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Subject: Re: Customizing templates

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alticon-brian wrote on Wed, 07 November 2007 13:16 You could always make your own version of {fedora,centos,redhat}-release which adds an additional line to the /etc/issue file. You could also package a separate RPM (which should be simple enough) which provides /etc/ve\_issue where ve\_issue contains the template name, then simply act on what the name is in ve\_issue.

--Brian

Good ideas. Thanks!

I was chatting in IRC about this topic and it was suggested that I simply create a VE based on a minimal template, start it and enter it, then add packages and perform all configuration changes I need to do. Once it is working, I exit and stop the VE. Then I tarball up the /vz/private/veid folder and put the tarball into /vz/template/cache. Then I can create new VEs from that template.

That sounds like a very simple way to accomplish what I need to do. But are there any drawbacks to that method? Are there advantages to creating a custom.list file and adding commands to install-post? Does one method make updating VEs and/or templates easier?

Thanks again!

Tauren

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