

Re: If Only ...

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I just changed hosting companies and have had similar issues to what you describe. If your ISP has a webmail interface, you could set up a test account or two to work with the POP connector, while everyone else's mail is just left on the server. They can read it in the webmail interface, and just leave it in the POP mailbox until you decide how to deal with it otherwise.

Assuming your POP situation is stable on the ISP end, I don't think you risk losing any mail with the POP connector. It's reliable if configured correctly, and if it's not configured right it won't be accessing the mailboxes anyway. Once the mail finds its way into the Exchange mailboxes, it can always be exported to a PST or shipped back out to the ISP if something happens, such as the need to reinstall SBS or the decision to use different software altogether (although I can't imagine that any other software would be considered by someone who'd used SBS).

"Adam Selene" <as@freeluna.org> wrote in message
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> *It seems to me that small businesses looking to migrate to their first
> server using SBS2003 would benefit from some ability to run pilot
> projects prior to actual "live" turn-on of the domain served network.*

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> *A big obstacle to this would seem to be an apparent inability to
> configure Exchange 2003 POP3 connectors with the ability to "leave
> mail on server" similar to what Outlook xxxx can do without Exchange.*

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> *I've looked and looked but I can't find a way to test POP3 email
> configurations using actual email accounts without risking loss of
> mail.*

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> *As it stands, it appears to me that one must set up a flock of
> "temporary" email accounts at one's ISP in order to experiment with
> various configuration options. Depending on one's ISP, this may or
> may not be an easy thing to accomplish.*

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> *If I'm misinformed, I'd appreciate being corrected. But it would seem
> to have been a rather simple capability to build into the POP3*

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> *connector.*
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> *Thanks...*
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> *ASelene*