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September 20th, 2018 (Updated with price promotion for MLXe, available till October 28, 2019)

Dear Brocade Customer.

This letter is a formal notification that Brocade is initiating the End of Life (EOL) process for selective models of the Brocade® NetIron® MLX® (non-E chassis only), Brocade NetIron XMR and the Brocade NetIron MLX 20-port 1 Gigabit Ethernet (GbE) Fiber module and certain Field Replaceable Units (FRU) of the Brocade NetIron MLX and XMR Series. Pursuant to the terms of your agreement with Brocade, this letter serves as your formal written EOL notification, which will allow for appropriate planning and opportunity for last time purchases.

The recommended product replacement for the Brocade MLX chassis is the Brocade MLXe chassis; for the Brocade XMR chassis the replacement is the Brocade MLXe chassis and for the Brocade MLX 20-port 1 GbE Fiber module is the Brocade MLX 24-port 1 GbE Fiber module. For a smooth transition to the Brocade MLXe chassis, all MLX and XMR interface modules, management modules, high-speed switch fabric modules, and power supplies are also supported on the Brocade MLXe chassis. Consult your account management team or refer to the product installation guide for more details.

Brocade will continue to offer and provide support for the EOL products five (5) years from the Last Customer Ship Date (LCS) below for those customers with a valid support contract as of Septmber 20th 2018, till October 28, 2019. All customers are encouraged to migrate their MLX/XMR deployments to MLXe platform.

Starting October 1, 2018 MLX and XMR customers will have access to special promotional price available via Extreme Networks (acquired Brocade MLXe portfolio), to allow them to migrate to MLXe chassis and MLXe interface modules by purchasing the MLXe equipment at special promotional price. The XMR/MLX to MLXe migration promotional price is available for active MLXe 4-slot, 8-slot, 16-slot, 32-slot chassis and interface modules for limited time only, not to exceed Oct 28, 2019. Based on company's goal and ability to support the MLXe promotional price, the promotion price could be removed anytime before Oct 28, 2019, at company's sole discretion without any notice. Customers are encouraged to start working with their Extreme Networks sales representative, services representative or product marketing as soon as possible, to take advantage of MLXe promotional price.

The objective of the Brocade account management team is to smoothly transition opportunities to the new products by planning to the following milestones:

Brocade MLX chassis, XMR chassis, MLX 20x1G Fiber Modules, FRUs

•	EOL Notification Date	February 28, 2012
•	Last Time Order (LTO) Final, Non-Cancelable, Non-Returnable Orders Due Date	August 28, 2012
•	EOL Last Customer Ship (LCS) date (while quantities last)	October 28, 2012
•	End of Support (EOS) Date	October 28, 2019

