

# Annual Operations, Compliance, and Performance Report

**Organization:** Northstar Solutions Group

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## 1. Executive Summary

Northstar Solutions Group (NSG) experienced a year of moderate growth, operational restructuring, and increased regulatory oversight during the 2024 fiscal year. Total annual revenue reached **USD 184.6 million**, representing a **7.8% increase** compared to the previous year. This growth was primarily driven by expansion in enterprise software services, renewed government contracts, and improved customer retention rates in the healthcare and logistics sectors.

However, the year also presented notable challenges. These included a cybersecurity incident in March 2024, supply chain disruptions during Q2, and increased compliance requirements following new regional data protection regulations enacted in July 2024. Despite these obstacles, NSG maintained service continuity for 98.2% of contracted service-level agreements (SLAs).

Key strategic initiatives in 2024 included:

- Migration of legacy systems to a hybrid cloud infrastructure
  - Organizational restructuring of the Product Engineering division
  - Introduction of a company-wide risk management framework
  - Investment in employee training and leadership development
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## 2. Organizational Overview

Founded in 2011, Northstar Solutions Group operates across three primary regions: North America, Europe, and Southeast Asia. As of December 31, 2024, NSG employed **1,248 full-time staff**, an increase of 6.1% from 2023.

### 2.1 Leadership Team

- **Chief Executive Officer (CEO):** Laura M. Bennett
- **Chief Financial Officer (CFO):** Daniel K. Ortiz
- **Chief Technology Officer (CTO):** Priya Raman
- **Chief Compliance Officer (CCO):** Michael J. Feldman
- **Vice President, Operations:** Helen Zhou

The Board of Directors approved all major financial and strategic decisions exceeding **USD 5 million**, including capital expenditures, acquisitions, and long-term vendor contracts.

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### 3. Financial Performance

#### 3.1 Revenue Breakdown

Business Unit	Revenue (USD)	YoY Growth
Enterprise Software	78.4M	11.2%
Managed IT Services	56.9M	5.4%
Data & Analytics	31.2M	9.1%
Consulting & Advisory	18.1M	2.3%

The Enterprise Software division exceeded its forecast by **USD 4.6 million**, largely due to the early renewal of two multi-year contracts signed in September 2024.

#### 3.2 Expenses

Total operating expenses amounted to **USD 142.8 million**, including:

- Personnel costs: USD 78.3M
- Infrastructure & cloud services: USD 26.7M
- Sales & marketing: USD 19.4M
- Legal, compliance, and audit fees: USD 8.9M
- Other operational expenses: USD 9.5M

A mid-year budget revision approved on **June 18, 2024**, authorized an additional **USD 3.2 million** for cybersecurity improvements following the March incident.

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## 4. Technology & Systems

### 4.1 Infrastructure Overview

NSG operates a hybrid infrastructure consisting of:

- On-premise data centers in Texas (USA) and Frankfurt (Germany)
- Cloud services hosted across three providers
- Private Kubernetes clusters for internal applications

In 2024, 63% of workloads were migrated from legacy systems to cloud-native environments.

### 4.2 System Outages

Three significant system incidents were recorded:

1. **March 12, 2024:** Unauthorized access detected in a development environment. No customer data was exfiltrated.
2. **July 3, 2024:** Cloud provider regional outage affecting EU customers for 2 hours and 14 minutes.
3. **November 19, 2024:** Internal deployment error caused service degradation in analytics dashboards.

Corrective actions included improved monitoring, multi-region failover implementation, and mandatory change-management approvals.

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## 5. Compliance & Risk Management

### 5.1 Regulatory Compliance

In July 2024, new regional data protection regulations came into effect, requiring:

- Expanded breach notification timelines
- Mandatory encryption at rest for all customer data
- Annual third-party compliance audits

NSG completed its first independent compliance audit on **October 28, 2024**, conducted by Sentinel Assurance Ltd. The audit resulted in:

- 14 compliance controls rated “Fully Implemented”
- 3 controls rated “Partially Implemented”
- 0 controls rated “Non-Compliant”

## 5.2 Risk Assessment

The Enterprise Risk Committee identified the following top risks:

- Cybersecurity threats (High)
- Vendor dependency (Medium)
- Talent retention (Medium)
- Regulatory changes (High)
- Market competition (Low)

Mitigation plans were reviewed quarterly and formally approved by executive leadership.

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## 6. Human Resources & Workforce Development

### 6.1 Hiring & Attrition

- New hires in 2024: 214
- Voluntary attrition rate: 9.6%
- Average employee tenure: 3.8 years

The Engineering and Data Science teams experienced the highest hiring demand, while customer support saw the highest attrition.

### 6.2 Training Initiatives

NSG invested **USD 2.1 million** in workforce development programs, including:

- Secure coding certifications
- Leadership development workshops
- Diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) training
- AI and machine learning upskilling programs

Employee engagement surveys conducted in August 2024 reported a satisfaction score of **78%**, up from 74% in 2023.

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## **7. Strategic Initiatives & Projects**

### **7.1 Project Atlas**

Project Atlas was launched in February 2024 to modernize NSG's internal platforms. The project budget was **USD 12.5 million**, with completion scheduled for Q3 2025.

As of December 2024:

- 68% of milestones completed
- Actual spend: USD 8.1M
- Primary risk: integration delays with legacy billing systems

### **7.2 Market Expansion**

NSG entered two new markets in 2024:

- Australia (Sydney office opened May 2024)
- Japan (local partnerships finalized November 2024)

Projected revenue contribution from these markets is expected to begin in mid-2025.

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## **8. Environmental & Social Responsibility**

NSG committed to reducing its carbon footprint by 25% by 2028. In 2024:

- Office energy consumption decreased by 8%
- Remote work participation averaged 46%
- Hardware recycling initiatives diverted 12.4 tons of e-waste

Community engagement included partnerships with four nonprofit organizations and 3,200 employee volunteer hours logged.

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## **9. Outlook for 2025**

Key priorities for 2025 include:

- Completion of Project Atlas
- Enhanced AI-driven analytics offerings

- Strengthening vendor risk management
- Continued compliance maturity
- Improving employee retention in high-demand roles

Revenue growth for 2025 is projected between **6% and 9%**, subject to market conditions and regulatory developments.

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## **10. Approval & Sign-Off**

This report was reviewed and approved by the Executive Leadership Team on **January 10, 2025**.

### **Approved By:**

Laura M. Bennett, Chief Executive Officer

Daniel K. Ortiz, Chief Financial Officer

Michael J. Feldman, Chief Compliance Officer

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