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Meat Plow wrote:

On Fri, 30 May 2008 23:55:10 +0100, Dave Plowman (News) wrote:

In article <1tm885.h9j.19.1@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx>,  
Meat Plow <[meat@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:meat@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote:

I wonder what parameters they measure that  
the router test prog can't?

Don't know. My modem is a Speedstream 5130 and separate  
from my pc by a  
router so I can't access that data.

Don't see why a router should make any difference to that.

Well I guess not but I should have mentioned the modem has no web  
interface to garner any stats from. And unless I'm missing some other  
way to connect to it there isn't any besides maybe being able to do it via  
it's MAC address if connected directly to the PC via the PPPoE WAN  
miniport. I should toss the model number into Google and see if anyone has  
been hacking at them.

However I would have to assume the tech's diagnostics dove  
deeper into  
it as he was on the phone with another tech. He also had  
some pager  
device that gave him a security code via satellite to allow  
him to log  
into whatever he logged into using my connection.

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All you can really test is the line status. Everything after it depends on so many variables.

Yeh I suppose your right, I admittedly know little about the carrier side of DSL.

Some have a tiny webserver to report system status. My cable modem