

# Customer Replacement Procedure

## Dell EMC Unity™ Family

### Dell EMC Unity All Flash and Unity Hybrid

#### Replacing a faulted 25-drive link control card

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This document describes how to replace a faulted 25-drive link control card in Unity All Flash and Unity Hybrid systems.

Two link control card (LCC) modules are at the back of the 25-drive DAE. You remove an LCC module from the rear of the DAE.

#### **NOTICE**

This procedure involves storage processor (SP) reboots coordinated to ensure that at least one SP is running at all times. During an SP reboot, data will be unavailable to front- or back-end connections that are not duplicated on the peer SP.

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## Before you start

Before you begin this procedure, ensure that you have received the new part and have correctly identified its intended location in the system. Refer to your Unisphere **Service** section for instruction on how to identify failures, order new parts and handle hardware components.

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## Additional resources

As part of an improvement effort, revisions of the software and hardware are periodically released. Therefore, some functions described in this document might not be supported by all versions of the software or hardware currently in use. The product release notes provide the most up-to-date information on product features. Contact your technical support professional if a product does not function properly or does not function as described in this document.

### Where to get help

Support, product, and licensing information can be obtained as follows:

#### Product information

For product and feature documentation or release notes, go to Unity Technical Documentation at: [www.emc.com/en-us/documentation/unity-family.htm](http://www.emc.com/en-us/documentation/unity-family.htm).

#### Troubleshooting

For information about products, software updates, licensing, and service, go to Online Support (registration required) at: <https://Support.EMC.com>. After logging in, locate the appropriate **Support by Product** page.

#### Technical support

For technical support and service requests, go to Online Support at: <https://Support.EMC.com>. After logging in, locate **Create a service request**. To open a service request, you must have a valid support agreement. Contact your Sales Representative for details about obtaining a valid support agreement or to answer any questions about your account.

### Special notice conventions used in this document

#### DANGER

Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

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#### WARNING

Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

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**⚠ CAUTION**

Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.

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**NOTICE**

Addresses practices not related to personal injury.

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**Note**

Presents information that is important, but not hazard-related.

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## Handling replaceable units

This section describes the precautions that you must take and the general procedures that you must follow when removing, installing, and storing any replaceable unit.

### Avoiding electrostatic discharge (ESD) damage

When replacing or installing hardware units, you can inadvertently damage the sensitive electronic circuits in the equipment by simply touching them. Electrostatic charge that has accumulated on your body discharges through the circuits. If the air in the work area is very dry, running a humidifier in the work area will help decrease the risk of ESD damage. Follow the procedures below to prevent damage to the equipment.

Be aware of the following requirements:

- Provide enough room to work on the equipment.
- Clear the work site of any unnecessary materials or materials that naturally build up electrostatic charge, such as foam packaging, foam cups, cellophane wrappers, and similar items.
- Do not remove replacement or upgrade units from their antistatic packaging until you are ready to install them.
- Before you begin service, gather together the ESD kit and all other materials you will need.
- Once servicing begins, avoid moving away from the work site; otherwise, you may build up an electrostatic charge.
- Use ESD anti-static gloves or an ESD wristband (with strap).
  - If using an ESD wristband with a strap:
    - Attach the clip of the ESD wristband to the ESD bracket or bare metal on a cabinet/rack or enclosure.
    - Wrap the ESD wristband around your wrist with the metal button against your skin.
    - If a tester is available, test the wristband.

### Emergency procedures (without an ESD kit)

In an emergency when an ESD kit is not available, use the following precautions to reduce the possibility of an electrostatic discharge by ensuring that your body and the subassembly are at the same electrostatic potential.

**NOTICE**

These precautions are not a substitute for the use of an ESD kit. Follow them only in the event of an emergency.

- Before touching any unit, touch a bare (unpainted) metal surface of the cabinet/rack or enclosure.
- Before removing any unit from its antistatic bag, place one hand firmly on a bare metal surface of the cabinet/rack or enclosure, and at the same time, pick up the unit while it is still sealed in the antistatic bag. Once you have done this, do not move around the room or touch other furnishings, personnel, or surfaces until you have installed the unit.
- When you remove a unit from the antistatic bag, avoid touching any electronic components and circuits on it.
- If you must move around the room or touch other surfaces before installing a unit, first place the unit back in the antistatic bag. When you are ready again to install the unit, repeat these procedures.

