Elevating Business Value through BPC Upgrade

Business Challenges and Objectives

- The client encountered data load performance issues, mainly during the closing period.
- They aimed to decrease on-premise infrastructure maintenance costs.
- The client needed an upgrade because the BPC Web Application no longer supported the IE Browser with the Flash feature.
- They also looked to reduce the cost of maintaining a separate AVD (Azure Virtual Desktop) for the BPC Web Application.
- The client sought a clear roadmap of the future SAP Technical alignment.
- Additionally, they were interested in upgrading the EPM add-in to leverage additional features.

Client

- Our client is an American Multinational Food Manufacturing Company focused on producing cereal and other convenience foods, including crackers and toaster pastries. They have a distribution network that spans the world.

Industry

- CPG

Function

- Business Planning & Consolidations

Technology

- SAP BPC

The Solution

- The Team's actions encompassed the following key points:
    - Recommendation and implementation of an upgrade to the BPC 10.1 standard version to ensure proper application usage.
    - Upgrading BW 7.5 SP22 to enhance application stability and mitigate performance concerns.
    - Transition from EPM 10.0 to version 10.1.
- Eliminating outdated application data structures leads to a comprehensive system cleanup.
- Significantly reduced the data footprint in HANA memory, resulting in substantial cost savings for the client.
- Improved the BPC 10.1 UI5 web application after the upgrade, achieving additional cost savings by decommissioning the AVD instance

Outcomes and Benefits

- Reduced the global and regional month-end data load runtime by 50%.
- Enhanced the execution runtime of Global Book Publication by 75%.
- Lowered maintenance costs for the AVD instance for Internet Explorer with the Flash feature by transitioning to a UI5-based web application.
- Resulted in substantial cost savings for infrastructure maintenance through the AWS migration.