compression API Reference Manual	330686
Intel® QuickAssist Technology Performance Optimization Guide	330687

Document Title	Document Number
Using Intel® Virtualization Technology (Intel® VT) with Intel® QuickAssist Technology Application Note	330689

The following table lists Intel® QAT Software - specific documentation.

Table 5. Intel® QAT Software Specific Documentation

Document Title	Document Number
Intel® QuickAssist Technology Software for Linux* Getting Started Guide - Hardware Version 1.7	336212
Intel® QuickAssist Technology Software for Linux* Software Programmer's Guide - Hardware Version 1.7	336210

2.4 Terminology

Table 6. Terminology

Term	Description
API	Application Programming Interface
BIOS	Basic Input/Output System
BKC	Best Known Configuration
BSD	Berkeley Standard Distribution
CentOS*	Community Enterprise Operating System*
CY	Cryptographic
DC	Compression
DMA	Direct Memory Access
EFI	Extensible Firmware Interface
EP	Endpoint
FW	Firmware
GEN	General
GPL	General Public License
HKDF	HMAC-based Extract-and-Expand Key Derivation Function
Intel® QAT	Intel® QuickAssist Technology
OS	Operating System
PERF	Performance
SR-IOV	Single-root Input/Output Virtualization

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Term	Description
TLS	Transport Layer Security
VFs	Virtual Functions

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3 Intel® QuickAssist Technology (Intel® QAT) Software - Issues

Known and resolved issues relating to the Intel® QAT software are described in this section.

Note: Issue titles follow the pattern Identifier - <Component> [Stepping]: Description of issue where: <Component> is one of the following:

- CY - Cryptographic
- DC - Compression
- EP - Endpoint
- GEN - General
- SYM DP - Symmetric Cryptography on Data Plane
- SR-IOV - Single Root I/O Virtualization
- FW - Firmware
- PERF - Performance

[Stepping] is an optional qualifier that identifies if the errata applies to a specific device stepping.

3.1 Known Issues

This section contains known issues related to the software for Intel® QAT Hardware Version 1.7.

3.1.1 QATE-3241 - CY - cpaCySymPerformOp when used with parameter checking may reveal the amount of padding

Title	CY - cpaCySymPerformOp when used with parameter checking may reveal the amount of padding.
Reference #	QATE-3241
Description	When Performing a CBC Decryption as a chained request using cpaCySymPerformOp it is necessary to pass a length of the data to MAC (messageLenToHashInBytes). With ICP_PARAM_CHECK enabled, this checks the length of data to MAC is valid and, if not, it aborts the whole operation and outputs an error on stderr.
Implication	The length of the data to MAC is based on the amount of padding. This should remain private and not be revealed. The issue is not observed when the length is checked in constant time before passing the value to the API. This is done by OpenSSL.
Resolution	(1) Build without ICP_PARAM_CHECK, but this opens the risk of buffer overrun. Or (2) Validate the length before using the API.

Title	CY - cpaCySymPerformOp when used with parameter checking may reveal the amount of padding.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.1.2 QATE-7495 - GEN - An incorrectly formatted request to QAT can hang the entire QAT endpoint

Title	GEN - An incorrectly formatted request to QAT can hang the entire QAT endpoint.
Reference #	QATE-7495
Description	This version of the QAT hardware does not perform request checking. It follows that a malicious application can submit requests that can bring down an entire QAT endpoint, which can impact other QAT jobs associated with the hardware. This presents a risk to be managed by the host and guest operating systems and other system policies. The exposure can extend to other guest operating systems or applications outside of the typical access boundary of the malicious guest or application.
Implication	All guest operating systems or other applications using QAT must be trusted, and/or other steps must be taken to ensure that an untrusted application or guest cannot submit incorrectly formatted requests.
Resolution	There is no workaround available. However, system policies (including limiting certain operating system permissions) can help to mitigate this issue.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.1.3 QATE-15301 - QAT driver does not prepare the hardware for reset if reset is triggered via sysfs

Title	QAT driver does not prepare the hardware for reset if reset is triggered via sysfs.
Reference #	QATE-15301
Description	In Linux*, a PCIe device can be reset via "echo 1 > /sys/bus/pci/devices/<bdf>/reset" command. Because of software dependencies, unexpected behavior may be seen if this is done, and therefore it is not a recommended way of doing the QAT device reset, if required.
Implication	Triggering device reset through the Linux* sysfs PCI bus file system may won't initiate proper reset of the device.
Resolution	The adf_ctl tool should be used for the device reset, if required.
Affected OS	Linux*

3.1.4 QATE-17367 - SRIOV - PF driver might report errors if device is reset

Title	SRIOV - PF driver might report errors if device is reset.
Reference #	QATE-17367
Description	If a manual or automatic device reset (FLR or SBR) is triggered as a result of an error (e.g. heartbeat failure, end fatal errors, etc.) on a system with QAT VFs enabled, the PF driver might report run time errors and might not recover.
Implication	Reset of the PF driver is not supported when VFs are enabled.
Resolution	None.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.1.5 QATE-30865 - DC - Decompression hardware accelerator requires a minimal destination buffer size

Title	DC - Decompression hardware accelerator requires a minimal destination buffer size.
Reference #	QATE-30865
Description	If the destination buffer size is less than 258 bytes for a decompression operation, the hardware may return overflow without processing any data. This may occur if previous decompression operations indicates the next decompression operation will produce a 258 byte match, which corresponds to the largest possible representation of the lengths symbols in the deflate standard.
Implication	No uncompressed data is produced until enough output buffer is supplied.
Resolution	For decompression operations, the minimal destination buffer size should be 258 bytes.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM HW - Data Decompression

3.1.6 QATE-30880 - GEN - Partial recovery when kernel space instances are in use

Title	GEN - Partial recovery when kernel space instances are in use.
Reference #	QATE-30880
Description	If a device error (uncorrectable error or heartbeat failure) occurs while an application in kernel space is using the QuickAssist API and if AutoResetOnError is set to 1 in the configuration file, the device will be stopped and reset but not restarted.
Implication	After the occurrence of an error, the device is stopped and instances associated to that device will not be available.

Title	GEN - Partial recovery when kernel space instances are in use.
Resolution	The application should stop the instances and restart the device manually with the command <code>./adf_ctl restart</code> . The application is also required to re-allocate the instances.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.1.7 QATE-31270 - DC - Decompression: fatal error reported instead of invalid distance

Title	DC - Decompression: fatal error reported instead of invalid distance.
Reference #	QATE-31270
Description	If a malformed deflate input is fed to the decompression engine after power-on, the API might return a status of CPA_DC_FATALERR (-13) instead of CPA_DC_INVALID_DIST (-10). In order to cause the problem, the input should have a bad token early in the stream that references history which is too far back.
Implication	Input is not decompressed and an error is reported to the application.
Resolution	If a CPA_DC_FATALERR is reported, the application should discard output and abort the session calling <code>CpaDcRemoveSession</code> .
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Data Decompression

3.1.8 QATE-39220 - GEN - QAT API submissions with bad addresses that trigger DMA to invalid or unmapped addresses can cause a platform hang

Title	GEN - QAT API submissions with bad addresses that trigger DMA to invalid or unmapped addresses can cause a platform hang
Reference #	QATE-39220
Description	This version of the QAT hardware does not perform request checking. It follows that a malicious application can submit requests that can bring down an entire QAT endpoint, which can impact other QAT jobs associated with the hardware. Furthermore, if any QAT API submission have bad addresses that would trigger DMA to invalid or unmapped addresses, these can induce a platform hang. This presents a risk to be managed by the host and guest operating systems and other system policies. The exposure can extend to other guest operating systems or applications outside of the typical access boundary of the malicious guest or application.
Implication	All guest operating systems or other applications using QAT must be trusted, and/or other steps must be taken to ensure that an untrusted application or guest cannot submit incorrectly formatted requests.
Resolution	There is no workaround available. However, system policies (including limiting certain operating system permissions) can help to mitigate this issue.

Title	GEN - QAT API submissions with bad addresses that trigger DMA to invalid or unmapped addresses can cause a platform hang
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.1.9 **QATE-41707 - CY - Incorrect digest returned when performing a plain hash operation on input data of size 4GB or larger**

Title	CY - Incorrect digest returned when performing a plain hash operation on input data of size 4GB or larger.
Reference #	QATE-41707
Description	When performing a plain hash operation on input data size of 4GB or larger, incorrect digest is returned.
Implication	Incorrect digest is returned for a plain hash operation.
Resolution	N/A
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.1.10 **QATE-41975 - CY - Device Utilization data for Symmetric Cryptography requests less than 1K may be under reported**

Title	CY - Device Utilization data for Symmetric Cryptography requests less than 1K may be under reported.
Reference #	QATE-41975
Description	With symmetric cryptography requests less than 1k, the device utilization data provided may be more than reported.
Implication	The actual device utilization for symmetric cryptography may be higher than reported when packets sizes are less than 1K.
Resolution	There is no workaround available.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.1.11 QATE-42173 - SRIOV - Concurrent VF bring-up may fail

Title	SRIOV - Concurrent VF bring-up may fail.
Reference #	QATE-42173
Description	If QAT VFs are started concurrently, it is possible that one or more of these may not succeed.
Implication	Some interrupts may be ignored and the VF driver start should be retried.
Resolution	NA.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.1.12 QATE-43713 - CY - Advertised device capability for rate limiting and device utilization may not work for all SKUs

Title	CY - Advertised device capability for rate limiting and device utilization may not work for all SKUs.
Reference #	QATE-43713
Description	When querying the device capability, the absolute numbers of the device capability may be incorrect.
Implication	Do not rely on the absolute numbers when not running on the top SKUs.
Resolution	Future fix
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.1.13 QATE-45537 - Gen - Firmware authentication may fail if PCIe errors occur or are injected

Title	Gen - Firmware authentication may fail if PCIe errors occur or are injected.
Reference #	QATE-45537
Description	If PCIe errors occur or are injected on a platform, the QAT firmware authentication may fail.
Implication	The system may need to be rebooted in order to load QAT firmware successfully.
Resolution	None
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.1.14 QATE-60365 - DC - Compression requests can encounter CPA_DC_WDOG_TIMER_ERR errors by Intel® QAT

Title	DC - Compression requests can encounter CPA_DC_WDOG_TIMER_ERR errors by Intel® QAT
Reference #	QATE-60365
Description	When compressing certain data sets with Intel® QAT, the operation may fail with the CPA_DC_WDOG_TIMER_ERR error being returned by Intel® QAT.
Implication	Compression requests can return CPA_DC_WDOG_TIMER_ERR (-16) errors.
Resolution	Possible workarounds when CPA_DC_WDOG_TIMER_ERR error is encountered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use the new QAT compression update session API, cpaDcDpUpdateSession() or cpaDcUpdateSession(), to change to compression level 1 and resubmit the block for compression by Intel® QAT. - Store the block uncompressed. - Compress the block with software compression.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Compression

3.1.15 QATE-60953 - GEN - QAT API submissions with bad addresses that trigger DMA to invalid or unmapped addresses can impact QAT service availability

Title	GEN - QAT API submissions with bad addresses that trigger DMA to invalid or unmapped addresses can impact QAT service availability
Reference #	QATE-60953
Description	This version of the QAT hardware does not perform request checking. It follows that a malicious application can submit requests that can bring down an entire QAT endpoint, which can impact other QAT jobs associated with the hardware. Furthermore, if any QAT API submission have bad addresses that would trigger DMA to invalid or unmapped addresses, these can impact QAT service availability even after a reboot. This presents a risk to be managed by the host and guest operating systems and other system policies. The exposure can extend to other guest operating systems or applications outside of the typical access boundary of the malicious guest or application.
Implication	All guest operating systems or other applications using QAT must be trusted, and/or other steps must be taken to ensure that an untrusted application or guest cannot submit incorrectly formatted requests.
Resolution	There is no workaround available. However, system policies (including limiting certain operating system permissions) can help to mitigate this issue.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.1.16 QATE-64096 - GEN - The queried capabilities may not be correct for virtualization use case

Title	GEN - The queried capabilities may not be correct for virtualization use case
Reference #	QATE-64096
Description	The queried capabilities may not be correct when using the QAT 4.9 host software with QAT 4.10 or later guest software. Other version mismatches may also fail.
Implication	Some capabilities may be incorrectly reported as not available.
Resolution	Move to the latest QAT versions for the host and guest.
Affected OS	Linux*

3.1.17 QATE-64716 - PCIe Error Reporting: Unsupported Request (UR) errors from QAT are not correctly reported

Title	PCIe Error Reporting: Unsupported Request (UR) errors from QAT are not correctly reported
Reference #	QATE-64716
Description	When Intel® QAT detects an uncorrectable unsupported request (UR) error, if error reporting is enabled, Intel® QAT reports the error for resolution by the OS. After the error is reported, the OS will write to the PCIe UNCOR_STATUS register to clear the status bits. This write is causing an internal mask to be toggled inside Intel® QAT HW which is then blocking the error escalation for any future uncorrectable errors. If during the clearing of the UNCOR_STATUS register, the register is written an even number of times, error reporting will work correctly.
Implication	Some uncorrectable errors from Intel® QAT may not get reported to the OS. Any fatal device errors will be still be detected using the device heartbeat mechanism.
Resolution	N/A
Affected OS	Linux*, FreeBSD*
Driver/Module	QAT kernel driver

3.1.18 QATE-64996 - CY - Authenticated encryption exposes AAD in output buffers

Title	CY - Authenticated encryption exposes AAD in output buffers
Reference #	QATE-64996
Description	When doing authenticated encryption, using crypto_aead_encrypt API, actual associated data is being written to the associated data offset in the output buffer and hence actual associated data is visible in the output buffer along with cipher text.
Implication	Encryption operation may fail if complete data is compared in output buffer, instead of just cipher text.

