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Subject: Re: PU license horror  
Posted by [Foldy Lajos](#) on Fri, 28 Jul 2006 16:00:02 GMT  
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I use the RealVNC (<http://www.realvnc.com>) server on the windows machine.

Your linux solution will work, too.

good luck,  
lajos

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Posted by [mchinand](#) on Fri, 28 Jul 2006 16:02:30 GMT  
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In article <1154100360.199001.233730@h48g2000cwc.googlegroups.com>,

Haje Korth <haje.korth@jhuapl.edu> wrote:

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--Mike Chinander

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Posted by [Haje Korth](#) on Fri, 28 Jul 2006 16:25:04 GMT

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Lajos,

of course, VNC is the solution! I should have thought about that. You are a genius. :-) I was thinking there should be a way around this.

Thanks,  
Haje

FÖLDY Lajos wrote:

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Mike,  
The PU license is the personal use license that are specific to a person but this person may use it on up to 5 (? , may be 3) machines. This morning was the first time I noticed that it behaves different from a regular license. In order to prevent multiple people from accessing such license on a terminal server, a check was implemented to avoid license abuse. Makes sense, but remote desktop control is not the same as terminal server use and it prevented me (temporarily) from getting my work done. But not for long... :-)

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