Flash Research Assignment: SharePoint

Our consulting firm can have a net benefit of $1,846,250 over a period of three years by utilizing SharePoint. Currently, our PMPs are struggling with the management of documents, but SharePoint is a cloud-based solution that will allow for easy access and sharing of stored documents. We should utilize SharePoint to increase the productivity and number of billable hours per year of our team of PMPs.

SharePoint provides the key capability of document sharing with prospective clients and other members making it more efficient to manage documents. It will drastically reduce the bulk of the time it takes to make a deal with prospective clients. For example, our team of PMPs will be able to access and manage their proposals with clients and maintain multiple versions of documents using SharePoint. Additionally, SharePoint provides collaboration for its users to allow them to simultaneously modify, manage, or share documents. Users will be able to assign special permissions to other users. SharePoint will drastically increase the productivity of our team of PMPs and increase the number of billable hours by 3,810 per year.

It will cost our consulting firm $154,000 over three years, which includes the hardware, software, and maintenance costs for SharePoint. It will provide a three-year benefit of $2,000,250. This will give our consulting firm a net benefit of $1,846,250 over three years.

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| **Cost** | **Year 1** | **Year 2** | **Year 3** | **Total** |
| Hardware and Software | ($100,000) | 0 | 0 | ($100,000) |
| Maintenance | ($18,000) | ($18,000) | ($18,000) | ($54,000) |
| **Total Cost:** | ($118,000) | ($18,000) | ($18,000) | **($154,000)** |

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| **Benefit** | **Year 1** | **Year 2** | **Year 3** | **Total** |
| **Increased Revenue** | $666,750 | $666,750 | $666,750 | $2,000,250 |
| **Benefit** | $666,750 | $666,750 | $666,750 | **$2,000,250** |
| **Net Benefit** | $548,750 | $648,750 | $648,750 | **$1,846,250** |