

ENABLING CLOUD-NATIVE FUNCTIONALITY WITH HIGH CUSTOMER SATISFACTION AT A LOWER PRICE POINT

THE SCOOP

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A diversified business-to-business Rental Company celebrating 40 years in business, sought a long-term relationship with a partner that could envision, architect their cloud roadmap and also migrate and support its Oracle environment with a cost-effective & highly available cloud architecture, while leveraging its long-standing relationship with Oracle in the process.

Their aging hardware struggled to keep up with key on-premise applications and slowing down critical business operations, expensive maintenance and disaster recovery became elongated. They sought a partner who had the tools and advanced technical skills to provide a safe and mature passageway to the cloud, with quick time to market & little-to-no business disruption.

Client wanted to leverage open source and cloud-native toolsets, allowing for the most efficient and practical use of labor providing for future scalability in an automated and cloud-forward approach.

After a handful of global vendors were down selected for a chance to secure the partnership and implement the migration, IT Convergence was chosen after submitting a successful Proof of Concept showcasing our tailor-made solution.

CLIENT CHALLENGES & SOLUTION

Key stakeholders identified a platform for improvement, but they needed advisory and support resources to successfully implement a solution for their specific use case.

| CHALLENGE | SOLUTION |
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| Large incremental backup sizing & bandwidth limitations in the setup of Active Standby between OMCS & OCI. | Implement semi-automated RMAN incremental backup copy & apply in conjunction with the setting of DB/RMAN parameters to reduce overall backup size for faster data copy from OMCS to OCI. |
| Resilient, redundant networking into tenancy required from customer network | VCN with FastConnect Primary & VPN Secondary (failover) into Customer locations from OCI |
| Reliable connection to ITC for Managed Services delivery & monitoring required | VPN into "Shared" compartment for customer into the ITC data centers |
| Network isolation for high security | Dedicated VCNs & route & security list restrictions enabled |
| Stringent security patching requirements | Outbound connectivity on servers for patching from secured repositories with established practices for periodic ongoing OS patching |
| Customer applications require secure 3rd party connections | Implement NAT Service Gateway & enabled granular security lists (to secure traffic flows) |
| Rapid deployment of VMs to meet customer wave requirements | Create Terraform code & repository for state files; all servers built using Terraform code on OCI |
| Redundancy required on traffic flows between customer data centers & OCI tenancy | Enable BGP protocol on FastConnect (High Metric) & static routes (Low Metric) for VPN tunnel |
| Redundant load balancing for critical Oracle applications | Set OCI virtual balancers & configure URI path pointing at different pooled back-end servers |

ITC ADVANTAGE

- Successfully migrated 100% workloads
- Seamless interoperability in a multi-cloud architecture
- Minimal production cutover downtime and end-user disruption

ITC UNIQUE APPROACH

ITC had a long history of migrating customers from OMCS into on-premises, ITC & OCI. We leveraged our expertise across all platforms to jointly architect a solution with the Oracle cloud rep & architect on OCI. The result rendered substantial cost savings while increasing availability & ensuring Oracle licensing remained intact.

- ITC used proprietary migration strategies to consolidate workloads during lift and shift, replatforming and refactoring for database and in-flight
 application upgrades.
- · Uniquely segregated migration approach by database size to rapidly expedite replatforming process between ENDIAN formats
- Incorporated DEVSECOPS to include advanced security protocols within production and testing phases so that working instances were without loopholes and security posture was optimized.

| Timeline | 8 months |
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| Cloud Tenancies | 1 |
| Lift & Shift Migrations (EBS, OBIEE, Markview/Kofax, APEX, SOA) | 16 |
| Disaster Recovery | Multi Region |
| Inflight DB Upgrade (OBIEE) | 3 |
| Application Upgrades | 3 |
| Apex Custom Migrations | 3 |

RESULTS

ITC modernized the applications and implemented a cloud-based solution for their operations to run fast and efficiently. Benefits included:

- · The result rendered substantial cost savings while increasing availability & ensuring Oracle licensing remained intact.
- · Migrating legacy on-premise systems to the cloud reducing maintenance time and costs and enabling limitless scale.
- · Successful interoperability in a multi-region architecture with secure and distinct privileges in a modernized technology footprint
- Scalable & repeatable future migrations now possible without outsourcing due to documentation