

Metron News Release

METRON'S ATHENE MANAGES MAINFRAME ENVIRONMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY

24th September 2007, Taunton, Somerset, UK: Metron's Athene capacity planning and performance management product is being used by one of the world's leading international insurance and financial services organization to monitor and manage all their New Jersey-based mainframe systems.

The company, a long-term proponent of the value of capacity planning, moved to Metron's Athene product when the licence fee on their existing product came up for renewal. A key requirement for any replacement system was that it would provide the company with a comprehensive mainframe resource reporting tool. Athene is proven in this area, but also scored highly on the ease of use of its reporting and modeling functionality.

Athene was purchased at the end of 2003 and is now in constant use, providing automated reporting on a variety of different systems for a number of different metrics.

In terms of modeling, the company's capacity management team is able to correlate business metrics with mainframe resource usage data in order to model when future capacity will be required. An aim of the team is to integrate capacity and budget planning. The ability to easily and effectively measure mainframe resource usage with Athene, and to have this information readily available and usable, is fundamental to the team's modeling activities.

The ease with which Athene can produce a wide variety of reports is another very important attribute for the capacity management team. Some 50-60 daily, weekly and monthly reports are produced by Athene. These are distributed to all relevant audiences within the organization via email.

Notes for editors

About Metron Technology Ltd.

Metron Technology was founded in 1986 and is Europe's leading Performance Management and Capacity Planning specialist. At Metron we are committed to continue developing products to provide IT users the maximum benefits at the least cost. We are delivering this by creating automated products that embody an increasing level of intelligence to address the continuing evolution and complexity of hardware environments and software applications.

Metron's Athene performance management software is the most cost-effective product in its class providing fully integrated ITIL-compliant capacity management with automatic performance analysis and reporting for UNIX, Linux, Windows and Mainframe Servers.

In Europe Athene is installed for clients such as T-Mobile, WH Smith, O2, Nestle, LloydsTSB, and a number of government agencies. The company works in partnership with leading IT suppliers such as Hewlett Packard, Microsoft Systems, VMware, Computer Associates, IBM, Capgemini, and Oracle. The world's leading outsourcing companies and half the UK's top 100 companies are now using Athene combined with expert ITIL consultancy and training services as a key element of their Service Management and Delivery.

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