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## Connectria to Run IBM i Servers for Ansell Healthcare

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**A**nsell Healthcare, a \$1 billion manufacturer of industrial and medical gloves, is outsourcing the hosting and management of critical IBM i, AIX, and VMware servers to Connectria as part of a multi-year contract, Connectria announced yesterday.

According to Connectria, Ansell Healthcare has tasked the outsourcer with the day-to-day management of its production systems, which includes iSeries and AIX systems and a private cloud based on VMware. In addition to management of production systems, Connectria will provide disaster recovery support.

Previously, the New Jersey-based manufacturer relied on the British firm Telstar Solutions for management of its Infor PRMS ERP environment. Clearly, Ansell felt it was better served with Connectria, which was founded in 1998 as an outsourcer for Deutsche Bank, and today provides hosting for more than 1,000 clients around the world.

Connectria, which runs data centers in St. Louis, Missouri, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, says it has more than 12 years of experience working with IBM Power Systems, System i, iSeries, and AS/400 platforms running IBM i, i5/OS, and OS/400.

The only thing more impressive than Connectria correct usage of the platform's various names is its IBM i customer list, which includes Louis Vuitton, Things Remembered, Paramount Studios, ASD, Purolator, Ecko Unlimited, Gulfstream, and now Ansell.