

Interlock Migrates Compliant Enterprise Vault Environment for Large Investment Company

One of the world's leading private investment firms that specializes in financial services, but also consults on strategy, marketing and operations, was looking to migrate its archive data. With more than 50 offices, in over 30 countries, this company was archiving emails for approximately 5,700 employees using Symantec's Enterprise Vault software. The company had two EMC Centera® object storage systems, with one production unit and one replica, and both had maintenance contracts that were about to expire. The investment company wanted to migrate its data from EMC's Centera® platform to EMC's Isilon® file storage solution. Isilon's Network Addressable Storage (NAS) is newer, less expensive, easier to manage, and would enable the company to consolidate some of the older fragmented information into a newly designed architecture with simplified archive management.

The Solution

While most companies have one or two Enterprise Vaults (EVs) for storage, this large consulting company had eleven vaults of email archives on its Centera. This represented around 350 million "savesets" of data, which contained mailbox archives, specialized file archives, specialized compliance archives and general object files. In addition, the company was an active user of the retention features of both Centera and EV. The company had spent numerous hours programming the data expiration and data retention features and they needed a migration vendor that could migrate the data, as well as preserve the existing setting, so they did not have to spend time and money re-programming. In addition, the company wanted a migration company with extensive experience, since migrating Enterprise Vault archives requires specialized skill sets to do it correctly. As a result, the customer would only consider vendors that were Symantec Certified for EV data migration.

The Interlock Difference

After due diligence, Interlock was the only vendor considered for this archive migration. Interlock is in the unique position of being the only Symantec Certified archive data migration company that can perform a SEC17a4/SOX compliant media migration; Interlock is able to migrate the data at the storage layer and bypass the host application using its Xspedient™ technology. This enables at least 10x faster transfer rates as well as ensures zero-impact on the customer's daily business operations.

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In addition, one of the ways data migration companies must comply with SEC17a4 and SOX regulations is with a detailed pre-migration assessment and post-migration report showing that all the data was securely transferred. Another critical component of this migration was the ability to provide comprehensive chain-of-custody and post-migration verification reports. Interlock handled all aspects of the migration and ensured a clear audit trail with chain-of-custody verification that will satisfy all legal and regulatory inquiries.

As a Symantec certified archive data migration partner, Interlock has deep expertise in performing archive migrations and can handle even the most challenging projects. The client was impressed when Interlock completed this detailed migration in less than 8 weeks, as well as transferred all of the EV data retention and data expiration settings.

The Result

The customer was thrilled with Interlock's archive migration services. The company's archive data was safely migrated to a new platform, and the project was completed ahead of schedule. "It was a smooth migration," stated Michael Cavers, Interlock's executive vice president of global sales and alliances. "We had a steady transfer rate and everything mapped perfectly." Cavers continued, "Our EV migration skills really set Interlock apart. Most migration companies cannot do an EV migration at all, far less perform an eleven vault migration that preserves the existing data retention, versioning and expiration settings, all while ensuring financial record compliance."

The customer was amazed by how quickly the data was migrated. The new solution increased efficiency, reduced archive storage costs and decreased related personnel costs by simplifying archive management. "These complex migrations really illustrate Interlock's capabilities," said Gary Lieberman, CEO of Interlock, "We can migrate more types of data than any other company. In complex migrations, where other companies fail, Interlock not only succeeds but also exceeds expectations and often finishes ahead of schedule."

Interlock Technology is the leading provider of archive data migrations from EMC Centera®, and other object-based storage systems, to the storage infrastructure of your choice. Interlock's field-tested, proprietary technology bypasses the applications so it migrates archive data at 10x the speed of host-based migrations, as well as supports a broader range of file types than any other provider. We make archive data migration simple, safe, fast and effective. For more information on Interlock, contact us at **888.369.1024** or info@interlock-tech.com.



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