Dear Sir / Madam,

We present to you the forty-fifth edition of our Software Licensing Bulletin, which highlights Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) ® Operating System (OS).

- RHEL OS licensing primarily can be divided in two components. Licensing physical machines (called physical nodes) running RHEL, and licensing virtual machines (called virtual nodes) running RHEL.
- RHEL Licensing requires subscriptions which provides support and updates on priority. The subscriptions are divided in various support levels, such as standard, premium, etc.
- Every subscription covers a socket-pair for the physical node, or two virtual nodes.
- Here, socket refers to a socket occupied by the CPU, hence essentially a socket-pair would mean there are two physical CPUs on the system.
- Hence, for a physical node with four sockets, two subscriptions would be required.
- For two virtual nodes, running on the same host with two sockets, 1 subscription would be required.

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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