

## **Protect Your Data**

In view of the increasing complexity and sophistication of critical information, every business demands a minimum of disruption or failure of Internet systems. One of the critical components is the selection of a reliable data centre.

Untimely or unexpected disasters larger or small can paralyze your business unless appropriate care is taken to safeguard important information and systems. An Internet failure does not have to become a calamity, but the onus is on each business to ensure a failsafe service provider is chosen and the due diligence carried out to overcome any loss due to failure.

### **Back It Up**

A good IT backup plan is like insurance; hopefully disaster will not strike and you never need to use it but the Internet is still in its early years and failures can and do occur. At times like this, you will be happy you took the time to have your plan in place. Don't be one of the statistics that say only about 20 percent of businesses have a reliable backup system. No matter how small your organization, a comprehensive backup plan should incorporate a checklist – and then follow it religiously. (See backup check list.)

### **How Can DataHive Help?**

DataHive owns and operates its own state-of-the-art data centre and will work with you to construct a plan and provide expert assistance in protecting and backing up your mission-critical files. The data centre is fully redundant (N+1) in every way. It is secure and virtually fire and flood proof. When you store your data and servers with DataHive, you can rest assured it is as safe as it can possibly be. Every possible step is taken to ensure the servers in the data centre never stop running and your mission-critical data is not compromised.

### **In Conclusion...**

Disruption and disaster procedures are imperative to avoid the repercussions of system failure. The onus is on your management to regularly evaluate and implement an effective backup plan:

- 1) define, implement and test your failsafe procedure
- 2) review your procedure often
- 3) ensure your procedures are documented and contracted with your data centre.

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