Title	CY - Authenticated encryption exposes AAD in output buffers
Resolution	For encryption, only the cipher text in output should be validated for authenticity.
Affected OS	Linux*

3.1.19 **QATE-65150 - CY - Authenticated decryption exposes AAD and Digest in output buffers**

Title	CY - Authenticated decryption exposes AAD and Digest in output buffers
Reference #	QATE-65150
Description	When doing authenticated decryption, using crypto_aead_decrypt API, actual associated data and actual digest is being written to the corresponding associated data and digest offsets in the output buffer and hence actual associated data and digest is visible in the output buffer along with plain text.
Implication	Decryption operation may fail if complete data is compared in output buffer, instead of just plain text.
Resolution	For decryption, only the plain text in output should be validated for authenticity.
Affected OS	Linux*

3.1.20 **QATE-68173 - Virt - QAT VFs may not show up in the virtual machine to which it is attached**

Title	Virt - QAT VFs may not show up in the virtual machine to which it is attached
Reference #	QATE-68173
Description	In some cases, including with CentOS 8.2 with kernel 4.18.0-193.x, one or more QAT virtual functions (VFs) may not be properly initialized by QAT VF drivers.
Implication	Not all QAT VFs will be available.
Resolution	Remove and reload the .ko file for the VFs in the virtual machine, or move to a different kernel.
Affected OS	Linux*

3.1.21 **QATE-70657 - Performance drop introduced with some algorithms**

Title	Performance drop introduced with some algorithms.
Reference #	QATE-70657
Description	Some performance reduction for some algorithms and job size combinations has been observed starting with the R4.14.0 release.

Title	Performance drop introduced with some algorithms.
Implication	Performance for certain services may be less than that observed with previous releases.
Resolution	Future fix. Use an earlier release if any unacceptable performance drops are observed.
Affected OS	Linux*

3.1.22 QATE-72005 - Lower performance of standalone hashing with smaller memory blocks with ServicesProfile = COMPRESSION

Title	Lower performance of standalone hashing with smaller memory blocks with ServicesProfile = COMPRESSION.
Reference #	QATE-72005
Description	With standalone hashing with smaller memory blocks with ServicesProfile = COMPRESSION, the performance may be less compared to other ServicesProfile options.
Implication	Performance will be reduced for smaller payloads when using COMPRESSION service profile.
Resolution	For higher standalone hash performance, process data with larger memory blocks, or use a different ServicesProfile option.
Affected OS	Linux*

3.1.23 QATE-75498 - Dc - SLA is not honored for stateful decompression

Title	Dc - SLA is not honored for stateful decompression
Reference	QATE-75498
Description	When an SLA (Service Level Agreement) is set for limiting throughput for a particular VF, along with using ServicesProfile = COMPRESSION, stateful decompression operations are not honoring the SLA.
Implication	Higher-than-expected throughput can occur for stateful decompression.
Resolution	N/A
Affected OS	Linux*

3.1.24 QATE-77251 - DC - Decompression fails when input payload size is greater than 1908904447 bytes used for compression in a single request

Title	DC - Decompression fails when input payload size is greater than 1908904447 bytes used for compression in a single request
Reference	QATE-77251
Description	When input payload size for compression is greater than 1908904447 bytes, decompression would fail. This happens when the payload is sent as a single request for both compression and decompression.
Implication	Decompression would fail when the input payload size is larger than 1908904447 bytes and when sent as a single request.
Resolution	The payload can be sent as multiple requests instead of sending a single large request.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Compression

3.1.25 QATE-80604 - DC - Unexpected decompression results with invalid compressed file

Title	DC - Unexpected decompression results with invalid compressed file and compressed file with errors
Reference	QATE-80604
Description	When attempting to decompress an invalid compressed file or a compressed file with errors, the response may include unrelated data and may not result in an error.
Implication	Certain invalid compressed files and compressed files with errors will not produce the expected cleartext file and an error may not be reported.
Resolution	There is no resolution for this sighting and users are highly encouraged to make use of checksums to verify data integrity as well as ensure only trusted users have access to the systems to avoid invalid compressed files.
Affected OS	All
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2 Resolved Issues

3.2.1 QATE-2985 - SRIOV - Failed to send response to VF

Title	SRIOV - Failed to send response to VF.
Reference #	QATE-2985

Title	SRIOV - Failed to send response to VF.
Description	When bringing up one or more virtual functions in a host, the driver might report in the system log an error message similar to: "Failed to send response to VF". This is due to a short timeout in the PF2VF protocol.
Implication	Some of the virtual functions might not be available for the host.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.9.1 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	ADF - Kernel Mode

3.2.2 QATE-3007 - GEN - Unexpected error message when trying to bring up the driver

Title	GEN - Unexpected error message when trying to bring up the driver.
Reference #	QATE-3007
Description	The driver reports an error similar to the one below when it is brought up with <code>adf_ctl: Processing /etc/c6xx_dev0.conf Invalid affinity configuration Kernel space instances needs to be allocated on bundles lower than userspace instances Please change CoreAffinity configuration Failed to process section SSL_INT_0 QAT Error: Invalid configuration Failed to configure qat_dev1</code>
Implication	The driver might not be able to load valid V2 configuration files that were correctly loaded by the legacy driver.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.9.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.3 QATE-3017 - CY - Zero length authentication requests affect the result of other processes using the authentication service

Title	CY - Zero length authentication requests affect the result of other processes using the authentication service.
Reference #	QATE-3017
Description	Zero length authentication requests affect the comparison result of other authentication requests using the same accelerator.
Implication	An authentication check can report an incorrect negative value.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 1.0.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM FW - Crypto

3.2.4 QATE-3039 - GEN - Build fails when system time is set too far in the past, relative to the package

Title	GEN - Build fails when system time is set too far in the past, relative to the package.
Reference #	QATE-3039
Description	Extract the package on a system on which the system time is not set correctly and attempt to build it. The build fails.
Implication	The build fails.
Resolution	Not a defect. Update System Time in target platform.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	Installer

3.2.5 QATE-3072 - GEN - Stack dump after first adf_ctl down on a VF

Title	GEN - Stack dump after first adf_ctl down on a VF.
Reference #	QATE-3072
Description	After the first adf_ctl down on a VF, the kernel reports on a syslog a call trace which suggests a problem caused by adf_dev_stop.
Implication	Warning reported in syslog. No impact to user.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.9.1 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	ADF - Kernel Mode

3.2.6 QATE-3073 - GEN - Memory corruption on module verification with kernel versions greater than 4.5

Title	GEN - Memory corruption on module verification with kernel versions greater than 4.5.
Reference #	QATE-3073
Description	Verifying any Linux* kernel module signature after loading the acceleration driver on any platform with a Linux* kernel 4.5 and onwards will cause a memory corruption issue. This is due to a bug in the kernel for which a fix has been submitted.
Implication	The memory corruption will likely cause a kernel panic and make the system unusable.
Resolution	Do not load any signed kernel module after loading the acceleration driver. Load the acceleration driver at the very last.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	ADF - Kernel Mode

3.2.7 QATE-3137 - CY - AES-XTS does not support buffers sizes that are not a multiple of 16B

Title	CY - AES-XTS does not support buffers sizes that are not a multiple of 16B.
Reference #	QATE-3137
Description	A single request with a data size that is not a multiple of 16B for AES-XTS will fail in the IA QuickAssist driver with an invalid param check.
Implication	The user cannot submit AES-XTS Crypto requests with buffers that are not multiples of 16B.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.8.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.8 QATE-3220 - GEN - Potential Response Data Leak

Title	GEN - Potential Response Data Leak.
Reference #	QATE-3220
Description	An internal QAT system resource is being released back to the resource pool before the PRF service has completely finished and it is reused by other service.
Implication	When accelerating TLS PRF (Pseudo Random Function) in parallel with another service (crypto or compression), portions of input data may leak between processes or virtual machines. This is more probable when the system is under stress. For example, when running symmetric crypto encryption in parallel with TLS PRF, portions of the input data sent for encryption might appear in the TLS PRF output buffer without encryption.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.9.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA – Common

3.2.9 QATE-3259 - GEN - Package does not build on Centos 6.8

Title	GEN - Package does not build on Centos 6.8.
Reference #	QATE-3259
Description	Due to changes in the Linux* kernel, the software package may fail to compile on some newer Linux* distributions, including CentOS 6.8.
Implication	The software package fails to compile.
Resolution	This is resolved with 1.0.2 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.10 QATE-3350 - CY - skcipher, akcipher QAT implementations in kernel space do not support CRYPTO_TFM_REQ_MAY_BACKLOG

Title	CY - skcipher, akcipher QAT implementations in kernel space do not support CRYPTO_TFM_REQ_MAY_BACKLOG.
Reference #	QATE-3350
Description	Skcipher and akcipher implementations in the QAT driver are not capable of backlog requests.
Implication	Some kernel applications, e.g. dm-crypt, might report a kernel panic.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.7 release and improved in the 4.11 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.11 QATE-3369 - DC - Increased minimum destination buffer size for compression

Title	DC - Increased minimum destination buffer size for compression.
Reference #	QATE-3369
Description	During the compression of a request that is a multiple of 8 bytes in length (compress a file 1024 bytes long) extra work must be done to validate that no data is lost as the end of the request.
Implication	The implication of this workaround is that the minimum compression destination buffer size has increased from 64 bytes to 96 bytes. The new minimum destination buffer size (96B) must be used for all compression requests (static and dynamic compression, stateful and stateless).
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.6.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM FW - Data Compression

3.2.12 QATE-3404 - GEN - The included memory driver fails during memory allocation

Title	GEN - The included memory driver fails during memory allocation.
Reference #	QATE-3404

Title	GEN - The included memory driver fails during memory allocation.
Description	<p>During stressful memory allocation, the included memory driver may fail with below logs and potential kernel crash:</p> <p>User-space logs: ----- CMD NUMA fail qaeMemAllocNUMA:737 mmap on memory allocated through ioctl failed</p> <p>Kernel-space logs: ----- kernel: mem_mmap:528 cannot find meminfo kernel: userMemFree:328 Could not find slab with id: xx</p>
Implication	Memory driver may fail to allocate memory in stress conditions. Reboot is required to continue normal operations.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.8.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - USDM

3.2.13 QATE-3547 - GEN - Killing a Process May Lead to a Kernel Panic

Title	GEN - Killing a Process May Lead to a Kernel Panic.
Reference #	QATE-3547
Description	When a process using the driver is killed or terminates unexpectedly, the buffers associated with the bundle are flushed during the cleanup operation. Due to a race condition between releasing the memory by the included memory driver and flushing the buffers, it can sometimes happen that this causes a kernel panic.
Implication	If this occurs, the system must be rebooted.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.8.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - USDM

3.2.14 QATE-3563 - GEN - Lewisburg/Denverton: A Step: The driver can report Spurious Completion Abort Errors

Title	GEN - Lewisburg/Denverton: A Step: The driver can report Spurious Completion Abort Errors.
Reference #	QATE-3563
Description	The driver can report Spurious PCIe Completer Abort errors when a completion returns to the driver with Completer Abort status.
Implication	The end user may see spurious PCIe completion abort errors coming from the driver. The driver will never generate completion abort errors under any other circumstances.
Resolution	This is resolved with Revision B silicon.

