



Oracle for HP OpenVMS

Statement of Direction

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ORACLE'S COMMITMENT TO OpenVMS

Oracle and HP have a long and successful history of delivering enterprise solutions to the OpenVMS marketplace for more than 25 years. The OpenVMS port remains one of Oracle's top platforms, with a large and loyal customer base. To that end Oracle 10gR2 and Rdb are now available for OpenVMS on HP Integrity servers based on the Intel® Itanium® microprocessor.

With Oracle Database 10gR2, Oracle has delivered the terminal release of the Oracle Database for the Alpha platform. Moving ahead, the plan is to provide new releases of the Oracle database on the OpenVMS Integrity platform only. Patchsets will continue to be provided for the OpenVMS Alpha platform until the terminal patchset of each product release stream (ie. 9.2.0.8 for 9iR2). Support for Oracle Database 10g on OpenVMS Alpha will be provided – in accordance with Oracle Standard and Extended Support policies – at least until 2011.

PRODUCT DIRECTION AND STRATEGY

Oracle continues to work closely with HP to ensure that Oracle products are certified and optimized to run on new HP systems and new versions of OpenVMS. Oracle supports HP's OpenVMS 8.2-1 and 8.3 versions with Oracle 10gR2 on OpenVMS Integrity servers.

Oracle supports HP OpenVMS 8.2 and 8.3 for Oracle 10gR2 on Alpha servers.

HP Integrity server

HP is consolidating its 64-bit servers on the HP Integrity server line based on the Intel® Itanium® microprocessor.

Oracle 10gR2 production code is already available for both Integrity servers and the Alpha platform. Producing a single transition release provides our customers an easy migration path. Migration tools include

import/export, datapump, and cross-platform transportable tablespaces.

CURRENT PRODUCT AVAILABILITY

These Oracle products are available on HP OpenVMS Integrity servers:

- Oracle Database 10gR2
 - Note: The Montecito chip is supported with the OpenVMS Itanium 8.3 Operating System

These Oracle products are available on HP OpenVMS Alpha:

- Oracle Database 10gR2 and 10gR1
- Oracle Database 9iR2 (9.2.0.7)
- Oracle E-Business Suite Release 11i (11.5.10.2) backend support for OpenVMS database via Split Configuration
- Oracle Applications Release 11.0.3 backend support for OpenVMS database via Split Configuration

Note: Split Configuration support allows for the Oracle database to reside on a backend OpenVMS system. The applications layer must be deployed on any of a number of supported platforms, including: HP-UX PA-RISC, Linux-32, Windows 2003, and Tru64 UNIX.

Visit <http://metalink.oracle.com> for up-to-date information about Oracle products certified with versions of your operating system.

FUTURE PRODUCT AVAILABILITY

The following Oracle product is planned:

- The next major version of the Oracle Database for the OpenVMS Integrity Server
- Oracle Database 10gR2 patchsets for the Integrity and Alpha Platforms

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Note that all of the above future platform and feature support is in planning and is subject to change.

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