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Connecting Workiva and OneStream for seamless data integration



How BlackSky reduced reliance on manual processes and saved 40 hours per SEC reporting cycle

BUILDING RESILIENCE

“Clearsulting didn’t just give us a software solution—they gave us a smarter way to work. Their deep understanding of compliance, combined with practical automation tools, helped us focus on building a more strategic, resilient, and transparent reporting program that helps investors better understand our business. Most of all, it’s made a positive impact on our team’s quality of life and work.”

—Tracy Ward, Senior Vice President, Controller, BlackSky

Backing data integrity with a first-of-its-kind API

Leading space-based intelligence company BlackSky partnered with Clearsulting to streamline SEC reporting processes by connecting its OneStream financial system to Workiva with a first-of-its-kind API. With operations across engineering, manufacturing, and advanced satellite and AI technology solutions, BlackSky operates in a highly regulated environment where financial accuracy, data integrity, and federal Sarbanes-Oxley (SOX) compliance standards are non-negotiable.

The challenge

As a growing publicly-traded company, BlackSky sought to optimize SEC reporting efforts with specific interest in applying software mechanisms that saved time, increased transparency, and reduced risk. The small-but-mighty financial reporting team had been spending inordinate amounts of time on manually repetitive tasks such as control evidence collection (now minimized through log files confirming inter-system connection), in-person follow-ups, and manual testing documentation with legacy spreadsheet systems that made preparation for SEC filings unnecessarily difficult.

How we worked together

The solution

Clearsulting helped BlackSky connect Workiva to their OneStream financial system with a novel API solution, enabling dynamic data flow between compliance and financial reporting systems. This integration allowed for automated population of control testing data, enhanced traceability, and improved alignment between operational controls and financial outcomes. It also:

- Automated control performance tracking and testing in Workiva
- Enabled real-time visibility with dashboards and audit trails
- Provided a centralized repository for control documentation and evidence
- Underpinned data consistency between Workiva and OneStream, eliminating human error
- Automated alerts and certifications for control owners

Time savings and efficiency gains

By the time of go-live, the BlackSky finance team realized significant gains in reporting efficiency. Centralized data and streamlined workflows reduced reliance on manual processes with the team saving approximately 40 hours per SEC reporting cycle. The Workiva-OneStream integration proved especially valuable—control testing data flowed directly into compliance dashboards, allowing the finance and legal teams to work from a shared, real-time source of truth.

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Industry: Aerospace

Employees: 350

Geographies: North America

Challenges:

- Highly regulated environment calling for financial accuracy, data integrity, and SOX compliance.
- Small financial reporting team performing manual tasks with little visibility.

Impact:

- Reduced reliance on manual processes saving 40 hours per quarterly reporting cycle.
- Workiva-OneStream integration with direct data flow, establishing a shared, real-time source of truth.