Title	GEN - Lewisburg/Denverton: A Step: The driver can report Spurious Completion Abort Errors.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	n/a

3.2.15 QATE-3635 - SRIOV - VFs cannot be cleanly disabled on acceleration device

Title	SRIOV - VFs cannot be cleanly disabled on acceleration device.
Reference #	QATE-3635
Description	Writing 0 to /sys/bus/pci/devices/<BDF>/sriov_numvfs results in no action.
Implication	Virtual functions cannot be disabled by writing 0 to /sys/bus/pci/devices/<BDF>/sriov_numvfs.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.2.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	ADF - Kernel Mode

3.2.16 QATE-3650 - SRIOV - unbind of VFs to guests does not work properly when VF driver is loaded in the host

Title	SRIOV - unbind of VFs to guests does not work properly when VF driver is loaded in the host.
Reference #	QATE-3650
Description	We observed issues when detaching VFs from the host to a guest when the VF driver is loaded in the host.
Implication	Detaching VFs from a host to a guest as well as sharing VFs between host and guests might not work.
Resolution	Not a defect, test procedure has been updated.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	n/a

3.2.17 QATE-3683 - DC - Stateful Decompression Returns -13 Error with Negative Test (A step silicon only)

Title	DC - Stateful Decompression Returns -13 Error with Negative Test (A step silicon only).
Reference #	QATE-3683
Description	If incorrectly formatted data is fed to the hardware, the API may return a status of -13 (CPA_DC_FATALERR). This error means that the session needs to be restarted but the device does not need to be reset.

Title	DC - Stateful Decompression Returns -13 Error with Negative Test (A step silicon only).
Implication	For stateful decompression, if the input content is invalid, both a -10 soft error and a -13 hard error are reported. Only the hard error is sent back to driver as the hard error has higher priority.
Resolution	For A step silicon: If an invalid stateful decompression request is sent to the QAT driver and a -13 error code is returned, the complete session should be restarted. There is no need to reset the device. This is resolved with B step silicon.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Data Compression

3.2.18 QATE-3693 - SRIOV - Incorrect config file for PFs when VFs are enabled in the host

Title	SRIOV - Incorrect config file for PFs when VFs are enabled in the host.
Reference #	QATE-3693
Description	When the driver is installed in the Host with option 3 (Install SR-IOV Host Acceleration), an incorrect configuration is installed in the system. This prevents the sample code from running properly.
Implication	When trying to run the sample code in a configuration where VFs are enabled in the host, the sample code might not run properly or report an error message similar to this: [error] SalCtrl_AdfServicesStartedCheck() - : Sal Ctrl failed to start in given time [error] do_userStart() - : Failed to start services main():731 Could not start sal for user space
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.8.1 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	ADF - User Mode

3.2.19 QATE-3702 - DC - Decompression Failure, empty dynamic block reports -7 error

Title	DC - Decompression Failure, empty dynamic block reports -7 error.
Reference #	QATE-3702
Description	When user submits one or more valid empty dynamic blocks, compression slice returns -7 error code. Software implementations are able to decompress these block(s) successfully. An example of valid empty dynamic block: 04 c0 81 08 00 00 00 00 20 7f eb 13 00 00 ff ff.
Implication	A -7 soft error will be reported on valid empty dynamic compressed block(s).
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.8.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*

Title	DC - Decompression Failure, empty dynamic block reports -7 error.
Driver/Module	CPM FW – Data Compression

3.2.20 QATE-3715 - CY - Incorrect hash generated with SHA384 and secret length > 64 bytes

Title	CY - Incorrect hash generated with SHA384 and secret length > 64 bytes.
Reference #	QATE-3715
Description	An incorrect hash is generated when using SHA384 with secret length greater than 64 bytes. If the secret is length is <= 64 bytes OR the hash algorithm is different from SHA384, the results are correct.
Implication	Don't use secret length of > 64bytes with SHA384.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.8.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.21 QATE-3791 - GEN - Lewisburg: Common Memory Driver incorrectly allocates memory of size between 2MB and 4MB

Title	GEN - Lewisburg: Common Memory Driver incorrectly allocates memory of size between 2MB and 4MB.
Reference #	QATE-3791
Description	This applies to LBG-NS only. If the included memory driver (qae_mem.ko) is used to allocate a block of pinned memory of a size between 2MB and 4MB, the pointer to the allocated memory returned may be incorrect. The included memory driver does not support allocating a block of memory of 4MB or larger.
Implication	The result of an application using a block of memory between 2MB and 4MB in size is indeterminate. The most likely behavior is segmentation fault in the application using the allocated memory. Attempting to allocate memory of size 4MB or greater using the memory driver will fail.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.7.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.22 QATE-3955 - DC - Compression operations involving payloads above 64K while using Compress and Verify functionality may fail

Title	DC - Compression operations involving payloads above 64K while using Compress and Verify functionality may fail.
Reference #	QATE-3955

Title	DC - Compression operations involving payloads above 64K while using Compress and Verify functionality may fail.
Description	Compression operations using Compress and Verify functionality may fail with CpaDcReqStatus of CPA_DC_VERIFY_ERROR or CPA_DC_MCADECOMPERR. The issue is observed with sessions using payload sizes above 64K when Storage_Enabled = 1 in the device configuration file and the compression operations request that CpaDcOpData.mcaDecompressCheck = CPA_TRUE while calling cpaDcCompressData2() API.
Implication	None
Resolution	This has been confirmed as a test code issue.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Sample Code

3.2.23 QATE-3971 - DC - Lewisburg/Denverton: A Step: Static Compression failure when running static and dynamic in parallel

Title	DC - Lewisburg/Denverton: A Step: Static Compression failure when running static and dynamic in parallel.
Reference #	QATE-3971
Description	While running multiple static and dynamic compression threads in parallel for a few hours, silent data loss can be seen.
Implication	When running static and dynamic compression in parallel over a long period of time it is possible to lose static data silently.
Resolution	This is resolved with Revision B silicon.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Data Compression

3.2.24 QATE-3978 - GEN - The QuickAssist service must be restarted after a reboot

Title	GEN - The QuickAssist service must be restarted after a reboot.
Reference #	QATE-3978
Description	On a fresh boot after a previous QuickAssist driver installation, a QuickAssist application (e.g. the performance sample code) cannot immediately run.

Title	GEN - The QuickAssist service must be restarted after a reboot.
Implication	The following error is seen: [error] SalStatistics_GetStatEnabled() - : Failed to get statsGeneral from configuration file ADF_UIO_PROXY err: adf_user_subsystemInit: Failed to initialise Subservice SAL [error] SalCtrl_ServiceEventStart() - : Private data is NULL ADF_UIO_PROXY err: adf_user_subsystemStart: Failed to start Subservice SAL [error] SalCtrl_AdfServicesStartedCheck() - : Sal Ctrl failed to start in given time [error] do_userStart() - : Failed to start services ADF_UIO_PROXY err: icp_adf_subsystemUnregister: Failed to shutdown subservice SAL. main():710 Could not start sal for user space
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.7.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.25 QATE-3981 - GEN - Stress test with concurrent crypto and compression may fail with segfault

Title	GEN - Stress test with concurrent crypto and compression may fail with segfault.
Reference #	QATE-3981
Description	When running crypto, compression, and decompression concurrently, a segmentation fault may be observed. In one case, the segmentation was observed after 7 hours of running the following operations concurrently: * AES256-CBC + SHA512 IMIX * Stateless Deflate 50% compress and 50% decompress.
Implication	The application fails with a segmentation fault.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.8.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	Test Code

3.2.26 QATE-3982 - GEN - Child process crashes as it is accessing Parent process's address space

Title	GEN - Child process crashes as it is accessing Parent process's address space.
Reference #	QATE-3982
Description	Parent process calls icp_sal_userStartMultiProcess(), which allocates memory for all rings. When a Child process subsequently calls icp_sal_userStartMultiProcess(), the memory for rings is not remapped. Thus when a Child process starts a polling thread and tries to access the rings, it crashes as it is accessing Parent process's address space.

Title	GEN - Child process crashes as it is accessing Parent process's address space.
Implication	Child process crash.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.3.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.27 QATE-3986 - GEN - The included memory driver impacts Traditional API sample code performance

Title	GEN - The included memory driver impacts Traditional API sample code performance.
Reference #	QATE-3986
Description	The included memory driver has a large impact on performance of the traditional API sample code. The impact depends on the amount of instances used per device, but it has been observed to be impacted by 50% or more in most cases.
Implication	The performance of the sample code using the traditional API is lower than expected.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.8.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.28 QATE-4015 - GEN - Building the driver with LAC_HW_PRECOMPUTES is not supported in this version of the driver

Title	GEN - Building the driver with LAC_HW_PRECOMPUTES is not supported in this version of the driver.
Reference #	QATE-4015
Description	If the driver is built with the LAC_HW_PRECOMPUTES compiler option, the system may hang and/or crash.
Implication	The LAC_HW_PRECOMPUTES feature should not be used. Software precomputes which are the default, must be used instead.
Resolution	Do not use the LAC_HW_PRECOMPUTES compiler option. This will not be fixed.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.29 QATE-4018 - SYM DP - cpaCySymDpEnqueueOpBatch accepts only requests in a batch of the same session

Title	SYM DP - cpaCySymDpEnqueueOpBatch accepts only requests in a batch of the same session.
Reference #	QATE-4018
Description	When the package is built with ICP_PARAM_CHECK, cpaCySymDpEnqueueOpBatch accepts only batches of requests for the same session. When requests for different sessions are provided, this API fails returning CPA_STATUS_INVALID parameter and reports the following message: "All session contexts should be the same in the requests".
Implication	It is not possible to use the Data Plane API to submit batches of requests that belongs to different sessions using cpaCySymDpEnqueueOpBatch.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.9.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.30 QATE-4051 - GEN - Full device pass-through not available on KVM guests

Title	GEN - Full device pass-through not available on KVM guests.
Reference #	QATE-4051
Description	The new firmware authentication feature requires PF devices to be reset via function level reset (FLR) before firmware download. In KVM guests, all pass-through devices attached to a VM are reset at boot time. Any further device reset is trapped by the hypervisor and not issued. This causes firmware authentication to fail after the first firmware download. Full device pass-through might work in some conditions when using vfio and if the host kernel and the platform support it.
Implication	Direct mode feature not available on KVM guests for devices on full pass-through mode.
Resolution	Refer to appendix A of Using Intel® Virtualization Technology (Intel® VT) with Intel® QuickAssist Technology (document number 330689) for instructions on how to pass through a QAT PF to a VM. Talk to your Intel® representative for more information.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.31 QATE-4070 - GEN - The driver fails to send requests if the first ring put operation returns a retry or a failure when using partial symmetric crypto operations

Title	GEN - The driver fails to send requests if the first ring put operation returns a retry or a failure when using partial symmetric crypto operations.
Reference #	QATE-4070

Title	GEN - The driver fails to send requests if the first ring put operation returns a retry or a failure when using partial symmetric crypto operations.
Description	The driver can enter a deadlock state due to improper locking when using symmetric crypto operations with partial packets. This occurs when there is heavy traffic and the 1st request receives a retry or a failure when it tries to send a message to the ring.
Implication	When using the application server and using symmetric crypto operations with partial packets, then it is possible to receive a retry when trying to send the first request, causing the nonBlockingOpsInProgress to be set to false. The callback function for the 1st response won't be called causing all the requests for this session to be en-queued and none can be de-queued and sent to the ring until the client and application server stop communicating. The application server has connection leaks when the client sends many requests at the same time. When the client stops sending requests, there are many "active connections" left in the application server.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.8.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.32 QATE-4071 - CY - cpaCySymRemoveSession fails in Data Plane API if other active Session sharing ring

Title	CY - cpaCySymRemoveSession fails in Data Plane API if other active Session sharing ring.
Reference #	QATE-4071
Description	If multiple sessions are sharing the same Crypto DP instance, then a call to cpaCySymRemoveSession() will fail if there are messages inflight from another session.
Implication	CpaCySymRemoveSession() may fail.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.8.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.33 QATE-4111 - DC - Engine timeout not handled correctly

Title	DC - Engine timeout not handled correctly.
Reference #	QATE-4111
Description	When an engine timeout occurs due to watchdog expiration, compression engines might lock up.
Implication	In some rare conditions, the compression engine might become unresponsive.
Resolution	This is resolved with 4.1.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM FW - Data Compression

3.2.34 QATE-5433 - GEN - User space library supports only 32 devices

Title	GEN - User space library supports only 32 devices.
Reference #	QATE-5433
Description	The user space library enumerates only the first 32 devices in the system.
Implication	In a system with more than 32 devices, the devices indexed at and higher than 32 are unusable. Because of this, when running an application, the application will only use 32 devices even if there are more than 32 started.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.1.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.35 QATE-5520 - DC - Stateful Dynamic compression might report a spurious CPA_DC_FATALERR

