

End of Sale and End of Maintenance for StrataView Plus Release 8.4

The Network and Service Management Business Unit is announcing the end of sale (EOS) and end of maintenance (EOM) of StrataView Plus® release 8.4 Solaris and AIX versions with an effective date of June 30, 2000 for EOS and March 31, 2001 for EOM. Cisco customers will continue to receive Technical Assistance Center (TAC) support currently planned for a period of two years after the EOS announcement date.

As a minimum upgrade, Cisco WAN Manager (CWM), formerly StrataView Plus, Release 9.1 can be used to manage the following MSSBU releases:

- Switch Software Releases: 8.2, 8.4, 8.5, 9.1
- MGX™ 8220 Releases: 4.0, 4.1

The upgrade path from 8.4 to 9.1 includes:

- Upgrade from HPOV 4.11 to 5.01
- Upgrade from Informix 5.0 to 7.23
- Replacement of Equipment Manager graphical user interface (GUI) with CiscoView

Features not supported in Release 9.1, but were in Release 8.4 include:

- FRASM card
- Audible alarm

With the Release 8.4 to 9.1 upgrade, there are no changes to:

- Solaris version (2.5.1)
- WingZ (2.5)
- System requirements
 - Low-end Sparc20/Ultra 1/Ultra 10
 - Mid-range Ultra 2/Ultra 60
 - High-end Enterprise 4000/450.

For customers migrating the switch software network from Release 8.x to Release 9.1, the preferred upgrade for CWM 8.4 is Release 9.2.

As a preferred upgrade, CWM 9.2 can be used to manage the following MSSBU releases:

- Switch Software Releases: 9.1, 9.2
- MGX 8220 Releases: 4.0, 4.1, 5.x

Besides hardware platform support, new features in CWM 9.2 include:

- Connection templates for rapid error-free provisioning
- Security management for GUI-based access privileges
- Enhanced network browser with more details displayed for inventory and troubleshooting

The upgrade path from Release 9.1 to 9.2 include:

- Upgrade from Solaris 2.5.1 to 2.6
- Upgrade from 2-4 GB hard disk to 6-9 GB hard disk requirements

With the Release 9.1 to 9.2 upgrade, there are no changes to:

- HPOV (5.01)
- Informix (7.2.3)
- CiscoView (4.2)
- WingZ (2.5)
- System requirements
 - Low-end Sparc20/Ultra 1/Ultra 10
 - Mid-range Ultra 2/Ultra 60
 - High-end Enterprise 4000/450.

However, there is no direct upgrade path from CWM 8.4 to 9.2. Therefore, an upgrade from Release 8.4 to 9.1, and Release 9.1 to 9.2 is necessary to migrate database information.

Milestone	Effective Date
External EOS and EOM Announcement	March 31, 2000
EOS	June 30, 2000
EOM	March 31, 2001
Discontinue Contract Renewal	June 30, 2002
End of Support/End of Life	June 30, 2003

Definitions

End of Sales

After this milestone date, the software release may no longer be ordered. Releases which reach this milestone are still available through manufacturing for customers under maintenance contract or for Customer Service Engineering (CSE) support until they reach the “end of life” milestone.

End of Maintenance

The milestone date after which no maintenance releases will be produced for the major release. Releases which reach this milestone are still available through manufacturing for customers under maintenance contract or for CSE support until they reach the “end of life” milestone.

Discontinue Contracts Renewal

The milestone date after which no maintenance contracts will be renewed.

End of Support/End of Life

After this milestone date the software release is no longer supported by CSE and is removed from manufacturing.



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