Case Study: Washington State Department Of Early Learning

Introduction

This case study of Washington State Department of Early Learning is based on a September 2014 survey of HC3 customers by TechValidate, a 3rd-party research service.

> "The scales have greatly reduced the complexity of managing a virtualized environment and simplified the ability to scale and increase capacity with minimal downtime."

Challenges

- Solved the following operational challenges by deploying HC3:
  - Reduced time spent managing Infrastructure
  - Improved scalability of Infrastructure
- Purchased their HC3 system for the following reasons:
  - For Infrastructure Refresh (replacing aging hardware)
  - To support business growth expectations or new business initiatives

Use Case

- Purchased HC3 over the following vendors:
  - Hypervisor – Microsoft Hyper-V
  - HP Servers / SAN
- Runs 10-24 Virtual Machines on HC3.
- > 75% of their environment is virtualized.

Results

- Rated the following HC3 capabilities in terms of how differentiated they from the competition:
  - Ease of use: extremely differentiated
  - Ease of implementation: differentiated
  - Reliability: extremely differentiated
  - Scalability: extremely differentiated
  - Single vendor support: very differentiated
- Sees the following as the biggest benefits of Scale Computing HC3:
  - Ease of use
  - Ease and speed of implementation
  - High availability of Virtual Machines
  - Scalability
- Reduced the time their IT staff spends managing infrastructure by 50-74% after deploying HC3.

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Organization Profile

Organization:
Washington State Department of Early Learning

Organization Size:
State & Local

Industry:
Government

About HC3

Scale Computing integrates storage, servers, and virtualization software into an all-in-one appliance based system that is scalable, self-healing and as easy to manage as a single server.

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