Title	DC - Stateful Dynamic compression might report a spurious CPA_DC_FATALERR.
Reference #	QATE-5520
Description	If the physical address (or io virtual address) of the PrivateMetaData of the compression context buffer has byte 0 set to 0x07 in the high part of address, the compression operation might fail with CPA_DC_FATALERR.
Implication	A spurious CPA_DC_FATALERR might be returned by the compression engine. After this error is reported, it is not possible to continue submitting jobs using the same session.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.1.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Data compression

3.2.36 QATE-5989 - CY - AES-GCM operations with zero length plain text results in an incorrect tag result

Title	CY - AES-GCM operations with zero length plain text results in an incorrect tag result.
Reference #	QATE-5989
Description	Sending an AES-GCM operation with zero length plain text using the QAT API results in an incorrect tag result.
Implication	Incorrect result when computing AES-CCM for zero length payloads.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.0.1 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.37 QATE-6463 - GEN - icp_sal_userStart and icp_sal_userStartMultiProcess hang if they are called more than once in the same process

Title	GEN - icp_sal_userStart and icp_sal_userStartMultiProcess hang if they are called more than once in the same process.
Reference #	QATE-6463
Description	Icp_sal_userStart and icp_sal_userStartMultiProcess hang if they are called more than once in the same process when no instances are left.
Implication	Caller to these functions can be blocked forever.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 0.9.2 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.38 QATE-7393 - CY - AES-CCM operations with zero length plain text results in an incorrect tag result

Title	CY - AES-CCM operations with zero length plain text results in an incorrect tag result.
Reference #	QATE-7393
Description	Sending an AES-CCM operation with zero length plain text using the QAT API results in an incorrect tag result.
Implication	Incorrect result when computing AES-CCM for zero length payloads.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.0.1 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.39 QATE-7563 - SYM - Watchdog timer errors not reported to user callback

Title	SYM - Watchdog timer errors not reported to user callback.
Reference #	QATE-7563
Description	Watchdog errors are not reported to user callbacks for crypto operations.
Implication	If a watchdog timer expires, the user application is not notified.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.1.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.40 QATE-7919 - GEN - ICP_WITHOUT_THREAD not supported

Title	GEN - ICP_WITHOUT_THREAD not supported.
Reference #	QATE-7919
Description	The software package no longer supports the ICP_WITHOUT_THREAD build flag.
Implication	It is not possible to build a version of the software package that does not use the pthread library.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.5.0 release. A new configuration option called --enable-icp-without-thread has been added to the software package.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.41 QATE-8109 - GEN - Driver and firmware versions are not reported to user space

Title	GEN - Driver and firmware versions are not reported to user space.
Reference #	QATE-8109
Description	Driver and firmware versions are not reported through the sysfs and cannot be queried using the icp api.
Implication	User applications are not able to query the software package versions.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.0.1 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.42 QATE-8189 - CY - Key derivation function for PRF with SHA256 and 128 bytes secret causes unexpected results

Title	CY - Key derivation function for PRF with SHA256 and 128 bytes secret causes unexpected results.
Reference #	QATE-8189
Description	When performing a Key Derivation Function for TLS 1.2 for PRF, with a SHA256 hash, the accelerator hangs and reports a fatal error if the secret used is 128 bytes.
Implication	128 bytes secrets are not supported at this time. The accelerator might hang, report a fatal error, or produce incorrect results.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 1.0.3 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.43 QATE-8233 - GEN - Installation of QAT Software on Yocto or Ubuntu image results in libraries not being placed in default system path

Title	GEN - Installation of QAT Software on Yocto or Ubuntu image results in libraries not being placed in default system path.
Reference #	QATE-8233
Description	The shared library libqat_s.so may be installed somewhere other than the default directory.
Implication	Applications may fail to link to the libqat_s.so at run time. This has been observed with Yocto images and Ubuntu 15.x and 16.x.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.1.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.44 QATE-9234 - GEN - Child process should not inherit mapping to QAT rings

Title	GEN - Child process should not inherit mapping to QAT rings.
Reference #	QATE-9234
Description	If a process forks after calling icp_sal_userStart, when the child process exits, the syslog will show a message "Process <PID> <NAME> exit with orphan rings".
Implication	None
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.0.1 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.45 QATE-9241 - GEN - Process exit with orphan rings when spawning multiple processes

Title	GEN - Process exit with orphan rings when spawning multiple processes.
Reference #	QATE-9241
Description	If multiple processes start a user space service access layer (icp_sal_userStart) and they all exit together, the syslog may show a message "Process <PID> <NAME> exit with orphan rings".
Implication	A kernel panic might happen at reboot if an application is using QAT.
Resolution	This is resolved with 1.0.5 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.46 QATE-9326 - DC - Changing StorageEnabled back to 0 doesn't reload FW

Title	DC - Changing StorageEnabled back to 0 doesn't reload FW.
Reference #	QATE-9326
Description	If the configuration file is modified to change StorageEnabled from 1 to 0, this does not cause the storage firmware to be replaced to the standard one.
Implication	PKE functions will not work after changing StorageEnabled from 1 to 0.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.0.1 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.47 QATE-9383 - GEN - When StorageEnabled = 1, the QAT driver tries to register into the Linux* Kernel Crypto framework

Title	GEN - When StorageEnabled = 1, the QAT driver tries to register into the Linux* Kernel Crypto framework.
Reference #	QATE-9383
Description	When StorageEnabled = 1 is selected in the config file, the QAT driver tries to register itself into the Linux* Kernel Crypto framework even if crypto operations are not available.
Implication	An error saying that akcipher selftest failed might be reported in the syslog.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.6.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.48 QATE-9483 - GEN - Uncorrectable errors might lead to a kernel panic

Title	GEN - Uncorrectable errors might lead to a kernel panic.
Reference #	QATE-9483
Description	If an uncorrectable error is triggered when there are in flight requests, the system might crash and report kernel panic.
Implication	If this error occurs, the system must be rebooted.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.1.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	ADF - Kernel Mode

3.2.49 QATE-9545 - PERF - Performance drop with Scatter Gather Lists (SGLs) composed of flat buffers of 1460B

Title	PERF - Performance drop with Scatter Gather Lists (SGLs) composed of flat buffers of 1460B.
Reference #	QATE-9545
Description	Excluding DH895X devices, a moderate performance drop might be experienced when using SGLs if the size of each collected flat buffer is not a multiple of 1024 bytes.
Implication	Applications might not perform as expected.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.4.0 release. However, for performant applications it is recommended to use flat buffers or SGLs with a single flat buffer, or ensure that flat buffers within an SGL are 1024B aligned.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM Firmware - Crypto

3.2.50 QATE-10180 - DC - endOfLastBlock capability not properly reported by cpaDcQueryCapabilities

Title	DC - endOfLastBlock capability not properly reported by cpaDcQueryCapabilities.
Reference #	QATE-10180
Description	When querying the QAT driver using the function cpaDcQueryCapabilities, the API reports endOfLastBlock as CPA_FALSE even though this feature is supported by the hardware.
Implication	EndOfLastBlock is reported incorrectly to applications.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.0.1 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Data compression

3.2.51 QATE-10780 - DC - Dynamic compression capability not properly reported by cpaDcQueryCapabilities

Title	DC - Dynamic compression capability not properly reported by cpaDcQueryCapabilities.
Reference #	QATE-10780
Description	When querying the QAT driver using the function cpaDcQueryCapabilities, the API reports dynamicHuffman as CPA_TRUE even though dynamic compression is not supported by this release.
Implication	It is possible to discover that dynamic compression is disabled only when calling cpaDcCompressData. This will impact the behavior of applications that query the device capabilities.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.0.1 release.
Affected OS	Linux*

Title	DC - Dynamic compression capability not properly reported by cpaDcQueryCapabilities.
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Data compression

3.2.52 QATE-11629 - GEN - Module signature not supported by QAT installers

Title	GEN - Module signature not supported by QAT installers.
Reference #	QATE-11629
Description	The installer fails loading the QAT modules when Secure Boot is enabled in the platform. The QAT installer does not support signing kernel modules with a custom key.
Implication	QAT kernel modules should be signed manually in order to use UEFI Secure boot.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.0.1 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	Installer

3.2.53 QATE-11790 - CY - CPA_STATUS_FAIL reported for subsequent requests when a PKE request times out

Title	CY - CPA_STATUS_FAIL reported for subsequent requests when a PKE request times out.
Reference #	QATE-11790
Description	When an engine timeout is detected for the PKE service, subsequent requests might fail with the same error.
Implication	A reset will be required for future PKE requests to be ensured to succeed.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.1.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.54 QATE-11828 - GEN - Kernel panic observed in Intel® QAT driver for c62x included in kernels between v4.5 and v4.8

Title	GEN - Kernel panic observed in Intel® QAT driver for c62x included in kernels between v4.5 and v4.8
Reference #	QATE-11828
Description	When loading the Intel® QAT driver included in a kernel distribution, the platform might report a kernel panic.
Implication	When uninstalling the Intel® QAT driver, the Intel® QAT driver present in the distribution is re-loaded. This might cause a kernel panic.

Title	GEN - Kernel panic observed in Intel® QAT driver for c62x included in kernels between v4.5 and v4.8
Resolution	Not a defect in the current version of the software. Blacklist the QAT driver. Refer to instructions in the Getting Started Guide.
Affected OS	Linux* with kernel version between 4.5 and 4.8
Driver/Module	ADF - Kernel Mode

3.2.55 QATE-11933 - GEN - rng operation in progress while unregistering AEAD implementation in the kernel

Title	GEN - rng operation in progress while unregistering AEAD implementation in the kernel.
Reference #	QATE-11933
Description	A crypto operation may be in progress when the AEAD implementation in the kernel is unregistered.
Implication	With a stress test which reboots a platform continuously, a kernel panic might be observed.
Resolution	This is resolved with 1.0.5 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	ADF - Kernel Module

3.2.56 QATE-12256 - VIRT - Device indices not handled correctly when a device is detached from the driver

Title	VIRT - Device indices not handled correctly when a device is detached from the driver.
Reference #	QATE-12256
Description	After detaching a device from the QAT driver, for example in preparation for passing a VF to a VM, qat_service might report inconsistent indices and BDFs.
Implication	qat_service might report inconsistent information after a device has been detached from the QAT driver.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.1.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	ADF - Kernel Mode

3.2.57 QATE-12516 - GEN - CpaInstanceInfo2.instID reports erroneous quotes

Title	GEN - CpaInstanceInfo2.instID reports erroneous quotes.
Reference #	QATE-12516

Title	GEN - CpaInstanceInfo2.instID reports erroneous quotes.
Description	The CpaInstanceInfo2 structure returned from cpaCyInstanceGetInfo2() and cpaDcInstanceGetInfo2() shows that the field "instID" contains unneeded quotes. For example using default configuration files the following strings are printed when inspecting the CpaInstanceInfo2 runtime structures: CY Instance zero shows: CpaInstanceInfo2.instID = SSL_INT_0_"SSL0" DC Instance zero shows: CpaInstanceInfo2.instID = SSL_INT_0_"Dc0"
Implication	If the application looks at the instID field, the comparison might need to include these erroneous quotes.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.5.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.58 QATE-12793 - SYM - Algchain: chained crypto and hash requests for DES, 3DES and Kasumi might report an incorrect output digest

Title	SYM - Algchain: chained crypto and hash requests for DES, 3DES and Kasumi might report an incorrect output digest.
Reference #	QATE-12793
Description	When performing an algorithm chaining operation using DES CBC, 3DES CBC, Kasumi F8 as encryption algorithm and any hash algorithm, the result digest might be miscalculated.
Implication	Results digest from chained operations with DES CBC, 3DES CBC and Kasumi F8 might not be correct.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.2.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.59 QATE-14171 - Run time error if library is built with --enable-icp-dc-only

Title	Run time error if library is built with --enable-icp-dc-only.
Reference #	QATE-14171
Description	When the driver is built with --enable-icp-dc-only, the icp_sal_userStart() API might report a run time error similar to the following: [error] SalCtrl_GetEnabledServices() - : Error parsing enabled services from ADF [error] SalCtrl_ServiceEventHandler() - : Failed to get enabled services ADF_UIO_PROXY err: adf_user_subsystemInit: Failed to initialise Subservice SAL
Implication	"--enable-icp-dc-only" was not supported until the 4.1.0 release.

