Dear Sir / Madam,

We present to you the eighty-third edition of our Software Licensing Bulletin, which highlights the concepts of VMware® Horizon.

VMware Horizon is one of the leading platforms for virtual desktops and applications.

- **Types of licensing model:**
  1. **Per Named User:** For virtual environments for personnel that requires dedicated access to a virtual machine throughout the day.
  2. **Per Concurrent Connection:** For virtual environments with a variable number of users who share machines throughout the day.

- **Points to be considered prior selecting the appropriate licensing model:**
  - In case primary usage scenario is around Horizon desktops and end users are accessing their desktops in shifts (e.g., 400 in the morning and 300 in the evening, but never the entire 700 at the same time) and the organisation does not foresee requiring more than 400 instances of VMware Identity Manager at any given time, then the organisation should select 400 concurrent users (CCU) of Horizon.
  - In case utilisation perspective is around Horizon desktops and the organisation does not have shift workers (e.g., all 700 employees are always connected at the same time) then the organisation should opt for named user (NU). In this instance, the organisation would also have access to 700 seats of VMware Identity Manager portal to entitle the required 700 employees.

- **Reassigning Named User Licences:**
  - Named User (NU) licensing, the licence is considered as consumed for 60 days since the last connection was made, with an exception, during employee exit.
  - If the employee consuming the Named User license has his/her employment terminated with the company, the licence would be available for reassignment immediately following the termination.

- **Mixing Licences:**
  - Mixing NU and CCU bundles in the same Horizon instance is permitted, but not recommended.
  - Mixing different editions of Horizon (Standard, Advanced and Enterprise) under the same instance of Horizon is permitted, but not recommended.

We hope the bulletin was informative. We would be happy to provide you 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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