Toyota Boshoku America Inc. Uses iSecurity to Comply with International Regulatory Requirements

About the Company

Toyota Boshoku America Inc., headquartered in Erlanger Kentucky, is a leader in the automotive manufacturing industry with 15 key facilities in the United States. They have manufactured and supplied interior parts for over 17 years to automotive giants such as Toyota, GM, and Chrysler. Toyota Boshoku, a private company, needed to comply with J-SOX , the Japanese version of the U.S. Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

The Solution

Faced with having to comply with J-SOX due to a partial ownership of the company in Japan, Bob Bodinof (Business Analyst) and the IT staff selected iSecurity to provide the reporting and security necessary for their J-SOX audits. They found that iSecurity Audit was ideal for monitoring access to and use of sensitive data. iSecurity AP-Journal further enabled Bodinof and the J-SOX auditors to monitor sensitive data access down to the record level. The requirement for managing ODBC was handled by implementing iSecurity Firewall for monitoring and controlling remote access at the OS400 exit point level. The weekly and monthly reports generated by Audit, AP-Journal and Firewall were automated and sent directly to the J-SOX auditor for review.

Implementing iSecurity

With an undersized IT staff, Bodinof and the iSeries System Administrator implemented iSecurity Firewall, Audit, & AP-Journal solutions with minimal impact on production and during normal business hours and were up and running live within 4 weeks.

"The ability to work with iSecurity Firewall in FYI (simulation) mode without effecting production allowed us to customize our requirements without impacting our production environment," said Bodinof. iSecurity Firewall's FYI mode is a unique feature that allows users to implement settings without having to go live in production and see what the result would be for that particular rule.

iSecurity's Business Intelligence graphing and data warehousing capability allows the team to quickly identify what is going on in their systems. "iSecurity Visualizer gives you a nice picture of what is going on and lets you find what you need to do quickly. This is essential for the team to quickly monitor access, add new rules and check the logs for anything unexpected".

Audit & AP-Journal reinforced compliance by providing reports of the Audit journals (QAUDJRN) and changes in application files. "These two products are a couple of workhorses. SEA's support team was available 24/7 with over-the-web meetings, support calls, and hands on training. It was refreshing not having to waste time reading manuals for figuring out each product. All the solutions were very intuitive, but if I ever had an issue their 24 hour support line was always able to help," said Bodinof.

The End Result

By implementing iSecurity's Firewall, Audit and AP-Journal modules, Toyota Boshoku America has been able to easily monitor exit points, prevent unauthorized access, automate report generation to meet audit requirements as well as monitor access down to the record level, which are all critical to their requirements for complying with J-SOX.

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