**Hardware acclimation times**

Systems and components must acclimate to the operating environment before applying power. This requires the unpackaged system or component to reside in the operating environment for up to 16 hours in order to thermally stabilize and prevent condensation.

Refer to the table, [Table 1](#) on page 4, to determine the precise amount of stabilization time required.

**Table 1** Hardware acclimation times (systems and components)

If the last 24 hours of the TRANSIT/STORAGE environment was this:		...and the OPERATING environment is this:	...then let the system or component acclimate in the new environment this many hours:
Temperature	Humidity		
Nominal 68-72°F (20-22°C)	Nominal 40-55% RH	Nominal 68-72°F (20-22°C) 40-55% RH	0-1 hour
Cold <68°F (20°C)	Dry <30% RH	<86°F (30°C)	4 hours
Cold <68°F (20°C)	Damp ≥30% RH	<86°F (30°C)	4 hours
Hot >72°F (22°C)	Dry <30% RH	<86°F (30°C)	4 hours
Hot >72°F (22°C)	Humid 30-45% RH	<86°F (30°C)	4 hours
	Humid 45-60% RH	<86°F (30°C)	8 hours
	Humid ≥60% RH	<86°F (30°C)	16 hours

**Table 1** Hardware acclimation times (systems and components) (continued)

If the last 24 hours of the TRANSIT/STORAGE environment was this:	...and the OPERATING environment is this:	...then let the system or component acclimate in the new environment this many hours:
Unknown	<86°F (30°C)	16 hours

**NOTICE**

- If there are signs of condensation after the recommended acclimation time has passed, allow an additional eight (8) hours to stabilize.
- Systems and components must not experience changes in temperature and humidity that are likely to cause condensation to form on or in that system or component. Do not exceed the shipping and storage temperature gradient of 45°F/hr (25°C/hr).
- Do NOT apply power to the system for at least the number of hours specified in the table, [Table 1](#) on page 4. If the last 24 hours of the transit/storage environment is unknown, then you must allow the system or component 16 hours to stabilize in the new environment.

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## Removing, installing, or storing replaceable units

Use the following precautions when removing, handling, or storing replaceable units:

**CAUTION**

**Some replaceable units have the majority of their weight in the rear of the component. Ensure that the back end of the replaceable unit is supported while installing or removing it. Dropping a replaceable unit could result in personal injury or damage to the equipment.**

**NOTICE**

- For a module that must be installed into a slot in an enclosure, examine the rear connectors on the module for any damage before attempting its installation.
  - A sudden jar, drop, or even a moderate vibration can permanently damage some sensitive replaceable units.
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- Do not remove a faulted replaceable unit until you have the replacement available.
  - When handling replaceable units, avoid electrostatic discharge (ESD) by wearing ESD anti-static gloves or an ESD wristband with a strap. For additional information, refer to [Avoiding electrostatic discharge \(ESD\) damage](#) on page 3.
  - Avoid touching any exposed electronic components and circuits on the replaceable unit.
  - Never use excessive force to remove or install a replaceable unit. Take time to read the instructions carefully.

- Store a replaceable unit in the antistatic bag and the specially designed shipping container in which you received it. Use the antistatic bag and special shipping container when you need to return the replaceable unit.
- Replaceable units must acclimate to the operating environment before applying power. This requires the unpackaged component to reside in the operating environment for up to 16 hours in order to thermally stabilize and prevent condensation. Refer to [Hardware acclimation times](#) on page 4 to ensure the replaceable unit has thermally stabilized to the operating environment.

**NOTICE**

Your storage system is designed to be powered on continuously. Most components are hot swappable; that is, you can replace or install these components while the storage system is running. However, the system requires that:

- Front bezels should always be attached to ensure EMI compliance. Make sure you reattach the bezel after replacing a component.
- Each slot should contain a component or filler panel to ensure proper air flow throughout the system.

## Unpacking a part

### Procedure

1. Wear ESD gloves or attach an ESD wristband to your wrist and the enclosure in which you are installing the part.
2. Unpack the part and place it on a static-free surface.
3. If the part is a replacement for a faulted part, save the packing material to return the faulted part.

## Standard touch point colors

Touch points are component locations where you can:

- Grip the hardware to remove or install a component.
- Open or close a latch.
- Turn a knob to open, close, or adjust a component.

Standard touch point colors are terra-cotta (orange) or blue.

