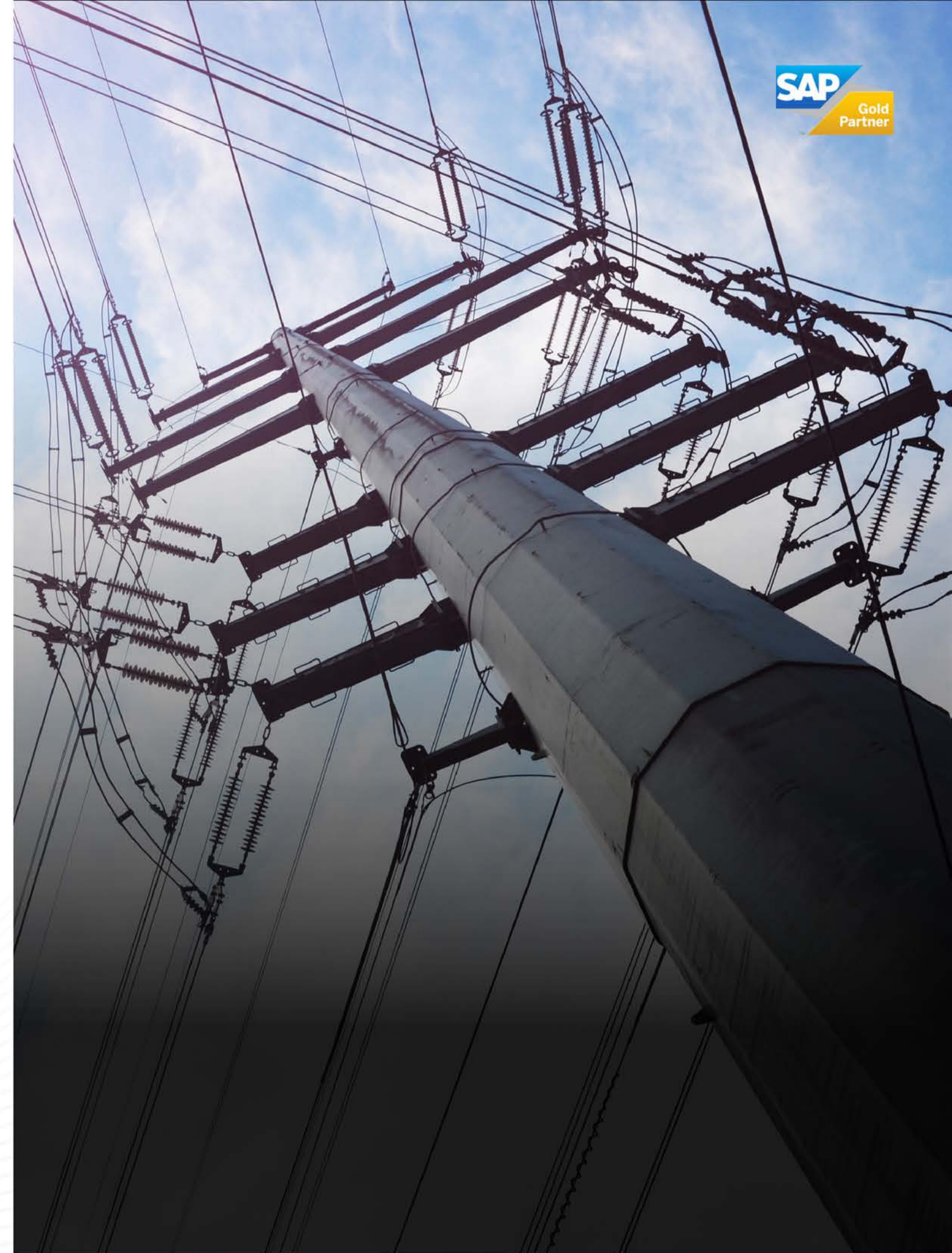


CASE STUDY:

Database Reduction of 40% with Data Archiving: SaskPower

Saskatchewan Power Corporation (SaskPower) is the principal electric utility in Saskatchewan, Canada. Established in 1929 by the provincial government, the company serves 530k+ customers.

The almost century-old company faced several pain points related to its growing SAP database. Without a data volume management strategy and lack of compliance rules in place, the company published an RFP and Auritas was chosen to implement a data management solution. Auritas implemented the top 20 objects in SAP ECC and CRM, resulting in a **40% reduction in the database, ongoing growth control, and legal and regulatory compliance.**



Saskatchewan Power Corporation, operating as SaskPower, is the principal electric utility in Saskatchewan, Canada. Established in 1929 by the provincial government, it serves more than 538,000 customers and manages over \$11.8 billion in assets.

SaskPower is a major employer in the province with over 3,100 permanent full-time staff located in approximately 70 communities.