Title	Run time error if library is built with --enable-icp-dc-only.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.1.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.60 QATE-14458 - GEN - Functional sample code fails to build when the package is built in dc-only mode

Title	GEN - Functional sample code fails to build when the package is built in dc-only mode.
Reference #	QATE-14458
Description	<p>When the QAT package is built with option --enable-icp-dc-only, the functional sample codes fail to build reporting an error similar to the following:</p> <pre> make rm -vf *.o dc_stateless_sample cc -Wall -O1 -I/quickassist/include/ -I/quickassist/include/lac -I/quickassist/include/dc -I /quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/include -I/quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/src/sample_code/functional/include -I/quickassist/utilities/libusdm_drv// -DUSER_SPACE -DDO_CRYPTO -DWITH_UPSTREAM -DWITH_CMDRV ../../common/cpa_sample_utils.c cpa_dc_stateless_sample.c cpa_dc_sample_user.c -L/usr/Lib -L/build/build/libqat_s.so /quickassist/utilities/libusdm_drv//Linux*/build/Linux*_2.6/user_space/libusdm_drv.a -lpthread -lcrypto -ludev -o dc_stateless_sample /tmp/ccnX80N8.o: In function `sal_polling': cpa_sample_utils.c:(.text+0xb5): undefined reference to `icp_sal_CyPollInstance' /tmp/ccnX80N8.o: In function `sampleCyGetInstance': cpa_sample_utils.c:(.text+0x14e): undefined reference to `cpaCyGetNumInstances' cpa_sample_utils.c:(.text+0x169): undefined reference to `cpaCyGetInstances' /tmp/ccnX80N8.o: In function `sampleCyStartPolling': cpa_sample_utils.c:(.text+0x209): undefined reference to `cpaCyInstanceGetInfo2' collect2: error: ld returned 1 exit status /quickassist/lookaside/access_layer/src/sample_code/functional/dc/stateless_sample/../../common.mk:130: recipe for target 'default' failed make: *** [default] Error 1 </pre>
Implication	It is not possible to build the functional sample codes when the package is built in dc-only mode.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.3.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Sample code

3.2.61 QATE-14779 - CY - On SKUs with PKE service disabled, self-test fails when driver loads and watchdog timer errors might be reported

Title	CY - On SKUs with PKE service disabled, self-test fails when driver loads and watchdog timer errors might be reported.
Reference #	QATE-14779
Description	On SKUs with PKE disabled, the self-test provided by the Linux* kernel might fail with an error similar to the following <pre>[+1.167496] alg: akcipher: encrypt test failed. err -22 [+0.001260] alg: akcipher: test 1 failed for qat-rsa, err=-22 [+0.001478] alg: dh: generate public key test failed. err -22 [+0.001245] alg: dh: test failed on vector 1, err=-22</pre> When running the cpa_sample_code, the PKE might fail with the following message: <pre>[error] LacPke_MsgCallback() - : The slice hang error is detected on the MMP slice.</pre>
Implication	No functional impact.
Resolution	The error can be ignored. Talk with your Intel® representative for more information.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.62 QATE-14870 - GEN - Library built with --enable-lac-hw-precomputes might report run time errors

Title	GEN - Library built with --enable-lac-hw-precomputes might report run time errors.
Reference #	QATE-14870
Description	The user space library might report run time errors (e.g. segmentation faults) if built with enable-lac-hw-precomputes.
Implication	lac-hw-precomputes configuration option is not supported in this release.
Resolution	This option has been removed since release 4.2.0.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.63 QATE-14920 - GEN - Library built with --enable-icp-trace might report run time errors

Title	GEN - Library built with --enable-icp-trace might report run time errors.
Reference #	QATE-14920
Description	The user space library might report run time errors (e.g. segmentation faults) if built with enable-icp-trace.
Implication	enable-icp-trace configuration option is not supported in this release.

Title	GEN - Library built with --enable-icp-trace might report run time errors.
Resolution	This has been confirmed to be a test issue.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.64 QATE-14953 - SRIOV - VF driver might report errors if device is reset

Title	SRIOV - VF driver might report errors if device is reset.
Reference #	QATE-14953
Description	If a manual or automatic device reset (FLR or SBR) is triggered as a result of an error (e.g. heartbeat failure, end fatal errors, etc.) on a system with QAT VFs enabled, the VF driver might report run time errors and might not recover.
Implication	Reset of the PF driver is not supported when VFs are enabled.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.2.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.65 QATE-15136 - GEN - Hang of asymmetric crypto engines might not be detected by heartbeat

Title	GEN - Hang of asymmetric crypto engines might not be detected by heartbeat.
Reference #	QATE-15136
Description	Heartbeat might not detect a hang of an asymmetric crypto engine.
Implication	Device might be reported as responsive even if one of the engine is hung.
Resolution	None.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.66 QATE-18691 - DC - Incorrect consumed bytes reported during decompression

Title	DC - Incorrect consumed bytes reported during decompression.
Reference #	QATE-18691
Description	In some circumstances, the calculation of residue bits at the end of the decompression stream may be inaccurate.

Title	DC - Incorrect consumed bytes reported during decompression.
Implication	For decompression requests where the last bfinal bit is 1, the number of bytes reported consumed may be incorrect. Also, for decompression requests where the last bfinal bit is 0, an extra byte of output may be emitted. This is not applicable to data compressed using the Intel® Communications Chipset 8925 to 8955 Series with bfinal=0 and bfinal=1. This is not applicable to data compressed by other accelerators covered by release 4.2.0 and prior with bfinal=1.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.3.0 release.
Affected OS	All
Driver/Module	CPM HW - Data Decompression

3.2.67 **QATE-20186 - DC - endOfLastBlock not set in CpaDcRqResults during Stateful decompression with overflow of last chunk**

Title	DC - endOfLastBlock not set in CpaDcRqResults during Stateful decompression with overflow of last chunk.
Reference #	QATE-20186
Description	When performing decompression operations in Stateful sessions, the application will not see the endOfLastBlock property set in CpaDcRqResults if the last request of the stream is zero byte long. This scenario may happen when the flush flag is set to CPA_DC_FLUSH_FINAL and overflow happens on the last packet of data to be decompressed.
Implication	The endOfLastBlock property is not set in the CpaDcRqResults structure. Consumed and produced fields in the CpaDcRqResults structure remain correct when the issue happens.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.3.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM FW - Data Compression

3.2.68 **QATE-21561 - CY - PkeServiceDisabled = 1 in user configuration file might cause a failure during driver initialization**

Title	CY - PkeServiceDisabled = 1 in user configuration file might cause a failure during driver initialization.
Reference #	QATE-21561
Description	When PkeServiceDisabled is set to 1 in the configuration file the software (1) incorrectly registers PKE services with the Linux* Kernel crypto infrastructure and (2) sets an incorrect mask for the asymmetric crypto capabilities.
Implication	The driver may fail to initialize, a software crash may occur, or failure will occur in PKE operations. Asym crypto capabilities are incorrectly reported to the user-space driver.

Title	CY - PkeServiceDisabled = 1 in user configuration file might cause a failure during driver initialization.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.5.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.69 QATE-29663 - GEN - Device index may be off with rmmod after adf_ctl up or qat_service start

Title	GEN - Device index may be off with rmmod after adf_ctl up or qat_service start
Reference #	QATE-29663
Description	When using multiple types of devices represented by different modules (e.g. qat_dh895xcc.ko and qat_c62x.ko), and when removing a subset of modules after adf_ctl up or qat_service start, the indices of the devices may be off.
Implication	Device references may not be sequential, and some devices may not be available for use.
Resolution	Restart adf_ctl or qat_service after removing any subset of qat modules.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.70 QATE-29972 - Gen - Compilation with Intel® ICC not supported

Title	Gen - Compilation with Intel® ICC not supported.
Reference #	QATE-29972
Description	When compiling the software package with the Intel® C Compiler (ICC), the compilation will fail.
Implication	Build with ICC compiler was not supported prior 4.4.0 release.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.4.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.71 QATE-29974 - GEN - Compilation on RHEL 6.9 may not be supported

Title	GEN - Compilation on RHEL 6.9 may not be supported.
Reference #	QATE-29974
Description	When compiling the software package on RHEL 6.9 with kernel 2.6.32-696.18.7.el6.x86_64, the compilation might fail.

Title	GEN - Compilation on RHEL 6.9 may not be supported.
Implication	Build on RHEL 6.9 may not be supported with this release.
Resolution	This has been confirmed to be a test issue.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.72 QATE-30334 - SRIOV - QAT API in kernel space is not supported on host through virtual functions (VFs)

Title	SRIOV - QAT API in kernel space is not supported on host through virtual functions (VFs).
Reference #	QATE-30334
Description	When a kernel application tries to use the Intel® QAT API through an instance associated to a VF, DMAR protection errors are reported in the system logs.
Implication	It is not possible to access the QAT API in kernel space using VFs in the host.
Resolution	Do not use the QAT kernel API with VFs on the host. VFs on guest are supported.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.73 QATE-30340 - GEN - Kernel panic during device power-off

Title	GEN - Kernel panic during device power-off.
Reference #	QATE-30340
Description	It is not possible to remove a QAT device driver with <code>rmmod</code> if there is a user space process using the device (attached to the driver). There is a reference counter preventing this from happening. However, If for any reason the kernel driver of a QAT device is removed while a user space process is running, the Kernel will crash. The user space library will send IOCTL to the Kernel space driver which will not be dealt because the Kernel driver is no longer available. This issue has been observed during a change of power mode state.
Implication	Dmesg will report a Kernel Oops. The user application may report a segfault and a reboot is required.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.3.0 release
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	ADF - Kernel Mode

3.2.74 QATE-30497 - GEN - Huge pages are not supported on host when the iommu is on

Title	GEN - Huge pages are not supported on host when the iommu is on.
Reference #	QATE-30497
Description	When an application tries to use VFs on host with intel_iommu=on and huge pages enabled in USDM, DMAR protection errors are reported in the system log.
Implication	It is not possible to use huge pages with VFs on host.
Resolution	This issue is resolved in R4.13.0
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.75 QATE-30720 - GEN - Library and driver do not support devices enumerated in a PCI domain different than 0

Title	GEN - Library and driver do not support devices enumerated in a PCI domain different than 0.
Reference #	QATE-30720
Description	The user space driver and the QAT library cannot handle devices enumerated in a domain different than 0.
Implication	It is not possible to use the software in systems where the device is enumerated with a PCI domain different than 0.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.4.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.76 QATE-30758 - USDM - Suspected vulnerability in memory driver

Title	USDM - Suspected vulnerability in memory driver.
Reference #	QATE-30758
Description	The memory driver included in the software package can enable privilege escalation.
Implication	An unprivileged user process may be able to gain root privileges with a specialized kernel memory allocation attack.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.3.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - USDM

3.2.77 QATE-30785 - SYM - Request cookie not released in case of error

Title	SYM - Request cookie not released in case of error.
Reference #	QATE-30785
Description	If an error is encountered while processing a symmetric crypto request, the request cookie is not freed back to the cookie pool.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.3.0 release
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.78 QATE-30882 - GEN - QuickAssist API in kernel space not validated on 32bit OSes

Title	GEN - QuickAssist API in kernel space not validated on 32bit OSes.
Reference #	QATE-30882
Description	The QuickAssist API in kernel space is not validated on 32 bit OSes.
Implication	When running the cpa sample code in kernel space on 32 bit systems, the test might report errors while allocating memory.
Resolution	None.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.79 QATE-31201 - DC - Payloads compressed using DH895XCC may not be marked as complete

Title	DC - Payloads compressed using DH895XCC may not be marked as complete.
Reference #	QATE-31201
Description	Sporadically, while compressing data with static or dynamic stateless compression, BFINAL might not be set.
Implication	Deflate stream produced might not be complete. A decompress operation might flag an error while trying to decompress it.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.4.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM FW - Data Compression

3.2.80 QATE-31295 - GEN - Internal QAT Memory can be exposed

Title	GEN - Internal QAT Memory can be exposed.
Reference #	QATE-31295

Title	GEN - Internal QAT Memory can be exposed.
Description	While performing penetration tests on QAT, the ability to read internal device memory was observed. This required root access on the platform. Processes running in virtual functions are not able to exploit this vulnerability.
Implication	Internal data structures may be visible to unauthorized users.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.4.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.81 QATE-31714 - SRIOV: VF driver incorrectly exposes some debugfs entries

Title	SRIOV: VF driver incorrectly exposes some debugfs entries.
Reference #	QATE-31714
Description	The VF driver incorrectly exposes through debugfs the following entries: heartbeat, version, fw_counters, cnv_errors.
Implication	The system may crash if any of those entries are read.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.4.0 release. Debugfs entries have been removed from the VF drivers.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.82 QATE-31792 - GEN - Cleanup sequence might fail if process using qat is traced

Title	GEN - Cleanup sequence might fail if process using qat is traced.
Reference #	QATE-31792
Description	If a process using qat is traced (e.g. via cat /proc/<pid>/smaps) while it gets killed, the cleanup sequence might fail reporting in the system log a message similar to the follow in: QAT: Bundle 0, rings 0x0001 already reserved.
Implication	The cleanup sequence might not be executed and the qat driver might leak instances.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.5.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.83 QATE-31800 - DC: Stateful decompression may not succeed

