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Subject: Re: Openvirtuozzo kernel patch license questions

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I agree that stating "All Rights Reserved" is allowable as long as there's a reference to the GPL. The GPL allows the end-user to redistribute and modify.

License & Copyright are two different things.

Reserving all rights and then allowing the end-user to use the software under the terms of the GPL license is commonly done if you review a lot of source code (as referenced above in the Linux kernel). Search around, there are many "All Rights Reserved" in the copyright notices of free, GPL-licensed, software.

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