Approachable Disaster Recovery - How to Do It Right

by Chris Vacanti, Senior Consultant

Recently I had the privilege of co-presenting a webinar titled Virtualization: The Key to Approachable Disaster Recovery, a part of the BrightTalk Storage and Virtualization Summit. In this webinar we discussed how Disaster Recovery (DR) can be an approachable and achievable goal for all businesses regardless of their operational size. I want to reiterate that - DR can be achieved and is approachable using a methodical approach that we have mastered here at House of Brick. **Read More**

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Advances in technology now have IT organizations evaluating hyper-converged solutions in lieu of building systems. Hyper-converged solutions integrate computers, networking, virtualization, flash storage, and management in one platform that accelerates deployment. In this session, we evaluate each component layer of these new hyper-converged technologies per the Oracle contract, with an eye to reducing rather than increasing database licensing quantities. Attending this session will give IT organizations a clear roadmap for managing database licensing, and offer next steps if additional resources are needed. DBAs and others attending this session will gain knowledge regarding how to apply licensing guidelines on hyper-converged platforms.

Database Cloning Using Pure Storage

by Jeff Stonacek, Principal Architect

Cloning an Oracle database that is running on Pure Storage can be done through Pure's snapshot and copy technologies. Snapshots are taken of the source database volumes and then copied to the target volumes. There is no actual data movement, so the commands are instantaneous.

At a high level, the process to clone an Oracle database looks like this:

- Shutdown the target database, if running
- Unmount the target filesystems
- Remove the snapshots on the source volumes, if present

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