### Note

Within this documentation, the color orange is used instead of terra-cotta for simplicity.

**Table 2** Standard touch point colors

Touch point color	Description
Terra-cotta (orange)	This color indicates that you can perform the task, such as remove a component with a terra-cotta (orange) lever, while the system remains powered (up/on).

**Table 2** Standard touch point colors (continued)

Touch point color	Description
	<p><b>Note</b></p> <p>Some tasks may require additional steps.</p>
<p>Blue</p> 	<p>This color indicates that a shutdown of the system or component is required before you can perform the task, such as removing a component with a blue lever.</p>

## Identifying and locating the faulted 25-drive link control card

Before you replace a faulted 25-drive link control card, you must locate its placement within the storage system by using Unisphere.

Using Unisphere, locate the faulted 25-drive link control card in the enclosure.

### Procedure

1. In Unisphere, select **System View**.
2. Select the **Enclosures** page.  
Select the 25-drive DAE in the **Enclosure** dropdown menu and select the **Rear** view of the enclosure. Locate the new link control card shown in this enclosure view.
3. Locate the faulted 25-drive link control card marked orange and displayed in the **Enclosure** view shown.

**Figure 1** Faulted LCC A location - example



## Replacing the faulted 25-drive link control card

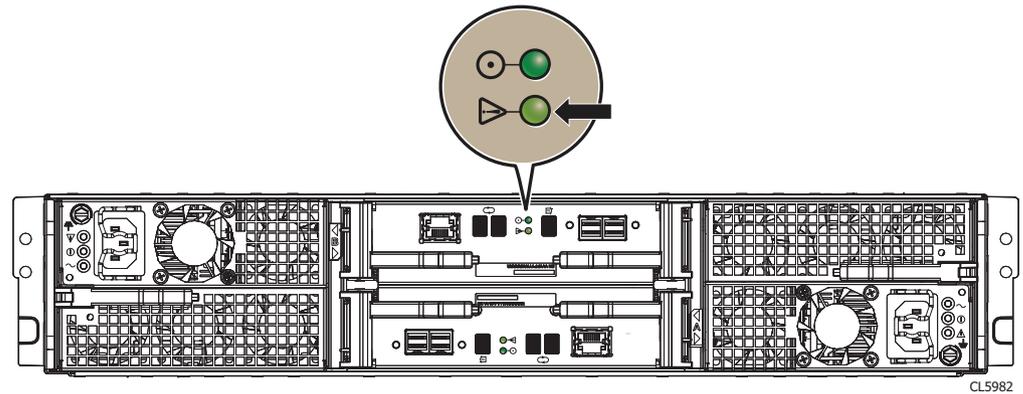
Take the following actions to remove the faulted 25-drive link control card and install the replacement 25-drive link control card into the system.

### Removing a faulted LCC

#### Before you begin

Identify the faulted LCC by its amber fault LED.

**Figure 2** LCC fault LED



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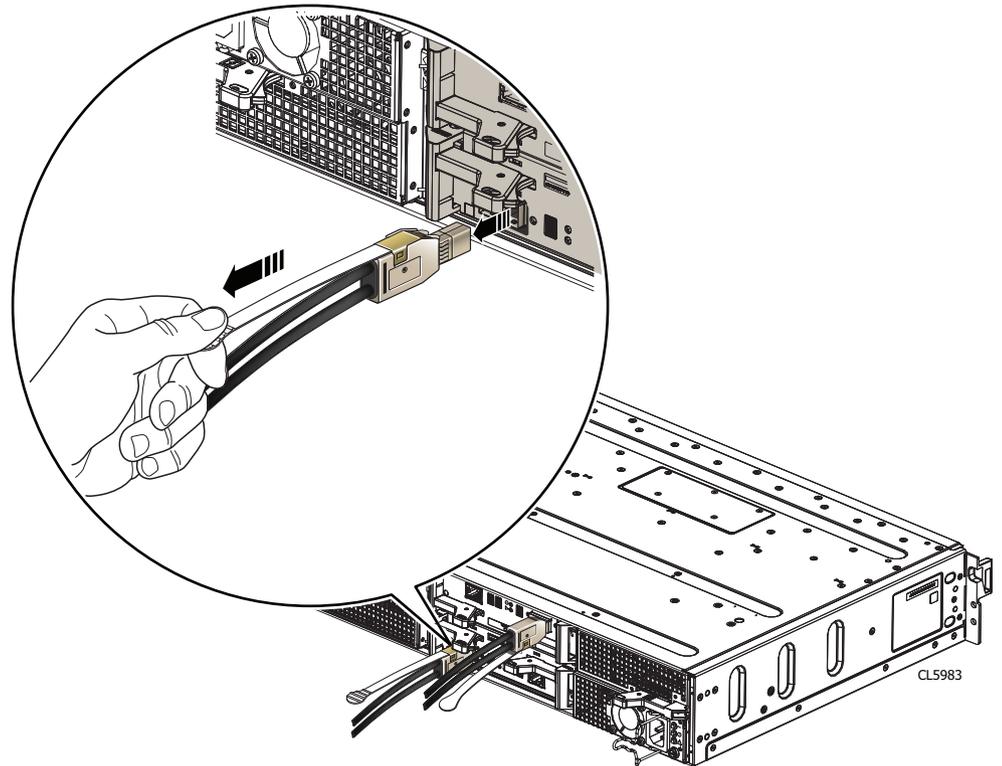
#### NOTICE