Title	DC: Stateful decompression may not succeed.
Reference #	QATE-31800
Description	When performing stateful decompression, intermediate requests with odd-length payloads under 2048 bytes are not handled correctly. This may occasionally cause the operation to fail.
Implication	In order to decompress the stream, the application has to increase the size of the output buffer to a value greater than 2048.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.4.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - FW

3.2.84 QATE-32022 - SYM - AES-XTS: parameter check does not report an error if request is smaller than the size of the block

Title	SYM - AES-XTS: parameter check does not report an error if request is smaller than the size of the block.
Reference #	QATE-32022
Description	Currently the QAT library reports an invalid parameter error when <code>pOpData->messageLenToCipherInBytes < ICP_QAT_HW_AES_BLK_SZ</code> and <code>packetType == CPA_CY_SYM_PACKET_TYPE_LAST_PARTIAL</code> but not for <code>packetType == CPA_CY_SYM_PACKET_TYPE_FULL</code> .
Implication	An AES-XTS request of type <code>CPA_CY_SYM_PACKET_TYPE_FULL</code> smaller than 16 bytes, might report an incorrect output.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.5.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.85 QATE-32044 - GEN - Polling banks APIs in kernel space are not supported

Title	GEN - Polling banks APIs in kernel space are not supported.
Reference #	QATE-32044
Description	The polling APIs <code>icp_sal_pollBank</code> and <code>icp_sal_pollAllBanks</code> are not supported by the QuickAssist API in kernel space.
Implication	An application using <code>icp_sal_pollBank</code> and <code>icp_sal_pollAllBanks</code> APIs in kernel space might incur in a deadlock.
Resolution	This has been confirmed to be a test issue.
Affected OS	Linux*

Title	GEN - Polling banks APIs in kernel space are not supported.
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.86 QATE-32074 - SRIOV - An unprivileged user space process in the same memory context as the QAT VFs can overwrite kernel memory

Title	SRIOV - An unprivileged user space process in the same memory context as the QAT VFs can overwrite kernel memory.
Reference #	QATE-32074
Description	Using uio, it is possible for an unprivileged user space process in the same memory context as the QAT VFs to overwrite kernel memory.
Implication	Nefarious users may be able to launch privilege escalation attacks or other attacks.
Resolution	This is resolved in R4.10.0
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.87 QATE-32322 - GEN - Interrupt coalescing not supported

Title	GEN - Interrupt coalescing not supported.
Reference #	QATE-32322
Description	Setting InterruptCoalescingEnabled or InterruptCoalescingTimerNs in the config file does not have any effect.
Implication	Interrupt coalescing is not supported in this release.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.5.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.88 QATE-32336 - GEN: Incorrect frequency calculation

Title	GEN: Incorrect frequency calculation.
Reference #	QATE-32336
Description	In C3538, C3558, C3758, C3308, C3508, C3708, the device frequency might be miscalculated and the driver might report in the system logs a message similar to this: c3xxx 0000:01:00.0: Slow clock 320000000 MHz measured, assuming 533000000.
Implication	Some frequency dependent features such as heartbeat, Interrupt coalescing or completion timeout might not behave as expected.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.4.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*

Title	GEN: Incorrect frequency calculation.
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.89 QATE-32373 - GEN - Error observed when multiple processes die or are killed

Title	GEN - Error observed when multiple processes die or are killed
Reference #	QATE-32373
Description	When multiple processes die or are killed, the end user can observe an error message in the kernel log.
Implication	The following error is observed: QAT: failed to receive response message in 5000
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.6.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA

3.2.90 QATE-32621 - GEN - qat_service not enabled by default in SUSE Linux*

Title	GEN - qat_service not enabled by default in SUSE Linux*.
Reference #	QATE-32621
Description	The qat_service script is not enabled by default in some versions of SUSE Linux* after the installation finishes.
Implication	After restart, the QuickAssist driver might not be loaded with the correct configuration.
Resolution	Please refer to Frequently Asked Questions at the end of this document.
Affected OS	SUSE Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.91 QATE-33137 - USDM - virt2phy fails on allocated huge pages

Title	USDM - virt2phy fails on allocated huge pages.
Reference #	QATE-33137
Description	When using huge pages allocated from the USDM memory driver, an error similar to the following is reported: hugepage_alloc_slab:226 virt2phy on huge page memory allocation failed.
Implication	In systems with kernel version greater than or equal to 4.0, an unprivileged user cannot use huge pages allocated by the memory driver (USDM).
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.6 release.
Affected OS	Linux*

Title	USDM - virt2phy fails on allocated huge pages.
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.92 QATE-33450 - GEN - Hang of asymmetric crypto engines might not be detected by heartbeat

Title	GEN - Hang of asymmetric crypto engines might not be detected by heartbeat.
Reference #	QATE-33450
Description	Heartbeat might not detect a hang of an asymmetric crypto engine.
Implication	Device might be reported as responsive even if one of the engines has hung.
Resolution	None.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.93 QATE-37406 - GEN - Hash + Compression chaining performance sample code might hang

Title	GEN - Hash + Compression chaining performance sample code might hang.
Reference #	QATE-37406
Description	When using different types of devices with one type supporting hash + compression chaining and one not, the cpa_sample_code application hangs.
Implication	The hash + compression chaining performance sample code does not run to completion.
Resolution	When testing hash + compression chaining, bring down unsupported devices first.
Affected OS	Linux*

3.2.94 QATE-37450 - CY - Memory corruption in GCM and CCM in case of failure

Title	CY - Memory corruption in GCM and CCM in case of failure.
Reference #	QATE-37450
Description	When a GCM or CCM request fails, the internal callback, when cleaning sensitive data, might write into a wrong address. This is more likely if the destination buffer is composed of multiple flat buffers and the cipher offset is different than 0.
Implication	When a GCM or CCM request fails, the behavior of the application using the software package is indeterminate. The most likely behavior is segmentation fault.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.5.0 release.

Title	CY - Memory corruption in GCM and CCM in case of failure.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.95 **QATE-37470 - SRIOV VF driver is not reporting RESTARTING event to application**

Title	SRIOV VF driver is not reporting RESTARTING event to application
Reference #	QATE-37470
Description	SRIOV VF driver is not reporting RESTARTING event to application. When device hangs 'Restarting' event is posted to all VF's through PF-VF message communication. Once VF driver receives restarting message with message type 'ADF_PF2VF_MSGTYPE_RESTARTING' , VF driver should notify the 'ADF_EVENT_RESTARTING' event to registered application. There is a bug in current driver where in VF driver receives 'ADF_PF2VF_MSGTYPE_RESTARTING' message from PF, but it doesn't notify the event to application.
Implication	An application may not be able to quiesce correctly, and requests and responses may be lost.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.6.0 release
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.96 **QATE-38014 - CY - Destination buffer is overrun in a Digest Verify + Decrypt that does not reserve output space for the digest**

Title	CY - Destination buffer is overrun in a Digest Verify + Decrypt that does not reserve output space for the digest
Reference #	QATE-38014
Description	It has been noticed that when the field verifyDigest in CpaCySymSessionSetupData is set to CPA_TRUE, the digest is written back to the destination buffer even if there is not allocated space in the destination buffer for it.
Implication	Unallocated memory may be overwritten
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.6.0 release
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.97 QATE-38075 - CY - Initialization vector is not returned when using skcipher api

Title	CY - Initialization vector is not returned when using skcipher api
Reference #	QATE-38075
Description	When doing encryption or decryption of a buffer, the skcipher API expects the IV to be returned to the user. The QAT implementation is not returning it.
Implication	IV is not returned to user
Resolution	This is resolved with 4.8.0 release
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.98 QATE-38078 - GEN - APIs called with CPA_INSTANCE_HANDLE_SINGLE may fail

Title	GEN - APIs called with CPA_INSTANCE_HANDLE_SINGLE may fail
Reference #	QATE-38078
Description	APIs called with CPA_INSTANCE_HANDLE_SINGLE may fail to get the first instance handle when only sym/asym services are enabled. This includes the following APIs: cpaCyStopInstance cpaCyInstanceGetInfo cpaCyInstanceGetInfo2 cpaCyQueryCapabilities cpaCySetAddressTranslation icp_sal_CyPollInstance cpaCyStartInstance cpaCySymQueryCapabilities
Implication	Crypto instances and therefore APIs won't work when called CPA_INSTANCE_HANDLE_SINGLE.
Resolution	Use the multiple instance discovery functions.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.99 QATE-38119 - DC - Extended use of dynamic compression may result in QAT HW reporting watchdog timeout

Title	DC - Extended use of dynamic compression may result in QAT HW reporting watchdog timeout
Reference #	QATE-38119

Title	DC - Extended use of dynamic compression may result in QAT HW reporting watchdog timeout
Description	An oversight in the handling of dynamic compression requests has the potential to induce watchdog timeout events. The conditions necessary to trigger this scenario generally arise only when the device has been in continual operation for several days, at which point a minimal failure rate will come into effect.
Implication	Affected requests return CPA_DC_WDOG_TIMER_ERR and require resubmission by the application.
Resolution	This issue is resolved with the 4.6.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM FW

3.2.100 QATE-38236 - GEN - QAT driver can report a false hang if heartbeat is polled too frequently

Title	GEN - QAT driver can report a false hang if heartbeat is polled too frequently
Reference #	QATE-38236
Description	In certain cases, the QAT driver can report a false hang if heartbeat is polled too frequently. This can result in spurious errors or an autoreset if the QAT driver is configured to do so. This heartbeat is triggered more than once per second.
Implication	The QAT devices can report false errors and/or be reset unnecessarily.
Resolution	This is fixed in the 4.12.0 release
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.101 QATE-39082 - GEN - Access to /dev/qat_adf_ctl allows a limited-trust user to reconfigure or reset the QAT endpoint

Title	GEN - Access to /dev/qat_adf_ctl allows a limited-trust user to reconfigure or reset the QAT endpoint.
Reference #	QATE-39082
Description	The device /dev/qat_adf_ctl provides a number of ioctls. Some ioctls are used by regular users of QAT for ring reservation and querying the configuration values. Others are used to reconfigure or reset the device. With the current implementation, any user that can use QAT for crypto or compression service can also reconfigure, bring down, or reset the device. These admin capabilities should be limited to admin users.
Implication	A user with access to /dev/qat_adf_ctl can reconfigure, bring down, or reset the device.

Title	GEN - Access to /dev/qat_adf_ctl allows a limited-trust user to reconfigure or reset the QAT endpoint.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.6.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.102 QATE-39129 - GEN - QAT driver may report uncorrectable error messages after a power-cycle reboot or a hard reset

Title	GEN - QAT driver may report uncorrectable error messages after a power-cycle reboot or a hard reset
Reference #	QATE-39129
Description	The QAT driver may report uncorrectable error messages after a power-cycle reboot on some platforms during the driver load but not on subsequent reloads of the driver. This has been seen on Broadwell-based platforms.
Implication	There is no known functional impact, provided that subsequent reloads of the driver are done.
Resolution	Restart the device using adf_ctl or qat_service.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.103 QATE-40952 - CY - Kernel > 5.0 LKCF self-test errors

Title	CY - Kernel > 5.0 LKCF self-test errors.
Reference #	QATE-40952
Description	LKCF tests are failing when the QAT driver is loaded. For some algorithms output results are different from the expected, for others the destination buffer overflow is detected
Implication	LKCF for the kernel >5.0 is not fully supported.
Resolution	This is resolved with 4.8.0 release
Affected OS	Linux*.

