The challenge
Microsoft® Active Directory® is at the heart of your mission-critical network infrastructure. Issues with your directory can result in unplanned and costly service disruptions and business-crippling network downtime, as well as harmful security breaches and non-compliance with critical government regulations such as Sarbanes-Oxley (SOX), Payment Card Industry (PCI) and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). Organizations need to be notified—in real time—of critical changes to Active Directory.

The solution
Dell Software’s award-winning Change Auditor software drives the security and control of Active Directory by tracking all key Active Directory configuration changes in real time. From Group Policy Objects (GPO) and schema changes to critical nested group and operational changes, Change Auditor tracks, audits, reports and alerts on the changes that impact your directory—without the overhead of turning on native auditing. With Change Auditor for Active Directory, you’ll get the who, what, when, where and workstation of changes and any related event details with before and after values. You can also add comments explaining why a specific change was made in order to fulfill your audit requirements.

Benefits:
• Installs in minutes with fast event collection for immediate analysis into Windows environments
• Enables enterprise-wide auditing and compliance from a single client
• Eliminates unknown security concerns, ensuring continuous access to applications, systems and users by tracking all events and those changes related to specific incidents
• Reduces security risks in seconds with real-time alerts to any device for immediate response, in or out of the office
• Strengthens internal controls with protection from unwanted changes and limits control of authorized users
• Drives availability by enabling proactive troubleshooting for account lockouts
• Reduces the performance drag on servers and saves storage resources by collecting events without the use of native auditing
• Streamlines compliance to corporate and government policies and regulations, including SOX, PCI DSS, HIPAA, FISMA, SAS 70 and more
• Turns information into intelligent, in-depth forensics for auditors and management

With Change Auditor for Active Directory, you’ll get the who, what, when, where and workstation of all changes in chronological order.
Audit all critical changes
Change Auditor provides extensive, customizable auditing and reporting for all critical Active Directory and file system changes, including GPO, Domain Name System (DNS), server configurations and nested groups. You’ll get complete visibility into all changes with in-depth forensics on the relation of other events over the course of time in chronological order across your Windows environment. And, with real-time alerts, you’ll maintain constant awareness and the ability to respond from anywhere and on any device to vital policy changes and security breaches as they occur, reducing the risks associated with day-to-day modifications.

Track user activity and prevent unwanted changes
Change Auditor for Active Directory helps tighten enterprise-wide change and control policies by tracking user and administrator activity for account lockouts and access to critical registry settings. With proactive controls to prevent critical changes from happening in the first place, to 24x7 real-time alerts, in-depth analysis, the ability to restore previous values and reporting capabilities, your Active Directory is protected from exposure to suspicious behavior to unauthorized access, and is always in compliance with corporate and government standards.

Turn irrelevant data into meaningful information to drive security and compliance
Change Auditor for Active Directory tracks critical changes to your Windows environment, then translates raw data into meaningful intelligent data to help safeguard the security and compliance of your infrastructure. Auditing limitations become a thing of the past due to Change Auditor’s high performance auditing engine, and without the need for native audit logs, you see faster results and savings of storage resources.

Automate reporting for corporate and government regulations
Utilizing Microsoft’s SQL Reporting Services (SRS), Change Auditor for Active Directory provides clean, meaningful security and compliance reports on the fly. With a built-in compliance library and the ability to build your own reports, proving compliance for standards such as SOX, HIPAA, PCI DSS, FISMA and SAS 70 is a breeze.

About Dell Software
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