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# Avenda Insight – Jumpstart Guide

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## 1 Overview

Avenda Insight is an advanced application for use with the eTIPS Identity platform to deliver enhanced analytics, in-depth reporting, and significant gains when addressing compliance and regulatory overhead. The goal of this guide is to illustrate how easy it is for network managers to analyze authentication information captured from eTIPS in order to generate customized reports.

Custom report templates provide the ability to track detailed authentication records, audit trails, systematic reports on network-access trends, and generate reports that are compliant with regulatory and corporate requirements.

Insight addresses the following criteria for reporting and compliance.

## 1. Consolidated reporting on various sources of data

Insight is capable of aggregating data from multiple eTIPS appliances, or, external stores containing archived network access logs. It presents a powerful combination of near real-time analytics, as well as the ability to look into the past to satisfy historical analysis and compliance needs.

#### 2. In-depth analytics to mine data and generate trending reports

Insight uses a powerful analytics engine that mines network access logs in order to generate trending report on various parameters. Network managers can utilize these trends to get an overview of authentication and access activity, elaborate client access distribution, load-averages, and analyze authentication traffic flow through various network devices

#### 3. Ready-to-use templates that generate detailed network access reports

Insight includes several ready-to-use templates that help reduce the time associated with creating custom reports. The templates guide users through the process of capturing data for a number of use-cases with minimal configuration.

#### 4. Generate Alerts upon detecting anomalous network activity

Insight also generates near real-time alerts on anomalous network activity. Network managers can configure alerts based on a number of various parameters; alerts generate SMS or e-mail notifications to multiple recipients to prompt action.

## 2 Getting Started with Insight

## 2.1 Gaining access

Insight uses a Web-Based management interface.

Supported Web Browsers include:

- Mozilla Firefox 3.0 +
- Microsoft Internet Explorer 7.0+
- Google Chrome 1.0

To reach the Insight interface, use one of the following methods

- Point the web-browser to <a href="https://<etips-host-name>/Insight">https://<etips-host-name>/Insight</a>
- Access eTIPS via <a href="https://etips-host-name">https://etips-host-name</a>/tips , click the "Avenda Insight" link on the page
- Launch the eTIPS Dashboard at <a href="https://<etips-host-name>/tips">https://<etips-host-name>/tips</a>, use the "Applications" widget to click on "Avenda Insight"

## 2.2 Logging into Avenda Insight

On the login screen, use the default User Name/Password [admin/eTIPS123] and click "Login" to launch the user interface.



## 2.3 Navigating Avenda Insight

Navigation links are located on the left side of the screen. The menu contains three sections described below:

#### Live Analytics

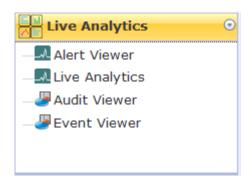
- Alert Viewer Analyze alerts generated on network access information
- Live Analytics Analyze trends; Slice and Dice data;
  Download reports
- Audit Viewer View detailed audit trails
- Event Viewer Monitor Insight Events

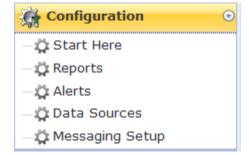
#### Configuration

- Start Here Selection of Insight Templates bundled with the product
- Reports A list of Reports allowing the user to add/edit/delete Reports
- Alerts A list of Alerts allowing the user to add/edit/delete
  Alerts
- Data Sources -A list of Data Sources allowing the user to add/edit/delete Data Sources

#### Administration

- Log Configuration Change logging options on Insight
- Admin Users Edit User Name/Password of the default administrative user







