



Centralised Management of Application Release Logs Presented by Ng Yih Farn

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Part of Application Release Management Workflow:

Just like any other IT organisation, CSC also has a fairly complex and controlled application release mangement workflow.

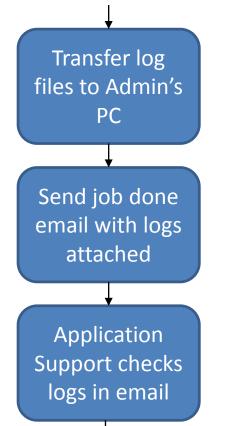
Objective:

Putting all logs in 1 location.





Current Workflow:



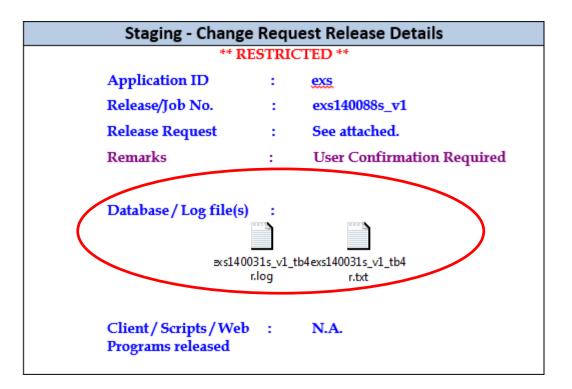
Problem:

- Logs may contain sensitive data.
- Logs may remain in administrator's or application support's local device / mailbox if not cleaned up.





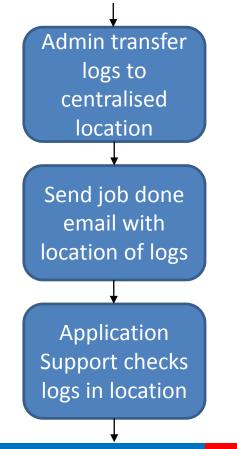
Sample Job Done Before:







Refined Workflow:



What is different?

- Using a script, the Release Administrator will transfer the logs to the centralised location after release is completed.

- No attachments needed in job done email.

- Application support to check application release logs in the centralised location.





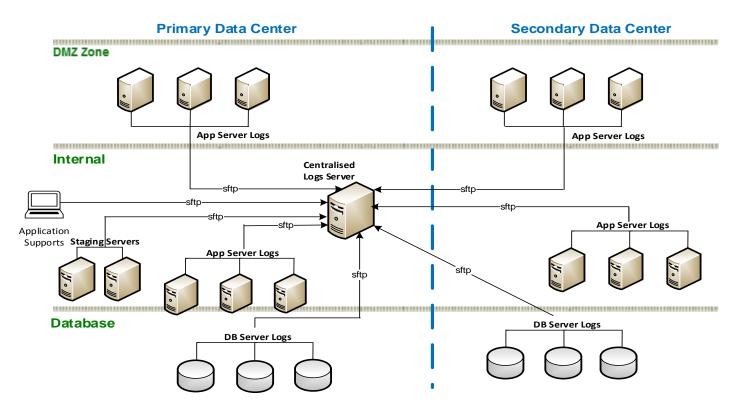
Sample Job Done After:

Staging - Change Request Release Details			
** RESTRICTED **			
I	Application ID	1	exs
I	Release/Job No.	:	exs140088s_v1
F	Release Request	:	See attached.
F	Remarks	:	User Confirmation Required
	Database / Log file(s)	:	//clshare/exs/
	Client/Scripts/Web Programs released	:	N.A.





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- Linux/Windows Servers in both staging and production environments spanning over 2 data centers.
- Seek to simplify the work process and at the same time meet ISMS/PDPA/audit requirements.





Benefits:

- Easy retrieval and viewing of log files.
- Easier maintenance and archival of log files.
- Logs which may contain sensitive data will not be stored on local computing device or mailbox.
- Reduced network traffic as job done emails only indicates the location of the log files.
- Logs are access controlled. Hence, an application's release logs can only be viewed by authorised application supports.

The End

