

Re: SBS Lockup during NTBACKUP

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<http://www.firestreamer.com> allows NTBackup to write DVDs and provides easy scheduling.

"Perry" <Perry@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message news:B14A1DCE-1161-46C3-B370-B06A01897A69@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

I took over this server so it is a possibility that packet writing software was installed, because it was working (although I had never gotten it to work before). However I am not aware of any and will have to go back and look.

I wasn't sure how it was working and it would only write to DVDRW not DVDR.

I already discussed your 2 step solution with the admin earlier today.

I approached the client about upgrading the 'backup solution' when I took over the account. Maybe it's time to try again. I am not a big fan of ntbackup.

thanks for the info

Perry

"Owen Williams [SBS MVP]" wrote:

In article <91CE8EB6-3555-4196-9724-E7C1FDEAD4FE@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx>, Perry@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx says...

I have a SBS 2003 SP1 that is locking up during an NTBACKUP. This is not the backup configured through the wizard. There is a separate

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ntbackup
running
each night writing to DVD. The media type was chagned 4
days ago and 2
of
the 4 days, 2 minutes into the backup everything freezes. No
Event
records
are written, nothing. The last event record will show the
backup
starting
and then there is not another record until the server is
physically
power-cycled. On the 2 days the backup did run, the same
new media
type was
used (Maxell).

It could be a media or drive issue. But NTBackup does not natively support writing to CD or DVD. Have you installed "packet writing software" or similar to make the DVD look like a diskette? If so, I can tell you from personal experience that I have never found any such software to be 100% reliable. And the most common problem I had with it was system lockups.

If you want to take backups to DVD, you might want to consider a two-step approach:

1. NTBackup to a regular hard drive (internal or external).
2. Use a CD/DVD burning program – either native Windows or a product like Nero – to burn the .bkf file created in #1 to DVD.

— Owen Williams (SBS MVP)