

Clients cannot connect to public folder server

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we had 3 exchange 2003 servers running...2 back-end, 1 front-end. We recently lost the first server of the exchange org...which was also a backend server.

We have everything running again and all seemed well. However, clients can no longer update free-busy info, download the offline address list, or browse public folders (from Outlook 2003). Public folder access is fine from OWA.

I have changed the recipient update services server and also changed the first site server using ADSI.

In Outlook, clients receive an error in their sync issues folder "could not connect to public folder server", "the attempt to log on to the Microsoft Exchange Server computer has failed", "Not downloading Offline address book files (stored on public folder server".

The Public store is not under the First Storage Group where System Attendant mailbox is located. Does it need to be?

Best Practices Analyzer reports no issues, and I've taken care of all event log errors as well.

What else is preventing clients from connecting to the public store?