

# ProPortion Foods reduces warranty costs and optimizes long-term operational expenses (OpEx) by creating a scalable IT infrastructure with **StarWind Virtual SAN**

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### About the company

Established in 2009, ProPortion Foods operates in the sector of service delivery to retail and food service customers. The company is located in Los Angeles with two production facilities in Round Rock, Texas and Los Angeles, California.

### Industry

Food & Beverage

### Location

North America (United States)

### Solution

StarWind Virtual SAN (VSAN)

*"We have found StarWind VSAN to be a solid and reliable product with easy scalability which is extremely important with regards to production storage area networks."*

**Nathan Hess**, Director of IT

## Challenge

Before StarWind Virtual SAN (VSAN) deployment, ProPortion Foods faced increasing difficulties managing its existing IT infrastructure, which was 80% virtualized and powered by HP physical ESXi hosts connected to an HPE MSA SAN. The main issue was the high costs associated with keeping the HPE MSA SAN under warranty, alongside expensive upgrades. These growing expenses made it challenging for the company to maintain flexibility and scalability in its infrastructure.

Finding a scalable alternative that could integrate smoothly with its VMware ESXi environment was crucial to meeting operational needs.

## Solution

StarWind VSAN provided the perfect solution to ProPortion Foods' SAN-related challenges. By implementing StarWind VSAN on a standard HPE server, the company significantly reduced its warranty costs while also simplifying future upgrades. The flexibility and scalability of StarWind VSAN proved ideal for their production storage area network (SAN), ensuring they could easily expand as needed.

ProPortion Foods has relied on the StarWind solution for over 5 years, enjoying flawless performance and reliability.