“ We didn't have a successful SAP data strategy and our database continued to grow. We knew we needed to archive, start retention, and perform data clean up, but we still needed our data at arms reach. ”

- Dharmesh Gandhi, Director SAP Solutions & Enterprise Analytics

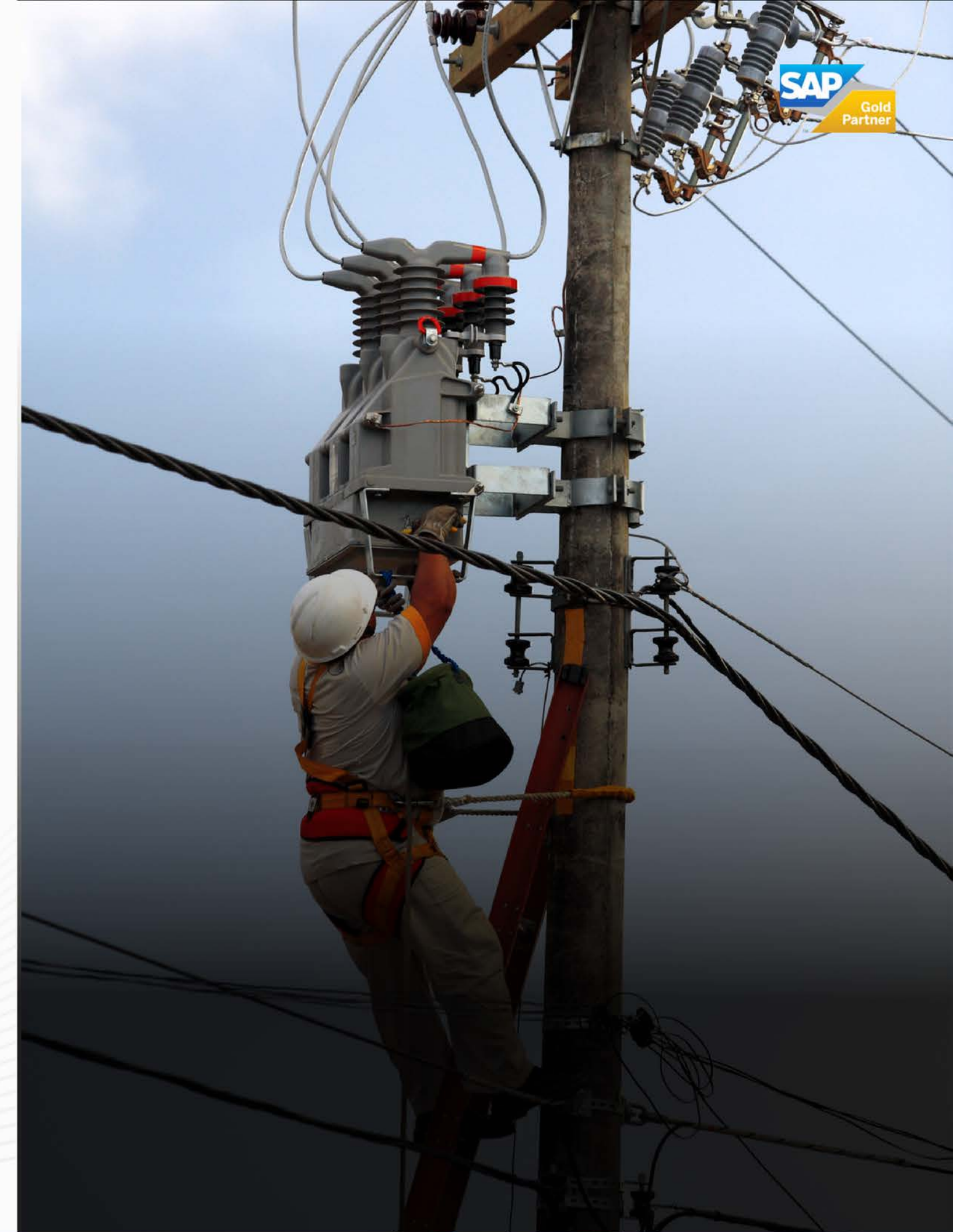


THE BUSINESS PROBLEM

As the almost century-old SaskPower continued to grow with time, it faced several pain points related to its SAP database. Primarily, the lack of data volume management strategies in place emerged as a growing challenge as the company was facing increasing storage and hardware costs. SaskPower's team also struggled to find a way to keep their data accessible while archiving it with ease. In addition, the lack of retention compliance was bringing legal risks.

PAIN POINTS

- ✦ Uncontrolled SAP database size and growth
- ✦ No SAP data strategy in place
- ✦ Lack of archiving capabilities internally
- ✦ No retention compliant in SAP and has legal risk





AURITAS SOLUTION

After publishing an RFP, Auritas was chosen to implement a data management solution for SaskPower. A plan was created in collaboration with the company leaders to craft a strategy that addressed all the objectives and aligned with company goals. The action plan included: assessment, workshops, archiving, retention management, and knowledge transfer.

- ✦ Assessment of requirements and path options
- ✦ Workshops to create DVM strategy
- ✦ Archiving of most impactful 20 objects
- ✦ Positioning for retention management
- ✦ Post go-live support with AuriCare (Auritas AMS program)

The project was divided into two phases, one focused on the preparation and strategic planning, and the other on the implementation of the strategies across the organization.

