

Just putting a few bullets in an email following the meeting in Menlo Park.

In the Tier 2 specification I think the following would be really useful for me as an end user:

1. Having efficiency metrics for different workloads and clearly tell us end users which are better for which type of business
2. Making some of the efficiency metrics mandatory for vendors (future and ideally historic) - so they don't only put through their best servers at their best configuration but all of their servers at typical configurations which then allows me to make informed decisions when procuring equipment. At the moment I can't even do meaningful comparison with a part view. This would also able me to have the upper hand when battling with business folk who try to push through inefficient servers whereas today I don't have independent benchmarks to point them to and use in my defense.
3. I am not looking for information to be 100% accurate - directionally correct is good
4. Servers Fan Power vs. Inlet Air Temp graph - this is critical to make sure when end users turn up the temperature in the DC we are not pushing up our fan power - i.e. moving the problem from one place to another.

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