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Emarat deploys New Technology Infrastructure through Alpha Data

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Emarat General Petroleum Corporation (EMARAT) the largest supplier for petroleum products in the Northern Emirates updated their data centers using HP Blade technology. The installation was implemented by the UAE's leading multi-disciplined systems integrator, Alpha Data.

Emarat data centers initially housed just a few servers and a simple network. However, over the last few years, a large amount of equipment had been added along with a more complex infrastructure to meet Emarat's needs. The end result was almost 70 servers with one box per application and this provided numerous challenges for Emarat's IT team including space, power consumption and cooling. This prompted a move to blade technology.

"Emarat has a fairly complex IT infrastructure with a variety of applications and networks fully supported by the IT department. We have seen rapid growth and expansion of the organization and therefore needed a highly scalable technology to support this. Combining all our applications over blade technology really helped address current issues with servers and related components in the infrastructure," said Shahul Hameed, IT Manager at Emarat.

Alpha Data commenced the project earlier this year and completed it within 10 weeks.

"We have a very in depth understanding of Emarat, nevertheless; the project was challenging as it revolved around changing the infrastructure from an existing SAN technology to HP blade technology taking into consideration the migration for legacy data and all the accompanied issues. We studied Emarat's existing infrastructure and researched their background so that the integration went smoothly." said Benny Johnson – SME Head at Alpha Data.

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