

#### Legato NetWorker - When Recovery Must Be Guaranteed

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#### NetWorker Dashboard Integrated Reporting, Alerting and Analysis





#### Common Problems Managing Backups



Too much time spent troubleshooting what went wrong
Lack of readily available backup status information
No organized information for troubleshooting
The problem is not lack of reporting, but lack of real time, actionable information







#### Backup Correlation and Impact Analysis

Single place to get backup status information.

- Success, failure and progress.
- Graphically represent the relationship between a backup and its major components
  - Clients, Devices, Tapes
  - Dynamically change with the environment

Correlation of failures in terms of backup

Backups affected by a tape failure, client failures, device performance, client performance, etc







#### NetWorker Dashboard Overview

An intelligent backup correlation and impact analysis tool An add-on module to NetWorker integrated directly into the management console Gathers information from NetWorker servers and the operating system on servers, storage nodes and clients Displays current status of a savegroup and it's components in real time Generates alerts when something may impact the success of NetWorker savegroups





#### **NetWorker Dashboard Features**

Integrated reporting, monitoring and alerting with NetWorker Management Console
Access to NetWorker resources for rapid configuration changes
Broadcasts status of savegroup components such as clients, devices and media
Automatically updates when NetWorker configuration is changed
Gathers host OS resource statistics for CPU, Disk and memory usage
Customizable workspace - Drag and Drop
Dashboard only user view - Monitor only - No access to NetWorker resources





#### Dashboard User Interface





#### Main Browse Tree

#### Displays all savegroups and components for a given dashboard.

- Displays event status for all components in the savegroup.
- Provides access to Reports and NetWorker properties via right-click menus.





#### Watch Area



Displays detailed information on specific savegroups within the dashboard. Can display statistical, graphical or both information on a savegroup.

Savegroups status is displayed in real-time





#### **Events Area**



Displays all events that apply to the selected component from either the main browse tree or the watch area.

Events can be filtered to find specific problems.

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#### **Reporting Area**

Displays reporting data on selected components in the main browse tree. Can be displayed within the main UI framework or as a separate window to help prevent clutter.







#### Data Collector:

- Collectors on NetWorker servers, clients and storage nodes gather data on file system, memory, CPU, and network utilization
- A collector on the Dashboard server gathers information on all NetWorker servers in the environment.
  - NetWorker configuration, group and save set status and device performance

#### Dashboard Server:

- Contains the Analysis engine, which analyzes data returned by collectors.
- Generates events when conditions are met.

#### Dashboard Client GUI:

A JAVA-based interface launched from within NMC or directly from the NMC webpage





The Difference Between Backup Advisor and NetWorker Dashboard



#### **EMC Backup Advisor**

- Customizable backup analysis and reporting tool that provides business as well as infrastructure views
- Support multiple backup products
  - NetWorker, NetBakup, BackupExec, TSM, HP Dataprotector
- Fully customizable
- Provides business views and SLA's, chargebacks and reports on RPO and RTO
- Any size installation

#### **NetWorker Dashboard**

- Out of the box correlation & impact analysis tool that discovers relationships between groups and components
- Available only for NetWorker
- Initiate troubleshooting actions
- Allow users to define groups to "watch" and their properties
- Small/medium sites no greater than 200 clients running NetWorker





#### **Return on Investment**



#### Reduce labor costs

- Reduces time to troubleshootBetter utilization of personnel
- Automates reporting

#### Optimize backup environments

Pinpoint risks and bottlenecks in the backup environment

#### More effective budgeting

#### Analyze and forecast storage requirements

Reduces unnecessary hardware spending



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#### VMWare Consolidated Backup (VCB) & NetWorker





#### Status (before VCB) Standard VM Backup techniques Backup agent installed in VM



# **EMC**<sup>2</sup> Problems with the Current Status

To protect data stored in a virtual machine *backup client software* has to be deployed on each host or guest

In ESX Server 2.x, the backup is sent across the network to a Storage Node during periods of low system use.

