

A Transition from Traditional Hosting to AWS Using Re-Architect Approach

Client Overview

This global leader in logistics real estate has a focus on high-barrier, high-growth markets. The company has investments in properties and development projects in 19 countries. It leases modern logistics facilities to a diverse base of customers principally across two major categories: B2B and retail/online fulfillment.

Project Summary

Sierra-Cedar provided an AWS Migration Proof of Concept project in September 2019 including a re-architecture of the client's PeopleSoft Financials Management system in AWS. In December 2019, work began to migrate the rearchitected solution from the existing traditional host provider to AWS. The PeopleSoft migration activities, coupled with comprehensive hosting, application management, and consulting services provided by Sierra-Cedar, supported all PeopleSoft Financials system needs. Ancillary financial applications, including Canon OCR and Marketbridge, also were migrated to AWS, taking advantage of AWS' scalable, reliable, and secure infrastructure.

Objectives

- Shorten month-end business close cycle and provide requisite capacity for massive Financials system reporting spikes
- Revolutionize new solutions to support multi-faceted third-party setup, interfaces, and hybrid technologies
- Integrate AWS system to interface with user systems and networks
- Secure an environment to meet the unique demands of an active global user reporting base

Results

Sierra-Cedar successfully transitioned the client to AWS in approximately seven months and serves as a strategic vendor by providing comprehensive hosting, application management, and consulting services that align with the client's global business demands and IT requirements.

- Sustained the demands of complex user role and connectivity requirements
- Implemented application, technological, and security integration updates as part of AWS transition activities
- Enhanced user reporting capabilities for global workforce
- Innovated new solutions that adhered to strict security standard protocols



Organization Overview

INDUSTRY: Real Estate

EMPLOYEES: ~1700

LOCATION: San Francisco, CA

Products & Services

Amazon Web Services

Hosting Services

Application Managed Services

Consulting Services

