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Today more than ever, it's vital to keep your systems up to date with the latest applications and Microsoft security patches. But with all the desktop and laptop computers on your network, and each of them running different operating systems, how can you quickly tell who needs what? Tivoli Provisioning Manager Express for Software Distribution offers automated software distribution capabilities in addition to inventory management. With flexible "push" and "pull" capabilities, you can easily create and deliver the right software to individual workstations. In this demonstration, we will distribute a Microsoft Windows XP security patch to only the machines that need it.

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The first step in the software distribution process is to log into Tivoli Provisioning Manager Express for Software Distribution and find the desktops and laptops that need the security patch.

<Log in, and use the Asset – My Assets to have a home screen displayed.>

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By selecting Reports – Software – Operating System Summary a list of all operating system types will be displayed. By selecting "Windows XP Professional" and "Software by Selected Operating System With Totals" , a list of software present on the Windows XP Professional systems is displayed.

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By searching for and selecting the security update number, KB913446, and then selecting "Models without selected software" from the action list, you can create a target list for the software distribution evaluation, or query, that will be limited to the systems that do not have the patch installed. Select "create evaluation" to create the software distribution evaluation.

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Next you can create a distribution list and a schedule for the security patch software distribution.

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Scheduling allows for the software to be distributed during off-peak hours, and automatic retry and rollback ensures that if distribution issues do not impact overall system performance.

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<Select Dists – Distribution Lists – New Distribution List. Create new distribution list called KB913446 that uses the KB913446 evaluation. Select Dist – Schedule – New Schedule. Create new schedule that uses KB913446 distribution list.>

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You can verify the success of your distribution by using the built-in software distribution reports for packages, machines, or schedules.

<Select Reports – Distribution Reports. Select Package, and KB913446 and display report.>

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To help your small or midsize organization efficiently and cost-effectively automate inventory and software distribution management, IBM has developed the affordable and powerful IBM Tivoli® Provisioning Manager Express for Software Distribution. Not only is this software easy to install, use and manage, it also helps you lower costs and maximize employee efficiency.

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