

Novell Defends SUSE Against MS-Sponsored Study

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Novell Inc. on Thursday lashed out at the Microsoft Corp.-sponsored study released this week that compared the real-world reliability of two platforms-Microsoft's Windows Server System and Novell's SUSE Linux Enterprise Server-under evolving business requirements over an extended period of time.

In a company Weblog posting, Novell Senior Manager of Public Relations Kevin Barney said the report "aims to confuse the market about the value of Linux and downplay the various reliability, security and TCO issues Windows users are facing."

"Independent studies regularly credit Linux in general, and SUSE Linux in particular, [with being] secure, reliable, supported platforms that customers can leverage today to gain greater flexibility, performance and value in the IT infrastructure," Barney said in the blog posting.

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