

Canute GROUP - BUSINESS CONTINUITY



BACKGROUND:



Canute Group is one of the fastest growing logistics companies in the UK; established in 1977 Canute Group is a privately owned company with more than 700 staff and over 500 vehicles.

The company has successfully developed specialist markets such as supply-chain management, retail, industrial and manufacturing distribution and required a strong, scalable IT infrastructure capable of providing real-time data 24 hours a day 365 days a year across all of the Canute Group subsidiaries.

CHALLENGE:

To provide a robust, scalable and highly available IT Solution: NEC Computers provided an innovative server solution comprising Express 5800 Fault Tolerant (FT) Series, Express 5800/Rack optimised servers and S1500 SAN FC Storage.

BENEFITS:

- Highly available system - 99.999% Uptime
- Enhanced power and performance
- Fault detection
- Simplified maintenance - No Additional Training
- Multipath Auto Failover



REQUIREMENTS

- Install a solution to keep Canute Group's IT enterprise resilient and able to accommodate company growth and emerging technology.
- Access to high powered computing capacity to provide the technology backbone to support both scientific and industrial research and development.
- V6 IP Structure
- Guaranteed Uptime
- Windows 2003 64Bit Computing environment
- AD design in view for the future Service Oriented Architecture
- Robust storage

SOLUTION

NEC Computers was selected by Virtual IT and Canute Group due to its ability to deliver a cost effective solution that met the vast technological requirements. The following NEC equipment was recommended as the optimum solution for Canute Group:

- Express 5800/320 Fault Tolerant (FT) Series
- Express 5800/Rack optimised servers
- S1500 SAN FC Storage



BENEFITS

Fault Tolerant Server :

The NEC Fault Tolerant (FT) server benefits from advanced technology and management tools. Reliable and flexible, the NEC FT server offers exceptional system performance at a competitive price.

For the IT team

- **Simplified Maintenance** thanks to its modular design, standard components, preloaded Windows 2003 OS, remote access card. No administrative experience or skills are required.
- **Fault Detection:** NEC GeminiEngine™ chipset, and ExpressScope management system - Multipath Auto Failover.

For users

- **High availability:** logical module systems (CPU memory E/S) and completely redundant hot swap hard disk drives resulting in no transaction loss.
- **Power and Performance:** Intel® Xeon® processors, DDR2-400 2-way memory for even faster access and continuous processing.



Canute Group required a highly reliable, robust computing service with no downtime and at a low price point. NEC Computers was selected by Virtual IT for Canute Group as it was able to deliver a cost effective solution that met the vast technological requirements of the organisation.



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