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Goodbye Windows 7

Microsoft has been saying goodbye to Windows 7 for a long time now, but as of January 2020 the door is shut and the goodbyes are finished. Even the extended support packages will come to an end. What does this mean for Reliability professionals? It should mean an opportunity to upgrade your reliability systems/computers with less resistance from budgeting restrictions. Microsoft released Windows 7 in 2009 and mainstream support for Windows 7 stopped in 2015. However, given the non industrial-friendly Windows 8 released in 2012, nearly all corporate IT departments chose to stick with Windows 7. With the Windows 10 release in 2015, many industrial facilities began the approximately two year transition to the new operating system. Now with the final door closing on Windows 7, it is common for corporate IT departments to frown heavily on any Windows 7 device being hooked up to the corporate network due to legitimate cyber security concerns. The decision by some to stay with Windows 7 comes with no support, no updates, and reduced cyber security. Sounds like a good time to say goodbye.

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