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END-OF-SALE AND END-OF-LIFE ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE CISCO PIX FIREWALL OS VERSION 5.3

Cisco Systems® announces the end-of-sale and end-of life dates for the CISCO PIX FIREWALL OS VERSION 5.3. The last day to order the affected product is February 27, 2002. Customers with active service contracts will continue to receive support from the Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) as shown in Table 1 in EoL product bulletin. Table 1 describes the end-of-life milestones, definitions, and dates for the CISCO PIX FIREWALL OS VERSION 5.3.

Table 1. End-of-Life Milestones and Dates for the CISCO PIX FIREWALL OS VERSION 5.3.

Milestone	Definition	Date
End-of-Life Announcement Date	The date the document that announces the end of sale and end of life of a product is distributed to the general public.	August 27, 2001
End-of-Sale Date	The last date to order the product through Cisco point-of-sale mechanisms. The product is no longer for sale after this date.	February 27, 2002
Last Date of Support: OS SW	The last date to receive service and support for the product. After this date, all support services for the product are unavailable, and the product becomes obsolete.	April 27, 2002

HW = Hardware OS SW = Operating System Software App SW = Application Software

PRODUCT MIGRATION OPTIONS

Cisco Systems® recommends that all customers currently running Cisco PIX Firewall Release 5.3 upgrade their software to Version 6.0(x) or later.

512-KB/2-MB FLASH MEMORY UPGRADE

Flash requirements for Cisco PIX Firewall Software Release 6.0 are identical to those for Release 5.3. Customers with select 520 units must upgrade these units to a minimum of 16 MB in order to run the 6.0 software train. The Cisco part number PIX-FLASH-16MB= meets these requirements.

Cisco PIX Firewall 515, 525, and 535 units ship with 16 MB of Flash and are not affected. PIX 520 Firewalls manufactured after February of 2000, with serial numbers 18025677 and higher, are not affected. The Cisco PIX 501 and 506 have 8 MB of Flash memory, which works correctly with Version 6.0 of the software.

8-/16-MB RAM UPGRADE

RAM requirements for Cisco PIX Firewall Software Release 6.0 are identical to those for Release 5.3. Customers with PIX Firewall 501, 506, 515, 52X, or 535 units are not affected.



FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the [CISCO PIX FIREWALL OS VERSION 5.3](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/vpndevc/ps2030/prod_eol_notices_list.html), visit http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/vpndevc/ps2030/prod_eol_notices_list.html or contact your local account representative.

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