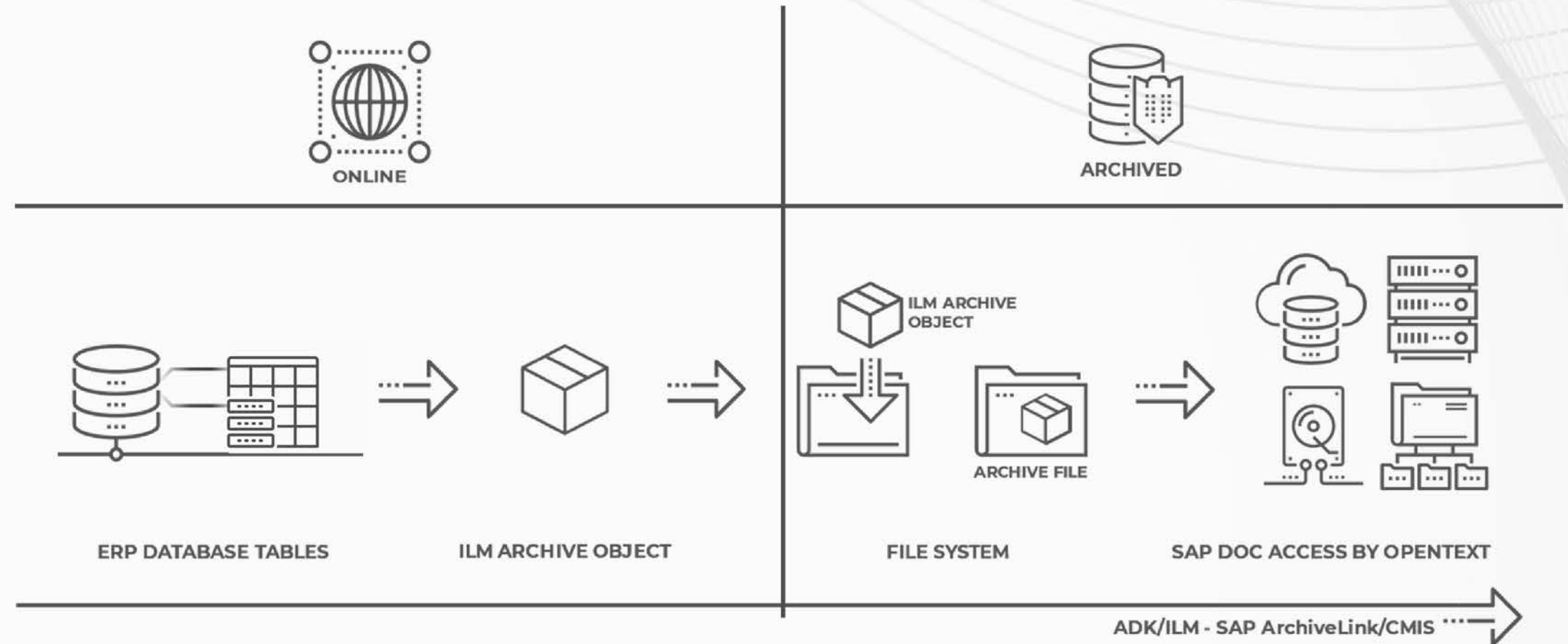


Phase 1 - Archiving Blueprint

- Database analysis
- Workshop to create roadmap for success
- Create assessment blueprint
- Finalize overall DVM strategy
 - Benefits and reasoning behind choices
 - Milestones and timelines
 - Integration requirements
 - Retention and destruction requirements
 - Knowledge transfer plan

Phase 2 - Implementation

- Implemented top 20 objectives in SAP ECC and CRM
 - IS-U
 - FI/CO
 - Bases
- Set-up ongoing archive automation
- Positioned for future retention management in SAP



RESULTS AND BENEFITS

The project took seven months. The results of the project included a list of benefits to SaskPower:

- ✓ **Database reduction of 40%** with ongoing growth control
- ✓ **Archiving** for database reduction through SAP ECC and CRM
- ✓ Positioned for legal and **regulatory compliance**
- ✓ **Cost savings** related to moving SAP data off SAN storage
- ✓ **HANA readiness**: database controlled in time or HANA migration
- ✓ **Extended life** of infrastructure through controlled database growth
- ✓ Readiness for retention management – **Risk avoidance**

“ Thanks to Auritas, our database and retention management is better than it ever has been. Choosing to work with Auritas was the best decision we could have made. ”

– Terry Chadwick, SAP Solutions Architect





SaskPower has continued its partnership with Auritas after this successful project. It included data migration, analytics, workforce management, VIM, HANA optimization and other successful projects.

ABOUT AURITAS

Auritas is a global ERP products and services company specialized in data management, process optimization and product innovation, with a focus on SAP Enterprise customers. Since its inception in 2003, Auritas has been closely aligned with SAP & has established itself as a leading pioneer in the market for all things data & process.

In its two decades of experience, Auritas has completed over 550 successful projects across multiple industries, including utilities, oil and gas mining, transportation, and other public and private sector implementations. With over 500M in customer savings, Auritas experts are helping clients actualize the benefits of IT footprint management, landscape optimization, process simplification and digital transformations.

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