3.2.104 QATE-41556 - CY - Input data is copied from source buffer to destination buffer when doing a plain hash operation

Title	CY - Input data is copied from source buffer to destination buffer when doing a plain hash operation
Reference #	QATE-41556

Title	CY - Input data is copied from source buffer to destination buffer when doing a plain hash operation
Description	When performing a plain hash operation, where the digest result (pDigestResult) is placed in a buffer unrelated to the source buffer, the input data from the source buffer gets copied to the destination buffer as part of the operation.
Implication	Additional PCIe cycles consumed for the transfer of the input data from the source buffer to the destination buffer.
Resolution	This is resolved in the 4.7.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.105 QATE-42157 - CY - System reboot may be triggered with nginx* restart when huge pages are used

Title	CY - System reboot may be triggered with nginx* restart when huge pages are used.
Reference #	QATE-42157
Description	When nginx is restarted using the command: kill -hup [nginx PID] and the memory driver is configured to use huge pages with more than 16 huge pages per process defined, a system reboot may be triggered.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.7.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

3.2.106 QATE-43900 - SRIOV - Removal of QAT PF kernel modules may affect other QAT device VFs

Title	SRIOV - Removal of QAT PF kernel modules may affect other QAT device VFs.
Reference #	QATE-43900
Description	When QAT VFs are available, if QAT PF kernel modules are removed, all QAT VFs may be removed if any QAT PF kernel modules are removed.
Implication	QAT may not be available without restarting the QAT service.
Resolution	This issue is resolved in R4.11.0
Affected OS	Linux*

3.2.107 QATE-45527 - GEN - Device utilization and rate limiting is exposed for all QAT services is available to users regardless of the individual service being enabled

Title	GEN - Device utilization and rate limiting is exposed for all QAT services is available to users regardless of the individual service being enabled
Reference #	QATE-45527
Description	There are no checks to verify given service is enabled for device utilization and rate limiting. As such requests to create Service Level Agreements or query device utilization for services are allowed even if the corresponding service was not enabled.
Implication	Device utilization and rate limiting requests for services not enabled are allowed. These requests should gracefully fail.
Resolution	This is resolved with the 4.8.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.108 QATE-50420 - GEN - Invalid device configuration files can lead to core crashes at runtime

Title	GEN - Invalid device configuration files can lead to core crashes at runtime
Reference #	QATE-50420
Description	If configuration file includes definitions for either crypto or compression instances when that service is not enabled, core crash may occur at run time.
Implication	Core crash may occur if device configuration files are improperly configured.
Resolution	This is resolved in R4.10.0.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.109 QATE-50650 - Gen - Potential leak of file descriptors with forking use case

Title	Gen - Potential leak of file descriptors with forking use case.
Reference #	QATE-50650
Description	While forking a process, the software may not properly close file descriptors.
Implication	This will impact customer's trying to fork multiple processes. There could be resources leaked and multiple file descriptors for the same file repeatedly being opened.
Resolution	This issue is fixed in R4.11.0
Affected OS	Linux*

3.2.110 QATE-50854 - CY - Incorrect cipher sizes passed via the Linux* Crypto API may disrupt QAT crypto services

Title	CY - Incorrect cipher sizes passed via the Linux* Crypto API may disrupt QAT crypto services.
Reference #	QATE-50854
Description	For QAT crypto operations exposed via the Linux* Crypto API, the QAT driver may not be checking that the cipher sizes are correct.
Implication	Current crypto operations may be disrupted. For DH895X devices, the device may need to be reset.
Resolution	This is resolved with 4.8.0 release
Affected OS	Linux*.

3.2.111 QATE-51157 - GEN - Makefile sets unsafe file permissions for some non-QAT files

Title	GEN - Makefile sets unsafe file permissions for some non-QAT files.
Reference #	QATE-51157
Description	The Makefile incorrectly reduces file permissions on some non-QAT files within the QAT user group.
Implication	This could allow unauthorized access to devices, and it could prevent some system services from working correctly.
Resolution	This is resolved in the 4.8.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - GEN

3.2.112 QATE-51676 - Gen - PF/VF comms can increase attack surface

Title	Gen - PF/VF comms can increase attack surface.
Reference #	QATE-51676
Description	adf_pfvf_crc can read extra data, including one or more relevant function pointers.
Implication	Combined with one or more other exploits, this can improve an attack against Kernel Address Space Randomization.
Resolution	This issue is fixed in R4.9.0
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.113 QATE-52049 - CY - Input to QAT algorithms registered to Linux* Crypto API has limited parameter checking

Title	CY - Input to QAT algorithms registered to Linux* Crypto API has limited parameter checking
Reference #	QATE-52049
Description	The QAT software and firmware stack does not validate all inputs. As such, typically QAT services are only provided to privileged accounts on a system, where the account has explicitly been provided access. QAT also registers algorithms with the Linux* Crypto API, which can be used by unprivileged accounts. It follows that unprivileged users can inadvertently or intentionally provide invalid parameters to the QuickAssist API, resulting in an impact to QAT service availability for other users, or other undefined platform behavior.
Implication	QAT services may not be available without restarting the QAT service or rebooting the system.
Resolution	As of the 4.8 release, the software will no longer register with the Linux* Crypto API by default. In addition, parameter checks have been added to validate input.
Affected OS	Linux*.

3.2.114 QATE-52111 - DC - Incorrectly formatted payload during decompression job can hang the QAT endpoint

Title	DC - Incorrectly formatted payload during decompression job can hang the QAT endpoint.
Reference #	QATE-52111
Description	Certain files that are not correctly formatted compressed files can hang the QAT endpoint when decompression is attempted on these.
Implication	The QAT endpoint can hang.
Resolution	This is fixed with the 4.8.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Compression

3.2.115 QATE-52389 - SRIOV - Huge pages may not be compatible with QAT VF usage

Title	SRIOV - Huge pages may not be compatible with QAT VF usage.
Reference #	QATE-52389
Description	When using huge pages with the QAT VFs, the QAT PF may see fatal errors and/or DMAR errors may be reported.
Implication	Huge pages cannot be used with the QAT VFs.
Resolution	None
Affected OS	Linux*

Title	SRIOV - Huge pages may not be compatible with QAT VF usage.
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Common

3.2.116 QATE-58487 - DC - Compressed data fails to decompress

Title	DC - Compressed data fails to decompress.
Reference #	QATE-58487
Description	If the Compress and Verify feature is explicitly disabled (which is not a supported configuration), when performing a compression operation with QAT, with certain input data of greater than 64KB, the compressed data cannot be decompressed.
Implication	An error may be encountered during decompression of the compressed data.
Resolution	This is resolved with QAT Software Release 4.8.0. Compression operations with input data greater than 64kB will no longer be supported if the Compress and Verify feature is explicitly disabled.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM HW – Data Compression

3.2.117 QATE-61004 - DC - Concurrent compression or decompression requests can encounter false CPA_DC_WDOG_TIMER_ERR errors by Intel® QAT

Title	DC - Concurrent compression or decompression requests can encounter false CPA_DC_WDOG_TIMER_ERR errors by Intel® QAT
Reference #	QATE-61004
Description	If the CPA_DC_WDOG_TIMER_ERR error is encountered for a given compression request and there are concurrent compression or decompression requests running, the concurrent compression or decompression requests can encounter false CPA_DC_WDOG_TIMER_ERR errors being returned by Intel® QAT.
Implication	Concurrent compression or decompression requests can encounter false CPA_DC_WDOG_TIMER_ERR errors by Intel® QAT.
Resolution	This resolved in the 4.12.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Compression

3.2.118 QATE-61187 - DC - cpaDcResetSession may not wait until all flights are processed prior to clearing the inflight counters

Title	DC - cpaDcResetSession may not wait until all flights are processed prior to clearing the inflight counters
Reference #	QATE-61187

Title	DC - cpaDcResetSession may not wait until all flights are processed prior to clearing the inflight counters
Description	Excluding the compression session using the Data Plane API, cpaDcResetSession does not wait until all flights are processed prior to clearing the inflight counters. This is not correct behavior since callback counters are reset before all the in-flight requests are processed.
Implication	If the session is reset while there are in-flight requests, segmentation faults and other unexpected application behavior may be encountered.
Resolution	This is resolved in R4.10.0
Affected OS	Linux*

3.2.119 QATE-61317 - CY - Device utilization and rate limiting features may not work on the Intel® Atom® C3000 processor product family

Title	CY - Device utilization and rate limiting features may not work on the Intel® Atom® C3000 processor product family
Reference #	QATE-61317
Description	Errors have been observed when trying to load or run device utilization and rate limiting features (with RateLimitingEnabled=1 in the configuration file) on the Intel® Atom® C3000 processor product family. This may apply to asymmetric crypto operations especially.
Implication	Device utilization and rate limiting features may not be available or may be limited to symmetric crypto operations.
Resolution	This has been resolved in the 4.10.0 release.
Affected OS	Linux*

3.2.120 QATE-61491 - DC - cpaDcChainResetSession can execute some logic prematurely

Title	DC - cpaDcChainResetSession can execute some logic prematurely
Reference #	QATE-61491
Description	cpaDcChainResetSession can clear counters and clear session descriptors even when a retry status is received instead of waiting until all requests pending are processed.
Implication	In-flight requests may not be handled correctly.
Resolution	This issue is fixed in v4.10.0.
Affected OS	Linux*

3.2.121 QATE-62433 - GEN - CpaOperationalState operState does not reflect the state of the instance

Title	GEN - CpaOperationalState operState does not reflect the state of the instance
Reference #	QATE-62433
Description	CpaOperationalState operState does not reflect the state of the instance and instead reflects the state of the service.
Implication	Other application logic relying on the state of the instance may not be correct.
Resolution	This is resolved in R4.10.0
Affected OS	Linux*

3.2.122 QATE-62542 - GEN - PF passthrough may not be available for some custom configuration files

Title	GEN - PF passthrough may not be available for some custom configuration files.
Reference #	QATE-62542
Description	Physical function (PF) passthrough may not be available for some custom configuration files, which may include configuration files that enable rate limiting, compression chaining, or certain specialized algorithms.
Implication	PF passthrough may not be available, or some services or algorithms may be limited.
Resolution	This is resolved in R4.14.0
Affected OS	Linux*

3.2.123 QATE-62621 - CY - QAT operations via the Linux* Crypto API might lead to kernel messages reporting stalls

Title	CY - QAT operations via the Linux* Crypto API might lead to kernel messages reporting stalls
Reference #	QATE-62621
Description	The current implementation does not have full support for queues for QAT operations via the Linux* Crypto API.
Implication	Kernel messages might be observed that report soft lockups or stalls.
Resolution	This is resolved in the 4.11 release.
Affected OS	Linux*

3.2.124 QATE-66628 - CY - Potential encryption failures when encountering -ENOMEM errors via the Linux* Kernel Crypto API

Title	CY - Potential encryption failures when encountering -ENOMEM errors via the Linux* Kernel Crypto API
Reference #	QATE-66628
Description	Encryption operations via the Linux* Kernel Crypto API may not handle -ENOMEM errors correctly.
Implication	Data leakage, corruption (potentially leading to data loss, e.g. with dm-crypt), or other unexpected behavior may occur.
Resolution	This is resolved in Gen2 4.15.0
Affected OS	Linux*

3.2.125 QATE-69747 - VIRT - Internal uncorrectable error set after platform reboot

Title	VIRT - Internal uncorrectable error set after platform reboot
Reference #	QATE-69747
Description	In certain platforms, if the platform is rebooted while the QAT device is up, an uncorrectable error bit can be set, and this will impact the ability to passthrough the QAT PF to a guest. This has only been observed on the C3000 and IXC-D LCC.
Implication	Uncorrectable errors may be reported during full device passthrough to a VM, causing undefined behavior.
Resolution	This is resolved in Gen2 4.15.0
Affected OS	Linux*

3.2.126 QATE-72882 - DC - The Data Compression Chaining API may not work with virtualization

Title	DC - The Data Compression Chaining API may not work with virtualization
Reference #	QATE-72882
Description	When trying to use the Data Compression Chaining API with VFs, results do not return from the API, and DMAR errors may be observed.
Implication	The Data Compression Chaining API should not be used when using VFs on a guest.
Resolution	This is resolved in the 4.14 release.
Affected OS	Linux*

3.2.127 QATE-72934 - [RL] DUInterOp failing in RSA2048 and AlgchainDP1024

Title	[RL] DUInterOp failing in RSA2048 and AlgchainDP1024
Reference #	QATE-72934

