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Is this multihomed computer? Posting the result of ipconfig /all here may help. Or check this link:

Vista Local Only and Limited or Not Connectivity

Vista Local Only and Limited or No Connectivity. Limited connectivity with Vista notebook · Vista Limited connectivity · Vista: Local only – no Internet ...

www.chicagotech.net/vista/vistalocalonly.htm

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Networking, Internet, Routing, VPN Troubleshooting on

<http://www.ChicagoTech.net>

How to Setup Windows, Network, VPN & Remote Access on

<http://www.HowToNetworking.com>

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If I hover the mouse over the networking icon in the system tray on Vista computers on my FiOS network, it sometimes says "Local Only." Networking and Sharing Center shows a red X between the router and the Internet. Restarting usually shows them as properly connected to the Internet. Eventually, though (usually about 30 minutes to hours later), it will lose that and revert to Local Only.

Diagnose and Repair doesn't change anything. In fact, Windows usually reports back, "Windows did not find any problems with your Internet connection." Sometimes it says that TCP settings are incompatible. I let it change them, but the Local Only problem is still there and a subsequent Diagnose and Repair then always gives the same "Windows did not find any problems..." report.

Some of those machines are laptops. I never have this problem when I bring those laptops to other networks (office wired or Wi-Fi, airport Wi-Fi, etc.). This seems to be limited to my home FiOS network.

Note that as far as I can tell from using the system, it does have Internet access. Web browsing, e-mail, GoToMyPC, VPN, all seem to work fine. My main concern is that this "Local Only" report is a symptom of something more serious. If it's just a known bug in the Vista system to determine if it has Internet access, I guess I could ignore it.

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Is this a universal problem with FiOS? I see a lot of people seem to have issues with the Actiontec router.

Should I care, given that I do seem to have Internet access (is this a symptom of something more serious, or just a bug in Vista's network analysis)?

Thanks for any insight or guidance,
Colin