

Case Study: Star Energy

Bringing it all together Star Energy

Star Energy handles gas, electricity and oil production and is the UK's second largest onshore oil producer. It has a turnover of £50m and employs 140 people.

Pro Drive iT started working with Star Energy when it had just 35 employees.

We radically overhauled the organisation's email system and linked several locations into one wide-area network. And we developed a comprehensive IT strategy that would grow and develop as the company did.

"Pro Drive has a sophisticated level of IT expertise," says Roland Wessel, CEO of Star Energy. "They defined our technical requirements and helped us grow from a headcount of 35 to an AIM-listed company."

An end-to-end solution

We've created a strong, flexible network that helps Star Energy work more productively and securely.

"Pro Drive iT have been able to facilitate all of our systems," says Wessel. "They've driven all of our IT requirements. They're superb IT

technologists. We went through a major upgrade over three sites in 2005 and it was seamless."

Remote email access allows employees on the move to stay in touch. Mission-critical systems are maintained through a sophisticated database failover system. And support is handled on a 24x7 basis by our experienced engineers.

We've also ensured that Star Energy's vital link to Transco, the gas transporter, operates at maximum reliability.

People come first

Working closely with Star Energy means dealing on a daily basis with its employees. And at Pro Drive, we know that finely tuned systems are only half the story: happy IT users are key to any system's success.

"Pro Drive iT have the trust of our users," says Wessel, "and that's number one when you're dealing with people. I'd rate it higher than technical expertise".

// Pro Drive iT are impressive, hardworking and have fantastic people skills //

Roland Wessel,
CEO, Star Energy

PRO DRIVE iT

Microsoft
CERTIFIED
Partner

Star Energy

- 130 Workstations
- 4 Main Locations
- Windows Server 2003 Platform
- Secure firewall with DMZ infrastructure
- Comprehensive anti-virus solution
- Database failover system using Oracle 10g
- Exchange Server 2003 email infrastructure
- Remote access
- Redundant Wide-Area Network using VPN technology
- Outsourced 24x7 Support Contract