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Dear Brocade® Partner,

This letter is a formal notification that Brocade is initiating the End of Life (EOL) process for the Brocade 7500 and 7500E Extension Switches. 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 is the Brocade 7800 Extension Switch.

Brocade will continue to offer and provide support for the EOL products five (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 7500 and 7500E Extension Switches

EOL Notification Date

 Last Time Order (LTO) Final, Non-Cancelable, Non-Returnable Orders Due Date

 EOL Last Customer Ship Date (LCS)

 End of Support (EOS) Date

 November 15, 2010

 June 15, 2011
 August 15, 2011
 August 15, 2016

Brocade Product Part Number	Product Description
BR-7500-0000-A/-B/-HA/-M/-MC/-S	7500, 18 Ports, 0 Small Form-Factor Pluggable (SFP), two (2) Power Supplies, 3 fan FRU's, EXF
BR-7500-0001-A/B/-HA/-M/-MC/-S	7500, 18 Ports, 18 SFPs, two (2) Power Supplies, three (3) Fan FRU's EXF
BR-7500E-0000-A/-HA/-M/-POH/-S	7500E, four (4) Ports, 0 SFPs, two (2) Power Supplies, three (3) Fan FRU's, EXF, Fast Write over FCIP with Data Compression
BR-7500E-0001-A/-HA/-M/-POH/-S	7500E, four (4) Ports, four (4) SFPs, two (2) Power Supplies, three (3) Fan FRU's, EXF, Fast Write over FCIP with Data Compression
XBR-7500-0000	18 Port Switch, two (2) Power Supplies, three (3) Fan, no SFP's
XBR-7500-0004	7500 Fan FRU
XBR-7500E-0000	FRU 7500E, four (4) Ports, two (2) Power Supplies, three (3) Fan, EXF, Fast Write over FCIP with Data Compression, no SFP's
XBR-000300*	SFP, one (1) Gigabit Ethernet (GbE) COPPER, 1-PK, Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)

<sup>\*</sup>EOS date is not applicable for this part number.

## **Recommended Product Replacement:**

Brocade EOL Product Part Number	Recommended Product Replacement
BR-7500-0000 and BR-7500-0001	BR-7800F-0001 or BR-7800F-0002
BR-7500E-0000 and BR-7500E-0001	BR-7800-0001
XBR-000300	XBR-000190

## **Support Pricing**

Beginning one (1) year after LCS date, August 15, 2011, and until the EOS date, August 15, 2016, 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, BROCADE