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Dear Brocade® Customer

This letter is a formal notification that Brocade is initiating the End of Life (EOL) process for the Brocade UltraNet™ Storage Director – eXtended (USD-X) product line. 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 alternatives are the Brocade DCX-4S Backbone chassis with FX8-24 Extension Blade.

Brocade will continue to offer and provide support for the End of Life products 5 years from the last ship date announced below for those customers with a valid support contract.

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

Brocade USD-X

- EOL Notification October 15, 2009
- Last time order (LTO) date April 15, 2010
 Final, Non-cancelable, Non-returnable orders due
- EOL Last Ship Date May 15, 2010
- End of Support (EOS) date May 15, 2015

Brocade Part #	Description
USDX-12A1E	USDX 12 slot chassis
USDX-352-0-1	FC TAPE, 1 SW/MM I/O
USDX-355-0-1	FC DISK, 1 SW/MM I/O
USDX-363-0-1	FICON, 1 LW/SM I/O
USDX-415-0-1	FAST 10/100 ENET
USDX-417-0-1	GigE, 1 SW/MM I/O
9612-201 (A)	NSBT 1 Port Standalone
USDX-200	NSBT RACK KIT, 1-8 Units
9612-003	Addl Power Supply
USDX-6-008	USDX 6 Table Top
USDX-12-007	USDX 12 Rack Mount

Recommend Product Replacement:

Brocade EOL Product Part Number	Recommended Replacement System
USDX-12A1E	Brocade DCX-4S Backbone
USDX-352-0-1	Brocade FX8-24 Extension Blade
USDX-355-0-1	Brocade FX8-24 Extension Blade
USDX-363-0-1	Brocade FX8-24 Extension Blade
USDX-415-0-1	Brocade FX8-24 Extension Blade
USDX-417-0-1	Brocade FX8-24 Extension Blade
9612-201 (A)	Brocade FX8-24 Extension Blade if the customer migrates the Bus&Tag devices to FICON devices

Support Pricing

Beginning one year after Last Ship date and until the End of Support (May 15, 2015), there will be a 10% annual price increase for end-user service and support.

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

Sincerely,
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