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# Understanding Business Value of Life Cycle Management

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# Agenda

- VMware Management capabilities
- Challenges for life cycle management
- Life Cycle Manager Overview
- > Demo
- LCM Underlying Platform





## **Virtual Datacenter OS from VMware**



## Management vServices with vCenter



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# Challenges for Life Cycle Management



## **Pain Points for the Administrator**



#### Lack of Visibility and Tracking

- > Who owns what?
- > What virtual machines have been created?
- > What virtual machines have changed; who changed them?
- > How long will virtual machines be in use?

#### Hard to Maintain Control

- > Who can deploy what into the environment?
- > Are random virtual machines being deployed without
- > approval?
- > Are virtual machines being placed in the appropriate places?
- > Are we removing virtual machines that are no longer needed?

#### Wasting Time on Manual and Repetitive Tasks

- Is time spent adding business value?
- > Are lots of manual steps leading to errors?
- > What is your defined process if you have one-off deployments?

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### Lifecycle Manager Enables the Automated Datacenter





Faster IT response time for deploying infrastructure resources



Automate repetitive and manual VM build and provisioning tasks

Automatically place and configure VMs for use in the infrastructure

Provides stable infrastructure environment through standardization & automation of best practice procedures



Enforce configuration consistency and standardization for VMs

Codify best practices so tasks can be delegated to more members of the team

Ensures Tracking and Control of Resources



Provide accountability of VM usage & ownership

Enable proactive decommissioning of VMs

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# Lifecycle Manager's Overview



# **Lifecycle Manager Overview**







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# **Lifecycle Manager Overview**







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# Demo



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# Lifecycle Manager's Underlying Platform



## **Lifecycle Manager – Orchestration Platform**

### Lifecycle Manager is built on top of a powerful Orchestration Platform that enables:

- > Flexibility ability to enhance Lifecycle Manager to fit with unique deployment procedures
- Integration tie into existing management tools to align processes or drive further automation
- Process Improvement move from manual/script-based processes to drag-n-drop workflow automation
- > Event Driven Infrastructure advanced automation to enable predictive infrastructure



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# Summary



# What drives Lifecycle Manager ROI?

Source of ROI	Lifecycle Manager Capabilities	Typical Results
Reduce capital expenses	Track and implement decommissioning of virtual machines based on estimated lifespan Requests for VMs always use the correct resources (datastores, networks, templates, etc.)	Cost savings from decommissioning over 1 year pays for initial LCM investment Optimize use of existing compute, storage, network, and OS resources
Reduce operational expenses	Remove manual and repetitive administrative tasks Setup end to end provisioning once and manage by exception Users or administrators only select VMs from existing and known template configurations established by IT	Provisioning time per VM is cut by 80% (source - Qualcomm case study) Reduce admin time spent on provisioning tasks by 90% Eliminate rogues configurations that lead to wasting or limiting available resources





## Lifecycle Manager – Key Benefits







# Q&A

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