

Re: SMS Backup

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- *From:* "Garth" <Spam@xxxxxxx>
 - *Date:* Mon, 7 May 2007 15:36:21 -0400
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BTW, I have changed my SMS backup to occur daily at 7:00 p.m., i.e. Just before the traditional backup starts.

"Garth" <Spam@xxxxxxx> wrote in message
<news:eDwd71NkHHA.4516@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Having restored an SMS server using SMS Backups and using "Traditional Backups", I would go with the SMS Backup any day of the week. Just ensure that it is running correctly and without errors.

SMS backup will take a ~few hours to restore. + OS and Hardware stuff.

"Traditional Backups" will take days to restore* + OS and Hardware stuff.

It both cases I still recommend opening a Call to PSS.

*Your mileage will vary based on the number of sites you have.

"Nick SMS Administrator - Detroit, Mi"
<NickSMSAdministratorDetroitMi@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
<news:AECE8455-9B4B-4838-BA4F-11E6EB89DE0F@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Thanks Garth!

I figured what you said to be true. I'm only asking because an administrator who is new to my dept. questioned me publicly about my backups and stated that I have not been backing up the SMS database. He mentioned

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this in an email to my higher-ups in an attempt to make him look good, and in the process making me look like my disaster recovery plan wasn't in place. He rudely created some SQL backup routines on my server without my knowledge or permission and then sent the email out. I new the SMS Site Backup task was everything I need for a backup but wanted a second opinion before I rebut.

Thank you.

"Garth" wrote:

The SMS backup includes everything you need to restore you SMS server.

Yes, that included the hardware inventory, subnet,etc.

So always make sure that it is working and life is good.

"Nick SMS Administrator – Detroit, Mi"

<NickSMSAdministratorDetroitMi@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

wrote in message

news:62899EEC-28F1-422B-B95E-67E725A2B02F@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Garth,
Thanks for your response.

Do you know if this includes the client data (hardware inventory, subnet information, etc...) as well as the site structure (collection information, boundaries, etc...)?

-Nick-

"Garth" wrote:

It should be.
Within your SMS Backup directory you should see "SiteDBServer" and within

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that you should see your
SMS database backup.

"Nick SMS Administrator –
Detroit, Mi"

<NickSMSAdministratorDetroitMi@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

wrote in

message

news:8E6A634E-2665-4C37-AF0A-4F86B67CCA07@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Is the SQL
Database
for SMS
included in
the default
site
maintenance
task
named
"Backup
SMS Site
Server"?