

AvePoint Releases Free SharePoint BLOB Management Tool Worldwide

Overwhelming response to free North American release inspires company to offer DocAve Extender free of charge worldwide

Jersey City, N.J. — March 23, 2010 — AvePoint, the leading provider of infrastructure management software solutions for Microsoft SharePoint, today announced that, because of the incredible response it has received from the free release of its DocAve Extender tool in North America, it has decided to release the product for free worldwide. DocAve Extender automates the offloading of BLOBs (Binary Large Objects) from SharePoint's SQL database to file-based storage, without affecting end-user access. BLOBs can consume up to 95 percent of SharePoint's SQL Server Content Database storage, potentially leading to poor database performance and a degraded user experience.

"We are proud to expand our free release of DocAve Extender to the global SharePoint community", said Tony Lanni, AvePoint's Vice President of Corporate Development. "We received such a positive response in the community from our North American announcement, it has inspired us to expand the release globally. BLOB management is really just one piece of the SharePoint storage optimization story, which also involves intelligent data lifecycle management and the migration-free connection of legacy data to SharePoint. Though we are offering this particular tool for free, it is an integrated part of our complete Storage Optimization toolset, and is fully supported. It can also be further fortified with the top-flight, 24x7 service and support customers have come to expect from AvePoint."

DocAve Extender, an independently deployable module within the DocAve Software Platform, enables organizations to instantly route SharePoint content to network or cloud-based storage. DocAve Extender utilizes fully supported Microsoft methodologies and supports both SharePoint 2007 and SharePoint 2010 environments, and delivers:

- Granular control over how and where SharePoint content is stored;
- Flexible selection of which Site Collections to apply extended BLOB storage capabilities to;
- Full control over what size objects are treated as BLOBs;
- Full integration with numerous storage vendors, including cloud storage via Azure and Rackspace.

BLOB Management as Part of a Comprehensive Storage Optimization Strategy

DocAve Extender is just one component within the DocAve Storage Optimization Suite. In addition to enabling the automated offloading of BLOB content to disk-based storage (via the free DocAve Extender), DocAve Archiver delivers business-rule aware lifecycle and retention management for all SharePoint content, while DocAve Connector enables the presentation and management of file share content via SharePoint. Together, these three tools provide comprehensive SharePoint storage optimization and create a top-performing, scalable platform.

How To Download the Free DocAve Extender for SharePoint 2007 or 2010

AvePoint's DocAve Extender is now available for download free of charge from the AvePoint website (www.avepoint.com/download). After downloading the fully enabled 30-day trial of the full DocAve Software Platform, companies that wish to continue using DocAve Extender can call AvePoint at 1-800-661-6588 (US & Canada), +1-201-793-111 (International), email Sales@avepoint.com, or contact a local AvePoint representative to receive a perpetual license for DocAve Extender.

About AvePoint

AvePoint is a global technology company and software innovator. Since 2001, AvePoint has been a leading provider of enterprise-strength infrastructure management solutions for all Microsoft SharePoint Products and Technologies. AvePoint's award-winning DocAve Software Platform delivers comprehensive and flexible infrastructure support for backup and recovery, replication, migration, administration, archiving, deployment management, and compliance, while piloting the products of OEM partners such as NetApp and IBM. With headquarters in Jersey City, NJ, and wholly owned engineering centers and sales offices worldwide, AvePoint serves more than 5,000 enterprise customers. AvePoint is a Managed Gold Certified Microsoft Partner and GSA Certified Provider.

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