

Case Study

Infrastructure Solutions Design, Build, Run



Client:

Global Medical Equipment Manufacturer

The client is a global medical products company headquartered in Cincinnati with offices in Chicago, Rome, and Paris with additional offices in Europe.

Challenge	CBTS Solution	Results
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The client was spun off and needed an IT partner that could build an entire IT infrastructure in a very short window of time. • Needs included networking, voice, wireless, mobile phones and helpdesk for all locations and remote employees. • Lacked technology leadership in house. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hosted the client's network core, including voice, in a local data center. • Offered Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS) solution or Virtual Data Center (VDC) to run internal and external applications. • Rebuilt the client's entire IT environment. • Managed the client's IT environment. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within seven weeks, CBTS successfully built a fully operational, state-of-the-art IT infrastructure. • Allowed the client to completely avoid the costly expense of a transitional service agreement.

Business Challenge

Our client was spun off from its parent company and sold to a private equity firm. To minimize startup expense and time issues, the equity firm was searching for an IT partner that could build an entire IT infrastructure in a very short window of time. Starting from ground zero, this would include networking, voice, wireless, mobile phones and helpdesk for all locations and remote employees.

Infrastructure, covered.

CBTS Solution

Pricewaterhouse Coopers (PWC), the virtual CIO the client hired, contacted CBTS with the caveat that a proposal needed to be turned around within one week to allow for a quick decision. Using resources across all company functions, CBTS met the requirement. The solution offered hosting the network core, including voice, in a local data center, while utilizing CBTS Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS) solution or Virtual Data Center (VDC) to run internal and external applications.

After submitting the bid, the project was verbally awarded to CBTS two weeks later and the first implementation meeting was held the next day with PWC. To meet the aggressive timeline, the paperwork was signed a week later and within two weeks, the initial design was completed and approved by the client. Equipment orders were placed and expedited. Four weeks later, the entire Infrastructure was in place and launched. The complete integrated solution consisted of:

- **Desktops**
 - 250 laptops configured and delivered in the US, Canada, Italy and France
 - VPN Connectivity
- **Servers**
 - Built in the Virtual Data Center (VDC) and included Exchange, AD, BES, SharePoint, File/Pring, Web AV, SQL, Cognos, BDC
- **Telephony**
 - Full Cisco Call Manager with Cluster Configuration residing in an enterprise-grade data center
 - All handsets, associated equipment and BlackBerry mobile devices
- **Voice Communications**
 - Local access lines, VoIP infrastructure, Long Distance Service, Audio Conferencing, WebEx and Wireless
- **Infrastructure as a Service**
 - Virtual Data Center (VDC)
 - Storage as a Service
 - Backup (DR) as a Service
- **Helpdesk**
 - Tier 1 Desktop Support with foreign language support (GHDSi), Tier 1 Mobile Phone Support (IMI), Tier 2 and 3 Support – CBTS ENOC
- **Data Connectivity Services**
 - MPLS to Chicago (soon to Hamburg, Rome and Paris), Metro Ethernet between HQ and CBTS Data Center, Internet access with firewalls, cabling in HQ and remote office

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CBTS Solution (Continued)

- **Cisco**
 - Routers, Wireless, Call Manager, VPN, Firewall, WAN Accelerators
- **Services Delivered**
 - Managed Services - Full management of servers, Cisco PBX and VoIP, WAN Monitoring and Management
 - Professional Services
 - Project-based - Design, Configuration, Implementation, Project Management
 - Staff Augmentation - Project Manager, Break/Fix, Service Delivery Manager
- **Engineers Deployed on the Project**
 - CBTS deployed a project manager to ensure that everything was delivered, installed and ready at launch. Multiple engineers certified at all levels, as well as security, wireless and data center consultants and technicians designed, configured and implemented the solutions. Training packets were produced for employees and training was held on the new Cisco phones and BlackBerry devices prior to the launch.

Results

Starting from ground zero and within seven weeks, CBTS successfully built a fully operational, state-of-the-art IT infrastructure, allowing the company to completely avoid the costly expense of a transitional service agreement (TSA). If a TSA had been in place, the parent company would have charged a premium price to provide IT services until the new company became independent with their own infrastructure. This saved the new spin-off thousands of dollars in IT related expenses.

Infrastructure, covered.