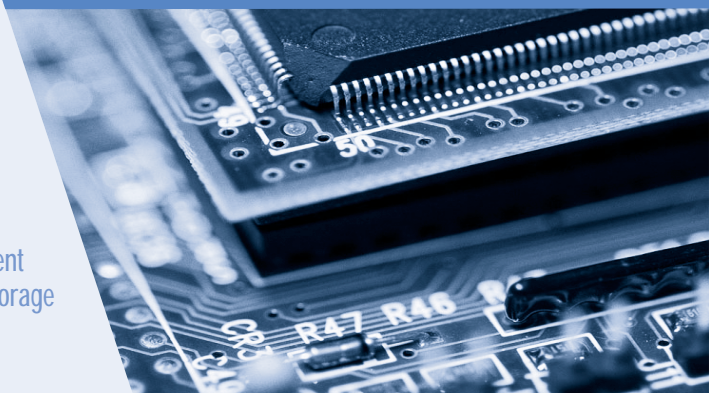


Technology Company Sees Dramatic SharePoint Flexibility and Portability Gains with Metalogix StoragePoint

Global leader in measurement technologies externalizes volumes of SharePoint content for a more scalable, better performing SharePoint environment as well as reduced storage costs and improved recovery speed.



THE COMPANY

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THE CHALLENGE

With more than 20,000 employees around the world, the company relies heavily on Microsoft SharePoint to deliver collaborative document sharing and communications infrastructure to keep employees informed and connected. But due to heavy SharePoint usage, the company faced increasing "bloat" in its SharePoint SQL database.

"With everything pumping in from a database level, we found that our SharePoint infrastructure wasn't set up for the volume," said the enterprise support manager. "The concept of externalizing our unstructured SharePoint data was very attractive out of the gate. We needed to get to an optimal recovery point for our SQL database and move to less expensive storage."

Considering both the supportability and recoverability of its SharePoint environment, the company quickly began to seek a solution that could externalize SharePoint's binary large objects (BLOBs) by moving them from the SQL database into a tiered storage solution.

THE SOLUTION

The technology company evaluated several hybrid solutions but found they didn't make sense for their environment because of the price point and level of support. That's when one of the company's architects stumbled upon [Metalogix StoragePoint](#).

"We looked at just about anything out there, but nothing compared to StoragePoint," said the enterprise support manager. "The flexibility it offered for prototyping, as well as its price point and support couldn't be matched by anything else. StoragePoint was easily our No. 1 choice."

With StoragePoint, the company is able to store unstructured data (BLOBs) outside the SQL Server

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HEADQUARTERS

Santa Clara, California

ENVIRONMENT

- Metalogix StoragePoint
- Microsoft SharePoint 2007
- 1.5 TB of production SharePoint data / 5 to 6 TB of test site data

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ABOUT METALOGIX

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content database on virtually any type of storage including SAN, NAS and cloud platforms. By reducing the burden on SQL Server, the company can create a more scalable and better performing SharePoint environment while reducing overall storage costs by moving content to less expensive storage tiers. Because StoragePoint seamlessly integrates with SharePoint, it provides a remote BLOB storage solution that is intuitive, easy-to-configure and completely transparent to end users.

THE RESULTS

Since deploying StoragePoint in 2009, the company now has the solution operating in both its 1.5 TB production environment and its non-production environment, which varies between 5 and 6 TBs including test sites. It has offloaded upwards of 90% of its storage and the company is very pleased with the added flexibility it has gained with its SharePoint environment. Additionally, the solution has improved SharePoint recovery time and lowered storage costs.

“We got a pretty substantial gain by externalizing the majority of our content using StoragePoint,” said the enterprise support manager. “Now, what was predominately stored in our content database is now stored in our SharePoint external BLOB storage system. StoragePoint has been a very attractive component that we are happy to have added to our SharePoint infrastructure. The real value has been in the added flexibility of not having to use unwieldy storage. Our SharePoint data has been shrunk down into a much more manageable size giving us the portability and flexibility we never had before and has improved our recovery time significantly.”

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