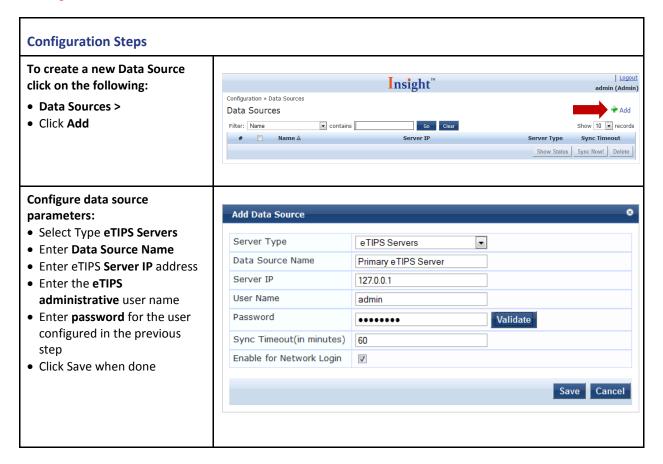
## 3 Configuring Insight

## 3.1 Data Sources

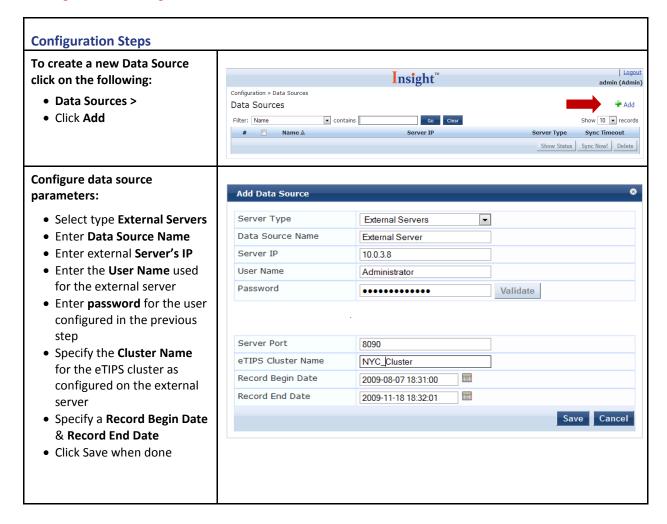
Insight runs analytics on network access logs provided by an eTIPS server or external Insight archive server.

To setup a new data source, navigate to "Data Sources" under "Configuration" menu and click on the "Add" link

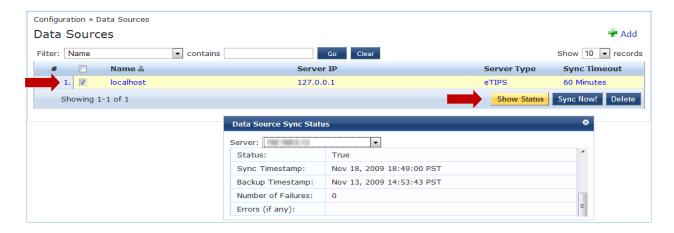
#### Adding eTIPS servers as a data source



#### Adding an external Insight archive server as a data source

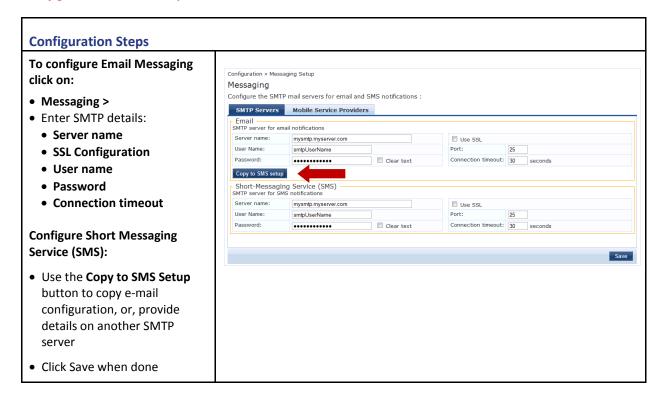


Once registered, Insight automatically updates itself and queries the data source for access logs. You can monitor update progress by selecting the Data Source and clicking the "Show Status" button



