Manual for Usb to RS232 driver works with Modem on Linux RedHat 8.0 For other version RedHat system, please reference flowing step.

- 1. Copying pl2303.c to the /usr/src/linux2.4/drivers/usb/serial.
- 2. Change directory to /usr/src/linux2.4
- 3. copy /usr/scr/linux2.4/configs/kernel-2.4.18-i686.config to /usr/src/linux2.4 as .config
- 4. Type "make menuconfig" on /usr/src/linux2.4 directory.
- 5. Choose "Loadable module Support -- à" to uncheck "Set version information....." item and then leave this sub menu. (Appendix A.)
- 6. Choose "General setup --à" to selects "[*] Kernel .config support" and leave this sub menu.
- 7. Choose "USB support --à" "USB Serial Converter support --à" to uncheck all the driver module expect "USB Generic Serial Driver" and "USB Prolific 2303 Single" and then leave this sub menu.
- 8. Finally to leave this menuconfig and save it.
- To modify the extension name of Makefile as you want to show up on GRUB menu.
- 10. Type "make clean; make dep; make bzImage; make modules; make modules_install; make install" and click "Entry".
- 11. Wait for kernel compiled, and the reboot the system, and then to choose kernel name that you modified on GRUB menu to boot you own system up.
- 12. After system ready, type "uname -all" to check the kernel name is your defined (for example: linux-2.4.18-14philip), if it is original Linux kernel name, you have some thing wrong during building kernel, please go back to the step 3 to try again.
- 13. If it is successfully, go /lib/modules/2.4.18-14philip/kernel/drivers/usb/serial to check pl2303.o has exist this folder, if it is not, please go back to step 10 to try again.
- 14. Plug in PL-2303X to the USB port, and type "dmesg" on consol, the last message will identify the PL-2303X attached on ttyUSB0.
- 15. Type minicom -s xxxxxx to create a script file for PL-2303X modem.
- 16. When you first time to runs minicom, it will stay on consol mode, they "CTRL-A and then Z" to pop menu up, and then choose "O" to configure modem.
- 17. On "configuration" menu, choose "Serial port setup" to set A—Serial Device: as /dev/ttyUSB0, and then set E Bps/Par/Bits: as 57600 8N1 and then leave.
- 18. On the same menu, choose "Save setup as xxxxxx" and then choose "exit" to initialization modem and minicom.
- 19. If your setup is correctly, now the state would be modem ready.

- 20. Type "CTRL-A and then D" to open dial up setting menu to fill in necessary information for dial, and then try to dial up modem to connect to ISP.
- 21. If it is successfully, now the PL-2303X is ready for use.
- 22. Close minicom to return X windows.
- 23. Choose Startà System Toolsà internet Configuration Wizard to select "Device Type" as Modem connection and click Forward, fill in dialup information on next dialog box, and the click Apply.
- 24. Selects Hardware page on next dialog box to set Modem Device: /dev/ttyUSB0, Baud Rate: 115200, Flow Control: Hardware (CRTSCTS), and then click OK.
- 25. Go back to Devices page to choose a Profile, and then click Activate button to dial up to ISP.
- 26. If it is successfully, now you can join to internet by the browser.

Appendix A. about how to building a custom kernel, please refer the www.redhat.com/docs/manuals/linux