



NetApp AFF (All Flash FAS)

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HOW HAS IT HELPED MY ORGANIZATION?

The benefits are automatic; the power consumption is very low with the All Flash and the performance is very high. So, it helped us to better serve our customers to do the VMware data source.

WHAT IS MOST VALUABLE?

The scale up version of it is the most valuable feature. You can go to 24 nodes, which is very cool. We are primarily using VMware environment. We use it for VMware data source for our hosting customers. We have 32 petabytes of data on NetApp's storage, so we definitely use it for primary storage.

WHAT NEEDS IMPROVEMENT?

Going forward, I would like more performance analytics on it, on the area itself, instead of using some other tool.

WHAT DO I THINK ABOUT THE STABILITY OF THE SOLUTION?

It's very stable. We have a 9.1 operating system on it, and it's very stable. We did an upgrade online, and we had no issues. We did a failover testing, and nothing. It's solid.

WHAT DO I THINK ABOUT THE SCALABILITY OF THE SOLUTION?

The scalability is good.

HOW ARE CUSTOMER SERVICE AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT?

I use it for small issues, like how to configure using multiple VLANs. It was pretty easy to set up, and the technical support were very good.



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WHICH SOLUTION DID I USE PREVIOUSLY AND WHY DID I SWITCH?

We decided, as a company, to not buy any more disk storage for our primary customers, and that's the reason we needed All Flash. NetApp was a perfect fit because we could grow as we needed and it scales out the architecture works for us. We were looking for a high-performance, small, low footprint block rate, and NetApp fits in right there.

HOW WAS THE INITIAL SETUP?

Very straightforward. NetApp already does all the installation for us. They just come in and set the IPs, etc.

WHAT OTHER ADVICE DO I HAVE?

It's a pretty solid solution. If you're looking for a block solution, or file solution, on flash, you definitely have to look at it.

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