

SQL Agent can not start

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Hi,

I have a two node SQL Server cluster running under Virtual Server 2005 environment (Windows 2003 Server RD2, SQL 2005 Dev, sp1). After I enabled Agent XPs, the SQL Agent still can't start. Here are the error message from SQLAgent.out:

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2007-01-06 10:56:54 - ! [298] SQLServer Error: 2, Named Pipes Provider:
Could not open a connection to SQL Server [2]. [SQLSTATE 08001]
2007-01-06 10:56:54 - ! [165] ODBC Error: 0, Login timeout expired
[SQLSTATE HYT00]
2007-01-06 10:56:54 - ! [298] SQLServer Error: 2, An error has occurred
while establishing a connection to the server. When connecting to SQL
Server 2005, this failure may be caused by the fact that under the
default settings SQL Server does not allow remote connections.
[SQLSTATE 08001]
2007-01-06 10:56:54 - ! [000] Unable to connect to server '(local)';
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2007-01-06 10:57:25 - ! [298] SQLServer Error: 2, Named Pipes Provider:
Could not open a connection to SQL Server [2]. [SQLSTATE 08001]
2007-01-06 10:57:25 - ! [165] ODBC Error: 0, Login timeout expired
[SQLSTATE HYT00]
2007-01-06 10:57:25 - ! [298] SQLServer Error: 2, An error has occurred
while establishing a connection to the server. When connecting to SQL
Server 2005, this failure may be caused by the fact that under the
default settings SQL Server does not allow remote connections.
[SQLSTATE 08001]
2007-01-06 10:57:25 - ! [382] Logon to server '(local)' failed
(DisableAgentXPs)
2007-01-06 10:57:26 - ? [098] SQLServerAgent terminated (normally)
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What I have done:

1. verified remote connection is turned on.
2. Named Pipes is enabled.
3. registered server SPN

Since my SQL Server virtual server name is SQL2K5VS, I wonder why the

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agent is trying to connect to (local) instead of the cluster virtual server? Is this possible the problem?

Any help will be greatly appreciated.

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