## 3.2 Configuring Messaging Options

## **Configure email and SMS options**

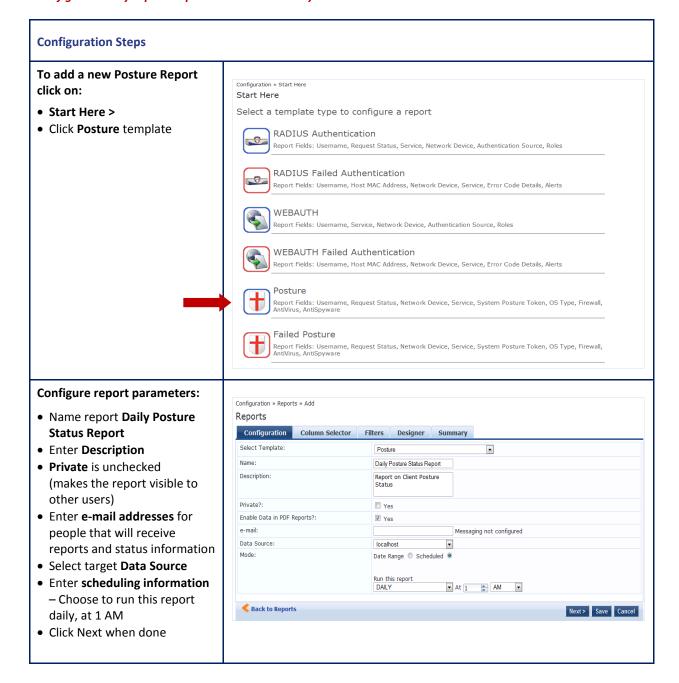


## 3.3 Configuring Reports

The "Start Here" page provides network managers with a launch pad for creating reports. This page lists various templates, each tailored for specific network access data. Modifying the templates allows each report to meet exact requirements.

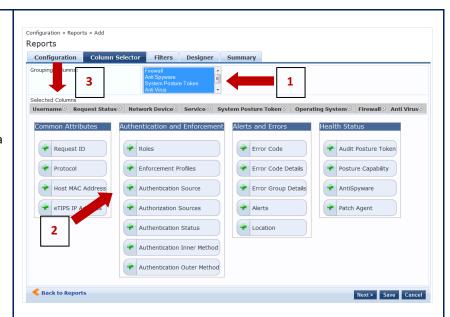
There are five (5) tabs and associated steps.

Configure a daily report to provide data and analytics on "Client Posture Status"



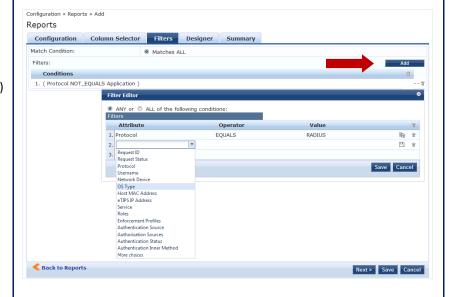
## Select data fields to populate report:

- 1 -Select all of the available fields (reports are grouped using multiple fields, each presenting a unique analysis of network access data)
- 2- Drag and Drop desired data types from the available list to 3 - Selected Columns
- Click Next when done



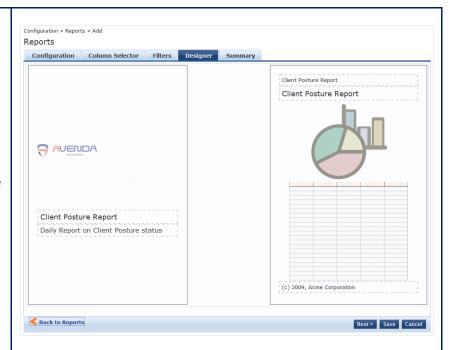
#### To customize filters if needed:

- From the filters tab click the Add button to launch the editor (the editor is contextaware; suggested prompts appear to assist configuration)
- Click Next when done



## To customize the layout of a report:

- The report Designer is split into two areas:
  - The Cover Page:
  - Click the image to change the logo
  - Click the dotted area on the cover page to edit the report title and description
  - The Report Page(s):
  - Click the dotted area to edit the header and footer
- Click Next when done



### The last step:

- The summary tab displays all of the configuration elements
- Review configuration elements
- Click Save when done



## **Insight Notes:**

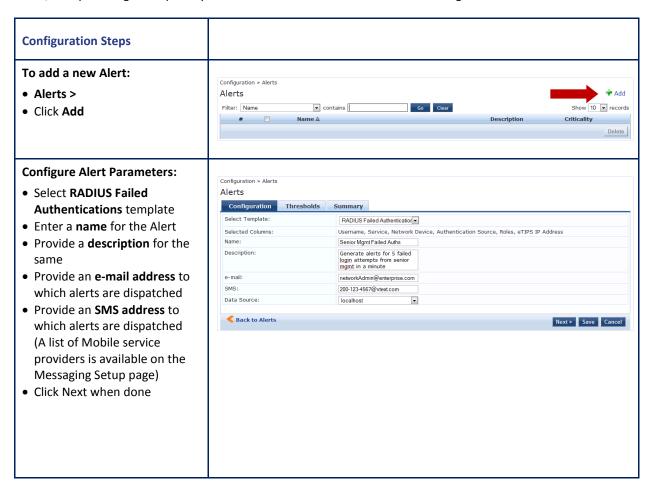
- Reports can run in a "Date Range" mode, where in Insight only extracts data for a specified date range. This option is available in the "Schedule" section found under the "Configuration" tab.
- Over thirty templates are included which segregate data by Protocol, Authentication, Client, Posture, Device Administration and eTIPS specific Audit/System events

