

JP Morgan

Challenge:

JP Morgan's computing environment consists of NT Workstations, Network NDS servers as well as Solaris workstations and servers. These systems support the technology groups that, in turn, support trading and operations groups. Before FacetWin, it took a significant amount of resources to load, administer and maintain the NFS (Network File System) on the network clients. Matthew Gall, Emerging Technology Manager with JP Morgan explained one reason why FacetWin was chosen, "FacetWin plugs a gap not currently filled by our NFS software." The reason is because, FacetWin uses a Common Internet File System (CIFS) rather than NFS. With a CIFS (formerly known as SMB) server, the software is installed on the UNIX host.

Solution:

JP Morgan has implemented a 500+ user license of FacetWin in numerous locations across the globe, which can be easily justified by the time savings of system administration. "By only having a single source for applications," remarked Gall, "we only have to upgrade in one place, rather than on multiple servers and environments." Gall continued, "No other product offered the capabilities that FacetWin could, so there was no real competition." Since deploying FacetWin, JP Morgan has identified another significant advantage of using FacetWin: FacetWin allows them to run NT executables from UNIX servers. Especially in a distributed computing environment such as JP Morgan's, FacetWin is a proven winner.



SUMMARY

Corporate Profile:

JP Morgan is a global financial services firm based in New York City. JP Morgan services organizations, individuals and privately held firms with financial needs through an integrated range of advisory, financing, trading, investment, and related capabilities.

Dilemma:

JP Morgan needed a connectivity software product that would allow automounting to reduce system administration.

Resolution:

A 500+ user license of FacetWin working on Sun Solaris UNIX servers connected to NT workstations. The main reason FacetWin was chosen was because the automount capabilities allow the system administration team to make all application upgrades in one place, saving resources, time and money, hence increasing overall accessibility and productivity.

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-Matthew Gall
Emerging Technologies Manager
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System Snapshot:

UNIX Servers: Sun Solaris
Windows Clients: Windows NT
FacetWin User Count: 500+ & growing