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IBM Competitive Banking Industry Success Story



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THE CHALLENGE

A banking customer was seeking to acquire portal software in support of the development of multiple business applications. These applications were in the early stages of development but the bank was interested in a robust portal solution that would support the anticipated functionality growth of their business applications. Further, the bank anticipated additional business applications would require leveraging portal capabilities in the near future, so a full featured solution, capable of functioning in an enterprise that has stringent firewall and authentication requirements, was desired.

The scope of the POC focused on validation of infrastructure compatibility. Specific aspects of compatibility included:

- 1) Operation in a zoned network architecture with a firewall between the web server and application server zones, as well as a firewall between the application server and the data server zones.
- 2) Use of clustered web, application and database servers.
- 3) Operation of the portal with web, application and database server hosts running Solaris
- 4) Integration of the portal with iPlanet web server
- 5) Integration of the portal with Oracle Database server and Greenplum data appliance.
- 6) Authentication management using CA Siteminder and Oracle/Sun LDAP

THE SOLUTION

BIAS was able to test and verify the ability of Oracle WebCenter Suite to meet the requirements and criteria set forth in the RFP. The bank required vendor lab resources in the development of a Proof of Concept ("POC"). The optimal POC solution was conducted in an environment that was configured to closely match key elements of the architecture and environment of the bank. BIAS provided a cloud based POC environment consisting of hardware and software licensing, as well as sample data. BIAS also provided resources to prepare, configure and adjust all hardware and software to best match specific elements for the bank.

THE SUCCESS

- Competed with IBM Websphere Portal; Oracle WebCenter Suite was selected!
- Web Center Suite Plus w/ WebLogic Enterprise Edition
- Highly available (clustered)
- Secured, zoned network
- Integrated with SunOne LDAP and CA Site Minder
- Portal Solution provides standardized access to the banks many business applications, both internally & externally



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