

# Afognak Native Corporation Enrolls CommVault Simpana Software for Reduced Costs, Rapid Recovery, eDiscovery & Seamless Failover of Critical Data

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Alaska Native Organization Reaps Simpana Software Benefits to Bolster Business Continuity, Exceed RTO & Speed Searches while Reducing Network Bandwidth Requirements with Source-Side Deduplication

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## **News Facts**

- <u>Afognak Native Corporation</u>, formed under a settlement between Congress and Alaska's indigenous people, has deployed <u>CommVault® Simpana® software</u> to reinforce its disaster recovery and business continuity efforts in providing its shareholders and board of directors with the highest levels of data mobility and availability.
- Afognak has grown rapidly, with 36 offices and project sites in all 50 states, so the need to safeguard vital financial, enterprise resource planning (ERP), and project management data had increased exponentially.
- Due to high bandwidth costs in Alaska, Afognak sought the most network-efficient methods for meeting its two-hour recovery time objectives (RTO) regardless of where data resided. Additionally, the company required complete system failover due to its proximity to active volcanoes and earthquake threats.
- With CommVault's modern approach to data management and capacity licensing model, Afognak has been able to beat its RTO, reduce bandwidth consumption and increase data availability and access for the company's legal department and highly distributed workforce.
- According to Afognak, Simpana software's advanced functionality has yielded unprecedented flexibility, impressive reductions in data and storage capacity along with the most WAN-efficient disaster recovery process.

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## **CommVault Delivers a Competitive Edge**

- According to Afognak, CommVault's modern data management approach is helping to transform how the company protects, retains and accesses data, making its eDiscovery efforts more efficient and giving the company an overall competitive edge.
- The combination of CommVault's <u>embedded source-side deduplication</u> and DASH copy capability has enabled Afognak to expedite the creation of multiple copies of crucial SQL data for disaster recovery purposes without impacting network performance.
- Also, Afognak takes advantage of CommVault's deduplication and compression functionality to decrease bandwidth requirements while accommodating two-week data retention demands.
- Moreover, the company is leveraging CommVault's <u>cloud storage integration</u> to seamlessly integrate with Microsoft's Windows Azure cloud platform and move on-premises backup and archive data securely, reliably and transparently into, and out of, Microsoft's cloud.
- According to Afognak, <u>Simpana archive</u> software with integrated content indexing will enable proactive legal discovery while producing valuable savings in storage consumption as older data can be moved onto lower-cost storage tiers to reclaim primary space for other offices and application data.
- Afognak also is reviewing CommVault's <u>Edge Data Protection solution</u> to safeguard data residing on remote desktops and laptops in delivering enhanced support for its highly mobile workforce.

## **Supporting Quotes**

#### Karl McLaughlin, senior vice president of IT for Afognak Native Corporation

- "In my role, it's critical that all systems can speak together and are supported by a solid business continuity and disaster recovery plan. With CommVault Simpana software, we have the ability to protect our most critical data while also assuring rapid recovery should something occur."
- "Simpana software is so much more than a backup and recovery product--it's a true data management solution with a lot of add-on functionality. Capacity licensing let us open up and try out new features, like source-side deduplication and eDiscovery, in an all-encompassing platform."
- "CommVault's modern data management solution empowers us to collaborate and communicate in real time with all our offices. We can protect, find and produce data much faster and easier than ever before while better utilizing our storage to save budget dollars on hardware and administration. Best of all, we have complete peace of mind at a DR level as we

know our data is safe with Simpana software."

## Fred Berestoff, IT security manager for Afognak Native Corporation

- "The tipping point was CommVault's capacity-based licensing. There were so many things we weren't doing because we didn't have the capability, but Simpana software gave us the opportunity to do so much more because of the platform's evolution and the ease with which we could access everything."
- "Simpana software is incredibly WAN efficient. We've been able to do more with less bandwidth. We're replicating data with a regular Internet connection, so we're not breaking the bank with our network costs."
- "CommVault's ability to safeguard data residing on remote desktops and laptops will enable us to support our highly mobile workforce in the best way possible. Simpana software's edge protection will change how we protect them."

## Resources

- Afognak Native Corporation case study
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