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Atlas Information Governance Suite for IBM - IT

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  Cross Industry

  Compliance

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  Culling

  Defensible Data Disposal

  Discovery Collections Workflow

  Discovery Compliance Reporting

  Early Case Assessment

  Global Retention Management

  Information Governance

  Information Inventory Management

  Legal Holds Workflow

  Lifecycle Management

■ **Products**

  IBM Classification Module

  IBM Content Collector

  IBM eDiscovery Analyzer

  IBM eDiscovery Manager

  IBM Enterprise Records

Business Challenge

Managers in large enterprises commonly face the convergence of four distinct enterprise challenges:

1. Exponential Data Growth – IDC* predicts a 61.7 percent compound annual growth rate for unstructured data in traditional data centers, far outpacing the 21.8 percent CAGR for transaction-based data.

2. Explosion of legal obligations for data, driven by expanded eDiscovery requirements and revisions to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. IT must also adhere to increasingly diverse privacy and retention requirements.

3. Manual, unstructured Information Governance processes across silos between Legal, Records and IT lead to confusion about legal obligations and undermine IT compliance. Without integrated, enterprise-wide discovery workflows, high-volume data and custodian scope, holds, and collections processes are burdensome.

4. Zero Budget Growth. According to Gartner**, "for more than 50 percent of CIOs the IT budget will be 0 percent or less in growth terms. It will only slowly improve in 2011." The implications are that the rapidly increasing data management costs jeopardize IT 's strategic investments.

*IDC Enterprise Disk Storage Consumption Model, January 2008

** Gartner October 19, 2009 Press Release, www.gartner.com/it/page.jsp?id=1209913

The Solution

Atlas Information Governance for IT unifies Legal, IT, Records Management, Finance and Lines of Business and provides tools you can use to eliminate unnecessary discovery and data management risk and cost.

The Atlas Information Governance Suite for IT includes enterprise-wide workflow processes, decision support tools, and a unified inventory of enterprise information sources with related legal obligations and business value. Atlas enables:

• Information Governance Compliance for preservation and retention: IT can easily coordinate, delegate, and complete discovery work. Legal obligations for preservation and retention are communicated clearly and precisely, and attorneys can define and manage their holds and then publish them to IBM eDiscovery Manager, part of IBM's Information Lifecycle Governance platform. Interactive workflows will reduce legal confusion, duplicate record keeping and burden. IT can look up active holds, collections and current retention requirements by asset or employee to efficiently and effectively manage data. Compliance workload dashboards enable IT management to better plan staffing levels.

- Centralized Information Governance Inventory: IT can correlate data sources and assets by their organizational affiliations, class, geography, data capabilities, security, retention and discovery attributes. Retention, hold, discovery and privacy procedures and responsibilities are automatically associated with systems and data types, enabling IT to determine the business context and legal obligations for information by asset, department and location.

- Defensible Disposal: IT can routinely dispose of information that is not subject to retention obligations and has no business value. Atlas automates the intelligent federation of legal holds and retention schedules and enables IT to retire data and assets defensibly. IT can leverage audit trails for retention, privacy, data protection and discovery processes across physical and electronic information.

- Information Governance Analytics: IT can instantly assess which systems are the source of the greatest cost and risk. Risk maps help identify which systems have the highest volume of discovery and regulatory obligations, present the greatest risk of failure or present the greatest opportunity to reduce cost through compliance automation.

Value Proposition

Atlas is a single, cohesive system of record with natively integrated workflows and analytics for information governance stakeholders across Legal, IT and Records. With Atlas, IT can defensibly dispose of data, thus eliminating unnecessary data management and discovery costs and allowing organizations to comply with legal and business requirements.

Company Description

PSS Systems helps companies eliminate legal risk and discovery and data management costs with its Atlas information governance software suite, a single solution designed for Legal, IT and Records Managers. Atlas is used by 7 of the Fortune 10 and companies across all industries. Customer satisfaction with Atlas is recognized by leading industry analyst Gartner and IDC says, "The Atlas Suite, which enables corporations to implement and automate legally defensible retention and legal holds, has achieved significant uptake and enjoys real customer loyalty." For more information, visit www.pss-systems.com

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