Dear Sir/Madam,

We present to you the seventh edition of our Software Licensing Bulletin, which provide insights on IBM® software licensing.

Key notes on IBM’s software licensing

- Backup and disaster recovery license rights are explained in detail. License Information (LI) or announcement letters which change as per announcement and release of new versions. It is important to monitor the IBM website regularly to maintain awareness of any changes that will impact license compliance.

- Beginning with Version 7.1.3, IBM Tivoli Storage Manager is now IBM Spectrum Protect.

- What is IBM's licensing policy in virtualisation environment? Sub-capacity (virtualisation) licensing lets you license a PVU-based software program for less than the full processor core capacity of the server, when the software program is deployed in an eligible virtualization environment. With full capacity licensing, customers are required to obtain PVU license entitlements for all activated processor cores in the server, regardless of how the software was deployed. IBM License Metric Tool (or IBM BigFix Inventory) is required for sub-capacity licensing.

- Some IBM software have the same downloadable setup for multiple editions of the same product. Customers should be careful during installation. Select and install products for which you have license. For e.g. IBM Integration Bus/Message Broker, you must ensure that your brokers are running in the operation mode for which you have purchased a license. If you have purchased a license for the full package, the standard edition, or the remote adapter deployment mode, the broker is automatically created in advanced mode unless you specify the correct mode for your license.

We hope the bulletin was informative. We would be happy to arrange for any additional information that you may require on the subject. Please write to us at in-fmkpmgccsbulletin@kpmg.com, for any queries or feedback.

Regards,

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