

November 6, 2006**Eze Castle Launches Business Continuity Service**

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Eze Castle Integration has launched a business continuity service for hedge fund firms and other asset managers. The launch comes on the heels of a service that protects the data and information technology infrastructure from a disaster. The new service provides risk assessment, business impact assessment, disaster recovery planning and testing for hedge funds.

Bob Guilbert, managing director of marketing, said the driver behind the service is institutional and other investors increasingly asking hedge funds for their business continuity plans. Most hedge funds are not IT experts and may choose to outsource this non-core function to a third party, he said.

Guilbert explained further that the basic risk assessment looks at risks to a business, including the likelihood of outages or terrorism targets. The business impact assessment reviews recovery assumptions and objectives, including identifying critical applications.

Guilbert added that Eze Castle Integration develops the disaster recovery plan, does simulation exercises as well as maintenance and testing.

"Prudent investors want to know about a hedge fund's infrastructure and operational practices, if they are going to invest millions of dollars," said Guilbert. Eze, which runs information technology systems for hedge funds, serves 400 clients.

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