The DAE must have at least one LCC installed while the enclosure is powered up; do not remove both LCCs while AC power is on.

#### Procedure

1. Attach an ESD wristband to your wrist and the enclosure.
2. Remove each cable connected to the LCC by gently pulling the connector latches to release the cable from the connector.

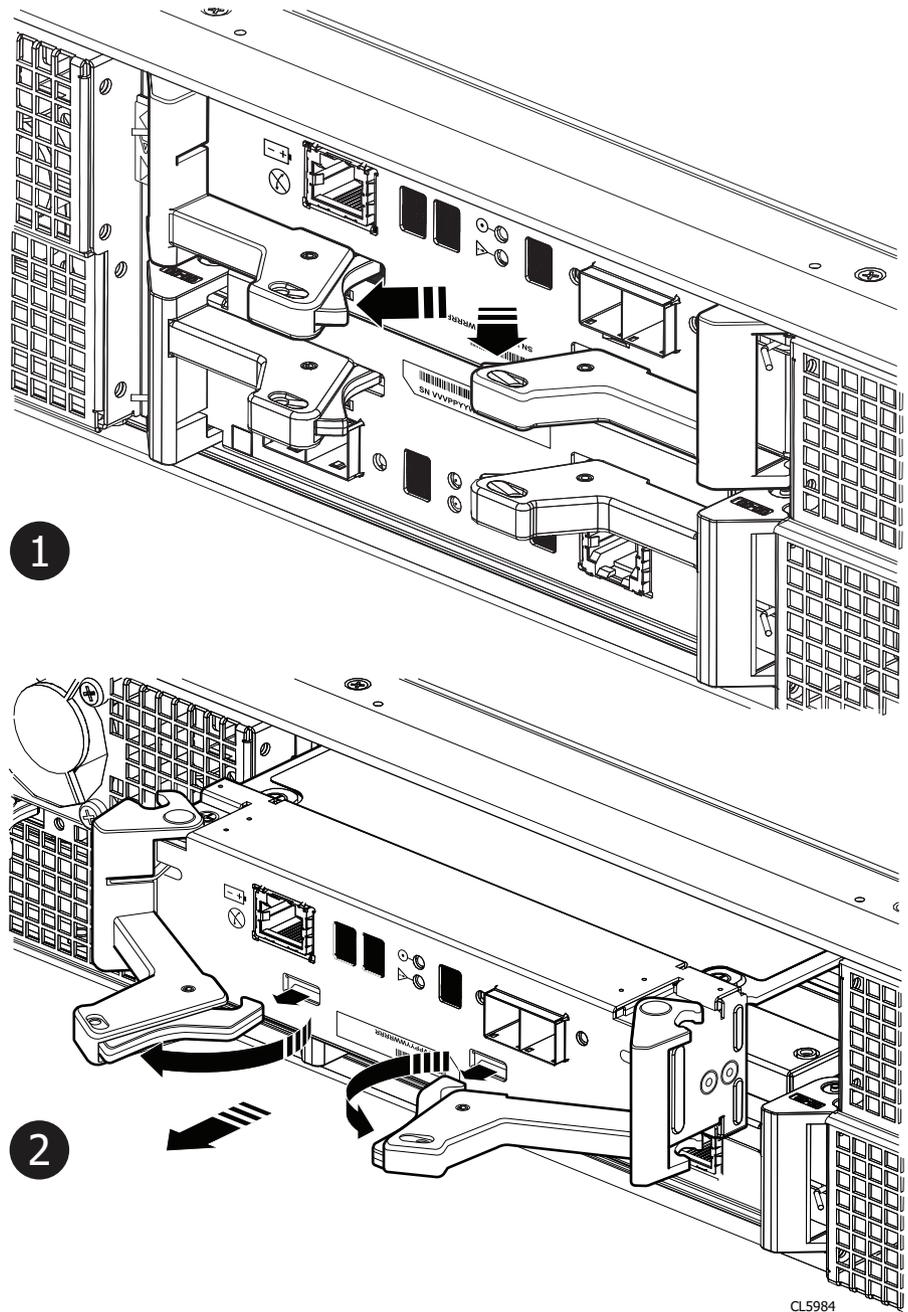
Note where the cables connect to the LCC because you will reconnect them later.

