

WAN Standardization for Acquisitions & Divestitures

Holding Company



BUSINESS PROBLEM

A holding company was presented with numerous challenges during planned acquisitions. In some cases, the companies being acquired were being asked to divest from a parent company and lacked clear direction and the IT support to successfully complete the process of separating. Specific challenges included:

- No standard for WAN connectivity for the new organization
- Lack of local IT staff
- No clear direction on how to separate the organizations
- Needed to define a clear repeatable process for future acquisitions and divestitures



PROJECT OVERVIEW

GreenPages reviewed the existing hardware and WAN connectivity to design a replacement WAN solution that provided connectivity to the public cloud. These included:

- Support for Azure & AWS
- NextGen firewall installation and configuration standardization
- DMVPN over public internet (IPSEC) with redundancy
- Dynamic routing for inter-site connectivity dependencies
- Leveraging local internet providers to build a hybrid WAN
- Centralized management



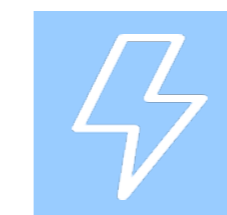
COST IMPACT

- Replaced higher priced WAN circuits with local ISP circuits
- Reduced the need for traditional data center resources by moving to cloud services



RISK IMPACT

- Reduced risk by introducing redundancy for vital network resources
- Provided centralized point for security policy, such as Network Access Control (NAC) and IDS/IPS and Web Content Filtering
- Reduced potential for a single point of failure by standardizing the requirement for redundant circuits



SERVICE IMPACT

- Single pane of glass management of advanced network services
- Improved performance with redundant ISP circuits
- Increased uptime with redundant systems