XC System Management Usability BOF

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BOF Survey

- https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KMG657S

- Aggregate Ideas at scale!
- Take a moment to fill out quick feedback form regarding BOF topics
- Anonymous, unless you choose to leave your email address

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Goal of System Management BOF

- Facilitate direct conversation between customers and feature developers
- Draw upon experiences with CLE 6
- Identify areas of improvement within the product or industry standards or software which would be valuable
- Figure out which aspects of software people use the most, and want enhanced first
- Boot Performance Ideas

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General Comparison, CLE 5 vs. 6

- What is better in 5.2 compared to 6.0?
- What is better in 6.0 compared to 5.2?

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Installer

- **Snaputil vs Snapper?**
  - How is snapshotting being used?
- **Are you using Live Updates?**
  - What kinds of software are we installing post-boot?
- **Are you using containers anywhere on CLE?**
- **How valuable would capturing live node images be?**
- **During upgrades, is there more or less downtime than CLE 5?**

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IMPS (Images, repos, package collections, recipes)

- How often are you making custom recipes?
- Would you prefer to use another image building tool?
  - DIB?
  - Kiwi?
- How useful is the image root format?
- What has been your experience with Openstack/Glance?
  - UUIDs for images
  - Images are immutable
- IMPS is built upon an API, but is relatively undocumented. Would this be valuable to system administrators?

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Configuration Management Framework (CMF)

- Too much or too little?
- How valuable is cfgset validation?
- How useful has nodegroups been?
- How are you backing up cfgsets, if at all?
- Is anyone using anything other than ansible?
- Is there a more preferable method to do configuration?
- What kinds of ansible plays are you finding yourself needing to write as site-local playbooks?

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NIMS

- Is the ability to rollback changes useful?
- Have we noticed any performance slow downs?
- Are there any features that are in high demand?
- NIMS is built upon an API but is relatively undocumented. Would documentation encourage novel use?

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Patch Process

- How can we make the patching process better?
- How many would make use of online patch repositories, if made available?
- Are required manual changes to the system clear?
- Do you have any content that is not distributed as RPM?

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