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Legacy System Discovery Question Bank

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1. **Opening:** Which internal application, database, or legacy system are you considering changing?
2. **Opening:** What prompted your team to investigate modernization at this point?
3. **Environment:** Which programming languages, databases, and hosting environments support the system?
4. **Environment:** What other applications, vendors, or internal processes exchange data with it?
5. **Documentation:** How current are the system documentation, dependency maps, and operating procedures?
6. **Ownership:** Who currently maintains the system, and where does critical knowledge reside?
7. **Business Impact:** Which revenue, customer, financial, or operational activities depend on this system?
8. **Business Impact:** What happens when the system fails, slows down, or requires a change?
9. **Readiness:** Has your team attempted an upgrade, migration, or replacement before, and what blocked it?
10. **Next Step:** What information would decision-makers need before approving a formal assessment?