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BIG PROBLEM:
**RANSOMWARE ATTACK HALTED A GLOBAL
MANUFACTURER'S OPERATIONS**

BIG THINKING:
**RECOVER AND SECURE THE SYSTEM – FAST – SAVE
\$1 MILLION IN RANSOM**



Cybersecurity Case Study

Shareholder Dan Desko is responsible for managing and leading a team of IT security professionals with diverse experiences, from former NSA cyber-operators, to data forensic pros and network hacking gurus.

Dan's cyber team went to the aid of global manufacturer in crises within 24 hours of receiving their initial call. Its systems were encrypted and inoperable as the result of a coordinated, strategic and targeted ransomware attack. The company's CFO reached out to Schneider Downs' Financial Audit engagement partner when a \$1 million ransom was demanded by the cyber attacker.

"Despite all of their systems being completely down, with backups also encrypted, our team was able to help them recover and rebuild their network within weeks as opposed to what would have likely taken months without targeted expertise," Desko said. "We were able to help them move forward in a much more secure state to avoid future attacks, while mitigating many costs associated with an attack of this magnitude. We also saved them \$1 million in ransom."

In addition to assisting with the recovery, Schneider Downs also played a key role in performing the digital forensics investigation, which included coordinating with the FBI and legal counsel

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