#### This only works well when:

- There is a window of low activity on the protected server during which backup can be performed
- Network bandwidth between the protected server and the media server is plentiful





# **EMC**<sup>2</sup> Problems with the Current Status (cont'd)



#### **Agent-Based**

- Backup load is cumulative
  - 5% CPU load is OK...
  - Until you have 20 virtual machines backing up at once
- Backup load is very difficult to virtualize.
  - Intense Disk I/O coupled with intense Network I/O
- Backing up Disk images over the Service Console can be slow.





#### What is VCB?



VMware Consolidated Backup is a new backup solution in ESX Server 3

Backups are offloaded to a dedicated physical host.

Offloading to a dedicated physical machine solves many problems. For example, there is no resource contention on ESX Server host. Offloading also enables LANfree backup and doesn't require backup agents in virtual machines

#### This results in:

- Better performance
- Shorter time requirement for backup
- Lower costs and easier management

Consolidated Backup supports all types of guests







#### The basic steps





- NetWorker schedules the backup job, which represents a single virtual machine or a group of virtual machines. The job runs on the proxy
- VCB's pre-backup script runs on the proxy, creating the file system's guiesced virtual machine snapshots (for Windows only) and mounting them on the proxy.
- NetWorker then performs the backup
- 4. VCB's post-backup script runs, removing the mount from the proxy and committing the

CDL





Virtual machines to be protected are identified by using a special convention for the saveset on the VCB proxy. These savesets also determine whether a full VM or a file-level backup is being performed.

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		Group:	Unix_Dev		
			UNIX_FS_Snapshots		
			□Virtual Machine Group		
			□Windows Clients		
			Windows_FS_Snapshots		
		Schedule:	Default		



#### **Backup Options**



#### There are three options for backing up virtual machine data.

- All files and directories within a VM
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    - All files for TME113:
      - VM:tme113.legato.com
- A list of paths on the VM separated by : (colons)
  - Backing up C:\Data on TME113:
    - VM:tme113.legato.com:C\Data
  - Backing up C:\Documents And Settings and D:\OraData on TME113:
  - VM:tme113.legato.com:C\Documents And Settings:D\OraData
- Full VM backup.
  - VM:tme113.legato.com:\*FULL\*





#### Restores



There are three options for performing file-level restore for data backed up from virtual machines using VCB:

- Centralized Restore
- Per-Group Restore
- Per-virtual machine Restore





#### **Centralized Restore**



One way of implementing this is to expose the target directory of the virtual machine as a CIFS share to the backup proxy. Use Networker User on the VCB proxy to restore the desired file to this network share.





#### Per-Group Restore and Per-virtual machine Restore



For Per-Group and Per-VM the Networker Client software has to be installed in some or all virtual machines The proxy host indexes are then accessed by the NW User UI on the VMs to restore the data via the redirected restore capabilities of NetWorker



When restoring data for a virtual machine, keep in mind that the respective backups are associated with the VCB proxy and not with the virtual machine's DNS name.







Proxy Host must be W2K3 server configured for Consolidated Backup

File-level backup only supported on Windows virtual machines:

- Full virtual machine backup (image) is supported for all guest operating systems
- SAN connected and LUN masked for vmdk files
- Backup administrator account on the proxy with read access to the data



### The most Frequently Asked Questions...



#### Can the ESX Server act as its own Proxy?

No- the proxy must be a W2K3 server and the ESX server runs a LINUX kernel

#### Can the Proxy be a Storage Node itself?

Yes, as well it can be your NetWorker server provided the resources are available

#### How do I handle application like Oracle and Exchange running in VM?

In this case the traditional NetWorker VM support is reincorporated and you will require a client and NW Module on the VM.

#### How do I get my hands on VCB for NetWorker?

- VCB is delivered with VMware Infrastructure 3.0 and can be obtained at...
  - http://www.vmware.com/download/vi/drivers\_tools.html









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