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Solaris X86 EOL Customer Communication

Dear Cadence Customer,

Each computer hardware manufacturer offers multiple hardware architectures and various levels of operating systems. New versions of the operating systems are released periodically, and Cadence must adjust its support policies to keep up with this natural progression in order to stay synchronized with the workstations and servers our customers are using.

To that end, Cadence will end Solaris X86 support for all product base releases in 2012. While the Solaris X86 platform was previously classified as an optional platform for 2012, every Cadence product has chosen to end support for Solaris X86 in 2012 due to lack of customer demand.

Updates to existing Solaris X86 based releases may be impacted as well. Several products have chosen to reduce or stop Solaris X86 support for update releases due to lack of demand.

Cadence is committed to continuously enhancing our product quality and customer support and working with our computing platform partners to ensure that our products run on a variety of UNIX-, Linux-, and Windows-based systems.

If you currently use Solaris X86, we encourage you to move to Linux for all current and future releases. For more information about Cadence products and the Cadence Compute Platform Roadmap, visit the support website at http://www.cadence.com/support.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss an appropriate transition plan, please contact your Cadence account manager.

Sincerely,

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