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EqualLogic guarantees high level of business continuity for ECGD

Jcom UK Ltd has recently implemented an EqualLogic Storage Area Network (SAN) solution that accomplished high levels of business continuity for ECGD. The Export Credits Guarantee Department is the UK's official Export Credit Agency and its role is to help exporters of UK goods and services win business, and UK firms to invest overseas, by providing guarantees, insurance and reinsurance against loss, taking into account the Government's international policies.

In order to support its data growth and performance demands, ECGD required the creation of a flexible platform that would be robust enough to serve the company's future storage requirements. An important requisite was that the solution should provide a high level of business continuity.

Jcom proposed the installation of five EqualLogic SANs across two sites, with the SANs located at the London office replicating to their Cardiff site. The London based SANs also met a series of performance requirements for a line of business applications. The simplicity of the product enabled ECGD to acquire the performance, the storage and the features that they needed in a one-off cost.

Jcom's proposition of EqualLogic SANs was due to features such as replication, snapshots and VSS integration with a single unit, which means that when ECGD requires more storage or SAN replication at another site they will know exactly how much it will cost now and in the future. By implementing an EqualLogic solution, ECGD has reduced costs of storage management and decreased the cost of storing their least used data while ensuring its availability on the network. The replication to the branch office also provided a testable and cost effective solution for their disaster recovery strategy.

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