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Re: contact form: ask a question

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No problem. You can freely distribute my tools with your chocolatey package.

Thanks,
Nir.

email: miodrag.milic@gmail.com

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I want to: ask a question

Hi there

I am the author of chocolatey package for nirlauncher, nircmd and some other.

See:

<https://chocolatey.org/packages/nircmd>

<https://chocolatey.org/packages/nirlauncher>

Chocolatey is foss software repository that works from shell and can be used to automate complete OS install in unattended way. It is similar to what we have on all linux distribution (apt-get, yum, packman etc.).

For example, to install your nircmd tool the one just types:

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cinst nircmd
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The tool publish is automated with our web bots so we follow your releases always with a couple of hours latency. See for example:

<https://gist.github.com/gep13/bd2eaa76f2a9ab739ca0544c502dca6e#nircmd>

We keep all our work (including bots) free and open source and publicly visible. This is a code for nirlauncher package for example:

<https://github.com/majkinetor/au-packages/tree/master/nirlauncher>

I am here to ask for redistribution right - currently chocolatey packages use web requests to download tools from your site. This is not ideal because:

- It makes package more unstable as it depends on networks conditions.
- Packages that embed tools can be cached locally and do not depend on network at all.
- There is more bandwidth usage on your site.
- All versions would be guaranteed to work forever. Its typical in production environments that you want to depend on particular version, for example ``cinst nircmd --version 2.71``. This currently works as long as you maintain archive on your own server and if the package is embedded it will work always.

More details can be seen in our contributing guidelines:

<https://github.com/chocolatey/chocolatey-coreteampackages/blob/master/CONTRIBUTING.md#114-embed-a-package-if-allowed>

We do not change installers/tools and provide only silent installers.

Notice that we do all this for free, and it will always remain that way. Although there is enterprise version of chocolatey its scope is different and I am not involved in it. Chocolatey packages are maintained by the community exclusively because we want Windows OS to bet better.

Thanks for great tools and let me know if we can redistribute or not.

Miodrag