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## PRODUCT UPDATE NOTICE: XL7 – OBS; XL Series – MAT; RCC Series - EOL

**Date:** February 27, 2026

**Subject:** XL7 Obsolescence, XL Series Maturity (MAT) Status & RCC Series End-of-Life (EOL)

### Overview:

Horner Automation is announcing lifecycle updates affecting the XL Series and RCC Series product families.

Originally released starting in 2012, these products have provided over a decade of reliable service. Horner has drop-in replacements for all these products with additional features, security and performance.

### Effective immediately:

- XL7 is officially obsolete and no longer available.
- Select XL Series models are transitioning to Mature (MAT) status and are not recommended for new designs.
- Select RCC Series models are transitioning to End-of-Life (EOL) status.

This transition aligns our portfolio with current-generation Prime and Canvas platforms to ensure long-term supply stability and continued innovation.

Most XL products received a firmware update in February 2026 (Version 15.76). This release addressed known issues and introduced enhanced security features.

Version 15.76 will be the final planned firmware release for the XL Series. No additional feature enhancements or general issue corrections are scheduled.

If a critical security vulnerability is identified, Horner will evaluate and determine whether a security update is warranted.

### Products Affected:

#### XL Series – Transition to MAT (Mature) Status

Effective **March 1, 2026**

The following models are now classified as **MAT (Mature)** and are not recommended for new projects:

- X5
- XL4
- EXL6
- EXLW
- EXL10

MAT products remain available while inventory lasts but will receive limited future development investment.

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**XL7 – Obsolete (Immediate Effect)**

- **XL7 is officially obsolete and no longer available.**
  - No new orders will be accepted.
  - Service and support will continue per standard Horner policy.
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**RCC Series – End of Life (EOL)**Effective **March 1, 2026**The following models are officially classified as **End-of-Life (EOL)**:

- RCC972
  - RCC1410
  - RCC8842
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**Replacement Recommendations:**

Recommended Replacements – XL Series

<u>Discontinued Model</u>	<u>Recommended Replacement</u>
X5	X5 Prime or Canvas 5
XL4	XL4 Prime or Canvas 4
EXL6	XL6 Prime or Canvas 7
ELX6W	XLW Prime or Canvas 7
EXL10	XL10 Prime

Recommended Replacement – RCC Series

The CPU250 fully supports and exceeds the feature set and I/O capabilities of the RCC972, RCC1410, and RCC8842.

**Key Dates and Milestones:**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Milestone</u>
March 1, 2026	XL Series (X5, XL4, EXL6, EXLW, EXL10) moved to MAT status; RCC972, RCC1410 & RCC8842 moved to EOL; XL7 obsolete
May 31, 2026	Last date to submit LTB orders at current pricing
June 1, 2026	Price increase effective for XL4, EXL6, EXLW, EXL10 (X5 matured but no price increase)
December 31, 2026	Anticipated depletion of remaining XL inventory

**Pricing Impact:**

- A price increase will take effect on **June 1, 2026** for:
  - XL4
  - EXL6
  - EXLW
  - EXL10
- The **X5** will transition to MAT status but **will not receive a price increase.**
- The **RCC products** will transition to EOL status but **will not receive a price increase.**

**Last Time Buy (LTB) Policy:**

- Orders will be fulfilled on a **first-come, first-served basis**.
- LTB orders must be submitted by **May 31, 2026** to be honored at current pricing.
- All LTB orders must ship by **December 31, 2026**.
- Due to semiconductor constraints and long-lead component volatility, supply beyond confirmed LTB quantities cannot be guaranteed.

**Required Customer Actions:**

- Review open backlog and projected demand through 2026.
- Submit final LTB requirements prior to May 31, 2026.
- Begin immediate migration planning to Prime and Canvas platforms.

**Strategic Rationale:**

This portfolio rationalization allows Horner Automation to:

- Reduce supply chain exposure
- Improve delivery reliability
- Concentrate engineering investment on next-generation Prime and Canvas platforms
- Ensure long-term platform stability

Prime and Canvas platforms represent the strategic core of our roadmap and will receive priority allocation, development investment, and long-term support.

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