Subject: util-linux-ng with dependency for rhel kernel
Posted by sabine77 on Thu, 08 Dec 2016 09:35:04 GMT

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Hello everybody,

the latest version of util-linux-ng has a dependency for rhel kernel, which prevents us from updating all our Centos 6.8 and RHEL 6.8 VEs.

https://rhn.redhat.com/errata/RHBA-2016-2748.html

* Previously, after updating the util-linux-ng packages to version 2.17.2 on Red Hat Enterprise Linux 6.8, a corresponding kernel update was not pulled due to a missing RPM dependency in the util-linux-ng spec file. As a consequence, a telnet corruption occurred, and a kernel update with a subsequent reboot was required.

Redhat offers a workaround (exclude=kernel* util-linux-ng*), but never updating util-linux-ng again, would not be my prefered solution.
https://access.redhat.com/solutions/2796421

I would also not prefer to rebuild util-linux-ng for each release.

Right now, this seems only to be the case for COS/RHEL 6 and not for COS/RHEL7.

Maybe there is a chance to complain, as I am pretty sure that we are not the only ones who are affected.

Or maybe somebody has other ideas/solutions?

Greetings, Sabine

Subject: Re: util-linux-ng with dependency for rhel kernel
Posted by faris on Thu, 05 Jan 2017 16:59:41 GMT

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I just went ahead and upgraded, allowing the kernel to be installed. It did no harm, other than take up some unnecessary space.

I'm sure there may be better options, but this is what I did.

Note that this was commercial VZ not OpenVZ, but there should be no difference in this situation.