## 3.4 Configuring Alerts

Alerts provide network managers with near real-time messages on anomalous network activity. Such activity could constitute:

- Irregular authentication activity
- Irregular Network Device access activity
- Users attempting privileged commands on network devices
- Irregular activity on the eTIPS Servers

As with Reports, Alerts include templates keyed to ease configuration. These templates allow managers to quickly configure and monitor such activity. In addition to e-mail notification, you can send alerts to mobile devices via SMS, thus providing the capability to receive mission-critical information on the go.



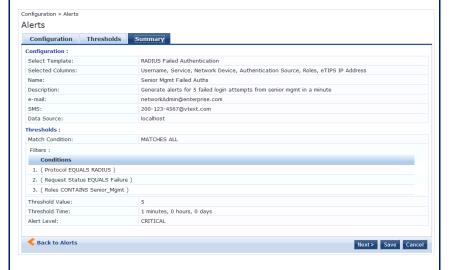
## **Configure Alert Thresholds:**

- Conditions: Specify **filters** to trigger alerts
- Threshold: Specify the number of times this condition must occur to trigger an alert
- Time: Specify a window of time in which the above set of conditions must occur to trigger an alert
- Alert Level: Specify a Criticality for the Alert



#### The last step:

- Review configuration elements
- Click Save when done



## **Insight Notes:**

• Alerts are generated when a particular condition is met, a given number of times in a specific window of time. These components are reflected in the Thresholds section:

## 4 Insight Analytics

Insight empowers network managers to make critical network policy decisions based on authentication and access traffic. It provides trending on network access activity, multi-tiered data and charts, enhanced slice-and-dice capabilities, and single point of access for troubleshooting.

#### **Launch Insight Analytics:**

1. Select the report from the Reports screen, click the "Show Status" button

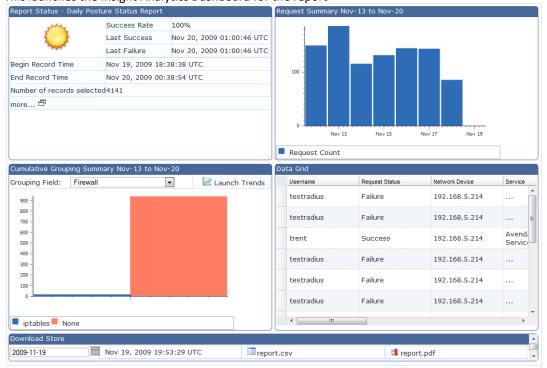


OR

2. Click the report on the Live Analytics screen



3. This launches the Insight Analytics Dashboard for the report

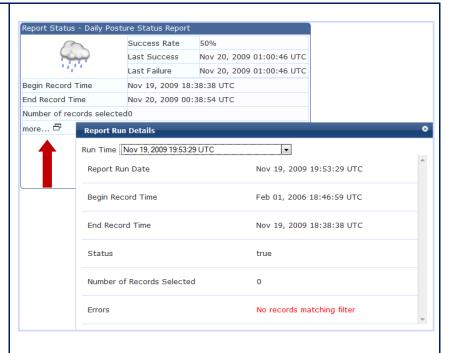


## 4.1 Insight Dashboard

## Informational Notes: Dashboard component views

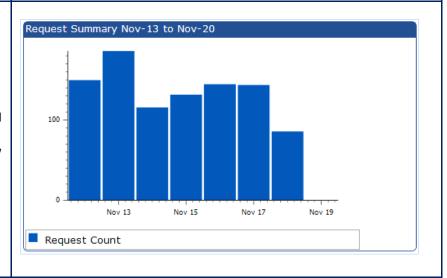
## Monitor the status of current report:

- Date/time
- Number of records selected
- Failures (if any)
- Click the **more** link to see advanced diagnostic messages



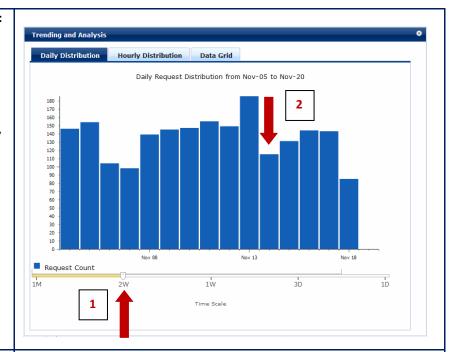
## Analyze access distribution by day:

- Request access data is represented for the latest seven days
- Mouse-over a **bar** to see the number of requests processed
- Click on the **graph** to launch the advanced analysis window



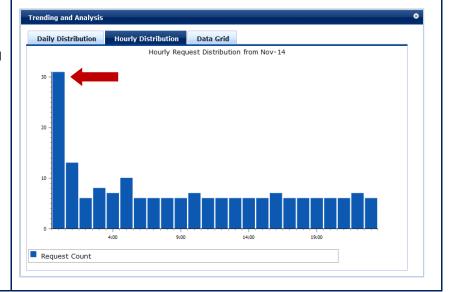
## See access request data by day:

- 1 Drag the slider to change the time-scale and associated data
- Mouse-over a bar to see the exact count for a given day
- 2 Click the **bar** to launch access request distribution by hour



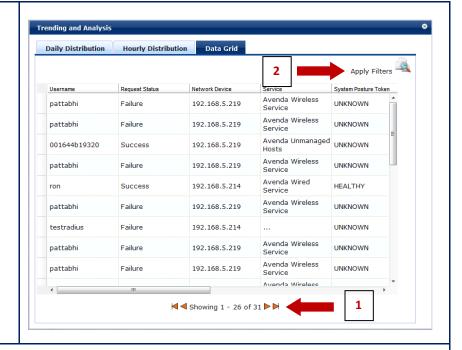
## See access request data by the hour:

- Mouse-over a **bar** to see the number of requests processed
- Click a **bar** to see relevant data for access requests



## Details for previous step:

- 1 Browse records using the paging widget at the base of the window
- 2 Click Apply Filters to add further constraints on this data



## **Insight Notes:**

- Right-Click the header to show/hide columns
- Drag and drop columns to rearrange the grid

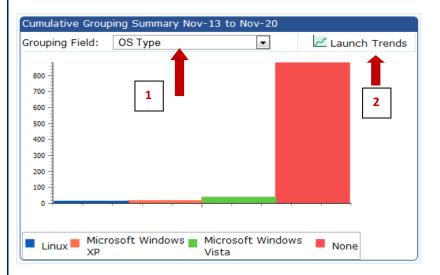
## **Group Summary for Trends Distribution**

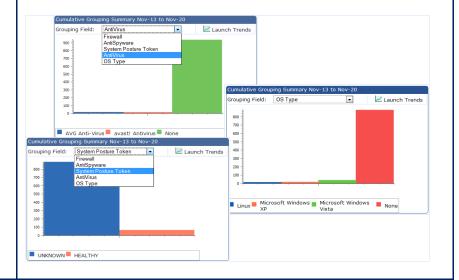
## Analyze trends on selected fields:

- Analyze data based on fields selected for the report
- Mouse-over a bar to see specific data for the selected field
- 1 Change drop-down value to see data for different fields
- 2 Click Launch Trends to launch a time-based trend for this field (see Time-based example on page 35 for screen details)
- Click anywhere on graph to launch an advanced analysis window

## View data by data field:

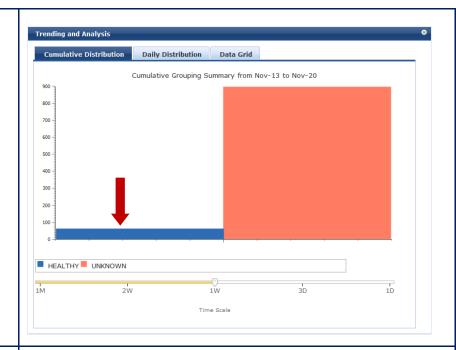
 Select a different field from the drop-down to cycle through trending data





