## Before installing Lenovo XClarity Administrator

Before you download and install Lenovo XClarity Administrator, take some time to review the following considerations:

1. Make sure that you have reviewed the prerequisites for the Lenovo XClarity Administrator virtual appliance:

http://pic.dhe.ibm.com/infocenter/flexsys/information/topic/com.lenovo.lxca.doc/plan\_lxcapr erequisites.html

2. If you do not have a DHCP server set up in your network, review the following information before you deploy the Lenovo XClarity Administrator to access the web interface:

http://pic.dhe.ibm.com/infocenter/flexsys/information/topic/com.lenovo.lxca.doc/setup\_acce sslxca.html

As an alternative to accessing Lenovo XClarity Administrator through an IPv6 LLA address, consider using an .ISO image-based configuration file. For an example of how to use that file, see Step 3 of the following page:

http://pic.dhe.ibm.com/infocenter/flexsys/information/topic/com.lenovo.lxca.doc/setup\_esxi\_physicallyseparatenetwork\_step6\_installlxca.html

3. If you intend to manage chassis and the CMM is currently managed or has been managed by an IBM FSM, review the following information:

http://pic.dhe.ibm.com/infocenter/flexsys/information/topic/com.lenovo.lxca.doc/plan\_migra tefromfsmtolxca.html

4. Make sure that the firmware for all chassis and servers that will be managed by the Lenovo XClarity Administrator are at the following levels:

http://pic.dhe.ibm.com/infocenter/flexsys/information/topic/com.lenovo.lxca.doc/plan\_supportedfw.html

5. If you intend to manage System x rack servers, make sure that the Lenovo XClarity Administrator supports those rack servers. The following rack servers are supported:

- System x3550 M5 Type 5463
- System x3650 M5 Type 5462
- System x3850 X6 and 3950 X6 Type 6241
- System x3500M5
- ThinkServer RD350 Manage only. No firmware updates/OS Deploys/Config Patterns
- ThinkServer RD450 Manage only. No firmware updates/OS Deploys/Config Patterns
- Think Server RD550 Manage only. No firmware updates/OS Deploys/Config Patterns
- ThinkServer RD650 Manage only. No firmware updates/OS Deploys/Config Patterns

6. If you are updating an existing Lenovo XClarity Administrator virtual appliance, carefully read the Installation and Setup Instructions in section 2.0 of the Invgy\_sw\_lxca\_\*\*\*\_anyos\_noarch.txt file, which is part of the update package .zip file.