

EMA Technical Support

Installation Lock Licensing Letter

If your Cadence® OrCAD® products use install lock licensing, please read the following notice regarding OrCAD licensing changes.

Licensing change

Cadence will stop supporting install lock licensing, effective June 15, 2007. This does not affect the capabilities or functionality of the products, just how they verify their licenses. All OrCAD products will now use Cadence standard network licensing.

What does this mean for my update?

EMA will require some added information in order to send you a correct license file. Typically, this is just the host ID of your machine, but there are other options. You can get full details at <http://support.ema-eda.com/update>.

Why was this done?

The OrCAD install lock products do not meet the current Cadence security requirements. This has resulted in significant software piracy issues, especially outside of the US. Moving the OrCAD product line to network licensing provides increased security against piracy and allows Cadence to focus security efforts on one form of licensing. This change is in line with the Cadence Security Initiative. For more information, refer to this article: <http://www.edn.com/article/CA6321050.html?ref=nbra>

In addition to security enhancement, this change also simplifies the OrCAD product lineup, reducing development costs, manufacturing costs, and overhead. This allows Cadence to focus efforts on the core OrCAD products.

Regards,
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