

Re: Is there a way to use Linux on the E450 ?

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On Sat, 16 Sep 2006, Josh McKee wrote:

I have yet to see an explanation where people are benefitting daily from OBP's add features.

If I have SLAs, where I promised my customers an uptime of 99.x %, and have to pay a penalty, when I don't keep to the SLA, I need the OBP when a server fails.

If I only have a BIOS, I have to dress, and to drive to the server room to reset / restart the server. That is extra downtime, which can be avoided.

Alternatively I have to buy an IP KVM Switch (350 Euro a port) and an IP remote power switch (50 Euro a port, 100 Euro for redundant power supply). With OBP, I need a serial console switch (50 Euro a port). Some server (280R, V240) have OBP over LAN, where I only need a switch port (16 Euro a port for a Cisco 2950-24).

Regards
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