

# The data can be exported to Visio 2000 and 2003.

There are many products available today that can perform the job of taking a look and reporting on the various appliances and equipment used in an enterprise-level corporate environment. While they do a decent job searching and reporting on these items, they lack the ability to indicate the performance metrics of the equipment and whether they are working up to par. Entuity's Eye of the Storm Version 4.5 has the capacity to perform this function and it receives our Editor's Choice Award for value and reporting capabilities.

We think that the EYE's Topology and Asset Navigator is the strongest feature of this software package. The feature uses Window's TreeView control to provide a drilldown structure on the various locations and assets of the network with a real-time view of the logical and physical connections between Layer 2 and Layer 3 applications and ele-

ments. It also provides detailed data on the network's routers, hubs, switches, VLANs, servers and various ports that are located throughout the network. The final data can be exported to Visio 2000/2003 for a graphical view of the network environment.

Dozens of reports are available for administrators and other corporate personnel to review and the information can also be exported to PDF, HTML, CSV (delimited ASCII) and XML formats for use with other applications. EYE 4.5 can also provide statistics about traffic usage of various appliances and devices. Since the information can be stored in the EYE's Configuration Management Database (CMDB), historical data can be view to indicate whether there has been a degradation of service levels which can be used to look for a network logjam or possible problems with a certain appliance used in the network.

Eye of the Storm 4.5 is available for use on networks that use Microsoft Windows 2003, Sun Solaris, and Red

## Entuity Eye of the Storm 4.5

**Summary:** Get complete information about your network with the EYE that wins our Editor's Choice Award for value and reporting capabilities.

**Price:** \$50,000

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Linux operating system environments. Entuity offers two different licenses with this package. The SAV license can be used by a company that want to take a one-time look at their network and performance levels that can be used in determining any necessary changes that are required in the environment. On the other hand, the full EYE license can offer a constant look at the environment to keep tabs on the performance of network and is a great tool for troubleshooting network difficulties.

If you want more than a physical inventory of your network, then check out the Entuity Eye of the Storm Version 4.5 software package which has a starting price of \$50,000. Visit the company's web site for more information and a very informative flash video at [www.entuity.com](http://www.entuity.com).

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