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Posted by Dave Greenwood on Fri, 10 Nov 2000 08:00:00 GMT
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I'm pretty unhappy about it myself. And I've seen a message or two about it on comp.os.vms. As far as suggestions for getting RSI (I suspect the decision predates the Kodak acquisition) to reconsider, I don't have any. Although I can predict with a fair amount of certainty that our maintenance fees for IDL will drop next year as a result.

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Well, at one time we were *all* on VMS. (Or, at least those of us with gray hairs were, Harvey.) But that's another sad story.

How many OpenVMS new licenses do you suppose were sold last year? I'm sure it eventually gets to the point where the numbers don't even begin to justify the effort. I know nothing about the facts in this case, but I do know that in the past RSI has always

gone WAY beyond when the numbers made sense before
yanking a version.

Cheers,

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