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## TECHNOTE #6 (1\_15) Siemens S7-1200 V3 Product Cancellation

The end of the phaseout period, for the Siemens S7-1200 CPUs version 3, is approaching. The phaseout period began October 1, 2014 and will end September 30, 2015.

Effective October 1, 2015, these parts will be available on a spare parts only basis. As a spare part, there will be a substantial price increase for these products. The parts will be available for another 9 years on a spare parts basis.

The Siemens product lifecycle management description is shown on page 2 of this document.

For new applications we recommend to use the SIMATIC S7-1200 CPUs with version 4, together with the configuration software STEP7 Basic Version V13. Please take note of the information concerning the changeover to S7-1200 V4, in particular the FAQ at <https://support.industry.siemens.com>, entry ID [82140966](#).

An upgrade of the SIMATIC S7-1200 **V3** CPUs (CPU1211C, CPU1212C, CPU1214C and CPU1215C) to the CPU firmware V4.0 is not possible.

### **Ordering information of the affected products and the follow-on products:**

Product		Article Number	
		Version 3 – phaseout ending October 1, 2015	Version 4
CPU 1211	CPU 1211C AC/DC/Rly	6ES7 211-1BE31-0XB0	6ES7 211-1BE40-0XB0
	CPU 1211C DC/DC/DC	6ES7 211-1AE31-0XB0	6ES7 211-1AE40-0XB0
	CPU 1211C DC/DC/Rly	6ES7 211-1HE31-0XB0	6ES7 211-1HE40-0XB0
CPU 1212	CPU 1212C AC/DC/Rly	6ES7 212-1BE31-0XB0	6ES7 212-1BE40-0XB0
	CPU 1212C DC/DC/DC	6ES7 212-1AE31-0XB0	6ES7 212-1AE40-0XB0
	CPU 1212C DC/DC/Rly	6ES7 212-1HE31-0XB0	6ES7 212-1HE40-0XB0
CPU 1214	CPU 1214C AC/DC/Rly	6ES7 214-1BG31-0XB0	6ES7 214-1BG40-0XB0
	CPU 1214C DC/DC/DC	6ES7 214-1AG31-0XB0	6ES7 214-1AG40-0XB0
	CPU 1214C DC/DC/Rly	6ES7 214-1HG31-0XB0	6ES7 214-1HG40-0XB0
CPU 1215	CPU 1215C AC/DC/Rly	6ES7 215-1BG31-0XB0	6ES7 215-1BG40-0XB0
	CPU 1215C DC/DC/DC	6ES7 215-1AG31-0XB0	6ES7 215-1AG40-0XB0
	CPU 1215C DC/DC/Rly	6ES7 215-1HG31-0XB0	6ES7 215-1HG40-0XB0
CPU 1217	CPU 1217C DC/DC/DC	-	6ES7 217-1AG40-0XB0

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### **Siemens Product Lifecycle Management Description**

Siemens follows a well-documented product life-cycle management strategy. This strategy is based on three major phases in a product's life:

#### **Active**

An "Active" product is listed in Siemens' standard product catalog (CA01), and is actively marketed, supported, and innovated.

#### **Phased-Out** (alternatively "Mature")

A product is moved to "Phased-Out" status when triggered by a combination of several factors:

- Lack of market demand
- Replacement by next generation product
- Technological obsolescence

The market is notified when a product's status is changed to "Phased-Out". At this time, the product is removed from the Siemens standard product catalog (CA01) but is still available for regular purchase for a period of one year. There are differences in the length of time each product family's "Phased-Out" period lasts but 7 to 10 years is typical. Repair service is available through the duration of the "Phased-Out" period. Additionally, spare parts are available throughout the duration of the "Phased-Out" period, or as long as supplies last, whichever is sooner.

#### **Discontinued**

After "Phased-Out" a product is moved to the "Discontinued" phase. At this point, production is stopped. However, fee-based support is still available via the Siemens Technical Support Center.

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