Description	<p>We are observed RL Automation DUInterOp tests are failing for RSA2048 and AlgchainDP1024 in VM1.</p> <pre> pkg-QAT1.7_NEXT.L.0.0.0-00140 *Regression*: Yes -FW of 4.14.0 [root@wgclv-mahesh-cent73 QAT1.7_NEXT.L.0.0.0-00140]# cat 2021-04-10_08-33-01_QAT_1.7_U_S_BDX_RL-Automation_img_2_DUInterOp/DUInterOp-RSA2048_Test_1/summary.csv Test,VM,Result,Expected,Actual,SLA Set,DU Actual 2003,vm_b2,Pass,23991,25401,27000,25666 2003,vm_b1,Fail,10431,14780,12000,14960 [root@wgclv-mahesh-cent73 QAT1.7_NEXT.L.0.0.0-00140]# cat 2021-04-10_08-33-01_QAT_1.7_U_S_BDX_RL-Automation_img_2_DUInterOp/DUInterOp-AlgchainDP1024_Test_2/summary.csv Test,VM,Result,Expected,Actual,SLA Set,DU Actual 2033,vm_b2,Pass,25843,27517,27000,25567 2033,vm_b1,Fail,11236,17072,12000,16731 [root@wgclv-mahesh-cent73 QAT1.7_NEXT.L.0.0.0-00140]# cat 2021-04-11_08-44-29_QAT_1.7_U_S_LBG-x24_RL-Automation_img_2_DUInterOp/DUInterOp-RSA2048_Test_3/summary.csv Test,VM,Result,Expected,Actual,SLA Set,DU Actual 2003,vm_b2,Pass,20680,21864,21000,19696 2003,vm_b1,Fail,8862,11944,9000,11254 [root@wgclv-mahesh-cent73 QAT1.7_NEXT.L.0.0.0-00140]# cat 2021-04-11_08-44-29_QAT_1.7_U_S_LBG-x24_RL-Automation_img_2_DUInterOp/DUInterOp-AlgchainDP1024_Test_33/summary.csv Test,VM,Result,Expected,Actual,SLA Set,DU Actual 2033,vm_b2,Pass,20685,23038,22000,21306 2033,vm_b1,Fail,9430,13001,10000,12046 *Steps to Re-create the issue:* Host: ./configure --enable-icp-sriov=host ; make install ; make samples-install load img_2/img_4 configuration files and then start the device.d15xx_dev0.conf.ratelimiting_img_2 or d15xx_dev0.conf.ratelimiting_img_4 /etc/init.d/qat_service stop /etc/init.d/qat_service start Create a VM and attach 3 device. virt-install --name ixa00399410_002 --ram=4096 --machine pc --network network=ixa00399410 --mac=52:54:BE:EF:65:02 --vcpus 6 --noautoconsole --connect qemu:///system --controller sata --disk path=/home/CentOS_7.4_64_k3.10.0-693.17.1_bl_v000.img,bus=sata -- import --qemu-commandline= Create some SLA like below. ./sla_mgr caps 02:00.0. ./sla_mgr create 02:01.0 4000 0 ./sla_mgr create 02:01.1 4000 0. ./sla_mgr create 02:01.2 3000 0 ./sla_mgr list 02:00.0 After running test in Guest, check Device utilization. ./du_mgr stop 02:00.0 ./du_mgr start 02:00.0 ./du_mgr query 02:00.0 0 ./du_mgr query_vf 02:00.0 0x02:0x01.0x0 0 ./du_mgr query_vf 02:00.0 0x02:0x01.0x1 0 ./du_mgr query_vf 02:00.0 0x02:0x01.0x2 0 Guest: ./configure --enable-icp-sriov=guest; make install ; make samples-install And load below configuration file and restart the device </pre>
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	<p>d15xxvf_dev0_RL_vcpus6.conf d15xxvf_dev1_RL_vcpus6.conf d15xxvf_dev2_RL_vcpus6.conf Run RL test cases from quad. ./testCli -u -> load ./cpa_sample_code_s.so -> load ./stv_test_code_s.so -> qaeMemInit() -> icp_sal_userStartMultiProcess("SSL",CPA_FALSE) -> rsaRLTest(2048, 10, 350000, 8852, 9000) while running the test , check device utilization in host. Attached the issue logs and expected PASS logs. *Expected Results: Both the VMs result PASS.* Test,VM,Result,Expected,Actual,SLA Set,DU Actual 2003,vm_b2,Pass,20680,21789,21000,20200 2003,vm_b1,Pass,8862,9383,9000,8820 RESOLUTION: With 4.14.0 firmware, as admin ME is also used for processing requests, there is an improvement in device throughput. This causes a deviation in the expected DU. - Corrected the slice computation in adf_get_slices_for_svc() to include all slices which are used for processing requests. - Updated the sla units for each device type based on the latest firmware and benchmark values.</p>

3.2.128 QATE-74275 - DC - cpaDcDeflateCompressBound returns incorrect value for source buffers less than 8 bytes

Title	DC - cpaDcDeflateCompressBound returns incorrect value for source buffers less than 8 bytes
Reference	QATE-74275
Description	cpaDcDeflateCompressBound returns incorrect value for source buffers less than 8 bytes.
Implication	Compression operations for very small jobs may not success if using cpaDcDeflateCompressBound directly without a higher minimum destination buffer size.
Resolution	This is resolved in Gen2 4.15.0 release
Affected OS	Linux*

3.2.129 QATE-74786 - DC - cpaDcDeflateCompressBound API returns incorrect output buffer size when input size exceeds 477218588 bytes

Title	DC - cpaDcDeflateCompressBound API returns incorrect output buffer size when input size exceeds 477218588 bytes
Reference	QATE-74786
Description	When cpaDcDeflateCompressBound API is called with input size > 477218588 bytes incorrect buffer size is returned. For any buffer input size, the API should not produce output buffer size greater than the max limit (4 GB).
Implication	Incorrect output buffer size is returned instead of error.
Resolution	This is resolved in Gen2 4.15.0
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Compression

3.2.130 QATE-75429 - DC - Throughput allocation does not honor SLA set and Device Utilization is reported high for INTEL® COMMUNICATION CHIPSET 8925 TO 8955 SERIES device

Title	DC - Throughput allocation does not honor SLA set and Device Utilization is reported high for INTEL® COMMUNICATION CHIPSET 8925 TO 8955 SERIES device
Reference	QATE-75429
Description	With Compression, throughput allocated is not as per SLA and the device utilization data is reported high.
Implication	RateLimiting doesn't work on INTEL® COMMUNICATION CHIPSET 8925 TO 8955 SERIES for Compression service.
Resolution	Firmware CnV path was changed to add a missing slice power-down command, which is also used as the marker to trigger final calculation of the slice usage.
Affected OS	Linux*

3.2.131 QATE-75831 - TLS1.3 with secret key lengths greater than 64 are not supported

Title	TLS1.3 with secret key lengths greater than 64 are not supported
Reference	QATE-75831
Description	TLS1.3 algorithms, as with any elliptical P-521 curves with a secret key length greater than 64 bytes, is not supported.
Implication	Key generation would fail for TLS1.3 algorithms that use more than 64 bytes secret length keys.

Title	TLS1.3 with secret key lengths greater than 64 are not supported
Resolution	For TLS1.3 algorithms, with secret keys greater than 64 bytes, use software for key generation. This issue will be addressed in a future release, which will allow TLS1.3 algorithms with secret keys greater than 64 bytes for key generation to succeed.
Affected OS	Linux*
Driver/Module	CPM IA - Crypto

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4 Frequently Asked Questions

4.1 I have an application called XYZ with the intent to use two cryptography instances from each of the two chipset (PCH) devices in the system (a total of four instances). What would the configuration files look like?

In this case, the `NumberCyInstances` parameter should be set to 2 in the configuration file for each PCH device.

Should the `Cy<n>Name` parameter use unique values for `<n>` in each configuration file?

The `Cy<n>Name` parameter can be used in different configuration files without issue. In addition, the same `Cy<n>Name` name can be used in different domains within the same configuration file. The same rules apply to the `Dc<n>Name` parameter.

4.2 The firmware does not load. How can I fix this?

If the firmware does not load, verify that `udev` is available and running. On older systems (such as CentOS v6.5), verify that the kernel was built with `CONFIG_FW_LOADER=y`. On more recent systems (such as CentOS v7), `udev` is part of `systemd` and it is installed by default as part of the `systemd-udev` service.

4.3 When I try to start the driver, I see errors (including kernel messages) that appear to be related to memory allocation. What can I do to avoid this?

When many instances are declared in the configuration file, it is possible to see these errors. The errors can typically be avoided by using the recommendations found in the "Reducing Asymmetric Service Memory Usage" section of the Intel® QuickAssist Technology Performance Optimization Guide, by reducing the `NumConcurrentSymRequests` parameters in the configuration file, or by reducing the number of instances declared in the configuration file (see the "Acceleration Driver Configuration File" chapter in the chipset Programmer's Guide). Refer to [Table 4](#) for a copy of these guides.

Another approach is to modify Linux* such that the value in `/proc/sys/vm/max_map_count` is increased (for example, to double the value). That value can be increased by modifying `/etc/sysctl.conf` to include the following line:

```
vm.max_map_count = <large_number_here>
```

Then reboot and run `cat /proc/sys/vm/max_map_count` to verify that the value has been increased.

4.4 When trying to start the Intel® QuickAssist Technology driver, I see errors similar to one or more of the following:

- There is 0 Intel® QAT device(s).
- Failed to send admin msg to accelerator
dh895xcc 0000:b1:00.0: Failed to send init message
- Error -14 with the “make install”
dh895xcc: probe of 0000:b1:00.0 failed with error -14

Note: The above may be seen in `/var/log/messages`.

- Fewer Intel® QAT acceleration devices than you expect when starting Intel® QAT.

Note: For example, you may see all the `c6xx` type devices but not the `dh895x` device.

On systems that support PCIe* ECRC (PCIe transaction layer end-to-end CRC checking), the root cause may be that ECRC is enabled in BIOS for the PCIe root ports. A proper fix will be for the BIOS to avoid enabling ECRC when devices are present that do not support ECRC or to disable ECRC by default in BIOS.

If a BIOS update is not practical, or for a temporary workaround, the following instructions may work:

1. On a fresh boot, before inserting the Intel® QAT kernel module software and before the driver is brought up, enter the command:

```
# setpci -s <bb:dd.f> 160.w=0
```

where `<bb:dd.f>` can be found by:

2. Determine BDF for the Intel® QAT device:

```
# lspci | grep QAT
```

3. On this system, the return was:

```
# lspci | grep QAT
88:00.0 Co-processor: Intel Corporation DH895XCC Series QAT
```

4. Determine the Root Port associated with the device:

```
# lspci | grep 88
```

5. Output:

```
# lspci -t | grep 88
+-[0000:85]--02.0-[86-8a]----00.0-[87-8a]---+00.0-[88-89]---+00.0
```

6. Look at the output to identify the root port for this Intel® QAT device. In this case, it is:

```
85.02.0
```

7. After entering the `setpci` command, insert the Intel® QAT modules and bring up the driver.

4.5 When loading the package modules, I see kernel log warnings related to the signing of the modules. What do I need to do?

If certain kernel configuration flags are set (as some background, see [CONFIG_MODULE_SIG](#) and [CONFIG_MODULE_SIG_ALL](#)), these messages may be returned. To avoid these warnings, consult the documentation for the applicable kernel configuration flags. For details on signing the Intel® QAT drivers, refer to the README file that is in the top-level directory for the QAT SW package: <https://www.kernel.org/doc/html/latest/admin-guide/module-signing.html>.

Why does Intel® QAT performance drop around buffer/packet sizes of 2kB?

Depending on the specifics of the particular algorithm and Intel® QAT API parameters, a relatively small decrease in performance may be observed for submission requests around a buffer/packet size of 2 kB to 4 kB. This decrease is expected due to optimizations in the Intel® QAT software that can apply for requests of a specific size.

4.6 I am receiving failures or hangs when sending perform requests to the Intel® QAT API after a fresh boot or after hotplug events. How can these be resolved?

For the proper initialization, `adf_ctl` must be brought down and then back up (execute `adf_ctl down` followed by `adf_ctl up`) after a fresh boot. Various errors or hangs can occur if this is not done. `qat_service`, if used, handles this. For hotplug events, remove the Intel® QAT modules and reinsert them before executing `adf_ctl down` and `adf_ctl up`.

4.7 How do I get the Intel® QAT driver to automatically start in SUSE Linux*?

Run `systemd-sysv-install enable qat_service` to enable the Intel® QAT driver to start in SUSE Linux* automatically.

4.8 For a system with QAT device ID 8086:18ee, the driver cannot be started. How do I resolve this?

On these systems, with certain BIOS configurations, the following kernel messages may be seen when trying to start the driver:

```
QAT: Stopping all acceleration devices.
```

```
200xx 0000:01:00.0: QAT registration with LKCF disabled 200xx 0000:01:00.0:
Enabling default configuration
```

```
QAT: authentication error (FCU_STATUS = 0x3),retry = 0 200xx 0000:01:00.0: Failed
to load UOF
```

```
200xx 0000:01:00.0: Failed to load acceleration FW
```

```
200xx 0000:01:00.0: Disable arbiter.
```

```
200xx 0000:01:00.0: Resetting device qat_dev0 200xx 0000:01:00.0: Function level
reset 200xx 0000:01:00.0: Pending transactions, trying secondary bus reset 200xx
0000:01:00.0: Transaction still in progressProceeding 200xx 0000:01:00.0:
Secondary bus reset
```

```
200xx: probe of 0000:01:00.0 failed with error -14
```

```
usdm_drv: Loading USDM Module Version 0.7.1 ...
```

```
usdm_drv: IOCTLs: c0507100, c0507101, 7102, c0047104
```

```
QAT: Stopping all acceleration devices.
```

For these devices, enabling IMR2 will reserve memory region for firmware authentication.

To avoid the issue, the users need to change the BIOS settings to enable IMR2 support, as in:

```
EDKII Menu -> Platform Configuration -> Miscellaneous Configuration -> Enable IMR2
Support
```

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