

2. Database and Development Software

Q. Describe what aspects of the existing database which will not continue to function and/or become unstable unless upgraded.

A. No specific aspect of the existing database has been identified as being likely to become unstable or no longer function unless upgraded.

In general, the Company manages the risk of instability not only on the basis of “known” problems, but also on the basis of other factors such as the level of version consistency among interdependent components, the number of versions released by the vendor since the last installed version, and the expected end-of-life date of the software, as communicated by the vendor.