

Services withdrawal: Declaration of plan to discontinue support for select IBM DS8000 Expansion Units

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Overview

End of Service

Periodically, IBM[®] provides notice to customers of plans to terminate services for IBM and original equipment manufacturer (OEM) machines under an IBM Agreement. At this time, we are providing notice that selected machine types, models, and features will be discontinued from maintenance services. IBM will send no further correspondence of this nature for these machine types, models, features, or RPQs.

After the effective date, IBM will no longer offer full hardware maintenance service for the listed machine types. If available, clients will continue to receive limited hardware maintenance service as described in the "Withdrawal" section of your terms with IBM, without lapse in coverage, for select machine types. For a list of affected products and effective dates, see the [Description](#) section.

Description

End of Service

IBM will withdraw from its maintenance agreements the IBM machine types and models for the products listed below, effective on the listed End of Service (EoS) dates:

IBM products

Storage products

Machine type	Model	Description	EoS effective date
2831	98B	IBM DS8884 Expansion Unit	December 31, 2022
2831	98E	IBM DS8886 Expansion Unit	December 31, 2022
2831	98F	IBM DS8888 Expansion Unit	December 31, 2022
2832	98B	IBM DS8884 Expansion Unit	December 31, 2022
2832	98E	IBM DS8886 Expansion Unit	December 31, 2022
2832	98F	IBM DS8888 Expansion Unit	December 31, 2022
2833	98B	IBM DS8884 Expansion Unit	December 31, 2022

Machine type	Model	Description	EoS effective date
2833	98E	IBM DS8886 Expansion Unit	December 31, 2022
2833	98F	IBM DS8888 Expansion Unit	December 31, 2022
2834	98B	IBM DS8884 Expansion Unit	December 31, 2022
2834	98E	IBM DS8886 Expansion Unit	December 31, 2022
2834	98F	IBM DS8888 Expansion Unit	December 31, 2022

Business Partner information

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[BP Attachment for Announcement Letter 922-030](#)

Country availability

Country	Planned availability date
American Samoa	March 15, 2022
Federated States of Micronesia	March 15, 2022
Guam	March 15, 2022
Marshall Islands	March 15, 2022
Northern Mariana Islands	March 15, 2022
Palau	March 15, 2022
Puerto Rico	March 15, 2022
US Virgin Islands	March 15, 2022
United States	March 15, 2022

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