

SOLARWINDS NETWORK CONFIGURATION MANAGER CASE STUDY

Educational Institution

Introduction

This case study of a educational institution is based on a May 2017 survey of SolarWinds Network Configuration Manager customers by TechValidate, a 3rd-party research service. The profiled organization asked to have their name blinded to protect their confidentiality.

"SolarWinds helps keep our baseline configs compliant easily. It minimizes user errors."

Challenges

The business challenges that led the profiled organization to evaluate and ultimately select SolarWinds Network Configuration Manager:

- Faced the following network security and compliance challenges before using NCM:
 - Balancing security and compliance priorities with everything else
 - Staying current with new vulnerabilities and risks
 - Staying current with policy changes
 - Applying policy controls to network devices
 - Managing compliance across diverse network devices
 - Lack of standards or process discipline
 - Not having the right tools
 - The time and effort required to prepare for an audit
 - The time and effort required to upgrade firmware
- Spent 25-50 hours or more each month managing security and compliance related activities before using NCM.

Use Case

The key feature and functionality of SolarWinds Network Configuration Manager that the surveyed organization uses:

Manages over >3000 network devices.

Results

The surveyed organization achieved the following results with SolarWinds Network Configuration Manager:

- Uses NCM to help in the following ways:
 - Help configure network devices to policy standards
 - Help enforce process
 - Help identify configuration changes and policy deviations
 - Help improve compliance reporting
 - Identify firmware vulnerabilities more easily
- Saves up to 5 person-hours when using NCM.

Organization Profile

The organization featured in this case study asked to have its name publicly blinded because publicly endorsing vendors is against their policies.

TechValidate stands behind the authenticity of this data.

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