

STEALTHbits: The Automated Storage Reclamation Solution



CUSTOMER PROFILE

Vertical: **Energy**
Size: **300,000**

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INTRODUCTION

An energy company with 300,000 users needed to remove stale data from its data repositories. Specifically, they needed a solution that could align to their data retention policies, and automate the removal of data that fell outside the scope of its parameters. Doing so across their entire file share infrastructure (8 data centers and 3 petabytes of data) was proving to be a challenge, however. Their previous Data Access Governance (DAG) vendor was failing to scale to the company’s environment, and according to administrators, getting the data from this solution was “painful”. They decided to turn to STEALTHbits for a user-friendly, enterprise-scale solution that would meet their needs to scan all of the files in their environment and automate the process of removing the files they no longer needed.

Challenges



Gather important information about every file in their environment including type, age, access, and ownership.



Determine which files no longer needed to be managed



Find a way to automatically remove the files they no longer needed safely and with end-user approval.

Solution

STEALTHbits was able to solve the customer’s challenges by:

- Scanning and analyzing every file in accordance with the organization’s defined retention policy
- After end-user review, automatically soft-deleting (hide and strip permissions) and subsequently hard-deleting after 90 days
- Continually running files through the process ongoing

After a negative experience with a competitor, STEALTHbits’ ability to implement an automated process enabled the customer to get rid of stale data that was exposing them to unnecessary security and legal risk. Over 36M files have run through the process to date and 869TB of storage was reclaimed resulting in a cost savings of \$2.96M. An administrator told the STEALTHbits team “What STEALTHbits is doing, your competitor could not possibly do.”

About STEALTHbits

STEALTHbits Technologies is a cybersecurity software company focused on protecting an organization’s sensitive data and the credentials attackers use to steal that data. By removing inappropriate data access, enforcing security policy, and detecting advanced threats, we reduce security risk, fulfill compliance requirements, and decrease operations expense.

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