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Northpower Drives Customer Satisfaction and Field Technician Productivity with Colligo iPad App.

INDUSTRY: Oil, Gas and Utilities

USE CASE: Mobile SharePoint Access

"We needed a solution that would ensure our field workers have the latest content – even when in remote areas where there is no connectivity. Colligo is fast, easy to work with, and content is available offline. Importantly, it is allowing our technicians to work more safely."

Mike Wright, Business Systems Analyst

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Introduction

Northpower is one of New Zealand's largest multi-utility contractors, with a reputation for safety, excellence and innovation. Northpower's field service technicians work in urban and remote rural areas, often under challenging conditions. In order to deliver high quality service, it is crucial that field workers have access to current documentation regardless of connectivity.

Business Challenge

It is imperative that Northpower's field workers have the most current versions of documents such as standards, drawings, procedures and best practices for working on a variety of electricity networks around the North Island. This information needs to be at hand whether technicians are operating in remote locations, areas with poor coverage or difficult conditions and terrain – therefore the solution has to work offline. Documentation ranged from company to customer specific, yet they all needed to come from a controlled source. These documents and standards changed frequently and the company needed confidence that every set of data was current.

Solution

Hundreds of Northpower field workers are now equipped with Colligo apps on their iPads (with rugged covers for additional protection). Since technicians working in the field can't rely on connectivity in remote areas, Colligo automatically syncs to SharePoint when the user connects to Northpower's corporate wireless network to ensure that workers always have access to the latest content, even when offline.

Northpower also uses Colligo for centralized configuration and management. This is a key component in managing who has access to certain information, while also enabling devices to contain content for the specific customers they are working for.

Results

Using Colligo on iPads to access content in SharePoint has had a significant impact on the success of the business. Where deployed, Northpower has considerably reduced the use of paper, achieved reliable document management in the field and improved customer service delivery.

By deploying Colligo, Northpower has:

- Increased customer satisfaction by ensuring field service technicians always have access to up-to-date content
- Improved field worker safety and productivity through providing fast iPad access to content
- Driven higher quality control by implementing change management policies directly though SharePoint
- Dramatically cut paper use



Colligo enables workers to have easy, anytime access to content stored on enterprise information systems such as SharePoint/Office 365, regardless of device or connectivity. The company's award-winning collaboration and data sync technology is used to increase worker productivity, streamline collaboration and reduce IT risk. Colligo counts many high-profile organizations amongst its customers, including Microsoft, Exxon, Chevron, Shell, GAF, Bayer and the US Department of Energy.

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