

NEC SLC SSD Drive for D-series and M-series End of Life Notification

NEC will begin the end-of-life process for the following SLC SSD drives

D-series

NF5023-SS6E3E SAS SSD Drive (3Gbps/73GB)

NF5023-SS6E6E SAS SSD Drive (3Gbps/400GB)

M-series

NF5321-SS7E4E SAS SSD Drive (3.5", 100GB, 6Gbps)

NF5321-SS7E6E SAS SSD Drive (3.5", 400GB, 6Gbps)

NF5321-SS784E SAS SSD Drive (2.5", 100GB, 6Gbps)

NF5321-SS786E SAS SSD Drive (2.5", 400GB, 6Gbps)

Key dates for this process are:

Event	When
Last Order	July 9, 2014
Last Ship	October 31, 2014
End of Support D-Series SSD Drives	September, 2014 (for D8) June, 2017 (for D4)
End of Support M-Series SSD Drives	October 31, 2019 (for M100, M300, M500, M700)

NEC will no longer accept new orders for these SSD drives after July 9, 2014 and all orders will be fulfilled by October 31, 2014.

NEC will continue to provide technical support for customers who have an active maintenance contract or standard warranty period in force for these NEC SLC SSD Drives.

Maintenance contracts for the above products will not be offered that would have the effect of extending support for any unit beyond these specific SLC SSD Drives maximum End of Service Life (EOSL) period. D-series SLC SSD Drives are only supported on D4 as well as D8 and EOSL of these SSD Drives are the same as EOSL of D-series disk array unit model in which the SSD Drives are used, which is published by NEC previously as **September 2014** for D8 and **June 2017** for D4. M-series SLC SSD Drives are supported on all of M-series models and EOSL is **October 31, 2019**. Maximum support for any unit is five (5) years from the date of initial sale.

Customers should contact their NEC Sales Managers or NEC Sales Partners if there are questions about the EOL process and its effects.

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Support materials for NEC's SLC SAS SSD Drives can be found on the NEC Corporation of America website at: www.necam.com/support. (Information is subject to change without notification.)

For technical support questions, please call: 1-877-632-0064 or email: support@necam.com

NEC has replaced the SLC SSD drives with more cost effective eMLC SAS SSD Drives for M-series. These SSD drives are available in 200GB or 800GB capacity and both 2.5" and 3.5" form factor. Contact your local NEC sales resource to find out how you can significantly accelerate your system's performance with NEC eMLC SSD's working in conjunction with NEC's tiered storage manager the PerforOptimizer and NEC's SSD as L2 cache manager the PerforCache (available on all models of the M-Series SAN Storage).