**Figure 3** Disconnecting an LCC cable**3. Remove the LCC:****NOTICE**

The LCC comes completely out of the DAE chassis. In addition to holding the latches, be prepared to support the LCC to avoid dropping it.

- a. Locate the orange handle buttons on the LCC handles.
- b. Press the orange handle buttons to release the LCC, pull the latches outward, and remove the LCC from its slot.

**Figure 4** Removing an LCC



4. Place the LCC on a clean, static-free surface.

## Unpacking a part

### Procedure

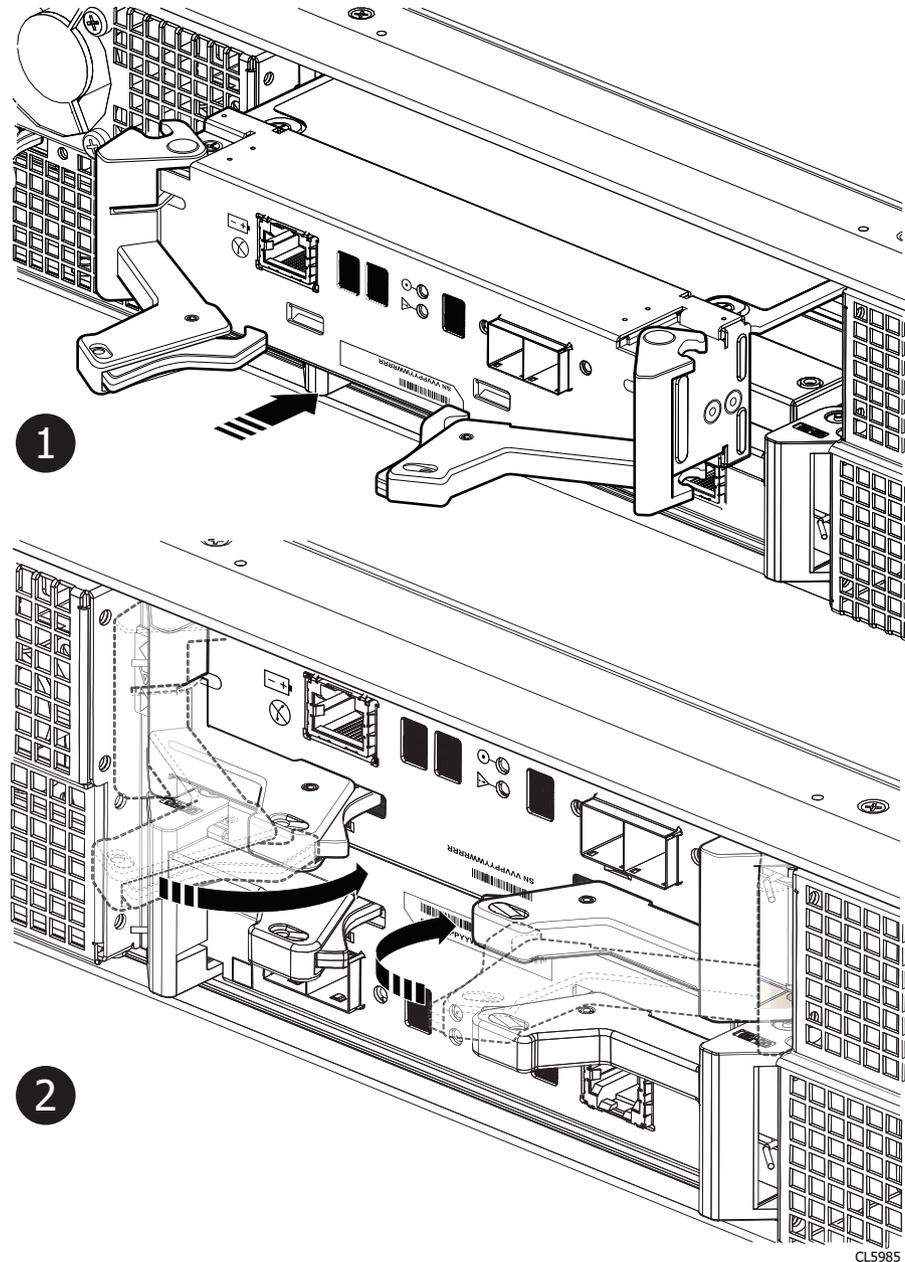
1. Wear ESD gloves or attach an ESD wristband to your wrist and the enclosure in which you are installing the part.
2. Unpack the part and place it on a static-free surface.
3. If the part is a replacement for a faulted part, save the packing material to return the faulted part.

