

RE: MS03-031: Cumulative Security Patch for SQL Server

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Yes, it is recommended to apply the patch. Many customers have applied it. The issue that I have seen so far is already documented in the KB. I am cutting and pasting the issue below. (note that there is a fix available for the issue)

When you connect to a Windows NT 4.0-based computer that is running Microsoft SQL Server 2000 by using named pipes, and that connection is made by a non-admin user, you may receive an error message similar to one of the following:

Connection could not be established. SQL Server does not exist
-or-

Connection could not be established. Access is denied.
To obtain a hotfix to resolve this error message, see the following article in the Microsoft Knowledge Base:
823492 "Connection Could Not Be Established" Error Message When You Use Named Pipes to Connect to a Windows NT 4.0-Based Computer That Is Running Either SQL Server 2000 or SQL Server 7.0

HTH,

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