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Subject: Re: IDL Licensing Changes  
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Chris,  
This change is a step in the right direction.

Shane Martinez (Academic & NGO Account Manager) told me today that the policy changes you describe above does NOT apply to floating licenses, which is how our department runs IDL.

Our large department (Astronomy at Penn State) and Harris are still trying to figure out a way forward for our IDL users. I sure am tired of spending time on this silly licensing mess, which I first described in January

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We have a conference call with Shane, so maybe some solution will appear. It's very hard to understand why Harris won't simply restore the historical functionality of IDL for all customers. The course Harris has chosen does not seem like a money-making strategy to me---you're just driving customers away!

Frustrated at Penn State,  
Patrick Broos

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