



Cilasoft QJRN/400 System Audit at Westpac Pacific Banking

The Bank's role in the Pacific is much more than just providing banking services. In many cases, it's about:

- Being part of the stability and security of a sound financial system
- Playing an integral role in the local economy
- Contributing to the social and environmental well-being of Pacific Island communities.

Being part of the large Global Westpac Banking Corporation, Westpac Pacific Banking needs to comply with the various regulatory guidelines and therefore must have visibility of everything that happens in their entire IBM i environment. Auditors and internal security officers are pleased with the ability of the platform to generate concise and accurate reports."

The Challenge

As mentioned earlier, Westpac Pacific Banking is part of the Global Westpac Banking Corporation and, as such, needs to have a high level of control on activities that may jeopardize the security of their information in order to minimize / eliminate the potential of fraud, corruption and damage to the integrity of their sensitive information.

For this reason it is necessary to monitor the activities of specific users, and to be able to produce reports in a timely, user friendly and cost effective manner.

Despite having a security compliance software package installed, it did not fully meet their requirements.

Their requirements are summarized below:

- Monitoring the activity of specific users
- Extensive reporting capabilities
- Produce adhoc reports very quickly
- The ability to provide automated reporting must also be catered for
- Real time reporting for exceptions must also be provided
- This solution must be able to be implemented on all 28 LPARs in a cost effective manner
- Produce audit quality trace of technical staff activities
- A cost effective solution.

The Solution

After researching the solutions available to him, Stanley Singh (Head of Technology), favored the Cilasoft solution as it generates accurate, fast and readable reports and the decision was taken to carry out a proof of concept to ensure that this solution does meet all of their requirements.

The proof of concept was successful, and now the Cilasoft QJRN System Audit solution has been operational for two years and has met all of the Bank's requirements - it was easy to install using both local and international support and the implementation was completed within the scheduled timeframe. It has also proven to be a cost effective solution for their entire IBM i environment.

The Cilasoft solution offers an unlimited ability to schedule reports, alarms, email alerts in a format that can be customized to meet the requirements of both the in-house staff and external auditors. After extensive use of the Cilasoft solution in the Westpac Pacific Banking environment, it was determined it had virtually no impact on their overall performance.

The Results

Since the implementation of Cilasoft QJRN System Audit, the reactions to the benefits derived from this solution have been very positive. Auditors and internal security officers are pleased with the ability of the platform to generate concise and accurate reports. Equally important is the fact that today, the auditing and compliancy process is significantly more automated eliminating the need for IT personnel to spend hours gathering system information, managing user access, and formatting the data into reports that the auditors can interpret.

From a financial point of view, the ROI was rapid and the recurring annual charges were reduced significantly.

