

T t was not so long ago when telecommunications companies simply supplied products and services to buyers, and the industry grew. Products and services became commoditized, only to be replaced by another homogenous enhancement or offering, and the industry continued to boom. It is no surprise then that there was something of an unwritten rule: "Build it, they will come," otherwise known as product first, customer second.

Over the last five years or so, the industry has been somewhat forced – by new entrants from higher up the chain and by customers themselves – to stop pushing boxes and cables and start adding value. Consequently, in liberated markets at least, we have seen a shift toward solutions and solution-based selling by incumbents and global providers with scale, stability and financial strength on their side.

Customers have benefited from the change, but are once again telling providers that they have to work harder and better for their business. After all, if they've had to adopt their business models to survive and grow, why shouldn't their suppliers? So, for the telecommunications industry, it's the "moment of truth" time again.

What can the industry do to delight multinational customers? Margins are already squeezed, so there's little room (or sense) in cutting costs further; and few products or features are unique nowadays. Perhaps it's time we took a leaf out of many of our customers' books. It's arguably long overdue, but perhaps now is the time to begin servicing our customers rather than just giving them products and services.

John Pluthero, CEO of Cable & Wireless, recently upset a few people by declaring what business customers have been saying for a long time – telecoms is a crappy industry. So it's time we looked beyond Service Level Agreements and network reliability as measurements of good service. Other indices of service today could include:

Upsetting the Status Quo:

From Services to Customer Serving

- The depth with which we understand our customers' business challenges and goals, and help the CIO align IT management with those business objectives.
- Products, services and solutions that are relevant, tailored to meet their needs; timely and fully supported by us as the provider.
- Delivering what we say we will, when we say we will, at the cost we say we will.
- Taking the blame when something is our fault and fixing it quickly.
- Putting the back-office systems in place that ensure customer information is available to whoever needs it, when they need it, in order that inquiries and faults can be processed quickly and professionally.
- Training staff to handle customer calls in a friendly manner, just as we would expect if we were talking to our bank, credit company or utility company at home.
- Aligning resources where the greatest value can be added for the customer and ourselves as providers, even when that means phasing out legacy services used by a few – generating little revenue, but consuming a great deal of resource.

The customer benefits are easy to see. The rewards to us as service providers are better utilization of resources; happier customers; deeper, longer and more trusted customer relationships; differentiation from each other; and, ultimately, lower costs and better ROI.

It shouldn't be enough to be the best of a bad bunch – though it is a starting point. The industry as a whole needs to go though a quantum shift, and make great service a characteristic that is synonymous with telecoms. I believe shareholders would like the rewards it brings. I think our staff would enjoy working for a company that embraces it. I know customers would love it.

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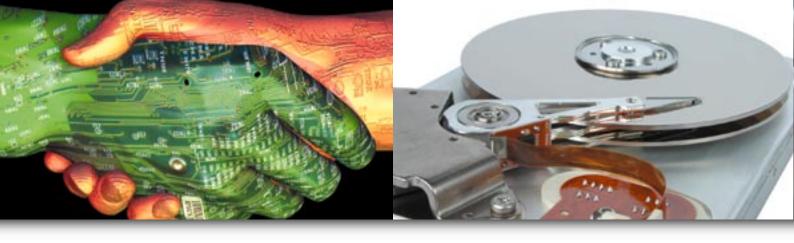
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Roadmap for Your Corporate Data Center

A Best Practice Methodology

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Which Road Will You Take?

1. Business Requirements

John clearly defines the company's business needs and key support processes.

2. Real Estate and Technology Strategies

John reviews a number of real-estate options and their relative impact on IT service provision. His strategy includes requirements for the Data Center risk analysis of possible realestate options, cost of IT for all options; and technical review of options in terms of quality of IT and associated operating costs.

3. Site Selection

John appropriately selects sites following detailed due diligence and a gap analysis.

4. Data Center Requirements

John identifies physical infrastructure requirements and logistics, incorporating recovery requirements to match appropriate downtime.

5. Design / Implementation

John's holistic approach to IT, M&E and architecture helps him implement a robust, integrated infrastructure that accommodates future growth and incorporates operations and maintenance strategies.

6. Migration / Installation

John applies structured and process-oriented projectmanagement techniques.

7. Ongoing Operation / <u>Mai</u>ntenance

John ensures that adequate servicelevel agreements are in place, as well as change-management processes, operational procedures, etc.



1. Business Requirements

Bud doesn't properly involve all business heads/management to gather appropriate needs.

2a. Real Estate Strategy

Bud creates a real-estate strategy independently from IT requirements.

2b. Technology Strategy

Bud creates his IT strategy after property options have already been decided.

3. Site Selection

Bud's fragmented real-estate and technology strategies resulted in overlooked business needs and selection of the wrong site(s).

4. Data Center Requirements

In addition to ill-defined real-estate and technology strategies, Bud did not properly analyze his business tolerance to downtime, resulting in incorrect HVAC, architectural and telecom requirements.

5. Design / Implementation

Bud's inadequate legacy-design approach with independent treatment of M&E, IT and architecture results in a design with multiple points of failure.

6. Migration / Installation

Bud fails to address requirements, oversees a sloppy implementation, and misses key deadlines.

7. Ongoing Operation / Maintenance

Bud didn't plan properly for ongoing operations and maintenance costs; and ends up with a high total cost of ownership, low customer satisfaction and failure.

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