How to Run Windows Backup from a Command Prompt to a URL

In order to use Windows Backup to backup to a URL in older version of Windows server 2008 you have to use Windows backup from the command line using "WBadmin.exe"(more info on WBAdmin can be found at this link <u>http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/cc754015.aspx</u>). A scheduled task can then be created to for nightly unattended backups.

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- 1. Determine/create a network location for Windows backup to backup to.
- 2. Create user on both the source and destination location making it part of the **Backup Users Group** on the source system and just read/write on destination.
- 3. Copy the following command into run line for testing: powershell –command wbadmin start backup -backupTarget:\\<Server name or IP Addrerss>\<Share location > -user:<username> -password:<Password> -include:c: -vssFull â€“quiet Â note: make sure you change variable. This will start Windows Backup (wbadmin) it will back up the C: drive (-include:C:) using a full Volume Shadow Service (-vssfull) to a network share (-backupTarget:\\<Server name or IP Addrerss>\<Share location >) Â in quiet mode (â€“quiet)
- 4. If test is successful create a scheduled task and paste the working command in to the Program/script box

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Add arguments (optional):		

5. Click yes pop up window.

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?	It appears as though arguments have been included in the Program text box. Do you want to run the following program: powershell With the following arguments: -command wbadmin start backup -backupTarget:\\ <server name or IP Addrerss>\<share location=""> -user:<username> -password:<password> -include:c: -vssFull -quiet</password></username></share></server 				
	Yes No Cancel				

 Before clicking Finish on task schedule, check box next to" Open the Properties Dialog for this Task when I click finish"

Action:	Start a program; powershell –command wba		
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7. On the "General" tab click the radial button â€œRun whether user is logged on or not" and â€œRun with highest privileges"

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8. Click ok then enter the credentials you created in step 1 (Remember you will use computername/username format"

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