

Re: APC UPS CS500 won't switch on again

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On Sat, 26 Feb 2005 16:20:08 +0100, Matthijs <vanaalten@hotmail.com> wrote:

> On Sat, 26 Feb 2005 13:00:17 +0100, Alexei Chetroi
> <alexei.chetroi@debian.uniflux-line.net> wrote:
>
>> *Disconnect usb cable and leave ups on battery until it switches off by
>> himself. Connect it to the power again and check if it will power on
>> load. So you can tell wether ups doesn't bring on load or it told to do
>> so.*
>
> *Sounds like a good test – I'll see if I can perform this. Disadvantage
> is that the server will not shutdown in a proper manner, but for one
> time the chance of damage is acceptable.*

I've done another test instead: connected the UPS to a windows-XP machine, installed the manufacturer's software and tested it. It works exactly as I would expect: after shutting down the PC, some seconds later the OnLine/OverLoad lights on the UPS start flashing and the UPS shuts down – or so it appears.

But now, when I reconnect the mains cable, the UPS wakes up from standby and then wakes up the PC.

So, conclusions:

- UPS is not malfunctioning;
- UPS USB cable is OK;
- probably apcupsd on the Debian box is signalling a full shut-down to the UPS instead of a standby command.

Anyone out there with an APC CS-500 (or similar) who recognizes the problem and is willing to share his/her setup?

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