

## Postmortem

# Postmortem IR-11: 9-7-21 Internal Server Errors preventing access/performance

Created by on Oct 11, 2021

INCIDENT PROPERTIES	
Status	resolved
Severity	SEV-1
Started	Oct 11, 2021 08:55 pm UTC
Commander	<a href="mailto:enash@efilecabinet.com">enash@efilecabinet.com</a>
Incident Overview	<a href="#">IR-11</a>

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## What Happened?

### Impact on Customers

Internal server errors

## Why Did it Happen?

### Root Cause

RDS failover

# Timeline

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Sep 7, 2021 at 11:20 am

[enash@efilecabinet.com](mailto:enash@efilecabinet.com)

Internal server errors reported by Curtis in itteamsupportcollaboration channel

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Sep 7, 2021 at 11:20 am

[enash@efilecabinet.com](mailto:enash@efilecabinet.com)

Investigation began

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Sep 7, 2021 at 11:35 am

[enash@efilecabinet.com](mailto:enash@efilecabinet.com)

Determined to be a failover event.

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Sep 7, 2021 at 11:39 am

[enash@efilecabinet.com](mailto:enash@efilecabinet.com)

Brian cycled IIS servers on beanstalk instances

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Sep 7, 2021 at 11:41 am

[enash@efilecabinet.com](mailto:enash@efilecabinet.com)

Resolution reached, communicated to teams

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Oct 11, 2021 at 2:55 pm

Incident set to resolved by [enash@efilecabinet.com](mailto:enash@efilecabinet.com)

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Oct 11, 2021 at 8:30 pm

Task created by [enash@efilecabinet.com](mailto:enash@efilecabinet.com)

Working with AWS support to determine cause of failover

Task created Improve monitoring to catch it even sooner

Oct 11, 2021 at 8:30 pm

Field updated by [enash@efilecabinet.com](mailto:enash@efilecabinet.com)

Root Cause: RDS failover

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## How do we prevent it in the future?

### Action Items

- Working with AWS support to determine cause of failover

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- Improve monitoring to catch it even sooner

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