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This document contains information that is confidential and intended for use by Brocade OEMs only. Brocade provides Release Note documentation for both OEMs and Brocade end users to support GA product release for Fabric OS version 2.6.1, 3.1.0 and 4.1.0.

The purpose of this document is to describe the different types of release notes, the intended use of the release notes and explain the content. Release notes may contain important notes, open defects, closed defects since the last release and cumulative closed defects for OEM use. We have also included a Release Note template designed to enable OEMs to provide customized Release Note information to their customers.

End users of Brocade-branded switches receive a separate Brocade Final Release Notes document for each Fabric OS version supported at GA release.

OEM Support

OEMs receive three types of Release Note documents designed to enable OEMs to provide OEM branded support to their customers: see next paragraph for details.

To support Brocade OEMs the following documents are included at GA product release:

- Brocade OEM Final Disclosure Notes
- Brocade Release Notes
- Fabric OS x.x.x Release Notes Template

Brocade OEM Final Disclosure Notes is a confidential document intended for OEM use only. The final disclosure notes are a summary of all defects disclosed during OEM qualification. It is provided for use by the testing labs and support organizations of Brocade's OEM partners. A template with headers and blank content categories is provided as an option.

Brocade Release Notes is intended for end users of Brocade-branded switches and provides a subset of the open and closed defects discussed in the Final OEM Disclosure Notes.

Fabric OS x.x.x Release Note Template is an optional document provided for the convenience of our OEMs only. The template is customizable by the OEM to produce OEM branded release notes and is designed to use 'cut and paste' information taken directly from the Final OEM Disclosure Notes. The OEM partner should include in their Release Notes only those defects which they believe are relevant to end user usage of the product.