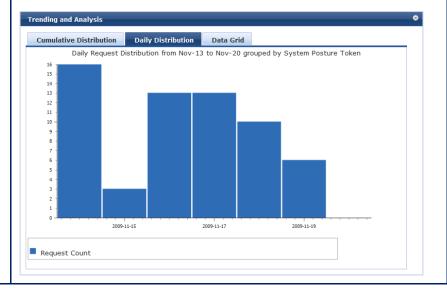
## Launch advanced analysis:

- Mouse-over a **bar** to see the number of requests
- Click on a **bar** to see relevant data



## View daily details for the selected value in previous step:

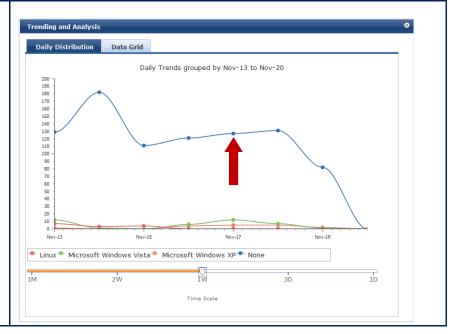
- Mouse-over a bar to see the number of requests processed
- Click on the **graph** to see relevant access requests



## **Group Summary for Time-base Trending Analysis**

## Launch trends for a specific field

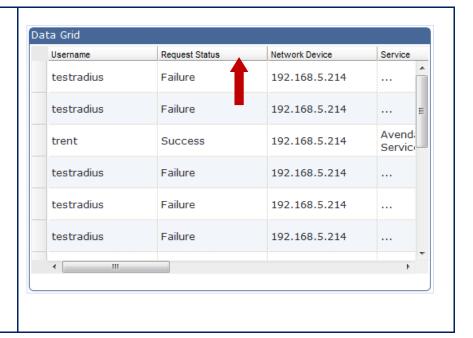
- Mouse-over a data point to see the data for a given day
- Click the **data point** to see relevant access requests



## Dashboard view of Data grid section

## Analyze live report data using Data Grid:

- Right-click the headers to Show/Hide columns
- **Drag and Drop** columns to rearrange the grid



Dashboard view of the Download Store

## **Download reports:**

- Select a **date** on the calendar to retrieve the list of reports
- Click on the .CSV/PDF icon to download the report



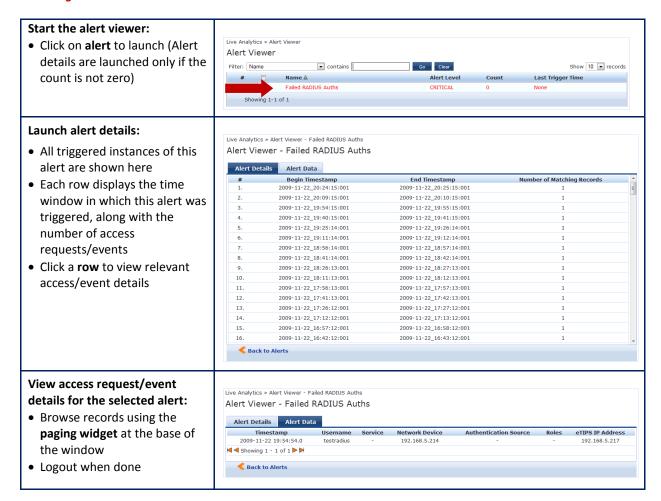
## **Insight Notes:**

The Insight Dashboard is drill-down enabled. Click on any of the components to launch an advanced analysis window that lets you run complex filters on live data, that you can slice and dice to analyze trends for varying lengths of time.

## 4.2 Alert Viewer

Insight generates alerts whenever it synchronizes with its data source. A record of alerts reside in the Alert Viewer, which contains information such as a time-window in which the alert triggered, a count, and the severity as configured by the administrator.

### **Viewing Alerts**



## **5** Summary

In this Jumpstart guide, you have configured and viewed the most common components of Avenda Insight advanced reporting application:

- Package configuration
- Configuration of attributes
- End user deployment

You are now capable of administering an 802.1X deployment to endpoints of any type in a short timeframe, across a wide geographic area. Subsequent configuration updates can also be "pushed" to the user community with minimal IT helpdesk involvement.

## **Notes:**

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