

# Data Sheet

## **Cloud Readiness Assessment**

### Objectives

The Cloud Readiness Assessment is a consulting engagement that assists you in examining probable workloads that are candidates for deployment to the Cloud and provides specific planning to facilitate the transformation to the Cloud during the implementation phase.

The objectives of this assessment service are:

- Incorporate existing IT management policies/procedures, security policies and disaster recovery, archive and backup requirements into your implementation.
- Prioritize the implementation of the selected workloads and map workload-specific requirements to potential Cloud Service Provider offerings.
- Identify the impact on existing IT services.
- Map new Cloud services to a future state model based on best practices and analysis of your selected workloads aligned with your business strategy.
- Identify/review Cloud service providers to satisfy service requirements.
- Conduct a financial review of comparable IT services.
- Create project-specific plans for approved workloads and Cloud services.

The exact length of a particular Cloud Readiness Assessment depends on the complexity of the environment and the information available from an Opportunity Assessment or other sources. Typically a Cloud Readiness Assessment requires two or three weeks on site plus time spent remotely analyzing the results and preparing the final report.

### Pre-visit Items

Prior to the actual on-site visit, Purposeful Clouds collects any existing information. This could be the *Cloud Opportunity Assessment Report* from a Cloud Opportunity Assessment, or equivalent information collected by other means.

### During the on-site visit

The on-site session usually starts with:

- A short presentation of your major goals and issues, and your criteria for calling a Cloud engagement a success.
- A review of the initial workloads currently targeted to move to the Cloud first, concentrating on the requirements for security, performance and availability for each workload.

- A short explanation of how we intend to proceed with the data collection.
- A scheduling conversation to get the information necessary to satisfy the Objectives listed above based on availability of your personnel.

The majority of the on-site visit is spent in small groups capturing the required information. Each mid-afternoon we have a quick review of what has been covered, what needs to be covered, and list any data collection issues so they can get addressed.

## Deliverables

### Cloud Opportunity Assessment Executive Summary

#### Cloud Opportunity Assessment Report, including:

- Summary of key findings and strategic approach to the Cloud
- Future state architecture
- Short-term Cloud implementation priorities and dependencies
- Detailed project plans for each identified workload to be implemented
- Implementation schedule and dependencies
- Financial analysis of identified workloads
- A maintenance and support strategy
- Cloud adoption and operational impact
- Rollout strategy
- Rollback strategy

### Summary Presentation

## About Purposeful Clouds

Purposeful Clouds (<http://www.purposefulclouds.com>) provides customized and standard consulting and training services to large and small organizations looking to improve agility, reduce aggravation and save significantly on IT costs by using Cloud Computing technology. These organizations rely on Purposeful Clouds experts to simplify their journey to the Cloud as they securely transition their business, processes, and applications to the Cloud or build and grow new Cloud business and related services. Because Purposeful Clouds is vendor neutral, they select the best-in-class combination of open or proprietary technologies, products, services and Cloud Service Providers. Purposeful Clouds services cover all phases of planning, implementation, on-going support, and reviews plus an all-encompassing training array to meet their client's specific short and long-term business and technology needs.

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