## Installing a replacement LCC

### Procedure

1. Attach an ESD wristband to your wrist and the enclosure.
2. Pull out the latches on the LCC and make sure they stay in the open position.
3. Align the LCC with the enclosure opening and gently push the LCC straight into the enclosure, being sure the LCC is completely seated in the enclosure.

**Figure 5** Installing an LCC



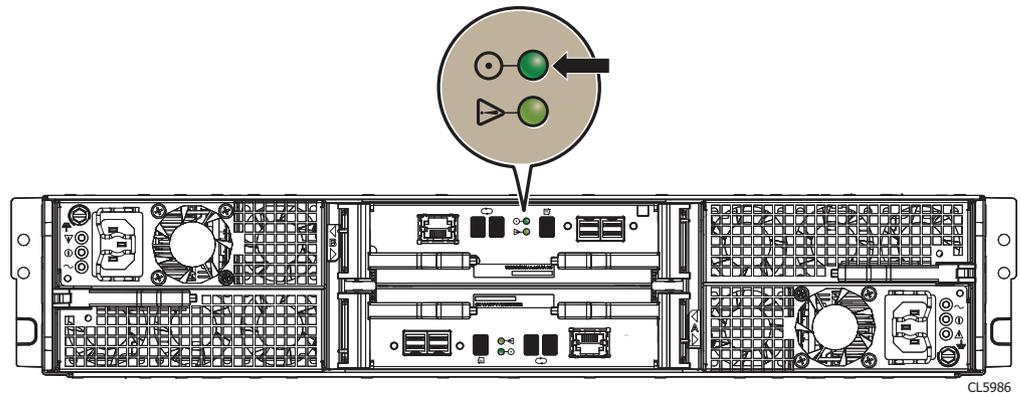
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4. Press the latches to secure the LCC.
5. Reconnect each cable to the port from which it was removed.

### Results

The LCC power LED turns on.

**Figure 6** LCC power LED



## Verifying the new 25-drive link control card

Verify that the new 25-drive link control card is recognized by your system, and operating correctly using the procedure that follows.

### Procedure

1. In Unisphere, select **System View**.
2. On the Summary page, confirm that the system status is OK.
3. Select the **Enclosures** page.
4. Verify that the 25-drive link control card appears with OK status in the enclosure view.

You may need to refresh Unisphere by clicking on the refresh icon next to the **Enclosures** view.

Select the 25-drive DAE in the **Enclosure** dropdown menu and select the **Rear** view of the enclosure. Locate the new link control card shown in this enclosure view.

**Figure 7** Replacement LCC A location - example



If the system health monitor shows the part as faulted, contact your service provider.

## Returning a faulted part

We appreciate the return of defective material within 5 business days (for US returns). For International customers, please return defective material within 5-10

business days. All instructions and material required to return your defective part were supplied with your good part shipment.

**Procedure**

1. Package the faulted part in the shipping box that contained the replacement part, and seal the box.
2. Ship the failed part to your service provider as described in the instructions that were included with the replacement part.
3. (Optional) For more information about returning customer-replaceable parts, from Unisphere, click **Support > Replace Disk Drives, Power Supplies, and Other Parts > Return a Part** to display the part return instructions.

If your screen does not show the **Return a Part** option, contact your service provider for instructions on what to do next.

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