Brocade EOL Product Part Number	EOL Product Description	Recommended Replacement Product Part Number	Replacement Product Description
NI-MLX-4-AC	NetIron MLX-4 AC system with 1 management module, 2 switch fabric modules, 1 AC power supplies, fan assembly	BR-MLXE-4-MR2-M-AC	MLXe-4 AC system with 1 MR2 (M) management module, 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 1 1800W AC power supply, 4 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Power cord not included.
NI-MLX-4-DC	NetIron MLX-4 DC system with 1 management module, 2 switch fabric modules, 1 DC power supplies, fan assembly	BR-MLXE-4-MR2-M-DC	MLXe-4 DC system with 1 MR2 (M) management module, 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 1 1800W DC power supply, 4 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Power cord not included.
NI-MLX-8-AC	NetIron MLX-8 AC system with 1 management module, 2 switch fabric modules, 2 AC power supplies, fan assembly	BR-MLXE-8-MR2-M-AC	MLXe-8 AC system with 1 MR2 (M) management module, 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 2 1800W AC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Power cord not included
NI-MLX-8-DC	NetIron MLX-8 DC system with 1 management module, 2 switch fabric modules, 2 DC power supplies, fan assembly	BR-MLXE-8-MR2-M-DC	MLXe-8 DC system with 1 MR2 (M) management module, 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 2 1800W DC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Power cord not included
NI-MLX-16-AC	NetIron MLX-16 AC system with 1 management module, 3 switch fabric modules, 4 AC power supplies, intake and exhaust fan assembly kit	BR-MLXE-16-MR2-M-AC	MLXe-16 AC system with 1 MR2 (M) management module, 3 high speed switch fabric modules, 4 1800W AC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Power cord not included
NI-MLX-16-DC	Netlron MLX-16 DC system with 1 management module, 3 switch fabric modules, 4 DC power supplies, intake and exhaust fan assembly kit	BR-MLXE-16-MR2-M-DC	MLXe-16 DC system with 1 MR2 (M) management module, 3 high speed switch fabric modules, 4 1800W DC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Power cord not included
NI-XMR-4-AC	NetIron XMR 4000 AC system with 1 management module, 2 switch fabric modules, 1 AC power supplies, fan assembly	BR-MLXE-4-MR2-X-AC	MLXe-4 AC system with 1 MR2 (X) management module, 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 1 1800W AC power supply, 4 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Power cord not included.
NI-XMR-4-DC	NetIron XMR 4000 DC system with 1 management module, 2 switch fabric modules, 1 DC power supplies, fan assembly	BR-MLXE-4-MR2-X-DC	MLXe-4 DC system with 1 MR2 (X) management module, 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 1 1800W DC power supply, 4 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Power cord not included.
NI-XMR-4-S	NetIron XMR 4000 chassis with fan assembly	BR-MLXE-4-S	Spare MLXe-4 chassis with 4 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter
NI-XMR-8-AC	NetIron XMR 8000 AC system with 1 management module, 2 switch fabric modules, 2 AC power supplies, fan assembly	BR-MLXE-8-MR2-X-AC	MLXe-8 AC system with 1 MR2 (X) management module, 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 2 1800W AC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Power cord not included

NI-XMR-8-DC	NetIron XMR 8000 DC system with 1 management module, 2 switch fabric modules, 2 DC power supplies, fan assembly	BR-MLXE-8-MR2-X-DC	MLXe-8 DC system with 1 MR2 (X) management module, 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 2 1800W DC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Power cord not included
NI-XMR-8-S	NetIron XMR 8000 chassis with fan assembly	BR-MLXE-8-S	Spare MLXe-8 chassis with 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter
NI-XMR-16-AC	NetIron XMR 16000 AC system with 1 management module, 3 switch fabric modules, 4 AC power supplies, intake and exhaust fan assembly kit	BR-MLXE-16-MR2-X-AC	MLXe-16 AC system with 1 MR2 (X) management module, 3 high speed switch fabric modules, 4 1800W AC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Power cord not included
NI-XMR-16-DC	NetIron XMR 16000 DC system with 1 management module, 3 switch fabric modules, 4 DC power supplies, intake and exhaust fan assembly kit	BR-MLXE-16-MR2-X-DC	MLXe-16 DC system with 1 MR2 (X) management module, 3 high speed switch fabric modules, 4 1800W DC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Power cord not included
NI-XMR-16-S	NetIron XMR 16000 chassis with intake and exhaust fan assembly kit	BR-MLXE-16-S	Spare MLXe-16 chassis with 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter
NI-MLX-1Gx20-SFP	NetIron MLX Series 20-port FE/GE (100/1000) module with IPv4/IPv6/MPLS hardware support - requires SFP optics. Note: Copper SFPs are supported at 1000Mbps only	BR-MLX-1GFX24-X-ML	MLX/MLXE 24-port 1-GbE (ML) Fiber (SFP) Module. Supports 512K IPv4 routes in FIB. License Upgradeable to "X" scalability (1M IPv4 routes in FIB).
NI-X-SF1	NetIron XMR/MLX switch fabric module for 4-slot chassis	NI-X-4-HSF	MLXe/MLX/XMR high speed switch fabric module for 4-slot chassis
NI-X-SF3	NetIron XMR/MLX switch fabric module for 16- and 8- slot chassis	NI-X-16-8-HSF	MLXe/MLX/XMR high speed switch fabric module for 8-slot and 16-slot chassis
NI-X-16-FAN-EXH	NetIron XMR/MLX exhaust fan assembly kit for 16-slot chassis, includes 2 fans	No Replacement	-

Support Pricing

Beginning one (1) year after LCS, October 28, 2012, and until the EOS Date, October 28, 2019, there will be annual price increase for end-user service and support.

Please contact your account manager for any questions or concerns that you may have.

Sincerely, BROCADE

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