

Granite Mountain Business Continuity

Last Updated Tuesday, 07 October 2008

Business Continuity and Online Data Backup

If you are going to outsource your data backup, then you should expand the scope of the outsourcing strategy to include Data backup and Business Continuity objectives. Data backup by itself allows you about 50% of the security and safety you are looking for. I will explain. Let's say you have a data loss and your data is backup up. Great because you know that you can recover. But what are the next steps to actually recover and how much time and effort will it take to actually recover?

Who is going to retrieve the data from the offsite facility?

Who is going to make sure the data is reinstalled properly and to the correct location?

What if it is more than a simple loss of data, maybe it was the entire hard drive that failed?

Was it a virus attack that corrupted all the data?

To these questions, you know that with online data backup you will ultimately be safe, but what is the impact on your business while you recover?

Business Continuity is the real target of your outsourcing strategy – not just data backup. With business continuity as the objective, you can select an Online Data Backup and Business Continuity service that can have you operational within 1 hour – in the event of any data loss or server failure issue – short of a total site disaster.

Look for vendors that offer online data backup with onsite server failover using virtualization. Granite-Mountain.com is one such vendor. They are the only vendor I have found that offers virtualization with their onsite backup appliance. Good Luck on your search!
www.granite-mountain.com