
Subject: OpenVZ hosting RedHat Enterprise Linux, up2date.
Posted by [Daniel Pittman](#) on Tue, 09 Jan 2007 04:00:10 GMT
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Regards,
Daniel

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Posted by [Dag Wieers](#) on Wed, 10 Jan 2007 03:54:47 GMT
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On Tue, 9 Jan 2007, Daniel Pittman wrote:

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Try using mrepo to download updates and create our own repository. This way you can provide RHN packages from a local mirror that vzyum can use.

See:

<http://dag.wieers.com/home-made/mrepo/>

Unfortunately mrepo does use up2date libraries to access RHN. We have a modified vzyum (dubbed vzapt) that uses apt instead of yum.

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Good as that is required for mrepo to work :)

Kind regards,

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[all I want is a warm bed and a kind word and unlimited power]
