AvePoint Introduces DocAve 6, the Enterprise-Class Management Platform for SharePoint Governance

AvePoint's latest product releases enable organizations to implement and enforce SharePoint governance, and to automate information and service management across distributed on-premise, cloud, or hybrid farms

Jersey City, NJ — September 26, 2011 — AvePoint, a proven leader in governance solutions for Microsoft SharePoint, today announced the public beta of DocAve 6, the enterprise-class management platform for SharePoint governance. DocAve 6 is a significant update to AvePoint's industry-leading management platform, designed to increase business productivity, reduce total cost of ownership, provide IT assurance, and enable security and compliance for enterprise content. DocAve 6 extends the platform's capabilities to unify management of on-premise, cloud, and hybrid SharePoint farms, including Office 365. AvePoint also today introduced Governance Automation, which leverages the capabilities of DocAve 6 to provide an efficient means for organizations to implement and enforce SharePoint governance policies, enabling automated, end-to-end service and information management.

"Working closely with more than 8,000 customers across 63 countries for more than a decade, we consistently hear the same message: Help us implement IT governance for SharePoint," said Dr. Tianyi (TJ) Jiang, AvePoint Co-Founder and Co-CEO. "Governance must be more than a document with policies and procedures. Rather, it must be woven into the fabric of service management. DocAve allows customers to implement governance and management of SharePoint, and DocAve 6 is an important evolution of our flagship product to support governance of cloud and hybrid farms. With the introduction of Governance Automation, we provide the technology that allows you to ensure governance policies are enforced, automated, and audited throughout your entire SharePoint ecosystem."

As a fully integrated platform, DocAve 6 makes it easy to deploy and migrate to SharePoint 2010, configure and administer SharePoint farms, optimize storage and performance, and ensure the integrity, security, and availability of content. DocAve 6 enables centralized or delegated management of SharePoint farms hosted on-premise, or in private or public clouds such as Office 365. DocAve 6 also manages development, test, and production farms, and provides application lifecycle management tools to govern the deployment of solutions and components.

DocAve 6 powers a scalable and robust enterprise SharePoint service, to deliver maximum business value:

- **Increase Business Productivity** – DocAve 6 delivers high-performance, global collaboration by enabling seamless SharePoint service across geographies and SharePoint farms. Organizations can optimize content availability for geographically distributed users, provide content to internal and external users, improve quality of service, and consolidate access to documents and content on SharePoint.
- **Reduce Total Cost of Ownership** – DocAve 6 improves operational efficiency by simplifying and automating SharePoint administrative and management procedures. Organizations can empower business users while enforcing policies and standards, and gain actionable insight into SharePoint operations, performance, and usage. DocAve 6 seamlessly supports management of leading SharePoint hardware and software solutions, and provides connectors and migration capabilities that allow integration with – and eventual consolidation of – legacy content management systems.

- **Provide IT Assurance** – DocAve 6 improves quality of service and minimizes business disruption by optimizing infrastructure and performance, and by integrating with enterprise-class storage platforms. DocAve 6 enables organizations to meet requirements for long-term content and information management, and protects business content with support for enterprise-caliber service level agreements. Organizations can use DocAve 6 to architect a highly available service resilient in the face of disaster. DocAve 6 also protects both the content and configuration of several leading third-party SharePoint applications and services.
- **Enable Security & Compliance for Business Content** – DocAve 6 enables an organization to standardize, apply, and enforce corporate and IT policies across distributed content throughout the entire information lifecycle. User and content provisioning ensures consistent application of permissions. Additionally, new and modified content can be scanned to apply business rules regarding inappropriate content or personal information. Organizations can implement sophisticated auditing with DocAve's extensive audit capability and feature-rich reports center, and deploy strict retention policies through content vaulting and tiered storage management.

Built with user-experience in mind, the redesigned, ribbon-based user interface of DocAve 6 is designed to simplify and automate SharePoint governance and management. DocAve 6 is built entirely with Microsoft technologies and standards, including .NET, WCF, and Silverlight, leveraging only fully supported Microsoft methodologies and APIs. DocAve 6 also provides administrators and developers both PowerShell cmdlets and APIs with which to customize, automate, and extend the platform's rich capabilities.

For more information about DocAve6, please visit http://www.avepoint.com/DocAve6.

Governance Automation, currently slated for general availability in Q2 2012, allows organizations to define, implement, and enforce governance policies by enabling the creation of service requests that support rich, customizable workflows and comprehensive reporting. Service request categories include site and site collection provisioning, user access provisioning, and content lifecycle management and archiving.

Governance Automation transcends the capabilities of niche SharePoint security management and provisioning tools by leveraging the entire DocAve 6 platform – including modules for data protection, administration, replication, storage optimization, compliance, reporting, and migration. For example, site provisioning with Governance Automation can go beyond merely deploying content and applying permissions, to incorporate service levels for backup, storage tiers, auditing and archiving.

Administrators create service requests through a highly configurable management interface that defines policies, metadata, workflows, permissions, and auditing associated with SharePoint management tasks. Organizations can then choose to empower business users to submit service requests, with the confidence that changes are being made in full compliance with governance policies. Governance Automation also enables enterprises to analyze business usage of SharePoint with extensive auditing and insight to enhance ongoing realignment of cost allocation.

For more information on Governance Automation, please visit http://www.avepoint.com/GovernanceAutomation.

AvePoint will showcase DocAve 6 as well as Governance Automation at the Microsoft SharePoint Conference, beginning Monday, October 3 in Anaheim, Calif. For more details, visit: http://avepoint.com/spc2011.

About AvePoint

AvePoint is a global technology company and proven software leader. Since its founding in 2001, AvePoint has become one of the world's largest providers of enterprise-class governance solutions for Microsoft SharePoint. Propelled by one of the world's largest SharePoint-exclusive research & development teams, AvePoint helps more than 8,000 customers – including many Fortune 500 companies and government agencies – meet their specific business objectives utilizing the SharePoint platform. AvePoint, Inc. is headquartered and maintains its principle engineering center in Jersey City, NJ, with wholly owned sales and engineering centers in the USA, Canada, Australia, United Kingdom, France, Germany, Japan, Singapore, and China. AvePoint is a Depth Managed Microsoft Gold Certified Portals and Collaboration Partner and Gold Certified ISV Partner as well as a US Government GSA provider via strategic partnerships.

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