

Smart Proxy - Feature #1224

DNSMadeEasy/Foreman/SmartProxy integration

10/13/2011 12:07 AM - Brian Gupta

Status:	New	
Priority:	Normal	
Assignee:		
Category:	DNS	
Target version:		
Difficulty:		Fixed in Releases:
Triaged:		Found in Releases:
Bugzilla link:		Red Hat JIRA:
Pull request:		
Description		
Now that DNSMadeEasy has REST API, we should support it http://www.dnsmadeeasy.com/enterprise-dns/rest-api/		
Related issues:		
Related to Foreman - Tracker #5409: DNS Proxy Improvements		New

History

#1 - 10/13/2011 12:16 AM - Brian Gupta

Here is some sample code <https://github.com/bgupta/dnsmadeeasy>

#2 - 07/09/2013 09:45 PM - Jeremy Kitchen

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#3 - 07/09/2013 11:56 PM - Brian Gupta

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I'd suggest NOT using a full gem for this as the API is dirt simple. That said, feel free to steal any of the code/examples I wrote (all GPLv2+):

<https://github.com/bgupta/dnsmadeeasy>

This is likely the script that would be most useful example: <https://github.com/bgupta/dnsmadeeasy/blob/master/ec2-set-dme-dns.rb>

-Brian

#4 - 07/10/2013 12:37 AM - Jeremy Kitchen

ok, that's what I was figuring, just hack the http requests together and it should Just Work. I'll try to bang this out by the end of the week, I have a bunch of meetings tomorrow and jury duty thursday (and hopefully ONLY thursday)

thanks!

#5 - 07/15/2013 05:27 PM - Jeremy Kitchen

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#6 - 07/15/2013 05:34 PM - Brian Gupta

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Yuck, hadn't really thought about that, but not loving the idea of configuring this in a text file. I'm starting to wonder if the proxy is the right place to do this. (IE: We are doing a lot more in Foreman directly than we did in the past, perhaps your idea to make this a parameter to the proxy call might be one way.)

I think taking this to the foreman-dev mailing list is the right path at this point.

-Brian

#7 - 07/15/2013 06:55 PM - Jeremy Kitchen

ok, will do that in a bit, thanks!

#8 - 04/23/2014 02:34 PM - Stephen Benjamin

- Related to Tracker #5409: DNS Proxy Improvements added

#9 - 07/10/2015 09:36 AM - Dominic Cleal

- Category set to DNS

The Smart Proxy's DNS module can now be extended by plugins, thanks to [#7008](#). This would be a great way to start developing this feature if anybody's interested.

Here are some useful links:

- http://projects.theforeman.org/projects/foreman/wiki/How_to_Create_a_Smart-Proxy_Plugin - developer information
- https://github.com/theforeman/smart_proxy_dns_plugin_template - a near-working template to create a new DNS provider

- https://github.com/theforeman/smart_proxy_dns_route53 - a working example adding AWS Route53 support