Decision Support System

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1 System Request

Project Sponsor: Mid and higher management.

Business Need:

- Support business and organizations decision making activities
- Make informed decision based on analyzed data of a less well structured, under-specified problems.
- Analysis of data to assist in decision-making
- Evaluate Specific operation
- Provide guidance on establishing supply chain movement, and sales

Business Requirement:

- Data management:
 - Organization's information
 - External information
- Produce reports that may project revenue, sales, market share, ... etc
- Interactive software-based system to help decision maker use the information.
- Present the data in a useful manner
- Model management
- Knowledge management

Business Value:

- By making good decision it might increase profits and market share of the company.
- Makes workflow more efficient
 - reducing time needed
 - avoiding errors
- Planning and management
 - ensures management success
- Determines potential outcomes
 - Evaluating past data
 - Examining current trends or information

2 Feasibility Study

2.1 Technical

- Experience Engineers
- Hardware
 - When it comes to hardware and computing power there are two options
 - * Internal: where internal servers and data centers are used. This add overhead costs
 - * External: where cloud computing is used which can offer flexibility, and the ability to scale the system.
 - But in case of sensitive data an internal data center is preferred

The chosen hardware for our system is going to a cloud server

2.2 Economic

- Since we have chosen a cloud server this reduces our overhead costs
- A conservative budget of the system is around 50,000 threshold
 - Where the 50,000 threshold is the minimum and 240,000 is the maximum
- reduction of time needed to make a decision by at lease 25%
- Reduction of errors by at lease 50%
- increase management success
- Improve planning of department
- A project increase in market share by 1%
- Improve the workflow
- Improve the operation processes
- Production of reports that contain a summary of our data that can be used to make informed decisions
- Produce projection of the current state of the organization

2.3 Operation

- since our users are going to be the managers, the interface of the interactive software is going to be kept simple and clean.
- Fast reports that can reach the management and improve the management process
- Can reduce the time by the managers needed to make decisions as well as visualizing the data

2.4 Schedule

- Time Estimation:
 - Minimum time needed for all the process is about 6.5 months
 - Such a Schedule might be extremely strict and result in rescheduling so, another Estimation is given where the project is going to done in about 1.3 year

Planning: 30 DaysAnalysis: 48 DaysDesign: 58 Days

- Implementation: 58 Days

3 Project Methodology

The chose methodology for our system is the Waterfall method