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Dear Brocade Customer,

This letter is a formal notification that Brocade is initiating the End of Availability (EOA) process for selective SKUs of the Brocade® NetIron® MLX® Series of routers. Brocade is retiring the Brocade MLXe chassis bundle SKUs that do not include management modules and replacing them with Brocade MLXe chassis bundles which include management modules.

Pursuant to the terms of your agreement with Brocade, this letter serves as your formal written EOA notification, which will allow for appropriate planning and opportunity for last time purchases.

The recommended product replacement for the Brocade MLXe chassis bundles that do not include any management modules are Brocade MLXe chassis bundles which include management modules.

Brocade will provide ongoing service for the Brocade MLXe chassis per the terms and conditions outlined in your support agreement with Brocade. Brocade has no current plans to End of Life the Brocade MLXe chassis. Brocade MLXe chassis will continue to be supported until formal notification of the End of Support for the MLXe chassis.

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

**Brocade MLXe chassis SKUs (with no management modules)**

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| • EOA Notification  | February 28, 2012 |
| • EOA Last Time Order (LTO) Final, Non-Cancelable, Non-Returnable Orders Due Date | August 28, 2012   |
| • EOA Last Customer Ship (LCS) date   | October 28, 2012  |

Brocade End of Availability Product Part Number	End of Availability Product Description	Recommended Replacement Product Part Number	Replacement Product Description
BR-MLXE-4-AC	Brocade MLXe-4 AC system with 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 1 1200W AC power supply, 4 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Management module (MLX or XMR) must be ordered separately. Power cord not included	BR-MLXE-4-MR-M-AC	Brocade MLXe-4 AC system with 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 1 1200W AC power supply, 4 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. MLX management module included. Power cord not included
		BR-MLXE-4-MR2-M-AC	Brocade 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.
		BR-MLXE-4-MR-X-AC	Brocade MLXe-4 AC system with 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 1 1200W AC power supply, 4 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. XMR management module included. Power cord not included
		BR-MLXE-4-MR2-X-AC	Brocade 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.
BR-MLXE-4-DC	Brocade MLXe-4 DC system with 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 1 1200W DC power supply, 4 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Management module (MLX or XMR) must be ordered separately. Power cord not included	BR-MLXE-4-MR-M-DC	Brocade MLXe-4 DC system with 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 1 1200W DC power supply, 4 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. MLX management module included. Power cord not included
		BR-MLXE-4-MR2-M-DC	Brocade 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.
		BR-MLXE-4-MR-X-DC	Brocade MLXe-4 DC system with 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 1 1200W DC power supply, 4 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. XMR management module included. Power cord not included
		BR-MLXE-4-MR2-X-DC	Brocade 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.

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BR-MLXE-8-AC	Brocade MLXe-8 AC system with 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 2 1200W AC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Management module (MLX or XMR) must be ordered separately. Power cord not included	BR-MLXE-8-MR-M-AC	Brocade MLXe-8 AC system with 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 2 1200W AC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. MLX management module included. Power cord not included
		BR-MLXE-8-MR2-M-AC	Brocade 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
		BR-MLXE-8-MR-X-AC	Brocade MLXe-8 AC system with 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 2 1200W AC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. XMR management module included. Power cord not included
		BR-MLXE-8-MR2-X-AC	Brocade 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
BR-MLXE-8-DC	Brocade MLXe-8 DC system with 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 2 1200W DC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Management module (MLX or XMR) must be ordered separately. Power cord not included	BR-MLXE-8-MR-M-DC	Brocade MLXe-8 DC system with 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 2 1200W DC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. MLX management module included. Power cord not included
		BR-MLXE-8-MR2-M-DC	Brocade 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
		BR-MLXE-8-MR-X-DC	Brocade MLXe-8 DC system with 2 high speed switch fabric modules, 2 1200W DC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. XMR management module included. Power cord not included
		BR-MLXE-8-MR2-X-DC	Brocade 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

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BR-MLXE-16-AC	Brocade MLXe-16 AC system with 3 high speed switch fabric modules, 4 1200W AC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Management module (MLX or XMR) must be ordered separately. Power cord not included	BR-MLXE-16-MR-M-AC	Brocade MLXe-16 AC system with 3 high speed switch fabric modules, 4 1200W AC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. MLX management module included. Power cord not included
		BR-MLXE-16-MR2-M-AC	Brocade 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
		BR-MLXE-16-MR-X-AC	Brocade MLXe-16 AC system with 3 high speed switch fabric modules, 4 1200W AC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. XMR management module included. Power cord not included
		BR-MLXE-16-MR2-X-AC	Brocade 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
BR-MLXE-16-DC	Brocade MLXe-16 DC system with 3 high speed switch fabric modules, 4 1200W DC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. Management module (MLX or XMR) must be ordered separately. Power cord not included	BR-MLXE-16-MR-M-DC	Brocade MLXe-16 DC system with 3 high speed switch fabric modules, 4 1200W DC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. MLX management module included. Power cord not included
		BR-MLXE-16-MR2-M-DC	Brocade 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
		BR-MLXE-16-MR-X-DC	Brocade MLXe-16 DC system with 3 high speed switch fabric modules, 4 1200W DC power supplies, 2 exhaust fan assembly kits and air filter. XMR management module included. Power cord not included
		BR-MLXE-16-MR2-X-DC	Brocade 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

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

Sincerely,  
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