How can I configure my Windows NT service to autostart when the system gains Internet access?

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When configuring a Windows NT service, you can set the SERVICE_ TRIGGER_ INFO to include a SERVICE_ TRIGGER that uses the SERVICE_ TRIGGER_ TYPE_ IP_ ADDRESS_ AVAILABILITY trigger, so that it starts and stops based on whether the system has network access.

	Start when access gained
dwTrigger	SERVICE_ TRIGGER_ TYPE_
dwAction	SERVICE_ TRIGGER_ ACTION_ SERVICE_ START
pTriggerSubtype	&NETWORK_ MANAGER_ FIRST_ IP_ ADDRESS_ ARRIVAL_ GUID

Note that this will run your service when the system has an IP address, which is not the same as saying that the system has Internet access. It could be on an intranet, or it could be stuck behind a captive portal.

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