

Re: SQL 2000 Maintenance Plan Email Notifications

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"Brad Baker" <brad@xxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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- > We are running SQL 2000 SP4 on Windows 2003 Server Enterprise in a 4 node
- > clustered environment. We need some way to receive notifications when our
- > maintenance plan jobs fail. I've been investigating and have found the
- > following approaches:
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- > 1) Using SQL Mail and a MAPI Client such as Microsoft Outlook
- > (<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb:en-us:870675>)
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- > 2) Using SQL Server SMTP Mail XP (<http://www.sqldev.net/xp/xpsmtp.htm>)
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- > 3) Using CDOsys
- > (http://www.sql-server-performance.com/dh_sending_sql_notifications_CDOSYS.asp)
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- > The problem is:
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- > Option 1 (Using SQL mail): Seems to have about half a dozen stipulations
- > on it. I.E. You have to be running X version of outlook, leave the mail
- > client open, frequently locks up, won't work in a clustered environment,
- > won't work with a normal SMTP server.
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- > Option 2: We just can't seem to get it to work at all. It also doesn't

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> seem to be cluster friendly.
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> Option 3: Works mostly, but takes a lot of time to setup and the
> notifications can break if you start editing your maintenance plans.
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> It would seem to me that there must be some way to setup SQL email
> notifications for maintenance plans that works and is reliable in a
> cluster environment. Does anyone have any suggestions or pointers? What am
> I missing?
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> Thank You,
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> Brad Baker
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• **References:**

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